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Newsletter of Columbus / Columbus North High School Alumni Association

Message From Our President

Dear Fellow Bull Dogs:

Recently I had the opportunity to talk with the Columbus North High School Principal David Clark and Assistant Principal John Green about the relationship of the faculty, staff and students with the Bull Dog Alumni Association. Mr. Clark and Mr. Green offered insightful thoughts about the role and the impact the Bull Dog Alumni Association has had over the years. Both indicated to me that scholarships and faculty development programs have been extremely helpful to the students and staff, especially at a time when public sector budgets have been unable to provide for some of the student programming and scholarship opportunities.

Mr. Clark and Mr. Green have been thoughtful members of the Board of Directors and help insure the programs and scholarships that we offer will supplement and benefit the students and faculty at Columbus North High School rather than duplicate those programs that are available through public sector funding.

Mr. Clark and Mr. Green indicated that an excellent example of the Bull Dog Alumni Association assisting our academic growth would be the times when they provided support for some of our faculty to meet as a department and discuss appropriate instructional strategies for student learning. At these meetings they also discussed best practices to determine the scope and sequence of future academic programs for multiple courses offered within their department. These faculty development programs insure that the curriculum at Columbus North remains top notch and on the cutting edge.

Mr. Clark also referenced the recent contribution that the Bull Dog Alumni Association provided a student to tour Puerto Rico with a student group led by a faculty member. Without the support of the Bull Dog Alumni Association, this student would not have been able to make the trip.

Mr. Clark indicated that he often observes students at the Bull Dog Hall of Fame studying and reflecting on the members of the Hall of Fame who have been identified and recognized as examples of leaders who have graduated from Columbus / Columbus North High School and made an impact of significance in the world around them.

It is clear that Columbus North has changed dramatically over the years. Mr. Clark reported that 42 different languages are spoken on a daily basis in the hallways and the student cafeteria. It is with this diverse student body that Columbus North continues to excel. Columbus North is currently identified as an "A" school by the Indiana Department of Education. This designation indicates that CNHS exceeds four benchmark standards including: Testing, English & Math proficiency, Attendance & Graduation, and College/Career readiness. Your Bull Dog Alumni Association and its Board of Directors is proud to be a partner in supporting the faculty, staff and students of a true "A" school.

On behalf of your Board of Directors and all of us within the Bull Dog Alumni Association, we wish your family and friends a wonderful and joyous holiday season.

Yours for the Bull Dog Nation,

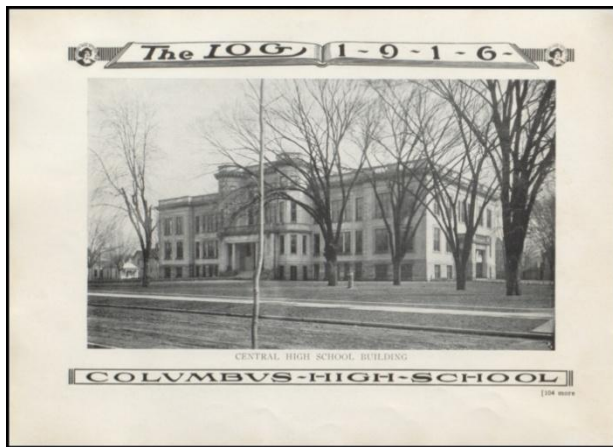
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Pete King ('72), President

Bull Dogs for Life!

150th Anniversary --- That's a Sesquicentennial!

Many folks don't know this, but next year (2018) marks the **150th anniversary of the first students officially entering Columbus High School**. This is actually a pretty big deal, so your Bull Dog Alumni Association has begun working with school and community leaders to plan appropriate celebrations for the coming year.



While in these early planning stages, we welcome (actually solicit!) any and all ideas and suggestions for events, displays, or celebrations that YOU think can enhance this sesquicentennial year! Please offer up suggestions by emailing them to us at:

cnhsalumni@bcsc.k12.in.us

We'll be focusing a great deal on items of historical interest (beginning with this newsletter) and continuing for at least the next eighteen months. At the same time, and independently from our newsletters, we'll be working to compile a comprehensive history of the school --- beginning with the 1868 entry of the freshmen for the class of 1872. If you have any significant historical materials

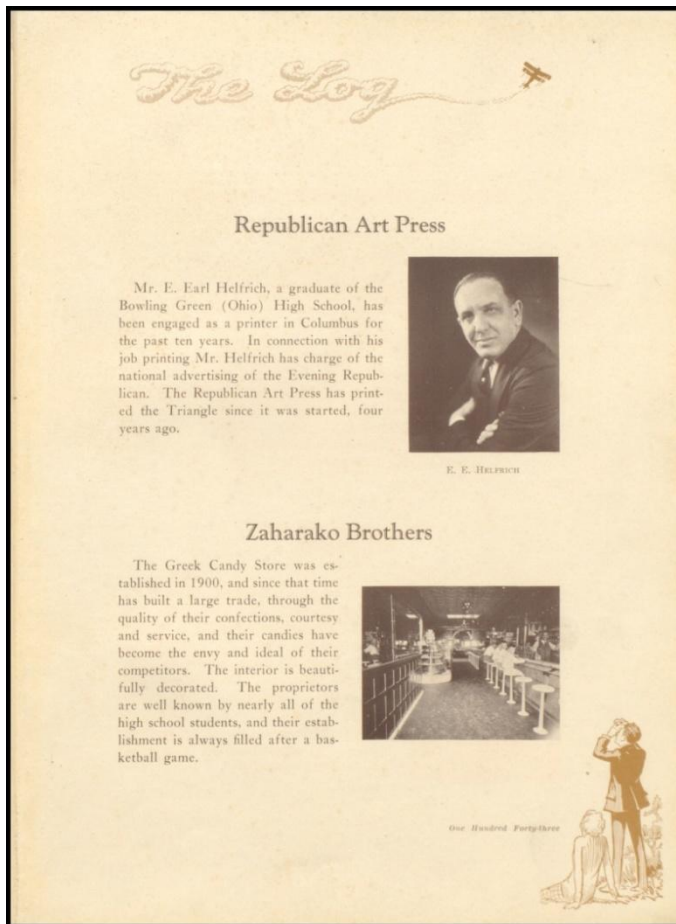
to this end, we would really appreciate the opportunity to review it to help in these efforts. Additionally, we'll be focusing efforts on enhancing, organizing, and preserving archival materials related to the history of Columbus High School / Columbus North High School. Again, if you have any such materials, please let us know!

Finally, we're looking for Bull Dogs who would be interested in helping with any of the activities that will come from this sesquicentennial year --- researching, planning, organizing, hosting, etc. as we embark on this very exciting and busy time. Again, please let us know with an email!



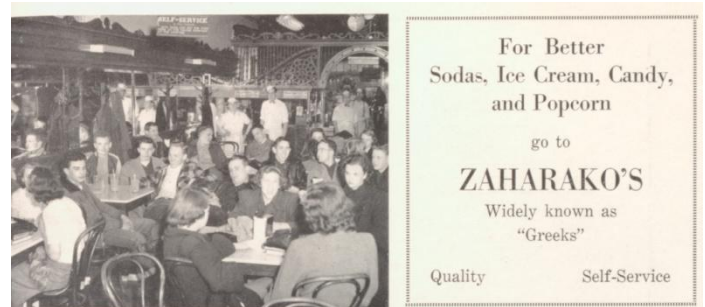
Memories, Anyone?

We thought we'd kick-off the lead-up to our 150th anniversary with some nostalgic clippings & photos from a couple of business establishments that have deep ties to several decades of Bull Dogs (and even some Terriers for those of you who attended Central Junior High after the High School moved to 25th Street). These would be Zaharako's on Washington Street and the Olympia Dairy on Pearl Street.

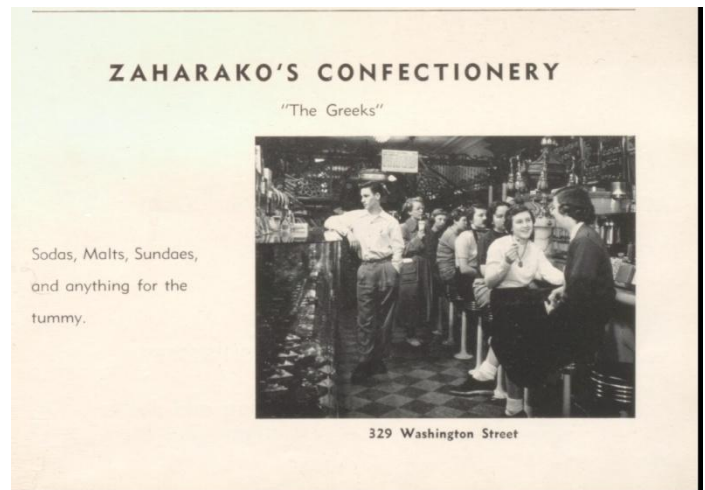


Above is a page from the 1924 Log containing an ad for Zaharako Brothers --- referred to above as "The Greek Candy Store". This is the earliest photo of Zaharako's we could find in any edition of The Log.

The Log excerpt below shows the crowded backroom at "The Greeks" and comes from the 1950 Log.



Below is a partial page from the 1952 Log. Judging from the patrons, this appears to be some Bull Dogs from the 7th & Pearl campus!



After the high school moved to 25th Street, "The Greeks" was still a favorite of the students from Central Junior High, although they tended to have a little less cash rattling in their pockets, so it was often a once-a-week-treat for that younger crowd. And it often required a mad dash to and from just to make it back to class.

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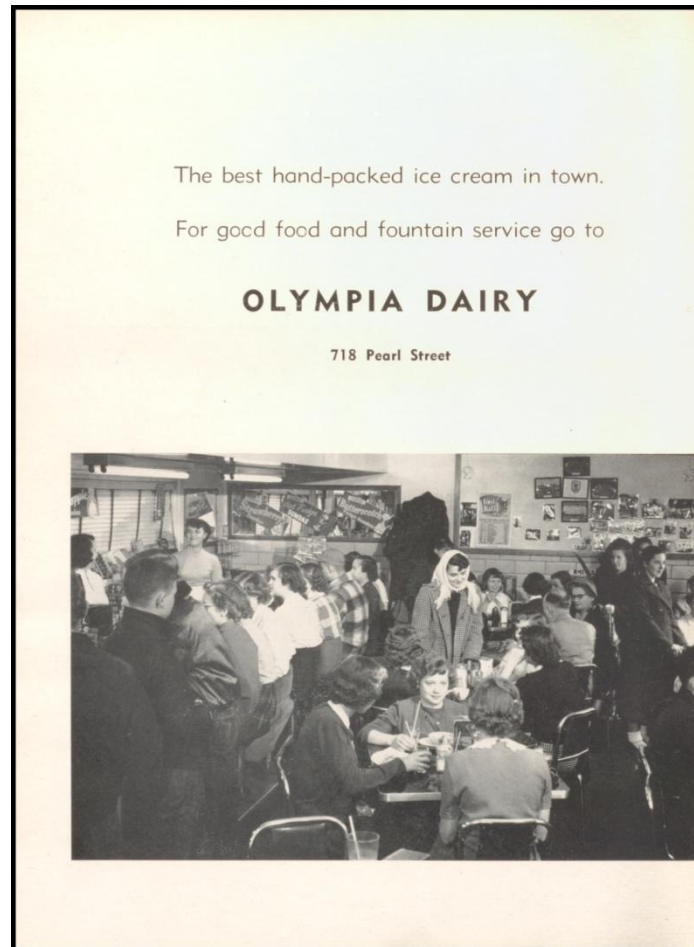
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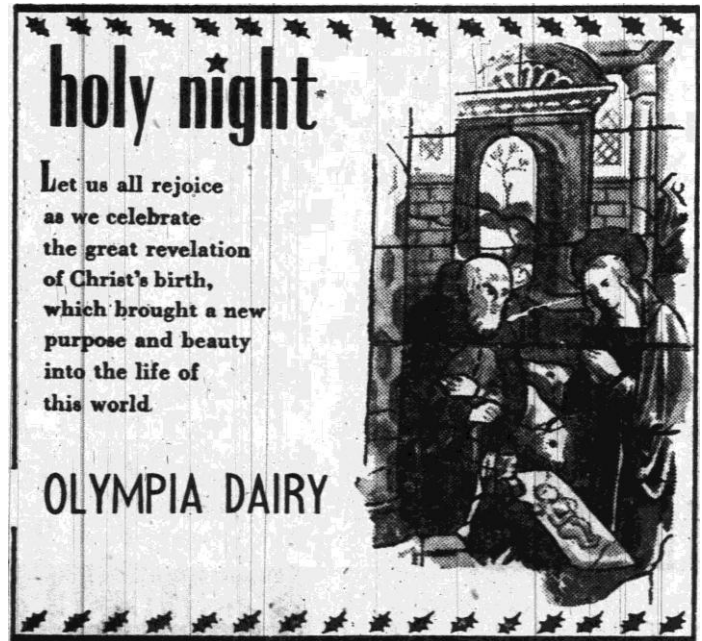
The more popular spot (just out of sheer convenience) was the Olympia Dairy that sat on Pearl Street just across 7th from the school. The only downside with the Olympia was that it was often overflowing with customers, so you had to get there early to get a seat and have time to eat. Music was always playing on the juke box, and everyone loved flipping through the juke box remotes installed in the booths. It was a great hangout “before the games” or after school.

Check out the 1952 Log below.



Even after the business was moved to 25th Street, it became obvious that departure from the old location

and building signaled the end of an era --- and relegated it to fond memories and newspaper clippings such as the ones below from 1953 & 1960.




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Two more caught our eye from 1959 & 1963.

OLYMPIA DAIRY BAR
Dist. of Maplehurst Grade A Dairy Products

We serve a wide variety of snacks and sandwiches, frosty sodas, thick milk shakes, cokes and ice cream. Everything sure to tempt your appetite. Stop in Soon!

Rated Tops in Columbus!
718 Pearl St. Ph. 376-6366
Open Every Night 'Til 10:00



**Family Fun
Topped Off with
HOT CHOCOLATE**
Never Fail Recipe
HOT CHOCOLATE

4 Tablespoons cocoa
3/4 - 4 Tablespoons sugar
Dash of Salt
1 Cup Hot Water
3 Cups Maplehurst Milk

Mix salt, sugar, cocoa in saucepan. Add hot water over low heat, stirring constantly. Add Maplehurst Milk and heat slowly. DO NOT BOIL. If desired, heat before serving. Serve hot. For extra rich hot chocolate use 1/2 cup Maplehurst cream and 3/4 cups Maplehurst Milk.

1 Gallon
Maplehurst Milk 78c
At Your Grocer's, Delivered
or
OLYMPIA DAIRY BAR
718 Pearl St. DR 6-6366



Of course, Zaharako's is going strong again --- not as student hang-out but as a tourist attraction; but the old Olympia at 7th & Pearl no longer houses burgers, fries, shakes, smiles and laughter.

Memories will have to suffice, but that's not so bad!



Left: Milk bottle cap from Olympia Dairy

Next column: Article in Columbus Republican from January 1911 about Zaharako's purchase of their soda fountain.

ZAHARAKO BROTHERS GET FINE FOUNTAIN

Pay \$6,000 for Soda Water Fountain
Declared to Be Finer Than Any in
State of Indiana.

Peter and James Zaharako have returned from Chicago where they have been in company with C. M. Keller for the past few days buying a new \$6,000 soda fountain. Mr. Keller went along in an advisory capacity and also acted as chaperone. The fountain purchased is to be installed in the Greek candy store here as soon as it can be shipped and Pete is not the least backward in saying that it will be the finest fountain in the state of Indiana.

The fountain will be 49 feet long and will extend from the front of the store to the grill partition separating the front from the parlor. It will be constructed entirely of onyx, art glass, solid mahogany and marble. There will be a solid onyx counter with an onyx rail, an Italian marble base, onyx columns until you can't rest and wherever there is a piece of wood it will be mahogany. Two plate glass mirrors, each 15 feet long, will add attractiveness to the fountain. The three men made a canvass of places in Chicago where soda fountains are used and they did not find anything there as good as the new fountain to be installed here. Pete declares Columbus is the center of population and that it is no more than right that the best soda fountain in the country should be located here.



Another significant piece of school history about which you'll be hearing more over the course of the next 15-18 months is Memorial Gym. We decided to kickoff our gym coverage with a reprint of this letter, penned by the venerable Sam Simmermaker, back in 2004 on the occasion of "Miss Memorial's" 50th birthday!

A Love Letter to a Wonderful Lady

Happy Birthday, Miss Memorial...you're 50 years young this year!

You probably don't remember, but you were really a bargain! A million bucks! The community pledged to pay for you in a scant 2 weeks. Unprecedented! Unbelievable!

You just about didn't make it, though.....

In the 20's, the school board was deciding on the design of a Columbus High School gym, along 7th Street. Should the new gym go all the way to 7th Street to allow for a large seating capacity? One of the three school board members voted "yes". The other two members voted "no". If they had built a larger facility, you might not have ever been needed.

You still might not have been built if some heavy hitters hadn't jumped on the bandwagon in the early 50's. At that time, season ticket holders had had their fill of being able to see only half the games. Finally, after years of bursting at the seams at Pearl Street Gym, the community had suffered enough.

During a few meetings upstairs over old city hall, after Rotary Club, led by B.F. Hamilton, a plan was hatched. What a whirlwind effort it was. The goal announcement...the short time it took to realize it...the request for the local workforce to pledge one week's salary...payroll deductions the order of the day.

Miss Memorial—did you know how hard-nosed and dedicated to the cause, fund drive chairman Glenn Thompson was? For example, Glenn asked Bob Spurgin of First National Bank to call on a certain local merchant for a corporate donation.

Spurgin knew this fellow had a reputation as being very tight-fisted...but Bob forged ahead...made the pitch...got a nice donation...and felt he was over the hump, but when he gave the check to Thompson, Glenn took one look at the amount and gave it back to Bob. "it's not enough," was all Thompson said. So Spurgin had to go back to the retailer a second time. Bottom line: he secured an even larger gift.

Did you know that Don Tull really laid down the law at Cummins as far as those "week's pay pledges" were concerned? Rumor has it that if you didn't go along, you were history.

Car dealers contributed heavily, led by #1 Bull Dog fan Henry Everroad.

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Ben Irwin of Arvin saved for years to buy an organ. He wound up giving the entire amount to the gymnasium. Students were extremely active in the fund drive.

Miss Memorial—you've sure been busy over the years. Besides basketball, there have been concerts, meetings, graduations, convos, wrestling matches, volleyball matches, gymnastics meets. The Pacers played here....PU...the Globies.

Don't forget the Bill Stearman memorial service. Boy, Willie was a fixture here, Miss Memorial. You guys had some kind of love affair.

You know, he won more home games and coached more games on this floor than any other Hoosier coach, at any other school—to this day.

There have been some thrillers—some landmark games.

- The opener—remember: Bull Dogs 56-Bloomington 39.*
- Full house, of course! Standees all over the place*
- The 17-10 game with Madison*
- The glory years of the early and mid -60's. 100 points every night.*
- Remember that '68 regional championship game—Steve Welmer and the Bull Dogs beat Wes Miller and the Golden Bears.*
- Waldron's Bill Barnard beating the Bull Dogs in the 1960 sectional finale on a buzzer beating tip-in*

- Columbus East using the facility until their gym was ready.*
- Coach Stearman winning those 4 sectionals in a row in the 90's with Rusty Loyd at the helm.*

Miss Memorial, you should be proud. You've stood the test of time. You've aged well. You'll be forever young.

You were untypical from the word "go". A Columbus architect called you a "fortress". Stout and strong, I hope you don't mind—(pretty good analogy).

I'm so sorry, Miss Memorial, there won't be a sectional here this season. First time ever! It's not right! You know it! We know it! We tried...but there was nothing we could do.

A lot of your old buddies are here to see you, Missy. And we certainly want to thank Hedy George, Louie Russell and JoAnn Greenlee for cooking up this reunion and anniversary get-together.

We love you, Miss Memorial. We promise to always take care of you...and to get the sectional back. You're "one in a million," so to speak.

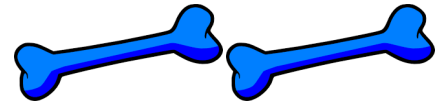
Happy Anniversary, dear Magnificent Miss Memorial!

*Sam Simmermaker
December 11, 2004*

THANKS, SAM!



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FALL SPORTS WRAP-UP

Bull Dog Boys Football – The Bull Dogs finished their season with a 9-2 record, losing in the sectional championship game to Center Grove 20-14. Junior QB Trenton Kelley, who had a season-ending injury during the opening possession of that game, was named the team's MVP. Jaylen Flemmons was named most valuable offensive back / receiver, Logan Abbott was named most valuable offensive lineman, Nick Tungett was chosen most valuable defensive lineman, and Brigham Kleinhantz and J. D. Harris were co-recipients of the most value linebacker / defensive back award. The Bull Dogs also accounted for the only blemish on the record of Class 5A state champion Columbus East! Stellar season Bull Dogs!

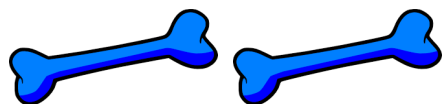


Bull Dog Girls Cross Country – The Bull Dog girls advanced to the state finals again this season and placed 24th at state. They were also crowned regional champions. Arig Tong was named the team's Most Valuable Runner.

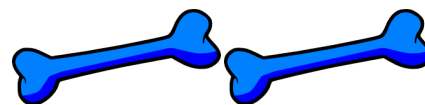


Bull Dog Boys Cross Country – The Bull Dog boys team also advanced to the state finals where they finished in 17th place. Also regional champions this year, the boys were paced by MVP Charlie Allen.





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Bull Dog Boys Tennis – As reported earlier, the Bull Dogs finished the regular season with a fine 17-5 record and were regional champs. MVP honors went to Kevin Lin.



Bull Dog Girls Soccer – The girls finished with a record of 14-4-2 while winning sectional and regional titles on their way to a top four finish in the state tournament. Tanner Johnson was named MVP.

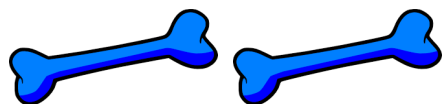


Bull Dog Boys Soccer – Boys soccer team is finished the year at 13-6-1 with Alex McGill winning the team MVP award.

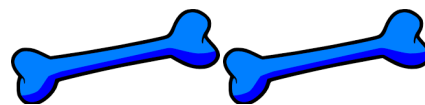


Bull Dog Girls Volleyball – Bull Dog girls volleyball team finished their season with a 15-16 record. At the season ending awards banquet, Maddy Sebahar was named the team's MVP.





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Bull Dog Girls Golf – Another stellar season in the books as the girl's golf team finished 4th in the recently completed state meet. Danbi Kim was named the team MVP.



WINTER SPORTS UPDATE (as of 12/29)

Bull Dog Boys Basketball – The Bull Dogs are currently 5-5 an up-and-down season. Their season continues with a home game on January 5.

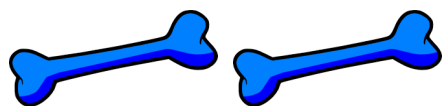


Bull Dog Girls Basketball – The Bull Dog girls currently stand at 11-4 after a tough overtime loss to Mooresville. They play again at home on January 2.

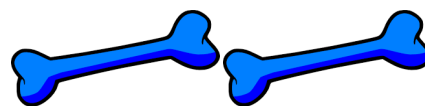


Bull Dog Boys Swimming – The boys swimming team's record currently sits at 3-5 as they prepare for their next meet (at home) on January 4.





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Bull Dog Girls Swimming – The girls swimming team is now 2-5 with a home meet January 5 next up on their schedule.



Bull Dog Boys Wrestling – The Bull Dogs are 7-21 on the season as they finish off 2017 at the North Montgomery Invitational.



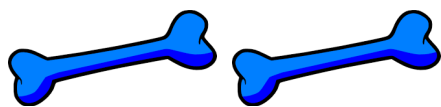
Bull Dog Girls Gymnastics – The girls open their season on January 4 at Bloomington North. Their first “home” meet will be on January 8 at Columbus East. Coming off a runner-up finish in last year’s state meet, they are anxious to get the season started.



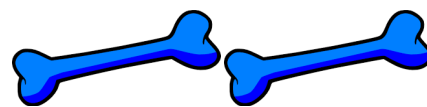
You can always stay up-to-date on all the activities involving the Bull Dog athletic teams at their very nice website at:

<http://www.columbusnorthathletics.org/>

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Columbus North Spring Musical

Mark your calendars for March 2-4. Those are the dates for Columbus North's production of Frank Loesser's musical comedy "How to Succeed in Business without Really Trying".



Audiences are never disappointed with a show from the Bull Dog drama or music department --- and with this one, you get both!! Tickets will generally be available a couple weeks in advance of the show. We'll let you know when they are with posts on our website and Facebook page.

Tyler Duncan's Tour Card Debut

2008 graduate Tyler Duncan took advantage of earning his PGA card by earning \$235,000 in his first event --- The Safeway Open --- in Napa, CA. Tyler actually held the 54-hole lead, but finished in 5th place for a nice payday! At the end of November, Tyler was sitting 47th in the FedEx standings and 56th on the money list.

Reunion Photo Albums Archive On Our Website

Since its launch late this summer, we have published thirteen albums of reunion photos for different classes. Class of 1968 is leading the pack with THREE (their 35th, 40th, and 45th).

Looking back thru these different class reunion pictures for everyone has been a really great thing. We'd love to add collections of photos for your class! If you have a collection of reunion photos, just let us know thru our [Contact Us](#) link, and we'll get you set up in short order! We know there are more out there!

Check them out at the link below:

[Reunion Memories Albums](#)



We hope to add all next year's reunions to this archive page, and if you're planning a reunion for next year, you can check out our Reunion Resource Page:

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Class of 1947's 70th Reunion!

Your Bull Dog Alumni Association was proud to be a small part of another milestone reunion this fall when the CHS Class of 1947 assembled for their 70th reunion!



They had a two-day reunion in October. The first day was highlighted by a luncheon, music, and presentations in the CNHS cafeteria. Alumni also had a chance to be treated to a mini-tour of some of the new facilities, as well as spending some time looking at the Alumni Hall of Fame area, where three of their classmates are inductees!



Ross Barbour, Bob Stewart, and Shirley Lyster (pictured below on left) make the class of '47 our best represented Hall of Fame class to date!



The second day of their gathering was spent at Zaharako's enjoying a catered brunch along with exchanging conversation along with many cherished memories.

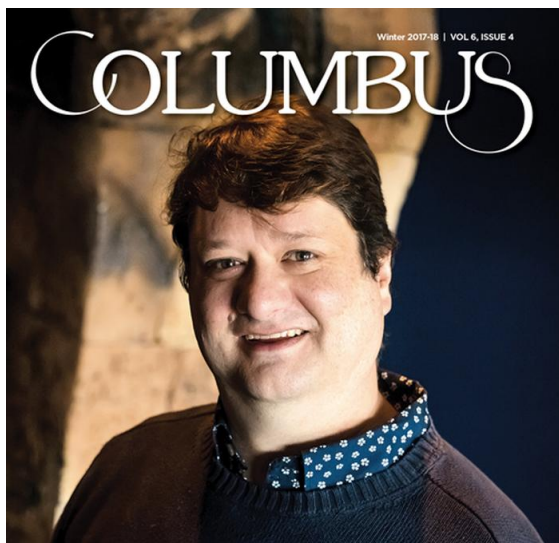
Classes like the Class of '47 are an inspiration for all of us to continue to celebrate the long legacy of our Bull Dog heritage.

All the Bull Dog Nation celebrates with them as we remember their influences, contributions, and leadership, both now and for years to come.

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Columbus – The Magazine, Features CNHS's John Johnson on Cover

The winter edition of *Columbus* magazine had a familiar face on the cover. At least it's a familiar one if you've ever been to any event at the Judson Erne Auditorium.



In the article, John recounts three decades of school and community involvement as a drama coach and auditorium manager.



You can see the magazine at the link below with the article beginning on page 8.

<http://www.therepublic.com/2017/12/23/columbus-magazine-winter-2017-18/>

It's tough to go to Erne Auditorium without seeing John somewhere in the facility.

That's one of the things that makes a **Bull Dog** a **Bull Dog!**



Link to the CNHS Drama department page:

<http://www.bsc.k12.in.us/site/Default.aspx?PageID=2037>

THANKS FOR EVERYTHING, JOHN!

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There are many opportunities to stay connected to things that are going on with our current Bull Dogs.

CNHS has some nice web presence where you can find out what's happening.

--- Among these are ---

Check out the school newspaper (Yep, it's still called *The Triangle*, even if it might look a little different!) at:

<http://issuu.com/cnhsmedia.com>

You can see and listen to the school's daily announcements given by the students at:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/cnhsmedia>

Access the above two features and all the current happenings at the Bull Dogs' award-winning website, CNHS Media, at:

<http://cnhsmedia.com/>

Coming in Spring Issue:

- Winter Sports Wrap-Up
- Spring Sports Underway
- Academic updates
- Sesquicentennial Celebration
- Summer Reunion Info
- Community Interest
- "Dog Bones"
- And More

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What sort of things do you want to hear about in our next newsletter? Please let us know!

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