

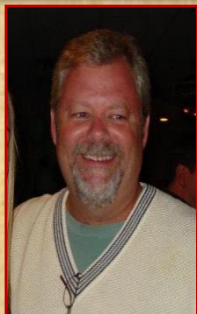


Southport High School

Alumni
Association

October, 2016

A Message from Our President



Hello fellow SHS Alumni!

As I enter my 2nd quarter as your Southport High School Alumni Association (SHSAA) president, I understand what my predecessor Jay Danner meant when he said "you will stay busy!" Jay, that may be the understatement of the year! However, I have enjoyed every minute of it! This is mainly due to the outstanding Executive Team of Brent Bockelman (VP), Steve Hussey (Treas), Ruth Mercer (Scholarships), Mike Zinser (Sec), David Ladd (Historian) and Ken Raasch (IT). I am currently in discussions with candidates to fill the Membership Chairman & Social Chairman positions and expect to have these positions filled in the next couple of weeks.

In the last Newsletter, I laid out 3 goals to ensure the continued growth of the SHSAA. They are:

- 1). Grow the younger demographic of our alumni base by bringing in a younger Membership Chairman.** As already noted, I expect to have this position filled in the next few weeks. In the meantime, if you are interested in joining the Alumni Association, please contact me. My SHSAA email is below.
- 2). Continue honoring our outstanding Teachers, Athletes, Coaches & Administration.** We are in the planning stages to help honor two former Teachers / Coaches with Scholarships and Celebrations. Cross Country Coach Tom Hathaway (& his wife Jane) will each have a scholarship awarded in their name to a senior boys & girls cross country runner. And, Tennis Coach Steve Cline will also present a Scholarship to an outstanding senior tennis player. And, we are in the early stages of discussing another banner raising celebration for a group of very talented athletes, scheduled for this winter at the historic Fieldhouse! More to come....!
- 3). Increase the Scholarship donations from \$64,000 to \$70,000.** We, the SHSAA team, are committed to seeing that we help our graduating seniors to get off to a good start as they begin this new chapter in their life. We are adding at least three new scholarships, at this point, and expect to see a few more over the next several months. If you are interested in honoring a family member, a favorite teacher or administrator, or athlete, let me know or Ruth Mercer know and we will be glad to discuss with you how to get started!

Unfortunately, the Homecoming Parade was a wash out. However, the tailgating, hosted by SHSAA, took place after the rains subsided. Those in attendance had a great time.

As I become more involved with the SHSAA, I am discovering more-and-more about the vast and interesting history about Southport High School. It is really fascinating. Southport has produced a number of interesting and successful graduates, from all walks of life and adventures in our nearly 130 years as a high school!! I hope you will become more involved and join the SHSAA. We look forward to seeing you at the games, celebrations and upcoming social events!

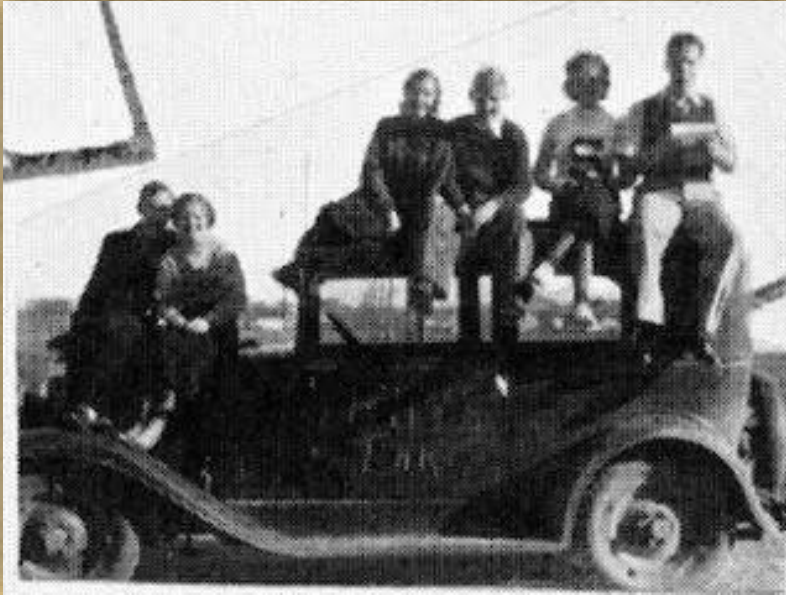
-----Sincerely, Rich Elkins ('80) President, SHSAA



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Some Southport students enjoying some leisure time.

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SHS
Sectional
Champs

1947



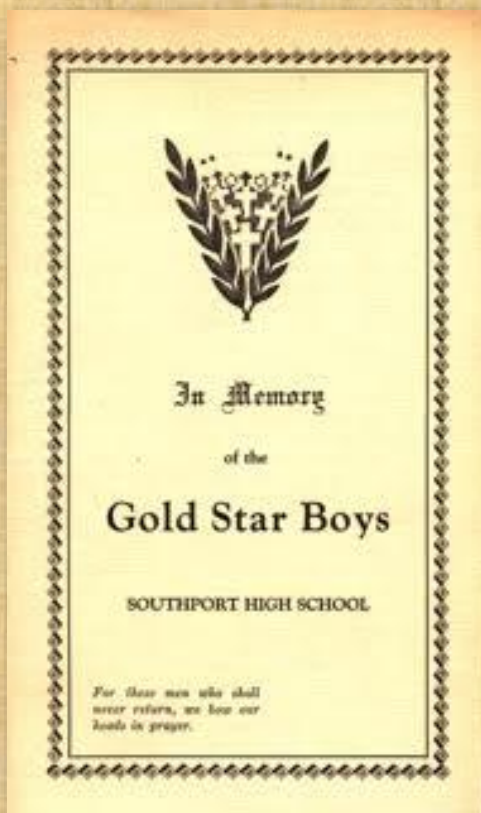


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Service Men	Place of Death	Parents' Names
KENNETH BRYLER, Army	France	Mr. and Mrs. George Hays
JOHN WILKIE, Army	Italy, Italy	Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fry
CHUCK STICKAN, Army	Italy	Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stottan
NATHAN EADEN, Army	France	Mr. James E. Eaker
ROBERT TARDUSSE, Army	Japan	Mr. and Mrs. Earl VanVelske
ELLENWORTH CURRIER, Army	Guay, Atlantic	Mr. and Mrs. Elsworth Cunningham
FRED BALL, Army	France	Mr. Leslie Ball
CHARLES PARADISE, Army	France	Mr. H. P. Paradise
MARTIN BUNNELL, Army	Italy	Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bunell
KATHOOD BLOTT, Army	France	Mr. Paul H. Floyd
FRED SCHIBBIN, Army	Italy	Mr. Paul Schibbin
FRED ELKINS, Army	Germany	Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Walter
ROBERT ANGLAM, Army	Germany	Mr. and Mrs. Paul Anglam
ELMER HIRTH, Army	Germany	Mr. and Mrs. Raymond D. Smith
IRA SCOTT, Army	European Theater	Mr. and Mrs. Ira Scoble
KATHOOD LEE OWENS, Army A. C.	Naval Base	Mr. James Owen
CLARENCE PHILLIPS, Army A. C.	Credited as Flight One Green City to Omaha	Mr. and Mrs. Roy Phillips
ROBERT PERLIN, Army A. C.	Portugal	Mr. and Mrs. Robert Perlin
JAMES DONELSON, Army A. C.	Southwest Pacific	Mr. James Donelson
CHARLES KIRK, Army A. C.	Over France	Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kirk
EDAN EDDINGS, Army	Italy	Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Higgins
WILLIAM WYBURN, Army A. C.	Germany	Mr. and Mrs. J. Wyburn
ROBERT E. BOGARD, Army A. C.	Killed in British Airbase	Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bogard
EDDIE KAUFFMAN, Naval A. C.	Over Oregon	Mr. and Mrs. Ben Kauffman
JACK HANSEN, Navy	West coast of Florida	Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hansen
FRED KOEHLER, Navy	Off coast of Carolina	Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Koehler
EDWIN BOSS WHITE, Navy	Italy	Mr. and Mrs. Oscar White
LONNIE KASNER, Navy	Alaska	Mr. and Mrs. Alton Kasner
FRED MYER, Marine	South Pacific	Mr. Paul Myer
OWEN McCANNON, Marine	England, Warhall Island	Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McCanna
WARREN WELSON, Marine	Japan	Mr. John F. Welton
MARVY STUCK, Marine	Seaplane, De. Non return	Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stuck
ROBERT DILLON, Marine	Sea plane	Mr. and Mrs. Joe W. Dillon
GEORGE BRIDGON, Marine	China	Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Bridgen

These SHS "Gold Star Boys" paid the ultimate sacrifice during World War II.



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The annual Coach Hathaway Running South event was a success. On Saturday, September 24th, hundreds of runners and walkers took to the streets of Homecroft to honor the Southport great.

For exclusive footage of the event, follow this link:

<https://youtu.be/smAQT0YHbPY>

A Word from the New SHS Principal



Mr. Brian Knight

Fifteen years ago, I had the fortunate opportunity to accept a teaching position in Perry Township. My fifteen year journey has taken me through many different roles and buildings in this district and I am excited to make Southport High School my new home. It is an honor to introduce myself to the alumni of this great school. I am grateful for the opportunity to serve as the principal in a school with such a rich tradition of excellence.

It is my desire to make each of our student's time at Southport High School educationally profitable. Our goal, as a staff, is to provide all students with the opportunity to excel in academics, athletics, and fine arts so they may become positive, contributing members of our school and community. In the short time I have served at Southport High School, it is easy to see that SHS has a dynamic, hardworking staff who is committed to student success and will exhaust all resources to make sure the needs of all our students are met.

Our alumni are a big part of what makes Southport High School as special place. I take great pride in continuing to make Southport High School a place which our alumni can be proud to call home. I am proud to be a Cardinal!



Featured Cardinal



Derek Evans

Class of 2001

Owner and Proprietor
of *Project 615*

This issue's *Featured Cardinal* is Derek Evans. Derek graduated from Southport in 2001. After his time at SHS, he attended college at Anderson University and studied broadcast journalism, graduating in 2005.

In 2008, Derek moved to Nashville, Tennessee. Hoping to work in the music industry, he began creating t-shirts and merchandise for musicians and bands.

Shortly after his move to Nashville, Derek started his company, Project 615. Project 615 is a t-shirt and apparel company based out of Nashville, TN. They are not your average company. Project 615 is mission minded. Derek and his crew regularly employ those who are recovering from homelessness to serve in their production department. Derek found inspiration after a mission trip to LA in 2010 to serve the homeless on Skid Row (a very large homeless population in downtown LA). At that point, Derek decided he wanted to do something about it back where he lived in Nashville. Since the company's inception in 2010, Project 615 has consistently donated a portion of their profits to a local homeless outreach shelter in Nashville called Set Free. It was then that Derek realized, "most of those who lived at the homeless shelter needed employment. So in 2012, we began hiring from Set Free. We have since employed 38 people from Set Free."

If you are in the Nashville area, wanting to support a fellow Cardinal, you can visit Derek's store at: 1006 Fatherland St. #205, Nashville, TN 37215. Or feel free to visit their website at project615.org to view their merchandise that pays homage to Tennessee and the South.

*** If you know of any cardinal alumni that would be good candidates for the "Featured Cardinal" section of our newsletter, please send suggestions to Brent at bbockelman@perryschools.org



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Executive Committee:

Rich Elkins ('80)	President
Brent Bockelman ('01):	Vice President
Steve Hussey ('68):	Treasurer
Mike Zinser ('01):	Secretary
Ruth Mercer ('61):	Scholarship Chair
David Ladd():	Historian

Upcoming Events

*Tom and Jane Hathaway Honorary Ceremony -
December 3rd - Halftime of the Varsity Game

* Banner Raising to Honor SHS's 9 Indiana BB HOF
inductees - this winter, Date TBD

Announcements:

- Do you have a nominee for the SHS Alumnus of the year? Contact Julie Breeden at jbreeden@perryschools.org to start the application process.
- Thinking of donating to our scholarship fund? Thanks to our generous donors, we were able to give out over 66 thousand dollars to 64 deserving seniors last year. Pledge forms are coming out this month. For more information about donating, contact Cheryl Mead at Cheryl.SHSAA@yahoo.com

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