



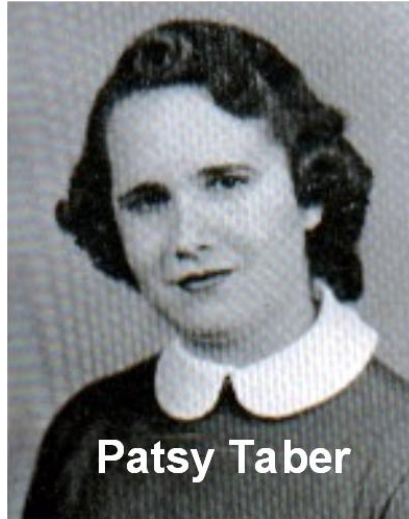
NORTH & SOUTH
Hagerstown High Schools
Class of 1957
Online Newsletter



February 2013 Edition

OBITUARY

On January 31st, we lost another classmate, Patsy Tabler (SHHS). Her obituary follows.



Patsy Tabler

Patricia Jean (Tabler) Russell, 73, of Hagerstown, Md., passed away Thursday, Jan. 31, 2013, at Somerford Assisted Living.

Born July 27, 1939, in Hagerstown, she was the daughter of the late William Landis and Catherine Louise Tabler.

She retired in 1991 from the Washington County Board of Education as an elementary school teacher after 30 years of service.

Patricia was preceded in death by her husband of 40 years, David Paul Russell, who died June 14, 2012.

She is survived by a stepdaughter, Krista C. Russell Gould, of Minneapolis, Minn.; as well as several uncles and cousins.

A funeral service will be conducted at 1 p.m. Monday, Feb. 4, 2013, at Rest Haven Funeral Chapel, 1601 Pennsylvania Ave., Hagerstown, with the Rev. Gregg Meserole officiating. Interment will follow in Rest Haven Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made in Patricia's name to Christ's Reformed Church, 130 W. Franklin St., Hagerstown, MD 21740.

BULLETIN BOARD

- Mark your calendars now for the March luncheon to be held on Thursday, March 21st beginning at 11:30 AM at the Western Sizzler on Halfway Blvd.
- We would like to honor all our classmates who are veterans. If you, or a classmate you know, served in the armed forces, please send me your details and as much as you know about another classmate who served. Include branch, dates, MOS, duty stations, etc., etc., etc.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Dick Knode



Gordon Sanders



Alice Ann Lindsey

Norma Jean Hull



Frit Hill



Nancy Minnich

Carl Gearhart



Judy Iseminger



Bob Moats



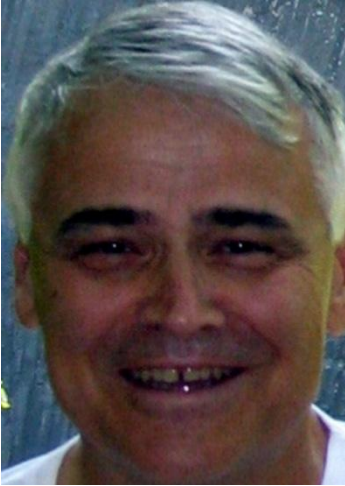
Phil Brader



Barbara Locke



Don Smith



Elaine Finniff



Don Kephart



Judy Statler



Belated birthday wish to Judy Hoover (no pic available)

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Don & Jone Burket Bowman



Gene & Brenda Smith



Arthur & Ann Corderman Helton



CLASSMATE ACTIVITIES

Catching Up

When we catch up with a classmate whom we haven't seen for eons, we ask them to share what they have been up to since graduating from HHS. If you are fortunate enough to meet/contact a classmate that we haven't been in touch with for a while, ask them to send a brief summary of their activities. Recently, we caught up with ***Charles "Chuck" LeFew***. He was kind enough to share what he has been up to over the years.

I spent four years in Alaska in an infantry brigade as a platoon leader and company commander of a tank unit. Also, I lived many days as a field soldier from Monday morning to Friday afternoon. In those Cold War years, our immediate mission was to see the B52's get off the ground and then run like hell for the AICan highway. Even my wife had to take survival training. During the Cuban missile crisis in 1962 she seems to remember that she was told

that survival meant to have a good bottle of vodka handy, wear a red nighty and that would keep the 13 Russian airborne divisions away. Learned to climb mountains in Alaska and rappel off them. That was fun coming down, but not going up. Never did use my mountaineering training. Went to jump school, jumped out of an airplane a number of times, but could never get assigned to a full time airborne unit. Did get my head banged up once when I landed in too much wind and got dragged on the ground. Not enough weight on my then skinny body. You cannot beat the thrill of going out into space from a plane with just a chute over you.

No need for jumpers in an armored division where I went in 1965 after Alaska. Then a thing called Vietnam came along where I was a battalion S3 (operations officer). After that a lot of schooling: Officer Advanced School; graduate school at Michigan State University; little later Army Command and General Staff College. Once I made O4 (major) in 1968 there was no way I was going to get into an airborne division. By that time they had converted the 101st airborne division to an air assault division where you came out of helicopter via a rope. We called them legs on a rope. Early in my army years, someone told me that if you did not wear the silver jump wings on your chest, you were a leg. In my more senior army years I spent it at Group, Corps and Army level organizations being a loyal staff officer. Most of the time in security and law enforcement. Over the years, my family and I moved many times and were stationed in 10 different states, some more than once, and had about 10 years overseas, including Korea and Germany. My wife and I are now residing in our 20th home. Our son went to six schools in his first six years of school. Sometimes a real test of family values. Yet the experience of visiting a great many countries of the world and most states is a treasure to be remembered.

After the Army I spent nearly 10 years at the Kennedy Space Center as manager of security services for the base operations contractor. Had over 200 armed people and a Swat team that was one of the largest and best armed in Central Florida. Later opened and sold my own business after a number of years. Now I play golf regularly and have great memories.

Judy Hoover

Welcome Judy to our community of classmates on the email roster. Judy has updated her info with her birthday on January 8th. She married Bob Hartle in January of 58. Bob passed away in 2004. Judy has 3 children, 2 daughters; Stephanie & Robin, 1 son, Bobby, four grandchildren and one great granddaughter. Welcome Judy, see you at the March Luncheon on 3/21 at 11:30 AM at the Western Sizzler on Halfway Blvd.

Betty Horn

Kennedy, Betty's granddaughter, has been at it again. On Friday the 18th Kennedy cleared 11' 9" in the pole vault event. She still has time to clear the magic number of 12' before the end of the season. Click on the pic below to see the video of her 11' 9" vault.



Gail Sweeney



On October 22nd, 2012, Bob and I departed for a 25-day trip to Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand. Our highlight was climbing the Sydney Harbor Bridge. The enclosed picture was taken at the very top of our climb. We returned home mid November and have been catching up ever since.

Some of our Australian trips included highlights from: Cairns - Great Barrier Reef and scenic helicopter flight; Army duck ride Rainforestation & Skyrail; Koala and Wildlife Park. Melbourne – Phillip Island including Little Penguin with a parade of the world’s smallest penguins, and a 4-course luncheon aboard 1st electric tramcar restaurant in the world, while viewing the city.

In Tasmania – Hobart – nearly 1/3 of the island is State-protected within its 14 Nat’l Parks - 3 hr. eco-cruise along Tasman National Park coastline, including highest sea cliffs in Southern Hemisphere; Port Arthur Historic Site; Mt. Field Nat’l Park visiting Bonorong Wildlife Park with rehabilitated injured & orphaned wildlife including Tasmanian Devils, & wombats; rain forest & Russell Falls.

Return to Sydney – tour of Opera House, Botanic Gardens, Bondi Beach; lunch in 360 Revolving Restaurant; Maritime Museum & Aquarium in Darling Harbor; Sydney Harbor Cruise – AND our Sydney Harbor Bridge climb!

New Zealand – Queensland – my absolute favorite, with the plane arriving between snow-capped mountains and the hotel adjoining a gorgeous river and harbor – 2 hr. cruise of Milford Sound; Arrowtown & Kawarau River suspension bridge – original bungy-jumping bridge – which two of our group experienced while the rest of us served as cheerleaders (remember, we did climb the bridge); Lake Pukaki to Lake Tekapo with snowy peaks and glacial blue waters, the most photographed sights in NZ; Pacific Coastline; Marlboro Sounds; Omaka Aviation Heritage Centre; Interislander Ferry to cruise across Cook Strait & Wellington Harbor; and Zealandia. Rotorua – North Island Nat’l Park dominated by volcanic cone of Mt Ruapehu; Lake Taupo, NZ’s largest trout fishing lake; North Island’s most popular destination & major center of Maori culture & architecture; Wai-O-Tapu (Sacred Waters) NZ’s volcanic area with walk through geothermal activity & vistas; Maori Concert and Hangi Feast. Auckland –

Alexander Farm in Matamata including Hobbiton & movie sets, where The Hobbit & Lord of the Rings movies were filmed; and, finally, re-crossing International Date Line and home. Whew – and these are just SOME of the 25-day highlights !

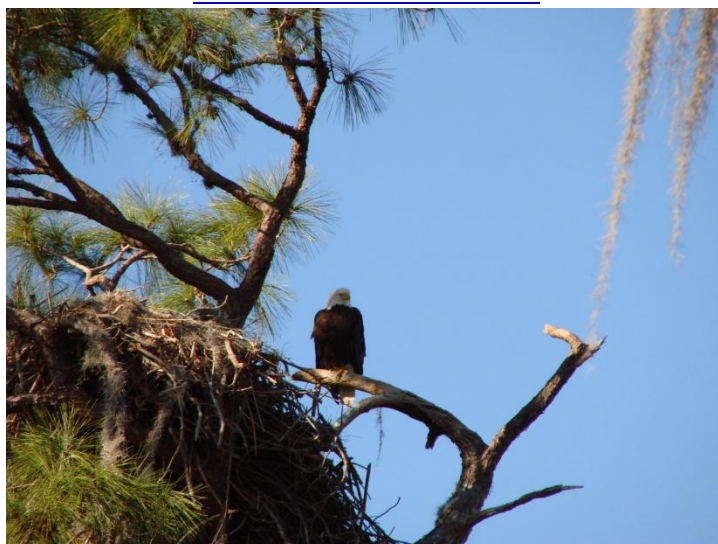
Jim Carnes



Jim and Nancy Carnes spent most of January on a cruise out of Miami through the Panama Canal down to Lima, Peru, and then up to Machu Picchu. The Canal crossing was very interesting since all of the locks and mechanisms are the same today as they were when it opened in 1914. We also saw where they are building much bigger parallel locks that will permit much larger vessels to pass and is scheduled to open in 2015.

At the end of the trip we toured Machu Picchu, the 15th Century Incan village that the Spanish never found, and therefore did not loot and destroy. It was discovered in 1911 and is considered one of the Seven Wonders of the World. It is tucked away at 8,000 feet in the middle of the Andes. It took us 7 hours just to get there by train from Cuzco which is about 70 miles away at 11,000 feet. Normally it takes under 4 hours, but we were delayed by mudslides covering the train tracks. It is an amazing place and if you get the chance, it's definitely worth the trip.

Walt & Rose Whorten



We live in a community in Florida that has a nest of eagles. They come back every year and this has continued for about 8 years. Walt loves to watch and photograph the Eagles. He

submits the pictures to our neighborhood newsletter. Walt is known as the “Eagle Man”. The eagles have one chick this year.

Glenn Julian



I just had an article "Rediscovering Julian Land near Wildwood" accepted for the spring issue of the Blount Journal, of the Blount County TN Genealogical and Historical Society. They are including an illustrative watercolor I made, showing former land of my great-great grandfather's brother, including the little church for which he donated the land in 1831

EDUCATION CORNER

For a trip down memory lane, the following link will take you to a juke box with popular songs for the years from 1940 to 1999

<http://upchucky.us/TimeMachine.html>

Click on the following pic to see some special pictures.



You know you live in a Country run by idiots if...

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***You can get arrested for expired tags
on your car but not for being in the country illegally.***
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***You have to have your parent's signature
to go on a school field trip but not to get an abortion.***
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***An 80 year old woman can be stripped searched by the TSA
but a Muslim woman in a burka is only subject
to having her neck and head searched.***
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***Your government believes that the best way to eradicate
trillions of dollars of debt is to spend trillions more.***
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***A seven year old boy can be thrown out of school for calling
his teacher "cute" but hosting a sexual exploration
class in grade school is perfectly acceptable.***
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***The Supreme Court of the United States can rule that lower
courts cannot display the 10 Commandments in their
courtroom, while sitting in front of a display of
the 10 Commandments.***
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***Children are forcibly removed from parents who appropriately
discipline them while children of "underprivileged" drug
addicts are left to rot in filth infested cesspools of a "home".***
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***Lazy behavior is rewarded with EBT cards, WIC checks,
Medicaid, subsidized housing, and free cell phones.***
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***The government's plan for getting people back to work is to
provide 99 weeks of unemployment checks to not work.***
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You pay your mortgage faithfully, denying yourself the newest big screen TV while your neighbor defaults on his mortgage (while buying iPhones, TV's and new cars) and the government forgives his debt and reduces his mortgage (with your tax dollars).



COMEDY SECTION

One Word - Politicians