

# Then and Now

By Heather Stires and Mrs. Rowell

## **Question: What kind of clothing did kids wear in high school?**

Mrs. Rowell: "Slacks" were not even thought of for an option to young ladies (poor things). Cheerleaders were explained as just a bit more conservative than now...

Heather: It's 2017. On a nice spring day I once saw a student wearing a blow up Dinosaur costume to school. The lack of restrictions are at times frightening.

## **Question: What were the rules in your house growing up?**

Mrs. Rowell: Listen to dad. He was the man of the house and when I was growing up there was no such thing as a compromise between parents for a punishment.

Heather: To stop chasing dad around the house and to always have time for family.

## **Question: What was it like when you started to drive?**

Mrs. Rowell: There weren't students with cars, everyone walked to school. At the time of the survey there was even the question if there were buses that picked kids up. The freedom people have with cars today is much different.

Heather: I spend my time driving to school and church events with friends, such as Bunko, on Friday night. I like to drive to get ice cream, pizza, Duck Donuts, Wendy's.....Having a license is truly thrilling.

## **Question: What was the craziest thing you ever did as a teenager?**

Mrs. Rowell: Nothing, "my dad would have my head if I did anything crazy".

Heather: Same...

## **Question: What advice would you give your younger self?**

Mrs. Rowell: To read. Every young person should take the time to read more. I believe reading is an extremely important skill and hobby that sadly got reduced throughout the years.

Heather: Learn from your mistakes, don't see your mess ups as a curse.

Of course, Mrs. Rowell and I have more to share since we are now best friends and I know everything there is to know, however I can't tell you all her secrets. Tune in next month to find out who the Youth Group's next contestant is in "Then and Now".