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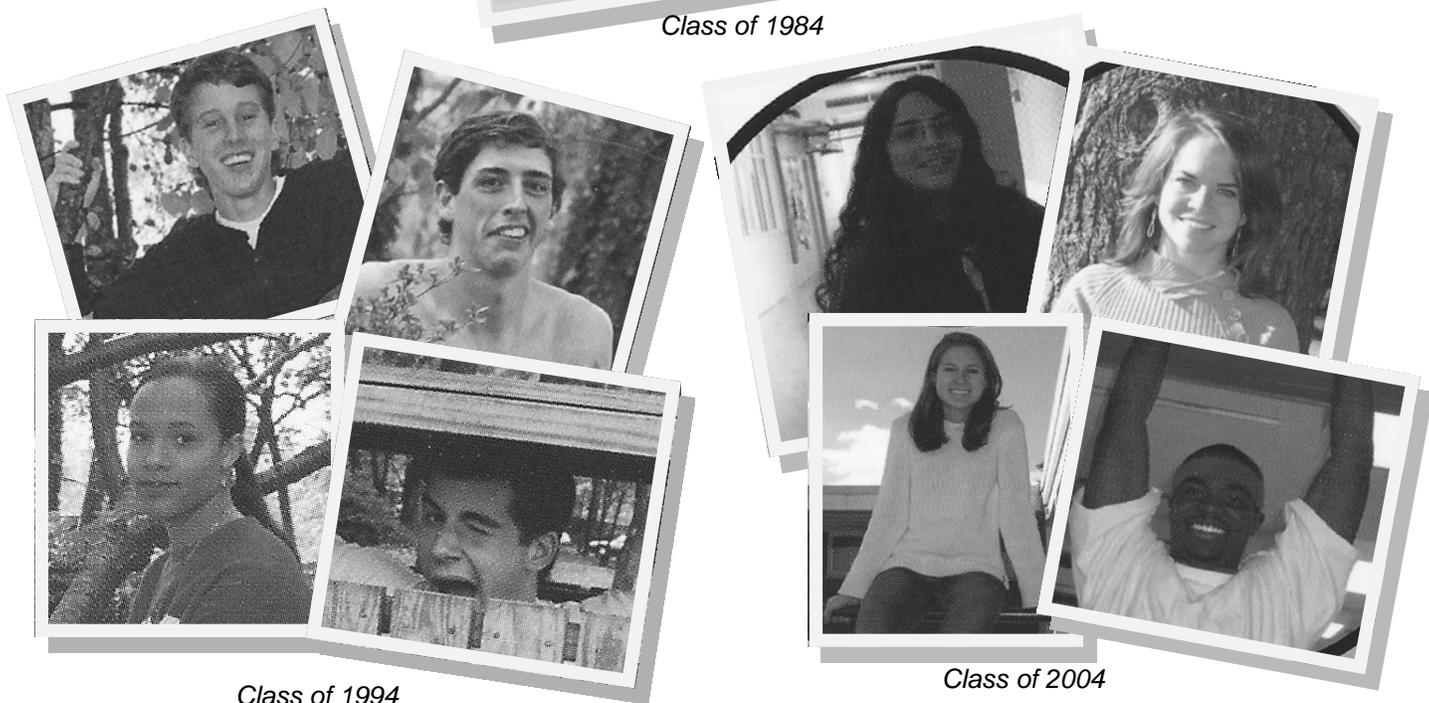


*Class of 1964*

**Join your fellow  
classmates**

**at your class  
reunion!**

*Class of 1984*



*Class of 1994*

*Class of 2004*

## **ALUMNI AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION MEETINGS**

*Thursday, March 27, 2014  
Thursday, May 29, 2014*

*Regular Meeting  
Annual Meeting*

*5:30 PM at Sherwood Swim and Racquet Club, across from Page.....  
Snacks and adult beverages.....A hearty welcome to ALL!!!*

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Hello, Page Pirates.....

Wow, what a winter we are having with the constant snow days and delays! Our students and teachers have enjoyed the unplanned breaks but are ready to get back to some normalcy. Our days are busy and filled with a variety of things.

Our student council held the annual TWERP dance last week at Bryan Park and students danced the night away. Our sports teams continue to amaze us all with their winning, accomplishments, and scholarship offerings. In November, we received \$25,000 from State Farm as part of their "Celebrate My Drive" contest. This contest required our students, families, and community members to vote daily for our school. Our ranking of 47<sup>th</sup> in the nation allowed us to earn the second place prize. Thank you for all your support and votes. Next year we hope to be in the top ten and win \$100,000. Last month we were recognized as being one of the most improved high schools, receiving the Hubert Humphrey Award that comes with

\$10,000. Friends, we are so excited about these two awards and have big plans for these funds, with much of it going towards technology.

Thank you for all your support and the opportunities you provide for our students! Go Pirates!

*Patrice Faison, Principal*

## CLASS REUNIONS



### Page Class of 1963 Holds 50th Class Reunion

During the weekend of September 27-29, the Page Class of 1963 celebrated its 50<sup>th</sup> class reunion, and what a celebration it was! Headquartered at the Downtown Marriott in Greensboro, over two hundred classmates from across the US – and from as far away as Mexico – attended various functions that made our reunion weekend one that will be remembered for years to come.

Activities began Friday night at the Sherwood Swim and Racquet Club across the street from Page. Guests were greeted by Chuck Scott, ambassador from the 1961 class, who directed all to join the celebration and mayhem, created by passing years and recalled memories. Years melted away as faces and time came

into focus, and soon fast friendships were renewed.

Saturday morning, a surviving group of thirty or so hearty souls from Friday night's activities toured our old Alma Mater and marveled at how much the school had changed yet had remained the same. Peering into old classrooms we once called our own was a little spooky. The only things missing were the all-seeing eyes of Ms. Garrett, Ms. Betts, Ms. Evans, and others. Seeing rooms that had not changed in all these passing years made us all wonder what had happened to the years since Page was part of our everyday lives.



The little courtyard where our senior class annuals were passed out, and where we endured the process of documenting friendships, was still there and unchanged. The same held true for the band/chorus practice rooms, auditorium, and Mr. Medlin's office....all the same. We all were amazed at the changes that had occurred during our absence.....the wing additions, the new and expanded athletic facilities, and the trophy room where we viewed Page's first ever 4-A conference championship trophy (baseball). The tour made us all very proud to call Page **ours**, and to have been a part of its early heritage.

Following the tour, a much larger and boisterous group met downtown for lunch at Natty Greene's, located in an area once known as "Hamburger Square." As classmates wandered in, the laughter and pandemonium became louder and louder in the second floor room. The

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stories from high school and junior high school flooded the room. Everyone there had stories and memories to share that had been held onto, as though they were personal treasures. Some of these memories brought laughter so intense breathing became difficult, and sometimes even led to flowing tears. Memories from one refreshed the memory of another, and the process continued to grow throughout lunch. Admittedly and with much appreciation, the shared stories created many new memories to add to our treasure chest from Page.



**1963 Student Body President Wilson Elkins and Senior Class President Mary King Taylor**

As the luncheon wound down, the joy of the event made it difficult to leave, but the main event was still yet to come.

Saturday evening we regrouped at the Downtown Marriott for personal reunions, dinner, and absolute chaos. For many, this was their first event of the weekend, so the process that had begun on Friday evening restarted on a smaller scale. New faces had to be matched to old memories, and new stories and friendships were added to our weekend treasure chest.

Class President Mary King spoke briefly. She reminded us all of our days at Page, of how we were once so young, of those we have lost along the way, and of the many accomplishments we share as a class. Jimmy Compton, our Emcee for the evening, put everything into proper humorous prospective by presenting "awards" for either outstanding or dubious achievements. The weight of the world each of us shares in our daily lives melted away in the joy of the moment. Our meal was completely insignificant when compared to the joy of the gathering that called us to Greensboro.



With all joy, there is often sadness. We remembered those with whom we had shared so much of our young lives that had passed away. Sadly, we were also informed of other and more recent losses to our number. Some with whom we sincerely wanted to renew our friendships were not there for one reason or another, and those reunions will have to wait until another day.



**The Class of 1963 presented \$1963 to Page Cares.**  
 Left to right: Jim Compton ('63), Page Principal Patrice Faison, Page Parent and Page Cares chair Leslie Sardzinski, Jim Dagenhart ('63), and Page Parent and Member of the Guilford County School Board Rebecca Buffington

As evidence of the continuing pride and gratitude for our Alma Mater, a cash contribution of **\$1,963** was made to **Page Cares** on November 13, 2013. This contribution will provide special short-term assistance to students in urgent need of food, clothing, transportation, and other pressing needs.

All of these wonderful newly created memories and renewed friendships were the result of hard work by the Reunion Committee. Their diligence in making contact with as many members of our senior class as possible was astonishing! The members of the committee who made this all possible were Bob and Gail Peterson, Page Parker, Jane Scott, Steve Loflin, Anna Fesmire, Harry Blair, Richard Beavers, Martha Ann Buffalo, Carol Franklin, Sally Wilson, Robert Landsberger, Jimmy Dagenhart, and Chester Arnold. This group was wisely shepherded by Jimmy Compton. Special thanks go to Chester Arnold who has provided guidance and supervision of the Page Class Reunion web site. The site ([www.pageclassof63.com](http://www.pageclassof63.com)) has enabled us all to reconnect and fondly recall the many happy days that made our youth

so special. The site will remain up and running until February of 2016. For all of us....the Page Class of 1963....I say thank you to **The Committee** for an outstanding job, well done!

Do not forget your past....do not wait until it is too late...honor your friends....make all effort to say "Thank You".....Have faith when in the valleys of life....Look to the promise of tomorrow.....

*Jerry Baker ('63)*

**Page Class of 1983 Holds 30th Class Reunion**



Kicking back was exactly what happened when the Page High School Class of 1983 celebrated its 30th class reunion on October 17-21. The three-day weekend started off with a meet and greet at Kick Back Jack's on Thursday.



On Friday, October 18, Page edged out Page in the Page-Grimsley Golf Tournament, and that night we watched our Pirates do their usual – slaughter Grimsley on the football field. We then joined forces and topped off the



evening with a combined social with Grimsley's Class of '83 at the Elks Lodge.

Saturday, October 20, an awesome morning Tour and Picnic was held at Page High School. That evening we met up again for The Greatest Reunion Dance ever at Alexander Devereux where we danced until 3:00am. On Sunday, October 21, the class closed out all festivities with a prayer breakfast at the Golden Corral for the Class of '83.



*William Whitaker ('83), Class President*

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**REUNIONS**

**The Page High School Class of 1964** is planning its 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion for September 19-20, 2014. Contact Melinda Wyrick Ogburn at [gsowalker@aol.com](mailto:gsowalker@aol.com) or 1809 Worsham Place, Greensboro, NC 27408 with your contact information (full name including maiden name, street/city address, email address, and telephone number). Reach out to other classmates. We need a web master! With questions or help offers, call Dawn Gray Kouba at 336-643-2780.

**The Page High School Class of 1974** is planning its 40th Reunion for the weekend of the Page-Grimsley game. The Saturday night event will be October 18th at the Grasshoppers Stadium. The PHS Class of 1973 is also invited. For more information, contact Vicki Vaughan at [vickigso@hotmail.com](mailto:vickigso@hotmail.com) or 336-273-8908. On Facebook, visit/join the group page, *Page High School 1974 40th Reunion*.

**The Page High School Class of 1984** is planning its 30<sup>th</sup> Reunion for the weekend of October 17<sup>th</sup>. Please get in touch with Tracy Eisenman Curtis at 704-564-5676 [tracylee2011@aol.com](mailto:tracylee2011@aol.com) so we can add you to the list of possible attendees.

**The Page High School Class of 1994** is planning it's 20<sup>th</sup> Reunion for the weekend of October 17<sup>th</sup>. For more information or to help with planning, go to the PHS 94 Reunion Facebook page or contact Andrew Medley at [andrewbmedley@gmail.com](mailto:andrewbmedley@gmail.com).

**The Page High School Class of 2004.....**Does anyone know of plans for a ten-year reunion? Perhaps you, your child, or a friend was in the class?

### Page Class of 1993 Holds 20th Class Reunion



The Page High School class of 1993 had its 20<sup>th</sup> year reunion on the weekend of October 18-19. In the months leading up to the event, a reunion Facebook page allowed classmates communicate and reconnect. Katherine Wonnell Dennett, Mary Norfleet



Baker, and Jeff Herndon helped track down classmates, and after their tireless efforts almost all individuals were located.



On Friday night, we attended the Page-Grimsley game. This was a wonderful time to relive a little Pirate Pride football and enjoy a pleasant North Carolina fall evening. On Saturday, we took a tour of the Page Campus. Katherine Wonnell Dennett coordinated this tour and her efforts were sincerely appreciated by all. We initially met in the cafeteria and heard a



presentation by the Page Alumni and Friends Association. From there, we walked the halls of A, B, and C wings. A lot has changed in the last twenty years, but the care and cleanliness of the campus underscored



the deep love that page students feel for their school.

Saturday evening brought the entire class to Café Pasta for dinner, dancing, and socializing. Ray Desa (the owner of Café Pasta) was extremely helpful in assisting with the organization of this event. Gwen Cox Lowe and Shannon Lee made name tags from our class of 1993 yearbook. These served as great conversation pieces throughout the night. The food was fantastic and plentiful. The bar was.....well-attended. The dancing was entertaining either as a participant or as an onlooker. It was wonderful to see that after all these years many of the class members have retained their impressive moves. The night ended and we all departed to go our separate ways. Thanks, Class of 1993, for such a memorable and enjoyable reunion!!

*Dave Huneycutt ('93), Class President*

Join our Association by mailing in the membership form on the back or through PayPal on our web site at [www.pagealumniandfriends.com](http://www.pagealumniandfriends.com) .

### Page Class of 2003 Holds 10<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion



Page High School class of 2003 got together to celebrate their ten-year reunion this past October. We had a great time reconnecting with old friends and classmates. Some attended the Page-Grimsley game on Friday night, where the Pirates were once again victorious over the Whiries!

On Saturday we hosted the Reunion at New Bridge Bank Stadium (home of the



Greensboro Grasshoppers). The planning committee worked hard to make everyone feel at home. Each nametag had each alum's Senior

Photo and name, just in case it was

difficult to recognize our fellow classmates after ten years. While most of us hadn't changed too much, it was fun to learn about the journey that everyone had taken since 2003.

We have had some impressive people come out of our class. John Isner is a name that I am sure we are all familiar with, as he is currently the top US Male Tennis



player. Some other inspiring jobs were at Nike, Ralph Lauren, Biltmore Estate, NC State, and the ACC. The class of 2003 is full of bright and talented people. We all enjoyed learning about who had gotten married, who was where, and how families were growing. This first reunion was fantastic and we look forward to seeing where everyone again in ten years!

**Help us find folks!** Please send us your friends' or your children's names and addresses so we can get in touch with them! Moving? Please let us know about your change of address!

**IN HONOR OF**

<b>Pamela Dalton Bunton ('63)</b> in honor of <b>Christopher Scott ('89)</b>	<b>Beverly Miller Finch ('89)</b> in honor of her aunt, <b>Carole Stone Fisher</b>
<b>Myra Comer Atkins ('66)</b> in honor of her granddaughter <b>Mackenzie Brown ('17)</b>	<b>Jo and Jerry Kennedy</b> in honor of their grandson, <b>Brendan Nail ('14)</b>
<b>Beth Godwin ('67) and Jim Bramhall</b> in honor of the <b>Page Class of 1967</b>	<b>Susan and Gene Kennerly</b> in honor of <b>Mason, Virginia, and Harris Billings</b>
<b>Patricia "Trish" Little Litchfield ('67)</b> in honor of <b>Dean Little IV, Class of 2013</b>	<b>Mac Morris</b> in honor of <b>Dr. Jeff Todd and Tim Via</b>
<b>Ginger Campbell ('67) and Steve Campbell ('67)</b> in honor of <b>Coach Mac Morris</b>	<b>Joanne S. Osteen</b> in honor of <b>Bill Osteen III</b>
<b>Anne and Jimmy ('77) Chamblee</b> in honor of <b>Principal Patrice Faison</b>	<b>Janice and Chris Roback</b> in honor of their son, <b>Sam Roback ('12)</b>
<b>Cathy Coyne ('78) and Bobby Church</b> in honor of <b>Sydney Durham ('10)</b>	<b>Sandy and David Thompson</b> in honor of <b>Larry Tysinger on his 75<sup>th</sup> birthday</b>
<b>Jenny Clendenin ('89) and Erik ('87) Kiser</b> in honor of former principal, <b>Bob Clendenin</b>	<b>Terry Worrell and Stephen Schuster</b> in honor of <b>Susan Tysinger</b>

**IN MEMORY OF**

<b>Walter Brown ('59)</b> in memory of <b>Bill Flynn ('61)</b> who graduated from West Point in 1965 and was killed in action in the Mekong Delta in 1966	<b>Sharon S. Ozment ('74)</b> in memory of <b>Stephen Mark Ozment</b>
<b>Joan Crutchfield ('65) and Winburne ('64) King</b> in memory of <b>Ann Crutchfield Yost ('62)</b>	<b>Ashley Elmore Staton ('75)</b> in memory of <b>Bill Stephanz</b>
<b>Paul H. Daimler ('65)</b> (graduation name Dingeldein) in memory of his brother <b>Peter Dingeldein ('62)</b> , Page's 1961-62 student body president and first Morehead Scholar who died December 12, 2012; <b>Karl Ljung ('66); Jim Henson ('66); Bob Perrin ('66); Bill Perrin ('67)</b>	<b>Ben Goslen ('76)</b> in loving memory of <b>Bob Neese ('76)</b>
<b>Ginger Meador ('67) and Steve Campbell ('67)</b> in memory of <b>Web Cooper ('67)</b> .	<b>The Hutton Family</b> in loving memory of <b>Jim Hutton ('79)</b> , their "Fallen Pirate" who died May 13, 2013. Rest in Peace. We miss you.
<b>Donald Strouth ('70)</b> in memory of <b>Bobby Stockard</b>	<b>Tim Roberts ('84)</b> in memory of <b>Corinne Stickley Buckalew ('84)</b>
<b>Anne Reece Collins ('73)</b> in loving memory of her brother <b>Kemp Reece, Jr. ('77)</b>	<b>Adair Wright Ellis ('84)</b> in memory of <b>Jim Poole ('84) and Dylan Price</b>
<b>Stephanie L. Roane ('73)</b> in memory of <b>Jeff and Peggy Block</b>	<b>Roderick Harrelson ('93)</b> in memory of his sister, <b>Cynthia C. Harrelson ('86)</b>
<b>David Hooper ('73)</b> in memory of <b>Bob Rouser ('73)</b>	<b>Lolita C. Page</b> in loving memory of her husband, <b>Kenneth E. Page, Sr.</b> – beloved Page teacher and coach – who died November 4, 2011
	<b>Carolyn and Ed Hines</b> in memory of <b>Susan Hines Ward ('63)</b>
	<b>Ashley and Richard Vanore</b> in memory of <b>Pete Moffitt</b>

**ALUMNI NOTES**

**Ellen and Patrick ('70) Weiner** report that their son **Zach Weiner ('03)** successfully defended his doctoral thesis and will be awarded a Ph.D. in Microbiology from UVA. He now begins a four-year post-doctorate fellowship with the Centers of Disease Control in Ft. Collins, CO.

**Dennis "Buddy" Rankin ('71)** thanks Susan Tysinger for doing a good job!

**Cathy ('78) and Bobby Church** report that their daughter **Sydney Durham ('10)** is serving our country as a member of the United States Marine Corps.

**PIRATES WE'VE LOST**

**Pete Dingledein ('62)** died December 12, 2012.

**Kemp Reece, Jr. ('77)** died December 21, 2011.

**Jim Hutton ('79)** died May 15, 2013.

**Cynthia C. Harrelson ('86)** died July 29, 2013.

**Matthew Francis "Matt" Sullivan ('97)** died January 26, 2014.

*Let us know what you're doing! Send information or comments for the next installment of "Alumni Notes" to [sgtysinger@triad.rr.com](mailto:sgtysinger@triad.rr.com).*

# TOO CLOSE FOR COMFORT

This past October, the Page/Grimsley Rivalry Reunion hosted the 8<sup>th</sup> annual Golf tournament at Bryan Park. Once again, the tournament took both golf courses to accommodate a full field of 288 golfers. The players ranged in ages from recent graduates from both schools to players from Greensboro High School that existed before Page open its doors.

This event has become very popular with different class reunions, so if your class is planning a reunion this Fall, please make the Golf Tournament the kickoff for the weekend festivities. Participation is the key to our success – financially and competitively – and



Buck Pearce, Don Orr, Neal Harrel, and Champ Covington help lead the charge for another Pirate victory.

every year the team with the most players has taken home the trophy. The same held true this season as PAGE had a 22-player advantage, but narrowly escaped with a seven-shot victory. Seven shots sounds like a wide winning margin in a golf tournament, but the format for this tournament is the accumulative score of the best 75 scores for each school. The previous year the victory was 27 shots and most thought the margin of victory would never be any closer.



Dana Smith '85 chips for a tap in par.

The 8<sup>th</sup> annual event was held on October 18<sup>th</sup>, a beautiful sunny day and a nice break from the cold

weather we had experienced the previous two weeks. Page was not the only winner that day as the tournament raised

\$11,500 for each school, bringing the total raised over the eight years to over \$80,000. While participation of golfers is the driving force for the fun, the corporate sponsors really lead the way to giving back to our schools. Once again, the Greensboro Grasshoppers and Donald Moore were our Title Sponsor and the Neese family donated the funding for four student scholarships, awarded to a male and a female student-athlete from each school.

The 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Rivalry Reunion is scheduled for October 17<sup>th</sup>, the same day as the big Football game against our heated rivals. So *mark your calendars and recruit your friends*, as we cannot afford to give up another seven strokes to the Whirlies across town!

You can register online at [www.pagegrimsleygolf.com](http://www.pagegrimsleygolf.com) starting June 1<sup>st</sup>, but in the meantime please visit the web site to learn more about the History of the tournament.

Charles Wright ('86)



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## 2013 NEESE'S SAUSAGE ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Every fall Neese's Sausage is a sponsor of the Page-Grimsley Golf Tournament. They provide four \$1,000 college scholarships to student athletes who have been nominated by their coaches, one male and one female from each of the two high schools. These students are not necessarily the stars on their teams, but they are student athletes who have exemplified courage and a willingness to exceed the coach's expectations, demonstrated good sportsmanship, and acted for the good of their respective teams. The Page Alumni and Friends Association Scholarship Committee oversees the nomination and selection process. Below are Page's two recipients of the 2013 Neese's Sausage Athletic Scholarships.

### Leanie Lopez

I was born in Fayetteville, NC, and I grew up in Greenville, SC, where I spent most of my free time doing some sort of sports. When I was in the fifth grade, I moved to Greensboro. I attended Brown Summit Middle and played softball for Northeast. I continued to play softball my first two years at Page High School, but it wasn't until my gym teacher and softball coaches encouraged me to go to a cross country interest meeting that I start running. I really enjoy the sport, and I started running for Page my junior year. Along with running, I am an I.B. student and I practice karate on the weekends. Unfortunately, this year my race times have gotten slower, but I still love to run.



The Neese's Scholarship has made such a positive impact on me because it has emphasized the fact that despite the fact that I'm not the fastest on the team, my efforts count for something. It reminds me that the good Lord has given me legs to run, so I will continue to do so. I am blessed to have such wonderful coaches, and I really appreciate the scholarship that the Neese's family has generously given me.

### Brendan Nail

Receiving the Neese's Sausage Scholarship Award was extremely meaningful to me. There are many successful and dedicated athletes at Page, and I am truly honored to be the male student athlete chosen, representing what we all stand for as Page Pirates!! I am proud of my school and its students, student athletes, coaches, teachers, and alumni. I am really excited about beginning my life as a Western Carolina University Catamount this Fall. I hope to make both Page and Western Carolina proud as I work hard to be a great student and athlete, working from the foundation of what I have learned and experienced at Page. This scholarship is very helpful to me as I begin my college experience.



I want to again thank the Neese's family and Page Alumni and Friends for always supporting student athletes. I will always work to live up to what you all expect of me as a student athlete and scholarship recipient while still at Page and into my college years.

*Brendan Nail, Class of 2014*

*Brendan will be attending Western Carolina in the fall on a partial baseball scholarship.*



### OLD YEARBOOKS

Looking for an old yearbook? We have books from 1994, 1999-2002, and 2004-2010 that can be purchased at Page for \$40 or mailed to you for \$50. There are also books from 2012 and 2013 that can be purchased for \$60 or received by mail for \$70.

Contact Yearbook Advisor Matthew Rickard at [rick-arm@gcsnc.com](mailto:rick-arm@gcsnc.com) or 336-370-8200 ext. 4403 for more information.

***We gladly accept gifts of stock or matching funds!***

## A CLOSE-UP OF DONALD MOORE

Page alumnus Donald Moore shares with us a bit about his life at Page and in Greensboro. While he speaks to the major positive influence coaches have had on his life, he himself has touched many young lives, coaching youth basketball for 17 years and youth soccer for seven years. He also helped out Mac Morris by coaching the Page JV basketball team in 1979. Both of his children, Allison ('00) and Donald, Jr. ('03) are Page grads.

As a former star athlete of Page High School, is there one particular moment from your athletic career at Page that still stands out in your mind?

I don't know that I was a "star athlete," but I do know how much I loved putting on the red and white and representing Page High School. There were the two shutout victories over Grimsley in football –



Donald Moore (r) shown with Don Dempsey following a Page victory at the Page-Grimsley Golf Tournament

7-0 in 1972 and 31-0 in 1973. Our '72 team was the one that started the ridiculously long winning streak against Grimsley. In basketball, we were Coach Morris' first team that really made a deep run in the State Playoffs, advancing to the State semi-finals before losing. Our 1974 Golf Team won the Sectional Championship, and I remember playing one of my better rounds at that stage of my life. But what really sticks with me over all of these years is how fortunate I am to have played for so many wonderful coaches, all of whom helped shape my life. My Dad died when I was in the eighth grade, and my coaches became my father figures. There were no finer men than guys like Steve Yates, Mac Morris, Jim Long, Marion Kirby, Ron Ball, Ken Page, and Frank Starling. We were so blessed to have them in our lives.

What did you do in the early years following your graduation from Page?

I graduated from NC State in the spring of 1978 and came back home to work and raise a family. I spent a lot of years as a pharmaceutical salesman before getting involved in a beautiful residential real estate development at Uwharrie Point. After that I was lucky enough to get involved with the baseball team, and here I am some 13 years later. That's a pretty quick recap of my last 40 years.

Can you give us a little history of how you came into your position with the Greensboro Grasshoppers?

Well, it's really a pretty neat story and one I tell to a lot of young people. It all happened because of the volunteer work I did in the community, particularly with the Greensboro Sports Council. I chose to serve as the Chairman of the Pizza Hut (now Timco) Invitational Basketball Tournament, and we managed to grow that event into one of the largest, most successful high school basketball tournaments in North Carolina. I served in this role for five years and loved every minute of it, for I have always had a passion for high school sports. The guys who owned the baseball team noticed my work with this event and thought I would be a perfect fit for them. Jim Melvin called me, we met, and next thing you know, I'm running a minor league baseball team. So the moral of this story is the importance of volunteering and giving back to your community. Had I not done that, I certainly wouldn't be where I am now.

Can you describe how the Greensboro Grasshoppers organization has evolved from the Greensboro "Bats" and previous team "Hornets"?

When I started with the Bats in 2001, we were playing in the oldest minor league stadium in the country. The only reason I got involved was because I believed in the ownership group and knew that Greensboro desperately needed a new ballpark. Had we not managed to build a new park, Greensboro would not have minor league baseball today. There was no way to be profitable in War Memorial, and the fan experience left so much to be desired. Looking back, it still amazes me how many people were against a new facility, even though it was built with 100% private money, no incentives, no nothing. Much like when I played for Page as an undersized kid who people didn't think could succeed, I was determined to show people just how great an asset we could be to this town. In our first nine years we have hosted almost four million people, given over a million dollars to local charities, and created the best fun-filled family entertainment product in Greensboro. I have an incredible staff and they work their butts off to give our city an organization and a venue that the people of this area can be proud of. I would say that our success is a result of a lot of hard work by a lot of people.

You have personally been very involved with the Page/Grimsley Golf Tournament, and the Greensboro Grasshoppers have been the Title Sponsor for many years. What do you feel is special about this tournament ?

I have a passion for high school sports and a passion for Page High School. We sponsor this event because we understand the value of supporting our local kids, and it is such a great fundraiser for both schools. I'm not sure we can measure any direct tangible return we get from this, but that's not the important thing. What is important is that we're having a positive influence on the young people who attend both of the schools.

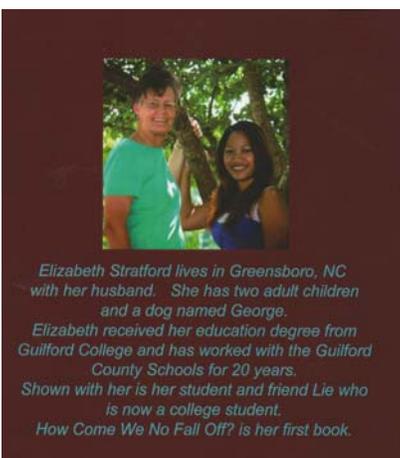
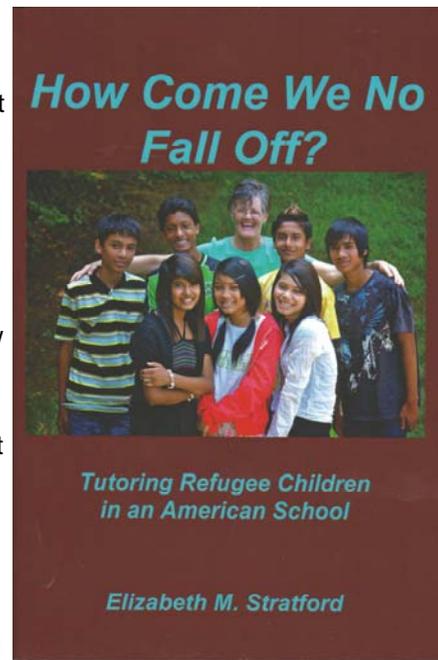
## BETTY MATTHEWS STRATFORD ('66)...TEACHER, MENTOR, FRIEND

Betty Matthews Stratford's life was on a rather "normal" pattern career pattern. She graduated from Page in 1966, graduated from Guilford in 1970, married Jim, taught a few years, raised two children (both Page alumni...Erin in '91 and Jamie in '94), then went back to work as a Media Assistant at Mendenhall Middle School in 1991. Then 12 years later, along came Lie (pronounced "Lee").

In 2001, Betty started a tutoring program for refugee students at Mendenhall. The next year, a large contingent of refugee students arrived. Teachers worked with these virtually non-English-speaking children as best they could. Then In the fall of 2003, a frustrated science teacher came to Betty and Media Specialist Bruce Shook for help with a young Montagnard sixth grade girl who spoke little English and had no concept of the Solar System. Using a globe, they showed her the world was round and how Viet Nam and Greensboro were on opposite sides of the globe. Lie looked at them both and asked, "How come we no fall off?" It was as if a light came on – in Lie's mind and in Betty's heart. At that moment Betty realized she could really be an instrumental part in helping Lie and others like her integrate into their new homeland.

The tutoring program has prospered, with as many as 35 tutors at times. These volunteers are business people, retirees, parents who come weekly to work and spend time with their mentees. Betty would go to the Newcomers School, so when those students "graduated" to Mendenhall, they would see Betty, a "buddy" they knew and trusted.

Betty started a Refugee Assistance Fund that helped pay for sports physicals, food cards, glasses, hearing aids, sports equipment – whatever these children needed that would help them prosper. She bumped "The Clothing Closet" at Mendenhall up a notch, making sure there were jeans, t-shirts, sweatshirts, etc. available for those in need. She visited their homes and became friends with the families. She raised money for students' field trips, then spent time teaching them about staying in a hotel and what to expect on the trip.



Betty with Lie

During her time at Mendenhall, Betty has mentored 17 Boy Scouts in their Eagle projects, all benefiting the grounds and outside learning areas at Mendenhall. In 1998, she established the Mendenhall Teaching Gardens. In 2001, she received the Greensboro Beautiful ABC Award for working and improving a school. In 2008 she was named the Countywide PTA Instructional Assistant Award. In 2010 she received the Mendenhall Humanitarian Award. Betty is on leave from Mendenhall due to illness and plans to retire in June 2014.

The relationship between Betty and Lie has flourished over the years. Betty was always there for Lie. And when Lie went to Page, Betty followed her – as well as others – so they would be placed in classes that were best for them. In 2011, Betty published her first book, *How Come We No Fall Off?* It is a beautiful narrative of Betty's and the tutors' journey with these refugee students, a sharing of students' successes and past heartbreaks.

Betty is working on her second book, an art/story book with Betty's and Lie's stories written in parallel. The art is not the usual paintbrush style. There are 20 pictures that Betty has created, using fabric, stitches, and glue. They chronicle Lie's life as she

shared it with Betty, from Viet Nam to here. And they are breathtaking!

Betty, we are proud that you are a Page alumna. We are grateful for the selfless difference you are making in our community!

*How Come We No Fall Off?* can be purchased on Amazon. And I highly recommend it! We look forward to the publication of Betty's second book, Fly to America on a Big White Banana.

Susan Tysinger

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# THE PRINCIPAL'S COUNCIL



*Principal's Council shown with State Superintendent June Atkinson*

The Principal's Council at Page is made up of 20 students who were selected through a blind application process. The goal of the Council is to look at Page and see where the Page Community can become an even better place on all levels.

## Technology Committee

Page High School has the teachers, the students, the academic performance, and the extracurricular activities to make it an outstanding school. Unfortunately, our technology lags behind neighboring high schools in Guilford County, as well as in the rest of the county. To keep up, teachers have to work with what they have and make the most out of it in order to benefit students' learning. The Principal's Council Technology Committee recognizes this and has worked hard to reach goals of gaining new technology for our school.



*The introduction of the video presented to the superintendent of NC asking for help with our technology*



*Jessica Amberg and Paige Sardzinski of the tech committee during filming of the promo video for the parking spot raffle*

Last year, on two different occasions, the council invited the North Carolina State Superintendent June Atkinson and several representatives from triangle-based IBM to visit Page and examine our current lack of technology. We shared with them a video we had created highlighting our vision of a more advanced Page High School.

This year we took another swing at gaining technology by submitting a video to the 2013 State Farm "Celebrate My Drive" contest. We fabricated a video demonstrating how detrimental unsafe driving is to you and others around you. This video helped garner enough votes in the contest for Page to win \$25,000!

er video promoting a fund-raiser that will supplement implementation of more technology. The video informed students that their donations could land them a "VIP" parking spot in the front drop-off circle, a location ideal for students driving themselves to school.

We have recently completed another

So, with the many videos and campaigning the Principal's Council has accomplished, we can proudly say we are taking successful steps towards achieving new possibilities for learning at Page, as well as increasing our Council's and Page's reputation as a whole.

*Brian Roskelly, Class of 2015*

## Sports Committee

The goal of our committee is to increase fan participation in all sports, boosting camaraderie and school spirit at Page. We are working to create a fan participation punch card for students, making them eligible for a prize when a certain number of punches are reached. As this requires more planning and may carry a cost to do it effectively, this may not happen until the fall. Meanwhile, we are working on ideas for the spring – maybe a prize for the fan that scores a soccer goal from the farthest point out or throws a baseball longest into the outfield.

*Caroline Yarbrough, Class of 2015*



*A snippet from the video promoting the 2013 "Celebrate My Drive" contest where Page won \$25,000*

# THE PRINCIPAL'S COUNCIL (CONT'D.)

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**Principal Patrice Faison shows State School Superintendent June Atkinson around Page**

### Public Relations Committee

The Public Relations Committee drafts and mails letters to public figures on the local and state level, describing the aim and scope of the Principal's Council and inviting them to Page. Public figures we plan to include are Eric Gougan, Mayor Nancy Vaughn, Governor Pat McCrory, Margaret Arbuckle, GCS Superintendent Maurice "Mo" Green, School Board Member Rebecca Buffington, GCS School Board Chairman Alan Duncan, and State Superintendent June Atkinson. Our goal is to achieve higher recognition for Page, and our mission to better our community in and out of the school by reaching out to the public.

*Olivia Buffington, Class of 2014*

### Service Committee

The Service Committee is participating in Burrito Bikers in March, giving out breakfast burritos to the homeless or hungry on a Saturday morning. All Council members will help cook and serve burritos for this project in March. We are also planning a Mix-and-Match day. This will be a day where people are assigned a color or number that puts them at a certain table at lunch, with people they don't know or don't interact with very often. Members of the Principal's Council will help assign groups and run the activities. The purpose of this day is to help students meet new people and create new relationships in a fun way.

*Susannah Townes, Class of 2016*



*("A Close-up of Donald Moore" continued from Page 10)*

Page has enjoyed some recent success in the Rivalry Reunion over the Whirlies, in which many of those victories you posted the low score in the field. Does it feel special to still be the leader in defeating our biggest rival?

People who know me will tell you I am one of the most competitive people they know, so it's still fun for Page to beat Grimsley. It's also fun to know you played well and helped your team be victorious. But the real victors that day are the schools that receive all the money we raise that day.

What advice would you give to Alumni and others in the community about getting involved with Page High School?

My high school years were the most formative ones in my childhood development, and I can't imagine not wanting to give back to Page just as a small way to say "thank you." Perhaps my fondest example of this is when I formed a committee back in 1997 and we went to the local School Board and lobbied for our football stadium and our gymnasium to be named in honor of Marion Kirby and Mac Morris. Thank goodness the Board agreed and all of us who went to Page and played for these guys get a reminder of our experiences every time we go to the school. Marion and Mac helped turn hundreds upon hundreds of teenage boys into quality men, and seeing their names on our facilities brings a warm feeling to my heart. I would never tell people that they should get involved, but for me it's been a no-brainer for a long time.

What the heck is a "Whirlie" anyway?

You know, I've wondered my whole life and I still don't know. You tell me!

*Donald C. Moore ('74)  
President and General Manager  
Greensboro Grasshoppers Baseball*

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# 2013-2014 PAGE ALUMNI AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

		Basic	\$25			Buccaneer	\$500-999		
		Pirate Club	\$25-99			Pirate Treasure	\$1,000-2,499		
		Anchor	\$100-499			Captains' Table	\$5,000+		
Name	Name at Grad.	Year	Giving level	Name	Name at Grad.	Year	Giving level		
Walter	Brown	Brown	1959	Pirate Club	Dean	Little	Little	1978	Pirate Club
Joseph M. III	Brantley	Brantley	1961	Anchor	David A.	Robinson	Robinson	1978	Pirate Club
Donald B.	Brooks	Brooks	1961	Anchor	The Hutton Family	Hutton	Hutton	1979	Anchor
Chuck	Scott	Scott	1961	Pirate Club	Ellen	Nesbit	Hennings	1979	Basic
Barbara A.	Kazazes	Kazazes	1962	Anchor	Jeanne	Blaisdell	Adams	1979	Pirate Club
Richard A.	Beavers	Beavers	1962	Pirate Club	Claire	Shields	Anderson	1979	Pirate Club
Dean	Folds	Folds	1962	Pirate Club	Charles	Betts	Betts	1980	Anchor
Jud	Franklin	Franklin	1962	Pirate Club	Al	Garvey	Garvey	1980	Anchor
Neal	Harrell	Harrell	1962	Pirate Club	Bob	Knox	Knox	1980	Basic
Becky and Jimmy*	Compton	Compton	1963	Anchor	Mark	Simpson	Simpson	1980	Pirate Club
Russ	Froneberger	Froneberger	1963	Basic	Carole	Garvey	Long	1981	Anchor
Eric	Garrison	Garrison	1963	Basic	Harold	Billings	Billings	1981	Basic
Sally	Wilson		1963	Basic	Susannah	Godley	Thomas	1981	Pirate Club
Pamela	Bunton	Dalton	1963	Pirate Club	Stacey A.	Hayes	Poole	1981	Pirate Club
Carol	Franklin	Andrews	1963	Pirate Club	Charles	Piper	Piper	1982	Anchor
Jane	Scott	Davenport	1963	Pirate Club	Leigh* & Drew	Jones	Haley	1982	Buccaneer
Winburne	King	King	1964	Anchor	Leesa	Clardy	Thomas	1982	Pirate Club
Jim	Starmer	Starmer	1964	Anchor	Sandra	Hines	Douglas	1982	Pirate Club
Chipper	Nuckles	Nuckles	1964	Basic	Roberto	Diaz	Diaz	1983	Pirate Club
Joan	King	Crutchfield	1965	Anchor	Jenny	Dilworth	Dilworth	1983	Pirate Club
Gayle* & Sonny	Lackey	Caldwell	1965	Anchor	Carla Denise	Hinton	Hinton	1983	Pirate Club
Michael	Smith	Smith	1965	Anchor	Ken	Benson	Benson	1984	Anchor
Paul H.	Daimler	Dingledein	1965	Pirate Club	Lisa	Boxley	Fitzgerald	1984	Anchor
Susan	Nisbet	Schenk	1966	Anchor	Tim	Roberts	Roberts	1984	Anchor
Sue* & Vick*	Phillips	Edwards	1966	Anchor	Jeanette	Billings	Kennerly	1984	Basic
Rick	Remmey	Remmey	1966	Anchor	Debbie	West	West	1984	Basic
Larry	Roland	Roland	1966	Anchor	Kathleen	Barker	Carney	1984	Pirate Club
Emily	Gross	Sharpe	1966	Basic	Tammy	Dixon	Michalski	1984	Pirate Club
Claire	Davis	Brown	1966	Buccaneer	Adair	Ellis	Wright	1984	Pirate Club
Myra	Atkins	Comer	1966	Pirate Club	Karen	Lizotte	Neal	1984	Pirate Club
Meriwether	Rhodes	Rhodes	1966	Pirate Club	Scott	Sternberg	Sternberg	1984	Pirate Club
Vickie	Wooten	VonCannon	1966	Pirate Club	Clivie	Boxley	Boxley	1985	Anchor
Carol* & Jim	Long	Myrick	1967	Anchor	Malinda	Longphre	Longphre	1985	Anchor
Jack	Brewer	Brewer	1967	Basic	Ashley	Simpson	Witcher	1985	Anchor
Patricia (Trish)	Litchfield	Little	1967	Basic	Kelly	Williams	Williams	1985	Anchor
Beth* & Jim	Bramhall	Godwin	1967	Pirate Club	Charles	Wright	Wright	1985	Anchor
Ginger* & Steve*	Campbell	Meador	1967	Pirate Club	Laura* & Ryan	Mount	Godwin	1986	Basic
Gary B.	Moore	Moore	1967	Pirate Club	Corey	Pysher	Pysher	1986	Basic
Sharon	Morgan	Trull	1968	Anchor	Lisa* & Jeff	Hill	Schwabeland	1986	Pirate Club
Rachel	Strauss	Bernstein	1968	Basic	Erik	Kiser	Kiser	1987	Basic
Donald	Strouth	Strouth	1970	Pirate Club	Mary Catherine "Cathy"* & Bobby	Church	Coyne	1987	Pirate Club
Ellen & Patrick*	Weiner	Weiner	1970	Pirate Club	Mary & Hunter*	Payne	Payne	1988	Pirate Club
Charles Dean, Sr.	Bottomley	Bottomley	1971	Anchor	Adam J.	Williams	Williams	1988	Pirate Club
Dennis "Buddy")	Rankin	Rankin	1971	Anchor	Jenny	Kiser	Clendenin	1989	Basic
Joyce	Kent	Barbee	1971	Basic	Beverly	Finch	Miller	1989	Pirate Club
Chris	Shields	Shields	1971	Pirate Club	Amy	Jordan	Young	1989	Pirate Club
Thomas	Cochran	Cochran	1972	Pirate Club	Tene	Cummings	McCoy	1990	Basic
Laura	Herring	Murray	1972	Pirate Club	Salem	Bullard	Bullard	1990	Buccaneer
Anita	Pulley	Brewer	1972	Pirate Club	Brandon	Frick	Frick	1991	Anchor
Angeline	Scott	Boulware	1972	Pirate Club	Rebecca	Hancock	Brantley	1991	Anchor
James "Brian"	Taylor	Taylor	1972	Pirate Club	Michael	Ritchie	Ritchie	1993	Anchor
Cathy & Garson*	Rice	Rice	1973	Anchor	Anitra	Bell	Richardson	1993	Basic
Jeff	Knight	Knight	1973	Basic	Lynn & Mike	Manchester	Manchester	1993	Basic
Anne	Collins	Reece	1973	Pirate Club	Christopher	Redding	Redding	1993	Basic
David	Hooper	Hooper	1973	Pirate Club	Shea	Gerringer	Milam	1993	Pirate Club
Stephanie L.	Roane	Roane	1973	Pirate Club	Roderick	Harrelson	Harrelson	1993	Pirate Club
Sharon S.	Ozment	Ozment	1974	Anchor	Tammy	Rucker-Wiley	Rucker	1993	Pirate Club
Darylne	Hecht	Cothren	1975	Anchor	Doug* & Trish*	Shaw	Milton	1993	Pirate Club
Richard "Dick"	Cannon	Cannon	1975	Pirate Club	Leigh* & Dave	Abraham	Tysinger	1995	Pirate Club
Ashley	Staton	Elmore	1975	Pirate Club	Margaret* & James	Chase	McNairy	1995	Pirate Club
Ben	Goslen	Goslen	1976	Anchor	Deanna "Michelle"	Wright	Wright	1996	Pirate Club
Kirk W.	Keever	Keever	1976	Basic	Leigh	Wheeler	Brantley	1997	Anchor
Betty L.	Webb	Webb	1976	Basic	Johnathan II	Petty	Petty	2010	Basic
David C. III	White	White	1976	Pirate Club	Clayton	Betts	Betts	2011	Basic
Dana	Folley	Folley	1977	Anchor	Matthew	Mills	Mills	2011	Basic
Anne & Jimmy*	Chamblee	Chamblee	1977	Buccaneer	Caitlin	Mills	Mills	2012	Basic
Dennis	Plyler	Plyler	1977	Pirate Club	Charlie	Betts	Betts	2013	Basic
Kristy & Karl*	Anderson	Anderson	1978	Pirate Club					

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