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A NEWSLETTER FROM THE SUSQUEHANNA TOWNSHIP
HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS



Letter from the President

Dear Alumni and Friends,

I hope that 2015 has started out well for you, your family, and your friends. Where does the time go?

Looking back over 2014, there were many fun alumni association events and accomplishments which we can be proud:

- Spring Breakfast, March 15, 2014 at STHS Cafeteria
- IRS 501(c)(3) certification received March 26, 2014
- Accepted into Giant Foods Cash4Causes program April 9, 2014
- Pancake Breakfast (Benefits the Alumni Scholarship Fund), May 3, 2014
- \$500 Scholarships Awarded on May 13, 2014 to both **Tanner Turner-Rush** and **Steve Morris**
- June 11, 2014 Commencement Keynote Speaker was **CJ Skender '72**. Distinguished Alumni Achievement Award was presented to **Shirley Kannegieser '50**
- Hanna Community Carnival booth June 17-21, 2014
- 3rd Annual Charity Golf Event (Benefits the Alumni Scholarship Fund), June 27, 2014 at Valley Green Golf Club.
- 24th Annual Banquet, June 28, 2014 at Colonial Golf and Tennis Club
- Accepted into Hershey Food & Beverage Volunteer Program – *Volunteer and receive a Hersheypark ticket!*
- Fall Breakfast and Murals Tour, September 27, 2014 including remarks by Acting Superintendent Dr. Jeffrey Miller and Principal Keith Still
- PINK OUT Breast Cancer Awareness, Sponsor Organization, October month-long student-led campaign raised \$13K
- No Time to Spare Bowling Event and Fundraiser, December 13, 2014 at ABC North Lanes - **Fun! Fun! Fun!**
- Vietnam War Memorial Planning - Veteran name collection, STHS students design memorial artwork. \$60K Gaming Grant presentation to Dauphin County Gaming Board on Thursday, November 20, 2014.
- Murals Preservation Campaign. Presented STSD a \$15K check and an advance copy of murals photobook on Monday, December 15, 2014



None of this is possible without the support of YOU, the Alumni Board, school district staff, and our ST Community. **Thank you!!!**

I look forward to seeing you at many of our 2015 activities!

Go Indians!

Dwayne DeFoor
Class of 1978



Stephen Fried '75, was credited by Merriam-Webster as the creator of the word "*fashionista*". His new word first appears in his 1993 book *Thing of Beauty: The Tragedy of Supermodel Gia*.

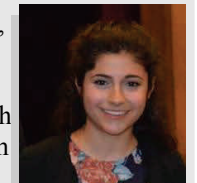
Steve, an award-winning investigative journalist, non-fiction author, essayist and adjunct professor at the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism, has written for GQ, Rolling Stone, Vanity Fair, Glamour, Parade, Ladies' Home Journal, The Washington Post Magazine, and Philadelphia Magazine.

Bony Dawood '80 and *Dawood Engineering* raised

\$17,000 for *Vickie's Angel Foundation* during their Fourth Annual Charity Golf Tournament last September, 2014. A total of \$48,000 has been raised for *Vickie's Angel Foundation* over the past four tournaments.



Gabrielle Ciotti '13, our first Scholarship winner, was recently awarded a University of Pittsburgh Honors College 2015 Spring Term Chancellor's Undergraduate Research Fellowship for her cancer research lab work. Gabby is studying Molecular Biology.



DATES TO REMEMBER

Spring Breakfast

Saturday, March 21, 2015 at 9:00AM
STHS Cafeteria
3500 Elmerton Avenue

4th Annual Charity Golf Event (Benefits the Alumni Scholarship Fund)

Friday, June 19, 2015 at 8:30AM
Colonial Golf and Tennis Club
4901 Linglestown Road

25th Annual Banquet

Saturday, June 20, 2015 at 12:00 Noon
Colonial Golf and Tennis Club
4901 Linglestown Road



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Michael Buskey '85
Michelle Bonneville Buskey '84
Winnie (Baker) Cadwallader '53
Aaron Dym '79
Pamela Zimmerman Forney '66
George J. Giovanis '65
Melvin E Mont '45
Rachel Morgan '14
Bonnie Eichholtz Stoner '63
Myra Neely Sweigard '67

Top Classes	
Year	Total
60	40
97	38
61	34
71	34
54	33
65	33
50	30

Have your former Classmates join the **1144** members of the STHS Alumni Association. Sign-up a friend!

LEST WE FORGET

Viola Collins Allen
Doris Shepler Brenner '46
Christopher Farley '12
Ruth Orth Geise '46
Tommy L. Griffin
Dale Harro '47
Anne Hipsch '69
Ernice Folks Holmes '49
Judith Woy Irwin '57
George D. Kegerreis Sr. '55
Judith Zimmerman March '59
Lilly Hodge Phillips '49
Essie Mae Cole Prentice '44
Edna Zimmerman Rahm '31
Frederick M. Reed Jr. '79
Suzanne Evitts Reese '52
Patricia Wilson Schindler '58
Rev. Charles H. Shearer Jr. '54
Mary Ellen Sheesley 'Reading & English Teacher'
Dr. M. Eleanor Shields '34
Jessica Weaver Snyder '96
William "Bill" Trapnell Jr. 'Police Chief'
William "Bill" Trapnell III '77
Doris Reed Trullinger '39
Heather Bria Turby '53
Terry Warner '75
Mildred Wolfe Zug 'Teacher's Aide'



Class News



Thank You Class of 1964! The Class of 1964, following their October 2014 50th Reunion, made a generous donation of \$1,050 which was allocated between the Alumni Scholarship Fund, the Vietnam War Memorial construction, and the Mural Preservation campaign.

Special Thanks to Dave Funk, Jerry Kreider, and Margaret "Peg" Arnold!

The Class of 1965 will hold its 50th reunion Saturday, June 20, 2015. The day starts with a 10 a.m. tour of the high school. Please reserve a space with the **Rev. David Fisher** by contacting him at daveandjanf@gmail.com. The class will also be celebrating with the STHS Alumni Association at its annual banquet at Colonial Golf and Tennis Club on June 20 at 12:00 noon. See page 7 sign-up form. A Class of '65 dinner event also will be held June 20 starting with registration/social hour at Penbrook Post 730 at 3813 Walnut Street beginning at 5 p.m. For Banquet and Dinner sign-up information please contact **Barb Smith Pearce** via email at barbpearce@verizon.net or call her at 717 697-4114.



More PEOPLE IN THE NEWS



Alex Smith '78 was awarded the Main Line Chamber of Commerce's 2014 Chairman's Award in December. The annual award recognizes a member of the Chamber who has demonstrated outstanding service to both the organization and to the community. The Chamber represents the interests of 1,100 companies located primarily in the Pennsylvania counties of Delaware, Chester, and Montgomery.



If you have any **Scrapbook** items regarding STHS and your classmates - Email, Call or Mail to:

Pat Lebo
3694 Rauch Street
Harrisburg PA, 17109
 (717) 829-5597
lampjlebo@gmail.com



Brandie Mott '12 appears on a Mount Aloysius College billboard

Around the School District

Students raise \$13K during Pink Out Breast Cancer Awareness Campaign

The Susquehanna Township students and the STHS Alumni Association, the sponsoring organization, announced in November that revenue for the October 2014 Pink Out Breast Cancer Awareness campaign was more than \$12.8 thousand.

An additional value of \$485 in toys raised the total figure to \$13.4 thousand.

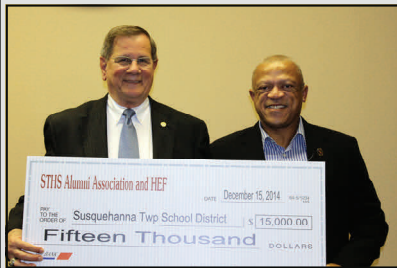


Vicki's Angels Foundation accepted a check for \$9,650 and *American Cancer Society's Making Strides* accepted \$3,216.

Support and contributions were received from many: Eighteen local companies, Susquehanna Township School District and School Board; Mechanicsburg Area High School; Susquehanna Township District Staff, Students & Booster Clubs; Parent Volunteers; and a host of individuals in the region.

School District accepts \$15,000 check from Alumni Association & Hanna Education Foundation for HS Mural Preservation

Then Acting Superintendent, Dr. Jeffrey Miller, accepted a fifteen thousand dollar check from Alumni President **Dwayne DeFoor** at the December 15 School



Board meeting. The check represented more than 200 donations from alumni, parents, residents, and businesses nationwide for the Mural Preservation campaign. The Alumni Association and Hanna Education Foundation will continue to raise funds in 2015 with a Mural photo-book sale and an April 25th Corporate Basketball Challenge.

Your *tax deductible check* payable to "STHS Alumni Association" may be sent to STHS Alumni Association, PO Box 61474, Harrisburg, Pa. 17106-1474. Please mark "*Murals*" on your check.

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BOARD MEMBERS AND COMMITTEES

President- Dwayne DeFoor '78

Vice President- Shirley Kauffman Kannegieser '50

Secretary- Barbara Smith Pearce '65

Treasurer- Virginia Miller Wright '88

Committees

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

Auditing-Open

Fundraising- Tammi Hammaker '83 Chairman

Golf Committee- Tim DeFoor '79 Chairman, Gilbert Scheibelhut '53, Joel Dietrick '56, Tony Wright '86, Brian Jackson, Bob Reichard '72

Hanna Education Foundation - Tim DeFoor '79, John Fabian '03, Eric Waters '86

Historical- Roy Knupp '52, Al Richwine '39

Membership- Carol Brightbill '60, Dwayne DeFoor, '78

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, Homer Pontius '52, Arlene Prentice '69, Albert Richwine '39, Shirley Kauffman Kannegieser '50

* **Vietnam War Memorial -** Richard Fleeegal '60, Chairman, Carol Carter '63, David Funk '64, 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

Scholarship- Bob Chapman '55, Dwayne DeFoor '78 Chairman, Tammi Hammaker '83, Pat Miller Helm '49, Shirley Kauffman Kannegieser '50, Melvin Longenecker '52, Tony Wright '86, Virginia Miller Wright '88

School Liaison- Peggy (Hummel) Keiser '45

ADDITIONAL BOARD MEMBERS

John Skethway '56

Audrey Hammaker '50

Albert Richwine '39



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

Membership Chairman

Carol Brightbill

3817 Schoolhouse Lane

Harrisburg, PA 17109

717-545-3939

cbrightbill3817@gmail.com



Out-n-About

2015 Golf Event



Bowling - Dec 2014



Fall Breakfast - September 2014



Murals Tour - September 2014

Our Fourth Annual Charity Golf event is set for Friday, June 19 at Colonial Golf and Tennis Club at 8:30AM.

Are you interested in a fun day on the golf course? Or like to Sponsor a hole? Or wish to contribute with a monetary or raffle prize Donation? Or like to Volunteer on the planning committee?

Please direct your interest and questions to **Tim DeFoor '79** at (717) 525-8250, TLDEFOOR1@gmail.com or **Tony Wright '86** at (717) 585-1109, ATW074@gmail.com

Your support of our Alumni golf tournament helps to provide *Scholarships* to graduating students in pursuit of their post-secondary education.

*Team sign-up is located on page 7.
Additional information can be found on page 8.*



Murals Photobook Order Yours Now!

The High School Murals photobook is now available for ordering! The *softcover* photobook contains 63 pages of over 140 murals. Just \$35.00 per photobook.

You may order your copy in two ways:

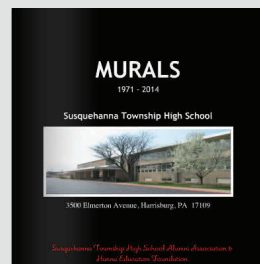
Use our Alumni Facebook page Shop App:

www.facebook.com/STHSAA

Shop

Or

Use the Mail-order form located on page 9



Newsletter Delivery

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 who signed up for electronic delivery so far!!! 213 and counting!!!



Frances (Hayman) '50 and Jack Burd celebrated 63 years of marriage in November. They are pictured here at the HS Student Government Senior Citizen's Prom held on November 22, 2014.



Congratulations!

Sign up family or friends as Alumni Association members. Together we can make a difference!

www.hannasd.org/Page/1914

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www.facebook.com/STHSAA

**Calling All Alumni
We need a rep for your class!**

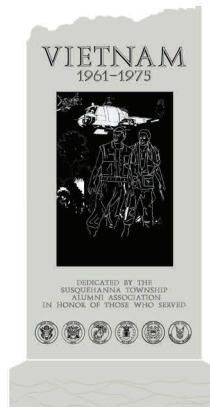
We are looking for a **VOLUNTEER** to represent your class as a liaison to the **Alumni Association**. The Class Liaison would be called upon to interface with your class regarding Alumni social events, information verification, fundraising, membership, and other related activities.

PLEASE contact **SHIRLEY KANNEGIESER** at (717) 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



Artist drawing of proposed memorial

On November 20, **Eric Waters '86**, our Grant Writing Chair, along with **Shirley Kannegieser '50** and **Dwayne DeFoor '78**, presented the association's Grant funding request to the Dauphin County Gaming Commission. The \$60,000 grant request will cover the construction of the memorial. Additional funds will be raised for sidewalks, shrubbery, flagpoles, benches, etc...

The memorial will contain names of STHS alumni or veterans who lived in the township and served in the military during the Vietnam War from February 28, 1961 to May 7, 1975.

To add names to the list please send information to **Charles Lloyd** at CHASL10YD@VERIZON.NET - (717-503-2862) or **Gary Lyter** at GJLYTER1@VERIZON.NET - (717-566-8341). General questions may be directed to **Shirley Kannegieser** at sjkann50@comcast.net - (717-921-8536).

Would you like to make a *tax deductible* monetary donation towards the Vietnam Memorial? Make checks payable to the Susquehanna Twp. Alumni Assn. (mark *Vietnam Memorial* on your check) and send to:

Melvin Longenecker
Memorial Gardens Treasurer
3215 Brookfield Rd.
Harrisburg, Pa., 17109

Thank you for your continued support!

Vietnam Memorial Committee
Richard Fleegal-Chairman, Carol Carter, Larry Carter,
Bill Dale, Dave Funk, Barry Garber, Shirley Kannegieser,
Ben Lerew, Charles Lloyd, Harry Stoner, Richard Veet

**We're having a
PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

**Saturday - May 2
7:00 am to 11:30 am**

Our Saviour Lutheran Church
420 N Progress Ave
Harrisburg, PA 17109



\$5 all you can eat
(children under 3 eat free)

Benefits the Alumni Scholarship Fund



Spotlight

David McCollum '73 celebrated his 500th win as the head coach of the Bermudian Springs High School wrestling team on December 20. Dave, who retired as a elementary teacher in 2012, has been the driving force behind the Bermudian Springs wrestling program since 1977.



Dave, pictured with his wife Jill, accepting plaque from Bermudian Springs

Photo: Jason Bristol, cbs21 news

Dave, who began wrestling in the seventh grade, compiled a 55-10 high school varsity record over three years. During his junior season, he was Capital Area Conference sectional champ and fourth in District 3 Regionals. Wrestling at 105 pounds in his senior season, Dave was named team co-captain, compiled a 19-0 record, and was selected to the Patriot-News Big 12 team.

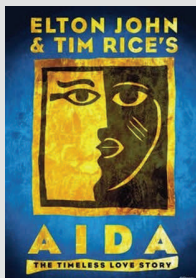
After graduation, Dave attended Bloomsburg where he wrestled on the JV team for his first two years before moving up to Varsity. As a junior, Dave finished fourth in the Eastern Wrestling League at 118 pounds and was voted "Most Improved Wrestler". In his senior season, he was voted team co-captain and compiled a record of 8-6-1.



High School Musical is Announced AIDA

March 6,7,13, and 14 at 7:30 PM
March 8 and 15 at 2:30 PM
(High School Auditorium)

With music and lyrics by Sir Elton John and Sir Tim Rice, the musical ran on Broadway from 2000-2004, where it won four Tony Awards and a Grammy for Best Musical Show Album.



The classic love tragedy, told in a time of war and glory in ancient Africa, mirrors the classic Verdi opera of the same name.

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The Susquehanna Township Alumni Association earns 5% on every gift card purchased.

Please contact
Tammi Hammaker at (717) 215-7583

thammaker@verizon.net

OR

Mrs. Shirley Kannegieser at (717) 921-8536

sjkann50@comcast.net

OR

Dwayne DeFoor at (717) 236-3357

defoord@verizon.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

Include a **Tax Deductible Donation** \$ _____
In support of Scholarship, Memorial Gardens, Newsletter,
or General Fund

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**SUSQUEHANNA TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
4th ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT - JUNE 19, 2015**



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 5, 2015**

SEMI-ANNUAL STHS ALUMNI BREAKFAST

Saturday, March 21, 2015
STHS Cafeteria
3500 Elmerton Avenue

Registration & Doors Open at 8:30 a.m. / Breakfast Served at 9:00 a.m.

\$10.00 per person Prepaid / No Refunds
Please Note: Fee covers cafeteria and custodial expenses

DEADLINE: March 13

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

Questions/Information: Barb Smith Pearce (717) 697-4114 before 9 p.m.

Name _____

[Ladies, please include your Maiden 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:

Barb Smith Pearce, 171 Brindle Rd., Mechanicsburg PA 17055





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4th Annual Alumni Association Charity Golf Tournament

June 19, 2015 Colonial Golf and Tennis Club

- 8:30 AM Four-Person Shotgun Scramble. (Check in time is from 7:30 AM to 8:30 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

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 / Upcoming Events at <http://hannasd.org/domain/449>

Please direct any questions to **Tim DeFoor '79** at (717) 525-8250, TLDEFOOR1@gmail.com or **Tony Wright '86** at (717) 585-1109, ATW074@gmail.com

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

18"x 24" billboard with company's name posted at tee box on the golf course; One full enter fee for the tournament; Recognition as a Business Sponsor in the tournament program; Company's name listed on billboard displayed during registration and lunch presentations; and a letter of appreciation.

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 / Class / Individual 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

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