



BEHIND-THE-SCENES MAGIC OF THE ASSOCIATION

In any group or organization there are people who work behind the scenes that never get the recognition they deserve. This article spotlights four such ladies who make the Magic happen for the Alumni Association.

Wanda Yokum Clark (1974)

Wanda Yokum Clark (1974) presently works in the Everett Area School District office and handles the Alumni Association's business at that end. Besides occasional typing, she opens our mail and records and maintains the records for our newsletter subscriptions. She then addresses, stamps and mails the newsletters.

Wanda was raised in the Chaneyville area where she lived until 1981. She attended Chaneyville Elementary school and graduated from Everett Area High School in 1974. After graduation, she went to work for the Bedford Area School District until 1982 when she left to raise her family. Wanda and her husband Rick have three grown children, a boy and two girls and they are expecting their first grandchild in July. Wanda went back to work for the Everett Area School District in August of 1992.



Wanda Yokum Clark

Terri Shaw Klahre

School and Everett Area High School until her junior year when she was transferred to Fort Hill High School in Cumberland, MD, with the other Beans Cove area students. Although Terri graduated from Fort Hill High School's business course in 1976, she still calls Everett her home school. She remembers how big a transition it was going from a class of 139 members to one of over

300 members but it was comforting that their school colors were the same as Everett's.

After marrying Donald Klahre (1973) in 1977 she moved to the Clearville area where they raised three children, Travis (1998), Alisha (2000) and Laura (2003), and Terri is now spoiling five grandsons.

Terri began working for the Everett area School District in August, 1991 as a personal care aide. When that student graduated in 1998, she became a classroom teacher assistant. In April of 2002 she took a secretarial position in the high school office. In her own words, "One of the 'little' jobs that the position offered was typing the monthly minutes and agenda for the Alumni Association. I have continued on in this capacity since that time."

Terri Shaw Klahre (Fort Hill, 1976)

Terri Shaw Klahre (Fort Hill, 1976) was born on the Fort Benning Army Base in Georgia and raised by her aunt and uncle in the Chaneyville area. She attended Chaneyville Elementary

WANTED

Everett Alumna looking for a 1950s, 1960s or 1970s era Everett or Warrior pennant.

Please let us know if you know of any that are obtainable.

Briar Valley Winery UPDATE

In our last newsletter we featured Everett Alumnus Tod Manspeaker and the Briar Valley Winery. Since then, three of Briar Valley's wines won prizes in the prestigious "San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition" which is the largest competition of American wines in the world. The winning wines are: Gold Medal: 2009 Riesling; Bronze Medal: 2009 Merlot; Bronze medal: 2009 Proprietor's Red

Congratulations Tod.



JAMES CALHOUN HONORED

1956 Everett Graduate James Calhoun was honored at the District 5-AA Wrestling Tournament in Windber on February 26, 2011. Not only was Jim the first wrestler from Everett to win a regional title, he was also the first wrestler from Bedford County to do so. Dwane Gochnour introduced Jim along with District 5 Wrestling Chairman Joe Kimmel.

OBITUARIES

Bob Clark

Robert A. Clark Dies at 91

Long time Everett teacher and wrestling coach, Bob Clark, died March 28, 2011.

After graduating from Bedford High School in 1938, Bob worked for Bethlehem Steel in Johnstown and then served in the Army Air Force during World War II.

Following his time in the service Bob attended Geneva College in Beaver Falls, PA, where he earned his degree in education. He began his teaching career for the Everett School District in 1953 at the West Providence Elementary School where he served as 6th grade teacher and principal. The following year, Bob took over as head wrestling coach and served in that position for the next 17 years.

Bob retired from the Everett Area School District in 1985.

Judy Guediche

Judy Guediche, Everett Area High School teacher, passed away on November 16th after a brief illness. Mrs. Guediche taught French, English and reading since 1990 and had taken numerous groups to France during her career at Everett. She was also the sponsor of the Language and Culture Club.

Mrs. Guediche was a graduate of Thiel College and the University of Pittsburgh. She taught at the American School in Tunis, Tunisia for many years prior to coming to Everett.

She is survived by husband Hedi Guediche, daughter Sonia married to Brian Crane, daughter Sara Guediche (Everett Class of 1995), brother John Hartley and grandsons Owen and Ben Crane.

Mrs. Guediche was very dedicated and loyal to the school and will always be remembered by faculty and students with whom she worked.

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I'd like to interject a personal note here concerning the next two

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ladies. Both Monica and Marta were students of mine and graduated the same year. For the most part, I had lost touch with them until Monica got in touch concerning a different matter. After informing her that I had recently taken over the Alumni Newsletter from Mr. Gochmour, she asked if she could give me a price to produce the newsletter from her business, id graphics. During discussions concerning the newsletter I also asked if she or her husband did web sites as the Association was also looking for a web designer. Monica recommended Marta and Studio B Designs. **The rest is history.**

- Fred Sponsler (1965)

Monica Hall Meckes (1995)

Monica attended Breezewood Elementary School and then graduated from Everett Area High School in 1995. After graduation, she attended Philadelphia University where she graduated in 1999 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Graphic Design Communication. She has been working as a graphic designer ever since holding jobs with companies as small as Pages by Design in Bedford to companies as large as AccuWeather in State College and L. Robert Kimball & Associates in Ebensburg.

In 2000, she married fellow graphic designer, business partner and best friend Corey Meckes. They moved to Everett in 2004 just before their oldest son Noah was born. In 2006, they quit their jobs and started id graphics. Their youngest son Eli was born the following year.

Monica is responsible for the design and layout of the newsletter, as well as overseeing the print production and assembling prior to mailing.

Monica and Corey are proud to call Everett their home and privileged to have a business here.



Monica Hall Meckes



Marta Covert Brown

Marta Covert Brown (1995)

Marta Covert Brown (1995), a student and stay-at-home mother of four, donated her time and energy to the design, building and maintenance of the Alumni Association Website (<http://everettareaalumni.org/>).

Marta married Allen Brown in July of 2000 and began raising her family. She then attended The Art Institute of Pittsburgh and graduated in March of

2009 in the Web Design Diploma program. Her business, Studio B Designs, is currently on hold while she looks after her children, Stepdaughter - Harlie Brown, age 16, and Sons - Austin, age 11, Xander, age 7 and Gavin, age 4. Marta still finds time to be enrolled in an associates degree program for web design & interactive media, also at the Art Institute of Pittsburgh. After graduation, she plans to seek an exciting, fulfilling career in her field of study, while still building and growing her own business until it's able to stand on its own. Her goal is to achieve a degree and become successful in her field so that she can offer her children the best future they can possibly have.

Final Architectural Rendering of The New High School



BUILDING PROJECT ON SCHEDULE

submitted by: **Superintendent of Schools, Dixie Paruch**

The building project at the middle/high school building has been in the plans for several years. It is exciting to be part of the planning for this project. For the past two years, the community has been involved in meetings and presentations that actually included 12 options for the project. Finally in January, 2010 the decision was made to renovate and add to the current middle school/high school to house 6-12 graders. The building is designed to house middle school students on the first floor and grades 9-12 on the second floor. The newest part of the building will remain as well as the auditorium and gymnasium. The cafeteria will be new and feature more updated options for our students. There are several alternate bids including a gymnasium and band room addition.

The classrooms are arranged in pods so that grade levels and departments can be placed together to allow for team teaching and sharing of resources. Areas such as the library and art rooms will remain in the current location.

The entrance will be impressive with a separate parent and van drop-off location in the front of the building. The bus ramp will remain basically the same.

We are on schedule for bids to go out in early June with bid opening in August. We are set to break ground as well in August. This is an exciting time for Everett Area School District as we upgrade our facilities while still being fiscally responsible in strained economic times.



ITEMS ENCAPSULATED DURING DEDICATION CEREMONY IN 1991

A time capsule was placed behind the cornerstone of the new library and science wing of the high school during the dedication ceremony. The ceremony was held in conjunction with the last building project of the Everett Area School District in 1991. The cornerstone is located on the ground floor near the art room entrance. The time cap-

HIGH SCHOOL TOUR

All high school classes holding reunions the next couple years should consider taking a tour of the High School building as a part of their reunion weekend. With the new building program getting underway, the present building, as we know it, will be gone. The Association would be more than happy to arrange the tour for you.

sule project was sponsored by the junior & senior high student councils and the National Honor Society. The capsule was built out of fiberglass and sealed with a special glue to last the 100 years before it is to be removed and opened. Among the items placed in the time capsule are a folder placed by the student councils of all the events and projects they sponsored in two previous years; a graduation cap; programs from all school activities; yearbooks from the high school and vo-tech; and Ben Van Horn's book *North Spring And River Lane*.

Information provided by Amy Mearkle (1994) from Action News For Kids

Look for updates at our website
everettareaalumni.org

The Civil War Returns to Bloody Run

submitted by **Patricia Brown Morgart** (class of 1958)

O.K., Alumni, time to put on your history hats. Do you remember Everett played an important role in protecting the Altoona Rail System from Rebels during the Civil War?

Maybe not. It wasn't a big part of our curriculum.

Nevertheless, it's true and is spelled out in detail in the book WINCHESTER TO BLOODY RUN co-authored by Jeffrey Whetstone and Steve Hollingshead (both Class of 1971).

A good read.

You will be hearing a lot about the Civil War (or the War of Northern Aggression as my Virginia relatives call it) in the coming five years as we recognize the 150th anniversary of that war that stretched from 1861 to 1865 and included the terrible Battle of Gettysburg.

Bloody Run was renamed Everett in honor of the great orator who spoke at length prior to President Lincoln's brief but memorable Gettysburg Address.

There will be events throughout Bedford County during this five year period including in Everett in June of 2013, the anniversary of the time Everett hosted the Union army enroute to protecting Altoona.

We have no historical markers attesting to Bloody Run's participation, but there are still trenches clearly visible on Warrior Ridge above the fire hall dug there to accommodate troops and artillery. The book says their shot could reach the Cemetery from there.

Another Bloody Run concern during the Civil War occurred when the Rebels burned Chambersburg which refused to pay them a ransom and were advancing on the Bedford Springs demanding a ransom not to burn it, too. The rebels didn't make it this far but fearful storekeepers hid their merchandise in anticipation of ransacking. The Railroad Museum has a copy of their letter to the community explaining their action. They did not intend to feed or clothe the Rebel Army gratis.

Our participation in the anniversary began this year with exhibits at the Everett Free Library spotlighting individual Civil War veterans, the Library's Civil War book club, and a display of three of Roy Brown Jr. (Class of 1962)'s woodcut prints of the Civil War.

A number of Everett alumni are already involved in this project and anyone interested is welcome to join in or to share your family's Civil War memories. Contact John Nebel, Bloody Run Historical Society President, at 623-8850.

REUNION NOTICES

Class of 1943

Everett High School Class of 1943 will meet at Kelly's Scenic View Restaurant on August 6 at 12:00 noon.

Class of 1956

Everett High School Class of 1956 will meet at Spring House on September 17 from 5:00pm to 10:00pm.

Class of 1966

Everett High School class of 1966 will meet at Down River on September 24 at 6:00 pm. Other activities include the Friday evening Homecoming football game and a Saturday morning tour of the High School at 10:00 am.

Class of 1971

June 18, 2011 - In Bulls Head Tavern
At The Union Hotel - 5:30 pm

NEWSLETTER SUBSCRIPTION POLICY REMINDER

In order to better keep track of newsletter subscription beginning and ending dates, we have made a few procedural changes. All subscriptions will begin on the first day of the year and end the last day of the year. If your subscription payment is received during the year, you will receive the current newsletter as well as any issue(s) you have missed and all forthcoming issue(s) for the year.

The mailing label on your newsletter lists your subscription expiration date.

ALUMNI NEWS UPDATE

Dr. Graffious Rinard

After reporting on Dr. Rinard's 100th Birthday in our last issue, we now sadly report that Dr. Graffious Rinard died Wednesday, March 2, 2011.

Our condolences to the family.

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT: CHARLOTTE FLUKE ANDERSON

The class of 1958 produced a number of alumni who remained in the Everett area adding to it's economy, and others who chose to travel and enjoy careers elsewhere.

Charlotte Fluke Anderson (Class of 1958) falls into that latter group. After graduating from Maryland Medical Secretarial School in Hagerstown, Md., and a short stint as an employee at Memorial Hospital of Bedford County, Charlotte moved to California where she continued her secretarial career at Litton Industries, 1960 - 1964.

The next 16 years she combined being a "professional mom" with bookkeeping for an insurance company, giving piano lessons, playing organ for weddings and church, and managing political campaigns.

She returned to Litton and Teledyne Systems Co. as a Program (Project) manager in the aerospace industry primarily. She started as an Administrative Assistant managing finances for an organization of 200 people and was promoted as the first female non-engineer program manager and it was at this point she completed her degree in business management at LA Pierce and University of Redlands.

In 1996 she retired, but didn't stay retired for long. She returned to Litton (now called Northrup Grumman) as program manager in the aerospace industry primarily focused on sophisticated computer control systems for the USAF and Navy along with ground based IFF systems and inertial navigation

and guidance systems. A highlight was representing her company at a missile launch.

In 2005 her husband became seriously ill and Charlotte retired to be home with him.



She was able to return to Northrup Grumman again in 2008 for two years before her third and (maybe) final retirement.

Charlotte's work took her to many parts of the world and she terms that the most exciting part of the job. She represented Northrup Grumman in Japan, Canada, South Korea, and Taiwan. Her personal love for travel has taken her to Paris, London, Rome, the Panama Canal, Belgium, Tahiti, Bruges, Estonia, Amsterdam, Norway, and Germany. Mediterranean and Baltic cruises have taken her to many more places including Spain.

They say the apple doesn't fall far from the tree and this is true in that Charlotte's son Preston and her daughter Wendy both have jobs that allow them world travel as well.

Retired now just a few months, Charlotte is already deeply involved in the business affairs of her church and is able to spend quality time with her ailing husband. Though her family is all gone now from the Everett area, she still manages to stay on top of happenings through friends and this Alumni Newsletter.

Submitted by: Patricia Brown Morgart (Class of 1958)

If you are, or know of an interesting alumni to spotlight, please let us know!

Check us out online

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REPLICAS AVAILABLE

The Association has colorful, wooden replicas of the two former North Spring Street school buildings available for you to purchase. The history of each building is printed on the backside. You can obtain each building for \$20.00 or the set for \$35.00. We can mail a single replica to you for \$4.00 or the set for \$7.00.



9" x 3.25" x .75"



6" x 5.25" x .75"

To order your replicas, please use the enclosed form and mail along with your payment to:

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You may obtain an order form online: everettareaalumni.org

The Alumni Association meets the third Tuesday of the month at Kelly's Scenic View Restaurant at 7:00 PM.*

2011 CALENDAR

May 17
June 21

July 19
August 16

September 20
*October 18 - 6:30 PM

November 15
No December meeting