NEWSLETTER OF THE 206TH CLASS, CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

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"THE 206 IN 2006"

Dear 'Sixers'

Lots of news and exciting things happening for the 206. Tom Dulin has been doing yeoman service in tracking down the "missing" in preparation for the 50th Anniversary Reunion. Unfortunately, he has found two that have to be moved from the Missing List to the Deceased List: Edward Brodsky apparently died February 18, 1997 and Bill Ellison died on October 10, 2003. Their names were found on the Social Security death index.

Since my last newsletter we also lost **Herschel Grossman** (October 9, 2004), an economics professor at Brown University. Herschel graduated from the University of Virginia, got a degree in philosophy from Oxford, and a Ph.D from Johns Hopkins. He joined the faculty at Brown in 1964 and was appointed a Professor of Social Sciences in 1980. He also served as chair of the Department of Economics from 1982 to 1985 and again from 1986 to 1991. He died while attending an academic conference in Marseilles, France.

Col. Charles Lipton (ret.) died November 22, 2004 and Dr. Marshall Bobrin died on March 11, 2005. Both of them were wonderful supporters of our class, having attended at least the last three reunions. We will miss them both.

Another bit of sad news is the death of our fabulous English teacher, **Dr. Gerald** ("**Doc"**) **Hamm**, at age 95, on February 8, 2005. A full page of our yearbook was quite deservedly dedicated to him. We also voted

him the "wittiest and most sarcastic," which just about says it all. Another teacher, **Leon Schrage,** who taught physics, died on June 6, 2004.

The good news is that we have restored to the active mailing list at least as many as we have lost: Franklin B. Austin, Frank C. Bove, Tony DiGioia, Charles Woodward, and Jerry Roth (who left before graduation).

50th Reunion

The exciting news is that plans are really coming together for the 50th. The Reunion is scheduled for the weekend of October 27-29, 2006. *Theme:* "The 206 in 2006."

Friday evening, October 27, 2006 Registration and Reception

Saturday, October 28, 2006 Morning - Optional trip to CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

Afternoon - Optional trip to the BARNES MUSEUM for a free private tour

Evening - The 50th Reunion (major event) at NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER (cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, buffet dinner, and program)

Free admission to the Center and all exhibits for the whole evening

Sunday morning, October 29, 2006 Sunday brunch As you can see, the committee is already hard at work. In addition to **Tom Dulin** (finding classmates, souvenirs), and **Steve Harmelin** (Barnes, Constitution Center), the committee includes **Harvey Becker**, **Steve Goldstein**, **Dave Horowitz**, **Gerry Spivack**, **Arthur Karafin**, and **Steve Arbittier**. If you have any suggestions, requests, comments, questions, or would like to help, please get in touch. We want a reunion for everyone.

206 Website

Another bit of exciting news is that we now have our own website. **Chuck Tappert**, who teaches computer science at Pace University, gave our site a much needed face-lift. So we took the opportunity to move the pages to our very own URL. Please visit: www.206thclass.net at your earliest convenience and check out all the pages. We didn't want the whole world to be able to get your names and addresses, so the "Active" list is password protected. To view the list, type in the following:

User name: **classmate** Password: **cornog**

Please let us have any additions or corrections and give us your input on the site – what else would you like to see there?

Honors, Awards, Activities

Our own **Steve Harmelin** has been in the news for more than one good reason: not only was he elected as the Treasurer of the Barnes Foundation but he also received an award from the Business Law Section of the Philadelphia Bar Association for "superior legal talent and professionalism." Double congratulations to Steve.

The Spring 2004 edition of the CHS Alumni Journal reported that Robert W. Crawford, Jr., was elected to a two year term as Chairman of the Board of the Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce last June. Bob founded Brook Furniture Rental in Chicago and built it into a \$62 million company with 34 locations and 450 employees across the U.S. Bob received a BS from Dickinson College and an MBA from Wharton. He is a trustee of The Field Museum of Chicago, President of the National Recreation Foundation, a member of The Commercial Club of Chicago, The Economic Club of Chicago, The Chicago Committee, Chicago Counsel on Foreign Relations, and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the International Furniture Rental Association. That's our Congratulations, Bob!

The Pennsylvania Gazette reports that Barton J. Blinder of Newport Beach, CA, maintains a private practice in child and adolescent psychiatry and adult-child psychoanalysis. He also acts as the director of the eating-disorders program and research studies, and clinical professor of psychiatry and human behavior at the University of California at Irvine. As if that weren't enough, he serves on the Commission on Psychotherapy in Psychiatry American Psychiatric Association. He also found time to edit the textbook, The Eating Disorders: Medical and Psychologuical Bases of Diagnosis and Treatment, and publish generally on the subject. (Sounds like a 'Sixer.)

Newsletter

Please send me your news, feedback, suggestions, ideas. I'm looking forward to hearing from you.

Bob Stern