

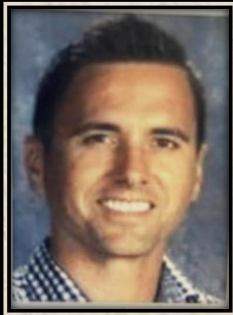


# Southport High School

Alumni  
Association

A Message from Our President, Brent Bockelman

Spring, 2023



Fellow Cardinals,

[southportalumni.com](http://southportalumni.com)

I am grateful to start another year working with the SHS Alumni Association. 2023 is off to a great start. Thanks to all who sponsored, attended, or volunteered at our Comedy for a Cause event. Your passion and participation helped to make the night a memorable event we hope to carry on in the future.

As spring approaches, we are shifting our focus to our yearly scholarship awards banquet in May. First of all, I must take time to recognize the many donors who make these scholarships possible. Without their generosity, we would not be able to award nearly as much as we do each year. Secondly, I would like to thank our volunteer staff, particularly Jack Williams ('02) and Ashley Quinlin ('02) as they have been working overtime overseeing the collection, cataloguing, and distribution of these funds. Without their tireless efforts, a scholarship program of this magnitude just simply isn't possible. Our selection committee, headed by Nancy Lamm, put in many hours in carefully curating the candidate pool and the banquet committee, chaired by Jane Fletcher, is working hard to make sure the ceremony goes smoothly. I am proud to announce that thanks to our donors and the thousands of hours put in by our volunteers, we will be awarding over 100K dollars in scholarships this year alone. This is a testament to the strength of the Southport community and our unique sense of dedication.

If you have any interest in working with us at the association, please feel free to contact me at [bbockelman@perryschools.org](mailto:bbockelman@perryschools.org). We have a variety of positions available that you may find interesting and hope to get more folks involved in various capacities. Go Cards!

*-Brent Bockelman ('01)*



# The History of Our Logo

In 2016, we celebrated our 25<sup>th</sup> year as an association. As part of that anniversary, we adopted a new logo.

The open book is meant to symbolize the knowledge gained during your time at Southport. The tree represents the “family” that we all gain from our time at SHS, and the three stars represent our past, present, and future alumni. The cardinal, of course, needs no explanation.





# Southport High School

# Alumni Association

Spring, 2023

Our resident historian, David Ladd, has been searching the catacombs of SHS and found some interesting bits of history to share.

## OUR MASCOT

Christopher the Cardinal stands proudly in the trophy case with the two trophies that were received for winning the S. C. S. championships in baseball and football.



1952

## Administration

Traditional to Southport High School have been the abilities and competence exhibited by administrators and faculty members alike. It is this portion of our tradition and heritage that has been fundamental to the success of this educational institution. In keeping with these traditions of our heritage, Southport High School once again has enjoyed the advantages of such leadership.



Owing to his many duties about the school, Mr. Thell is rarely found at his desk but this is one of those rare occasions.

Through the years the heritage of the students of Southport has been ever changing. It is evident in this picture of the first graduating class of 1894, with its membership of only five graduates. Today, the graduating class of 1964 has a total membership of five hundred.

Standing are the members of the first commencement held at S.H.S.: Minnie Clifford (Smock), John Hendricks, Jean Reno, William List, and Alice Todd (Rouse). The members of the administration seated here were, Chris Grubb, Trustee; Joseph Saban Pruett, Principal; and Henry B. Flick, County Superintendent.



1894

Miss Blanche Penrod, Dean of Girls, assists the girls with their problems. Aside from her duties at S. H. S., Miss Penrod serves as secretary of the I. S. T. A.

Counselling and aiding the boys with their difficulties is the responsibility of Mr. Chauncey McDaniel, Dean of Boys. In addition to his office responsibilities, Mr. McDaniel serves president of the Perry Educators Association.



1964





First Southport High School — Built in 1883 after tornado wrecked the frame building



A beaming Sandy Orme is crowned homecoming queen by last year's queen, Debbie Finney.

### Southport Has Eyes on County Net Title.



SOUTHPORT HIGH SCHOOL BASKET SQUAD.

McBRIDE, COACH; PENROD, FORWARD; BAILEY, FORWARD; RYKER, FORWARD; JONES, FORWARD; ASMUS, GUARD; TRUITT, GUARD; KLEIN, GUARD; McLAUGHLIN, CENTER.

Southport high school basket ball team is one of the leading contenders for honors in the Marion county basket ball tournament to be staged in Tomlinson hall next Friday and Saturday. Only one county team has won a victory over the Southport nesters this season, and that was Broad Ripple, who took an overtime contest on the Ripple floor, only to be trounced in a return game on the Southport court. The Southport season record, which speaks for itself, is as follows: Southport, 60; Meech Grove, 5; Southport, 16; Greenwood, 12; Clayton, 27; Southport, 16; Broad Ripple, 24; Southport, 21; Southport, 22; West Newton, 23; Mitchell, 40; Southport, 15; West Baden, 20; Southport, 17; Southport, 38; Whiteland, 22; Southport, 10; Cowden land, 24; Southport, 29; Ben Davis, 18; Southport, 25; Broad Ripple, 8; Southport, 19; Greenwood, 16; Southport, 24; Manual, 34; Clayton, 20; Southport, 18; Southport, 29; Fairland, 16; Southport, 32; New Augusta, 33.





From left, staff members Bob White, publisher Kelly Sawyers, Jeanne Piersall, Denise Summers, Fred Shonk, Al Stilley and Steve Page, of The Southsider Voice weekly newspaper, gather Tuesday, Jan. 24, 2023, inside the Cardinals Nest hospitality room at Southport High School. Summers helped Sawyer establish the paper in 2009. "We are 100% good news," Stilley said. "Kelly has just a huge passion to do this weekly newspaper and to make it a good news newspaper." Mykal McEldowney/IndyStar

Photo credit: Indy Star

**317 Project:  
Old hands  
guide  
community  
weekly  
publication  
based in  
Southport**

Several Southport High School graduates were featured in the *Indy Star* in January. The *Indy Star's* 317 Project, "tells stories of life in all of Indianapolis' vibrant neighborhoods – 317 words at a time." This particular issue is centered around some SHS graduates and their work with the southside staple, *The Southsider Voice*.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the full story.



# Southport High School

Alumni  
Association

Spring, 2023

## -- Around the Building --



SHS's New Points Leader

This season, senior AJ Dancler became the new all-time scorer for the basketball program.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the full story

SHS Adviser Honored



*Anchor* adviser, Sam Hanley, won this year's Indiana Adviser of the Year Award.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the full story



Students Compete at State

The Indiana DECA SCDC competition at Indianapolis Marriott Downtown was an exciting adventure with over 2000 attendees. Three Southport HS DECA members, Michael Moore, Caleb Wolsiffer, and Donald Van Valkenburg competed in the Individual Role Play series, presenting their business ideas to judges during 2 rounds.





# Southport High School

Alumni  
Association

Spring, 2023

## -- Around the Building --



Students have been working to develop a literary magazine. featuring student work. Check it out [HERE](#)



To find out more about Baseball Coach Brendan Dudas's journey to SHS, [CLICK HERE](#)

# Cardinal Golf Outings



## 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Southport Football Alumni & Friends Golf Outing

**Date:** Friday, June 9<sup>th</sup>  
**Location:** Smock Golf Course  
3910 County Line Rd.  
Indianapolis, IN  
**Cost:** \$400 foursome/\$100  
per individual

**REGISTRATION** – [CLICK HERE](#)  
**SPONSORSHIP** – [CLICK HERE](#)  
**2022 RECAP** – [CLICK HERE](#)



**When:** Tuesday, June 20th  
Shotgun start at 12:00 p.m.

**Where:** The Legends Golf Club  
2555 Hurricane Road  
Franklin, IN 46131

**Cost:** \$100 for a single  
\$380 for a foursome  
\*price includes dinner

We also have a variety of sponsorships available. All proceeds from the event will go to provide scholarships for SHS graduating seniors.

Please contact Joe Mercer: [josephamercer2001@yahoo.com](mailto:josephamercer2001@yahoo.com)  
for more information.





# Southport High School

Alumni  
Association

Spring, 2023

## THE JOURNAL

Grace  
Elder

*Editor-In-Chief*



-- Check out these links to the current issue of the SHS Journal --

### **Roughing the Refs – [CLICK HERE](#) for the full story**

Many SHS community members who have went to basketball events have noticed a common theme outside of an incredible game, crowd members overly interacting with referees and officials. What effect have SHS fans had on officials? How is this impacting our athletic department and directors? Read along to get answers to those questions.



### **Stitch by Stitch – [CLICK HERE](#) for the full story**

Freshman Chloe Cripe began crocheting to continue on her grandmothers lifetime hobby. Although she did not find an immediate connection to the art of crocheting as a child, but that all changed in middle school when she was able to mix her passion for theater in the show "Anne of Green Gables" with crocheting. She is now able to take creative liberty in her art and can't see herself stopping any time soon.



### **Myanmar Union Day – [CLICK HERE](#), [HERE](#) and [HERE](#) for the full stories**

Last month the Southside of Indianapolis celebrated eight major ethnic groups, along with subgroups of Myanmar. They did this by dancing, dressing in ethnic attire, enjoying cultured food and spending time with one another. Within these three links are photo galleries and reflections on the events from this February.



Issues four and five of The Journal were undeniably the most captivating issues yet. From stories about navigating drug addiction in family members to the Ohio train derailments impacting Indianapolis, there's something for everyone on [The Journal!](#)

# Check out some pictures from our Comedy for a Cause Charity Event:

[CLICK HERE](#) for a look at our past events gallery.



(view event sponsors on the next page)

Photos courtesy of *The Journal*





-- The Southport Alumni Association Thanks Our Sponsors --



**Laura Jones**  
*Notary/Loan Agent*



GIBBONS  
**EXTREME**  
INSULATION



# Southport High School

Alumni  
Association

Spring, 2023

## *Notice of Annual Meeting and Officer and Board Member Elections*



The Alumni Association's annual meeting will be April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 6:30 at PTEC in room 210. Officer and board member elections will be held at that time. The slate of candidates is listed below.

### Three year terms beginning July 1, 2023 as directors:

John Radomski  
David Ladd  
Jodie Matthews

### Remainder of term ending June 30<sup>th</sup> 2024

Austin Lundsford

### Three year terms beginning July 1, 2023 as officers:

Brent Bockelman – President  
Mike Zinser – Vice President  
Greg Schmalfeldt – Secretary  
Marsha Hanley - Secretary

\* All members welcome to attend



Looking for some SHS Alumni gear? Look no further. All proceeds from sales go to benefit SHSAA and current SHS students.



Southport High School  
Alumni Association

**\$24.99**



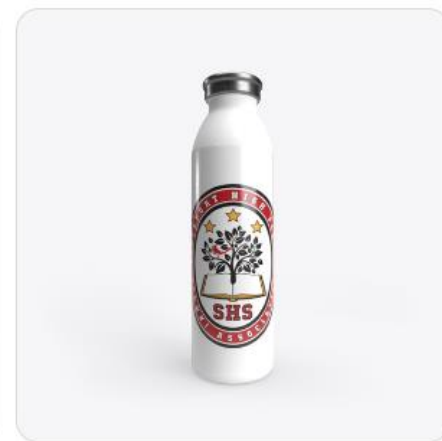
Southport High School  
Alumni Association

**\$14.99**



Southport High School  
Alumni Association

**\$14.99**



Southport High School  
Alumni Association

**\$25.99**



Southport High School  
Alumni Association

**\$15.99**



Southport High School  
Alumni Association

**\$31.99**



Southport High School  
Alumni Association

**\$35.99**



Southport High School  
Alumni Association

**\$23.99**

[CLICK HERE](#) to view our store