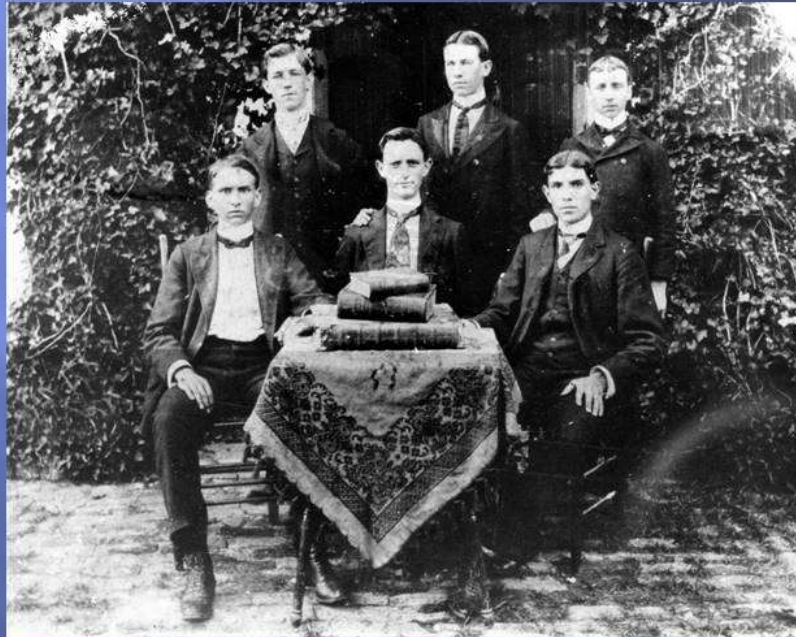


TIGER GOLD

Ghosts



Ghosts

When the last bell has rung - -

When the last light is turned off - -

When the last door is locked - -

Ghosts roam the halls of 4950 Dauphine.

Looking at the photo of the graduating class of 1901, one can't help but wonder at what it was like for those students. Were their lives as students that much different those ours. Was there 'skylarking' and 'horseplay'? We'll never know for sure, but one thing you can count on: Here there be ghosts.

Almost 65 years later, Homeroom 6 added their contributions for future generations of Tigers to ponder. It's funny what one remembers looking through the eyes of 11 and 12-year olds.

(Anticich, Arnona, Blum, Bull, Campiere, Culotta, Crumhorn, Dean)

Shatter proof glasses had just come out and George Loker felt he had to demonstrate his new accessory's qualities. So he took his glasses off and tossed them out of the second floor window. I don't recall how it ended, but I think gravity won.

(Fiorito, Garcia, Giroir, Goodson, Guichard, Jones, Junker, Kattan)

We didn't really need to watch the news to see what the weather was going to be. All we had to do was to glance at Brian Kenner's desk to see if he was there. If it was raining, he wouldn't be there. Some suggested that he might melt if he got wet. When the roll was called on a rainy day and Br James Ryan got to Kenner's name, someone would invariably pipe up, "It's raining, Brother!"

(Kenner, Kirsenueter, Kothman, Krey, Loker, McGovern, Nix, Piegts)

And speaking of roll call: Br. James appointed a student to remind him to hang the absentee report on the door for collection. This job fell to John Fiorito. One morning I thought I saw a paper airplane sail onto Br. James desk. Then I saw Br James glare at Fiorito and then head in his direction. I was thinking: 'Aw, man. Fiorito's goose is cooked.' Next thing I saw was John's desk turned over with John still in it.

(Plaeger, Reuther, Romig, Salathe, Schmitt, Vicknair, Vinturella, Wattigney, Zimmer)

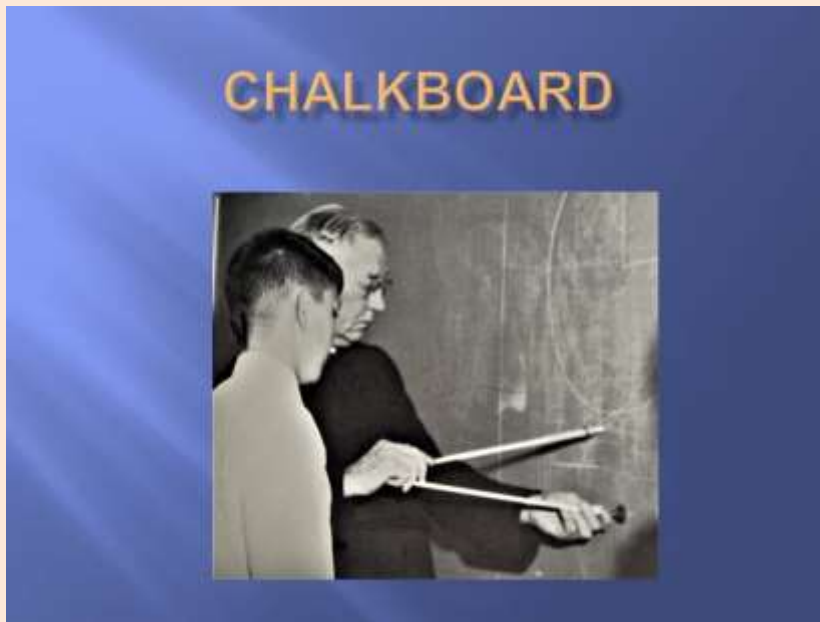
One part of Mr. Deprizio's English class was the SRA reading lab. It consisted of short articles about famous people, places, and things. It was used to test comprehension and was timed with an alarm clock. There were two things I learned in that class: Clara Barton founded the American Red Cross and NEVER leave an alarm clock unattended within the reach of a 12 year old.

One inquisitive student decided to test a scientific theory as to what the results would be if an alarm clock went off when it was not supposed to. His scientific question was: "If an alarm clock would unexpectedly go off during class and the class would start howling with laughter, how mad would Mr. Deprizio get?" The result of his experiment was that Mr. Deprizio would get REALLY mad!

Of the 33 members of Homeroom 6 who started HC that Fall of 1965, 25 stayed until graduation.

Jeff Junker

Chalkboard



Gary Ritzman just retired after 25+ years at Executone

Jacques Miramon was in the Winners Circle again. This time it was at Remington Park in Oklahoma City. The winning horse was Fusaichi Flame.

Larry Folse's population of ducks has been stabilized. At his flock's height, he had 27 Mallards and 23 Muscovy ducks. Now Larry just has the Mallards and 1 Muscovy. He commented: "The Muscovys have claws like roosters and can fight just like them too. They got to be really destructive."

Stephen Kruse has retired from Dupre Logistics after 17 years of service.

Alvin Albe presents "There's No Place Like Home," Holy Cross' Annual Blue and Gold Gala on Saturday, April 21, 2018. The Student Center will be transformed into an elegant ballroom featuring an open bar, cuisine from many local restaurants, live entertainment, live and silent auction items and more.

Mark your calendar for an Un-Official" Holy Cross Class of 1971 Reunion.

We will hold the event on Friday the 13th of April 2018 in the Sicilian Room at Rocky and Carlo's Restaurant and Bar, 613 W St Bernard Hwy, Chalmette, LA 70043 from 4 PM until 8:30 PM. We can stay later too, but the restaurant officially closes at 8:30 PM on a Friday. Mike Leach will be our special guest.

Tommy Tommaseo will serve veal parmesan in red gravy, hamburger steaks in brown gravy, some sandwiches and naturally macaroni and cheese for us to eat. Dress code is casual, but I hope you knew that already.

The Flipped Side of the Desk

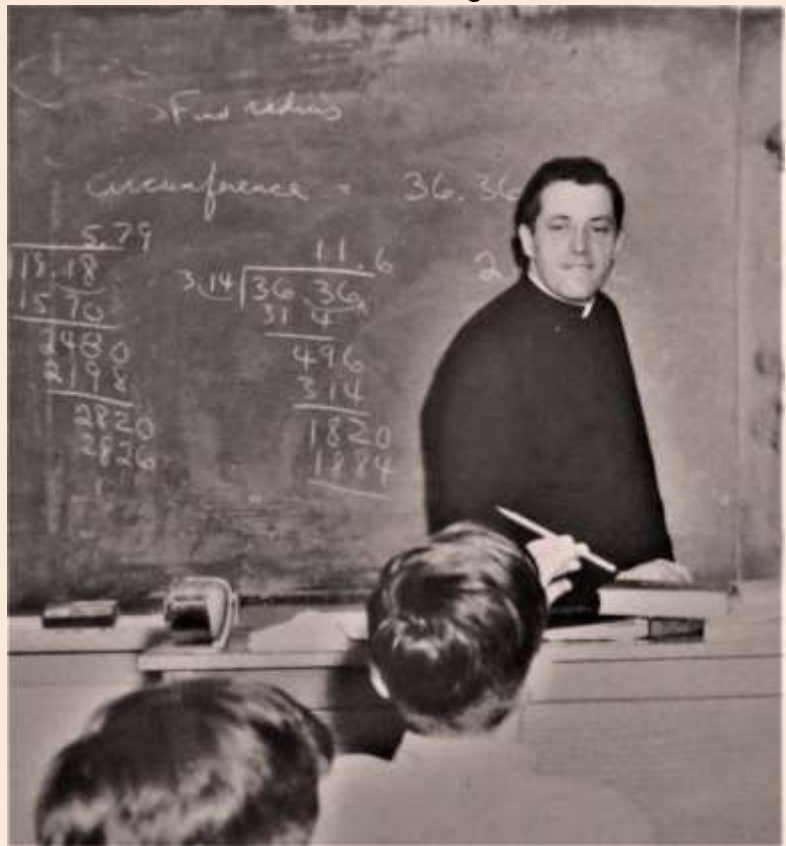
Since he had a front row seat, I asked John Fiorito his take on the chair toppling incident. (I regret to report that I've been unable to find Br. James to get his side of the story).

John said:

“Br. James told me to remind him to hang up the attendance sheet every day. This one particular day he was in one of his moods and he wouldn't look at me.

To get his attention I wrote a message to him on a piece of paper and turned it into a paper airplane.

After I threw it, he crumpled it with one hand and hit me on the shoulder with the other hand, knocking me out of the chair.”



Br. James Ryan at his desk, waiting to pounce.

Charlie Kothman's dog of 21 years just passed away. Charlie said: "Little Flea peacefully in his sleep. He was a part of our family for just over twenty-one years. He was blind for the past four years but he managed to cope. The past two years have been a labor of love having to get up and let him outside in the middle of the night if he had to go potty. Being blind, he had to stay indoors most of the time and had to be escorted outside at night. There's too many critters around here at night and he couldn't defend himself. It was a chore on cold nights but it comes with the territory. Dogs are family members to us. We're going to miss the little guy."



Gary and Shelli Vinturella made a trip to the Saenger to catch the show Wild Kratts LIVE! It was a theatrical stage show based on the #1 animated television series Wild Kratts.



Ty Yokum has just completed a short term mission trip to Niger, Africa supporting schools there. The company he works for, Chick-fil-A, hosts sports tournaments to raise money to help provide affordable K-12 Christian schools in Niger. Ty said that this was his second trip to Africa, as he had a previous mission to Ethiopia 8 years ago.



Bert and Nikki Brocato took a 'spur of the moment' trip to visit the East Wing of the White House. He explained that his son and daughter-in-law work in DC and have a friend that works in the Federal Building. One can also get appointments through their elected representatives, time permitting.

After undergoing a security check, the Brocatos received a letter of approval. Before entry was granted they had to turn that letter over to the National Park guard at the gate.

Then came the traditional airport-like security procedures, complete with guard dogs. There was a metal detector and a 'puffing' machine to see if there are explosive particulates on you.

After a general briefing you're on your own. The tour is self-guided and you can walk at your own pace

Bert said, "There are plaques in each room, like the Blue Room and the Green Room, explaining the relevance of it and Secret Service personnel to answer any questions.



Bert and Nikki Brocato

We saw the room where state dinners are held and the long walkway the president walks down to issue important announcements.

And of course there was a Gift shop at the end of the tour – and it charges tax, which is unusual for a Federal Building. Then it was explained that it is run by the White House Historical Society.”

Dan McGovern made another trip to Daytona Beach for the “24 Hours at Daytona”. This event is an endurance race that his cousin and cousin’s 17 year old son drive in. As the name of the event implies, the teams race for 24 hours. According to Dan, “They turn left and right shift gears, and slam on the brakes for 24 Hours. The first place car this year set a new distance record averaging just under 120mph for 24 hours. That includes all pit stops, tire changes, fuel, and driver changes. Generally they pit about every hour and change drivers every 2 - sometimes 4 hours.”



Steve and Claudia Schutz celebrated their 41st wedding anniversary. Last December they spent a week in Gordonsville, Virginia in a Yurt. . . A Yurt? . . . Steve says, “We didn’t know what a Yurt was either when we made arrangements to spend our vacation in one. It’s a glorified tent but had all the accommodations of a small apartment – two bedrooms, a kitchen, electric fireplace, roll up and down window and a TV.

While there they visited the Montpelier historic site, the Blue Ridge Skyline Dr, Lurray Caverns and the Marine Corp Heritage academy.



This is the YURT Steve lived in



Larry Franz passed away of brain cancer December 4, 2017. Larry was with South Central Bell Telephone for 36 years. He had resided in Baton Rouge for the past 15 years.

His pastor, John *Maddox*, said “Larry was a very special man. He had a huge heart filled with compassion and empathy. Through Project Backpack, he personally helped hundreds of homeless kids over the past several years. On a personal note, he was the brother that I never had.”



Phil Kessler has traded his ocean view at Virginia Beach for that of snow in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Retired after 40 years of being a Naval Aviator and Defense Contractor with the Navy Fighter Squadrons, he has embarked on his third career as a Certified Sommelier

Interested in a Pinot? Here's what Phil says about one of them: “Not a big fan of RRV Pinot but this is an exception. This is the second bottle that I have had. Complex, red and black fruit and really well balanced.”

More reviews can be found at his blog: <https://delectable.com/@philkessler>



A Boy and his Dog

Pat Wolfe was visited by all of his grandchildren. "Finally! All six grandchildren together!" said Pat.



Flashback

Here is a photo of the students of Homeroom 6. Their names are listed above. Can you match their names to their faces?



The Holy Cross Class of 1971 Web Page can be found at:

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