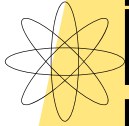


IMHS NEWSLETTER



On Friday, July 2nd, as members of the Iron Mountain High School band played the school fight song on a beautiful day, 210 golfers began a good-natured competition in the first annual Tom Johnson Memorial Golf Tournament. Thirty five teams participated in a full day of golfing and reminiscing about the many accomplishments of Tom Johnson, the former Community Schools and Athletic Director. Approximately \$24,000.00 was raised to support the athletic programs in the Iron Mountain High School. The committee has already set July 1, 2011 as the date for the second annual tournament. Please visit the Iron Mountain School website at www.imschools.org for details concerning the tournament. The website will provide updates throughout the year. It is important to know that the committee will take entries until the tournament field is full. The committee encourages alumni and friends to form teams to compete and enjoy a chance to remember and support the excellent athletic tradition at the Iron Mountain Public Schools. Rumor has it that the class of 1985 edged out the class of 1974 this year. The committee would like to thank the sponsors, donors, and participants for making the first Tom Johnson Memorial Golf Tournament a huge success !

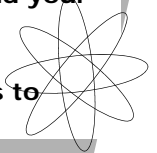


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Past Homecoming Kings and Queens

Mountaineer Contest-Can you answer the hidden question? Send your answer to Alumni, 217 Izzo-Mariucci Way and win a prize!

Please consider a paperless newsletter. Send your email address to alumni@imschools.org and put "subscribe" in the subject.





Queen Laura and King Paul

2010 Iron Mountain High School Homecoming Royalty

Past Homecoming Kings and Queens

1955-56	No King	Pat Hardy
1956-57	No King	Phyllis Hoyum
1957-58	Duane Polkinghorne	Sharon Goodchild
1958-59	Allen Mendini	Eunice Dyer
1959-60	Larry Bartolameolli	Sharon Vaillancourt
1960-61	Pat Scanlon	Sandy Sauter
1961-62	Bill Bell	Sandi Antonini
1962-63	Dave Fornetti	Linda Pollard
1963-64	Paul Feldhausen	Becky Simkovski
1964-65	Jim Lindstrom	Linnea Larson
1965-66	Dennis Swartout	Jo Anne Roberts
1966-67	Jeff Zambon	Jean Hatle
1967-68	Rudy Steiner	Cathy Pucci
1968-69	Bill Bond	Merry Swanson
1969-70	Russ Pericolosi	Kris Manko
1970-71	Mike Kopp	Jean Cocking
1971-72	Dennis Santini	Donna Mariucci
1972-73	Dean Ruohomaki	Peggy Spigarelli
1973-74	Gene Carollo	Joan Flannery
1974-75	Parnell Peterson	Sue Cripigna

1975-76	Keith Zambon	Donna Stephens
1976-77	John Quillico	Tami Anderson
1977-78	Joe Mlinar	Sally Bartolameolli
1978-79	Craig Qualley	Sandy Secinaro
1979-80	John Koller	Mary Ann Crispigna
1980-81	Rick Miller	Jamie Dooley
1981-82	Todd Andreini	Cathy Johnson
1982-83	Andy Maracini	Julie Greenleaf
1983-84	Craig Allen	Jill Olds
1984-85	Brian Andes	Julie Furno
1985-86	Mike Crago	Terri Olds
1986-87	Ian Seasor	Mountaineer Prize to the first alumni to fill in this blank!!!!
1987-88	Pete Weaver	Moomie Flaminio
1988-89	Craig Podgornik	Laura Cerasoli
1989-90	Mike Bond	Krisii Youren
1990-91	Mark Agnessi	Tara Clarke
1991-92	Timothy Piper	Renee Taylor
1992-93	Steve Phillips	Christie Wender
1993-94	Dave Copley	Paula Dillon
1994-95	Jim Formolo	Clarissa Richtig

1995-96	Tony Torreano	Marta Pruska
1997-97	Gary Mouw	Jessica Vross
1997-98	Russ Kassin	Carolyn Spigarelli
1998-1999	Jesse Westcott	Kristina Santini
1999-2000	Mark Phillips	Kathryn Fornetti
2000-01	Ryan Pericolosi	Dana Fortier
2001-02	Frank Vance	Mary Mugford
2002-03	Jared Alquist	Jenna Fortier
2003-04	Zach Kujala	Aimee Cavaliere
2004-05	Bryan Carlson	Joletta Lee
2005-06	Brad Kleikamp	Amanda Altobelli
2006-07	Tony Cavaliere	Lexi Zambon



King Pat and Queen Sandy

There are still many seats available in the "Take A Seat" fundraiser. Please contact Mrs. Naida Weinert at 906-779-2600 or weinertn@imschools.org if you are interested in purchasing one!



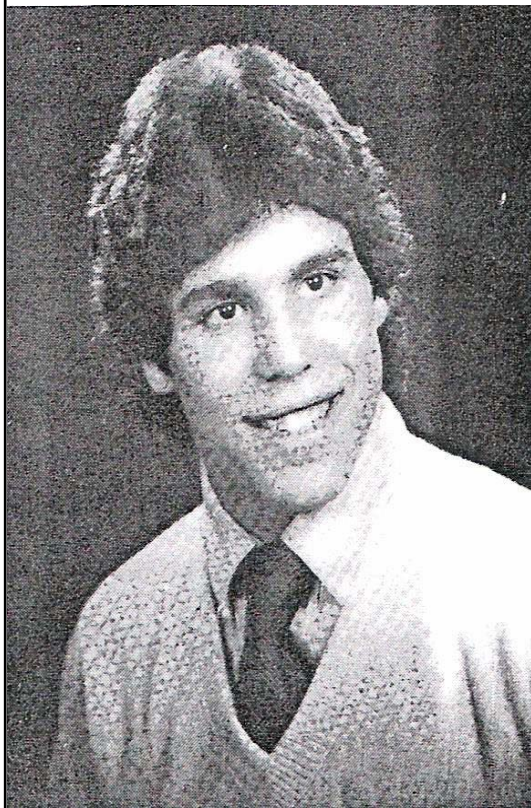
Where Are They Now?

Mark Riedel-IMHS Class of 1984

Favorite Teachers: Art Noel (attended his graduation party) , Russ Pericolosi, Kathleen Bunnin

Best Friend-Brian Lusardi

Mark is grateful to have grown up in the size school that he did as it allowed him to get to know all of his classmates



Graduate-Northern Michigan University with a major in Business and a minor in English

Hometown-League City, Texas

Mark has a 21 year old son and likes to cook Tex-Mex, spend time with his family and fish

1989-1994: Worked for B0eing in Huntsville, Alabama

1994: Concentrated on opening and closing government contracts at Brown and Root, then back to NASA to lead International Development

Mark is currently Test and Verification Manager for all visiting vehicles and cargo at NASA. He has had a prominent role in unifying different groups despite language barriers which allows these groups to work together to execute programs in a world with vast cultural differences-"an amazing feat"

Dear IMHS Graduates and Friends:

As most of you are probably aware, the **General Scholarship** was established in 1988 through the efforts of the Class of 1938, with Georgina Johnson acting as organizer and fund-raiser. The Class of 1938 decided that they wanted to do something "special" for the high school and forming a scholarship fund was the idea. It was realized that most people could not afford to donate large enough amounts of money to generate enough interest every year to award a scholarship, but if many donated small amounts, it could be done. Thus, the unique General Scholarship was established. The **General Scholarship** is just what it states – general. Recipients may study in a two or four-year college/university or technical school, in the career field of their choice.

The first award was made in 1990 in the amount of \$1,500. **To date, over \$163,000 has been awarded to Iron Mountain High School graduates!** This would never be possible without the support from individuals who have contributed amounts both large and small. From pennies to dollars, this scholarship fund continues to grow and has assisted 93 college-bound graduates.

Donations have been given in memory/honor of classmates, parents, siblings, teachers, friends and even special life events. Previous scholarship recipients have also donated, giving back to the school, what was once given to them. **Donations of \$100 or more** are recognized on engraved display plaques, which are located in the Iron Mountain High School.

If you are interested in making a tax deductible contribution as a graduating class, as an individual to honor or memorialize someone, or as a general donation, please contact Mel Laydon at the high school at 779-2610 or email laydonm@imschools.org. Donations can be mailed to: Scholarship Administrator, Iron Mountain High School, 300 West B Street, Iron Mountain, MI 49801.

Any amount is truly appreciated and as evidenced above, each bit does make a difference!

In the 2009-10 school year, three new scholarships were established for graduates of the Iron Mountain High School Class of 2010; the first scholarship being the ***Kathleen and Martin Bunnin Memorial Scholarship***.

The Bunnin children, Don, a 1994 graduate of IMHS and Rebecca, a 1996 graduate of IMHS initiated the establishment of an annual scholarship in memory of their parents, who were killed in a tragic automobile accident in 2009.

Kathleen graduated from De Pere High School and went on to receive her Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison; she earned a Master's degree from Northern Michigan University. Martin graduated from Iron Mountain High School in 1958, serving in the United States Army before receiving his Bachelor of Arts degree from Northern Michigan University.

Kathy and Marty married in 1967 and relocated to Iron Mountain shortly after that. Kathy enjoyed a 31 year teaching career, retiring from the Iron Mountain School District in 2003. Her and Marty enjoyed 41 years together and spent much of their time with family and friends.

The Kathleen and Martin Bunnin Memorial Scholarship is designated for the Class Valedictorian; no application is needed. **The first recipient of this award and the Valedictorian of the Class of 2010 is Cole Cavalieri.** Cole will be attending Northern Michigan University, pursuing an engineering course of study.

The ***Clarence "Tony" Menghini Memorial Scholarship*** was also established this past school year by the family and friends of Tony.

Clarence graduated from Norway High School in 1938 and was a lifelong resident of the area. He attended Northern Michigan University and graduated with a bachelor's degree in education in 1942. He later obtained his master's degree in education from the University of Michigan.

Clarence was an Industrial Arts instructor and coach for the Iron Mountain School District for eight years and was instrumental in forming the outdoor education program in the Iron Mountain school system. He served as the director for this program for many years and founded the school forest in the mid-1950s. Clarence then took a position with the Niagara School District, serving as principal and athletic director for 28 years until retiring in 1981.

Because of Tony's high regard for education and his strong belief in students furthering their education beyond high school, this scholarship at Iron Mountain High School has been established to honor and support his values.

To be eligible for the 2010 Clarence "Tony" Menghini Memorial Scholarship, applicants must be acceptable for admission to an accredited four-year college or university, pursuing a four-year degree in Education, Industrial Education, Building Trades, Construction Management or other technology program. Applicants must also commence their academic career at IMHS not later than the beginning of the fall semester of their junior year and attend IMHS a minimum of four semesters, averaging a 2.0 GPA through their high school career.

The recipients of the first Menghini Memorial scholarships are Nicole Balkum and Mike Ring. Nicole will be attending Northern Michigan University and Mike will attend Central Michigan University, both pursuing a degree in education.

Peg M. Erickson has also established a new scholarship for graduating seniors of Iron Mountain High School, in loving memory of her husband, Charles "Chuck" Erickson, a 1960 graduate of Iron Mountain High School.

After graduating from IMHS, Chuck immediately pursued his childhood dream of operating and maintaining heavy equipment used to build roads and highways. His education in this field began with an intensive program at the Greer Technical Institute of Illinois, where he became a graduate of heavy equipment mechanics and operation. In the late fall of 1960, he was hired by Bacco Construction Company as a heavy equipment operator. He advanced quickly being promoted to truck field mechanic and then to field master mechanic, before being named equipment superintendent two short years later. Throughout his career, he was a graduate of more than 20 technical service schools, ranging from the Caterpillar Engine Transmission and Master Mechanic courses to computer maintenance and equipment costing seminars. Chuck served on Bacco's Board of Directors as a stockholder from 1984 through 2002; he also served on the Dickinson County Road Commission beginning in 1977. In 1994 he was appointed to the County Road Association of Michigan (CRAM) Board. Chuck was one of the longest seated commissioners in the State of Michigan, serving the citizens of Dickinson County and Road Commission across the state for more than 32 years until his death in 2009.

The ***Charles "Chuck" Erickson Memorial Scholarship*** is designated for graduating seniors who have maintained a 2.0 GPA average through their high school career and have been accepted for admission to an accredited one or two-year college, university or technical school. Scholarship priority will be given to the fields of Heavy Equipment Repair and Operation, Diesel Mechanic or Technician, and Diesel Equipment Technology.

The recipient of the first Charles "Chuck" Erickson Memorial Scholarship is Mark Bafile. Mark will be attending Northeast Wisconsin Technical College enrolled in the Diesel Equipment Technology program.

Congratulations Iron Mountain High School Class of 2010





Iron Mountain High School Grad Returns from Serving with Peace Corps in Paraguay

Carin Paupore, 29, a graduate of the Class of 1999, has completed her service in the Peace Corps and has returned home to Wisconsin Rapids, WI.

For over 27 months, Paupore has been serving in Ybytymi, Paraguay as a crop extension volunteer. She taught sustainable soil recuperation techniques to local farmers. Health education and the teaching English were also areas of focus. She taught dental health and HIV/AIDS education to teens and adults. She then extended her tour for 13 months and moved to Asuncion, the capital, to work as agriculture coordinator for Peace Corps.

"I joined the Peace Corps because of my love for travel and cultures, and my desire to make a positive impact in the lives of others," she said of her motivation to serve. The whole experience introduced her to a career path in International Development. Her next goal is to earn a Master's of Arts in International Studies at University of Denver, and ultimately work, locally and abroad, with Latin American immigrants.

Paupore is a graduate of Findlandia University, Hancock, Mich. where she earned a Bachelor's of Fine Arts in Graphic Design, in 2005. A native of Iron Mountain, Mich., Paupore graduated from Iron Mountain High School in 1999. She is the daughter of the late Thomas and Gretchen Paupore, now a resident of Wisconsin Rapids.

Paupore joins the 2007 Wisconsin residents currently serving in the Peace Corps. More than 5,426 Wisconsin residents have served in the Peace Corps since 1961.

Over 3,266 Peace Corps Volunteers have served in Paraguay since the program was established in 1967. Volunteers in this South American nation work in the areas of agricultural conservation and beekeeping, cooperatives and small business promotion. They also work in education, agro-forestry and environmental education, health, sanitation and urban development. Currently, 203 Volunteers are serving in Paraguay.

As Peace Corps approaches its 50th anniversary, its service legacy continues to promote peace and friendship around the world with over 7,600 volunteers serving in 76 host countries. Historically, nearly 200,000 Americans have served with the Peace Corps to promote a better understanding between Americans and the people of 139 host countries.

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Members of the.....

Class of '65 Reunion-8/7/2010



IMHS Class of 1965

From the Mailbag.....

Please change my e-mail address. Thanks a lot. Still love getting the Newsletter!! My husband, Benjamin L. Tilsen, passed away on March 8, 2009. He attended at least three re-unions. He appreciated being remembered there. He was born in 1918 and graduated at least a year early, if I remember right. I'm sorry I did not let you know sooner. Thank you for the newsletters. I read the last one on the net. Very good, I opine.

Mrs. Ben Tilsen

I was moved by your tribute to Tom Johnson. I loved the grin in the picture on the cover. Vintage Tommy, it was always there. In the late 1960's my first husband Jack Paupore was Tommy's roommate at Northern. Jack loved to play cards with Tom because he could always beat him! Every night at dinner in the dorms there was continuous verbal sparring about this. Tommy was tenacious, good humored, and determined to eventually get the best of Jack. When it finally happened you'd have thought he'd won the world series of poker! Jack and Tommy remained friends and lunch time card players until Jack's death in 1979. It's comforting to think they might be at it again along with their mutual friend and lunch time card player Dick Brown.

**Susie Schorman Markert
Class of 65**

Thank you for regularly sending me the IMHS newsletter which I enjoy reading a lot. I was a foreign exchange student with Youth for Understanding in Class of 87. I would like to kindly update my postal address in your database. Thank you in advance!

Michael Panzer

**Just a small token to the school that gave my start on life's enjoyable journey. Thanks,
Ron Goeddaeus
Class of 1958**

**Once again our newsletter has arrived with very informative information. P.S. -Enjoyed reading "Cradle of Coaches". Jim is our classmate from 1952.
Gary and Marilyn Spigarelli
Class of 1952**

**Enclosed is a donation for the IMHS Newsletter.
Robert Darovich
Class of 1948**

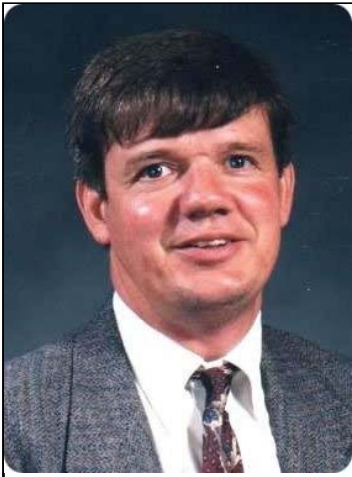
**Here's my donation for this 2010! Keep up the goof work on the newsletter. We had our Class of 1959 50th reunion last August, 2009 and enjoyed the A.M. Saturday tour put on by IMHS administration.
Best Wishes,
Bruce Gall
Class of 1959**

**Please add me to your mailing list. Have been getting it from my sister Dorothy (Reynolds) Waldibillig. Would like to have my own copy!
Marc Reynolds**

The IMHS Newsletter relies heavily on the generous donations of our alumni. We would like to extend a big thank-you on behalf of the Alumni Department and all of our alumni who are enjoying this newsletter as a result of their generosity!

Bruce Gall-1959, Michael Pretschold-1959, Roland Mariucci-1947, Ronald Goeddaeus-1958, Robert Darovich-1948, Gary and Marilyn Spigarelli-1952, Marc Reynolds, Sandra Varjavandi-1965

If you have any questions or comments or would like to make a donation, please contact us at:
Alumni, 217 Izzo-Mariucci Way, Iron Mountain, Michigan, 49801 or
alumni@imschools.org



From Our Superintendent....

Dear Alumni and Friends:

The 2010-2011 school year is in progress. Our students and staff have returned to school ready to continue the proud tradition of the Iron Mountain Public Schools. The summer months have provided the opportunity to clean the buildings from top to bottom. We have also installed energy efficient lighting in our high school and middle school gymnasiums. We have purchased many new computers and reconfigured one of our high school computer labs. New textbooks have been purchased in a number of curricular areas. Our goal is to continue to keep our buildings looking sharp and to make sure our students are provided a curriculum that prepares them for life beyond the K-12 setting.

This school year is beginning without a number of teachers and support staff who retired at the end of last year. The seven retired teachers and two support staff members who retired leave a strong legacy and over 250 years of experience. Each retiree will be

missed. We wish each retiree the best as they move on to new stages of their lives. I know that each staff member has touched many lives. I am sure that these staff members will be part of class reunion conversations just as many of our alumni reminisce about teachers from years ago.

I continue to visit with alumni of Iron Mountain High School on a regular basis. It is so interesting to hear about your experiences while attending Iron Mountain Public Schools. I welcome any alumni or friend to stop at the school at anytime to take a walk down memory lane. We hope to continue to create wonderful memories for our current students. I hope you enjoy the IMHS Alumni & Friends Newsletter. Thank you very much for your support of this communication tool.

Sincerely,

Scott McClure

Best Wishes To Our Retirees!

Teachers

- Cheryl Menghini -Wender
- Midge Ryan
- Randy Evosevich
- Connie Johnson
- Julie Tobin
- Merry Hall
- Pam King

Support Staff

- Connie DeGroot
- Ken Pollack

Reflections On Teaching From Cheryl Menghini-Wender

Teaching during the time frame that I, and the others that retired this spring, was a multi faceted job..... one that garnered great respect from the students and parents early on. Teaching was a coveted profession, and the value of an education in order to be successful in a chosen profession was not usually questioned by any. Teachers taught, kids learned and parents supported the schools/teachers. Students did not change, but values by some families did. We had to wear such a vast array of hats that it was exhausting at times, to say the least. Concern for students did not end at the end of a day, no matter how busy we were with our own families and lives. The numbers of students that we "took home" with us after the last bell, increased as the years went on.

Many were worried about, contacted and even checked on after the regular day ended. We had to be nurses, psychologists, parents to children that were not ours, and last of all teachers. The responsibility to raise decent, respectful, education minded, well rounded, individuals became some of the many roles we had to shoulder. (Not to mention making sure that the current curriculum changes were adapted and mastered.)

The students of today are exposed to such a vast array of learning tools, career possibilities and school technology that is second to none. I know that they will not realize how fortunate they are until they are older, and wiser. My wish was that as they acquired the knowledge of technology available, they would absorb it as though they were a sponge and yet, most did not explore the realm of possibilities that lay in front of them. What an exciting time to be a student! I was quite envious of what they had that our generation did not!

I absolutely loved and lived my profession up until that last day. What a reward I carry into my retirement phase of life! Not once did I ever regret the decision to teach, because the rewards far outweighed the negatives. I was very lucky!

Cheryl was inspired to make a career of teaching by her father and many others. She credits her uncle who was principal at Central Elementary for years, her cousin Dave Menghini, an Iron Mountain Public Schools teacher, and several other Menghini cousins. She was also mentioned connections to Joan Swartout, a Kingsford teacher and two Rigonis who work in the teaching profession. Cheryl and all of our retiring staff will be greatly missed at Iron Mountain Public Schools!