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Join the Alumni Association  
Become a lifetime member!

Membership is \$25 per person for a lifetime membership. Part of the proceeds will go to the "Taylor Schools Foundation of Excellence" Scholarship Fund. Your payment may be tax deductible.

Send your check payable to "Taylor School District Alumni Association" to:

Taylor Alumni Association  
11501 Beech Daly Road  
Taylor, MI 48180

Or visit the website at:  
[www.tayloralumni.org](http://www.tayloralumni.org) and use the online application feature

# Taylor School District Alumni Association

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## President's Column.....by Caroline (Craddock) Patts, TC '73

Hope everyone had a good holiday and is ready to leap into spring. The Alumni Association has been busy this past winter. It continues to slowly grow with lifetime memberships. Won't you consider becoming a lifetime member? For just a one time fee of \$25 you can become a lifetime member. Benefits of membership include, perhaps the most important, being able to stay in touch with people like you, Taylor Schools Graduates. Our website has great connections with the high schools and city so even if you no longer live in the area you can keep up to date with what is happening in your old hometown and high school. There are news items posted, class reunion information, a chat room and bulletin board. There is even a yellow pages section where alumni with businesses can post their information. visit the website at: [www.tayloralumni.org](http://www.tayloralumni.org).

Receive free admittance to sporting events at the high schools for active members and other business discounts from businesses, many owned by alumni. We post reunion information, archived newsletters, meeting minutes, there is a "In Memoriam" section and much more info. We also have get togethers at local businesses owned by alumni. Contact us with a Taylor alumni you know who owns a business we could gather at for conversation and eats.

We have lots of other ideas but need everyone we can get to provide input and help. Remember, any association is

only as good as its members. Please consider joining today! We are in the process of fixing the online application, so please use U.S. mail for now.

Send your information: school, year of graduation, maiden name if applicable & \$25.00 to: Taylor School District Alumni Association, 11501 Beech Daly Road, Taylor, MI 48180 or you can send it to John Pantalone at 7558 Melvin, Westland, MI 48185. You will receive your card in the mail and can then start using it for your discounts.

We would like to update our "memory lane" photos on the website. If you have any pictures from high school you can scan and send us please do so. Send them to the alumni email address ([tayloralumniassociation@yahoo.com](mailto:tayloralumniassociation@yahoo.com)) Also if you have some pictures from your reunions we would like to post those too.

Thanks to everyone for attending our monthly meetings. We can't run this organization without your input and help. If you haven't been to a meeting yet they are held on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm at the Taylor Schools Board of Education Office on Northline Road in Taylor.

Well, that's all for now...*Have a wonderful, safe spring!*

## It's Party Time!

The Taylor Schools Alumni Association is hosting another informal get together on Friday, May 14, 2010 at the Taylor Meadows Golf Club on Ecorse Road in Taylor. Start the party early....Taylor Meadows is offering golf specials just for Taylor Alumni... 18 hole availability from 12 Noon - 1pm; 9 holes from 1 - 4:06 pm and twilight after 4:30. When booking, you must reference the Taylor Alumni to get the discount. The fun continues for some and begins for others at 6pm at the Greenside Grille. There will be food and drink specials.

Come join us for some great food, drinks and memories! Why not make it a "mini-reunion"...grab some of your old classmates, friends, siblings, anyone you know who attended Taylor Schools and come up to the Taylor Meadows Golf Club on May 14! Visit the Taylor Meadows website at: <http://www.taylorgolf.com/meadows>

There will be alumni items available for purchase such as the most recent hardcover alumni directory, alumni mugs, t-shirts, etc.

Questions: contact the Taylor Alumni Association at <http://www.tayloralumniassociation@yahoo.com>

See you May 14!

PS...there is LOTS OF PARKING available at the Meadows!

## In the News.....Alumni

KEN WOOD JFK GRADUATE OF 1977 PASSED AWAY IN OCTOBER OF 2007 AFTER A COURAGEOUS BATTLE WITH PANCREATIC CANCER. AS A MEMORIAL TO KEN AND TO BENEFIT THE KARMANOS CANCER INSTITUTE FOR PANCREATIC CANCER RESEARCH THE **2ND ANNUAL KEN WOOD MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING WILL BE HELD MAY 15TH**. HERE ARE SOME OF THE DETAILS: MAY15TH AT PHEASANT RUN GOLF COURSE IN CANTON, MI- 1 PM SHOTGUN START 18 HOLE SCRAMBLE - GOLF -CART- LUNCH AT TURN-DINNER - FREE DRIVING RANGE- PRIZES ALL FOR \$75 - DINNER ONLY \$30 TO SIGN UP CALL OR EMAIL- JEFF VANHOOK-- PHONE 734-751-5003 EMAIL VANHOOKDDS@YAHOO.COM SPACE IS LIMITED

Congratulations to **John Martin (JFK Class of 1972)** who was named attorney for the City of Taylor. John while, serving on the Taylor Police Department continued his education until he received a law degree. The Taylor Alumni Association congratulates John on his achievements.

Congratulations to Tim Conrad. Rock-Paper-Scissors sound like a kid's game? Not to thousands. There is even a world championship tournament. This year it was held in Toronto and drew competitors from the United States and

Canada and also from as far away as Australia, France and Norway. The world champ received a trophy and \$7000. Who was it? **Tim Conrad a 2006 graduate of JFK**. This was Tim's first time entering the tournament. He and many of his teammates, a bunch of friends from high school called the "Elite 47" entered the competition. The team had a tremendous showing as a matter of fact both finalists were from the same team. Tim beat out his close friend, Tom Butkin.

*We know there are many more graduates who have outstanding careers and lives. Please send in information on someone you would like recognized to: John Pantalone at: johnpantalone@sbcglobal.net*

## Reunions

For information on upcoming reunions or to see pictures from past reunions, visit the Taylor School District Alumni Association website at: [www.tayloralumni.org](http://www.tayloralumni.org). Have information to share, pictures to share from your reunion? Or do you have information about an upcoming reunion? Please email the Alumni Association with the information so that it can be posted on the Alumni website. The email address is: [tayloralumniassociation@yahoo.com](mailto:tayloralumniassociation@yahoo.com)

**Taylor Center Classes of 1960 & 1961.** The organizing committee for the class of 1960 (Donna Jones Cory, Helen Brown Collins, Bonnie Wisz, Janet Sclater Cheatham, Jim Bigwood, and Gary Villet) have made arrangements for a class reunion on October 9, 2010. Included in this reunion are the classes of 1960 and 1961. Members of the class of '60 should receive a postcard reminding them to mark their calendars for October 9. The main purpose for that mailing will be to ascertain addresses. If you did not receive a postcard contact one of the committee. [wgvillet@hughes.net](mailto:wgvillet@hughes.net). You will need to give an update on your address. The second mailing will be about July 1. This will be the formal announcement. The class of 1961 will not receive a postcard as we have no address. List or any person from the class who wants to take charge of this; The 1961 grads interested in attending please email [wgvillet@hughes.net](mailto:wgvillet@hughes.net) so that arrangements can be made to send a formal invitation. You can also check [classmates.com](http://classmates.com) for information. This reunion is for all graduates and non-graduates from 1960 and 1961. So often those who did not finish school feel awkward attending a reunion. Please come! The reunion is right in Taylor at Lakes of Taylor.

Also planned is a get together at Pias the night before the reunion. CONTACT GARY VILLET AT [WGVILLET@HUGHES.NET](mailto:WGVILLET@HUGHES.NET)

**Taylor Center Class of 1972** is planning a 40 year reunion for June of 2012. Contact Ed Harris ([tc72reunion@aol.com](mailto:tc72reunion@aol.com)) for more information.

**TAYLOR CENTER CLASS OF 1965 IS HAVING A "45 YEAR" REUNION, BELLE MAER HARBOR, HARRISON TOWNSHIP, MI, JUNE 12 2010 FROM NOON TO ????, \$25 PER PERSON - ONE GUEST PER GRADUATE PLEASE. FOR MORE INFO: CONTACT LINDA KLASSEN-WELLS [WWW.REWELLS@COMCAST.NET](mailto:WWW.REWELLS@COMCAST.NET)**

**Taylor Center Class of 1971 Picnic, July 25th, 2010 11a.m. to 7 p.m., Jaycee Bicentennial Park, Pinecrest and Merrick (off Ecorse Rd.)** Bring your own picnic lunch, chairs, etc. We will have games and prizes and fun. Bring the grandkids! Contact Ruth Bonner Inman 313 292-7045, [raimom60@yahoo.com](mailto:raimom60@yahoo.com), or Sherry Browning Byrd 313 622-8327



## MEMBER DISCOUNTS

Did you know that if you are a lifetime member of the Taylor Alumni Association you are entitled to great discounts from local merchants? Below are some of the wonderful local businesses that are offering you, our lifetime members, great discounts on their great products!!

If you are a lifetime member of the Alumni Association you are entitled to FREE admission to all Taylor School District Sporting Events



Authentic Italian Cuisine

31735 Plymouth Road  
Livonia, MI 48150

### Giulio's Cucina Italiana

20% Discount on any food order

Giulio's Italian Restaurant is the local source for Livonia's best Italian food. They also specialize in fine wines, cocktails, live entertainment, catering, and gluten-free menu items. When you go, stop and say hello to Ray Borden, Co-Owner. Ray is a 1979 Graduate of JFK!



5% Discount on any order

Voted #1 salsa in America two years in a row. The company also offers cherry juice concentrate, tart cherry capsules and a complete line of super fruit products. Owned by Andy LaPointe (JFK '86) and Jennie Weir (JFK '88)

Order online at [www.traversebayfarms.com](http://www.traversebayfarms.com) or call 1-877-746-7477 or International: 1-231-533-8788 to place your order. Use discount APPR05-This reads (APPR (zero) 5



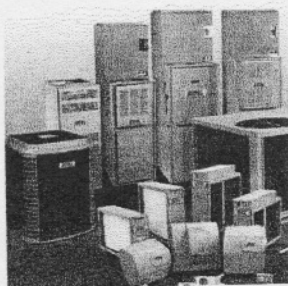
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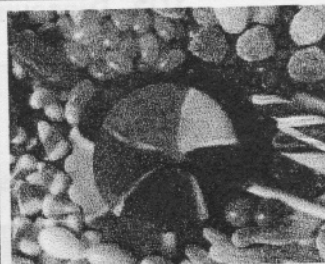
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Wayne, MI 48184  
(734) 728-5717

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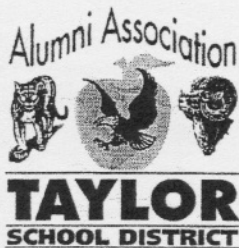


Northline & Pardee  
Taylor, MI

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10% Discount

Bring back the memories of the old time corner ice cream and candy store you remember from years ago. We invite you to come visit us for all your sweet treat needs.



**Taylor Schools Alumni Association's purpose.**

To enhance the educational atmosphere of the Taylor School District by developing an active alumni association for the common good of both the graduates and the school district.

*Alumni Directories—2008 \$25*

*Alumni Mugs \$5 gray with all 3 mascots on them*

*Window Clings \$1 Alumni Association has Ram, Cougar & Eagle on it.*

*Taylor Center Pins \$3 It says 1953-1997*

## Alumni Association Membership

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### ALUMNI HAPPENINGS....

The Alumni Association hosted an informal get together in February at Pias. The event was very well attended (upwards of 400 people). Lots of alumni from all the schools and many former staff. Great food, drinks and company. Unfortunately the parking was very limited. Our apologies to those that couldn't make their way in but please come to the Meadows Golf Club on May 14...lots of parking available! We want to continue to have these. Please give us your ideas and suggestions and better yet, attend our monthly meetings (2nd Tuesday of month, 6:30 p.m., Taylor School Board Office)