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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

On Saturday, January 20, the SCS Alumni Association held its annual meeting and elected its officers, each for a one-year term. Returning officers included Brian Rothenberg, '02, VP finance; Bryan Innes, '01, VP operations; Robin Goodrich, '84, VP communications; Dennis Porter, '66, VP strategic planning; Sean Fogarty, '93, treasurer; Anne Mott, '83, assistant treasurer; and Cathleen Barnhart '66, recording secretary.

New to the SCSAA board, Mary Jane Gelder Plummer, '58, was elected corresponding secretary, replacing Peggy Booth. And I was re-elected president for the 11th consecutive one-year term.

Directors re-elected, each for a three-year term, included Shane Armstrong, '98; Robin Goodrich, '84; Erica Granger Brazee, '00; Anne Mott, '83; Dennis Porter, '66; Teri Schunk, '84; and Ray Taylor, '55. Brian Rothenberg, who will serve as VP finance, was also elected for a two-year term.

Upon receiving a notice of resignation from Greg Davie, '76, chair of the Sports Hall of Fame Committee, due to health reasons, I appointed Larry Halbert, '76, as Greg's successor, and the board elected Larry to a one-year term on the board.

I welcomed Mary Jane and Larry to the board and devoted several minutes in recognition and praise of Greg Davie for his contribution as a director and his exemplary leadership of SHOF for more than 20 years.

All attending members revisited the report of Reunion 2023 and felt it was one of our strongest, particularly in terms of the spirit of attending alumni and the now 'traditional' March of the Classes down Main Street.

The association has undergone significant change in the past year. Due to the Pearl Street School being renovated and designated for expanded future use, SCSAA was asked to leave our office and move out all our equipment. We moved all the equipment to ACCO Brands, which graciously accepted us this past July but, a few weeks ago, asked us to leave. We had been investigating office space downtown on the second floor of Howard Hanna, but the immediate demand to vacate ACCO caused us to

relocate to the hospital for the time being.

We will be happy to hear from alumni about whether we should maintain a public office and where it should be.

This past year we were caught up in the indigenous movement and had to remove all 'Warrior' items, as the state demanded schools give up indigenous mascots. This coincided with our need to move out of Pearl Street.

To fulfill our continuing mission 'to serve alumni, school and community,' we have, after two years of discussion, unanimously agreed and voted to raise SCSAA annual membership dues from \$15 to \$20.

The Sidney Alumni have a unique and unmatched profile when compared to other public school alumni groups. We are the only one to host a three-day weekend reunion; give academic and athletic scholarships and sponsor career day and student attendance at conferences; and invite students to participate with our board as leadership fellows.

Looking to the future, SCSAA is strong and spirited and healthy, charging ahead and maintaining all its programs of scholarships, reunion, SHOF, WOF, sponsorship of SSADD students and our school and community involvement. We voted to be a sponsor of the Southern Tier Music Festival and will be in discussion with Amphenol as they plan their July 2025 100th anniversary in the hopes of a great collaboration.

R Douglas Sheldon, President

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ALUMNI WEEKEND SCHEDULE

Friday, July 19:

7:30a.m.-5:30p.m.: Golf tournament at the Sidney Golf & Country Club (\$260/team)

6p.m.-8p.m.: Wall of Fame special reception at Club 55 (invite only)

8p.m. - midnight: Friday night social at the Legion (\$5/person cover; band TBD)

Saturday, July 20:

9a.m.-11a.m.: Pancake breakfast at the Sidney Community Cultural & Event Center (\$10/person)

9:30a.m.-10:30a.m.: Field hockey game at Sidney Alumni Field

11:15a.m.-12:30p.m.: Parade lineup and March of Classes on Main Street, Sidney

1p.m.-4p.m.: Corn hole tournament at Awestruck Ciders (\$25/team)

1p.m.-4p.m.: Pitch tournament at Sidney Community Cultural & Event Center (\$20/team)

8p.m.-midnight: Saturday night social at the Sidney VFW (\$2/person cover, DJ)

Sunday, July 21:

10a.m.-10:45a.m.: Memorial service at Veterans Memorial Park (rain-out at CH Landers)

11a.m.-2p.m.: Wall of Fame luncheon and program, luncheon from 11 to noon, followed by Wall of Fame awards ceremony at Club 55 (\$10/person); doors open at 10:45.

Registrations for any event (aside from the evening socials) can be sent to the address below. Early registration is strongly encouraged for the Sunday WOF ceremony.

SCSAA

PO Box 2186

Sidney, NY 13838

Make checks payable to: SCSAA

Sincerely,

Bryan Innes

SAVE THE DATE!

**ALL ALUMNI
WEEKEND**

**JULY 19-21
2024**

2024 WALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

Kathryn M. Lavriha '74

Governmental Affairs and Management



Kathryn M. Lavriha, Class of 1974, became interested in politics in Sidney in sixth grade at Pearl Street School, when she was the moderator at a mock convention. She loved speaking in public, presenting arguments and engaging with people. She served in leadership positions on Student Council for many years. In eighth grade, her first political campaign involved identifying the need to have a public telephone installed in the junior high. She circulated a petition and did morning announcements over the loudspeaker. Girl Scouts taught her the importance of community service, helping others, self-confidence and leadership.

Her hero was Abraham Lincoln. Because a little-known country boy could be president, she became confident that a young girl from smalltown Sidney could move to Washington, DC and make an impact and better people's lives.

Kathryn graduated cum laude from SUNY Geneseo, where she was selected to study in the Washington Semester Program. She gained experience working with policymakers and learning about the legislative process. She was recruited to work on the Carter presidential campaign and worked as an intern with the Consumer Federation of America. She loved walking the halls of Congress, talking with people who were making critical policy decisions and providing them with information to help shape their thinking. While working full time at CFA, Kathryn earned her master's of public administration, with honors, from George Washington University.

In West Virginia in 1977, Kathryn executed a campaign to "Send a nickel to Washington to fund a Cabinet level Consumer Protection Agency." It was a huge success, and President Jimmy Carter created an Office of Consumer Affairs.

Kathryn worked for the National League of Women Voters, created and directed a state government affairs department for the National Association of Chain Drug Stores and created and built a state government relations team at the International Association of Mass Retailers to lobby on issues impacting global retail chains, including Walmart, Home Depot and Target.

Kathryn attended inaugural celebrations for four presidents: Jimmy Carter, Bill Clinton, George Bush and Barack Obama.

Volunteer activities included working with students in Washington, AIDS babies, Wounded Warrior veterans, and serving on the Rare Disease Advisory Council. She participated in the Harvard Management Emerging Leaders program.

Kathryn enjoyed more than 25 years of senior management of state and federal government affairs, lobbying and regional advocacy.

We are proud to recognize Kathryn Lavriha as a Wall of Fame honoree.

Ron Belknap '74

Engineering and Business Development



Ronald Belknap, Class of 1974, grew up on a farm in Masonville and found joy in building things. His high school guidance counselor, Mr. Rowlands, encouraged Ron to earn a four-year engineering degree rather than attend a two-year college. After graduating from Sidney Central School, Ron earned a mechanical engineering degree from Clarkson University and went on to earn his master's in manufacturing.

In 1994, at the peak of additive manufacturing (also known as 3D printing), Ron co-founded a company called ProtoCAM. ProtoCAM is a one-stop-shop helping customers from the beginning through to manufacturing. They make parts and prototypes for nearly every industry, including Fortune 500 companies across the United States.

Ron's achievements include a scale-model prototype of the new World Trade Center for the architect, a model of a stage for country music singer Reba McEntire to better understand the stage layout

for her performance in Hawaii and sending a scale model of an art museum to Italy designed by a New York City architect. They made a nozzle for the air intake on a diesel tractor that improves performance in ways never before attainable. They worked with Lehigh University's Small Business Development Center and helped develop their business plan. Belknap produced several prototypes for the ABC show, Shark Tank. The biggest area for ProtoCAM was the medical industry. They made small instruments and tools as well as wax patterns for knee implants. In March 2020, ProtoCAM worked with Filament Innovations to produce 3D-printed masks and face shields to prevent the spread of COVID-19. ProtoCAM was the largest 3D printing company on the East Coast.

Ron faced a big challenge in March 2013, when the company lost everything in a fire at its North Hampton location. Within six months, the company relocated to Allentown after the insurance company informed him that 75% of businesses do not reopen after a fire. The fire forced ProtoCAM to leave the building they had outgrown and move into a building that supported their growth plan.

Ron has served his community as an elder and president on the Jacob's Church board. After the Pastor of 30 years retired, Paster Stanley Newton said, "Ron led the church through the transition." Ron's duties included budgetary management, hiring personnel, supervision of grounds and maintenance and "providing wise counsel in delicate, private situations."

In 2010, Belknap earned a Distinguished INnovator Operators Award, one of the Additive Manufacturing Users Group's most prestigious honors. Each year the award goes to no more than 10 deserving individuals and has been awarded to only 186 individuals over its long history. In 2014, ProtoCAM was named Lehigh Valley Business' Business of the Year finalist. They host an annual National Manufacturing Day for teachers, classes and business professionals and work with 26 middle schools. ProtoCAM 3D printed the logos of all 32 National Football League teams for the annual Ed Block Courage Awards gala. As a booster parent, Ron helped lead a school stadium initiative plan to purchase and install stadium lights and a community-wide volunteer bleacher acquisition.

Ron and Bonnie (Caden) Belknap, Class of '74, have two children, Jennifer and Jeremy. Jeremy joined the company in 2013. Ron sold the company and retired in 2023.

We are proud to recognize Ron Belknap as a Wall of Fame honoree.

Teresa D'Imperio Schunk '84

Community Leadership and Volunteerism



Teri D'Imperio Schunk, Class of 1984, has been described as a remarkable woman and a passionate believer in Sidney. A colleague spoke of her "overwhelming energy and enthusiasm that is contagious." She was nicknamed "Miss Sidney."

After graduation from Sidney High School, Teri sprung into action to help her hometown in myriad ways. Her parents, Kate and Don D'Imperio, with their large family, had set the stage as successful businesspeople on Main Street. When her parents bought the Sidney Cab Company, Teri eventually took it over and provided Sidney with a much-needed service. Teri later entered the insurance business, where she climbed the ranks to serve as vice president of NBT Insurance, where she succeeded as the top sales producer for 15 years.

Teri's community involvement went into full force, with some people wondering how she found time for her job. She began as president of the PTO and fundraised for youth football. She has been the president of the Sidney Chamber of Commerce since 2019, spearheading numerous activities, including the annual Holly Jolly Parade and tree-lighting event and Sidney Hometown Days. She served as a director of the Sidney EMS and United Way. Her many quality accomplishments earned her the highly respected Sidney Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Years Award in 2022.

Teri's devotion to promoting the Tri-Town area is evidenced through her founding of the nonprofit group "4 Towns Forward," which brings together local communities to work for the betterment of the entire area. In July 2023, Teri was the dynamic force behind organizing and holding the inaugural Southern Tier Music Festival at the Sidney Municipal Airport, bringing nationally known country western musicians and drawing a crowd of 2,000 people to the event. The proceeds from this annual event are distributed to chambers of commerce in the local area. Also, when the long-time Congregational Church closed its Sidney doors, Teri worked tirelessly to acquire the building and form a Community Cultural Center to preserve the historic site and encourage and support the arts in our small town.

Intertwined with this commitment to her hometown is Teri's devotion to her alma mater. Teri serves on the board of the Sidney Alumni Association and was a major entity in establishing the annual Career Day at the high school. Students in grades seven to 12 have the opportunity to speak with and learn from alumni about a wide range of career opportunities. In this way, Sidney students are given the chance to see that anything is possible. Teri is a fine example of just that.

We are proud to recognize Teri D'Imperio Schunk as a Wall of Fame honoree.

Mariah Kathryn Fisher, MD FACS '98

Healthcare and Veterans Services



Dr. Mariah Fisher, Class of 1998, earned scholarships for her highest averages in mathematics and science. In high school, she played soccer, threw the shot-put and discus in track and played tennis, going to states in her senior year. She played flute and piccolo in concert, jazz and marching bands. She has dedicated most of her adult life to serving military veterans as a surgeon.

Dr. Fisher underwent open-heart surgery at just four years old. By 11, she found love in playing piano and flute. She was considering becoming a rock-star, when her dad suggested becoming a neurosurgeon instead. That's what she did! In 11th grade chemistry, she was the best lab partner you could imagine.

Dr. Fisher attended Brandeis University, studying neuroscience and biology. She then held a job doing research in developmental neurobiology at the University of Vermont before going on to medical school at SUNY Upstate Medical University. Despite the intense dedication required, she found time to vol-

unteer. Upon graduation from medical school, she took a general surgery residency. Dr. Fisher then joined the bariatric and minimally invasive surgical group at Upstate, while also covering general and trauma surgeries on call at SUNY Upstate. After two years, she also began working at the Syracuse VA.

Dr. Fisher's career blossomed as she simultaneously worked at three hospitals: SUNY Upstate, Syracuse VA and Community General Hospital. She was also teaching medical students as the assistant clerkship director and director of the surgery acting internship program.

In August 2016, Dr. Fisher moved from the East Coast to West Coast, becoming a full-time staff surgeon at the Spokane VA in Washington. Four months later, Dr. Fisher became chief of surgery and stayed in that position for nearly six and a half years, including through the COVID-19 pandemic. In June 2023, Dr. Fisher transitioned back to doing only clinical work as a part-time surgeon at the Spokane VA.

Dr. Fisher has spent the last two decades serving veterans, a very vulnerable population. She has selflessly sacrificed, making a difference in the health and lives of so many servicemen and women.

Dr. Fisher has traveled to all 50 states with her husband, Jim. She plays the flute in community band (she played at Mr. Norris's retirement concert and previously at Sidney High School graduation). And she recently wrote a novel in her free time.

Dr. Fisher has an analytic side and a creative side. She's constantly giving back to others in all she does, as her humanity always shines through.

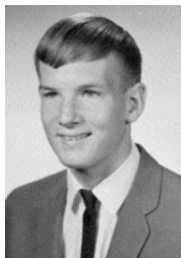
We are proud to recognize Mariah Kathryn Fisher as a Wall of Fame honoree.

Sports Hall of Fame to Celebrate 21st Induction

The Sidney Alumni Sports Hall of Fame 2024 class has been confirmed. The weekend will include returning traditions, such as the Friday evening halftime introduction of inductees at Alumni Field, followed by an all-alumni Sports Hall of Fame post-game social at the VFW. Saturday will be Induction Day at the Sidney Elks Lodge, 104 River St., Sidney, with a new start time of 4p.m. Unfortunately, we will not know the exact date until late March or early April. Typically, the Sports Hall of Fame weekend happens in late September or early October; we will publish the date once we have it.

Meet the Class of 2024 inductees. Full bios to be published later.

Gary Cole (1969)



Gary participated in baseball and basketball and ran cross-country on back-to-back sectional championship teams (1967-'68). He was head basketball coach at Indiana Tech before taking the helm at SUNY-Delhi in 1980. He also coached cross-country, golf, and track-and-field teams. His hoop teams were 242-159. As athletic director, Gary brought the prestigious National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Division III Men's Basketball Tournament to Delhi and served as the tournament director for its first 16 years. He was named National Coach of the Year in 1992 and was inducted into the Delhi Athletic Hall of Fame in 2016.

Rob Cole (1971)



Rob's been involved in wrestling his entire life, beginning with four years on the Sidney varsity team. He also ran cross-country, played one year of football and baseball for three seasons. In Robbie's sophomore year, he made it to the New York Wrestling State finals. At Campbell University (1971-'75), Rob excelled in soccer for three seasons, starting at halfback and helping the Camels win the 1974 district title. Four years on the mat resulted in a 108-8 record; plus, he qualified for the NAIA tournament all four times. In 1990, Rob was inducted into the Campbell University Sports Hall of Fame.

Tom Graham (1998)



Tom was an impact player in soccer over three varsity seasons. In addition to two First Team All-League honors, he established school records for assists in a game (four), season (17) and career (39). Tom played singles tennis for two seasons (second team all-star) and compiled many victories over two years in outdoor track and three indoors. He established school marks in the 300-meter and 4x400 relay and qualified for the NYS 400 hurdles as a junior. He was named a 1998 Ralph Pyle Award winner on his way to a track career at Villanova.

Angela Mirabito Johnson (2003)



In tennis, Angela was a two-time Section IV Class C-D doubles champ (with Kristen Aiken) and three-time C-D singles champ. She was unbeaten in her league matches, sophomore through senior years. In basketball, Angie was a three-time league all-star and the first (and still only) female to score 1,000 points by her junior season. She led Sidney to the 2002 NYS finals during a record 26-1 campaign. She earned All-Metro honors twice, along with first team (2002) and second team (2003) All-NYS status. Angela was also named WCDO Female Athlete of the Year and earned Gatorade's "Will to Win" award.

Kim Young (2009)



Kim graduated early yet totaled nine combined seasons of varsity indoor (five) and outdoor (four) track. She was part of the school record shuttle hurdles unit. During a stellar three years of varsity field hockey, Kim was an All-NYS choice in 2008 and, in Section IV, was tabbed with second team ('06) and first team ('07 and '08) honors. She was chosen for the Quinney, Reynolds and Redmond awards before setting off to U-Mass Amherst. Her team was a two-time league champ, while Kim twice earned All-A10 conference and national All-Academic team honors. Kim played professional field hockey internationally and still plays and coaches. She lives in Australia, where she trains as a top-notch athlete.

Legacy Team: 1991-'92 Girls Basketball



A highly accomplished team, these exciting young ladies created a lot of enthusiasm in arguably the toughest Class C conference in New York State. On their way to a berth in the NYS Final Four, the Lady Warriors compiled a 24-3 record and brought home many team honors, including Sidney Tip-Off Tournament champions, A.B. Doyle Tournament champions, Sus West and overall Sus champs, Section IV Class C champions and Region III Class C champions. With tremendous community support, the team motto was "We try harder" under Coach Karen Clark.

Class Notes

1962: Dave Johnson just celebrated his 80th birthday! He sure keeps busy with morning chores and now is boiling sap.

1964: Tom Rettberg is fully retired and looking forward to traveling more. His bucket list includes traveling to all 50 states. He's been to 48, with just New Mexico and Alaska to go. He's looking forward to the 60th Class of 1964 reunion this July. He hopes to see all classmates there. He blinked and 60 years flew by!

1965: Linn Jerauld Collins is living in the Boston area. She's learning a second language – sign language (ASL). She has a deaf great nephew whom she helps to take care of, so that is a wonderful new adventure for her. We are never too old to learn new things! Life is good and she's looking forward to Alumni Week-end.

1966: Bill and Lee Ellen Coy Palmer recently traveled from Barcelona to Iceland, with a stop in Valencia, where they toured the Lladro facility. They also visited Malaga, Lisbon, Porto, La Varuna, Dublin, Wales and Reykjavik.

1966: Charlotte Johnson Axtell sold her home on Chamber-

lain Hill that she and John built and lived in for 46 years. She moved in to a senior community near West Oneonta. She loves it! She has many friends and her quilt guild (she's now co-president) meets there. Char loves sewing quilts, runners, etc. and selling at craft shows. Lots of work, but very rewarding. She meets weekly with fellow Sidney teacher retirees. Her son, Mike, is a professor of biology at Penn State and Steve coaches men's soccer coach at SUNY Cortland and Rush soccer in Syracuse. All that keeps Grandma busy with five grandchildren. Life is good!

1966: Muriel DeFilippo Johnson became a widow two years ago, following 54 years of marriage. She is very lucky to have her two daughters living close enough to invite her on their mini trips. She has a beautiful little kitty, so her trips are short. They love overnights to Cooperstown, Saratoga Springs and New York City. She always loves classmate get-togethers in Sidney!

1966: Greg and Barbi Wyss traveled from Houston to Charleston to visit classmates Dave Esto and Cheryl. Dave and Cheryl: Hope to see you in Sidney for our 60th!

1970: Debi Tompkins-Cornett moved back to Sidney in 2008 when she retired as a dental hygienist. She and Gary live in the house where she grew up. She was the president of Prospect Hill Cemetery for eight yrs. She now enjoys gardening, knitting, crocheting, sewing, beading and Bible study. She loves living in Sidney!



Above left: Camp Street Colts Legends and Class of 1966 Classmates Dave Esto and Greg Wyss are seen reuniting in Charleston, South Carolina earlier this year.

Above right: 'Charlotte's Creations' by Charlotte Axtell.

How the Class of '68 Keeps in Touch

**Please send more Class Notes – birthdays,
family, hobbies, travel, classmates. Every-
body loves to read them!**

- Email notes to chris.ossont23@gmail.com.

Good Hoops, Good Times Mark Alumni Basketball 32

It was a time for celebration as alumni spanning 50 years gathered for a fun doubleheader of basketball Dec. 23.

Thirty-six players suited up in maroon or white jerseys to raise money for the \$500 Sidney Alumni Basketball Association scholarship. It's been the same incentive since 1976 grad Greg Davie began SABA in 1992.

This year's event was extra special. First, the oldest player, John Elwood, '74, provided a \$500 check covering the entire scholarship. Next, the young guns game was dedicated to the memory of Darrin Martindale, '07. Finally, a surprise in the form of a plaque was presented to Greg Davie for his conception and administration of the SABA for 32 years.

The opening co-ed game proved fun for the ladies as well as those men 35 and older. After some spirited back-and-forth, the white team's girls made a significant difference, as Mackenzie Gravelin, '17, and Jenna McDonald, '16, combined for 19 points en route to a 57-44 decision over the maroon team.

Members of the 1998 NYS Champions led the Maroons: Neal Miley, '98, scored 14, while the '99 duo of Ryan Erbe and Taylor Baker chipped in with 14 and 11 points. For the Whites, '06 teammates Aaron Zurn (MVP /15 points) and Kyle Morenus (11) led the way, along with Lady Sabers MVP Jenna McDonald (10).

Before the young guns game, a replica No. 11 jersey was presented to the Martindale family. Thanks to Mike Brazee, '76, and Tim Shupperd, '04, for making that happen, in addition to members of the 2006-'07 NYS Champions for sharing in the dedication in Darrin's memory.

The match-ups for the nightcap were even. Especially when you consider an overtime session was needed to secure the win for Team Brazee after they trailed Team (Bob) Finnegan most of the game.

Team Finnegan raced to a 37-30 halftime lead, behind the inside power of Devon Chabot, '19, who scored 14 of his game-high 20 points – including two power dunks – in the first half.

Following an evenly played third quarter, Team Brazee utilized its long-range shooting to embark on a comeback mission. In setting an alumni game record 18 3-pointers, they drained six bombs in the fourth quarter, tying the score at 77 at the end of regulation.

Aaron Zurn, en route to his second MVP of the

night, hit the game-tying and game-winning treys to clinch the 80-77 victory.

Team Finnegan was paced by Chabot's 20 points, while Ethan Finch, '18, added 13. For Team Brazee, Zurn topped the chart with 15 points, followed by Jon Palmatier, '20, with 11.

A special "Milt Award," honoring Darrin Martindale, was provided by Sean LaRose, '94. That award went to Tanner Westcott, '11.

Once again, tremendous gratitude is extended to all players, several of whom played in both games. Our appreciation to students Ava and Gabe Cirigliano, who served as celebrity referees. Thanks as well to Shupperd's Print Shop for the jerseys and awards and Brynn Davie Havens, '13, and her husband David (and newborn twins Rylee & Hudson) for running the scorers' table duties.

A final nod to founder Greg Davie for his organizational efforts since 1992. There is interest from alumni to keep the tradition (and scholarship) going, so look for more information in upcoming Reflections.



Greg Davie with first game MVPs, Aaron Zurn, '06, and Jenna McDonald, '16.



Greg Davie with Aaron Zurn, '06, MVP of the Young Guns game.

Front, from left: George Sheley, '12; Aaron Zurn, '06; Brandon Bessett, '15; Ben Miller, '23; Mike Gravelin, '19; and Kyle McMillan, '15; back: Kyle Morenus, '06; Matt Hoskins, '19; Dawson Backus, '17; Coach Mike Brazee, '76; Levi Green, '19; Jon Palmatier, '20; Tanner Westcott, '11; and Greg Davie, '76.



Front, from left: Ethan Finch, '18; Hunter Sowersby, '13; Chris Kenny, '19; Glenn Rogers, '20; Anthony Morris, '21, Justin Poss, '06; back row: Coach Bob Finnegan; Mike Hamilton, '81; Devon Chabot, '19; Kody Westcott, '08; Parker Umbra, '07; Andy Foote, '07; Damian Zimmer, '13; and Greg Davie, '76.



Clowckwise: Front, from left: John Elwood, '74; Ryan Erbe, '99; Melissa Holowacz Rowe, '98; Justin Poss, '06; back row: Greg Davie, '76; Craig Dawson, '98; Taylor Baker, '99; Neal Miley, '98; and Carolee Pierce, '17.

Family and teammates of Darrin Martindale gather around his replica No. 11 jersey from the 2007 NYS Championship season.

All players in the 2023 Sidney Alumni Basketball Night, the 32nd and final one under founder Greg Davie.

Greg Davie, '76; Mackenzie Gravelin, '17; Mike Bra-zee, '76; Jenna McDonald, '16; Bryan Birdsall, '95; Ted Boice, '92; Aaron Zurn, '06; Mike Hamilton, '81; and Kyle Morenus, '06.



In Memoriam

Class of 1947, Phyllis Hyatt Ostrander (d. 1/4/2024)
Class of 1950, Sally Gerig Campbell MacLachlan (d. 2/12/2020)
Class of 1951, Benjamin G. DeMott (d. 11/30/23)
Class of 1959, Dorlyn Kelly Burgin (d. 2/16/2024)
Class of 1959, Virginia Frewert Ireland
Class of 1959, Sandra Hendee Burden (d. 2/25/24)
Class of 1961, Carolyn Laraway Gelo (d. 1/5/2024)
Class of 1961, Earnest Cawley
Class of 1964, Kip Scholl (d. 10/26/2023)
Class of 1964, Pauline Blackman DeForest (d. 2/19/2024)
Class of 1965, Carole Conrow Beach (d. 2/10/2024)
Class of 1965, Jeff Dixon
Class of 1965, Terry Martin (d. 9/17/2022)
Class of 1967, Mary L. Shaver (d. 12/22/2023)

Class of 1966, Dianne Miller Robillard (d. 1/19/2024)
Class of 1966, Joan Wright Light (d. 2/27/24)
Class of 1968, Albert John (Joseph) Dewey Jr. (d. 12/11/2023)
Class of 1968, Rick Cole (d. 2/25/2024)
Class of 1971, Gail Goulette Delaney (d. 1/12/2022)
Class of 1972, Richard McLaughlin
Class of 1973, Kevin Gregory
Class of 1975, Steven J. Dombrowski (d. 1/12/2024)
Class of 1982, William Beismer
Class of 1982, Nancy Alger Peck
Class of 1987, Darren VanGorder (d. 11/26/2023)
Class of 2007, Darrin Martindale (d. 10/15/2023)
Carol Gibson Lewis, faculty
Lola Van Woert, faculty

Please inform us when a Sidney alum passes away, so that we can update our info and include their name in this section. Send the information to info@landersfh.com, with 'Sidney Alumni Death Notification' in the subject line.

Class Rep Corner

Hello, Class Reps!

Now's the perfect time to get ideas together for Alumni Weekend.

1. "Save the Date" with your classmates so that they begin making plans to get together in Sidney on July 19, 20 and 21.
2. Remind classmates to update their contact info on sidneyalumni.org. Go to 'Alumni Directory,' then 'Classmates.' Click and you'll see the roster of class years. Check out names of classmates who have paid dues. If unpaid classmates update their contact info and pay dues, they will receive the next Reflections.
3. Alumni Weekend has so many exciting activities that are already planned and set up for you. Invite your classmates to enjoy everything.
4. Always consider sending classmate news and photos to me for Reflections. Alumni love to read about their friends.

If you decide to find a replacement for yourself, please let us know so that we can update our Class Rep list.

Thank you for all that you do to connect and inform your classmates.

Suggestions, ideas and questions are always welcome. We're here to help you!

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Any corrections or changes to the class rep list, including new class reps, should be sent to scsaa@sidneyalumni.org.

Got NEWS?

Where do you travel?

What is your job?

Do you have a great hobby?

Please send class or personal news to
chris.ossont23@gmail.com.

Readers love to see alumni pictures of class-
mate get-togethers!

Got DUES?

We appreciate your dues. Please check your membership status and update your dues to show support. Check the website, sidneyalumni.org, and find "Membership" for the "Paid Members List." We need more proud SCSAA members!

Greetings Sidney Alumni,

It's time to start thinking of the annual golf tournament, to be held at the Sidney Golf & County Club, Friday, July 19. Please forward your registration form (find on the next page), along with the entry fee for your team, to me ASAP. "Early" registration is restricted to teams with ALL PLAYERS who are paid members of the Sidney Alumni Association. After March 18, registration is open to everyone. Thanks...looking forward to seeing everyone in July.

Best regards,

Jim Innes

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2024 Sidney Central School Alumni Golf Tournament Registration Form



The SCS Alumni Association invites you to attend its annual Alumni Golf Tournament,
*****Proceeds benefit the Alumni Association Scholarship Fund*****

Date: Friday, July 19th, 2024 **Time:** Morning Shotgun (7:30am) – Afternoon Shotgun (1:00pm);
Awards to follow
Place: Sidney Golf and Country Club
Format: Captain and Crew (scramble)
Fees: \$65 per player
Includes: Greens fees, golf cart, lunch and prizes
Contests: Skins Game, Closest to the Pin, Longest Drive, and putting contest to take place at practice green during play. *** (See below for details)
Prizes: Fabulous door prizes will be awarded

**** Please note, similar to last year's format, we will be offering one meal / lunch to be served prior to the afternoon flight teeing off / after the morning flight. ****

REGISTRATION

Registrations are limited to the first 32 teams of 4. To be considered registered you **MUST** send this completed form to the address below with **FULL** payment amount for entire team. **ALL TEAM MEMBERS MUST BE CURRENT PAID MEMBERS OF THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR EARLY REGISTRATION.** Non-paid members will be considered after the initial two week period. Without this you will not be considered registered and a spot will not be reserved for you. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

| Players: | Class Year: | # of Golf Carts Needed: |
|---------------------|-------------|---|
| Team Captain: _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Teammate: _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Teammate: _____ | _____ | (Only put 0 or 1 if you are using your own cart(s)) |
| Teammate: _____ | _____ | _____ |

Team Captain Contact Information:

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Shotgun Preference (Check One):

(First Come First Served Basis)

Morning

(7:30am)

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Afternoon

(1:00pm)

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PAYMENT

_____ players x \$65 = \$ _____

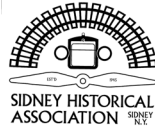
TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED = \$ _____

Please make checks payable
to: SCS Alumni Association

Please mail registration
form and payment to:
****NEW ADDRESS****

Jim Innes
220 Fox St, Apt F 32
Sidney, NY 13838

*** A putting contest will take place at the practice green by the first tee box during play. When teams make the turn they will have the chance to participate. Object is to make the putt – for \$5 you will get 3 attempts. All persons who make the putt will be entered into a drawing at the banquet. The name drawn will win a brand new putter! (Make/model TBD).



Sidney Historical Association
44 Grand St., Sidney
Founded 1945

When the new year begins, we often reflect on our accomplishments. Some of SHA's 2023 highlights included:

We purchased a new computer system with state-of-the-art capabilities to record videos and burn DVDs. This new computer will allow us to improve existing Sidney Historical sites and improve our historic recordings/documents. This was possible thanks to grants from Sidney United Way, Tianaderrah Foundation and donating members.

We continue working on a new website that will hopefully include more than 2,000 Charles Phelps postcards. The SHA site will include membership info, upcoming programs, a photo gallery, videos of our programs – including a Les Gregory 100th birthday interview – and more. We will feature an online digital museum. Visit sidneylibrary.org and scroll down and click on “Local History & Research,” then scroll to the rectangular box labeled “Local Newspapers of the Sidney Area.” From there, you can search by key word, date, title, etc.

Membership: Continued to increase in 2023.

Programs Held in 2023:

- History conference, including seven local associations
- Local boxing history program by Pat McElligott
- NY State's Covered Bridges
- Troop “C” program by Louis Palombo.

These were all very well attended thanks to advertising in various print and social media sources.

Upcoming Programs:

Railroads: The evolution of Sidney railroads, including a timeline on the progress, population growth and prosperity in the village of Sidney. Presented by Steve Arrandale and Jim Gale at 11 a.m. on Saturday, March 9.

Civil War: Jonathan “Jed” LaBounty will present at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 13.

Patriot burials sign dedication, presented by Dale and Tina Utter. Program to include Sons of the American Revolution and the Sidney American Legion. 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 18.



Smalley's Theatre photo (left) donated by Rachael Cooley

Smalley's Theatre had 880 seats, which included a balcony. It opened in 1922, with sound equipment installed in 1929. Performances included silent movies accompanied by live music, vaudeville acts and talkies. Personal appearances by Roy Rogers, Tom Mix and Gene Autry to promote their westerns at Saturday matinees drew sometimes 3,000 people. In 1957, Smalley's was sold, but the building remained a theater until 1997. Dave Richards' dad took over management of the theatre in 1960, after rotating between the Palace Theater in Oneonta and the theater here in Sidney. Both were owned by Mr. DeGraw in the mid '60s, until he sold and returned to Baltimore on the late '70s.

Class Announcements

The Class of 2004 will celebrate its 20th reunion at Muddy River Brewery on Saturday, July 20. Time TBA. Contact Travis White at twhite@sidneycsd.org or 607-267-6774 to RSVP.

Class of 1964 60th Reunion: Our class dinner will be held on Saturday evening, July 20 at Club 55, 55 Union St. A social hour will begin at 5p.m. and dinner at 5:30. Menu and pricing will be announced via private correspondence in the spring. Any questions, Pat DuMond at pattyd462003@yahoo.com.



Classmates of 1974: In November 2023, Mary (McElligott) Miley, Maggie Ostrander, Mary (Shupperd) Savage, Cheryl (Walker) Sherman and Kim (Turtur) Simonds enjoyed lunch at Club 55 in Sidney.



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