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Linking the Past, Present and Future



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Past, Present, Future

On The Cover: (1989) The 1989 Homecoming King Steve Scheidegger and Queen Tara Went pose for a photo following coronation. **(2021)** This middle school student stacks some of the 200 STEM on The Go Bags that were distributed this summer. STEM on The Go is one of several student/community-focused areas the CPS Foundation provides.

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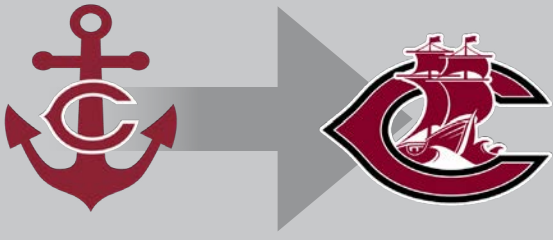
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Columbus High students to resume calls to alumni

CPS alumni association is partnering with the CHS National Honors Society (NHS) and Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) student organizations to update the alumni database.

In the upcoming months, alumni will begin receiving calls from our CHS students and alumni association to gather information so that we can update our alumni database.

We also want to learn from you what you would like to read about in your alumni newsletter which is currently mailed twice a year as well as emailed to our database twice a year.

Alumni will be asked to confirm their mailing address, best phone number and email address. Students will also ask the following questions:

- Would you like to receive the alumni newsletter in the mail twice a year?
- Would you like to receive the alumni newsletter in your email twice a year?
- What types of things would you like to see in the alumni newsletter?
- What activities did you participate in during high school?
- Who was your favorite teacher and why?
- What was your favorite memory from high school?

This is a great opportunity for you to connect with a current Columbus High School student and feel free to ask them questions about their high school experience.

On your marks.
Get set.
... GO!

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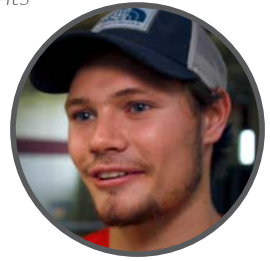
Discoverer Dash and Homecoming 2021 are on the same day this year! Join the dash and stick around for the football game against Lincoln Northeast @ 7 p.m.



Discoverer AnchorLines presents

New Waters: The CHS Class of 2020

The CPS student-led journalism group sat down with members of the Class of 2020 to catch up on the adjustments following graduation and life as a CHS alum. The first episode airs Sept. 3rd on [facebook.com/CHSAnchorAlumni](https://www.facebook.com/CHSAnchorAlumni) and [facebook.com/DiscovererAnchorLines](https://www.facebook.com/DiscovererAnchorLines).



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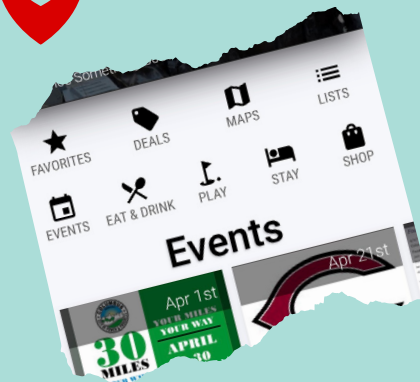
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The Andrew Jackson Higgins Memorial in Columbus sits settled in Pawnee Park. CPS students had a hand in designing the memorial, which is to be re-dedicated after 20 years on display.

A Legacy Continues

CHS students lent hand in Higgins Memorial, set to be re-dedicated after 20 years on display

A monument honoring a man whose contributions aided in the United States victory in World War II, is celebrating its own milestone this fall.

The Andrew Jackson Higgins National Memorial will mark its 20th Anniversary with a re-dedication ceremony on Sept. 20th in Columbus.

Columbus High School participated in the original design.

The following is from Andrew Jackson Higgins Memorial Foundation.org.

"On June 6, 2000 the Omaha World Heard published an article concerning the opening of the National D-Day Museum in New Orleans. The article stated the National D-Day Museum had been located in New Orleans in honor of Andrew Higgins and the workers of Higgins Industries, Inc. The article stated Andrew Higgins was born in Columbus, Nebraska.

"When Jerry Meyer, social studies teacher at Columbus High School, read the article. He thought it appropriate

to present the information to his classes and ask if they would like to honor this very important man. They eagerly accepted this challenge. This was the beginning of a "Service Learning Project" which took three years to complete.

"His social studies students were divided into six committees. All of his students were given the opportunity to submit ideas that would like to see included in a memorial to Mr. Higgins. Local company Gilmore & Associates, donated the engineering, surveying and architectural services to the project. Their architect met with the students. He jotted down each idea as it was presented. When the students and architect met again he had incorporated all their ideas into the memorial. The original plan was upgraded, but the outcome appears very much like the original architectural drawing.

"A State Historical Sign greets guests as they enter the memorial. The United States, MIA, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, along with the Nebraska and Louisiana

state flags fly high above the Memorial Wall. Service flags of the Army, Navy, Marines, Merchant Marines, Coast Guard and Air Force line the sidewalk at the entrance to the memorial. Flags from each state and



territory, along with flags specially made to honor Columbus High School staff and students surround the memorial."

20th Anniversary Higgins Re-Dedication Schedule

Sunday, Sept. 12

8:45 a.m.*

CPS Ensemble

9 a.m.*

Prayer Breakfast Buffet

9:30 a.m.*

Last Man Down: Larry Silhacek

10 a.m.*

Justin Longcoy

10:30 a.m.*

Tom Bryan

11 a.m.*

Fred Hoppe

11:30 a.m.*

Gerald Meyer

Noon - 1:45 p.m.

Food Trucks & Self-guided Tours of the Higgins Memorial & WWII Reenactors set up in Pawnee Park onsite at Higgins Memorial

2 p.m.*

Formal Program: MC KC Belitz

4 p.m.*

Reception

*Events at Ramada Ballroom/Courtyard

Event and breakfast tickets are \$25 (including a donation to the Higgins Foundation) Reserver yours today by contacting Columbus Area Convention and Visitors Bureau Director Katy McNeil at 402-276-3606 or kmcneil@plattene.us.



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Columbus Veterans Project 2001-2002 Students

Below are the Columbus High School students who presented ideas for the Andrew Jackson Higgins Memorial.

Period 1

Allsman, Matthew
Anderson, Sean
Baker, Nicholle
Spulak, Richard
Brezenski, Adam
Crippen, April
Foerster, Thomas
Gernstein, Kristofer
Hill, Desiree
Janssen, Travis
Johnson, Cale
Johnson, Dustin
Kemp, Jed
Kiolbasa, Alecia
Kleinberg, James
Lawrence Jacob
McCullough, Randy
Mora, Omar
Ordonez, Ericka
Osantowski, Alan
Powell, Joshua
Rasby, Gregory
Stenger, Ashley
Torres, Mario

Period 5

Cave, Joseph
Espino, Paula
Feehan, Ryan
Fierke, Kristi
Gausman, Emilie
Haferland, Tyler
Hart, Stefanie
Hollinrake, Adam
Hughes, Nicollette
Kinzer, Cody
Knopick, Silas
Kuhl, Logan
Loera, Raul
Mimick, Nathan
Mueller, Danielle
Porter, Alex
Steiner, Austin
Ueding, Kayla
White Butterfly, Dawn

Period 6

Anderson, Mollie
Burge, Joseph
Clasen, Chase
Derochie, Seth
Gates, Amanda
Glinsmann, Eric
Groteluschen, Kyle
Irwin, Joseph
Knopick, Benjamin
Laird, Drew
Lawrence, Jami
Madrid, Saida
Magdaleno, Jorge (Ivan)
May, Amanda
Meyer, Kyle
Nadrchal, Karlee
Olsen, Alex
Pietz, Logan
Schantz, Tasha
Simmons, Andrew
Torres, Rocio
Van Diest, Brent
Wortman, Samuel
Zuerlein, Michael

Period 7

Aguilar, David
Beiermann, Christopher
Champlin, Jamie
Ferris, JoAnna
Haas, Lisa
Hameister, Caleb
Haskell, Sarah
Jarosz, Tyler
Johnson, Danny
Konecky, Andrew
Kozak, Dustin
Lawrence, Andrew
Licari, Anthony
Mahlin, Heather
Olk, Chet
Pickinpaugh, Lindsay
Romo, Vanessa
Satorie, Kelsie
Shalon, Trevor

Speicher, Alicia
Spelts, Collin
Spindler, Michelle
Uerling, Savanna
Vandenberg, Michael
Vollbracht, Carrie
Vrbka, Andrea
Walker, Mark
Weber, Tyler

Period 8

Breitkreutz, Karl
Chohon, Jason
Cole, Joshua
Dresch, Christopher
Kaspar, Dawn
Kuta, Derrick
Long, Abigail
Lowe, Kris
Maslonka, Shayla
Micek, Nick
Olson, Justine
Pfeifer, Marty
Pollard, Matt
Salak, Derek
Schrier, Heather
Settgast, Simon
Tate, Patrick

Period 9

Adkisson, Tadd
Applegate, Ali
Baeza, David
Blaser, Cody
Blaser, Heather
Boruch, Chelsey
Duncan, Lori
Ernst, John
Espinoza, Cathy
Garcia, Roger
Griffin, Kayleigh
Hartman, Jeff
Hasenkamp, Ryan
Hollis, Justin
Irby, Megan
Knott, Stephanie

Koll, Brian
Marksmeier, Matthew
Micek, Kristin
Momcilov, Marko
Mueller, Wes
Navock, Nicholas
Nickolite, Zachary

Petrus, Cody
Porter, Natalee
Post, Erin
Proctor, Curtis
Rasby, Katie
Robledo, Gabriel
Gerald Meyer, Instructor



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After years of home brewing, CPS alum launched beer companies

Columbus Public Schools gives its students the tools they need to build the careers they want. For some students, that means enjoying the security of a job with an existing company. For others, that means taking a risk and building something of their own.

Curt Kucera, for example, chose to embrace his entrepreneurial spirit and follow his passions – to careers in the beer brewing industry.

Curt Kucera
CHS Class of 1976
Co-founder of Refuge Brewery
& Co-founder of Ss Brewtech



After graduating from Columbus High School in 1976, Curt Kucera went on to earn a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from Oregon State in 1985. He then spent the next several decades doing high-level mechanical engineering across several industries and disciplines.

Over his more than 35-year career, Kucera has done pioneering work in the engineering field. He helped create flight deck displays for Boeing 777 airplanes and ran a large engineering group at an automotive electronics company that helped pioneer the field of mobile entertainment.

He led a team that created some of the first programs for VHS/DVD players in major vehicles like Land Rover, Mercedes, GM and Toyota.

In his free time, Kucera had started experimenting with home brewing. When he started in the mid-1980s, the field was new and it was hard to find equipment and ingredients, but Kucera kept at it.

In December 2012, after years of home brewing in his garage and a year of building and preparing for the launch, Kucera opened Refuge Brewery at 43040 Rancho Way, #200 in Temecula, California.

The brewery is a family-run company as Kucera's wife, Diane Tredway (CHS class of 1977), and their sons, Jake and Chad, are also involved in the business. Jake is a co-founder

Taken Flight

By Amy (Busteed) Blaser
CHS Class of 1988

and marketing director for Refuge.

Chad – who completed a master brewer program in Germany – helps oversee Refuge's diverse beers. Diane set up Refuge's tasting room and serves as the brewery's event director.

Early on, Refuge Brewery signed a distribution deal with Stone Brewing Company that allowed Refuge beers to be distributed throughout California. Now, Refuge beer (primarily the brewery's flagship brew, Blood Orange Wit) is sold in more than 1,000 restaurants and bars throughout southern California.

Along with its success and growth, Refuge Brewery also paid off in another way – it

inspired Kucera to start another business.

During the development of Refuge Brewery, Kucera had designed much of the brewing equipment himself. These concepts and designs inspired Kucera to team up with a long-term business partner and friend to found Ss Brewtech which creates brewing equipment.

Today, Ss Brewtech's equipment is shipped to more than 16 countries and the company is considered a leader in stainless steel home brewing equipment.

Though it's a global company, Ss Brewtech gets to test its equipment right at home at Refuge Brewery.

What led to you to you opening Refuge Brewery?/What inspired you to open Refuge Brewery?

After years of home brewing, and developing a local (neighborhood following) it felt right to

open up a brewery to provide a "Refuge" for craft beer lovers given the economic challenges that were hitting the country in 2012.

Originally, the brewery was planned to be very small, and serve as local brewery/taproom ... but our beers caught on and demand guided our growth

What education or experience prepared you to open a brewery?/How did your education and background lead to you starting Ss Brewtech?

I have a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from Oregon State, and quality brewing is strongly influenced by "process control" – something that most engineers enjoy.

As my home brewing progressed, I used my engineering process control to improve the quality of beers I made. Having an engineering



Ss Brewtech equipment is on display in one of the hundreds of breweries utilizing CPS Alum Curt Kucera's technology.



The tap room inside Refuge Brewery in Temecula, Calif., is decorated with music and beer inspired trends and is housed in the center the working facility.

background really paid off in how I approached the craft.

During my years of home brewing, I forever looked at ways to create new equipment or improve on the minimally available equipment on the market.

I have always been a bit of an entrepreneur and have owned several businesses, so it was quite natural to want to bring new and better equipment to the market.

The opportunity presented itself to start Ss Brewtech when we sold an automotive electronics company (Rosen Products) where I was an owner and ran the engineering department.

After selling that company, I had time to focus on a new company and Ss Brewtech was born with a former partner from Rosen and my son, Jake.

Ss Brewtech started as a home brew equipment company, but we also added professional brewery equipment based on products I designed for Refuge Brewery.

Today, Ss Brewtech is sold worldwide and has brewery systems in thousands of breweries.

Did your experience at Columbus High School help prepare you for these business ventures? If so, how?

Everything is linked in some way. While in high school, I found a love for two things: automotive class and drafting. These skills I gained at CHS ultimately led me to my first job at NPPD as a draftsman, and later an engineering tech job at NPPD.

This led me to go back to school for a bachelor of science in mechanical engineering which paved the way for businesses I have owned.

“These skills I gained at CHS ultimately led me to my first job ... which paved the way for businesses I have owned.”
Curt Kucera
CHS Class of 1976

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Better Know A Brew

CHS Alums Curt Kucera ('76) and his wife, Diane Tredway ('77) opened Refuge Brewery in 2012, after years of home brewing. The couple, along with their son Jake, rotate season flavors, styles and brews to serve patrons at their tap room as well as produce lines for more than 1,000 restaurants and bars around their Southern California home. "Originally, the brewery was planned to be very small, and serve as local brewery/taproom ... but our beers caught on and demand guided our growth," Kucera said. Below is a sample of Refuge's flagship beers, including the 2017 Great American Beer Festival Gold Medal winner, Blood Orange Wit.



West Coast RED

6.2% ABV | 46 IBU

Combine Refuge's Rampart Red, and dry-hop it with a pound of Cascade hops per barrel and you get this well-balanced, good for places with or without coasts.



Baja Crush

6.2% ABV | 50 IBU

Massive amounts of Mosaic and Lemon drop hope are used, resulting in enormous hop flavor and aroma without the overpowering bitterness

Grapefruit IPA

7.7% ABV | 77 IBU

This dank, citrus-packed hop bomb is take from same page as Refuge's Blood Orange Wit, but with fresh-picked Temecula grapefruits added to the brew.



Blood Orange WIT

5.0% ABV | 16 IBU

A 2017 Great American Beer Festival Gold Medal winner, the Refuge flagship Blood Orange Wit uses more than 200 lbs of blood oranges in every batch. "This Beer is the freshest to taste and the easiest to drink among the others offered."



To find more information about the brewery and Kucera's brewing equipment line visit:

Refuge Brewery – refuge.beer
Ss Brewtech – ssbrewtech.com

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The cutoff date for this newsletter was July 31. Dues paid after that date will be printed in the 2021 fall newsletter. Dues can be paid at anytime of the year. If you wish to become a member, please fill out the form on page 8 of this newsletter or go online: <https://www.cpsanchor.com/alumni/become-a-member-of-the-alumni-association.html>

1928

Elmer (Bus) Lohr *

1935

Bettie Sharp Eggli *

1936

Eleanor Van Berg Loshbaugh *

1937

Arthur Garbers *

Jean Fricke Ashby *

1938

Jean Vanberg Chase

Bernice Brock Hegi *

Martha Boehm Kusek

1939

Laird Loomis *

Robert P Loshbaugh *

Veral Ellen Gertsch Martin Weller *

Duane M Ernst

1940

Frances Behlen Brakel

Dorothy M Yonkie Folden *

Walter Matzen *

Julian Meyer *

Ryland (Rip) Nantkes *

1942

Norm Loseke *

Bill Smith

1943

Calvin Gloor *

Karl Mueller

Helen Whiting Gerber *

Walt Lips *

1944

Mimi Hahn Mueller *

Pat Heynen Gloor

Walter Kiuntke *

Donald Smith

1945

Edward Babka

Clarence Brunkhorst

Carroll Devlin

Nan Bernstein Klassen

1946

Tom Bernstein *

Delores Cattau Ebel *

Robert Osborn *

Homer Rothleitner *

1947

William (Bill) Haney

Robert Jaeggi *

Jean Johannes Johnston-Mills

Jon R. O'Neal

1948

Edward (Skip) Gass *

Bernice Gates Gegenbach

Delores Glasner Irwin

Wayne A. Schild

Rudy Winkelman

1949

Larry Blaser

Vernon Feye *

Marilyn Hunkins Gentry

Dorothy Held Glaser

Roland Kluver

Charles Walden *

Roberta Nielsen Saalfeld

ES Bud Van Berg *

1950

Ronald Saalfeld *

Ethel (Genie) Clark Ingold

Wilma Schild Kilgore

Donna Olson Morlock *

Adrienne Ellefson Rogers

1951

Dr. Robert & Carole Smith Quick

Marvin Trofholz

Arlene Finely Van Berg *

1952

Sandy Davis Trofholz

Charles Johansen

Gerald Mueller

Dwayne Smith

Karen Norton Cook *

David Kraus

Donald Rice

James Schultz

Virginia Van Berg Smith

Harold Dey

1953

James Ernst

Sandy Briswalter Ernst

Gerald Karlin

Gary Nantkes

Janice Nantkes

Harlan Petter

Kathy Gerhold Marr

James Murphy

Janice Mueller Nelson

Kenneth D. Peterson *

Robert L. Pope

Donald M. Schupbach *

Charles Speice

Ronald Tschauner

Judd Wagner

Louis (Lou) Welch

1954

John Ellefson *

Jeanette Fickel Blaser

Richard Cuddeford *

Frederic Krebs

Robert W. (Bob) Mead

Ardis Levine Sperber

Marlene Schild Syas

1955

Mary Ann Dietrich Johansen

Ed Nielsen *

Loretta Williams Meistrell

Barbara Boyd Park

Jeanie Frey Randall

Edward D. (Ed) Riggins

Byron Speice

Terry Gaver

1956

Delores Klug Mueller

Jolaine Loseke Nielsen

Helen Korte Campbell

Wanda Schild Eihausen

Douglas M. Groteluschen *

Vard Johnson

Barbara Lundin Mitlyng *

Larry Novicki

Ronald D. Rice

1957

Nadine Loseke Karlin

James Lohr

Kathryn Ericksen Lohr

Sylvia Rodehorst Hermone

Ron Lambert

Mary Kluver Lauber

S Kay Becher Rockwell

Richard (Dick) Whitcomb

Jane Ellefson

1958

David Kuper

John Schutz

Julie Floyd Schutz

Robert M. Duranski

Larry Ray Krumland *

Sharon Welch Lehr

Mike Liddy

Jane Evans Novicki

Joan Sipes Roe

1959

Deanna Osborn Augustin

Geri Austin

Howard (Steve) Ellenburg

Tom Ernst *

Sylvia Wilke Faller

Leonard (Len) Fleischer

Mary Coffey Frauendorfer

Kay Swanson Genereux *

Betty Kaspersen Hegi

David E. Hollman

Mary Ann Behlen Hruska

Con M. Keating

Ron Salak

Richard L. (Stoney) Stone *

Arnold Stuthman

Margaret Corn Trew

Ralph Grotelueschen

1960

Richard Goc

Ted Otte

Sheila Nelson Backes

Gayleen Oppliger Hingst

Gary Hoge

Darlene A. Ebel Jansen

James Jura

David Kathka

John F. Lohr

Joe Matejka

William K McAuliff

Joan Marr Nichols

Jerry Norris

John (Jack) Odgaard

Larry Schmidt

Donn (Toad) Trotter

Keith Van Velkinburgh

Paula Jean Arndt Verdoorn

1961

Steve Ahl

Bob Ahrens *

Karlyn Kuper Carson

Mary McErney Goc

Jean Pittman Cederburg

Janice Feye-Stukas

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Bernard Hay
Joanne Smith Jonas *
Gerald Whitcomb
Diane Swan Amenta

1962

Ken Gigstad*
John Nelson
Gary Lee Burmood
Cecil Bykerk
Diane Ericksen Hembry
Glenda Loseke Kleinkauf
Sharon Aerni Otte
Jean C. Groteluschen Schmidt
Alice Settgast-Janssen

1963

Kay Asche Nelson *
Karen Rice Gigstad *
Lawrence Hake
Gerald Luckey
Kent W Behlen
Sandra Ottson Davis
William Doan
Matthew (Bud) Fleischer
Janet Kummert Hansen
Kathryn Varner Overturf
Mark Schild
Susan Wurdeman
Gayle Jenssen
Jeanetta Jenssen

1964

Bonnie Hay Luckey
James Hellbusch
John Kennedy
Bonnie Knight Kennedy
Marvin Mueller
Joseph Augustine *
Dan Dunne
Thomas Holub
Rita Zulkoski Moeller
Russell Muller

1965

Chris Loshbaugh Bock
Gary Bock
James Oppliger *
Ronald Taylor
Mickey Brazeal
Henry E. Clausen
David L. Ernst *
Gary Gruenhagen
David P. Heiser
Dennis C. Hirschbrunner
Mary A. Holy Kuhlmann *
Kathy Kuska Mueller
Janice May
Tom Petsch
Edward R. Riley
John Neater *

1966

Bruce Channer
William Fleischer
John Anderson *
Mark S. Anderson
Connie Elliott Hellbusch
Bev Kudron

1967

Lynn Turner Behlen
Roger Nyffeler
Sheryl Cattau Channer
David Oppliger
Sue Bullock Oppliger
Deta Coover Robb
Ken Robb
Rita Mikkelsen Ingold
Tom Hagel

Don Oppliger *
Emily Cameron Shattil
Gary Uphoff

1968

Maureen Daniels Taylor
Dennis Behlen
Bill Ingold *
Peg Potter Nyffeler
Charice Rumbaugh Nyffeler
Larry Nyffeler
Steve Anderson
John Ballew
Ann Loomis Burns *
Steve Ferris
Michael Floyd
Robert C. Jones
Robert Lohr
Janice Groteluschen Oeltjen
Donald Sieh
Connie Welch Sylvester
John Zocholl
Theodora "Tedi" Lund

1969

Don Brouse
Sue Folsom Brouse
Gerg Warner
Judy Brock Warner
Yenni Gembol Fuglei
Lester Hake
Nancy Hegi-Cuba
John Jacobsen
Thomas M. Obrist
Sharon Pepler
Marcia M. Hake Schlender
Mary Sims
Jamie Johnson Snyder
Sharon Johnston Noyd
Linda Gilmore Slycord
Terry Trofholz

1970

Brian Nelson
David Athey
Brad Berlin
Michael Brown
Virginia Curry
Peggy Dankert
Joann Eickhoff-Shemek
Steven W. Eymann
Danny Gernstein
Daryl Henry
Terri Drozd Hoesly
Mike Jacobs
David Kincaid
Greg Kluck
Yvonne Mihulka
Gary Osborn
Thomas J. Rich
Jim Schaefer
Janelle Krumland Shepherd
Ronald Walters
Tom Murphy *
Debbie Trofholz
Russ Tschauner

1971

Tom Bernstein
Kimberly Ball
Greg Gersib
Neil Klutman
Patricia A. Caffrey Mcquillan
Jennifer Allen Mills
Robyn Gembol Ryan
Jolene Hellbusch Scalzo
Jon Abegglen

1972

Dana Bailey

Sue Anderson Bernstein
Richard Kant
Kelly Bembry-Hennings
Susan Dixon Bowman
Roger Brown
Randall Cheloha
Judy A. Ernst
Thomas Folsom
Thomas M. Heiser
Daniel W. Miller
Barbara Tank Nelson
Jennifer Gonka Peterson
Michael J. Robak
Kelly George Shada
Mary Farnham Freilino

1973

Gary Abel
Nancy Winkle Bailey
Cindy Palmblade Kant
Sue Shively Anderson
Mike Berlin
Kurt Micek
Brenda Collins Onstead
Kay Grassmeyer Sprunk

1974

Gayle Massman Oppliger
Ann Bremer Ernst
Ronald Ernst
Marsha Hopp Joseph
Rick Joseph
Bradley R. Busler
Mary Nosal Chen
John A Curry
Brian Miller
Rex Porter

1975

Lindsay E. Ball
Jane Hopp Beltz
Michael J. Burrows
Mike Goos
Katherine Gerber Hash

1976

Janice (Jan) Uden Bostelman
Larry Leach
Robert (Bob) Markham
Mark Redrow
Kyla J. George Reising
Ann Ewert Richards
Alan Dale Robertson
Loren Goedeken

1977

Lauren Beck-Kosiba
Michelle Bellum Goedeken
Dan Berlin
Richard P. Haney
Mark Morris
Duane Olsufka
James E. Schwartz
Becky Willman-Gragg

1978

Randy J Eihausen
Mark Jilek
Donna Brandt Liss
Kathy Curran Maca
Trish Hopp Ross
Kim Joiner Sevensing
Bob Shively
Alan Siemek
Jean Haney Junker
Larry Labens
Julie Labens

1979

Cindy Aerni
Leslie Nielsen Hitchner

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What do you want people to know about Refuge Brewery and your beers? What sets you apart from other breweries?

Refuge Brewery focuses on Belgian style beers, because they are my favorite styles.

But we also offer beers we call "sessionable" beers that are easy drinking, low in alcohol by volume and calories.

Beers that are Grand Cru, styles which are barrel-aged and often include juice from wine grapes which are grown locally in the region. And of course, we have a full line of IPAs which still dominate the craft beer market.

What do you like most about running a brewery?

Creativity. Brewing beer is a wildly creative activity. There are literally thousands of styles of beers and millions of ingredients which can be combined to personalize beers we brew.

What's your favorite memory of Columbus High School?

It was a high school dance where I first danced to "Stairway to Heaven" with Diane Tredway, who would one day become my wife and partner in all the twists and turns of life.

What advice do you have for current CPS students who may be interested in opening a brewery or another type of business someday?

Take a risk...be an entrepreneur in how you behave even if you're working for someone else. When I decided to go back to school for an engineering degree, I was taking a risk leaving a very good job at NPPD, but it paid off with a foundation to reach for more.

After working for Honeywell for 13 years in aerospace engineering, I left to enter the private sector, I was taking a risk again.

That risk led to companies I've had ownership in like Rosen Products, Refuge Brewery, 801 Brewing, Ss Brewtech, Haven Vineyard. These all paid off in a variety of ways from financial to personal growth and satisfaction.

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- Karen Koppel
- Luke P. Lemke
- Kenneth E. Robinson
- Julie Plugge Prochaska-Phares
- 1980**
- Kathi Miles Horsley
- Lynn Strehle Sjuts
- Alan Haney
- 1981**
- Ralph Castner
- Dana Ernst
- Teresa Osterhoudt Filsinger
- Jeff Johnson
- Brad W. Loseke
- Todd Robinson
- Bob Shepherd
- Steven Zaura
- Kent Kinzer
- 1982**
- Mark Bellum
- Christine Nielsen Hancock
- 1984**
- Amy Jo Anderson Thalken
- Craig Thalken
- Cindy Hinze Conkling
- Janet Arnold Keating
- Thomas (Tom) Nelson
- 1985**
- Beth Schupbach Buehler
- Anna Castner Wightman
- 1986**
- Chris Blaser
- Kip Anderson
- Kerry Belitz
- Robert Cruise
- Jodi Miller Holen
- Linda Raimondo Myers-Bock
- Steve Sobota
- Rob Zulkoski
- 1987**
- Jason Parker
- Elizabeth (Lisa) Staroscik Wilke
- Joan Dorr
- Jean Hembd
- 1988**
- Donette Brase Droge

- Amy Busted Blaser
- Russ Eihausen
- Shelly Nielsen Schmidt
- 1989**
- Craig Andreasen
- Becky Kuncil Andreasen
- Greg Hutcheson
- Jon Bellum
- Chad M Johannes
- 1990**
- Julie Insinger Hutcheson
- Brent Griffith
- Aaron Hoefling
- Eric Mueller
- Misty Mueller
- 1991**
- James Kennedy
- 1992**
- Alicia Young Fults
- 1993**
- Todd Moss
- Becky Chinn Coulter
- Chirs Mulligan
- Shannon Vavra
- 1996**
- Tasha Henninger Moss
- 1998**
- Lindsay Berlin Ogle
- 1999**
- Nicole Gilmore Anderson
- Brandy Samuelson
- 2000**
- Jennifer Johannes-Hascall
- Jennifer Hast Fjell
- 2001**
- John S. Lohr
- 2005**
- Morgan Pillen Kapels
- 2006**
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Class of 1980



Class of 1991



Time to mark your calendars! 2021 Summer Reunions

Class of 1982 - CHS 40th Reunion coming 2022
Contact: James Tarnick at jimtarnick@gmail.com or Cathy Lococo at studiovoce@sbcglobal.com Please provide your updated contact information - email, address and phone or fill out the updated contact information link on the CHS Alum Page.

1961 - 60-year Reunion - Sept, 26 2021.
Friedhof Building Oakroom and Brick Patio Side (Newly renovated old 1918 Schwerers Building)
<https://theoakroomofcolumbus.com/>
Open All Day 10:30am-Noon ... come and go as you please. Open beverage bar & open dessert bar! Memorabilia Display
Brunch 11 a.m.-Noon - History of the Friedhof building 1 p.m.
Social Hour 5 p.m. - Dinner 6 p.m.
Optional Daytime Tours:
New Columbus Middle School (our old CHS building) 2 p.m.
New Columbus High School 3 p.m.

Reunion Information

1956 - Meets at 10 a.m. the first Wed. of every month at Stack & Steak for morning coffee. All classmates welcome.
1958 - Class lunch the first Wednesday of every month at noon at Maximus. All classmates and spouses welcome.
1959 - Meets the second Thursday quarterly (January, April, July and October) at Stack n' Steak at

11:30 a.m. for lunch and conversation. Classmates and spouses are welcome.
1960 - Meets the first Tuesday of each month at Maximus at 11:30 a.m.
1962 - Meets the first Friday of every month at 9 a.m. at Picket Fence. All classmates and spouses are welcome.

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