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Parkway Trivia

for the **Knowledgeable**, the **Competitive** and the just plain *Lucky*



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re you one of those grads who knows what colors are on the Parkway flag, or are you one who slipped out of your graduation robes without knowing Monterey Jack cheese about the school district that molded you? Yes, you were probably too busy memorizing theorems or writing term papers to bother retaining a lot of Parkway lore as a student, but surely you picked up something about your alma mater while you were still an undergrad. To find out, tap into the arcane facts lying dormant in your brain and take the test below. Alumni recently grappled with some of these questions at the PAA's Annual Trivia Night. Answers are printed upside down on page 11 (to discourage research while taking the test). Good luck!



1. This spring, Parkway had 2 out of 56 of these in the nation. What are they?

- a) Students who scored a perfect 36 on the ACT
- b) Students with confirmed eyestrain due to a marathon reading of "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows"
- c) PE teachers who competed in the last Summer Olympics and won bronze medals in synchronized swimming

2. Opened in 1957, what was the first school built by the new district?

- a) Parkway Junior-Senior High School (now Central Middle)
- b) Fern Ridge Elementary
- c) Robin Hill Elementary

3. What percentage of Parkway graduates enroll in either a 2- or 4-year, post-secondary program?

- a) 94.3%
- b) 98.7
- c) 88.2

4. Opened in 1976, Parkway South High School has a distinct bicentennial flavor. Name the mascot, newspaper and yearbook.

- a) Patriots, The Treaty, The Declaration
- b) Bulldogs, The Federalist Papers, The Constitution
- c) Eagles, Poor Richard's Almanac, The Star Spangled Banner

5. What Parkway High School has won more combined athletic state championships than any other Missouri public high school?

- a) West
- b) North & Central (tied)
- c) South

6. Approximately how many Granting Dreams applications were approved by the Alumni Association in 2008, and for what total dollar amount? (Stop scratching your head and take a guess. The money comes from fundraising and donations to the PAA. The applications are available to all PSD students.)

- a) 200; \$20,000
- b) 55; \$10,000
- c) 598; \$35,000



7. How did Parkway get its name?

- a) Highway 40/Interstate 64 almost divides the district in half, east to west. At the district's inception in 1954, this highway was commonly known as the Daniel Boone Parkway.
- b) It was named for an old Roman road that was uncovered near Central High (present day) during an archaeological dig in 1934, with chariot wheel ruts still evident.
- c) The name is in honor of Jean Parkway, a French Canadian fur trader who retired to a cabin near Vlassis Park and later went into the construction business.

8. What five elementary school districts consolidated in 1954 to become the Parkway School District (if you know this one, you're probably an AARP member...)? Possibilities: Barretts, Ballwin, Fern Ridge, Twin Oaks, Manchester, Mason Ridge, Big Bend, Weber, Creve Coeur., Grant's Village.

9. Who currently serves as the district's superintendent?

- a) Dr. Robert Malito
- b) Dr. Bob Melorta
- c) Dr. Rob Milletta



10. West High celebrates its 40th anniversary this year! Name three of the five people who have served as principal.

Possibilities: Dave McMillan, Al Burr, Adam West, Don Senti, Dan Deschamp, Bill Byrd, Mae West, Beth Plunkett, Bill Myer, Clint Eastwood.

11. According to district records (and they're never wrong), you can find Parkway graduates in how many different countries?

- a) 44
- b) 27
- c) 62

12. What was the original name of Parkway Central High School?

- a) Parkway High School
- b) Central Ballet Academy
- c) Chesterfield School



13. What high school was the first in Parkway to have a swimming pool?

- a) North
- b) West
- c) they were all built with swimming pools

14. Founders of the Parkway Alumni Association are graduates of what high school?

- a) North
- b) South
- c) Ladue Horton Watkins

15. What is the mascot of Parkway's newest high school, Fern Ridge?

- a) Mustangs
- b) Bison
- c) Cougars

16. Name the new award given to new teachers who exemplify the excellence and philosophy of former Parkway educator Dr. Al Burr.

- a) The Albert Awards
- b) Burr's Brainy Bunch
- c) Al's Superstars

17. Where do Parkway alumni surf?

- a) www.parkwayalumni.org
- b) www.MySpace.com
- c) www.Facebook.com



West's Geldbach retires, but challenges alums with brilliant assignment: Give \$1



TO ALL OF MY FORMER STUDENTS:



This is my last year of teaching at Parkway West High School. It is my 30th year of teaching, with 25 of those years being served at West. It has been a pleasure to teach so many wonderful kids and make so many friends over the years. Although I look forward to all of the opportunities awaiting me, I know that the most difficult part will be leaving behind the daily interactions that I have had with students during my teaching career.

When I attended school at Parkway West, I learned that the more effort I put into my education, the more I gained from the experience. I also discovered that what you learn in high school is divided into two parts. Of course, high school is focused on academic achievements and development, but I learned that it is also about the relationships one develops with people along the way. I tried very hard to put those relationships first in my teaching style, knowing that once I established a sense of community in the classroom, the academic achievement would follow. I found out that

students want to learn as a result of developing that kind of relationship with the teacher. Al Burr taught me that as my principal when I was a student at West, and I carried that into my teaching career when I started in 1977. Oftentimes, teachers have no idea the impact they make on a student's life until years later when the student contacts the teacher and explains how influential they were in their lives. Over the years, these kinds of experiences have meant the world to me because so many have come back just to say, "Hi," and to express appreciation.

The purpose of me writing this letter to all of my former students is two-fold. First, I wanted to thank you for touching my life and constantly molding me into a better teacher and person.

The second purpose is to ask you to join me in giving something back to Parkway. I want to use my retirement as a means for helping kids with special needs in Parkway, so I am asking each of my former students, from 1983 to the present, to donate a minimum of \$1 to the Al Burr Fund. I will present your donations to Al Burr at the Parkway Alumni Association Hall of Fame Dinner on Nov. 15, 2008. Please send your donation to the Parkway Alumni Association, 455 N. Woods Mill Rd., Chesterfield, Mo., 63017. Or, call the PAA office to use a credit card (314-415-8074), and be sure to mention my name!

Again, I cannot thank you all enough for the countless wonderful experiences and memories that I have had during these 30 years. I truly feel blessed to have had the privilege to work with so many exceptional people.

With many thanks—
Larry Geldbach, ATC

President's Letter



Greetings! Hello alumni, and welcome to our "mean season!" For whatever reason, PAA's schedule is heavily weighted toward the spring. As proof, I offer a glimpse into our calendar. From February through May, various board members will have:

- Read over 700 Granting Dreams applications
- Allocated \$20,000 to fund 210 dreams
- Presented the Granting Dreams winners to the public and Board of Education during the Board of Education meeting in May, along with a reception

- Organized and hosted our 9th Annual Trivia Night event
- Organized and will host our 13th Annual Golf Tournament
- Read nominations, and are deciding on the 2008 Hall of Fame inductees
- Continued final/detailed planning for the Hall of Fame ceremony to be held in Nov. 15, 2008
- Read nominations and voted on our first ever Albert Awards
- Presented the Albert Awards to the inaugural winners during the district's Appreciation Evening
- Cheered for our very own Mimi (Spener) Holder as she received her Pillar of Parkway Award during the Appreciation Evening (congratulations Mimi— it's well deserved!)

Whew! I guess that's why they pay us the big bucks! Anyway, as you can see, the Alumni Association continues to work very hard on programs that serve and support the Parkway community are fun for alumni. Make sure to visit our Web site, www.parkwayalumni.org, regularly to find out where you can Connect, Reunite, Participate, and Contribute!

Have a terrific and safe spring; we'll chat again in the summer.

Wally Flick



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PAA to host Golf Tournament at beautiful Missouri Bluffs Club



On **Friday, May 30, 2008**, Parkway Alumni Association will host the 13th Annual Parkway Golf Tournament at the beautiful Missouri Bluffs Golf Club. Golfers will begin with putting contests and lunch at 11:30 a.m., followed by 18 holes of golf and a dinner-auction.

The proceeds of the tournament help support the Parkway Alumni Association's Granting Dreams Program, which provides grants to students so that they can pursue educational opportunities beyond the scope of the classroom. To date, the program has awarded over \$120,000 in grants to students!

More than 150 people are expected to participate in this year's tournament. Sponsors and contributors receive recognition at the tournament and dinner, as well as in the Parkway Alumni Newsletter, which is distributed to over 50,000 households.

Visit www.parkwayalumni.org for more information. To register, call 314.415.8074, or fill out the form below.

- Eagle Tournament Sponsor** **\$1,000**
Dinner for 4, Signage
- Birdie Awards Sponsor** **\$500**
Dinner for 2, Signage
- Hole Sponsor** **\$200**
Signage
- Prize Donation** **PRICELESS!**
(Provide a raffle item or tournament prize) □ Signage
- Golfers** **\$125/each**
(Includes lunch, greens fees, carts, refreshments, prizes, dinner and auction. If registering for a team of four, please list the names below.)

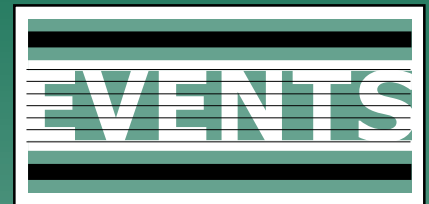
Names of golfers, with phone numbers and email addresses:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

For more information, contact: Jan Misuraca, Parkway Alumni Association, (314) 415 - 8074; or Michael Baugus, Golf Tournament Committee Chairman, (314) 415-7803.

Please make CHECKS payable to: The Parkway Alumni Association.

Please mail CHECKS AND PRIZES to: The Parkway Alumni Association, Attn: Jan Misuraca, 455 N. Woods Mill Rd., Chesterfield, Mo., 63017.



May '08

30 Parkway Golf Tournament at Missouri Bluffs; register now!

June '08

21 Parkway Central Class of '88 Reunion
28 Parkway North Class of '88 Reunion
28 Parkway West Class of '88 Reunion

July '08

5 Parkway West Class of '73 Reunion (tentatively)
11 Parkway Central Class of '83 Reunion

August '08

9 Parkway South Class of '98 Reunion
23 Parkway South Class of '88 Reunion

September '08

27 Parkway Central Class of '98 Reunion

October '08

4 Parkway Central Class of '68 Reunion

November '08

1-2 Craft Fair at Parkway North
15 Hall of Fame Celebration
29 Parkway West Class of '98

Please check www.parkwayalumni.org for updates on all events and reunions.



Hall of Fame celebration to be held Nov. 15, 2008

In the fall of 2008, the Parkway Alumni Association will induct its third class into the Parkway Alumni Association Hall of Fame.

Mark your calendars now to attend the Hall of Fame celebration on **Nov. 15**.

Visit our Web site after June 15 to see who will be inducted, and make your reservation!



Parkway Alumni

Arts & Crafts Fair

Nov. 1-2 • 10 a.m.-4 p.m. • North High School

For information on booth rentals, call 314-631-0601 or 314-415-8074.

Proceeds will benefit the PAA, whose mission is to encourage communication among alumni and to foster programs that serve and support the community.

CLASS NOTES

1970

Robert E. O'Neill [Central '70] and his wife, Marlane, have recorded their adventures traveling the canals of England and Europe on their website, www.living-the-dream.tv. The couple purchased their houseboat, the *Oo-la-la*, in 2001.

1974

Larry Queen [West '74] writes that he was hit by a drunk driver in 1984, totaling his 1980 Chevette and placing him in a coma for 93 days. He subsequently had to have his hip joints replaced. He has been a Missouri Bar member since 1980 and a member of the Florida Bar since 1982. He also has been a Florida real estate agent and mortgage broker. He reports that he was a USCF-rated chess player in 1984.

1978

Bill England [North '78] writes, "This past fall I celebrated the one-year anniversary of owning my own web-based business. In 2006, I started an awesome on-line travel business, Let's Travel Baby. When someone asks me what I do, I tell them, 'I'm a paycation specialist. I teach people how to get paid to take vacations! You can find it at www.LetsTravelBaby.com."

1980

Amy Belice [North '80] lives in Cedar Rapids, Ia. For the past five years she has had a freelance graphic design business and teaches the Advanced Graphic Design classes at Hawkeye Community College in Waterloo, Ia. She previously was a senior designer at the University of Iowa. Amy has numerous national awards for her work. Her three children keep her busy, as well as teaching the Temple 7-8 Sunday School class, AAF, and Tango Club. Amy once served as a magician's assistant for **Todd Brown [Central 81]!**

Karen (Allen) Dorway [West '80] writes, "Chuck and I have been married 26 years (hard to believe we're that old!). We have two kids: Chase, 11, and Cassidy, 8. We spent a lot of years playing before we settled down and had our family. We live in Miami and enjoy the weather and the beach. We've been in

Florida since 1981. Prior to having kids, we did a lot of scuba diving—we've put that on hold until the kids are a little older. Our hobbies mostly revolve around the kids and our church activities. Going to the beach is an obvious favorite. The kids saw snow for the first time last year when we went skiing in Vermont. I'd love to hear from old classmates."

1982

Kora (Jungeblut) Van Patten [West '82] has been happily married to her high school sweetheart, **Dave Van Patten [North '82]**, for 22 years. Dave has worked for Nike IHM for 15 years. "We have two wonderful boys, ages 17 and 13, who both play football for the Eureka Wildcats," she writes. In December 2005, Kora graduated from the University of Missouri-St. Louis as the student marshal of her graduating class. She has a bachelor's degree in elementary education and is teaching in the Francis Howell School District. She also is pursuing her master's degree.

1984

Ted (Theodore) Lieberman [North '84] and his wife, Debbie, live in Fenton, Mo., with their four children: Kelsey, 10, Clayton, 8, Noah, 4, and Alexis, 2. Ted works with computer systems at Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Missouri.

1986

Timm W. Schowalter [West '86] has been elected Chairman of the Employment & Labor Practice Group of the USLAW Network, Inc. The firm is a closely allied group of 61 U.S. law firms from 45 states and 23 European law firms with over 4,000 lawyers specializing in business transactions and litigation. Schowalter holds a J.D. degree from the University of Missouri-Columbia School of Law, and is a 1992 graduate of Southeast Missouri State University.

1987

Karen (Kartye) Arnold [West '87] earned her undergrad and graduate degrees from Duke University and her medical degree from St. Louis University. She completed her residency in psychiatry in Albuquerque, N.M. She and her husband, Ed, recently relocated to Robbins Air Force Base in Warner Robbins, Ga. In addition to New Mexico, they also have lived in North Carolina, Japan, Virginia and Illinois. They have two beautiful, fun, well-adjusted children, Holly, 7, and Brady, 6, and love to travel the world as a family.

1988

Karen S. (Clark) Kline [North '88] recently completed her doctoral degree in

marriage and family therapy from Texas Tech University after a seven-year detour to get married and have a family. She also has an M.S. in marriage and family therapy from Kansas State University [96] and a B.S. in family science from Brigham Young University [93]. She has a private practice in Arlington, Tex., where she works with individuals, couples and families. She specializes in working with trauma victims and military families, and has dedicated part of her practice to helping returning soldiers and families of deployed soldiers. She resides in Arlington with her husband, five kids (three by marriage), and one very lovable dog. Karen would love to hear from friends and classmates at klinetherapy@sbcglobal.net.

Rob Levins [South '88] is the Vice President of Construction at Sitelines. He lives in Ballwin with his wife, Terra, and daughters Maggie, 7, and Lizzie, 5.

Penny (Lieberman) Garrecht [North '88] and her husband, Tom, have lived in Jupiter, Fla., since 2001. On April 20, 2005 their daughter, Danielle Pendleton Garrecht, was born. She's spent the last two and one half years being a stay-at-home mom and periodically working for the Grassy Waters Nature Preserve in West Palm Beach.

1989

Randy Bruce [South '89] and his wife, Dorian, announce the birth of their first child. Riley Robert Bruce was born March 26, 2007. They live in Memphis, Tenn.

Marsha E. (Blume) Medows [Central '89] writes, "I am living happily in Manhattan with my husband, Jonathan, and our 18-month-old son, Philip-David. We are expecting our second son in early 2008. I am a full-time faculty member with New York University Hospital's Department of Pediatrics as a pediatrician. We are busy renovating/combining two apartments to make a four-bedroom apartment in New York. Drop a line anytime at ny3m@earthlink.net."

1991

Michael Berry [South '91] is in the U.S. Army; he has been in the Army for 11 years. His duty position is currently Network Technician. He has served year long tours to Iraq and Afghanistan. He has been married for 12 years to Kenya and they have two wonderful daughters: Mychelle, 10, and Tisa, 7.

Todd Forti [North '91] works for the Jennings Police Dept. and the U.S. Marshal's Service. He also works at the Ameristar Casino in St. Charles. He volunteers as a speaker to young people, counseling them that "street smart" doesn't mean being in a gang or dealing drugs. Todd is single and lives with his



Ellie (center) and her husband Scott Cohen meet Leah Remini, Jenny McCarthy and Chelsea Handler on the set.

Ellie Grossman's camping fiasco wins "Motherhood" webisode's grand prize

For the record, Ellie Grossman [North '82] says she doesn't have any tattoos. Anywhere.

This is in contrast to the way she was recently portrayed by actress Leah Remini on in the web-based comedy series, "In the Motherhood." But Grossman was willing to put up with a bit of dramatic li-

cense after her entry about a family camping trip gone awry won the series' recent contest for most hilarious (and perhaps having the best dramatic potential) story. The comedy stars Remini, Jenny McCarthy and Chelsea Handler. The webisodes can be seen at www.inthemothhood.com.

Grossman is a St. Louis-based writer

whose popular humor column, "The Mishegas of Motherhood," (Yiddish translation: How Kids Drive Their Parents Crazy) is published in the St. Louis Jewish Light. She has written for many national and local publications, and will continue to develop her screenwriting potential, she says. She describes her writing as a mix of Erma Bombeck's domestic satire and the wisdom of Jewish sages. Her columns can be read at www.mishegasofmotherhood.com. The camping columns are located in the May '06 archive on the Web site.

So how much of the webisode is true? In real life, Grossman and her then seven-year-old daughter Sari actually did heed Nature's call in the woods; however, no other campers witnessed their exposure.

Also, she laments that true-to-life scenes depicting the family sleeping in their heated minivan and later watching the sun rise were deleted. But, like the webisode characters, they couldn't get the tent put together.

Grossman's prize included a trip for her and her husband to Burbank, Cal., to watch the taping of the webisode, and a makeover at the exclusive Lukaro Salon in Beverly Hills. The camping scenes were taped at Griffith Park, Los Angeles, where trees were planted for effect.

dog in Florissant, Mo.

1992

Melissa (Capes) Brueggeman [Central '92] and husband Patrick are thrilled to announce the birth of Evan James on Sept. 7, 2007. He joins his proud big brother, Ben.

1993

Jeremy Smith [South '93] married April Stevenson of Cedar Rapids, Ia., on Sept. 29, 2007. They met at the wedding of Jeremy's cousin and April's friend in 2005. Jeremy graduated from Indiana University [97] and works at Chase Paymentech Solutions in Dallas, Tex., as a pricing analyst. They reside in Carrollton, Tex.

Stephanie (Schaefer) Baehman [North '93] and Beau Baehman are proud to announce the birth of a baby boy, Spencer David Baehman. He was born on July 25, 2007, in Columbia, Mo. This is the couple's first child. Stephanie is a television news anchor for the ABC and FOX affiliate. Stephanie and Beau were married in January 2006 on the island of St. Lucia.

Amy (Binder) Bratton [North '93] writes, "My husband, Mike, and I have been married since May 1999. We live in Wildwood,

Mo., and have two amazing children, Alexis, 7, and William, 4. In addition to being a stay-at-home mom, I have a full time job as the president/executive director of a non-profit organization dedicated to the fight against TBI (traumatic brain injury). Our website is www.LauraLaughlinL6.org."

1994

Jennifer Frank [Fern Ridge '94] works as senior staffing manager for a staffing company that works with major hotels, caterers and country clubs in the St. Louis area. In early 2008, she will be moving to the headquarters office in Indianapolis.

1995

Carolyn Smith [South '95] is enrolled at the University of Indianapolis to become certified as a teacher for grades 6-12. Carolyn graduated from Truman State University in May 1999, and moved to Japan where she taught ESL (English as a Second Language) for 16 months. In May 2003, she received a master's degree from the University of Northern Iowa in TESOL (Teaching English Speakers Other Languages). Carolyn taught ESL for two years at City University in the Republic of Slovakia and for two years at Indiana State

University. She now lives in Indianapolis.

Jen (Hasty) Hernandez [North '95] and Tommy Hernandez are proud to announce the birth of triplet boys—Tommy, Alex and Trey. The healthy boys were born on Sept. 18, 2007, in Georgia at 35 weeks, and came home with Jen five days later!

Alisa J. (Lundy) Cognard [South '95] and Frederic Cognard are proud to announce the birth of Noah James Cognard, born on March 8, 2008, in Enghien les Bains, France. Big brother Benjamin, 2, is thrilled to have a little brother.

1996



Todd Simpson, his wife **Julia (Herries) [West '96]** and their two daughters, Nina and Kara, have moved back to the U.S. from Japan. Todd was accepted into the Navy Officer Candidate School in Rhode Island, and graduated Feb. 8, 2008. His family is very excited for them and wish him success!

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Master of disguise Steven Hack enjoys success as actor in L.A.

Perhaps you've seen him giving Marcia Cross the evil eye on "Desperate Housewives." Dishing unneighborly complaints about Ray's parents on "Everybody Loves Raymond." Or, most recently, conducting an investigation as Immigration Agent Leonard Burke on NBC's "Days of our Lives." If you've been truly lucky, you saw him perform during his seven years on Broadway, where he was in the original cast of "Cats."

If you haven't seen Steven Hack (North '76), keep watching. He's a busy guy, having appeared in numerous television, Broadway, film and commercial roles. He's won several awards for his theater performances, and was nominated for both the Los Angeles Ovation Award and the Valley Theatre League's ADA Award for his autobiographical play, "Willie's Son."

You can check up on Steven's career at www.imdb.com.

Q: What's the best thing/worst thing that's happened to you since leaving St. Louis? Best? Doing "A Chorus Line" and then "Cats" on Broadway, because they opened a lot of doors for me, as well as became a huge source of



Hack also has performed with Johnny Cash ("Dr. Quinn") & Reba McEntire ("South Pacific").

< Although Hack isn't a doctor, he played one on "Scrubs" with Zach Braff.

confidence, long-lasting friendships, and a great financial base. Worst? It would be having my father pass away when he was only 49 years old. Happily he got to go to New York to see me on Broadway and know that I'd become successful in my career.

Q: Were there any Parkway teachers or others who influenced you?

I learned a great deal from Vicky Holt and Tom Rusert, who were the heads of the drama department at North, through classes, school plays and the fantastic field trips we took to other schools for drama competitions or festivals. The person who had a major influence on my career path was Lynn Cohen, who directed the shows at the JCCA. Most importantly, the people who played significant, positive roles in my life were my parents.

Q: What is the achievement that you are most proud of?

Having successfully made the transition from being a Broadway song-and-dance guy to being a working film-and-television actor. Eight years ago, I had that transition validated when I became a member of the Academy of Television Arts & Sciences (the folks that give out the Emmys). I'm happy to say, "I'd like to thank the Academy."

Q: What do you tell students who want to have a career like yours?

I tell them they shouldn't want to have a career like mine—they should want to have a career like *theirs*. I help young actors out all the time, and I tell them that they should choose a different occupation. If they still want to go into show business, then they should study, get a strong support system, and honestly assess whether this is a business they should be in. It's not just about talent. It's about having a strong sense of where you 'fit.' Be intelligent, tenacious, and prepared to be lucky!

1997

Anna (Smith) Barton [South '97] and her husband **Ben [West '98]** are the proud parents of twin boys, Samuel and Jacob, born Sept. 20, 2007. They're joined by their big sister, Madeline. Anna graduated in August with her masters degree in nursing as a women's health nurse practitioner.

1998

Michael Doggett [Central '98] and his wife of three years, Jayme, have 18-month-old twins, Brody Andrew and Raina Lauren.

1999



Jessica Kendall [Central '99] has been selected to the Tampa Bay Business Journal's list of young business professionals, *30 Under 30—Class of 2007*, recognizing her for her outstanding professional achievements. She is an assistant vice president, branch administrator and office manager in the Carrollwood headquarters of

First Citrus Bank in Tampa. She has been with FCB for more than six years. She recently earned a banking degree from the Florida School of Banking at the University of Florida.

Shenika (Nikki) Redmond [North '99] married Kellen Goodwin at UMSL Provincial Chapel in St. Louis on Dec. 29, 2007. The couple honeymooned in Aruba, and reside in Denver, Co.

2000

In May 2008, **Laura V. Campbell [West '00]** will graduate summa cum laude from Marymount University in Arlington, Vir., earning a masters degree in community counseling, as well as a masters degree in forensic psychology. Laura was inducted as a member of three scholastic honor societies, and was

selected to present at the American Counseling Association's annual conference in 2007. She resides in Washington, D.C., and enjoys her work with the mentally ill.

2002

Mike Weinstein [Central '02] has been promoted to AA-level for the 2008 season in the professional baseball minor leagues. Mike has been a professional umpire since 2003, and worked the A-level of minor league ball for four years. In 2007, Mike was assigned to the Carolina League. He also has umpired NCAA Division I baseball. In the off-season, Mike has been a student at UMSL and will graduate in May with a bachelor's degree in business. He aspires to become a major league umpire, and is now just two steps away.

Do you have news about your life and career that you'd like to share? We'd love to hear it! Send a brief paragraph to jan@parkwayalumni.org, or mail it to the Parkway Alumni Association, 455 N. Woods Mill Rd., Chesterfield, MO. You may include a photo, which may be published under your name if space allows.

Jo Anne (Borders) Lusby [Parkway High '59] passed away on September 4, 2007, due to a heart attack. She is survived by her husband, John and her brother, **Bill Borders [Central '61]**.

Gale H. (Whitney) Gale [Parkway High '59] passed away on Dec, 4, 2001.

David F. Tripodi [Parkway High '65] passed away on May 19, 2007, from a malignant brain tumor. He is survived by his wife, Linda; four daughters—**Jennifer Peterson [West '90]**, **Laura Fogarty [West '91]**, **Cathy Eschbach [West '94]** and **Melissa Robinson [West '95]**—and 10 grandchildren. He is fondly remembered by all as the “Helpful Guy.”

Laurie Parvis-Domschke [Central '69] passed away.

Greg Gebert [Central '71] passed away on July 21, 2006 while waiting for a heart transplant. Greg leaves behind his wife of 23 years, Lynne, and their three children—**Emily Reinhard [West '99]**, **Chris [West '05]** and **Doug Gebert [West '08]**. Greg was a fun loving and caring person and will be missed by many. He enjoyed watching his children compete in many different sports, and loved to fish and hunt, as well. Greg was a successful businessman and was a major contributor to the high tech industry in St. Louis. He worked in executive positions for many years at Hamilton/Avnet Electronics and Future Electronics. Greg later became the founder and owner of World Wide Technology, located in Maryland Heights, Mo. He will be dearly missed by all who were lucky enough to know or work with him.

Keith George [Central '72] passed away on March 26, 2008, due to complications from a brain tumor. A resident of Granite Falls, N.C., for 14 years, Keith is survived by his wife Maria; sons Kyle, 21, Kent, 21, Blake, 19, and daughter Breanna, 16; his brothers, **Craig [North '73]** and **Kurt [North '77]**. Keith held various management positions with Broyhill Furniture and most recently was vice president of sales and marketing for Backsaver Industries. Keith's life was totally committed to his wife of 22 years and to his children.

Susan M. Puhl [West '72] passed away on Aug. 6, 2007. A professor of kinesiology at California Polytechnic Institute since 1999, she taught exercise physiology and conducted research on metabolism and physical activity. She was inducted into the Parkway Alumni Hall of Fame in 2006 for her contributions to her profession and her community. She is survived by



her father, Richard Puhl; sister Kathleen (Bob) Luetkenhoelter; brothers Michael (Helen) and Joseph (Lisa); and other family and friends.

Jeanne (Schmelz) Titter [West '72] passed away on January 23, 2006.

Allan Ellebracht [West '72] of Largo, Fl., died Tuesday, Jan. 30, 2007, at home after a long and courageous battle with cancer while holding on to his Christian faith. He was the loving husband of Jennifer Scott Ellebracht; beloved son of Dorothy Ellebracht and the late Aloysius Ellebracht; precious brother of Toni Hensler of Lenexa, Kansas; Spitzzy Lepp and Janet Oliver of St. Louis. He was an employee of Walgreens and a member of the National Karate and Scuba Diving associations. A gentle soul and lover of life, he enriched the lives of all who knew him.

Sandy (Engel) O'Rourke [Central '75] passed away from breast cancer on Sept. 30, 2007. She was the cherished wife of Michael O'Rourke; dear daughter of Alberta Engel and the late Raymond Engel; loving mother of Matt (Julie), Jessica (Tim) Curran, and Kimberly; dear sister of **Wanda Coburn [Parkway High '62]**, **Nancee Seals [Parkway High '65]** and **Raymond Engel [Central '71]**.

Louis P. 'Lou' Berra [North '77] passed away suddenly at the age of 49 on Friday, Jan. 18, 2008. He was the dear husband of Lori (nee Hosselkus) Berra; dear father of Victorio Paul and Alexis Lorraine Berra; dear son of Victor and Mary Ann Berra; dear brother of Mary Jo (Will) Cone and Laurie (Steve) Lohbeck; son-in-law of Fred and Norma Hosselkus; dear brother-in-law, nephew, uncle, cousin and friend to many. Lou was a member of West County EMS and Fire Protection District and a member of the International Firefighters IAFF Local 2665.

Phillip Williams [South '84] passed away in February 2008.

Courtney Robert Banks, Sr. [Central '85], passed away suddenly on Tuesday, May 22, 2007, following an extended illness. He leaves behind his wife, Kathleen, his parents, and three children; Courtney, Jr., 17; Sarina, 16; and Lillian, 10. He also is survived by his sisters: **Simone Maxwell [Central '81]**, **Nicole Dahlke [Central '84]** and **Andrea Yakovitz [Central '90]**. He is also missed by many family and friends, nieces and nephews who will always miss his brilliant wit.

Lisa Michele Judd [South '85] of Kansas City, passed away Sunday, Oct. 7, 2007. In addition to her parents, Jim and Dotty of Columbia, survivors include her siblings, Steven (Jennifer) Judd and Allison (Cornell) Blake, and many relatives and friends. Lisa attended Maryville University, Webster University, and the University of Missouri. She was instrumental in establishing the Child Advocacy Center at the Rainbow House in Columbia, where she served as the first Director of the Advocacy Center. She was a member of the River of Life Church in Kansas City. She had a special interest in music, as well as her loving family.

John N. Clausner III [South '88] passed away on March 19, 2007.

Christian Robert Beathea [Central '88] passed away Dec. 10, 2007. He was a graduate of LaCrosse University, where he obtained a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. He was a veteran of the Army and the Air Force Reserves. He had been a Military Police Officer. Christian was a government security contracted officer for several companies, and had been assigned to Afghanistan, Kuwait and Iraq. He is survived by his father, Robert L. Beathea, and stepmother, Rachel W. Beathea; his mother, Charmayne Beathea; two brothers, Robert L. Beathea Jr. and Rudolph D. Smith III; and two sisters, Kim D. Beathea and Rhonda McElrath.

Aaron Fogarty [West '90] passed away May 20, 2007. He is survived by his father, Jack (Rosemarie) Fogarty and mother, Beverly (Gene) Fogarty-Pagel; his brother Michael; his sister **Meredith [West '91]**; and his step-sisters Laura and Jennifer Benson. He was a behavioral technician at a psychiatric adult care facility in Seattle. He experienced life to the fullest. He will be sadly missed by all who knew him and loved him.

Neilson Rudd [West '04] was killed on Dec. 9, 2007, when he got out of his car to check on another crash on Highway 63 near Jefferson City, Mo., and a vehicle skidded on an ice covered bridge and struck him. He was the beloved son of Thomas and Brenda Rudd, and dear brother of **Celeste [West '01]**. He was a student at the University of Missouri and was in Officer's Training School. Rudd wanted to become an Army ranger.

Austin Stanley [South '07] passed away on Feb. 2, 2008. His loving parents, Cindi and James Stanley, and brother **Tyler [South '04]** survive him.



Paula Hirson, Denise Sherlock, Sally Yokum, Patti O'Neal and Jill Clarkson share good times at the Class of '72 reunion.



Steve Stinnett, Robyn Neise, Bill Muzik, Sally Yokum and Joan Seigel enjoy the party at the Class of '72 reunion.

Reunion Update

Parkway '99 The planning for our 50-year reunion is underway! Can you believe it? Gloria (Small) Sexton, Margie (Guelbert) Kern, Gerard Froesel, Bill Wappelhorst and Lucile (Viefhaus) Naylor are getting the planning started! E-mail Gloria Sexton with

contact information at ladygloworm@netzero.com, Margie Kern at maktek1@yahoo.com, Gerard Froesel at froesel@attglobal.net, Bill Wappelhorst at wk30avery@webtv.net, or Lucile Naylor at jpn250@sbcglobal.net. We are excited to see everyone!

Central '68 Can you believe it's time for our 40-year reunion? Save the date, **Oct. 4, 2008**, at the Sheraton Westport Plaza Hotel. We need committee volunteers and updated classmate data to make this reunion a great success. Please call Jan Misuraca at Parkway Alumni Association, 314-415-8074, or e-mail her at jan@parkwayalumni.org if you can help us. She will forward all information to Karen Koch Pennington, the committee chairperson. Pull out your yearbooks and refresh your memory. We'll be waiting to see you in October!

Central '69 Start looking forward to your 40 year- reunion! Barb (Gilmore) Baker is getting a committee formed to plan it! Call her at 1-877-763-3155 or email her at Barb@dcresearch.com.

West '73 Our 35-year reunion will be held at the Ballwin Golf Complex located at Holloway and Baxter roads. The date is tentatively scheduled for **July 5**. Please contact Priscilla (Russell) Ward, Chris (Cooper) Bertram, or Bob Burkhardt if you are interested in

helping out or for more information (lgmpw@aol.com, nbertram@hotmail.com, or Truck55@msn.com). Additional information will be provided electronically using the Alumni Association database.

West '74 Denise Weber is wondering if there is interest in a 35-year reunion next year! Classmates may join an email group/message board and answer some polls at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ParkwayWest1974/>.

South '77, '78, '79 Are you interested in having a reunion? Contact Julaine (Julie Moore) Murphy '78 and let her know! She is ready to get the ball rolling, but wants to know if everyone is ready for one! Call her at 636-294-0830 or email julainemurphy@aol.com.

North '78 The planning is underway for your 30-year reunion! Send inquiries and updated contact information to PNclassof78reunion@yahoo.com. Watch for details on the website, www.parkwayalumni.org. Your reunion committee: Mary McCubbin Sinclair (marysinclair@charter.net), Diane Vien Mueller, Bob Foley, Patti Cook Leonard, Dave Vickery, Donna Fetherlin Houser, Cindy Pfeiffer Scanlon, Sharon Willey Bagley, Karen Zach Sturholdt and Chris Rausch.

West '78 Planning is starting for a all 30th reunion event. Be sure to update your information, email address included, so that you will get the news! Go to info@parkwayalumni.org. Jeff Stuerman is heading up the effort (Jeff.Stuerman@stuerman.com). Give him your latest contact information, and join the committee!

'72 Colts celebrate with Blind River Band at 35th reunion



Gary Nicely and Tom Mills

A true testament to enduring friendships, June 16, 2007, was a memorable 35th reunion celebration for the Class of '72.

One hundred or so Colts logged miles from as far away as Albuquerque, Calgary, L.A.,

San Diego, Orlando, Washington, D.C., and perhaps a few from another planet. As always, **Paula Hirson** earned the award for longest distance traveled (Calgary), and least changed (which translates to no visible signs of aging).

The classes of '71 and '73 were included in the celebration, and a few brave ones showed up.

The entertainment was provided by our junior high sensation, The Blind River Band, featuring **Dennis Brown** on keyboards, **Tom (T.J.) Winter** on acoustic guitar, **Charlie Curth** on bass guitar, **Don Walla** on acoustic guitar, and **Donny Goldman** on banjo. Also starring with the band were **Connie Mica** and **Sally Yokum** on vocals and tambourine, along with various guest artists (all were alumni from our class of '72). The sound was great, although **Mark Fairchild** was sorely missed on vocals and visual appeal.

We vowed to reconvene in five years (which should give the band just about enough time to tighten up their sound)!



Tom Winter, Jim Zavradinos and Anne Hafner chat at the Class of '72 reunion.



Lynn LaPierre and Ron Hutchison catch up at the Class of '72 reunion.

Central '83 We will be having a 25-year reunion and happy hour on **Friday, July 11, 2008, 6 p.m.- ?** at Ozzie's in Westport Plaza. A general email to the class will follow. Be sure to check out our page at www.myspace.com/pch83 for more details. See you there!

South '88 Make plans to attend our 20-year reunion on **Saturday, Aug. 23, 2008**, at Moulin by Vin de Set. Kristin (Rossberg) Ludwig and Michelle (Hall) Pappas are chairing the reunion committee. Look for your invitation packet in April. Please email your current address and phone information to Varsity Reunion Services at info@varsityreunions.com, or call 314.962.3212, toll-free at 1.877.844.1014.

Central '88 Mark **June 21, 2008**, on your calendar for our 20-year reunion! We're planning a fantastic weekend of activities, including a party and celebration at the Mad Art Gallery! We hope you'll make plans now to attend! Lisa (Podolsky) Gubernik (Lgpodo@aol.com) and Derek Rudman are chairing the reunion committee. Invitations were mailed in February and we're expecting a great turnout! Be sure to check out our Myspace page at www.myspace.com/pch88. Contact Varsity Reunion Services to update your address at 314.962.3212, toll-free at 1.877.844.1014, e-mail at info@varsityreunions.com

West '88 Save the date! On **Saturday, June 28, 2008**, we'll celebrate our 20-year reunion at SqWires Annex. Visit our website to enjoy reconnecting with classmates! <http://www.parkwaywest88.com/>

[index.php](#). Look for your invitation packet in April. The reunion committee is being chaired by Julie Rhee (j1773@hotmail.com), Tracy (Pohl) Muschick (Tracy_muschick@yahoo.com), and Lynda (Butler) Hulett (tlhulett@sbcglobal.net). We are also looking for raffle prize donations and photos for a video presentation. Update your mailing address by contacting Varsity Reunion Services at 314.962.3212, toll-free at 1.877.844.1014, e-mail at info@varsityreunions.com. We hope to see you in June!

North '88 Our 20-year reunion will be on **Saturday, June 28, 2008**, at Moulin by Vin de Set. Invitations were mailed in February, and we're already receiving registrations! Courtney Birkel is chairing the reunion committee. Contact Varsity Reunion Services to update your address at 314.962.3212, toll-free at 1.877.844.1014, e-mail at info@varsityreunions.com

North '98 Plans are underway for a fantastic 10-year reunion this fall! Mitch Morgan is chairing our reunion committee. Look for an announcement soon, and details later this year. Update your mailing address by contacting Varsity Reunion Services at 314.962.3212, toll-free at 1.877.844.1014, e-mail at info@varsityreunions.com.

Central '98 We'll celebrate our 10-year reunion on **Saturday, Sept. 27, 2008**, at Pujols 5 in West Port. Invitation packets will be mailed in June. Lindsay Meyer and Michael Hoffman are chairing our 10-year reunion committee. To update your mailing address, con-

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Jean Nalbandian (nominator, left) and Principal Gary Mazzola [West '76] congratulate Melanie Autry [South '00] (center), an English teacher at South High, on her award.



At Southwest Middle, Principal Chelsea Watson (left) [South '88] and nominator Sally Stoddard surprise Jill Loyet [South '03] with the award announcement.



At Henry Elementary, Sasha (Paul) Walchli [North '99] (with flowers) received accolades from Laura Teal (left), Katie Moran (third), Principal Lynn Pott (far right) and Dan Guariglia [West '76] (back).

Promising teachers surprised with Albert Awards

The Parkway Alumni Association recently presented three Parkway teachers with the Albert Award. The award was named in honor of Dr. Al Burr, a retired teacher, coach, and long-distinguished principal in the district. The award is sponsored by the Parkway Alumni Association and funded by the Al Burr Make-A-Difference Fund to recognize teachers who are inspiring others at the very earliest stages of their careers. All award recipients were presented with a check for \$1,000 and were recognized at the district's Appreciation Night event in April.



Principal Tim Gannon congratulates an award winner at Central High School on receiving a grant for his dream, entitled "A Passion for Art."



"Leaping into Law Enforcement" is the title of this grant recipient's dream. Her awards was presented by Granting Dreams Chairperson Mimi Holder at Southwest Middle School.



Three elementary school students get their awards entitled "Amazing Animals," "Super Hero Pokemon," and "I Want to be a Quarterback."

PAA presents '08 Dream grants to more than 200 students

A total of \$20,000 was recently awarded to 210 Parkway students who applied for grants through the PAA's Granting Dreams program. Students are encouraged to submit requests that demonstrate a commitment to furthering skills, acquiring knowledge or experience, participating in school-related activities, or those that involve the community.

tact Varsity Reunion Services, 314.962.3212 or toll-free at 1.877.844.1014. Email at info@varsityreunions.com.

West '98 Parkway's Class of West '98 is pleased to announce the 10-year reunion will be at the Sheraton Westport Chalet Hotel (see Web site at www.sheratonwestport.com). Join us on **Nov. 29, 2008!** A block of rooms will be set aside at a rate of \$79 at the Sheraton Westport Chalet. Please make checks payable to Parkway West Class of 1998 Reunion, and watch for your invitation in the mail. Checkout our myspace page at <http://www.myspace.com/parkwaywest98>. Send your info to Jan@Parkwayalumni.org and beth.cain@swphotels.com (314-212-2138).

South '98 The 10-year reunion will be **Aug. 9, 2008!** Please update your contact information as soon as possible by emailing your

reunion committee at ps98@gmail.com or by visiting the website www.simplesite.com/ps98. You will find detailed information about your reunion as well as photos and comments from your classmates. Your reunion committee includes Jaime (Meade) Seitrich, Misti (Moore) Benson, and Lindsay Hyatt.

North '99 Even though the class did not have a 5-year reunion, we will be having a 10-year reunion. For more information visit the class website at <http://www.classof99.net>.

Central '00 We are starting the search for our classmates, contact Liz Breckenridge to update your information, at lizbreckenridge@gmail.com.

Al Burr Make-A-Difference Fund

A donation was made by John Tollefson [West '73] in honor of Al Burr, and Martin Perry [Central '68] in honor of Roland Klein.

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A donation was made by Cyndi Clamp [Central '88] in honor of Jan (Wall) Misuraca's 50th birthday!

A donation was made in memory of Susie (Fitzsimmon) Veron's parents, Bonnie and Don Reid by: Gregg and Jenny Hosch
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A donation was made by Cary and Dee Mogerman in memory of Jenny (Skinner) Hosch's father, James Skinner.

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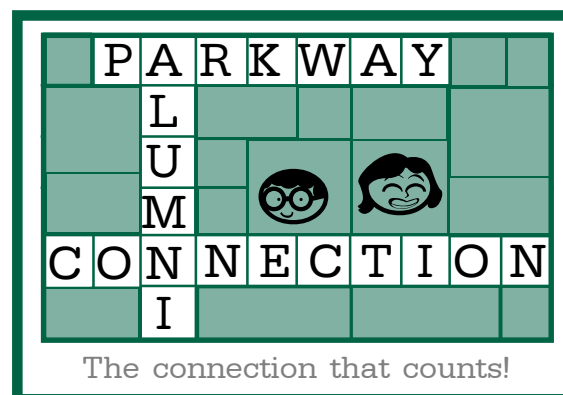
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Answers to the Trivia Test on page 1:
With the exception of questions 8 and 10, all answers are "a." The answer to question 8 is: Barretts, Fern Ridge, Manchester, Mason Ridge and Weber. The answer to question 10 is: Al Burr, Dan Deschamp, Bill Byrd, Dave McWilliam and Beth Plunkett. If all your choices were correct, your Parkway post-graduate GPA is a perfect 4.0! If not, do some review then sign up for next year's Parkway Alumni Trivia Night.

New online directory offers more than email contacts to alumni seeking friends or business connections



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- follow the instructions

You'll soon be on your way to a virtual reunion like no other!

To complete the one-time registration process, you will need to enter your registration access code when prompted. **Your access code is on your newsletter mailing label after your name.** Close to 3,000 alumni have already registered.

Once registered, don't forget to review/update your personal directory profile, including your Career Category.

- Exchange the latest news with former classmates in the special **Class Notes** section.

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