

# HOOT

1957 - Back to the Future

60th Reunion Newsletter • December 2016



# JUNE 9 - 11, 2017

Reunion activities and registration info coming in the next HOOT.

#### **BULLETIN:**

Cloverdale is experiencing an upsurge of business! '57ers are clammering for rooms at the Holiday Inn Express! Just a reminder, the Holiday Inn Express phone is (765) 795-5050, and the code for our block of rooms is DPU.

There are also other nearby inns that will be close to the '57 shuttle access: Econo Lodge, Super 8, and Day's Inn. Peg Steffen Sant'Ambrogio recently stayed happily at the Motel 6 (765) 795-3000.

Lodging in Bishop Roberts Dorm will be also be available exclusively for the 55th and 60th reunions (None of those young folks at their 50th running through the halls)!

If you would like a list of other options, please call Erica Riley in the Office of Alumni Engagement (765) 658-4255.

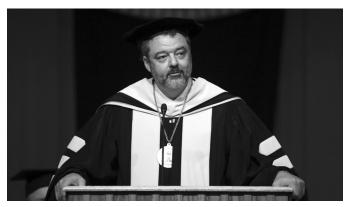
Don't hesitate to make your reservations early; you can cancel anytime up to 48 hours in advance.

#### LET US HEAR FROM YOU

Tell us where you are and what you've been doing.

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# A MESSAGE TO OUR CLASS FROM DEPAUW'S NEW PRESIDENT



Dear Class of 1957:

On behalf of the entire DePauw community, I invite you back to campus for your 60th reunion on June 9-11, 2017. Yours is a special class – while we are grateful for the extraordinary loyalty of all DePauw alumni, your group stands above the rest with a record 81% giving participation rate for your 50th reunion. DePauw is indeed fortunate to have you among our alumni ranks.

For some of you, the 60th reunion will be your first visit to campus in several years. The DePauw your class will find is, as it was when you arrived in the fall of 1953, a place where dedicated professors engage talented students in rigorous, small classes. It is a place of enduring beauty and tradition, from the Boulder and bell tower of East College to the stands of Blackstock Stadium. It is a place where lifelong friendships are made. And above all, it is a place dedicated to changing the lives of young people.

On the other hand, you will also find DePauw is changing in some ways to meet

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# **President McCoy** continued from page 1.

the challenges of providing a transcending education to students in the 21st century. June's Alumni College will bring you the opportunity to engage with professors and to experience the kind of discourse our students find today in the classroom. You will be invited to gather in the downtown square, which is being redeveloped with restaurants and cultural amenities as a result of DePauw partnerships with Greencastle. You will also be among the first alumni classes to experience R. David and Suzanne A. Hoover Hall, DePauw's beautiful new dining facility, which opened in October.

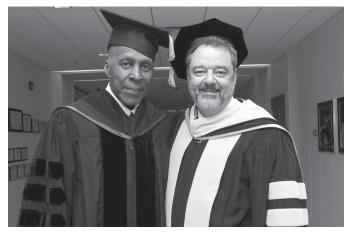
Your 60th reunion calls you back to this place for a few magical days of renewed friendships and of immersion in the life of the University. I am grateful for your class co-chairs Pat Aikman, Sue DeCosted Breckenridge, Peg Steffen Sant'Ambrogio and Lou Ubben Walton. In the months ahead, you will continue to hear from them about their thoughtful plans for the reunion.

I look forward to welcoming you and your class back to campus. Please make plans to join us. DePauw eagerly awaits your return.

All good things,

D. Mark McCoy, Ph.D.
President

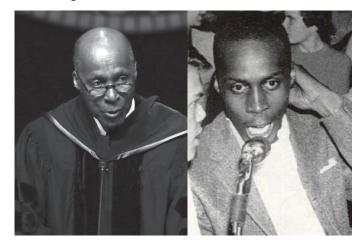
D. Mark McCoy was officially installed as
DePauw's 20th president Saturday, October 30,
during a ceremony in Kresge Auditorium. The theme
of the event, "Remember DePauw," underscored the
University's long history and tradition while looking
toward a future where the impact of the University
and its graduates remains great. "DePauw has been
a beacon of hope and opportunity that has changed
countless lives and continues to change lives every
day. And our good and important work will never
finish," the President said, in reflecting on "the idea
of DePauw."



Vern Jordan and Dr. Mark McCoy pose before the inauguration.

As his "Keynote Speaker," Dr. McCoy chose our classmate Vern Jordan, who gave an inspiring and uplifting speech to faculty, students and alumni in Kresge Hall. He told many personal stories, including those about his time at DePauw and his later activism in the civil rights movement. In his powerful remarks, Jordan, an attorney who served as president of the National Urban League and as adviser to President Bill Clinton, said, "I love DePauw because DePauw prepared me to lead the life I have been blessed to live .... While I loved DePauw when I was a student, I love DePauw more today because of the way it has changed. Today's DePauw is more diverse, more open, more in tune with what America is and can become." Vern's speech received a rousing, sustained applause.

Makes you proud!!! Be sure to watch his entire speech on the DePauw website at www.depauw.edu.



#### **HOOVER HALL**

Pat Aikman reports the new Hoover Dining Hall is open for business, and he finds it very impressive, both architecturally and functionally. The Hall serves food from 7 a.m.to midnight, 7 days a week.

Students, faculty and staff can take advantage of various meal plan options, and all are welcome to eat there. Fraternities and sororities still serve meals, but members may choose to eat in Hoover occasionally. First-hand reviews say the food court is stunning, offering a wide variety of foods for the whole DePauw community.



Hoover Hall exterior





Hoover Hall interior

## TIGERS WIN MONON BELL FOLLOWING EXCELLENT SEASONS IN WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL & SOCCER, MEN'S TOO!

By Pat Aikman

There was no more inspiring way to wrap up the fall sports seasons for many student athletes than to terminate Wabash's eight year domination of the Monon Bell rivalry by beating the Little Giants in Crawfordsville, 30-27, on November 12 with a TD in the last five minutes. The nail-biter season finale was the 123rd matchup for these two rivals since the series began in 1890.

Under Coach Bill Lynch, the Tigers finished with an 8-2 record and clinched a three-way tie for second in the North Coast Athletic Conference with Denison and Wabash. The coach has had winning seasons at DePauw in 2014 and 2015, with an all-time record of 35-15.

Emphasizing the football game and the team is not to ignore the women's and men's soccer, field hockey, and volleyball teams, all with winning fall seasons.

Women's soccer finished the season with an overall 9-7-1 record, and 5-3 in the conference.

In volleyball the women wrapped up an amazing 25-5 season record and a 7-l league mark. They won all but three of their first 11 matches, defeating teams from four states and winning in the first round of the NCAA national tourney with Calvin College (MI) on deck.

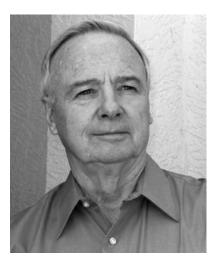
The women's field hockey team rolled up a 13-1 conference record and a 17-4 season mark, including nine wins in a row, bumping off Ohio Wesleyan and Earlham twice, Wittenberg Wooster, Oberlin, Kenyon and Denison, before losing the women's playoff championship to Kenyon 2-1.

Meanwhile, men's soccer finished 11-3-2 and ended their conference 6-3. They gained a bid to the NCAA Div. III national tourney and were scheduled to play Centre in the next round after winning their initial NCAA outing.

Wrapping up, one finds for the full season a phenomenal total of 73 wins, 21 losses and seven ties, for a 75.7% success rate across the board.

Well done, Tiger women and men! Grrrrhh!!

#### A LETTER TO US FROM MAYNARD POLAND



In six months it will be sixty years since we graduated from DePauw. Back then, no internet, no Facebook, no cellphones or

cheap telephone

rates. No easy

'57 Classmates,

way to keep in touch. Remarkable how our children and grandchildren can now keep in touch with their college friends.

Our 60th reunion is a unique opportunity to span the chasm of time since we blazed our own trails away from DePauw. Those of us who have previously returned have found a joy in reuniting, and come to understand that we were privileged by having known each other at an age when what-you-see-is-what-you-get, devoid of pretense – a closeness then that is even more appreciated now. And each time we come back we find a renewed appreciation of DePauw. A reconnect that is fulfilling and enduring – a meaningful and valuable rediscovery that yields

a stable feeling that balances the uncertainty of life. It is what makes 80-plus year-old classmates automatically hug each other – man or woman – when a many-year gap is closed. And expect to find classmates who you didn't know well back then to be interesting and engaging people now.

So, whether you've been back frequently or not-at-all, whether you've been a tepid or "rah-rah" DePauw supporter, I believe you'll find this reunion enjoyable – as much about the people as about the institution. But if you haven't been back for some time, prepare to be surprised and very proud of what DePauw has become and where it is going.

Your Reunion Committee and I urge you to come back next June, whether for all of our reunion festivities between June 9 and 11, or for just a day or part of a day. We would like to see you, hear about what you're doing or have done, share thoughts, or simply shake your hand or give you a hug – don't know how much longer we'll be able to do that.

I hope the New Year brings you joy.

Maynard Poland'57

## TRIVIA CONTEST UPDATE:

Because of the delay in publishing our first issue, we are repeating the Trivia Contest so all can compete for the great prizes (worth up to \$50) from the DePauw Bookstore. Please see the last page for the trivia questions and details about how to return your answers. The first three to respond correctly will receive a prize and YOUR NAME IN LIGHTS in the next HOOT!!



This photo proves we didn't just favor the women's legs "back then." (By the way, we are pretty sure these aren't Maynard's legs!)

#### **BAUGHMAN CHALLENGES CLASS OF 1957**



Dr. John Baughman, as many classmates will recall, sharpened our understanding of European and Oriental Civilizations during our freshman year. Over the last sixty years he has continued to cherish memories of the Class of 1957. Now, Baughman challenges our class once again by offering a tangible incentive to return for our blast-off "Reunion 60" in 2017.

The first fifty members of the Class of 1957 who give to The Fund for DePauw in honor of our 60th reunion AND return to celebrate "Reunion 60" on June 9-11, 2017 will receive a complimentary, autographed copy of *DEPAUW:* A PICTORIAL HISTORY.

This book is a joint effort by Drs. Baughman and Clifton Phillips, his colleague in the History Department. You'll see views of the DePauw campus 150 years ago which most of us would never imagine. You'll note how the DePauw campus expanded and buildings improved in the University's 150 years. You'll see how the dress, facial expressions, and haircuts of DePauw professors evolved over the years! Can you find the year DePauw broke the "glass ceiling" and hired its first female professor? The pictures in this book reflect DePauw's growth along with the growth of our nation as both moved into leadership in the 20th Century. You'll be amazed as you compare the book's view of East College when it was "young" to the stunning 21st Century East

College vista presented by a drive through the new DePauw campus entrance on Anderson Street. Truly this challenge gift from Dr. Baughman will deepen your respect for our Alma Mater's strategic planning and use of resources.

So, 57-ers! Let's take up Dr. Baughman's generous challenge! Be among the first 50 classmates to make a gift to the Fund for DePauw in honor of our 60th AND register for "Reunion 60." Then, when on campus June 9-11, 2017 pick up your own autographed copy of DEPAUW: A PICTORIAL HISTORY.

Thank you, John Baughman, for your generosity and for continuing to hold the Class of 1957 in such high esteem!

# HOOT SPONSORS PHOTO CONTEST FOR MEN: WHO STILL CAN WEAR SENIOR CORDS

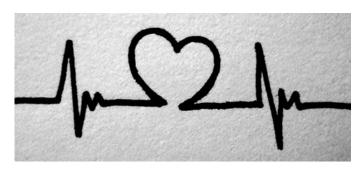
By Pat Aikman

Q: How many men in the Class of 1957 can still fit into their Senior Cords?

P.A. I ask that question because my long-time friend and mentor, Jerry "Pancho" Pontius (while we were both on the staff of *The DePauw* newspaper) appeared comfortably implanted in his senior cords during the Class of 1956's 60th reunion. To challenge the concept that Jerry alone has the chiseled body of a male model, the HOOT is sponsoring a photo contest. We'd like to see a RECENT photo taken in those very personal pants that described, often visually, the campus activities and honors of the wearer. You need not describe "how I lost my pants."

Send your photo to Patrick Aikman, 102 W. Poplar St., Greencastle, IN 46135, by January 15, 2017, to be in the running for prizes from

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# DEPAUW'S CRUCIAL LIFELINE: A MESSAGE FROM OUR CLASS CHEERLEADER PEG STEFFEN SANT'AMBROGIO

The Fund for DePauw could be called DePauw University's lifeline! Formerly the Annual Fund, this is the one pot of gold with no stipulations on how it's spent to support the school. It can pay for student scholarships, faculty salaries, turn on the lights in buildings, pay for grass mowing/snow shoveling, pay food service bills, meet rising insurance bills! In short, The Fund for DePauw is crucial to the healthy, upward momentum of our Alma Mater. The Fund may meet any financial need DePauw has. Paying University bills from The Fund for DePauw is unrestricted!

If the DePauw Phonathon has called you, please know your pledge will count toward the percent of our Class of 1957's giving to The Fund for DePauw.

As the "Hoot's" first issue reminded us, our class holds the all-time DePauw record for percentage of class members giving at our 50th Reunion – 81%. This is almost 45 points above the DePauw average! Once again the Class of 1957 proved it would step up when needed!

Why is percent of participation in giving to the Fund for DePauw so important? When foundations look at DePauw grant applications, they ask, "What percent of your alumni support the school?" And when DePauw is ranked in national publications – The Princeton Review, Forbes, The Wall Street Journal, percent of alums giving is part of the ranking formula. Fundraising studies show people are 300 times more likely to make a donation when asked by a friend. For our 50th Reunion our Living Unit Reps did yeoman work calling us for a gift to DePauw at whatever level was comfortable.

For 'Reunion 60' you've already heard from your Living Unit Reps encouraging you to return to campus in June. They'll continue to stay in touch with you throughout the Spring. And once again, each member of the Class of 1957 can be a crucial "link" in The Fund for DePauw, the "lifeline" of our Alma Mater.

# ONCE AGAIN WE ARE PROUD THAT OUR CLASS OF 1957 HAS FUNDED AN ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP AT DEPAUW.

WE HAVE RECEIVED THIS LETTER FROM THE OFFICE OF CHARITABLE GIFTS -----

Please accept my sincere thanks for The Class of 1957 John Wittich Endowed Scholarship, which continues to make the DePauw experience available to promising students. It is my pleasure to inform you that the student listed below has been named as the 2016-17 recipient of the Class of 1957 John Wittich Endowed Scholarship:

Anna Mae Sherrill'17

Noblesville, IN

Major: Education Studies

Endowed scholarships such as this enable the University to provide a pathway to a life of greater possibility and uncommon success for our students. Your generosity creates educational access and supports lifelong accomplishments. Thank you for this wonderful legacy that helps build a stronger DePauw and a better world, one student at a time.

Your friend, Nancy Lovett '74

# DEPAUW'S MANAGEMENT FELLOWS PROGRAM-AND THE IMPORTANCE OF ALUMNI TO THE PROGRAM

By Pat Aikman

It was a bright, but brisk October morning as a crowd of eager Management Fellows and economics students stood waiting in front of the Memorial Student Union Building for a chartered bus that would take them on a fact-finding field trip to the Windy City of Chicago.

The Management Fellows Program is an on-going program in which DePauw professors educate the next generation about how to run a successful business enterprise. "The real work started early the next morning when we all boarded a bus to head to the Arlington Heights offices of SMV Cards, a leader in Gasoline and Retail and Gift Cards," according to Professor Michael Risdon, MFP faculty member. The primary host and CEO of the company is Marshall Reavis '84, a seasoned member of the first Management Fellows graduating class and chairman of DePauw's Board of Trustees.

"He and his team literally opened their doors to us for several hours, explaining their business and discussing employment opportunities for internships and permanent positions. It was an interesting insight into a business model most students had never been exposed to," explained Professor Risdon.

Later the group split into two sub-groups, one going to West Monroe Partners and the other to Slalom (both focused on consulting). The group wrapped up this day's studies by visiting the Chicago Federal Reserve Bank, exiting with shredded remnants of what had once been real paper money.

The next day included a visit to the BMO Harris Bank, where they were greeted by many DePauw alumni. "Our hostess, Elizabeth Ferneau, organized a process where groups of students were placed at tables where they spent several minutes with a member from

different sections of the bank's many operations and services, enabling students to get a grip on the multiple facets of business that today's large banks provide their customers," Risdon explained.

The next day's schedule included two hours at the Chicago Board of Options Exchange plus a presentation offered by "Senior Host" Matt Darnall '85, managing director of Goldman Sachs, talking about investment banking, and a visit with alumnus Taz Kadam '15, who described a day in the life of a new G.S. Associate.

Alumni gifts supporting this kind of practical education include the Carl and Margaret Morehead Internship Fund, which subsidizes student employment at not-for-profits and startups, and the Davee Fund that covers travel expenses for students pursuing a semesterlong international internship. In the past two years three students have interned in India, five in Argentina and one each in Ireland and Germany.

Management Fellows also have on-campus opportunities for real-world experience. Last year, DePauw hosted an event similar to the TV program Shark Tank, at which a total of \$20,000 was awarded.

Management Fellows even have an opportunity to manage a fund, (a small portion of the University's endowment) which allows students to gain experience in an investment setting similar to working at a mutual fund.

For those who wish to learn more about the MFP, contact Professor Jeff Gropp at 765-658-6561 or email him at jgropp@depauw.edu.

### AND WE'VE HEARD FROM-



# Carol Taylor Smith

Hi Lou, enjoyed reading Hoot which arrived in the mailbox this morning. After living in Montana since 2002, Win and I moved to Carmel, Indiana last summer

to be near our children. So we are Hoosiers once again after all these years. As you may remember, we lived in Win's home town of Danville, IL until retiring to Montana. While we loved it there, we had great-grandchildren who didn't know us and I didn't like that at all.

It is wonderful to be back where everyone has heard of the college we attended. In Montana, no-one ever heard of DePauw. We have attended some of the alumni events held here in Indy and have renewed several DePauw friendships which is most enjoyable. We enjoyed meeting Dr. McCoy here recently and were very impressed.

A bit of life recap: Win continued as a car dealer until he sold the business in 2002; I enjoyed my Advertising/Public Relations business, but retired in the mid-90s. You may recall we chaired Balloon Classic Illinois for several years after getting some very good tips from Dwight. Both of us were very active in non-profit organizations in Danville and continued in that vein in Montana. Win always enjoyed Rotary. Among other things, I served as Director of Tourism for the local Chamber for four years. Our valley in Montana was a very nice place to promote.

Returning to the Indianapolis area, we thought we had retired for sure, only to find ourselves very involved in Servants at Work (SAWs) which we heard about through our church, St. Luke's Methodist. SAWs builds wheelchair ramps for persons who need them

and cannot afford them. Win is a builder and I am a grant writer and board member. So we continue to keep busy. Our avocations are carpentry for Win (one great-granddaughter is going to be the lucky recipient of a new doll house for Christmas!) My avocation is genealogy, when I have time between grants.

The best to you, Carol T. Smith ctsmith106@gmail, 406-546-7721 4081 Platte Drive, Carmel, IN 4603



# Sue Galbraith Roberts (From Reno, Nevada. Wow - She's planning ahead!)

We already have our Amtrak reservations and will rent a car in Galesburg ,IL, as we have done before.

We're combining our DPU reunion with a grandson's graduation from Oberlin and a visit to Jim's sister in Bloomington, IN. It should be a fun trip! I hope the AXOs once again outnumber any other group!

Love, Sue



#### Don Hamilton

Lou, Just came back with our mail and have already read the Hoot – GREAT!

Start to remind all of us to make plans for our 60th. Reading and seeing about your Committee members 60 years ago and the very slight changes was another HOOT. I saw and spoke with Pat Aikman earlier this month at DePauw. The Hoover Dining Hall is awesome and can't wait to see the inside. Many thanks for your efforts and let's BEAT WABASH FOR A CHANGE.

-DON

Editor's note: The Bell is Back! DePauw beat Wabash 37-34 on November 16.



## John Wittich

To my dear ones in the Class of '57-

Here's my life after DePauw...

MY family and I left our home in Greencastle in 1961 and moved to Corning,

New York. I was Director of the College Center of the Finger Lakes until 1963. From Corning we headed West to Claremont, California, where I was President of the College Student Personnel Institute for 5 years. We put out a national publication that included summaries of

300 or so articles about college students.

In 1968, the family moved to Jacksonville, Illinois, where I served as President of MacMurray College.

Our kids grew up, went to college, moved away, and gave us wonderful in-laws and 5 precious grand-children.

Leah and I retired and moved South to DeLand, Florida, in 1980. I worked part-time for Stetson University as Head of the Florida Association of Colleges and Universities. I ended my employment years as Advisor and Recruiter for Capital Formations...fully retired in 2005 at age 84.

In 2006, Leah and I moved to Champaign, Illinois, to be closer to our children. Leah passed away in 2014. We had over 70 years together as a couple. What a wonderful partner in life she was!

Our youngest child, John, passed away in 2015, leaving his dear wife, Tami, and 3 children. We were blessed to have him for 58 years.

I am residing in an assisted living facility just 6 minutes from Janie and 25 minutes from Nan.

The Villa West

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# **Cords** continued from page 5.

Eli's Bookstore. We hope to print some entries in the next issue of the HOOT. Be sure to send along some news about yourself. Alterations on Cords are prohibited, and any Cords suspected of being misrepresentative will be absolutely disqualified with no appeal possible.





#### WHAT DO YOU KNOW? DEPAUW TRIVIA

Join our trivia contest and compete for great prizes (worth up to \$50) from the DePauw Bookstore. *The HOOT* wants to know how much of DePauw's great history has been retained by our group of octogenarians +1. Answer the 10 questions below (or as many as you can), then cut out this section and return it to our Trivia Perpetrator, Pat Aikman, 102 W. Poplar St., Greencastle, IN 46135. The first three to respond correctly will receive a prize and will be announced in the next issue of *The HOOT*.

- 1. What is a Boulder Run? (brief answer, please)
- 2. Name two pre-Civil War presidents of Indiana Asbury University.
- 3. What year was the Monon Bell added to the winner of the DePauw-Wabash football game?
- 4. What was the occupation of Washington C. DePauw when he made his gift resulting in renaming the University from Indiana Asbury to DePauw?
- 5. What was W. C. DePauw's hometown?
- 6. What man turned down the presidency of DePauw after stationery with his name as president had already been printed?
- 7. Name four colleges that are currently in the same intercollegiate athletic conference with DePauw, besides DePauw.
- 8. Name two national sororities that were founded at DePauw.
- 9. What three national DePauw fraternities were founded at Miami University of Ohio?
- 10. Name four campus buildings that carry the name/s of major donors to their construction?

(Answers can be found in *DePauw: a Pictorial History*, by Professors Baughman and Phillips, available from the University Archives.)