Southport High School Alumni Association

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A Message from Our President, Brent Bockelman

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Fellow Cardinals,

We've had a busy few months. Many classes hosted their reunions throughout the fall season. Here at the Alumni Association, we also hosted our annual Homecoming Tailgate and our Legends Luncheon where we honored this year's Alumnus of the Year, Chris Henry.

If you would like to nominate a fellow graduate for the school's Alumnus of the Year award, there is a link in this newsletter you can follow. The purpose of this award is to recognize SHS graduates who have demonstrated a high level of achievement in their fields of endeavor and/or who have made significant contributions through achievement, service, or leadership to the community.

We are also excited to turn our attention to some upcoming social events. SHSAA is partnering with the SHS Athletic Department to host an Alumni Night at a boys basketball game on Saturday, 2/1. We are also excited to start work on putting together our "50 Year Club," led by Jay Danner. You can find more details in this newsletter.

As we approach the spring season, we are gearing up for another successful year of awarding scholarships through our association. Be sure to check out our next newsletter with more updates regarding our impressive scholarship program and the many gracious donors who make it all possible.

Go Cards!

*-**Brent Bockelman** ('01)*

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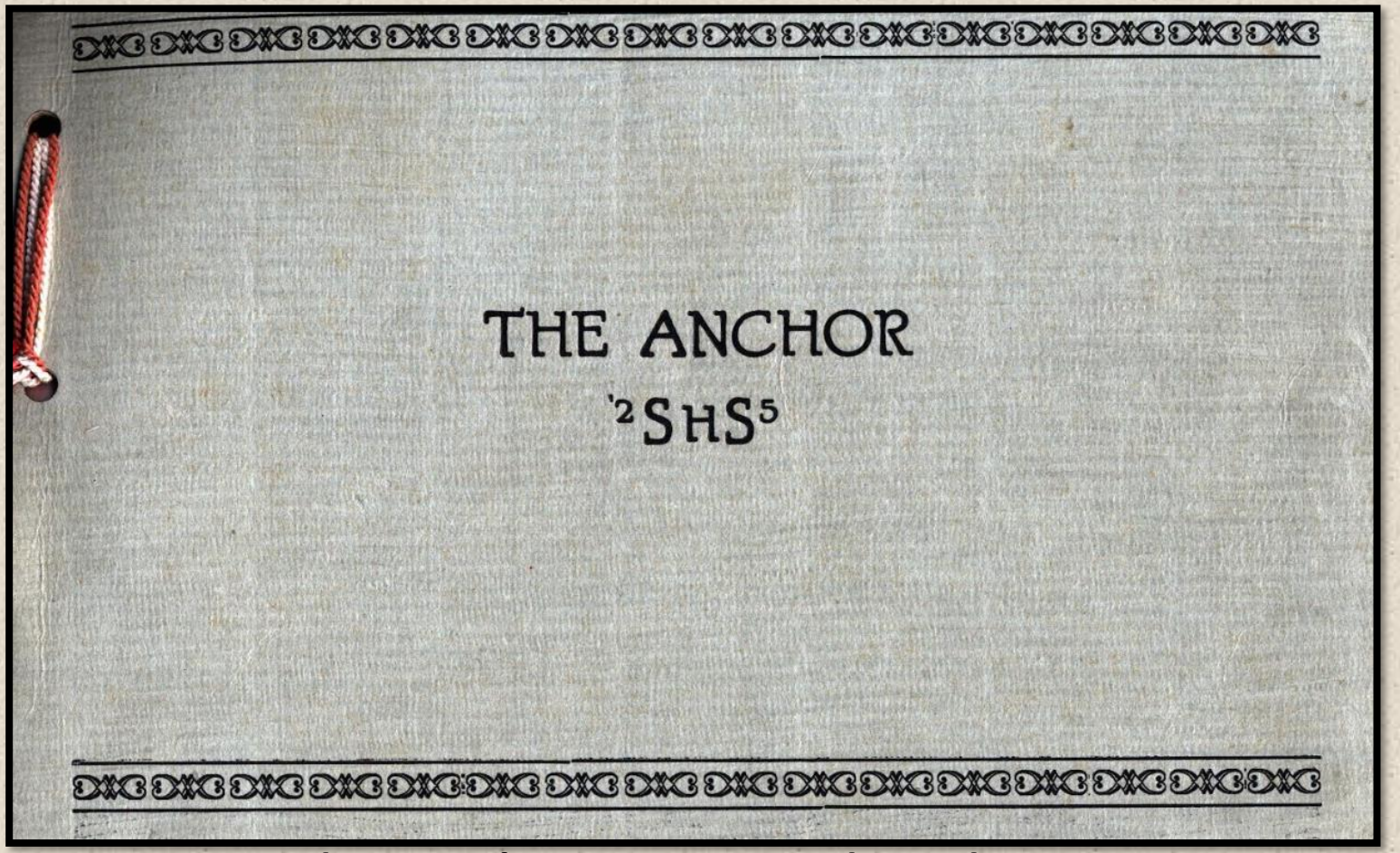
Our resident historian, David Ladd, has been searching the catacombs of SHS and found some interesting bits of history to share.

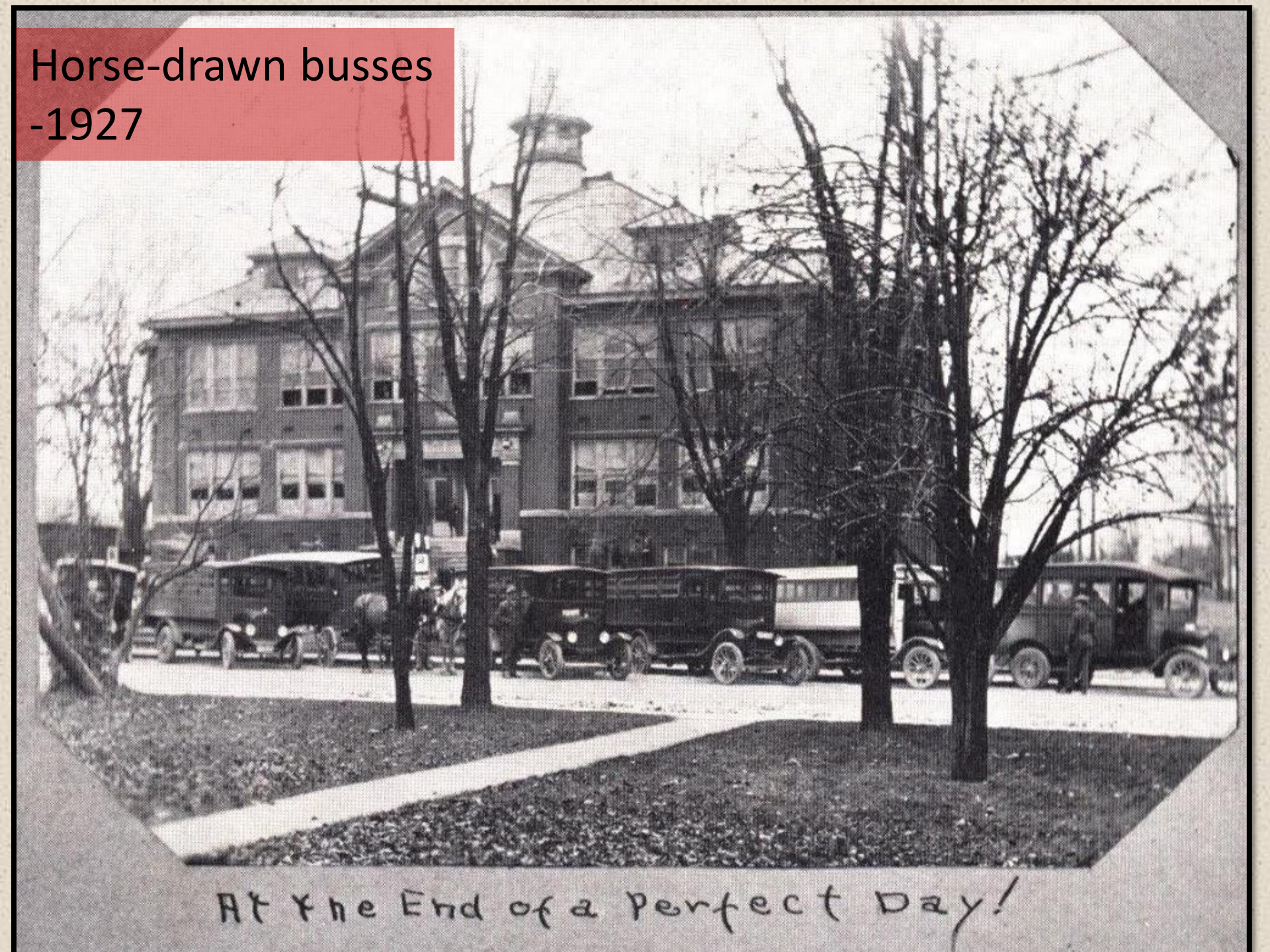


Southport's First Yearbook - 1925

1915 Boys Basketball Team

SHS Sweethearts, 1922

Horse-drawn busses -1927



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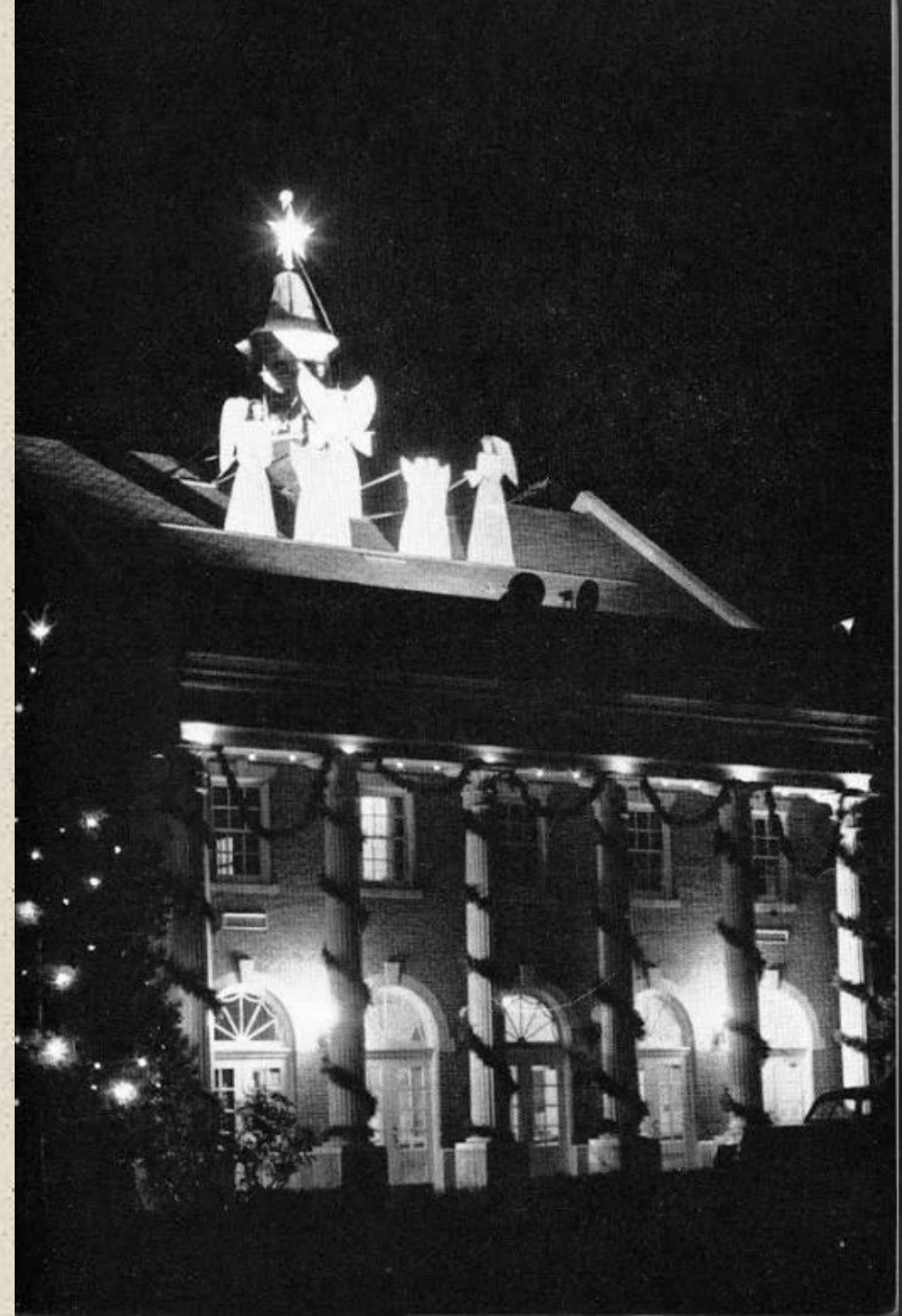

Check out some pictures from our Homecoming Social Events:

*** Alumnus of the Year Luncheon** *** Homecoming**

CLICK HERE for a look at our past events gallery.

2023 Graduate, and current MIT student, Enzo Zavaleta was featured in Perry Township's "We Grow Kids" spotlight. CLICK HERE to read more and CLICK HERE to view an interview with Enzo.

Recently, Perry Township Schools highlighted 2001 graduate, Lucas Quinlin. Luke is a veteran, police officer, coach and community mentor who gives back to the Southport community every day.

CLICK HERE to watch the video featuring ‘01 grad, Luke Quinlin

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2025 Southport High School Wall of Fame Alumnus of the Year Nomination Form

* NOMINATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY FRIDAY, MARCH7th, 2025.

CLICK HERE to submit a nomination for SHS Alumnus of the Year

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THE JOURNAL

Ava Campbell

Editor-In-Chief

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

Back to the Nest– CLICK HERE for the full story

A photo gallery of all the SHS homecoming activities, including the football game, parade, dance and powderpuff (a flag football competition between female students). During the football game, the homecoming king and queen were announced, and the marching band performed their show "Convergent."

Parting Ways – CLICK HERE for the full story

SHS Athletics announced on Monday, Nov. 18 that football head coach Alex Bettag was let go from his position. He spent four seasons as the head coach and recorded a 2-39 record, with the two wins coming from the 2023 season. The athletic department cannot disclose specifics on the reasons behind Bettag's departure.

Playing with Passion -- CLICK HERE for the full story

Senior Dylan Mix's love and passion for music led him to create a competitive jazz band made up of students. His parents were both professional musicians, and he was motivated by their work, alongside the work of musicians like Chet Baker and Wes Montgomery. The band competes statewide at a plethora of contests and jazz festivals, and the story includes a video of the band playing two songs: "Chameleon" and "All Blues."

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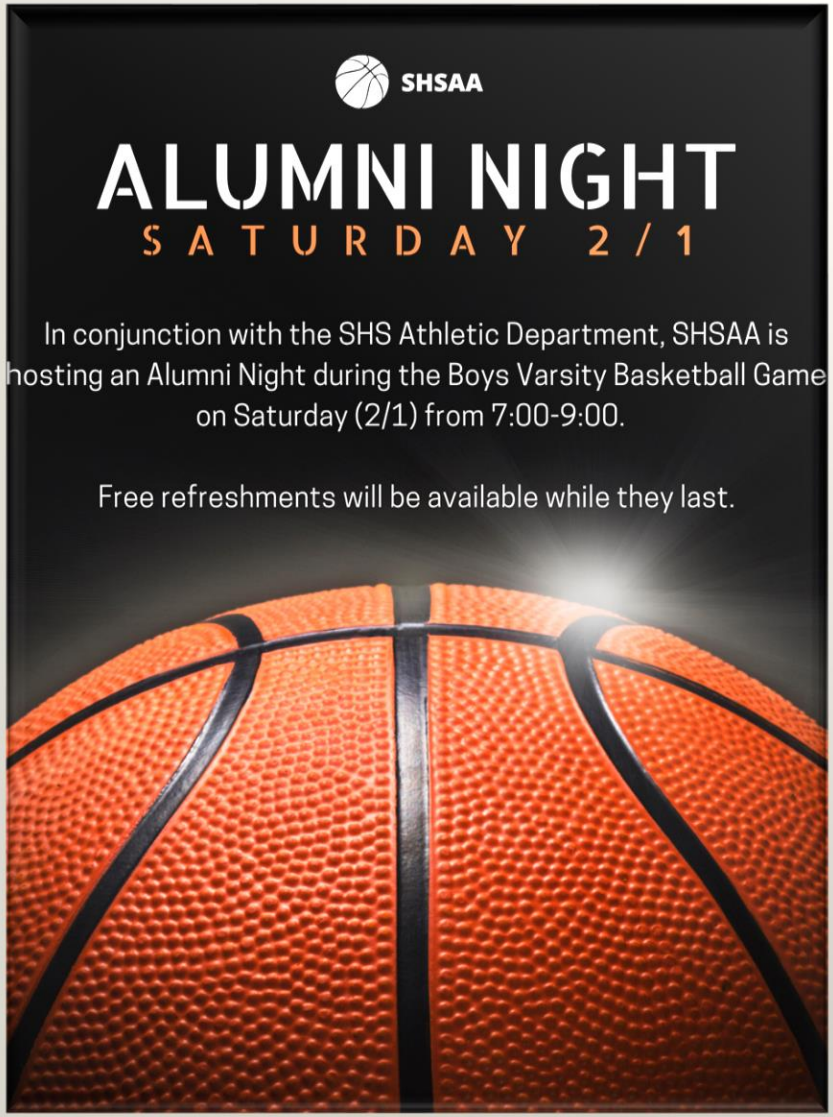

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SHS Volunteers Set Up New Sports Network

SHS is piloting a new sports network. The goal is to start small, streaming one game per week with no commentary. From there, staff hope to turn it into a school club and get students involved in the process.

If you are interested in getting involved, donating, etc. Please email **shssportsnetwork@gmail.com**

CHECK IT OUT HERE

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Cardinal Alumni 50 Year Club

Former SHSAA president, Jay Danner, is working to establish a Southport Alumni "50 Year Club." This club will include alumni who graduated 50 or more years ago. Each year, there will be an induction ceremony banquet where members of the club will welcome the latest class to join.

If you are interested in helping to get the club off the ground, please contact Jay Danner at:

317-432-6255 or jaysdanner@aol.com

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3rd Annual Shelby Cooper Scholarship Ride

Shelby Cooper Sunflower Scholarship Fund

The Shelby Cooper Memorial Scholarship team is hosting their third annual Charity Ride.

SAVE THE DATE!!

Saturday, APRIL 26th

(more details to come)

To donate, CLICK HERE and denote Shelby Cooper Memorial in the scholarship name form.

Santa Bob's Annual TOY DRIVE

Drop off a toy or stop in for dinner & some holiday cheer!

Thursday, Dec. 12th

(5-8 PM)

Gallagher's Pub & Eatery

3149 E. Thompson Rd., 46227

Questions:
Call Bob
317-560-1769

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

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