

THE SMOKE SIGNAL

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A NEWSLETTER FROM THE SUSQUEHANNA
TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



PEOPLE IN THE NEWS



Letter from the President

Well guess what? It's time again for some pearls of wisdom to come out of this office. Well guess what? Nobody's home. I could write about how wonderful the Monument ceremonies were and how great the monument is, but someone else is doing that. So, all I can say is, if you have not been there be sure to stop in and see it. I could write about the up and coming breakfast, but someone else is. So, all I can say is, get your reservations in and I'll see you there. I could write about the annual banquet we had in June, but if you were there you already know how nice it was. So, all I can say is, see you at the next one in 2008.

If you haven't seen the new football field at STHS it's well worth a trip. I can tell you that since I asked for donations for the Smoke Signal postage, you responded with enough for at least one mailing. That was without giving you any one to send it to. If you would still like to donate please send all donations to Carol Brightbill, 3817 Schoolhouse Lane, Harrisburg Pa. 17109.

I would like at this time to thank all the officers, committee members and board members that served this past year with me for their help and cooperation. Hopefully the following year will fare as well.

John Skethway '56, President



Sports Corner



Jeremy Thrush, '06 was one of 12 players selected to represent the United States in the Pan American Games for the Deaf, that ran Aug. 11-18 in Valencia. Jeremy Thrush had his best game ever and scored 25 points during the USA vs. Columbia game on August 15th.

As a senior at STHS, the 6-foot-3 center led his team to a District 3-AAA title. Thrush scored 11 points and the Indians beat Greencastle-Antrim 56-46. STHS ended its season with a 40-36 loss to Scranton Prep in the PIAA second round. Jeremy will leave for Gallaudet University, a school for the deaf in Washington, D.C., as soon as he returns from Valencia. Jeremy will play for the Bison and major in physical education.

SEMI-ANNUAL BREAKFAST

Where: **Progress-Immanuel Presbyterian Church**
3640 Ash Street
Harrisburg, Pa 17109



Date: **Saturday, September 29, 2007**

Time: **9:00 A.M.**

Cost: **\$6.00** (may pay at door)

The deadline for reservations is
September 21, 2007

Reservations must be cancelled prior to Sept.26. Reservations will not be accepted after Sept 21st due to limited space. Walk-ins will not be accepted.

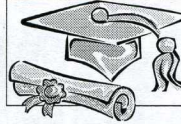
For Reservations Call:

John Skethway '56 at (717) 526-4189





WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



CLASS REUNION NEWS



Members of the *Class of 1947* class enjoyed their 60th Class Reunion in Hershey on June 12th. Recognition was extended to Joyce (Scout) Smedly, Reunion Chairperson, Bob Blosser and his wife Joan, Memorabilia and Contact lists, and to Janet McClane for the tireless effort in maintaining contact with class members through telephone calls and letters.

The class will meet again next year on the second Saturday in June.

Class members in attendance were Janet (Salzer) McLane, Shirley (Packer) Gill, Nancy (Jones) Brandt, Genevieve (Bowman) Lanza, Joyce (Scout) Smedley, Robert Blosser, Nellie Baer, Joyce (McHenry) Arnold, Joan (Hershey) Blosser, Marian (Brightbill) Arndt, Robert Baker, Merlin Miller, Roberta (Reiss) Berdolf, William Rudy, Eleanor (McElheney) Bjoring, Lester Folk, Joan (Saunders) Knapp, Dale Harro, and Edward Parson.



- Richard A. Christ "57"
- Justin L. Benfer "07"
- Jonathan Blackner "96"
- Tammy (Durham) Blakely "67"
- Richard N. Blair Jr. "83"
- Robert D. Blair "86"
- Marques E. Colston "01"
- Renee Custer "07"
- William Dempster "07"
- Nicole Enterline "07"
- Daniel Hammaker "83"
- Tammi (Bonneville) Hammaker "83"
- Jessica Holtzman-Rich "97"
- Jordan Rigel "07"
- Roberta Wallower - Associate Member
- Larry Weisberg "84"
- Rebecca (Silverstein) Weisberg "87"

Alumni lifetime membership \$15
Associate (non-alumni) lifetime membership \$20.

All membership items — new members, change of name or address, and obits should be sent to:
Membership Chairman
 Helen McCollum
 6117 Blue Stone Avenue
 Harrisburg, Pa. 17112
 (717) 545-4192

Please note!

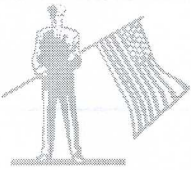
All general correspondence should be mailed to:
 Dwayne DeFoor
 3404 Brookside Drive
 Harrisburg, PA 17109

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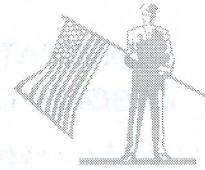
- Helen (Wolfgang) Fortney "38"
- George Barbary "40"
- Barbara Anne Dayhoff-Rogers "76"
- Marvin Smith "42"
- Hiram G. (Jim) Weimer "45"
- Donald E. Nulk "39"
- Steven P. Kammerer "65"
- Frances Wolfgang "40"
- Tucker Dunkle "40"
- Georgiann E. Ciortan "79"
- Anna (Schmidt) Moriarty "40"
- Edward J. Potteiger "42"
- Walter Harner "42"
- Sara Doan, Teacher



Scrapbook items should still be sent to **Pat Lebo's** address or email address found on page 5.



WORLD WAR II MEMORIAL DEDICATION CEREMONY



The WW II Memorial Dedication was held July 1 at Veterans Park on Elmer-ton Avenue on a beautiful sun-filled day. Guest Speakers included State Senator *Jeffrey Piccola '66*, State Representative *Sue Helm '61*, Lt. Col. *Richard Deni-son*, Susquehanna Township Board of Commoners' President *Mrs. Jacquelyn Patton*, Susquehanna Township School District Superintendent *David Volkman*, and Lt. Col. *Ted Pesano (retired)*, United Concordia. The Keynote address was presented by *Colonel Robert Hodgson*, Commander Fort Indiantown Gap. -

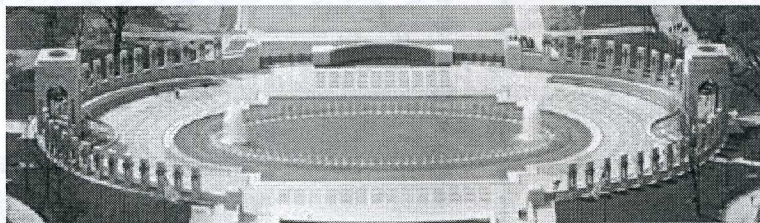
Musical selections were provided by *Mrs. Kathy Dunn*, Susquehanna Town-ship Music Teacher (retired), *William Perbetsky '77*, STHS Band Director, & members of the High School band, and *Ian Bowling '07*.

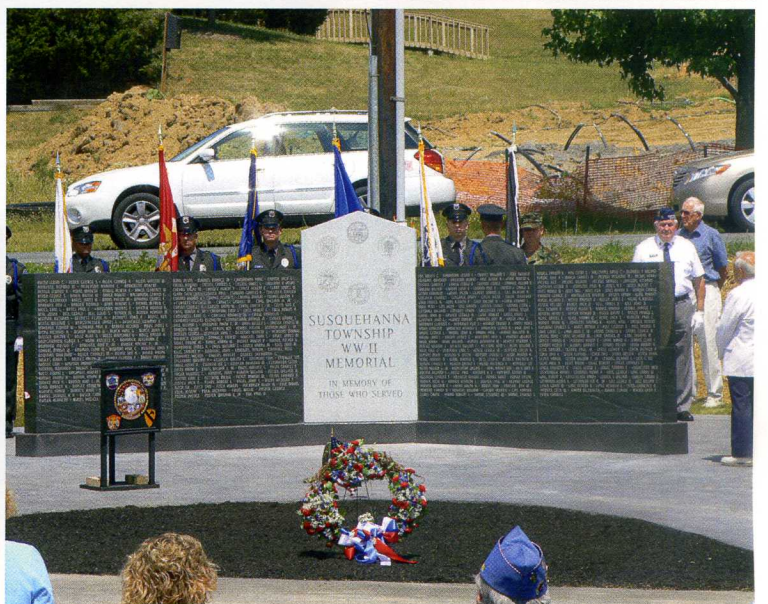
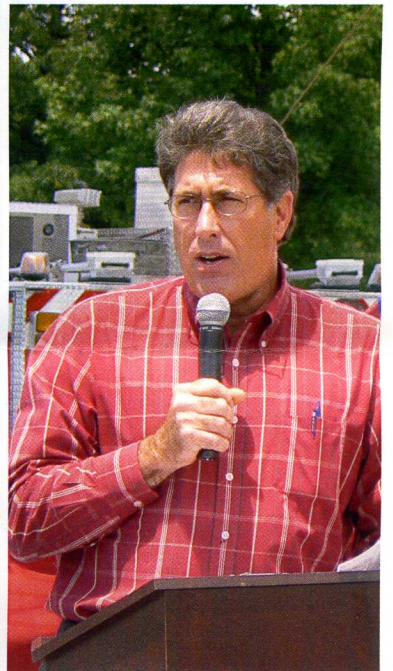
Mel Longenecker '52 served as the Master Ceremonies. *Al Richwine '39* led the WW II committee in unveiling the Memorial and *Mr. and Mrs. Larry Carter* performed the Field Cross Ceremony.

Photographs, courtesy of George Drees '78, can be found on the next pages.

**Also Visit *The National WW II Memorial*, Washington, DC
17th Street, between Constitution and Independence Avenues**

Website - www.wwiimemorial.com







MEMORIAL GARDENS

Brick Sale

Red Brick size is 4" x 8"
Bricks can be engraved up to 3 lines
15 characters per line including spaces
All lettering will be done in CAPITALS

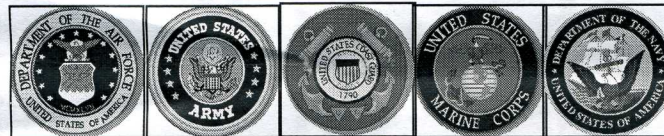
Cost per each red brick is \$100.00

Orders must be prepaid

Make check payable to:

Susquehanna Twp. Alumni Assn.

Please identify "Memorial Garden" on the bottom of your check



Inscription: _____

Your Name _____ Telephone Number _____

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"Memorial Garden" is identified on the bottom of your check

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Dauphin, Pa., 17018
Phone: (717) 921- 8536

ORDER DEADLINE:

DECEMBER 31, 2007
(Orders take 4-6 weeks and installation
will be in early spring 2008.)