

THE SMOKE SIGNAL

FEBRUARY 2014 ISSUE

Letter from the President

Dear Alumni and Friends,

I hope that 2014 has started out well for you, your family, and your friends.

We are excited about the direction and future of the STHS Alumni Association and look forward to serving and sharing information with you. One of my missions as President is to engage alumni in a manner that honors our past, present, and future: to look for new initiatives, new faces and a new commitment to alumni awareness. Our board also hopes to enhance our connection with the current students, who we like to think of as “future alumni.”

I invite each and every one of you to get involved in your own way- the possibilities are endless and don't hesitate in sharing any ideas you might have. Let's capitalize on the numerous opportunities to network and socialize with fellow alumni, friends, and family in support of *dear ole STHS*...and to have fun!

The Spring Breakfast on March 15, the 3rd Annual Golf Event on June 27th, and the Annual Banquet on June 28th are just a few highlights on our upcoming calendar. During May we will award our 2nd Senior Scholarship! Watch for updates in our newsletters, on our school district Community / Alumni web pages at www.hannasd.org/domain/449, or on Facebook at www.facebook.com/STHSAA.

The Association always has an open invitation to all interested alumni to join us. We are currently looking for additional members to serve on Committees, including the newly formed Fundraising and Outreach committees. We also need volunteers to serve as Class Representatives, so if you enjoy reconnecting with classmates let us know.

Whatever vehicle you choose to use to get involved, we are here to make more things possible for our alumni. Of course, even if you are unable to volunteer or attend events at this time, we hope you will choose to put in a good word for your alma mater and the Alumni Association!

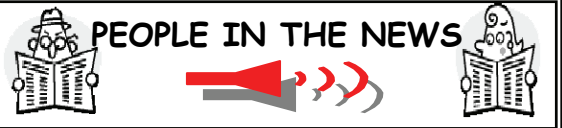
Each of you can count on the Alumni Association Board and me to support the best interests and traditions of Susquehanna Township, its graduates...current and future, and its extended family.

Go Indians!

Dwayne DeFoor '78



A NEWSLETTER FROM THE SUSQUEHANNA TOWNSHIP
HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
www.hannasd.org/domain/449



Tracy Heather Strain '78, an independent documentary filmmaker and producer, is developing the *Lorraine Hansberry Documentary Project* about the life, art, and times of the playwright best known for *A Raisin in the Sun*. Tracy's work includes *When the Bough Breaks*, *Building the Alaska Highway*, *The Story We Tell*, *Bright Like a Sun*, *The Dream Keepers*, the award-winning PBS series *The Great Depression*, and *Discover: The World of Science*. Tracy and her husband Randall MacLowry are the principals of The Film Posse studio located in Boston MA.



Dr. Peter M. Friedman DMD '71, along with Dr. Steve Grater DMD, offered no cost dental care on November 22 during their 27th Annual Free Day for those in the community without dental insurance. **Tammi Bonneville Hammaker '83** is a member of Drs. Friedman and Grater's office staff.

DATES TO REMEMBER



Spring Breakfast

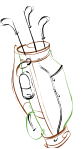
Susquehanna Twp. High School
Saturday March 15, 2014 @ 9:00 AM

Reservation form on page 7

3rd Annual Golf Event

Valley Green Golf Course
Friday June 27, 2014 @ 8:00AM

Sign-up sheet on page 7



24th Annual Banquet

Colonial Golf & Tennis Club
4901 Linglestown Road
Saturday June 28, 2014 @ 11:00 AM

More details to follow in the May Newsletter, in Facebook, and in the Alumni website



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Karen Miller Buchanan '87 Bonnie Doyle Kehler '63
Janet Bricker Catherine Kinard '73
Joseph M. Cordier '78 Fred Mansfield III '87
Kathy DelGrande '83 Les Patton '82
Jack C. Garner '73 Larry D. Walker '73
Stuart A. Garner '77 Eric L. Waters '86

Top Members By Class

Class	60	97	54	61	71	65	50	56	49	63
Number	41	38	34	34	34	32	30	29	28	25

Challenge your former Classmates to join the other 1131 members of the STHS Alumni Association. Sign-up a friend!

Support your alma mater!
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www.facebook.com/STHSAA

LEST WE FORGET

Dorothy Smaling Abel '47
Andrew Boyd Albright '76
Samuel Carmichael 'Faculty'
Guy Crall
Faye K. Demy '54
Bernard J. Drayer '52
Kathryn Fissel '48
Anna Buchnauer Garman '47
William Edward Geary Sr. '50
Faye Lerew Henry '48
Mary Rose Collins Jones
William "Rick" Kugler '73
Stephanie Ladavat 'Teacher's Aid'
Helen Binder Metzger 'Faculty'
John Ober '61
Joel William Parson '52
Gloria Raney 'STMS cafeteria'
Terrell Robinson '02
James L. Root '69
Mary Jackson Saunders '72
Ronald Sheetz '63
Ellen Sponsler 'District Employee'
Betty Lloyd Watts '49
Ronald P. Zeigler 'Faculty'



REUNION COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Please email your Class News items including digital photographs to Dwayne De Foor at defoord@verizon.net or mail to: 3404 Brookside Drive Harrisburg, Pa 17109



Class News



Several members of the **Class of 1986** got together at Arooga's over the Thanksgiving weekend.



From left to right: Roy Brenner, Alton "Tony" Wright, Jim Shaub, Jon Goldring, and Eric Waters.

HOLD THE DATES!

The **Class of 1964** cordially invites you to join them for a Pre-Reunion Meet and Greet on **Friday October 10, 2014** at *Fox and Hounds, 2625 Brindle Road* (The Shoppes @ Susquehanna Marketplace) from 6:00 PM until. Following in the tradition of their 45th pre-reunion party, the class has decided to expand their 50th Pre-Reunion **invitations to the classes of 62, 63, 66 and more!** Pay as you go Bar & Order off the Menu.

"The friends we made in High School were an important part of our educational experience and as such we would like to invite YOU!"

Join in to mix, mingle, and reminisce. To ensure there is enough staff on hand, please RSVP to **Dave Funk** at davefunk11@verizon.net or (757) 867-8885 without obligation.

The **Class of 1964** will then hold their 50th Reunion on October 11, 2014. Please contact **Kathy Dewalt Kreider** at Klouise46@comcast.net for additional information.

Coming Soon!

High School production of "Shrek, the Musical" on **Feb. 28, Mar. 1, 2, 7, 8 and 9**, in the high school auditorium. *Shrek The Musical*, based on the Oscar® winning DreamWorks film, is the story of an ogre that shows up to rescue a feisty princess.



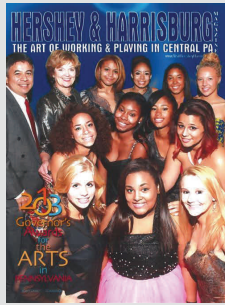
Around the School District

Brandon Fuller '14, rebuilt the Middle School amphitheater for his Eagle Scout project. The rededication was held on November 20th. The original amphitheater was built in the 1990's by retired teacher Terry Neumeyer and his students,



including those from the Young Astronauts Club. Brandon plans to hold his Eagle Scout ceremony at the amphitheater in the spring of 2014.

Several High School students modeled fashions designed in the School of the Arts, at the October 22, 2013 Governor's Awards for the Arts pre-ceremony at the Whitaker Center for Science and the Arts. They are pictured here along with School of the Arts resident artist, Richard Andries, and Pennsylvania First Lady Susan Corbett.



New York City and Broadway performers James T. Lane, Alfie Parker, Jr., and Sai Somboon visited the STHS School of the Performing Arts for Master Class workshops in movement and dance. Lane has appeared as Richie in Broadway's *A Chorus Line* revival, and *The Scottsboro Boys*; Parker performed on Broadway in the revival of *South Pacific* and with the internationally renowned Pilobolus Dance Company; Somboon acted in the avant-garde off Broadway hit show *Sleep No More* and the nationally acclaimed production of *Macbeth*.



Secretary of the Commonwealth, Carol Aichele, a former teacher, visited STHS on Tuesday October 8th. AP history and government students had the opportunity to meet with Secretary Aichele to discuss voter registration, infrastructure and school funding challenges. Secretary Aichele also gave a brief overview of the history of education and discussed the benefits of public education and public service.

BOARD MEMBERS AND COMMITTEES

President- Dwayne DeFoor '78

Vice President- Shirley Kauffman Kannegieser '50

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Treasurer- Virginia Miller Wright '88

Committees

Activities- Connie Yontz Aurand '53, Frances Burd '50, Sandy Daily '65, Dottie George '47, Barbara Pearce '65, Elizabeth Kannegieser King '53, Virginia (Graehling) Brown '53, Helen McCollum '56

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Memorial Gardens- Shirley Kauffman Kannegieser '50

* **Korean War Memorial-** Bob Chapman '55, James Hartman '51, Shirley Kauffman Kannegieser '50 Co-Chairman, Melvin Longenecker '52, Dr. Tom Peck '51 Co-Chairman, Bill Reynolds '51, Claire Hetzel '51

* **WWII Memorial-** Roy Knupp, '52 Chairman, Bob Chapman '55, Melvin Longenecker '52, Joel Parson '52, Homer Pontius '52, Arlene Prentice '69, Albert Richwine '39, Shirley Kauffman Kannegieser '50

* **Vietnam War Memorial -** Richard Fleegal '60, Chairman, Carol Carter '63, Charles Lloyd '58, Ben Lerew, Richard Veet '65, Bill Dale '65, Barry Garber '59, Richard Burton, Gary Lyter, Harry Stoner '65, Bill Irwin '57, Shirley Kauffman Kannegieser '50

Newsletter- Dwayne DeFoor '78, Pat Miller Helm '49

Nominating- Melvin Longenecker '52, Tony Wright '86

Publicity- Anna Mae (Harman) Mumma '52

School Liaison- Peggy (Hummel) Keiser '45

ADDITIONAL BOARD MEMBERS

John Skethway '56

Dottie Burger George '47

Audrey Hammaker '50

Pat Lebo '54

Richard Fleegal '60

Alice J Robinson Lucas '48

Albert Richwine '39

Barry Garber '59

Eric Waters '86



Send Membership Name Changes, New Addresses, and Obits to:

Membership Chairman

Carol Brightbill

**3817 Schoolhouse Lane
Harrisburg, PA 17109**

717-545-3939

cbrightbill3817@comcast.net



Spotlight

William "Bill" Smith '67 joined the United States Marine Corps in 1971, following 2 years at Shippensburg State College (now known as Shippensburg University). After boot camp and several more months of training, he was sent to Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, where he spent the next year and a half as a computer operator for the 2nd Service Battalion, 2nd Marine Division. Bill was honorably discharged in early 1973 and was hired by the Hummelstown Borough Police Department in July of the same



year. After 15 months, Bill was hired by the Derry Township Police Department and attended the 12th Police Academy at the Harrisburg Area Community College. While at the Academy, Bill graduated with the top academic award and tied for the top physical fitness award. From 1974 through 1982, Bill worked in the traffic and patrol division where, in 1982, he became the Department's Youth-Aid Officer investigating all crimes committed by or against juveniles.

In 1992, in an effort to connect with youth, Bill became a volunteer wrestling coach at the Hershey Senior High School. During this time, Bill resumed college as a part time student and graduated from HACC with an Associate Degree in Police Science. Then in 1977, he then returned to Shippensburg State College and obtained a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice in 1979.

Also in 1992, Bill was elected as the President of the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #78 of Greater Harrisburg and appointed Derry Township Lieutenant/Assistant Chief of Police. In 1995, Bill was appointed Acting Chief a position he held until 2001 when he was appointed Chief of Police. Bill held this rank until his retirement in March of 2011, thus having completed almost 38 years in law enforcement.

During his stellar career, Bill served as President of the Dauphin County Chiefs of Police in 1999 & 2001 and was Vice-President from 1992 through 1998. His department was accredited by the Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police Association on July 15, 2002 and re-credited July 7, 2005 and July 12, 2008

Bill has been married to Trudie R. Bronstein Smith for 25 years. Bill has two sons: Sam who is attending West Chester University and Coby who is attending Shippensburg University. During their younger years, Bill was a volunteer wrestling coach for the budding youth program in the late 90s and early 2000s. Upon retiring from the police force, Bill was invited to help the STHS Wrestling Program, which he has been doing now for the past three years.

APPAREL

Available now are additional items from our Winter Apparel sale. We will have them at our March 15 Spring Breakfast. If there's an item that you'd like to purchase and can not attend the breakfast, please contact Dwayne DeFoor at (717) 236-3557 or defoord@verizon.net If there's interest for an item that sells out we'll compile a **Wish List** for a **Spring Sale**.

Proceeds benefit the Alumni Scholarship Fund.
Our next Scholarship will be awarded in May.

			
Short T Indian Silk Screen S M L \$16.00	LS Indian Silk Screen S M L \$19.00	Knit Cap \$15.00 (Does not include Alumni wording)	Fleece Blanket \$20.00 (Does not include Alumni wording)

			
Cinch Bag Indian Embroidery Logo \$17.00	Shopping Tote \$18.00	Nike Knit Cap ST Logo \$15.00	LS Embroidery Logo \$20.00

These items are Sold Out but can be reordered again. Let us know if you would like to add to your **Wish List** or if you have other suggestions.



Logo Designs

Special Thank You to Bill Perbetsky '77



Newsletter Delivery

Fellow Alumni and Friends

Over ten years ago a generous alumnus endowed us with \$5,000 towards the publication and distribution of the alumni newsletter. With each newsletter costing approximately \$500, this endowment fund is now less than \$460 dollars.

We recognize that you many of you prefer to receive your newsletter via the US Postal Service, so we will look at all options over the next few months to ensure we can continue delivery in this manner.

We would also appreciate your suggestions as well. Some have already suggested going to an annual membership that would cover the newsletter cost, OR accepting advertisements.

If you would prefer to receive your Newsletter via email, please notify Dwayne DeFoor at defoord@verizon.net. Please provide the email address where you wish to have the Newsletter delivered.



Thank you to everyone that signed up for electronic delivery so far!!! 181 and counting!!!



Like us on Facebook!

Search on "Susquehanna Township High School Alumni Association"

or

www.facebook.com/STHSAA

Calling All Alumni

We need a rep for your class!



We are looking for a **VOLUNTEER** to represent your class as a liaison to the **Alumni Association**. The Class Liaison would be called upon to interface with your class regarding Alumni social events, information verification, fundraising, membership, and other related activities.

PLEASE contact SHIRLEY KANNEGIESER at 921-8536 or email at sjkann50@comcast.net

Military Service

Do you have an alumni family member or friend currently serving in the military? Let us know. Please provide their STHS graduation year, Military Branch and Rank, if known. We'll acknowledge them in the newsletter.

Memorial Gardens

Our **Korean Memorial** replacement is being designed and will look exactly like the previous one. The distributor of the granite has agreed to replace the cracked version. We are estimating its completion to be late May or early June. We will keep you updated on its arrival.

All new shrubbery has been planted behind the Korean Memorial. **Special Thanks** goes to **Scott Tobias '77** for all his help with our landscaping at the Memorial Gardens.

Our last phase of the Memorial Garden is to complete a **Vietnam Memorial**. We have formed a Vietnam Memorial Committee and have begun to obtain names of all STHS graduates or residents of Susquehanna Township who served actively in the service from February 28, 1961 to May 7, 1975.

We are reaching out to all our alumni and friends to please share the names of anyone who you feel qualifies to have his or her name on the Vietnam Memorial. You can email names to **Charles Lloyd** at chasl10vd@verizon.net.

If anyone is in need of further information you can reach out to any of the committee: Richard Fleegal, Chairman, Carol Carter, Charles Lloyd, Ben Lerew, Richard Veet, Bill Dale, Barry Garber, Richard Burton, Gary Lyter, Harry Stoner, or Bill Irwin.

Additional information or questions may be directed to **Shirley Kannegieser** at (717) 921-8536 or sjkann50@comcast.net

MEMBERSHIP

ALUMNI & FRIENDS



LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP IS ONLY

\$15.00 for Alumni / \$20.00 for Associate (non-Alumni)

Check payable to: *STHS Alumni Association*

Mail your check and Membership Info to:

Virginia Wright
4317 Beaufort Hunt Drive
Harrisburg, PA 17110

Name _____

Address _____

Graduation Year _____ Phone _____

Email _____

Prefer to receive your newsletter via email? Circle: Yes or No

3rd Annual Golf Event

The Alumni Association and the 2014 Golf committee are proud to announce the 3rd Annual Golf Event

June 27, 2014 at Valley Green Golf Course

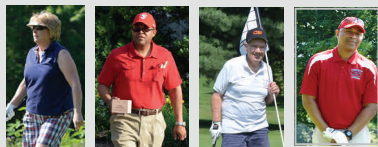
- 8:00 AM Four-Person Shotgun Scramble. (Check in time is from 7:00 AM to 8:00 AM)
- \$80.00 per golfer or \$320 per foursome. (Single participants will be paired up to form a foursome.)
- Price includes 18 holes of golf, cart, continental breakfast, lunch, and prizes.
- Registration deadline is June 13

The proceeds will benefit the **STHS Alumni Scholarship Fund**. An alumni scholarship is awarded annually to a deserving STHS graduating senior accepted at an undergraduate, accredited post-secondary institution.

Several levels of Sponsorships are available.

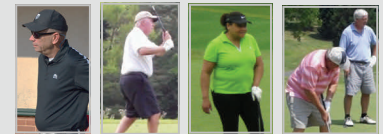
See Page 7 to sign-up! Documents are also posted on the school district's website under Community / Alumni at <http://hannasd.org/Page/4225>

Please direct any questions to Tim DeFoor '79 at (717) 525-8250, tdefoor1@gmail.com or Tony Wright '86 at (717) 585-1109, atw074@gmail.com.



2014 Golf Event committee

Tim DeFoor, Chairman '79
Robert Chapman Sr. '55, Belinda DeFoor '73, William "Brian" Jackson,
Shirley Kannegieser '50, Gil Scheibelhut '53, Alton "Tony" Wright '86



GOLF TOURNAMENT SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

PREMIUM SPONSOR \$1,000.00

Company's banner displayed at the event, 18"x 24" billboard with company's name posted at tee box on the golf course; (4) full entry fees for the tournament; Recognition as a Premium Sponsor in the tournament program; Company name listed on billboard and displayed during registration and lunch presentations, presentation of plaque in appreciation listing business as premium sponsor.

CORPORATE SPONSOR \$500.00

18"x 24" billboard with company's name posted at tee box on the golf course; (2) full entry fees for the tournament; recognition as a Corporate Sponsor in the tournament program, company's name listed on billboard displayed during registration and lunch presentations; and letter of appreciation.

BUSINESS SPONSOR \$250.00

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HOLE SPONSOR \$150.00

18"x 24" billboard with company's name or Graduation Class posted at a tee box on the golf course; Recognition as a sponsor in the tournament program Company's name or Class listed on billboard displayed during registration and lunch presentation and a letter of appreciation.

GIFT / PRIZE SPONSOR

Receive recognition in the tournament program as a business or Class sponsor and a letter of appreciation.



Make checks payable to:
STHS Alumni Golf Tournament
C/o Tim DeFoor,
1300 Ellis Drive # 206
Harrisburg PA 17110



**SUSQUEHANNA TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
3rd ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT - JUNE 27**



Make check payable to: STHS Alumni Assn. Golf Tournament
 Proceeds benefit the Alumni Scholarship Fund

1st Name: _____ **Email:** _____ **Phone:** _____

Address: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

2nd Name: _____ **Email:** _____ **Phone:** _____

Address: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

3rd Name: _____ **Email:** _____ **Phone:** _____

Address: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

4th Name: _____ **Email:** _____ **Phone:** _____

Address: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Return your Registration form with check to: **\$80.00 per person**
 Tim DeFoor, 1300 Ellis Drive #206, Harrisburg PA 17110 **Deadline: June 13, 2014**



STHS SEMI-ANNUAL ALUMNI BREAKFAST

Saturday, March 15, 2014

STHS Cafeteria

3500 Elmerton Avenue

Catered by Sir D's

Registration & Doors Open at 8:00 a.m. / Meal Served at 9:00 a.m.

\$10.00 per person Prepaid / No Refunds

Please Note: Fee covers cafeteria and custodial expenses

DEADLINE: March 7. No refunds please.

We are responsible to pay for the number of reservations that we submit.

Contact **SANDY KEISER DAILY** at (717) 774-1582

Name _____

Guest Name _____

Class of _____

Telephone # _____

Number of reservations _____ at \$10.00 each Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Reservations must be accompanied by a check made payable to:
STHS Alumni Association

Mail this form with check to:

Sandy Daily, 5 Vineyard Haven, New Cumberland PA 17070

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