

# Sandusky Home Town News

February 1, 2016

**Sandusky High School  
Alumni Association**

## Tradition, Pride, Community and Excellence



The walls of Sandusky High School's cafeteria provide a colorful reminder of Sandusky City School's commitment to Tradition, Pride, Community and Excellence through wall murals painted by Beth Sage of Huron. More on page 2.

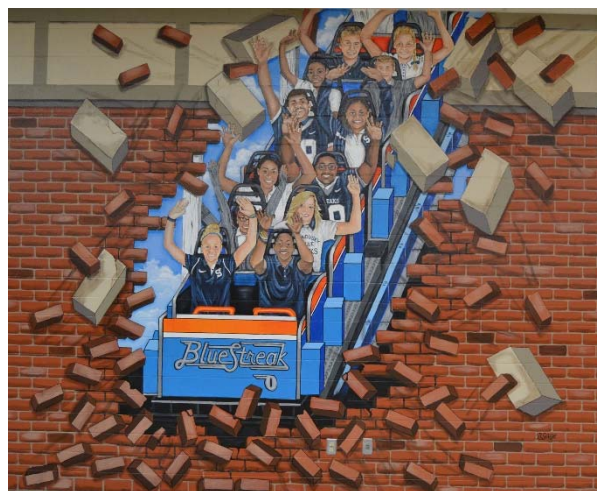


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*The next meeting of the Alumni Association is in the back room of Dalys Pub at 6 pm on Tuesday, April 12.*

*July 1 is the deadline for items for the next issue of the newsletter.*





## Murals Decorate SHS

Murals by Beth Sage, Huron. Photos taken by Erin Cremean, Internship Coordinator for the Global Experience at SHS and provided by Sandusky City Schools.

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## Scholarship Updates

The Sandusky High School Alumni Association gives three scholarship annually to graduating seniors.

In 2015, the two from the Sandusky High School Alumni Association Scholarship Fund went to Michelle Miller and Dru Craig and the one from the Ralph B & Helen C Seitz Memorial Scholarship Fund went to Taylor Hill.

A thank you note from Michelle was printed in the July newsletter and we have received the following correspondence from Taylor and Dru.

### **Dru Craig:**

I am writing to thank you for your generous \$1,500 Sandusky High School Alumni Association Scholarship. I was very happy and appreciative to learn I was selected as the recipient of your scholarship.

I will be majoring in Biological Sciences at Ohio University beginning this August. My goal is to pursue a career in Optometry. Thanks to you, I am one step closer to that goal.

By awarding me the Sandusky High School Alumni Association Scholarship, you have lightened my financial burden which allows me to focus more on the most important aspect of school, learning. Your generosity has inspired me to help others and give back to the community. I hope one day I will be able to help students achieve their goals just as you have helped me.

### **Taylor Hill:**

Thank you for the Ralph B. Seitz and Helen C. Seitz Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship will help pay for my books for the first semester making that one less thing I will have to pay for. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

## Weddings and Anniversaries

Rhea Jane Cutler-Diamond (formerly known as Jane Bloomquist) Class of 1964, has married her longtime partner, Susan Jane Cutler, in Phoenix AZ on October 8, 2015.

Michael Jolliff, Class of 1969, and his wife, Dawna, celebrated their 35<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on August 23, 2015. They treated themselves to a lobster dinner that evening and topped it off with a trip to Disneyland in October.

David and Patricia (Thompson) Volz, both of the Class of 1973, celebrated their 40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on September 13, 2015. They celebrated with a trip to Florida.

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## SHS Celebrates 160 Years With All-Class Reunion

Friends and graduates of Sandusky High School gathered in Sandusky on Labor Day weekend to celebrate 160 years of Sandusky pride.

The activities kicked off on Friday, September 4, with a tail gate that started in the front circle of the high school and was QUICKLY moved inside when a sudden rain/wind storm blew through the area. Fortunately, the weather cleared and the football game vs Perkins was held in better weather. Following the game, reunion attendees were invited for an ice cream social on the rooftop deck at the home of Sandusky School Board President Jeff Krabill and his wife Lauralee.

Saturday featured morning tours of Sandusky High School and Strobel Field at Cedar Point Stadium and an evening Pigskin dinner/dance in the SHS cafeteria with old time favorites like hamburger gravy over mashed potatoes, pizzaburgers, and cinnamon cookies. Music was provided by DJ Jim Mazza.

Sunday morning services were conducted by SHS alumni members of the clergy at Shoreline Park pavilion.

**1950** - The Class of 1950 held their 65th reunion on September 26 at the Sandusky Yacht Club. Many graduates and spouses/friends attended. Cards and letters were read from those who were unable to attend. A memorial picture board was displayed of all those who have passed away. It was voted to hold the next reunion in 2 years in 2017.

**1963** - The class of 1963 held a 70th birthday party last summer at the Sandusky Sailing Club, with lots of good food, lots of laughs, and lots of memories. Over a 100 people enjoyed the afternoon, the beautiful view, and renewing old friendships with classmates.

**1965** - The class of 1965 held a great weekend celebration for their 50th reunion last September, starting on Friday with a picture in Washington Park by our dedicated mound, then " Buzzing the Ave" (with a police escort) and culminating with a pizza party at the Sandusky Sailing Club while being entertained by Patsy Cline and Elvis, and renewing old friendships.

We fondly remembered ice skating there in what was then the Sadler Sailing Basin, the place to be in the winter!

We gathered Saturday evening at Sawmill Creek Resort for a delicious dinner, then dancing to the music of Sandtown. We had a caricature artist to make us all look funny, raffles, giveaways, an antique toy collection and old memorabilia from back in the day, and a special raffle that netted \$1900 to benefit the Sandusky Firefighters Children's Shoe Fund in honor of our deceased classmate, firefighter Robert Kowalk. We also made Streaky Bear an honorary member of our class. Streaky was designed by the Class of '65

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cheerleaders under the direction of art teacher, Don Nath, and made his debut at the 1965 Pigskin.

On Sunday we hosted a Teacher Appreciation Brunch at the Sandusky Yacht Club for 17 former teachers, both elementary and high school, and their spouses. Our current Superintendent, Dr. Eugene Sanders, SHS class of 1976, provided welcome remarks. Music was provided by our own Jim Jackson and his Mo-Town group, the J-Markz. The weekend celebration ended with former choir members leading the group in the long standing tradition of singing "The Lord Bless You and Keep You".

In all, approximately 160 - 190 people attended each event. For some great pictures and more information about our class, go to our website, <http://i.mp/SHS1965>.

Plans are in the works for our 70th birthday party in 2017.

Always a Blue Streak!

## Upcoming Class Reunions

### Class of 1956

The class of '56 is planning a reunion dinner at the Sandusky Yacht Club on the 20th of August this year to celebrate memories from 60 years ago and to renew old friendships.

For those of you who may have moved or have a new email address please contact Carol Smith at "jupe1938ca@aol.com" so that we can forward details to you.

### Class of 1966

The 50th year reunion will begin at the State Theatre on September 16 with a Friday night mixer. There will be pizza, salad, dessert, class picture, tour of the theatre and "buzzing the Ave".

Saturday, September 17, will begin with a tour of SHS. In the evening, at the American Legion, will be a social hour, sit down dinner, and a DJ with dancing.

Mailer with information and reservation form will be going out February 1, 2016 with a reservation deadline of August 1, 2016.

For more information contact: Cathy Hummel Didion - CADidion19@aol.com or 419-625-0369

If your address has changed during the last five years and you haven't received the reservation form, contact: Kathy Fox Loris - KSLoris@sbcglobal.net or 419-621-1122

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## What Do You Want From the Alumni Association?

Although our list of paid members is impressive and our scholarship fund is healthy, the fact remains that the active membership of the Sandusky High School Alumni Association is small. While we certainly understand that many of our alumni members now live far from Sandusky, we also know that many of you still live relatively close and have the potential to become more involved.

So, tell us – what would you like to see the Alumni Association do or become that would interest you in becoming more active? And what do you think would make others interested in joining?

Should the group have more social activities? What kind? Take on larger service projects? Any suggestions? Other?

Or do you think that things are fine as they are with the group serving as a conduit to shared information and distributing scholarships each spring?

We really want to know. Send your answers to the association at PO Box 2401, Sandusky OH 44871-2401 or via email at [SanduskyAlumni@gmail.com](mailto:SanduskyAlumni@gmail.com)

## Lack of What Class . .

You may have noticed that this newsletter lacks a “What Class” section and you may be wondering why. The answer is simple – nothing was submitted!

The next issue of the newsletter will be mid-summer with the actual date to be determined.

Send your newsletter items via mail to the alumni association at PO Box 2401, Sandusky OH 44871-2401 or via email at [SanduskyAlumni@gmail.com](mailto:SanduskyAlumni@gmail.com).

## Sandusky High School Alma Mater

All hail the blue and white,  
Keep them forever bright,  
In love and praise unite,  
For Sandusky.

Pride in the victories,  
Love for thy memories,  
Time cannot alter these,  
Sandusky High.

May friendships never fade,  
That in thy halls are made.  
May dreams of youth there laid,  
Ever come true.

Deep is our love for thee,  
Faithful and true we'll be,  
One in our loyalty,  
Sandusky High

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## In Memoriam – Alumni Deaths – Through January 10, 2016at

Send information on out of town deaths to Judy Corso at [mamacorso@aol.com](mailto:mamacorso@aol.com)

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|------|---------------------------------|------|----------------------------|
| 1934 | Elsie Calamese                  | 1955 | Mary Ellen Beatty Huntley  |
| 1935 | Betty Ebert Baker               |      | Carl A. Boos               |
| 1936 | Edward W. Rhode                 |      | Richard J. Bechtel         |
| 1937 | Dorothy Lewis Zemke             |      | Richard L. Shafer          |
|      | Virginia Eckler Tanner          | 1956 | Larry S. McCready          |
| 1938 | Clarence Arthur Carmen, Jr.     |      | Shirley Abele DuBois       |
| 1939 | Marjorie Noftz Morgan           | 1957 | Russell J. Dickman         |
| 1940 | Dean I Daniels                  | 1958 | Peggy Jean Merriam Kelbley |
| 1941 | Donald P. Schlett, Sr.          |      | Richard S. Wennes          |
| 1944 | Earl Hammond, teacher/principal | 1959 | George E. Hunker           |
|      | Mary Ernst Busam                |      | John R. "Jack" Geary       |
|      | Faith Kennedy Pook              | 1960 | Patricia Horan Bogart      |
| 1945 | Robert J. Icsman                |      | John E. Hunter             |
|      | Mary Fosco Vassallo             | 1961 | Larry E. Dahm              |
| 1946 | Ellen Moosebrugger McChesney    |      | Diane Mineo Camp           |
|      | Gasper C. Lococo                | 1962 | Leroy G. Gast              |
| 1947 | Betty J. Roth                   | 1963 | Walid Muhammad             |
|      | Evelyn Strobel Robertson        |      | William R. Schee           |
|      | Joanne Meckstroth Schneider     | 1964 | Wesley L. Miller           |
|      | Harry Reisch                    | 1965 | Donna Mazza Roth           |
|      | Audrey Babcock Shafer           |      | Joyce Hampton Scherf       |
| 1948 | Bill H. Prophet, Sr.            | 1967 | David B. Molnar            |
|      | John P. Gerold                  | 1968 | Roger E. Kinney            |
| 1949 | Duane A. Andres                 |      | Lawrenece A. Prophe        |
|      | Arthur A. Hill                  | 1969 | James R. Brown             |
|      | Jean Hill Lazarony              |      | William H. Werner, Sr.     |
| 1950 | Nancy Scheid Spitler            | 1970 | William E. Coyle           |
|      | Joan Almolsch Johnson           |      | Judy Faggionato Leonard    |
|      | Margaret Whetstone Groom        | 1971 | Raymond L. Scott. Jr       |
|      | Vassallo                        | 1972 | Richard Klepper            |
|      | Donald H. Till                  |      | Michael K. Waddington      |
| 1951 | George L. Mylander,             | 1973 | William Schippel           |
|      | also teacher and principal      |      | Raymond A. Harp            |
|      | Rev. Theodore T. Stellhorn      | 1974 | Terry A. Taylor            |
|      | James Butler                    |      | Estella Mae McKinney       |
| 1952 | Norman D. Burrows, Sr.          | 1975 | Brian J. Gallagher         |
| 1953 | Edward M. Hanlon                | 1976 | George W. Lofties          |
|      | Paulene Borden Edens            | 1978 | Fred C. Beerck             |

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Paul E. Smith	1986 Thomas H. Hall
Leroy L. Haskins, Jr.	2003 Christopher M. Poole
1980 Clayton F. Greene	Other Teachers:
1981 Melissa C. Morency	Doris "Pauline" Mackey
1984 Julie Lynn Killian	James A. Getty
1985 Kenneth L. Pearson, Sr.	

## Philanthropist and Educator George Mylander

Local philanthropist and educator George Mylander, 83, died January 3. A full list of his many accomplishments in Sandusky can be found in his obituary on the Groff Funeral Home website. He spent 27 years with the Sandusky School system retiring in 1987. He taught at Campbell Elementary School and went on to be principal at Sycamore School and Monroe School before returning to Campbell as principal for the last 10 years of his career.

## Lincoln Impersonator James Getty

Former Sandusky High School choir director (1969 – 1974) Jim Getty died September 26, 2015 in Gettysburg, PA, where he had worked for many years as a Lincoln impersonator. He even portrayed Lincoln at Gettysburg on November 19, 2013 – the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Gettysburg Address. He returned to Sandusky in 2006 and performed for students at Venice Elementary School and also portrayed Lincoln in 2012 for the Firelands Symphony Orchestra's performance of Aaron Copland's "A Lincoln Portrait"

## Class of 1966 Seeks Missing Classmates

If anyone has any information on the address for any of these Class of 1966 "Missing Classmates" please contact Kathy Fox Loris at [KSLoris@sbcglobal.net](mailto:KSLoris@sbcglobal.net) or 419-621-1122.

EJ Baxter, David Bloomfield, Carla Cameron Meyer, Nicole Carsalade, Steve Elmer, Linda Ervin, John Fegyak, Janice Hutton, Willie Mae Johnson, Rikki Kotz, Roger MacPhee, Eugene Miller, Carole Reber Howell, David Rebuck, Jacklyn Walker

## Minutes of the October 2015 SHS Alumni Association Meeting

The October 14, 2015 meeting was called to order at 6:03 pm at Daly's Pub by President Jim Corso. There were 10 people in attendance: Jim Corso, David Volz, Pat Volz, Matt Martin, John Schumm, Trevor Hayberger, Kathy Loris, Joe Loris, John Mears and Lisa Wilson.

Correspondence: We received a request from the Class of 1991 to help them retrieve a class roster and contact information for their upcoming reunion. Lisa directed them to the Alumni Directory and to contact her with any further questions.



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Minutes of the previous meeting: Motion to approve by John Schumm, second by Dave Volz, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: John Nejedly was unable to come to the meeting. Jim will send an email to request the balance and financial report from John.

Old Business:

Finance/Scholarship committee – nothing new to report, the scholarships will be handed out in the spring.

Grounds Committee – Jeff completed the coat on the dugouts. The school took care of planting during school hours. John Schumm trimmed the two remaining rose bushes in the foreign language wing garden. He will have cannis plants available in the spring that can be planted. There was discussion about planting one tree per year in order to survive and be more low maintenance.

Newsletter Committee – The deadline for the next newsletter is January 15, 2016. This will allow plenty of time for reunion updates to be included in this issue. Pat Volz is going to include the question: What can the alumni association do to get you to join and be more involved?

Apparel – Approximately 12 orders during the All-Class Reunion. All orders were delivered in time for the weekend events. No financial report without John Nejedly's report.

Fundraising – Still looking for ideas.

All Class Reunion – All the events went very well. Unfortunately we had bad weather so the turn out wasn't quite what we hope for or expected. We may need to think about adding more promotional tools to the budget for future events.

New Business:

Ideas to Move Forward – Jim asked for everyone to think about recruiting younger people to help out in the near future. We need to keep this organization alive and well.

The next meeting is set for Wednesday, January 27, at 6 pm at SHS, room 301. Jim will reserve the room. Motion made to adjourn the meeting by John Schumm, seconded by Kathy Loris, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:36 pm.

## **Class Reunion Help Available**

Just a reminder for those planning class reunions. The Alumni Association can provide you with a spreadsheet of your class list data as it appeared in the 2014 Sandusky High School Alumni Directory. Send requests directly to Pat Volz at [pjvolz@bex.net](mailto:pjvolz@bex.net).

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## Membership Report

***New Members*** – Gary L. Knauer (1964); Linda L. Sender (1956); Marilyn L. Ohlemacher (1950); Mark (1973) and Cathy Nestor (1972) Pifer; John E. Lewis (1979); Gary (1967) & Marcy Uhl (1972); Rhea J. Cutler-Diamond (1964)

***New Lifetime Members*** – Donald P. Hanck (1977); Vivian Lash (1956)

## Donations

***General Donation*** – Donald E. Davis (1949); David Willinger (1956); Scott A. Wilkins (1967)

### ***Memorial Donations*** –

From the Class of 1949 for classmates Ona Lemke McNutt, Kathleen Weilbaum Sullivan, James A. Bertsch, William B. Smith, Jean Hill Lazarony, Arthur Hill, and Elaine Kriss Hammond

From the Class of 1952 for classmates Jane Skidmore Bowden and Norman Burrows

From Mary Ann Ehrhardt (1955) for Carol Thom Kiser (1955)

From John Heminger (1968) for William Werner (1969)

## Treasurer's Report – as of December 31, 2015

Checking Account Balance - \$230.67

Savings Account Balance - \$3,198.15

Shirt Sales Account Balance - \$66.94

All Class Reunion Account Balance - \$1,666.72

Main Alumni Scholarship Fund at Erie County Community Foundation - \$84,815.81

Seitz Scholarship Fund at Erie County Community Foundation - \$18,977.79

## Get a Blue Streak Tie

Although it is not actually listed on the Alumni Shirt order blank found on the next page, you can also use the form to buy a Blue Streak Tie for \$30. Just order it as a "write in" on the form.

## SHS Alumni Association Shirts Now Available in Three Styles

- Classic short-sleeve polo with superior wrinkle and shrink resistance. Navy or white. Basic cost is \$28.
- Classic long-sleeve polo with superior wrinkle and shrink resistance. Navy or white. Basic cost is \$33
- Long-sleeve denim shirt. Specify dark or light denim. Basic cost is \$33.

All include embroidered logo of the Sandusky High School Alumni Association.

Basic cost includes free shipping.

For sizes XL and above, add one dollar per X (XL=\$1, 2X=\$2, and 3X=\$3)

Sizing	<b>XS</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>XL</b>	<b>2X</b>	<b>3X</b>
<b>Men's</b>	32-34	35-37	38-40	41-43	44-46	47-49	50-53
<b>Ladies</b>	32-34	35-36	37-38	39-41	42-44	45-47	48-51

PLEASE PRINT. Mail completed order form with full payment payable to "Sandusky High School Alumni Association" to **SHS Alumni, PO Box 2401, Sandusky OH 44871-2401**

Name	
Email	Phone
Street Address	
City/State/Zip	

Shirt Type - short sleeve polo; long sleeve polo or denim	Color Choice	Men's or Ladies	Size	Quantity	Base Price	\$1 Extra Per X in Size	Total Due
						<b>TOTAL</b>	



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Your Name \_\_\_\_\_ Year Graduated SHS \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Please print) First Name Middle Initial (Maiden Name) Last Name

Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Is spouse SHS Alumni? Yes / No  
 First Name Middle Initial (Maiden Name) Last Name Year Graduated SHS \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status:  Married  Widowed  
 Divorced/Separated  Single

Activities:  A Cappella Choir  Band

**TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP:**

New Membership  Renewal

Single:  Annual \$10.00  Life \$ 75.00  
 Couple:  Annual \$15.00  Life \$100.00

**OTHER:**

Email Directory (\$5.00) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Scholarship Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Memorial Contribution\* \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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 \*Memorial Name and Class Year