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Is summer over?



Letter from the Editor/President

What marks the end of summer for you? Is it the end of your child's sports team or the last radish picked? Is it the reunion behind you or the end of band camp? Is it the packing of your car with your young adults' things as you head for a college dorm? Perhaps it's that first fall campfire, roasted marshmallows and all. I hope summer's not over. I happen to like the gardens and the weeding, the watering and the harvesting. Here are a few stories about your summers...

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Was that a Reunion?

The Huth's & the Chocolate Factory

Tai Chi for all

The kids learn to juggle!

IMPORTANT!

Register soon for the

COMPASSION

WORKSHOP!

POSTCARDS

SAMMAMISH, WASHINGTON: Recently, Neal Ryan (12) and Dana Huth (12) hosted Dana's mom Karen Huth (12) and her sister and brother-in-law Carol and Drew Benson (12). Dana says she was thrilled to entertain their first houseguests in their new home in Washington. They had an action-packed week which included a



POSTCARDS (con't)

SAMMAMISH, WA. (con't) – helicopter tour of Seattle for Karen, Carol, and Drew. There was also a trip to the Space Needle and Pike's Place Market.

Then there was a daytrip to Leavenworth (a

Karen, Carol, Dana, & Drew German town in Eastern Washington) and a daytrip via ferry, out to the San Juan Islands.

Dana Huth &Neal Ryan at the Chocolate Factory

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AKRON, OH: The alumni of Ellet High School were invited to attend a ceremony on Friday, May 25, 2012 with the fifth grade students of Ritzman Elementary on Trenton Avenue in Ellet prior to the fifth graders' graduation. **Liz DiCenzi** (7) attended the ceremony (can you pick her out in the front row there?)

The fifth graders of Ritzman were part of an historic event. They were to be the first to graduate from the new building and the last kindergartners to attend Overnight, Neal and Drew took in a Seattle Sounders soccer game while Dana, Carol, and Mom Karen enjoyed a girls-night-out on the town. The trip included lots of wonderful meals out, a few cookouts at the house, and LOTS of Neal's specialty cocktails! (If you'll recall a previous issue, Dana told us about how Neal has become quite good friends with the neighbors who apparently have their own distillery. He's learning to make beers and cocktails of all kinds!



the old building before it was torn down. The new building is located on the same site as the old.

The fifth graders were excited about this event because there is a lot of history here. Ritzman Elementary School was constructed in 1891 (as the original Ellet

POSTCARDS, (con't)

AKRON, OH: (con't): School Grades K-12). Additions to the old school were made in 1895, 1921, 1952, and 1964. At one time, there were modular units added on campus to house additional classes.

It was renamed in honor of **John Curtis Ritzman** for his many year of loyal service to the district. The present Ellet High School is located on Woolfe Avenue near Wirth Avenue, the street on which **Henry and Lauretta** raised their 12 children.

The fifth graders were also excited to be able to mingle with the Alumni and hear the stories they shared with them. All of the classes received certificates to commemorate the event. There was a contest in art class during the school year to do a painting of their rendition of the old school building. The top three winners received certificates and bricks from the old school. A brass plate was attached with their names and years attended. Their paintings would also hang in local businesses.

It would seem that the 12 children of Henry and Lauretta Huth would have attended school there. Can anyone confirm this? If so, I'm sure

everyone would love to hear more stories about it in the newsletters to come. You can reach me laura.acierno@yahoo.com or via phone at (216) 671-5357. Feel free to jot your stories on paper if you prefer and send to me at 3713 Warren Rd., Cleveland, OH 44111. Thanks to **Joe Roonan** (7) and Liz DiCenzi for a great story!

STOW, OH: Congratulations are in order for Kristin and Steven Dowling (10) who celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary on August 22, 2012! Those wedding bells just keep ringing and ringing as the children need to be taken here and there, school starts one day for **Jack** (Friday the 17th) and a different day for **Grace and Carly** (the 22nd). Speaking of the children, Jack just finished up an awesome baseball summer where one of his favorite positions was pitching. He will play again for Walsh Jesuit High School as a sophomore, also as a pitcher and third baseman. Grace and Carly just wrapped up drama camp offered by St. Vincent High where Grace was a wicked queen and Carly played a little elf!



Carly and
Grace
Dowling,
along with
big brother
Jack, Mom,
Kristin, and
Dad, Steven
(10) on preBroadway as
the Queen
and the Little
Elf!



Time is Running Out -Register for Sept. 5th Morgan Forum in Akron

Compassion for the Compassionate: Supporting Those Serving Others

Wednesday, September 5, 2012

9:00 am - 3:00 pm \$15 Tickets (includes lunch) John S. Knight Center, 77 E. Mill Street, Akron **Register Now**

Compassion for the Compassionate will feature experts on workplace stress and interpersonal dynamics, and will also feature nationally known Fr. Lyndon Harris, a Priest at St. Paul's Episcopal Chapel across from the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001. In his talk, Who Cares? Caring for the Caregiver in the Aftermath of *Tragedy*, he will share his insights on the personal costs and rewards of professional caregiving during



the rescue efforts in the aftermath of the attack on the World Trade Center.

Rebecca Erickson, Ph.D. from the University of Akron will share her work on the effects of stress, burnout and compassion fatigue on nurses. Heart to Heart Communications co-founders, Fr. Norm Douglas and Larry Vuillemin, J.D., who specialize in values-based workplace programs, will facilitate interactive activities and group discussion. Topics for the day include strategies to address compassion fatigue, recognizing symptoms early and how managers can make it easier for employees to balance work and life.

Six (6.0) continuing education credits are available for nurses, social workers, counselors and psychologists. Six (6.0) RCH's are approved for chemical dependency counselors and prevention specialists. Six (6.0) continuing education credits are available for EMS.

This event is part of the Morgan Forum Series. It is open to the public. Reservations are required through Heart to Heart Communications. REGISTER NOW online or if you need more information call Sarah at 330.434.3278 x3.

Click here for more information

TEED-UP FOR PROJECT REBUILD Story by Lon Johnson

We had a beautiful day of golf at Chenoweth Golf Club with the weather taking temporary break from the heat. One of the highlights of the day was a HOLE-IN-ONE by **Kevin** on team #15, who played with the Ray Kennedy (9) foursome. There were over 130 golfers. This was the largest turnout ever with 28 more golfers than the previous year! We had guests from as far away as Texas, California, and Las Vegas. A check for \$5000.00 was presented to Project Rebuild by the Henry & Laura Huth Charitable Foundation whose president is **Dick Huth (10).** This is the sixth year we have partnered with Project Rebuild; the foundation has raised over \$30,000 on their behalf for the training and education of at-risk youth in the building and construction trades.

Some of the family members and familiar names that were award winners for the day include ladies' closest-to-the-pin winners Christine Wynns and Christianne Delcambre (7). Ladies' longest drive Jan Grell, and Men's longest drive winner Don Bartlow. The best scoring family team was Marty Johnson (9), Jim LaRose, Tom Carone, and John Staudt. We had family members that also came out and joined us for dinner and great conversation.

Special thanks goes out to Dick Huth, Barb Hill (9) (we were so glad to have her organizational skills back after missing her the previous year)!, Mark Johnson (9), Tad Huth (10), Joe Roonan (7), Greg Johnson, Cindy Johnson (9) and her mother Nancy Clausen, and many others. Also, special thanks to the very talented Joe Roonan for developing the golf outing website hlhuthgolfbenefit.org. We couldn't have pulled it off so successfully without all of you!

We are very appreciative of the many family and friends that sponsor and support the Foundation efforts.

OBITUARY

It is with deep regret that we announce the passing on August 16, 2012 of Douglas Brown (1), husband of Rita Mae, father of Yvonne, Richard, Douglas, & Mary. Desiree, Grandfather of Michael. Khristopher, John, Linda (Children of Yvonne), Julia, Jessica, & Cody (children of Mary), Amanda (daughter of deceased son Edward), & Natalie (daughter of Richard). He also had four greatgrandchildren. He will be missed by all but Rita Mae is glad he is no longer suffering and is now in a better place. She thanks all of you for your prayers.

A Lesson Learned in Tai Chi

At this year's reunion, we had a special treat from Lon Johnson who continues to master the 900 year-old art of Tai Chi. We got a lesson. Lon says it is sometimes referred to as the "moving meditation" and also "moving your chi or energy." Lon has been doing it for over 22 years now and feels he has had the good fortunes of studying with several good teachers. His last teacher was Master Waysun Laio in Chicago. He was very instrumental in teaching him about the three "C's"...Conscious breathing in conjunction with cultivation, condensing, and circulation of the chi (or one's energy).

Lon tries to "move his chi" everyday. Although he doesn't do the long form daily like he did for many years, he does different individual forms several times a day for 5-10 minutes. He does try to get some in first thing in the morning; sort of like taking a shower to wash off the body, he does a little tai chi in the morning to still his thinking and wash the clutter in the mind.

Lon says it was very special to share a few moments with me, **Tammy Geunther (3)** and her sons **Jacob and Zach Vuillemin**, and **Lana Kennedy** (9). He says it was especially a joy to have the sisters **Barbara Hill** (9), **Marian Holibaugh** (4), and **Liz DiCenzi** (7) all join in. You go girls! And thanks again, Lon!





TOP:THE FAB FIVE! RIGHT: Liz DiCenzi, Mary Ann Vuillemin and Marian Hoibaugh catch up on old times.

