

# THE NOTRE DAME ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Edition V

#### **NEWSLETTER**

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#### **Editorial**

Since the last newsletter our first child, a son, was born and moved into our home (Jeremy, Class of 2007) and Steppie's first child, a son, Chris '81, married and moved out. These events occurred within twenty-four hours of each other. Kind of spooky, eh Step, sort of like the Twilight Zone! And, for those of us with less than seven children, Steppie has graciously offered this advice: "After the third, it's a piece of cake." Thank you Steppie.

Over the summer we've received a few letters. We hope you'll keep them coming as they, and the N. D. Grapevine, are where we get all that juicy info for the **Whatever Happened To** and we don't think you would want us to improvise too much.

Thanks to those who responded to the **Wanted Poster**. We were able to locate and confine to our Alumni Directory, two Alumni previously missing from all our lists. This is going to be a regular feature so if you've lost track of an old high school chum, or if you know the whereabouts of someone, ask us for help or help us out, whichever the case might be. And for those of you who don't want to be found, watch out! Big Sisters are on your trail.

Hope you enjoy the **Back to School** edition and see you at the Homecoming.

#### Reunion 1979

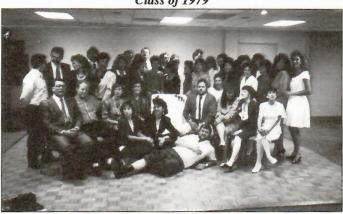
Lisa Laponte '79

Our class celebrated its ten year reunion on September 15th and 16th and after a weekend like this was, it's fortunate we have ten years to recover until the next one! My throat is still sore from the non-stop talking.

Our first suspicion that things had changed in ten years came when we arrived at the school. When did they change the entrance door? We were all greeted with our name tags attached to our grad pictures. The consensus was that we don't look any older now, it's just that in those pictures we looked so young. After the school function finished at 1:00 a.m., many of us adjourned the party to the Renfrew Trojan Clubhouse. (Please John, next time, hide the posters first.)

Saturday night we re-convened, this time with spouses and dates, at the Shereton Villa. John Guidolin was the M.C. for the evening and his opening monologue could give Jay Leno a run for his money. The grad committee presented the following awards:

Class of 1979



- 1. Mike Gazzolla, now a C.A., for the grad from afar, coming all the way from Mississauga, Ontario.
- 2. Dr. Ann Marie Howell, PhD., for the first to register. She resides in Seattle but comes home every weekend to visit her boyfriend. Are those wedding bells we hear, Ann Marie?
- 3. The award for the most children went to Maria Maxwell. Her five year old was the first born offspring of our class.
- 4. The award for the least-changed grad was changed to 'the best pickled' when it was awarded to Brian 'Okie' O'Connell.
- 5. Brian McCann's award had something to do with the stuff normally found growing on the top of your head. Don't worry Brian, you had some stiff competition.
- 6. A special resiliency award went to Mario Zupan. Sorry but you really had to be there to know about this one.

Of the five expectant grads, Julie Iannacone was the bravest. She and her husband, Rob Singer, were expecting their first child that night. No, there were no M.D.'s in the house, but Lange Soo, a dentist with her own practice in Oakridge, offered to do a free root canal. [Ed. Note: She had a girl, September 25th.]

Both the dinner and dancing were great as long as we stayed out of the way of Maria (Nibbelink) Taylor and her husband on the dance floor. I guess tri-athletes really do have more energy than the rest of us.

Thanks to the hard work of the grad committee the reunion was a great success. To those from the class who weren't there—you missed a great party. More important though, WE MISSED YOU!! Hope to see all of you in 1999, the last reunion of the century.

#### Letters to the Editor

Dear Steppie & Cindy,

Congratulations Cindy on your pregnancy. My own little girl is eight months old. It's great to hear all the news of the grads. I'm not that isolated in Kimberley but far enough away that it's great to receive the newsletter. Take care, and Cindy, don't let Steppie talk you into seven kids, or have there been more since I've left town?!! [Ans: NO, I am too old! - SB]

Lauriss (McGrath) Caldwell '81

[Ed. Note: This class HAS been busy. Also received a short letter from Leah (Schollen) Allen '81 congratulating Cindy on her impending parenthood. Leah is expecting her first baby Oct 1st. She is having trouble believing they are old enough to be parents. (She's having trouble!! — My baby graduated with them! — SB]

Dear Steppie,

Have you got Evelyn (Sutter) Neumann's address and are there any plans for a thirty year reunion for our class? **Stephen Dunik '59** Ottawa

[Ans: Sorry Stephen. We had Evelyn's address but her winter newsletter came back and so far we haven't received a change of address from her. Some of us have talked about a reunion but it doesn't look as if there will be one unless a group of us get it together quickly. How about it 1959! Call me if you're interested — SB]

Dear Steppie and Cindy,

My thanks for a great A.A. newsletter. I am so happy to be in touch with N.D. after so many years. I loved N.D. and look back at it with fond and wild memories. I was very sad to see Brian Jackson's ('73 by the way) name in the R.I.P. column as well as the others. It would be great to hear from other '73 grads. Keep up the great work.

Mary (Hayden) Kuipers

[Ed. Note: You won't believe our error on this one. See "The Reports of . . . " below.]

#### Reports of His Death Were Greatly Exaggerated

We are happy to report that Brian Jackson from the Class of 1973 (not 1972) is not dead. It would be a humorous situation, if we did not realize that we had upset many of his old friends. We are really mystified by this one because of the number of confirmations we received. We really apologize to anyone who was hurt by this report.

#### Whatever Happened to ...

You know how I hate to make a mistake. It was bad enough when Diane (Harrington) Boroevich '65 called to let me know we had made an error in our last publication. Lynn Potter '65 is a Doctor of Medicine, not a Dentist. This is no big deal, right? And, in my opinion, displays a lot better taste on her part. But when Mara (Martinuzzi) Cirotto '72 yells at me in the Church parking lot that she doubts that Brian Jackson '73 is dead because he visited her cousin Frank Sacilatto '73 two weeks earlier, well I tell you, I almost joined the next R.I.P. list myself. I know that anyone can make a mistake but it will be a long time before I live this one down. The funny thing is, several people had confirmed the information and one still refuses to believe otherwise. We'll let you know "Whatever (really) Happened To Him" as soon as we are able to contact Brian and inform him about the premature report of his death. I can't wait to hear his reaction. I guess this wins hands down for this month's "Believe it or Not" category. In fact, it may rate for this whole year's "Believe it or Not" category.

By the way, Frank (you remember the "Snake") and **Jim D'Alfonso** are partners in *Satch's Arcade* on East Hastings St. Well after a faux pas of this magnitude, and in light of the subject matter, I kind of hesitate to mention what this month's choice for the most unique occupation is...Oh well...

Did you know that **Janice** (**Wuzinski**) **Bobic** '66 works for the coroner's office? Honest, and I thought being a dentist was bad enough . . .

Let's get on to a more pleasant subject. Babies!! You should know Lauriss, that Cindy turned pale at even the thought of having seven children. (See Letters To The Editor.) However, Rob and Karey Renning '84 would seem to be willing to take up the challenge. They had their third child, and first son, on Mother's Day. I asked Rob if they were planning on more and he muttered something unintelligible, something about sleeping in the closet.

We certainly have a well travelled group of Alumni, **Jeannie '82** and **Margaret '83 Bezdan**, as well as **Tom Demenuk '76** all returned home this year after spending a year teaching in Japan. We heard from **Pat (West) Schollen '57** and she notes that her daughter **Shannon '80** is on a trip which includes China, Thailand, Hong Kong, Yugoslavia, and Hungary. What a tough life these young people live.

Tom Carr '71 tells us he meets a lot of people "by accident". He's a claims adjuster for I.C.B.C. (Tom, your sense of humour is sicker than mine.) According to a clipping from the Georgetown News, sent to us by Dave McKinnon '74, John Malinosky '73 has gone from "making one kind of dough to another". After completing his successful pro-football career, John recently purchased a Tim Horton Donut franchise. Now THAT is my kind of guy. So much better taste than being a dentist or working in a coroner's office, don't you think? In fact, if you really think about it, once you hit the coroner's office, who cares about teeth anyway? All right John!! I love donuts.

#### Those Were The Days



We promised to print the picture of anyone who wore their old prom dress to the spring dance and here she is. From the Class of 1965 and not looking a day older than she did in 1965 is Arlene (MacDonald) Kulai. She is seen here receiving her prize from Rob Renning '84. (Forgive me Rob, but she looks even younger than you.)

#### Did you Recognize them?

Dear Editors,

The boys in the photo from left to right are: Ed Bradley '57, Chuck Trainor '56 and Bob Guthrie '56.

[Anna (Ghislieri) Bateman '56 & Mary (Valjacic) Culos '56] [Ed. Note: Close but not quite — It was Wayne Steel '57 not Ed Bradley.]



From the early 70's.

We'll give you a hint—They are
"A Live" group.

### N.D. Most Wanted

From the Class of 1964, we are looking for:

Mary Ayerbe Jeanette Bauche Kathleen Clarke Julie (Fetherstonhaugh) Horon Barry Shiminousky

Tom Lawrence

Dianne Lavoie Marion McCready Terance Rule Victor Hardy Marilyn Smith

## Notre Dame Alumni's Second Annual Homecoming Dance

Friday, November 10, 8:00 p.m. Notre Dame Hall — \$5.00

The biggest football rivalry in the city of Vancouver will be played on Saturday afternoon, November 4th, and we'll be able to hash over the results of that game the following Friday night at the Alumni's Second Annual Homecoming.

This social was a huge success last year and we look forward to a great time again. For the guys it means reminiscing about old games; for the girls it means reminiscing about old guys. I'm just kidding. As you can see from the schedule on the Juggler page, and with a little luck, you might be able to catch Notre Dame in a playoff game on your way to the Homecoming.

We've been listening to you, so our Homecoming will be a social affair, with the emphasis on the social. That means more talk, and less dance. Judging from our last few reunions, the majority of you have wanted to spend most of your time reminiscing and catching up on each other's lives.

We also want to begin something new by designating each social to a small group of graduating years. We hope that it will make you feel more comfortable knowing that it is likely a good group from your era will be there so:

~~ 1970 - 1975 ~~

The **Second Annual Homecoming** is being held especially for you!!!

Now, as for the rest of you, this does not mean only those years are invited. We had a great group from the first homecoming last November, but because we said it was a reunion for the 1968 football team, it was almost all men. (This wasn't our intention, although I must admit, we women who did attend had a great time.) In fact, everyone who has attended our socials, whether the crowd has been large or small, have had a real good time. If you don't feel comfortable coming on your own, call a few old classmates and set up your own party. You won't regret it.

## Twenty-Fifth Reunion For Class of 1964

Well the big weekend has almost arrived for the grads of 1964. "Nostalgia Night" for the grads and their teachers will take place on Friday, October 6th at 7:30 p.m. in the N.D. Cafeteria. On the following night, Saturday, October 7th, the formal 1964 Reunion Dinner Dance will be held at the Bella Casa beginning at 6:00 p.m. Anyone requiring further information can contact Anne Marie Oswald at 298-9183 or Louise Larochelle at 929-0256. Arrangements have been made for last minute reservations at both functions.



# The Juggler

### "NOTRE DAME JUGGLERS — 1989 B. C. FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS?"

Football — Can the Juggler do it for the third year in a row? With a good group of players returning from the 1988 Championship Team, George Oswald is very optimistic that his team will do just that. It would be the first time since the 1971/72/73 series that Notre Dame has accomplished this feat and this is obviously the goal that the coaches and team are striving towards. They are certainly off to a good start in their first two league games with decisive 47-0 and 30-10 victories over South Delta and Centennial respectively.

Volleyball — Ranked #1, the 1989 Senior Volleyball Team also has good reason to be optimistic. Although unwilling to make any prediction, Mike Cooke is obviously pretty confident about his team's chance for a very successful year. With three members of the team having played first string on the 1988 team and several more having seen a lot of playing time, I'd say Mike is being very conservative on this one.

**Drama** — Alan reports that the first production this year will be the musical *Cinderella*. The final date has not yet been set but Alan says it will be in December. Keep your eyes open for publicity on this one. Notre Dame's drama productions just seem to get better and better.

Music — Cathy Wiederick has accepted the challenge of musical director at Notre Dame this year. She tells me she intends to continue the program as set up by Rob Viens, maintaining the concert choir and a girl's jazz choir again this year. The first scheduled performance is the school concert, tentatively set for January 18th.

#### **Schedules**

	-	Sr. Girls Vol	leyba	II
Sept.	20	Crofton House	4:00	Away
	25	York House	5:00	Home
	27	St. Patrick's	4:00	Away
	29/30	Douglas College Tourn.		
Oct.	4	Little Flower Acad.	TBA	Away
	6/7	U Vic Tourn.		•
	11	York House	5:00	Away
	13/14	UBC Tourn.		- I I
	16	Crofton	TBA	Home
	18	St. Patrick's	TBA	Home
	20/21	SFU Tourn.		
	25	Little Flower	TBA	Home
	27/28	Handsworth Tourn.		
Nov.	1	League Semi-Finals		
	4	Handsworth Mini To		
	8	League Final		
	14	ALUMNI TOURN.	6:00	
	23/24/25	Provincials		Elphinstone, Gibsons

#### Silver Anniversaries

This edition we would like to begin to recognize those members of the Notre Dame staff who have served the school for many years.

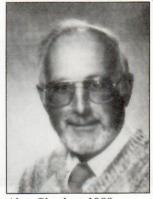


Alan Charlton 1965

With the graduating class of 1989, Alan Charlton celebrated the completion of his twenty-fifth year as a teacher at Notre Dame. I remember those first years at the school so vividly because almost every night Al would come home laughing over some new challenge Alan had made to the then 'status quo'. With his unique 'character' and spirit, he made then, and has continued for twenty-five years to make, an indelible mark on the spirit and character of Notre Dame. His wit and humour are unforgettable. For my part, I know that

the funniest comments I ever received on my children's anecdotal report cards were penned by him. Alan's own 'performance' while producing one of his superb drama or musical productions is ingrained in every graduate's memory. He holds the all time

record for threatening to cancel "this bleep bleep play". As I recall, he has produced something like 56 plays and he has threatened to cancel at least 55. The only one that escaped his wrath was *The Man Who Came To Dinner* in which, coincidentally, he starred himself. The Notre Dame Alumni salutes this "Man Who Came To Dinner" and who stayed to play such a large role in the spirit that is Notre Dame.



Alan Charlton 1989

Next month we will feature Sr. Katherine Nickerson who celebrates her twenty-fifth anniversary of continuous service at Notre Dame this June. P.S. 1958-1960 grads, you know her as Sr. Katherine Josephine.

	Varsity Football				
Sept	8	Cascade	5:00	Cascade	
	15	South Delta	7:00	Empire	
	22	Centennial	7:00	Empire	
	29	Westsyde	7:00	Empire	
Oct.	7	Steveston	1:30	Steveston	
	13	West Van	7:00	Empire	
	20	Abbotsford	6:00	Empire	
	28	Eastside Catholic	3:00	BC Place	
Nov.	4	Vanc. College	1:30	V.C.	
	10 or 11	Playoff	TBA	Empire	
	16 or 17	Playoff	TBA	Empire	
	25	Championship	8:00	BC Place	