

# East Leyden Class of 1965

Newsletter  
February, 2013



## Class of 65 Classmates:

Here is our Twenty-eighth newsletter. We are interested in finding out what all of our classmates are doing now. Please send us updated information about your lives. Perhaps tell us about your career(s), travel, family, and anything else you want to share.

You can send the information to [leyden65@yahoo.com](mailto:leyden65@yahoo.com) or [newsletter@leyden65.com](mailto:newsletter@leyden65.com).

Thanks...

## Spotlight: Dan Brown

"I just retired from Motorola Solutions Inc (formerly Motorola) after a 42-year career as an engineer, having worked on many R&D projects, including the first cell-phone demos in 1973.

During retirement I plan to spend time on my antique radio collection, playing in a couple of non-profit bands, and wearing out my hiking boots in Arizona.

BTW, I attended the 45-year (combined) reunion at the North Park fieldhouse. In my opinion, that was the perfect setting for a reunion, with lots of time to visit old friends in a relaxed and casual atmosphere. The food and hospitality were terrific. It would be great if the 50th could be just like that. "



Leyden "Blu-Notes" sweatshirt



Original Leyden Electric Shop sign

## Spotlight: Shirley Vikartofsky Levy

Shirley worked as a keypunch operator after high school for almost fifteen years. Married right out of school to a older man. Divorced in 1976. Met her new husband Stan while working at Graybar Electric as a keypunch operator and a control clerk. Been married for almost thirty six years. Became an Avon lady after she moved to St. Louis MO. Worked for Avon for twenty four years. Loves to travel and has been almost everywhere in the US and Canada. She has several dogs and breeds them for the handy capped. Four Golden's and three Golden Doodles. No children so her dogs are her babies. Shirley and Stan moved to St. Louis because of Stans job and they loved it there. After Stan retires, they will move north along the river to a little town of Troy where they have three acres of land for the dogs to run on. After Stan retired two and a half years ago we went to FL. to get our youngest dog Bella. She is joy to both of us We are happy and somewhat healthy.



## Website Videos:

Just a reminder that there are some great videos of our Reunions and classmates on our web site. Goto: <http://www.leyden65.com/> visit the Photo/Video

## Reunion Update:

\* Our 50th Reunion is in the planning stage - 2015  
**West Leyden - All Classes - Combined Reunion**  
Oct 5, 2013 - Diplomat West - Elmhurst, Illinois  
email: [westleydencombinedreunion@yahoo.com](mailto:westleydencombinedreunion@yahoo.com)

## Attention Leyden Music Alumni

We hope you are doing great! If you have continued with music beyond Leyden (in college, community, professionally, teaching, etc.), we would like to learn about it right away. Would you please take a moment and go to the link below so we can reconnect?

Thanks!

Bryan Miller - Music Department Chair  
Leyden High Schools

<https://docs.google.com/a/leyden212.org/spreadsheet/ccc?key=0AkNsZd0-x6hFdHpvaHdDdkxRa0hSM2tWZGVUblhkb2c#gid=0>

**Trivia Question of the Month:** Which of the following was NOT one of our Freshman class officers ?  
a. Pat Bavido   b. Donna Harrison   c. Connie Wimmermark   d. Pam Howe   e. Pam Larson

Answer : b - Donna Harrison

## ...in memory of all our departed Class of 1965 classmates - RIP

Thomas Balk - Mary Lou Bulleri - Larry Cain - Wes Christensen - Amy Daminato - Mark Dombkowski - Ron Dunn  
Darlene Effertz - Forest 'Mort' Fulmer - Ben Gagliardo - Renee Golik - John Holmes - Edward Jurewicz  
Kris Kloc - Don Kotlow - George Kozy - Dale Kracinski - Pat Kulik - William Kunkel - Sonja Lanzener - Al Lazzarotto  
Ed Luety - Bonnie Mandoline - Mary Modrich - Christine Nelson - Marge Niblett - Andrea Nurczyk - Randy Parker  
Mila Rosenstrator - Kurt Sala - Phyllis Seibel - Russel Siemers - Greg Smithmeyer - Sharon Thompson  
Harlan Turnbull - Linda Winkel

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