



Southport High School | Alumni Association

January, 2016

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Jay Danner ('70):	President
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Barry Browning ('70):	Historian

Membership Update:

Our Membership is up approximately 18% from a few years ago. We are looking to top the 700 mark by the end of 2016.

Considering the SHSAA has been in existence for only 20 years, this is a steady growth and we are looking forward to our membership's continual growth.

Lifetime members:	356
Annual Members:	198
Others:	38
<u>No Designation:</u>	<u>70</u>
Total:	662

We have many ideas to help increase our membership such as class reunions, games, social events, and honor ceremonies. We hope see you soon.

-- Rich Elkins



A Message from Our President

Twenty five years ago, alumni got together and formed the Southport High School Alumni Association. They set a goal to give seniors scholarships and had hopes that our centennial could bring alumni together. We are proud to be part of the Cardinal Nation as over 22,000 graduates share memories and pride in Southport High School. We help to promote reunions and give alumni an opportunity to connect with four social events throughout the year.

Our next social event is January 29th at the boys basketball game in historic Southport Fieldhouse. We will host one of the state's best teams, Columbus North. We will honor our 12 Indiana All Stars with a banner raising and an opportunity to meet or reconnect with those in attendance. We are expecting Fred Fleetwood, Louie Dampier, Jim Krivacs, Linda Mallender, Marlon Fleming, and Erika Fall to be in attendance to greet friends at the Cardinal's Nest and sign autographs in the Gym. Please join us for a great game and see some friends you may not have seen for many years!

-- Jay Danner

Around the Building

* This year's fall play, *Grease*, involved over 100 students and set audience attendance records.

* The SHS Dance Team won first place in the Varsity Hip-Hop category of the JAM Brands COA competition

*The Journal was named a Hoosier Star winner at the Indiana High School Press Association state convention

* Senior Luke Johnston was named Marion County Player of the Year

* The boy's soccer team was named an All-Academic Team by NSCAA.



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Scholarship Info:

In 2015, the SHS Alumni Association was able to give out over 62 thousand dollars to a group of 50 graduating seniors! This year, our goal is to exceed 65 thousand dollars during our banquet on Monday, May 16th. Any current senior interested in applying can find applications in the guidance department.

Bits of History

With Barry Browning

1959 was a busy year for SHS. These clippings from the Oct. 1st, 1959 Southport Journal tell some of the story. This was the first year for the high school to meet in the present building, the first year for the Fieldhouse, and the first year for the school newspaper to be called the *Southport Journal*



Varsity cheerleaders for 1958-59 are left to right; Nancy Black, junior; Carolyn Goodnight, junior; Marjorie Bockes, sophomore; Vivian Beal, sophomore; and Jayne Tegeler, senior.



Southport High Has New Face

Frosh Added To Enrollment

"There've been some changes made. It you're wondering why people were making drastically through the hall with that 'S' back on their faces, you understand since enrollment has changed to a new building.

Out of 1,200 pupils, 471 of them are freshmen. Freshmen are being seated with 400 in their class. Juniors and seniors follow with 300 and 300 respectively. Last year's enrollment was 900 but there were no freshmen.

Twenty seven new teachers were added to the 17 member faculty. It takes 13 minutes to care for the 36 classrooms and the entrance. Besides a large library there is a special production room and a history room, equipped with

THE NEW SOUTHPORT HIGH SCHOOL FIELDHOUSE, using both ends is one of the most modern athletic plants in the area. The student building is on the left.

Enter Journal Era; Perry News Bows

Enter: New era. On with the new, out with the old. Long live The Southport Journal.

Southport High School hasn't been Southport at all. On the front of the building were the words, "Perry Township High School." This is the reason Southport's newspaper has been "The Perry News" since its inception in 1922. However, since Southport has a brand new high school, and the words on the front of the building read "Southport High School," the journalism department under the supervision of Mrs. Mary Barr, decided to bring the newspaper up to date, too.

The change was voted upon by the student body. They were given several choices; they could have voted to leave it as "The Perry News," or they could have chosen one of the following names: The Southport Journal, The Southport Scribe, The Southport Cardinal, or The Southport Student. Of the above, the student body chose "The Southport Journal."

Upcoming Events:

- *1956 Reunion – July 16th and 17th
- * 1996 Reunion – April 23rd at the Atrium on Thompson Road, 7:00 pm
- * Indiana All Stars Honor Ceremony – during the boys varsity basketball game on January 29th

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Old yearbooks taking up space?

Do you have old yearbooks and SHS Journals taking up space in a closet? We get it, you don't want to get rid of them. You also don't want them collecting dust any longer. We would welcome donations of yearbooks from any year. We do not presently have copies from 1963, 90, 97, and 99-2015. We would also welcome donations of *Southport Journals*. We are missing issues from fall 1960 through spring 63, fall 64 through spring 82, and 96 to the present. Clear some closet space and donate! Please leave any donations at the PTEC front desk. Thank you.

