



# Southport High School

Alumni  
Association

Fall, 2019

## A Message from Our President, Rich Elkins



We have a big weekend coming up! It's Southport's Homecoming, which is a great time for all Alumni! We encourage you to come out and take in the festivities and get reacquainted with old friends and classmates! At noon, on Friday, September 13th, we will honor our Southport High School Alumnus of the Year, Neal Puckett (SHS'73)! Neal's career spans as a Judge Advocate the US Marine Corp, as well as serving as the Officer in Charge of Legal Services Support Section in Okinawa, Japan before he retired from the Marine Corp in 1997! Neal is married to (ret) Air Force Colonel Marcelyn Atwood. The SHSAA camp; all SHS Alumni, are very proud of Neal and all his wonderful accomplishments!

The annual Southport H.S. Homecoming Parade will take place at approximately 5:30 pm this same day through the streets of Homecroft. The SHSAA will have a tent set up in front of the PTEC Building (old Perry Central building). We will be handing out hot dogs, chips, cookies and water bottles for free! Stop by and say "hi", and watch the parade with us! We'd love to see you! Since the Southport football game is on Saturday this year, immediately following the parade will be The Southport Community Carnival, which will take place inside Cardinal Stadium on the field. The Community Carnival will be fun for all, especially the kids, with games, activities and opportunities for everyone to conclude a fun-packed day!

I would like to welcome several new Board of Directors to SHSAA. The existing Board of Directors: Rich Elkins (SHSAA President, '80), Brent Bockelman (Vice President, 2001), Mike Zinser (Secretary, 2001), Greg Schmalfeldt (Treasurer, '79), Cheryl Mead ('80), Barry Browning ('70), Phil Ohlrogge ('64).

New Board members: Chelsea Hoffman (2011), Bria Wright (2013), Dick Poppa ('70), David Ladd ('70), Dick Chew ('71), and Sara Harrell ('70).

**SOUTHPORT ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIPS:** If you are interested in becoming a paid, life-time member of the SHSAA, please go to our website at [southportalumni.com](http://southportalumni.com) and sign up there. Or, feel free to contact me, or any of the Officers (listed above) to get signed up. Keep in mind, the Alumni Association sponsors seven scholarships for graduating SHS Seniors. Your membership commitment will help us fund these scholarships.





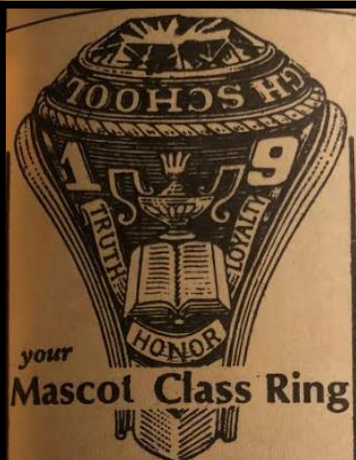
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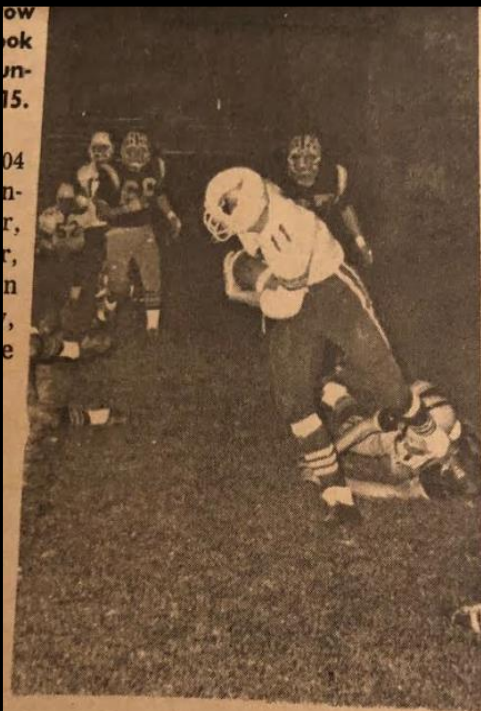
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Harry Levinson

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Patty Smyser, senior, rummages through her locker between classes.





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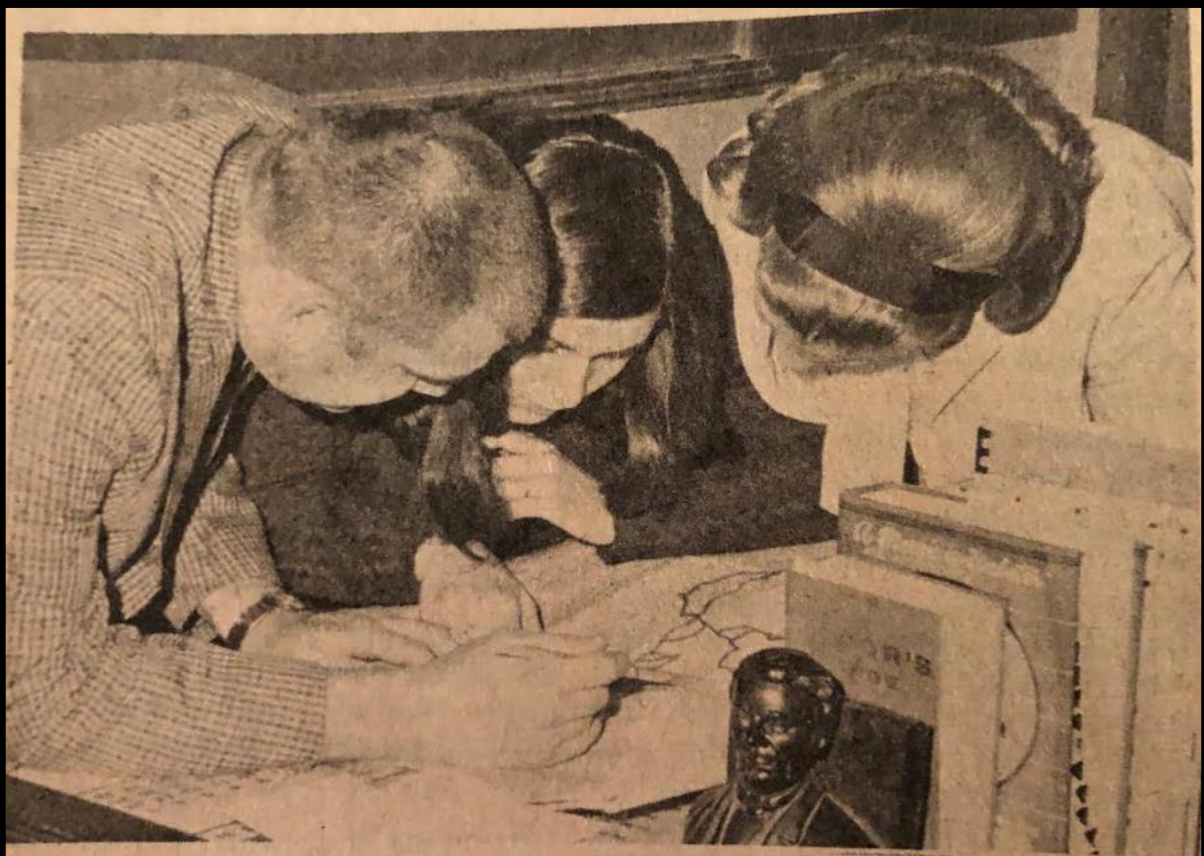
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**WOW!**—Mike Buck, senior, looks impressed with his costly image but wonders, "Is it really worth it?"



**BON VOYAGE** — Dee Rorhman and Debbie Davidson, seniors, hog the scene as Mr. Hawkins points out the route of travel for the European Tour this summer.





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And on this note — Dave Girton,  
senior, displays his musical tal-  
ents with some brief vocal and  
piano exercise.





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### Meet the press

Pam Dravis, senior, who is now going personality, and tops it off with her "pickle" green eyes, serving as the advertising manager for the JOURNAL, finds her extra-curricular interests varied.

After attending the journalism workshop at Indiana University this past summer for two weeks, Pam now feels she'd like to pursue a career evolving around some phase of advertising.

She is a member of the Booster, History, Beginning Spanish, and Astronomy Clubs, and serves as vice president of the Future Nurses Club.

Pam is also a member of National Thespians. Cheering for the football and basketball teams takes up "a lot" of Pam's free time, as she is a varsity cheerleader.



Pam

Upholding the "cheerleader image," Pam has a vibrant and out-

clined toward mathematics. The Pythagorean Club, sponsored by Mr. John Snapp, presents speakers each year who discuss topics of interest to students.

### Newsbrief



SHS MODELS — Sande Prokl, 1968 Southport graduate and newly named 1969 Indianapolis Star Cover Girl, and Cindy Glidden, senior, are examples of Southport's 'model' girls.



**TRAVELER**—Miss Cindy Orme, guidance counselor, exhibits a souvenir of her recent trip to President Nixon's Inauguration.

by Pete Molina





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Cindy Buchanan and Sally Ake, seniors, begin practice for "Harvey" production to be presented Nov. 15-16 in the auditorium.



Curt Odle practices an excerpt in dramatic reading behind stage.

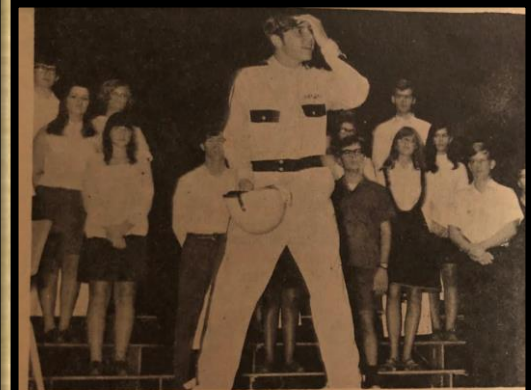


**SITTING PRETTY**—Gael Jennings, Gloria Jantzen, and Pam Dravis, seniors; and Marsha Whiffing, Claudette Campbell, and Marsha Smith, juniors, pose as Anchor Queen candidates for the 1968-69 yearbook. Results will be announced in May.

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**RUN** — Don Embry leads practice session for Cards cross country team as Dennis Vessels, the Cards number-one runner, gets ready for stiff competition.



Doug Johnson, senior, poses as a pioneer of today in recent sophomore convocation. He is backed-up by the cast.



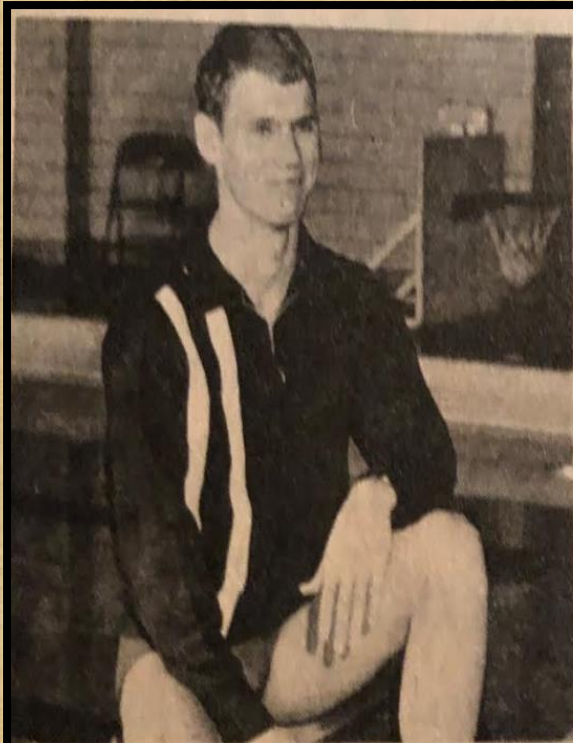


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**HIGH AND DRY** — Walt McCreary, junior, and Mike Tackett, senior, pose by what seems to be their natural habitat, the pool. Walt is the state champion in the 100-yard breaststroke and Mike finished second in the state in the 100-yard butterfly.



**BATMAN** — Dave Chandler, senior, attempts to better the team's score in a recent SHS varsity baseball game.



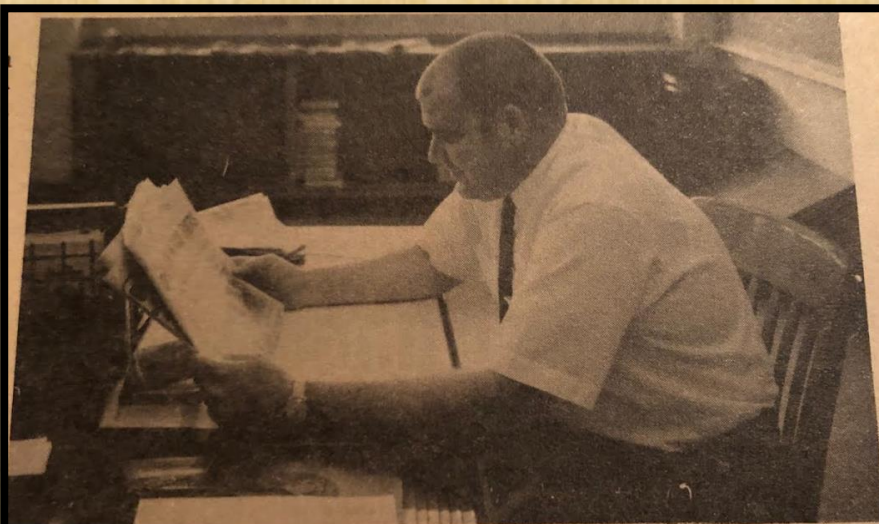


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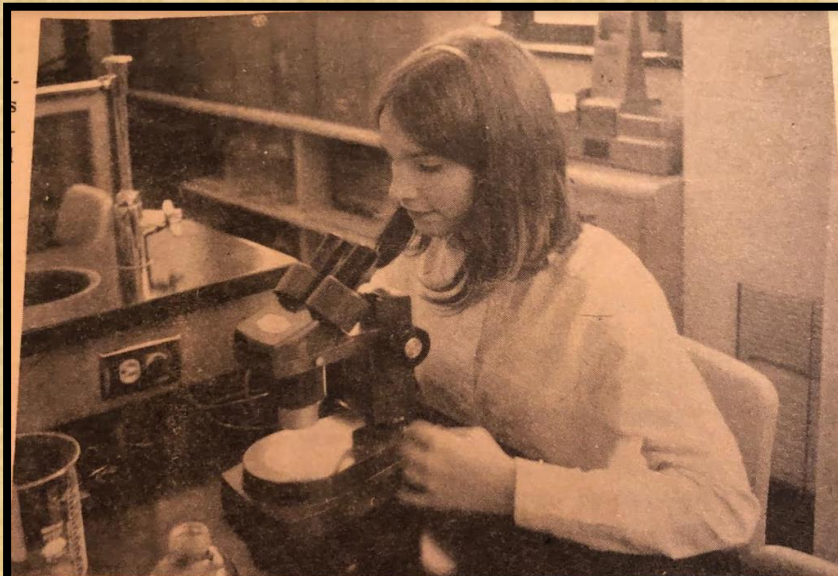
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**IT'S A BIRD . . . IT'S A . . .** Mr. Marvin Hawkins, social studies instructor, takes a "bird's eye" view of assignments by students who greet him as "Hawk."



**Joan Wood, senior, inspects new stereo microscopes in search of busy beasts.**





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## 50 Years Ago: Homecoming 1969

Preparations are in the making for the 1968 Homecoming Oct. 11 which involve many students for the occasion. Floats or cars are now being constructed and decorated by the various school clubs and organizations after school hours.

This year floats and cars are required to follow the general theme "Cards '68" for eligibility in the contest. Three trophies and one honorable mention will be awarded to the winning floats.

Plans for the pre-game bonfire pep-rally are now being carried through under the organization of the JOURNAL. The bonfire is held for the purpose of promoting school spirit that will last through the entire game against New Albany.



46th Year, No. 2

MSD Perry Township

Friday, Sept. 20, 1968

### Annual homecoming previewed

Through the work of six committees organized by the Booster Club, elections of floats, queen candidates, and a spirit-boosting bon-fire will become realities for the Homecoming game Oct. 11 in Roosevelt Stadium.

"Homecoming this year will be basically the same as last year," Mrs. Jeannine Owens, history teacher and sponsor of the Booster Club states, "except that all floats

must follow a general theme soon to be chosen. Also there will be a dance after the game in which alumni will be invited."

The plans are being carried through by a dance, queen, decorations, parade, bon fire, and convocation committees, consisting of those students interested in the work to be done.

Traditionally, a homecoming queen will be selected to reign over the Southport-Tech football game and the dance which is to follow.

The candidates for this position must be either a junior or senior girl. Every organization and each of the three classes may select one girl either from that organization or from the junior and senior class. Each candidate must have a campaign manager.

Sept. 30 homeroom period marks the deadline for entries of candidates. A committee of faculty members will choose the final six candidates as queen nominees.

Oct. 9 and 10 will be designated for campaigning and one girl will be elected by the student body as queen. The other girls will then

become members of her court. The results, however will not be announced until the homecoming game.

As usual, any club may build a float to be entered in the Homecoming Parade. But entries must be in by Sept. 30 at 4 p.m.

### Library workers to attend Purdue State convention

Saturday, Sept. 28, student library assistants will attend the 9th Annual Convention of the Hoosier Student Librarians Association (HSLA) at Purdue University.

Mrs. Hazel McKenzie, librarian, will accompany the pupils as they participate in the numerous activities of the day. The program, which lasts from 9:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m., is expected to attract representatives from a large percentage of Indiana high schools.

### Boosters and classes elect 1968-69 officers

Juniors, seniors, and the Booster Club elected their 1968-69 officers last week.

The junior class elected Jay Hill president; Doni Marquette, vice president; and Marcia Gunnion secretary-treasurer.

New senior class officers are Mike Morgan, president; Dal Martlage, vice-president; and Elaine Hildeweine, secretary-treasurer.

Booster Club officers are Bill Rowley, president; Dave Chandler, vice-president; and Carol Krebs, secretary-treasurer, all seniors.



# Homecoming 2019

Planning on joining in this year's Homecoming Festivities? SHSAA will be hosting a free tailgate party for alums to congregate and watch the parade. Look for our tent on the north end of the PTEC building.

We will start the tailgate at 4:30. The parade starts at 5:30. Light refreshments available while they last.

After the tailgate, join us at the community festival and get your picture taken in our new Cardinal Cutout.

See you there!

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**SHS HOMECOMING 2019**



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## THE JOURNAL

Curious what's happening around the building? Check out the links below to stay in the loop. These articles were written by current SHS *Journal* staff.

-Check out how a 1.1 million dollar grant allows SHS to update security around the building -

<https://thejournalrewired.com/15993/news/state-of-the-art/>

-Read how the Gifted and Talented program at SHS is being replace by a new program titled, Pre-AP -

<https://thejournalrewired.com/16156/news/making-the-switch/>

- See how unassigned class periods for seniors offer benefits and resources -

<https://thejournalrewired.com/15858/news/unassigned-offers-a-little-taste-of-college/>