

# REFLECTIONS

## SCSAA All-Alumni Weekend July 18-20, 2014

*All-Alumni Reunion  
of  
Sidney Central School*

**July 18-20, 2014**

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### Who is This Person?



On Wed., April 16<sup>th</sup> the following person was interviewed in Ellenton Florida.

Her size 10 feet were propped up on a blue suede recliner, each one wearing a shoe drenched in silver sequins.

Toms, they're called. The kind of shoes sun-kissed teenagers wear to the beach or with jeans to school.

But she doesn't care.

She likes how they sparkle.

See who she is on page 7 entitled 'My Aunt Bert'.



### Meet the 2014 Inductees to the SCSAA Wall of Fame

**Tiffany Whitaker Seda** was drawn to dance at age four, and at age five attended a performance by the Rockettes at Radio City Music Hall in New York City. With her chin resting on the brass rail in front of her balcony seat, engrossed in the dancing, she told her mother that someday she was going to be a member of the company and dance on that iconic stage. When engaged by the Radio City Rockettes 14 years later, she was the youngest dancer in the famed company.



*Tiffany Whitaker*  
*Class of 1996*

Her love of dance began at the Dance Arts Center in Sidney with Pat Burki, Tammy Johnson and Andrea Kozak Wakeman as her instructors and mentors, and continued her studies at the Yelverton Dance Studio in Conklin, NY. It seems fitting that Tiffany, the Wall's first dancer and first performing artist, enters the SCSAA Wall of Fame on the heels of Andrea Kozak Wakeman's 2010 induction as a dance teacher and mentor of many young dancers.

After graduating from Sidney High School in 1996, Tiffany went immediately to Point Park College in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, to further her dance studies. She then auditioned for the Rockettes as one among thousands of young dancers, and immediately was accepted.

Dance careers, like those of many athletes, are quite short, but Tiffany extended hers for thirteen years, appearing hundreds of times on the Radio City Music Hall stage, as well as with the company on tours. In addition to her dance work on stage in New York City, she appeared around the globe with dancing legend Gregory Hines, comedian Yakov Smirnoff, and designers Tara Subkoff and Tim Gunn. Tiffany worked in television commercials, appeared in print ads, and was seen on television on *Saturday Night Live*, the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, and the Kentucky Derby. She appeared in commercials for Chase Bank, Verizon, Papa John's Pizza, Heineken Beer, and Grey Goose Vodka, and in several musicals including *Brigadoon*, *Joseph and his Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat*, *Meet Me in St. Louis* and *Kismet*.

Tiffany has returned often to Sidney to mentor young dancers in the Dance Arts Studio and the ABC Center for the Performing Arts and is an iconic figure for many young local dance students. Both during her dance career and after she has used her time and talents in support of fund-raising for the AIDS Foundation, American Cancer Society, and the American Red Cross. She has performed for our country's troops as well as for the infirm and aged in numerous hospitals. She has made several post-9/11 appearances in support of both the New York City Police and Fire Departments.

Tiffany Whitaker is married to Chris Seda and lives in West Islip, New York with their daughter Gabrielle and rescue dog, Dug, found at the local animal shelter where Tiffany volunteers.

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### Reflections Newsletter to be Mailed to Members

By majority vote, the SCSAA Board has decided the *Reflections* newsletter will be mailed or e-mailed to members in good standing who have paid their annual dues, beginning with the Fall 2014 issue.

The Membership dues per year, from August 1 to July 31 of the following year, is \$15 per person/ \$10 for seniors age 65 and older. An invoice postcard will be mailed each year in June.

For any questions or concerns, please contact Doug Sheldon, SCSAA President at [rdouglassheldon@yahoo.com](mailto:rdouglassheldon@yahoo.com). The SCSAA members greatly appreciate your support which enables us to continue our program of seven annual scholarships and donations to help various school and community causes.

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## FALL 2014 Newsletter Submissions

The deadline to submit articles and photos for the Fall 2014 newsletter is October 1. Please e-mail to : anne@sidneyalumni.org OR mail to: Anne Winnick, PO Box 1117, Cooperstown, NY 13326. Please submit photos in .jpg format; those that need to be scanned will be returned.

**A CORRECTION** is noted in the Fall 2013 Edition of *Reflections*. In the article entitled, "Central New York Racer to Watch", Jamie is the son of Craig Carlson '64, not his grandson. Congratulations again Jamie for a fine performance!

## From the Editor...

### The Power of Reflections

When I pick up *Reflections* out of my mailbox, it instantly makes me smile... I'm reminded of my roots in Sidney. I can't wait to sit down with a cup of tea and read it cover to cover during a block of uninterrupted time. It doesn't take me long to reminisce over the days of my youth, walking to school with the smell of fall leaves in the air, eating pizza with friends at Nina's after school, vying for position on the volleyball court with my teammates, pounding the typewriter keys in Mrs. Davis' class; she was very tough, but I knew she cared. I often wonder where my classmates and teachers are and what they are doing. I hope to get some glimmer of news from the pages unfolding before me. I am reminded that I'm part of something bigger than myself and the world around me that I have lived in for the past 40 years, 100 miles away.

When we hear the word 'community' we generally think in terms of the structures where people gather: towns, businesses, the workplace, neighborhood and school. The alumni of Sidney Central School from 1938 to the present, live all over the world. Collectively we make up a global community without the structure one typically thinks of when we talk about community. We are a community without walls.

*Reflections* plays a vital role in connecting this community without walls. It is a lifeline that enables communication, ties us together, and strengthens our connection, giving the alumni community a structure and form of its own.

*Reflections* is the vehicle that delivers the invitation to alumni to come back each year to the all-alumni reunion to return to our roots, reminisce, reunite and celebrate who we were and what we have become. Together, *Reflections* and the all-alumni reunion make the statement that we value each other and take pride in our community.

Through *Reflections*, our talent, focus, and drive to succeed are revealed in our accomplishments; joy and pride in our growing families through birth and marriage; love, patience, forgiveness in our sustained friendships, family ties and marriages.

*Reflections* often relays an alumni's personal news, sharing our suffering through times of illness, the aging process, the death of our classmates, friends and family. We enter sacred territory as we are invited in, to share another person's grief and loss. We are given the opportunity to engage ourselves in good intent, to support, help and encourage our fellow man.

*Reflections* is not just a collection of current news and life experiences, it becomes the type of historical documentation that details the daily living of ordinary people. It stimulates the imagination, like looking through a frosted, glass window, where we see only an image of what life could have been like in days of yesteryear. The images are intriguing and beckon us to dig deeper for the details of our history. We desire to know our forefathers, who with the establishment of this community, brought the ideals and values that made our community vibrant and resilient.

As we share our memories and experiences through *Reflections*, we learn about each other's lives and bridge the generations. We develop appreciation and respect for our elders for paving the way with their endurance and ingenuity. We pray for patience and wisdom to guide, encourage and be an example to the generations behind us, who will one day take our place.

Submissions written by you and for you, the alumni, are what breathes life and meaning into these pages. Your words have the power to tear down, or they have the power to inspire others—to reflect, honor the past, support each other, have hope, take pride, effect change, and strengthen ourselves as we move forward into the future.

**Anne 'Plummer' Winnick**  
**Class of '73**

## Become a Member of SCSAA

**Reflections will be mailed or e-mailed** to members in good standing who have paid their annual dues, beginning with the Fall 2014 issue.

**Cost of membership:** For one year, from August 1 to July 31 of the following year.

\$15 per person annually  
\$10 for seniors age 65 and over.

**An invoice postcard** will be mailed each year in June. Payment is due each year on or before July 31st.

### Advertise your business in

**Reflections!** Please send your business card or card sized logo along with \$25 per ad for each issue to the following address.

**Reflections newsletter is mailed to over 4,000 alumni** all over the world. Your advertisement and membership helps to defray the cost of printing and mailing the newsletter.

**SCS Alumni Association**  
**PO Box 2186**  
**Sidney, NY 13838**

*Please make checks payable to SCSAA.*

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*We are a community  
without walls.*



## SCS Alumni Association to Celebrate 10th Anniversary of Wall of Fame

**Dennis Porter**, '66, SCSAA Vice President for Operations and Chair of the Wall of Fame Committee, announced that five outstanding alumni will be inducted to the Alumni Wall of Fame at the annual SCSAA All-Class Luncheon, Sunday, July 20, 2014 in the Fire Hall at the firehouse on River Street in Sidney.

**The Wall of Fame Inductees** include Dr. Bert Fairbanks '00, Dr. Ted Elliott '31, Doug Sheldon '59, Tiffany Whitaker Seda '96, and Ron Yager, SCS Middle and High School teacher.

**Chuck D'Imperio**, '67, WDOS radio journalist, New York State historian and author of several books, returns to the Sunday, All-Class Luncheon to give the keynote address. Mr. D'Imperio was inducted into the Wall of Fame in 2009.



**Chuck D'Imperio**

**The All-Class luncheon** follows the Alumni Memorial Service, which will be held in the Pavilion at Keith Clark Park Sunday morning at 10:00 am. The event begins with an all class mingle/reception in the Firehouse at 11:00 am and lunch served at 11:45 am. The streamlined program will begin at 12:30 pm.

## EVENTS AROUND TOWN Saturday, July 19

### *Sidney Historical Association Museum & Gift Shop*

The Sidney Historical Association invites the public to take advantage of additional open hours during Alumni Weekend, July 19. The Museum is located in the Civic Center, Room 218, on Liberty Street, and will be open from 1- 3 p.m. Signs will be posted with directions to the elevator and room 218.

This is an opportunity for both current and former residents to see exhibits about businesses like Cortland Cart and Carriage Company, Scintilla, and Cooley's. Artifacts that belonged to Captain Fox, Dr. Loomis, and Ward Hermann are displayed. There are pictures, postcard albums, scrapbooks, maps and more to view. Volunteers will be available to chat or answer questions. Images of America Sidney book can be purchased at the museum, or order a copy by contacting Joeline Cole at 607-563-1425. The price is \$22 plus \$5 for shipping and handling. Other items for sale include Scintillators, yearbooks, reproduction postcards, notecards, mugs, Bicentennial memorabilia.

Become a member or renew your membership! All proceeds support our projects and programs. For more info about the Sidney Historical Association, visit our website at [www.sidneyonline.com/sha.htm](http://www.sidneyonline.com/sha.htm) or on Facebook. Questions may be e-mailed to [sidneyhistorical@stny.rr.com](mailto:sidneyhistorical@stny.rr.com).

### *Sidney Airport Appreciation Day*

Sidney Airport manager, Gary Klindt, invites everyone to come to the airport on July 19. It will be a day of fun, food, crafts and helicopter rides. There will be activities for people of all ages. The Sidney Historical Association will display many interesting items that pertain to the history of aviation in Sidney.

## *Sidney Central School All-Alumni Reunion*

### Weekend Events July 18-20, 2014



#### Friday, July 18

**Golf Tournament**—pre-registration required.

**Ice Breaker**—VFW, 8 pm – 1 am, featuring DJ, Jean Hoag, Simply Music DJ Service. Cover charge \$2.

#### Saturday, July 19

**Pancake Breakfast** – Elks Lodge, 8 am – 11 am, Cost \$7

**Soccer Tournament** – Keith Clark Field, 10:30 am

**March of the Classes** – Keith Clark Field, Lineup at 11:15 am

**Chicken Barbecue** – Keith Clark Park, 11 'til gone

**Sidney High School Open House** – 1 pm to 3 pm

**Social** – American Legion, 8 pm to 1 am, featuring the band "Brotherhood", cover charge \$5

#### Sunday, July 20

**Memorial Service** – Keith Clark Park Pavilion, 10 am

**All-Class Luncheon** – Fire Hall, 11 am, Cost \$15

**10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Wall of Fame Induction Program** with Keynote Speaker Chuck D'Imperio '67. Inductees include Bert Fairbanks, 1900; Ted Elliott, 1931; Doug Sheldon, 1959; Tiffany Whitaker Seda, 1996 and Ron Yager, Faculty

**50/50 RAFFLES  
ALL WEEKEND!**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION,  
call Debby Woytek Puffer, 607-967-8480**

## 2013 GOLF TOURNAMENT WINNERS



**Winners of the 2013 SCSAA Golf Tournament** — The team (from left to right) of Craig Dawson, Earl Halaquist, Kevin Sowersby and Keith Theobald won with a score of 17 under par.



## Wall of Fame... *continued from page 1 ...*



**R. Douglas Sheldon**  
*Class of 1959*

**R. Douglas Sheldon** graduated from Sidney High School in 1959, with honors and had the school record for achievement points awarded for extra-curricular activities: sports, choir, band, *Reflector*, Student Council and the *Maroon & White* to name a few. In 1958 he was among the first American students sent to Europe as part of the American Field Service student exchange.

After graduating from Hamilton College with honors, Doug went to Brown University as a graduate assistant, Conductor of the Freshmen Glee Club, and Assistant Conductor of the Brown University and Pembroke College Glee Clubs.

Doug Sheldon returned to Hamilton College in 1964-65 to fill the conducting position of his mentor, John Baldwin, who was on sabbatical. He conducted the acclaimed choir on tours to New York,

Cleveland, Pittsburgh and Detroit, and to Buffalo, where he led a choral program for Public Television. His several programs at the college included the Bach *Mass in b Minor* with the Paris Chamber Orchestra and singers from Hamilton and the Crane School of Music.

After a year spent working for the Music Director and General Manager of the Rochester Philharmonic he moved to a career in artist management in New York. Now a director, Senior Vice President and member of the Executive Committee of Columbia Artists Management, Mr. Sheldon has served that company continually since 1966 and is acknowledged internationally as one of the pre-eminent managers in classical music. He has represented and managed careers and touring projects for some of the world's leading artists and ensembles including Leonard Bernstein, Valery Gergiev, Leonard Slatkin, Anne-Sophie Mutter, Marilyn Horne, Grace Bumbry, the New York, Dresden and London Philharmonics, Boston, London and Pittsburgh Symphonies, Mariinsky Orchestra, Orchestre de Paris, and China Philharmonic.

He has appeared as voice-over and principal interviewee in a 2009 international documentary feature length film about the musical life of the conductor Valery Gergiev and in Nike's international television ad for the 2008 Beijing Olympics along with Chinese pianist Yundi Li. Mr. Sheldon founded the Ames International Orchestra Festival in 1969, organized the first coliseum tour of the Boston Pops in 1972, arranged the debut US tour of André Rieu & the Johann Strauss Orchestra, toured the legendary Salzburg Marionette Theatre, and represented The Boys Choir of Harlem.

His pro bono activities include annually organizing and conducting the Hamilton College Alumni Reunion Male Choir each year since 1980, and he is a winner of that college's most prestigious award for alumni service, the *Bell Ringer Award*. Now in his thirty-eighth year as Music Director of Historic St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Perth Amboy, New Jersey, Mr. Sheldon donates his services and provides a large portion of the church's music budget. He has also been a guest conductor of the University Glee Club of New York in St. Thomas Church, and has conducted Orpheus Club of Philadelphia, a 65-voice male chorus, in both the Academy of Music and the Kimmel Center.

In 2005 he founded and conducted The Sheldon Singers, composed of 24 hand-picked vocalists, in Carnegie Hall's Zankel Hall. This ensemble later evolved into the forty-voice Baldwin Festival Chorus of New York, which has presented annual concerts in Manhattan since 2008. He provides all the financial support of the chorus and is considered a mentor by many of the singers.

He reorganized, in 2004, the White Nights Foundation of America, which supports the musical activities of the two hundred thirty-one year-old Mariinsky Theater of Saint Petersburg, Russia. For a decade Doug served as director, Vice President and Vice Chairman of the foundation, raising over 8.5 million dollars to support the Mariinsky Opera, Ballet and Orchestra's musical activities in America.

Since 2000 Douglas has been a director of the Sidney Central School Alumni Association, and has served as Vice President for Strategic Planning, Vice President of Operations and Interim President. Although the founding Chair of SCSAA Wall of Fame since 2004, he relinquished that position in early 2014 in order to accept and be elected to the position of President of the SCSAA Board of Directors.

Mr. Sheldon is married to Eileen Yencik, Smith College '63 and they enjoy their children, Douglas, Kirsten, and Alexandra and their grandchildren, Nicholas, Jason, Ian, Emily, and Emma. His father, Ray Sheldon, was invited to Sidney by Ralph Pyle to form an Industrial Arts department which he led from 1945-74. He also served as advisor to the Student Council and to the Student Concession teams at all SHS sporting events. Belle Sheldon, Doug's mother, began as a substitute teacher in 1953 and taught in the schools on Liberty and Pleasant Streets, and in Masonville. SCS Supervisor Ralph Pyle then asked her to teach Kindergarten and to be the administrator in charge of the elementary school teachers and staff in Sidney Center when that school opened.

He was a charter alumnus of Eisenhower College, an honorary member of the Sidney Chamber of Commerce, of the New York State Police Veteran's Association, and of the International Association of Rexall Clubs. He served on the board of the Unadilla Marine Midland National Bank. He was a member of the Sidney Historical Association, a sixty-year member of the Sidney Lodge 801 Masons, and a member of several other service organizations in Unadilla, Binghamton, Norwich and Chenango Valley.

**Ron Yager** was born in Oneonta NY in 1950 and attended Otego Central School, graduating in 1968. He went on to Fulton-Montgomery Community College at which he taught Trigonometry and Algebra while studying for his degree in Mathematics and Education. Ron Yager then earned both his Bachelor (1972) and Master Degrees (1975) in Science and Education with a concentration in Mathematics at SUNY Oneonta and began his teaching career in Sidney in 1972.



**Ron Yager**  
*Faculty*

Ron Yager taught math in the Sidney Central Middle School from 1972-2007 including the offering of high school Advanced Course 1 Mathematics to middle school students. Ron was excellent with students, many of whom continue to view him even today as one of the most important mentors and educators in their lives.

Ron Yager received the Sidney Moose Club's Community Recognition Award in 1978 and five years later was named 1983 Sidney Teacher of the Year by the school's administrators and faculty. In 1988 he was named New York State Central Region Teacher of the Year, a region including the ten counties of Broome, Chenango, Delaware, Herkimer, Madison, Montgomery, Oneida, Onondaga, Otsego and Schoharie.

Perry Berkowitz, former high school principal and district superintendent wrote of Ron Yager "Besides being a consummate teacher, Ron was a consummate member of the Community. He was an emergency medical professional." He goes on to say how Ron always volunteered to help or tutor students in need or disadvantaged, and he fondly remembers their work together when they were involved in starting the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards in Sidney in 1990.

While teaching, Ron Yager was also an outstanding volunteer for both the Otego Fire Department and Emergency Squad for three decades, winning Otsego County Fireman of the Year in 1979. He earned certification as an Emergency Medical Technician, an Intravenous and Esophageal Technician, and as an A.O. Fox Hospital Technician. He was also certified in Coronary Care and Drug Therapy and CPR Practical Skills. Ron's skills as an EMT often helped the sick and the injured, and his service was acknowledged with the Fox Memorial Hospital Award for Faithful and Devoted Service to the Residents of the Community, and the A.O. Fox Hospital Appreciation for Service Award, both in 1981. Ron Served as Otego Emergency squad captain and President of Otsego County Emergency Squads throughout decade of the 1980s.

He is perhaps most proud of the Liberty Partnership Resolve Peacemaker Award given to him in 2006 by the New York State Facilitator and Learning Laboratories: an award to those who participate and excel in conflict resolution in schools and communities.

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*Return to our Roots... Reminisce... Reunite... and Celebrate!*

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## Wall of Fame... continued from page 4

**Dr. Theodore Elliott**, '31 will be inducted to the Alumni Wall of Fame as Sidney's only centenarian, having celebrated his 100th birthday last November. Dr. Elliott was born, raised, and has lived his entire life in Sidney. Following his high school graduation in 1931, he went to the University of Rochester, graduating in 1936, and subsequently studied Optometry at the New England College of Optometry. As a college student 'Ted' was on the swim team and tennis team, and was the captain and manager of the church basketball team. Following college he maintained a life-long hobby in genealogy and in photography.

Dr. Elliott's practice in optometry began in Sidney in 1936, but was interrupted by two years of service in the U.S. Army during World War II, as a 1st Lieutenant in the 81st Medical and Field Hospital Unit serving in England, France and Germany. While in war-torn Germany he was a volunteer Advance Scout to search out locations for field hospitals at the front – a mission that required solitary scouting at night. The 81st Medical Unit was the first to assist in the liberation of the Dachau concentration camp, and to treat those who had been imprisoned. Dr. Elliott received several decorations for his military service.

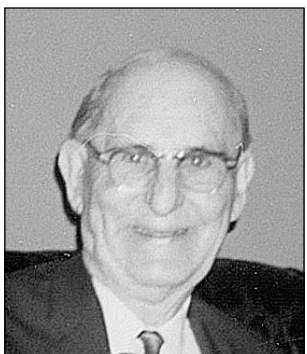
While overseas he met his wife LaRue who was also stationed in the 81st and they were together until her passing in 2009. Their children are Nancy Elliott Tueller of Provo, Utah and Robert F. Elliott of Lawrence, Kansas. Ted has six grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Dr. Elliott practiced optometry in Sidney from 1936-1996; 60 years of service to more than three generations of patients. He was known for providing free service to those most in need. Ted was a member of Rotary for over 60 years with a perfect attendance record.

He was a member of the Board of Directors of the New York State Optometric Association and Co-Director of the Family History Center at the Church of Latter-Day Saints Chapel in Oneonta.



**Dr. Theodore Elliott**  
*Class of 1931*



**Berton C. Fairbanks**  
*Class of 1900*

**Berton C. Fairbanks** was born in 1882, and graduated from Sidney Central School in 1900. While in school, he sold newspapers to the passengers who got on and off the trains that came regularly to Sidney at that time, and then worked in the Weller Drug Store on the corner of Main and Liberty Streets continuously from 1900 to 1906 (at the same time earning a degree from the Albany School of Pharmacy). In 1911 he bought the store renaming it Fairbanks Pharmacy, affiliating with the Rexall group of drug stores. Berton Fairbanks managed the pharmacy until his retirement in 1955. The inventory of the store upon Bert's retirement catalogued over 10,000 items for sale.

Always a true entrepreneur, he brought the first Thomas Edison record players and records, and the first Brownie Cameras to Sidney. He then got the Grey-hound Bus Company to make Fairbanks Pharmacy its headquarters in Sidney, serving both the villagers' travel needs as well as bringing more customers to his store. In the week before his retirement he sold two bus tickets to Alaska, one to El Paso, Texas, and one to Oklahoma City, in addition to all the local and regional bus fares. He had a vision for Sidney, met Governor Teddy Roosevelt and was instrumental in establishing New York State Troopers' Troop C base at the corner of River and Main Streets. As chairman of the Sidney Chamber of Commerce, he joined with other Sidney businessmen to invite Scintilla Magneto to open a plant in Sidney in 1925. This firm later became the Scintilla Division of Bendix Aviation Corporation, and eventually Amphenol.

Mr. Fairbanks was well known for espousing the creation of a Fairbanks Bowl, a natural amphitheater adjoining the then Sidney Municipal Airport. The Bowl never became a reality, but the land belonged to the village because Bert joined with other businessmen and bought the property, then gave it to the village. He had envisioned a natural arena for all outdoor sports and possible outdoor concerts.

Bert Fairbanks was a charter member and past president of Rotary Club, with a perfect attendance record of 36 years. He was presented International Rotary's highest award in 1972, the Paul Harris Sustaining Member Award. The same year he was the Honorary Chairman of the Sidney Bicentennial Celebration.

### We Remember ...

Erma Hauschild Marble '39

Bill Landon '46

Louise Niles Westlund '47

Erna Wuthrich Babcock '47

Florence Fisk Miller, '47

Jennie Wilson Latham '49

Shirley Whitaker Horrell '50

Pete Knight '52

Fay Wilson Sawdy '53

William Ray '54

Roberta Zimmerman Burns '54

Eleanor Mott Butts '55

Donald Puffer '55

Austin Olmstead '59

Nancy Green Baldwin '59

Allen Murray '63

Barbara Kingsbury '70

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Paul Weeks '75

Rex Carey '80

Wallace Scott '80

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Robert Bargher '92

Brian Lathan 2000

Jasmine Hromada 2013

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## SCSAA All-ALUMNI WEEKEND ~ JULY 18-20, 2014

### Class of 1948 ~ Annual Luncheon

The class of '48 had their big 65th reunion dinner last year: now again starting their annual luncheon to be held this year at the D'Vine Times Restaurant at 1242 Main Street in Guilford, NY at 12:13 pm on Friday, 7/18/2014. After luncheon, most all will rendezvous at Helen Dickson's house in Sidney for more scuttlebutt, refreshments and laughter. Contact Dick Dickson at 607-563-1206 or Norma Palmer, 607-563-3430 for more information.

### Class of 1954 ~ 60th Reunion

The class of '54 will be holding their 60th Class Reunion on Saturday, July 19, 2014 at the home of Mary and Jim Leonard on River Road (Cty. Rd 39) in Sidney. We will be having a barbecue dinner at 1 PM after having gathered at noon. Drinks (water, coffee & soda) will be served with dinner, but if you want something else, BYOB. After dinner, we will have a time of socialization with snacks and any members of other classes may stop by to say hello and renew old acquaintances. Classmates can participate in any of the all-alumni weekend functions going on the same weekend. Any classmates who have not received a letter or e-mail about our celebration can contact Peggy Stilson ([mstilson0@gmail.com](mailto:mstilson0@gmail.com), 607-563-1055, or 72 Pearl St. W, Sidney, NY 13838), for further information. Please send your regrets if you are not able to attend, with an explanation of what has been going on in your life & family in the last 60 years.

**The Class of '54 will be planting a memorial tree at Keith Clark Park in memory of all of our former classmates who have gone before us.**

### Class of 1956 ~ Picnic

The class of '56 is once again invited to gather for a picnic at the home of Ed and Lea Ray on Saturday afternoon of alumni weekend. This delightful event has become a very special tradition over the past few years, thanks to the generous hospitality of Ed Ray and his wife Lea. Contributions to the buffet table would be welcome, and directions plus details about time, etc., will be mailed before the 1st of July. Hope to see you there! Janice W. Knight, class rep, 430 Common Street, Belmont, MA 02478, 617-484-4537.

### Class of 1959 ~ 55th Reunion

The Class of '59 is planning their 55<sup>th</sup> reunion to be held at the Sidney Country Club on Saturday, July 19, 2014 during alumni weekend. It will be at 12:30 to 4 PM, following the March of the Classes. Menu and price is to be determined as soon as the Country Club is open for the season. Classmates can expect to receive letters regarding details within the month. Any questions can be directed to Bonnie Curtis 607-563-1547.

### Class of 1962 ~ 70th Birthday

The class of '62 will have an afternoon informal gathering to celebrate our 70<sup>th</sup> birthday on Saturday, July 19, 2014. The party will be held in the Breunig's backyard at 7 Pearl Street East, Sidney after the March of Classes. Bring your own sandwich and beverage for lunch, or come anytime during the afternoon. Water, lemonade, munchies and cake will be provided. A reminder email will be sent out before July, but no party invitations will be mailed. This invitation extends to other alumni and friends. Call Dolores at 607-563-2311 for more information.

### Class of 1972 ~ 60th Birthday

The class of '72 is having a 60th birthday party on July 19th starting at 12 pm at Howard Finch's camp on East Masonville Pond. Please bring lawn chairs and a dish to pass. We will provide hamburgers and hot dogs and lemonade. If you want spirited beverages, please bring your own! The pond is great for boating, so feel free to bring a kayak or canoe and bathing suit if you want to swim. Please RSVP to Becky Leidy by July 14th. 563-2905 or [becky.leidy@gmail.com](mailto:becky.leidy@gmail.com). Please try to come!

### Class of 1979 ~ 35<sup>th</sup> Reunion

The class of '79 will hold their 35<sup>th</sup> class reunion during the 2014 alumni weekend. We will gather Saturday evening for a dinner at Cream of the Crop in Bainbridge. Details will be supplied and updated via email, on our event page on Facebook and also through our class website at <http://www.classcreator.com/Sidney-NY-1979/>. Be sure we have your current email address! Email Jill Brazee at [jcbrazee@stny.rr.com](mailto:jcbrazee@stny.rr.com); LouAnn Miller at [lourorick@gmail.com](mailto:lourorick@gmail.com) or Lori Shaw at [lvbooth@yahoo.com](mailto:lvbooth@yahoo.com). We look forward to seeing our classmates in July!

### Class of 1984 ~ 30th Reunion

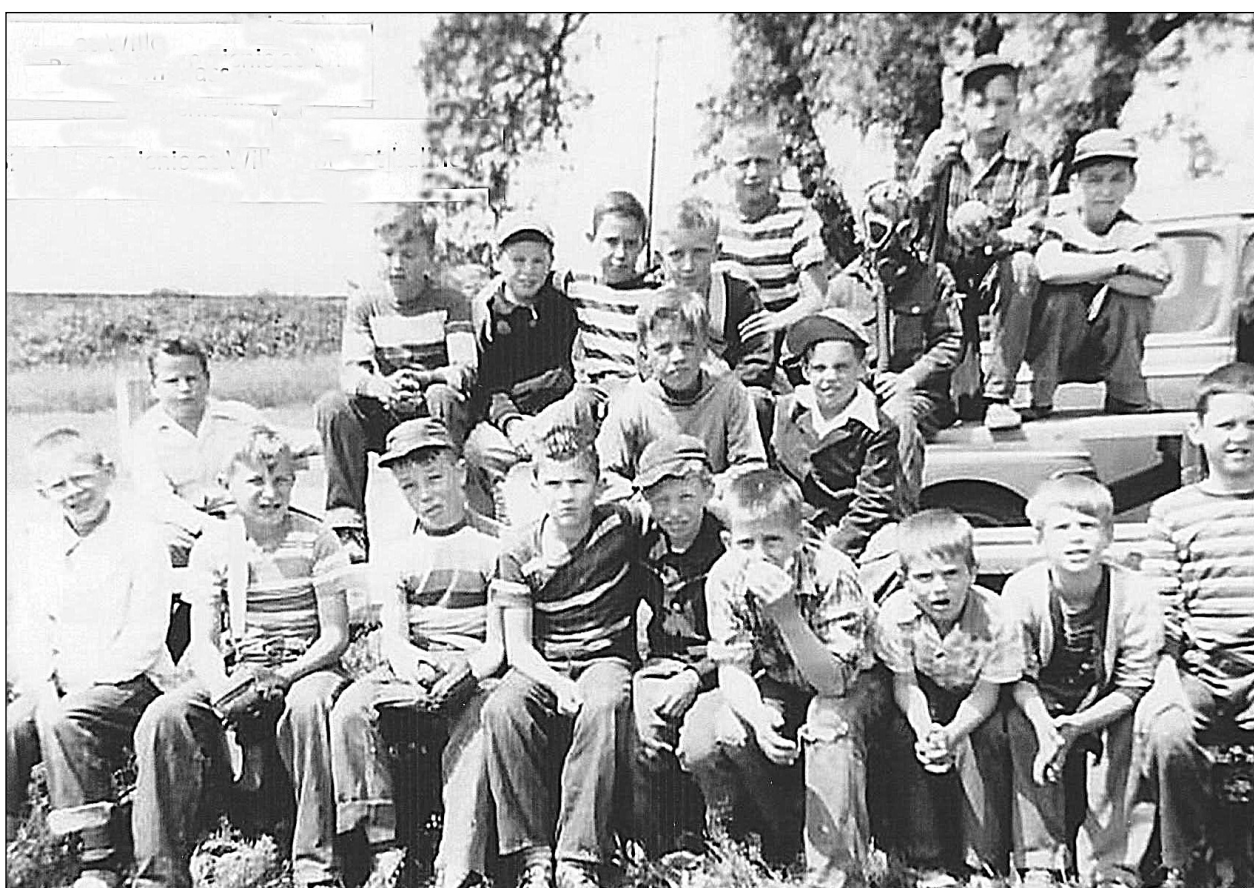
The class of '84 will hold their 30th Reunion on Friday, July 18th: the annual front porch/lawn gathering at Teri (D'Imperio) and Tom Schunk's house starting at 5pm. BYOB. 134 West Main St., Sidney. The All Alumni festivities begin at 8pm across the street from Teri's at the VFW, for those who wish to attend. On Saturday, July 19th, we have the tent and side lawn reserved for our class at the Sidney Golf & Country Club (West Main St) from 2pm-6pm. There will be a light buffet and cash bar. This is a casual, outdoor gathering. Cost is \$25 per person. PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO TERI SCHUNK AND MAIL TO HER BY JUNE 19TH, 2014. YOU MUST PAY IN ADVANCE and NOT at the door so that the country club can plan accordingly. Teri's address is 134 W. Main St. Sidney, NY 13838. Please pass along these plans to others from our class that you may be in touch with. We only have 46 members on our Facebook page; please check there for updates ("Sidney New York Class of 84"), or contact Teri at (607) 435-5620, or Michelle (Dann) Stewart (724) 494-6431; email: [fourstews@att.net](mailto:fourstews@att.net).

### Class of 1994 ~ 20th Reunion

The class of '94 is planning a 20th class reunion. We would love for our classmate to join us on July 19th from 5-8 @ The Muddy River Hop Yard in Unadilla. We will be serving a Family BBQ down by the river @6 featuring Farm Boy brew. We will have outdoor games and fun for the whole family. For more information join our Facebook page Class of 1994 Reunion Central.

### Class of 1999 ~ 15th Reunion

The class of '99 will celebrate 15 years by meeting out at the Saturday night Alumni event...everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend!



**Boys from the Class of '59** — Class picnic, June 1952, the Willow Street ballfield.

Row 1: Dick Forsythe, Brian Mathewson, Norm Scutt, Ted Smith, Jack Skinner, Fred Bouvier, Billy Shields, Ron Beeber, Bob DeYoung

Row 2: Elmer Gill, Dick Flanders, Sonny Cole

Row 3: Ed Ballard, John Mikulak, Bob Lord, Bill Berry, Jim Smith, ? , Skip Hilary, Don Clayton



## Alumni News

### 1933

**Frances Tripp Ackley** lives in NY and has 2 children Joyce and John; 6 grandchildren; 8 great grandchildren and says she is doing quite well for a 98 year old. She wonders if any of her classmates are out there?

### 1938

**Barbara King Mitchell** enjoys reading about what is going on in the lives of the alumni. She says some of the last names are familiar so maybe they are children or grandchildren of her old schoolmates. She lives in CA.

### 1943

**Irma Suttle Rahr** is an active member of Sun Lakes Red Hat Society and she also likes to swim, walk and a member of the Sun Lakes United Methodist Church in AZ. She has a daughter Brenda and taught music at Sidney Jr. High from 1959 till 1975.

### 1945

**Janet Moore Caswell** is retired and lives in Cornwall, NY. Her sons are Andrew and Daniel, grandchildren; Keith, Liana, Carly and Jamie and her great grandchildren are Gavin, Toby, Tyler and Natalie.

**Elizabeth Davis Crandall** lives in TX and enjoys travel, music, concerts and cooking. Her son, Dr. Donald Crandall, is a professor at Schreiner University and head of the music department.

**Robert Moss** retired in 1985 and enjoys playing cards, camping, dancing and country music. He has 12 grandchildren and six great grandchildren. He misses seeing all his classmates.

### 1947

**Joyce MacDonald Alexander** lives in Sidney with her husband Bruce and they have 3 children, Sue, Donna and Ralph and 4 grandchildren; Geoff, Greg, Andrew and Austin and one great grandson, Ryan.

**Gerald Northup** retired in 1987 and lives in Unadilla and enjoys woodworking.

**Dortha Bidwell Volt** makes all her own cards and verses and enjoys reading and crossword puzzles. She has 4 children; 9 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren and 2 step great grandchildren. She looks forward to the Reflections so she can catch up on what's going on in Sidney and all the alumni. She no longer drives so will probably not get back to Sidney again. She has wonderful friends and family to take her places and a great Hospice Team to care for her. She keeps busy and is grateful for all that she can still do and says life is good. She would love to hear from her classmates and thanks all the good people who make the paper possible, she says they are truly appreciated.

### 1947

**Louise Niles Westlund** retired in 1991 and now enjoys reading. She lives in NY and has 3 children; Nels, Anna and Mark; 5 grandchildren and one great grandson.

### 1948

**Beverly Preston Gregory** lives in Bainbridge with her husband Les and enjoys quilting, sewing, reading and yoga. She has 2 children; Eddie and Gladys; 3 grandchildren; Erin, Jodi and Tyler and 6 great grandchildren; James, Jack, Max, Benjamin, Tyler and Matteo.

**Norma Hyatt Palmer** is glad to be retired from USPS and happy that she travelled when walking was easier, although she still likes to travel, read and loves dogs. All 6 of her children graduated from Sidney. They spend August in their home on Lake Huron, MI. Their first granddaughter is getting married May 2014.



*Leading the Way — 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Angus and Ale St. Patrick's Day Parade. Grand Marshal is Kate D'Imperio, Class of '46.*

## My Aunt Bert "Miss Bouvier" the Teacher

As many of you alumni out there might know, in 1955 my Aunt Bert was my fifth grade school teacher. She has not only been someone who's been a mentor in my life; but also one of my biggest cheerleaders. Right from the start I realized that she was, like many of our excellent teachers, a guiding force as well as a motivational factor behind my successes. Looking back when I was her student I failed to identify the contribution she had on me. Years later now, I have realized the importance she had at every milestone in my life.

So to all of you, if getting the chance you must not forget to identify and appreciate the efforts which, like my Aunt Bert, a truly great teacher, puts in in giving a direction in your life.

We just celebrated her 105<sup>th</sup> birthday in Ellenton Florida with relatives, friends and neighbors. Bertha Edith-Marie was born 19 April 1909, in Malone, NY to my grandfather Pepe' a blacksmith and my grandmother Meme'. She was a child with naturally curly hair. She had two sisters, Aunt Genevieve and Aunt Bernadette, and two brothers Uncle Art and my dad Harry. She always knew she was going to be a teacher. She had no children of her own; but she always says that she's had many children. To her; her students were her children. I guess that's what made her a great teacher. That is because she really, really cared.

Aunt Bert enrolled in Potsdam Normal School (now the State University of New York at Potsdam) and earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in education. She began her career in 1933 in a one-room schoolhouse



*Aunt Bert with Neil Gregoire*

and then went on to teach fifth grade up through 1970, most of those years teaching in Sidney. Her afternoons are filled with eating and praying. She says the same prayer each day: "Take my hand oh blessed mother, hold it firm least I fall.... I grow nervous while walking, and humbly on thee I call." She has no pain, no disease; just macular degeneration and blindness in one eye. She doesn't have any secrets to a long life, but she remembers her deceased husband, Uncle Pat, always saying: "Good whiskey, good bourbon and oatmeal", which by the way she never indulges in.

*Harry Bouvier*

*Pictures submitted by  
Judy Austin Bouvier*



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## 1950

**Virginia Wagner Compton** lives in Sidney with her husband Alfred and has two children; Kristine and William: two grandchildren; Brian and Jennifer and four great grandchildren; Crysten, Melody, Abby and Thaddeus. She said that everything is the same old, same old but she's still standing.

**Marjorie Charles Peterson** retired in 1985 and lives in NY. She has 2 sons, Daniel and Dennis who both graduated from Sidney. She has 4 grandchildren; Jesse, a Sidney graduate, Kevin, Kirsten, Jessica (step) and Justin and 2 great grandchildren; Abigail and Jimmy.

**Herm & Ginny Riesen** still live in sunny FL where Herm still mows his lawn with a walk behind mower. He enjoys working with plants, trees and flowers that surround their Koi pond. They do not travel as much but one benefit of living in FL is that family and friends come visit them. They are only 45 minutes from Disney! His brother Ernie, a two hour drive away, came for Thanksgiving this past year. He thanks everyone who is willing to serve on the Sidney School Alumni Association.

**Sally Gerig Campbell MacLachlan** Living at Beverwyck Retirement Community near Albany is good; am active in church and Albany Camp of Gideons International. My computer and statewide contacts help me fulfill responsibilities of my offices.

I visit my family in the Southern Tier and have two grandsons: Tom (and Liz), and Dan, and two young grandsons, Ryan and Jason, by stepdaughter Laura, living in California. My brother-in-law, Bill MacLachlan, and wife Mieko, visited here in June from Tokyo, where they now live and appreciate it for now. My computer and phone provide frequent contacts with relatives and friends outside this area. My daughter Carolyn, living in Portland, ME, area calls frequently and I see her on vacations.

Several times a year, on my visits to family, I drive around the village of Sidney and remember the good old days growing up there, raising my children there. I'm thankful that the long-time residents of Sidney are working to restore what storms have nearly destroyed. Like many Sidney ex-patriots, I contribute to organizations in Sidney who are maintaining and rebuilding our wonderful hometown. Annually in July, I attend the Class of 1950 Reunion at Ingalls home on the Susquehanna River at Unadilla, thankful to still be driving.

**Irene Brush Ingalls** says that the highlight of the summer is to have the classes of 1950 and 1951 join together for a group picnic at their home. Says it could not be done without the help from family and classmates.

**Norman Wheeler** enjoys hunting, wood-working and dog training. He lives in CA and has one daughter Darlene and 3 grandchildren; Johnathan, Katherine and Noel and really enjoys the newsletter because it is a great way to stay in touch with home.

## 1951

**Dick Holloway** finally retired and together with his 2 labs shares a home with a friend in Tucson, AZ. Thanks for the fine job of class rep for all these years

**Gladys Bowker Jacques** gets together once for a month for lunch with Marge Wickes, Kittie Williams, Bea Mott, Marguerite Place and Joyce Hard. Keep it up girls. Be sure and send us some news and current email addresses says your new class rep Evelyn Thayer.

**Forrest Landon** retired in 1995 as executive editor of the Roanoke Times and then again in 2010 as executive director of VA Coalition for Open Govt. Him and his wife Barbara have 2 children, Tracy and Jeff and 3 grandchildren, Maggie, Emma and Mason. He had a mild stroke in Oct of last year. He wants to thank Dick for all the good work he did on behalf of the class of '51.

**Ernest Riesen** lives in FL and lost his wife of 55 years in April of this year. He says, "I am so blessed by God, my Lord and Savior for family and friends." He has 5 children, 10 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren. He retired in 1991 and does church work and enjoys church activities.

## 1952

**Erma Scott-MacDonald** retired in 1999 and does volunteer work at her church and for local charities. She has 2 adult children and 2 grandchildren.

**Lawrence Sheldon** and his wife Jean love visiting their 6 children and 14 grandchildren & great grandchildren. He retired in 1992 from Industrial Security and is looking forward to his 65<sup>th</sup> class reunion in 2017.

**Edwin Snover** lives in Unadilla and says that the alumni association is doing a great job and to keep up the good work.

## 1953

**Melvin Banks** retired in 1997 as a master machinist and enjoyed the 60<sup>th</sup> reunion last summer. He has a son Steven and a daughter Darlene and 7 grandchildren. He says we are all doing a great job.

**Shirley Segall** lives in TX and retired as a registered nurse in 1996. She enjoys listening to classical music, reading about current events and walking. She has 2 children, John and Jennifer and 2 grandchildren, Emma and Jenna. She really enjoys reading Reflections because it brings back memories of when she lived in Sidney.



***A Reunion Celebration** — Ed Ray '56 and his wife Lea gather classmates at their house for their annual picnic.*

## 1951

**Evelyn Brush Thayer** is the new class rep for the class of 1951. She really enjoys her grand and great grandchildren and volunteers at her church, the retirement village where she lives and at schools in Sioux Falls. Please send any class info to her and let her know your addresses. In 2016 they will be celebrating their 65<sup>th</sup> graduation anniversary.

## 1952

**Esther Wolf Boyd** lives in MA and retired in 1998. She has two children, Susan and Daniel and 3 grandchildren, Richie, Brisa and Charlotte.

## 1954

**Betty Marriott Winchester** has lived in the same house for 40 years in Mt. Upton and enjoys gardening. She has 3 children, Terry, Danny and Robin and 5 grown up grandchildren.

## 1955

**Kurt Hearth** lives in FL and just had a novel published by Abbot Press called *A Common Thread*. It is an action adventure fiction work. It is available on Amazon, Barnes & Noble and may also be downloaded to a kindle reader. Please check it out.



**Joan Dean Knyck** says she enjoys reading Reflections and thanks the association for all the work they do and says best wishes to all.

**Richard Kuebler** retired in 1999 as a chemical engineer and now enjoys golf, swimming, woodworking, and entertaining his 6 grandchildren. Him and his wife spend the winter months in FL and summer months in NY. He has 3 children and 3 great grandchildren. He really enjoys receiving the newsletter and says great job everyone. In Feb 2014, he had emergency gall bladder surgery but is doing fine now.

1956

**Richard Green** lives in FL and retired in 1998 from retail. He has 2 children and 1 grandchild.

**Rev. Charles Root** has been married to Ginger for 53 years and they have 2 children, 6 grandchildren, and 1 ½ great grandchildren. They live in Newport News, VA where he has a pastoral assignment in Hampton, VA. He is President of the Kiwanis Club, a member of the Masonic Lodge in Sidney and a member of the Scottish Rite Valley in Newport News. He also serves on the board of the Denbigh United Christian Outreach and the Missions Committee at Grace United Methodist Church.

1957

**Patricia Beames Bargher** is married to **Burdette Bargher, '56** and they live in Sidney. She retired in 1996 and Bud retired in 1994 and she enjoys scrapbooking.

**Sally Terry Frawley** moved to NC in 1993 after 32 years at NBT. She loved everything about her early years in Sidney but does not like cold weather or NY taxes. She has been married to Tom for 30 years and together they have 6 children, 13 grandchildren, and 2 great grandchildren. Tom works part time and she did too until knee surgery in 2007. They really enjoy the weather in Calabash but her ties are still and always will be in the wonderful little town in upstate New York called Sidney.

1958

**Grace Beers Backus** works summers at East Sidney Lake and then winters in FL. She has 6 children.

**Walter Bruetsch** spent 5 years in the Air Force as a KC 153 pilot and then retired in 1999 as a mechanical engineer with Pratt Whitney. He enjoys genealogy and playing tennis 3 times a week. He has 2 children, Christine and James and 3 grandchildren, Kaelin, Nicole, and Sophia. He also volunteers at the library and keeps busy with is website design and maintenance. He says many thanks for Reflections.

**Kelly Rosa Donalie** lives in Ovid, NY and has been married for 54 years to Leon and together they have 4 children and 4 grandchildren.

**Fred Storm** retired in 2005 and loves to travel and all sports. He volunteers at the Dan Marino Center for Autism in FL and has 2 children, Julie and Susanne and 4 grandchildren, Nicholas, Kaitlyn, Jacob and Joshua.

60th Reunion July 2015  
Class of 1955

Classmates, please contact me with your current USPS address, e-mail address and telephone number before July 1st, 2014.

I will be sending a mailing via USPS and an e-mail to the address listed in the SCS Alumni Association records, but want to contact you if your location has recently changed.

Please let me know if you will likely be attending the 60<sup>th</sup> Reunion of our Class.

My contact information is as follows:

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608-347-1767  
e-mail è jaclum@wisc.edu



Looking forward to hearing from you and hope to see you in Sidney in 2015!

Best wishes,  
*Jim Clum, '55*

1959

**Susan Schobert Mixon** lives in FL with her husband Ray and they have 2 children, Debra and Scott and 5 grandchildren, Charlie, Mallory, Katie, Davis and Audrey. She retired in 1995 as a financial manager for the government for 35 years. She enjoys quilting, teaching embroidery and sewing on high end machines. She volunteers at the school where her daughter is the high school principal.

**Harold Scott** lives on a farm in Masonville and in 2010 they celebrated 100 years of operation. They are still going with many challenges to overcome and their 5 children and 18 grandchildren are all active and love to help on the farm.

**Dawn Tyler Wright** is a storyteller and musician and had a new recording that came out in July of this year entitled, “Mustard Seeds – A Legacy”. You can purchase a copy at her website [www.iamdawnsong.com](http://www.iamdawnsong.com). She lives in CT with her husband James and they have 2 daughters, Lisa and Suzanne and 2 grandsons, Logan and Rory.

**Richard and Susan Gloeckler Alcott** are both retired now and keep busy with church activities. They live in Binghamton and two of their grandchildren live nearby and are active in scouts and music programs at school. Their 3<sup>rd</sup> grandchild lives near Buffalo and is very active in scouts, church and school music. They really enjoy Reflections.

1960

**William Teetz** says that he and his wife are enjoying the job they would have like to always have — retirement! They live in VA.

1960

**June Haynes Elsemore** retired in 2006 and now enjoys reading, crocheting, trips and volunteering at a K-2 school in the library a few days a week. She has a daughter Lisa and a grandson Micah.

**Ann Bramley Laing** has lived in Rochester for the past 5 years and really enjoys the area and being able to spoil her 9 grandchildren. She retired in 1999 as a Community Mental Health Nurse and now enjoys gardening, genealogy and her grandchildren. She volunteers at Gates Presbyterian Church and really enjoys reading each edition of Reflections and says to keep up the good work.

**Keith Wrigley** and his wife have lived in Portland, OR for 36 years and continue to love it there. He retired in 2001 as a physician and now enjoys golf, gardening, fishing and travel. He has 3 children and 7 grandchildren. He missed the 50<sup>th</sup> reunion because of his daughter’s wedding.

**Nancy Elliott Tueller** lives in Provo, UT and is the church organist. She retired after teaching for 23 years in 1999. She has 3 children, 6 grandchildren ranging in age from 1 to 19. Her father, **Dr. Ted Elliott, 1931**, is approaching 100 yrs old and is currently in the Oxford Veterans Home, he is a WWII Vet. Nancy writes, “It is difficult being so far from him at this time in his life. I have happy memories of growing up in Sidney and the good friends I shared my life with. I’m enjoying retirement with my husband Alden of 47 years. I enjoy being active at church playing the organ. I love crocheting and loom knitting hats for charity in my spare time.

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FOREVER FRIENDS AND 50 YEARS OF MARRIAGE



Forever Friends... (from left to right), "Guff" Cumo, Class of '61; Lynette Dalrymple Cumo, Class of '63; Janice Walker Loker, Class of '63 and Darryl Loker, Class of '58.

Darryl and Guff's friendship goes back to childhood days, when they were neighbors in "The Project". In 7<sup>th</sup> grade, Janice from Sidney Center, met Lynette from the Sidney Pleasant Street School when the two grade schools joined together.

In 1964, both couples stood up for each other at their weddings. Fifty years later we celebrated our 50th wedding anniversaries together with a wonderful Hawaiian vacation.

Darryl and Janice have three children (and their spouses), and six grandkids. All three graduated from SCHS; Denise '85, Diane '87 and Jason '90.

Lynn and Guff have three boys, Jim, Gary and Todd, all born in NY, but raised in California. The boys added three daughters-in-law and five grandchildren. The five grandchildren added three spouses and six great grandchildren!

Although they've lived 3,000 miles apart for many years, the Lokers and Cumos have gotten together many times and this SCHS friendship will continue to stand the test of time.

1963

**Pat Romano Burki** has lived in FL since 2007 after her husband passed away. Her daughter **Dawn**, '84, lives near her with her husband and 22 yr old daughter. Her other daughter, **Alycia**, '87, lives in Geneva, NY with her husband and 2 yr old son. She is still working as a Director with Mary Kay Cosmetics and loves it. She will always feel blessed to have lived in Sidney, gone to school there with the best classmates and raised her daughters there.

**Rebecca Smith Holley** likes to knit, bake pies, sew, quilt and bird watch since she retired in 2012. She is also a 30 + member of Beta Sigma Phi. She has two children, Marie and Todd. Her and her husband, Frank, enjoy the beaches of NC and vacation there every fall and have also travelled across the US. They enjoy living in the country in Unadilla.

**Edward Kokalas** retired in 2001 as a computer systems analyst and enjoys golfing, boating and billiards. He is also the Lake George Winter Carnival Chair and on the planning board of Lake George. He has one son, Ken and 2 granddaughters, Julia and Emily. He really is enjoying his retirement and said everyone should retire!

1964

**Kathy Harris Laws** has been married to Jeff for 18 years. She has 2 daughters, Kelly and Nicole and three grandchildren, Logan, Sophia, and Gavin. She lives in Ramona, CA and just retired this past May.

**Karene Allen Hendee** is married to **Richard Hendee, 1966**, and they live in Katy, TX. She has been a wife and mother and Richard just retired this past March. She enjoys crossword puzzles, reading and dinners out with friends. They have one daughter, Karyn, who lives nearby. They have no Texas oil wells or horses and their daughter is into wind energy and her husband is in fossil fuel. She said Houston is an interesting place and to come visit.

**Ken Lord** lives in Monticello, IN and now that his wife, Sandy, retired they can do the things they want to do. They have eleven grandchildren and nine great grandchildren. He enjoys genealogy and the Historical Society and says that the association is doing a great job.

**Sharron Hamilton Sandberg** retired in 2008 from food service work at Sherburne-Earlville school for 32 years. Her and her husband have been married for 47 years and they one daughter, Lorraine and two grandchildren, Elijah and Dannah. She enjoys hiking and has been a Girl Scout leader for 17 years.

**Nancy DuMond Setford** just moved to Ruskin, FL after spending her entire life in the Tri Town area. She has 2 children, Troy and Tonya and 5 grandchildren. She says this is another stage of their lives and a new adventure. She is well and happy.

1966

**Kathy Downin Williams** is married to **Dave Williams, 1967** and they live in East Guilford, NY. They are both retired teachers and both of their children graduated from Sidney, **Melissa, 1993** and **Todd, 1995**. They really enjoy their 4 grandchildren.

1962

**Donna Harris Kuzdzal** recently moved to TN and says she is finally getting on the right coast and loves being within driving distance from Sidney. She thanks everyone for another great alumni weekend.

**Dorothy Smith Radomski** and her husband Stanley have been retired for about three years and enjoy spending time with the grandchildren. She volunteers 2 days a week at a nearby rehab facility in Trenton, NJ.

**Patricia Gray Tancredi** lives in FL and retired in 1970. She enjoys world and US travel, golf, reading and volunteering for a local emergency assistance organization. She has

two daughters, Heather and Beth and four grandchildren. She appreciates all the work that the alumni association does for all the graduates of Sidney.

1963

**Mary Pat Gilbert Lemieszek** lives in Schenectady, NY and was a radiologist/mammographic technologist before retiring in 2007. She enjoys cooking and the Lions Club and Red Hat Society. She has four children; nine grandchildren and one great granddaughter. She says to spread joy, peace, kindness, love and a big smile!



The Class of '68 - (from left to right) Albert Clune, Diane Conrow, Stephen Schweighofer, Lois MacDonald, Karen Stoddard, Alan \_\_\_\_, Teresa Nichols, Robert Johnson, Wayne Lawrence, Lyn Spry, Mary Ann Gleason, \_\_\_\_, Kathy \_\_\_\_, Carol Susan "Sudie" Mills, \_\_\_\_, Lora Lindsey.



1966

**Lee and Bill Palmer** live in TX but Bill has been doing consultant work for Lockheed/Martin in CA but hopefully will be retiring in Dec. 2014 will be a busy year with their daughter, Jill, getting married, a two-week Panama Canal cruise, a trip to London before a cruise of the Greek Isles. They have two grandsons who live nearby so they spend lots of time at their house. Their daughter Kelly is a project manager at Mary Kay and Jill has her own private therapy practice in Austin. Stephanie is now a stay at home Mom.

**Linda Schweighofer Neish** retired in 2010 after 42 years of Nursing. Her hobbies include gardening and her family and travel. This past year she took the train to Montana Country to see grandchildren, travelled to Nova Scotia, Memphis/Nashville and FL to see her Mom. She has 3 children and 2 grandchildren.



**City of Brotherly Love** — *This was the brothers’ 17th year doing the “Brothers’ Trip”. This year we went to Philly.*  
*Jim, Bob & Chuck*

**Fred Root** lives in East Greenbush, NY and retired in 2009 as a School Improvement Consultant but is still consulting part-time. He enjoys reading and running and travelling around the country. He is also a Daycare Board Chair. He has 4 children and 2 grandchildren. He says it seems he always has a conflict during reunion weekend but did enjoy seeing everyone in 2011 briefly before flying out to Nashville for a conference.

**Ken Wrigley** lives in Pine City, NY and loves to see Reflections coming so keep up the good work.

1967

**Larry Gleason** retired in 2010 and have been spending my winters in Florida. I just sold my house in Guilford and am now residing in Virginia. I like the fact that fall comes late and spring comes early there.

1968

**John Freleigh** lives in Utica, NY and is a public school and private music teacher. He is a 2<sup>nd</sup> degree black belt instructor at the American Martial Arts Institute and his wife Cheryl is a 7<sup>th</sup> degree master instructor at the same institute.

1968

**Cherie Gregory Bryan** lives on Cape Cod overlooking a pond with her husband, David. Together they enjoy swimming, long walks in the various towns around them and choral singing. Her oldest son, Galen, lives in North Hollywood and works for the NFL. Her youngest son, Liam, works in the next town over from them at Nickerson State Park.

**Karyl Burgher Clemens** retired after 38 years both in college administration and corporate marketing. Her husband, John, is a professor of management. They spend the summers at their home on Cape Cod and enjoy sailing, kayaking, cycling and travelling.

**Randy Goulette** retired in 2007 from UPS as a truck driver and he lives in Mt. Vision, NY with his wife, Ilene. Together they have Morgan horses and his wife is a world champion and a reserve champion in her past 2 years of showing horses. Randy is very proud of her and her horse T.E.S. Infinity.

**Donna Johnston Keelser** works part time for the Brevard County School Board in FL and her husband, Tom, is retired. She has 3 daughters, Elizabeth and twins, Angela and Diana. She has 4 grandchildren, Ethan, Isabella, Donna and Carmela. Elizabeth and Diana live locally while Angela lives in San Diego. Her mother, who is 93, lives nearby and she helps with her. She enjoys walking and jogging and participated in her first ever 5K race in April. She is doing the Disney Princess half marathon as Snow White with her daughters and says it should be a hoot.

**Deborah Woytek Puffer** still lives in Bainbridge with her husband of 43 years, **Blair Puffer, 1970**. Their daughter, Carrie is a Lt. Cmdr stationed in HI right now and is a Dr. of Physical Therapy. Their son, Chad, works for Dept of Defense in Liverpool, NY and he has their 3 granddaughters, Katie, Emma and Olivia. They both took up golf about 4 years ago and love it. They also cut wood together for their home heat and enjoy walking in the woods. Deb enjoys swimming a mile 3 times a week and spending time with her grandchildren very much. They are both involved in establishing a Sidney Veterans Memorial Park on Rt 8 and River St in Sidney and Blair has done a lot of work getting the ground ready for the park. Deb is also very active in the alumni association and Blair calls her the “Alumni Queen”.

**Mike Wilson** lives in Otego with his wife, Doreen. He enjoys fishing, tent camping, hiking, woodworking and flowers. He has 2 daughters and 4 grandchildren.

**Patricia Panaro Santoro** has lived in CT for the past 30 years and has a great job that she enjoys in higher education management. She is planning on retiring in a couple of years. She travels, enjoys concerts, exercise, gardening and life in general. She is very grateful for her family and friends.

**Glen “Whit” Whitaker, Jr.** is semi-retired and married to Rosemary. He has 3 children, 4 step children, 14 grandchildren and 5 great granddaughters. He enjoys all sports and cars and lives in Oneonta, NY.

**Kindred Spirits -- Joy ‘Nabinger’ Austin ’66 (left) with myself, Anne ‘Plummer’ Winnick ’73 at Calvary Chapel of the Hills, Cobleskill, NY, where Joy’s son, Eric Austin is pastor.**



Many would say our meeting was a fluke; just coincidence. Joy and I say it was Divine providence.

New to the Cobleskill area in April, my first order of business was to find a church home. I was waffling about going this day; there was so much unpacking to do. Weary from the move, I wasn’t in the mood for church shopping and muttered, “I’m too old for this. I just want to go to the first church I walk into and know that this is where I am meant to be.” It was Easter Sunday, my favorite holiday; unpacking could wait.

It was my second visit to this one particular church. After the service people were chatty, mingling amongst each other for a long time. A very nice woman came up to give me a warm welcome and chat a while. She kept asking me questions, which I thought was unusual. It got my attention. Most people ask a few basic questions, then move on to talk to someone else. Joy was persistent and seemed genuinely interested in getting to know me.

She told me she was visiting from Rochester and asked me if I knew anything about the city. I said, “No, not really. Even though I was born in Western NY, in a small town outside of Buffalo, my father moved us when I was five. I grew up in Sidney.” Joy yelled in excitement, SIDNEY!! I GREW UP IN SIDNEY!!” I was stunned.

Unbeknownst to either of us, we grew up two streets away from each other. Her brother Paul was a classmate of mine; assigned alphabetically to sit in front of me in 5th grade, and obviously took great pleasure in teasing me. Joy’s warmth is genuine and natural and it’s not long before you feel comfortable and at ease, as if you are her best friend.

Joy invited me to join her family for Easter dinner at Eric and his wife Lindsay’s home, along with their five beautiful children; friends from church; Grandpa and Great-Grampy, also from Sidney. Sitting at this table surrounded by family, took me back to the days when I was a young girl sitting in the place of honor, next to my great-grandfather at the holiday table.

Because of our foundation of faith, Joy and I have a lot in common and many insights to share on faith, family, personal growth, future goals. A good friend is a healing balm to this newcomer. Such a wonderful time, so many laughs and so much to talk about, where to begin? Truly a most memorable Easter.

I look forward to the days ahead when Joy comes to visit Eric and Lindsay, which are now like my new extended family... and again, just two streets from my new home!



SPORTS HALL OF FAME “CLASS OF 2014” ANNOUNCED  
EARLIER INDUCTION WEEKEND PLANNED

The Sidney Alumni Sports Hall of Fame has announced its excellent Class of 2014 with four alumni and a Legacy Team to be inducted the weekend of September 19 & 20, 2014.

Festivities are still in the planning stages, with additional details to be worked out based on the completion and dedication of the brand new Sidney Alumni Field. Be sure to check often on the website and future Alumni Facebook postings! At the very latest, details should be confirmed by Reunion Weekend in July!



Presenting the Class of 2014, along with brief biographies on each:

**Delson “Del” Hodges – '61:** Part of 1960's unbeaten football team as their best running back, which included TWO games of 4 TDs each, a school record that still stands. His 17 touchdowns in a season were a school record at the time, and his 85 yard scoring run tied the school record at the time. Del was also an outstanding wrestler and a base-ball pitcher. His 2-hit shutout as a junior preserved a winning record under Hall of Fame coach Al Drake.

**Roxanne “Roxy” (Olmstead) Birdsall – '71:** Roxy's athletic career for Sidney was pre-Title IX, though she was regarded as the best of her era. She took that love of sports and became a successful coach at all levels for girls sports – volleyball, field hockey most notably – and boys golf. Her 2009 golf team went unbeaten in all its matches, and her teams regularly qualified for Sectional competition. She herself is a perennial golf champion, having won individual scratch titles at the Sidney & Oneonta Country Clubs. She is still the “ultimate competitor”.

**Richard “Rick” Mirabito – '76:** Versatile athlete with First Team Susquenango All-Star honors in football, basketball and baseball. 2-year point guard in basketball, whose teams earned back-to-back 20-2 seasons and the school's first inter-sectional victory in 1975. Football defensive back and wide receiver; helped the Warriors defeat then #2-ranked Chenango Forks. Fleet-footed center-fielder and leadoff hitter in baseball; paced the team in hits and stolen bases over two seasons.

**Gerard “Jeri” Mirabito – '79:** Dynamic and savvy point guard for a Sidney basketball team that went to the first two NYS Public High School Athletic Association Tournaments held, winning the 1978-79 Class B title. Jeri was named MVP of the tournament and was also voted to the 2<sup>nd</sup> team All-State (Small Schools). Two years later, was part of a Division III National Championship Potsdam State squad. Was assistant coach at Potsdam and St. John's (NY), then led SUNY-Oneonta as its head coach, winning a SUNYAC Championship.

**LEGACY: 1983-84 Field Hockey:** Led by Hall of Fame coach Mary (then Vredenburgh) Morrison, the Lady Warriors backed up their NYS Western Division Regional title a year earlier by storming all the way to the first-ever State Championship game – in Class A – as a Class C-size school. While they met their match in a gritty 4-2 loss to Long Island and national power Centereach HS, Sidney earned the respect of all that season by being the small school team taking on the giants. Some say it is still the best field hockey team Sidney ever had!

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**Huldah Jackson Martin** married Free-mont in 2009 and has worked for ACCO Brands for 35 years. Together they have Doxie puppies, a cat, 2 birds, 2 hamsters and 18 godchildren. She is involved in the Order of the Eastern Star, Daughters of Mokanna and Daughters of the Nile. She has been president of the first 2 in past years.

**Donald Smith** retired in 2013 and now enjoys swimming, music and outer space. He lives in Afton and has come to a couple of the alumni weekends and has really enjoyed them. He says to keep up the great work on the newspaper.

**Jerry Smith** lives in the Pittsburgh, PA area and is a business owner of 3 businesses. He enjoys golf, kayaking, ping pong and bowling. He has 4 sons and 6 grandchildren. He would like to have more contact with classmates.

WANTED...  
Class Rep for the Class of ‘69

After several years of service, Karen (Vandervort Lawniczek) Shapiro and Valerie Wittkamper have decided to retire from their position as Class Rep for the Class of ‘69. They would like someone to fill this role and plan the 45th class reunion.

Thank you, Karen and Val, for your hard work and dedication. It is greatly appreciated!

April 7, 2014

Dear Alumni,

As way of introduction, my name is Joe Hager, Class of ‘61. I was the Chairman of the SCSAA’s Alumni Veterans Memorial Committee (Sub-committee to the SCSAA’s Strategic Planning Committee) until recently when I stepped down as chairman of the AVM Committee. I have been diagnosed with lymphoma, and will be receiving chemotherapy treatments for the next several months.

However, I take this opportunity to submit a personal note encouraging the continuing development of a unique, distinctive and appropriate memorial, with monument, which reflects the service and sacrifices of the SCS alumni military veterans.

The SCSAA Board approved a general concept for the AVM to include a plaque containing a suitable inscription mounted on a monument stone which could be embellished with appropriate decorative details and features which would be approved by the SCSAA Board.

SCS alumni may post ideas and comments regarding the development and design of the alumni veterans memorial on the SCS Alumni Veterans Memorial open group on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/103980746360935/>. Alumni may request to join this group, or alumni may be added by a current group member.

The SCS Alumni Veterans Memorial group is a place for the exchange of general questions and answers, and for the sharing of ideas or suggestions regarding the development and design of the SCS Alumni Veterans, such as inscription, logos, artwork, etc. The development of an AVM design would be facilitated by having alumni with drawing/sketching ability to be willing to provide sketches/renderings of possible AVM design concepts. Such alumni should contact a member of the AVM Committee, or post a comment/message at the SCS Alumni Veterans Memorial’s Facebook group.

Sincere regards,

Joe Hager



Class Representatives

In order to keep this list current—we urge you to contact us with any changes by filling out a form at: [update@sidneyalumni.org](mailto:update@sidneyalumni.org)  
Due to a lack of space, only one contact person per class is listed.

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SPECIAL NOTICE  
TO ALUMNI AND  
CLASS REPRESENTATIVES

The Class Roster and Class Rep list are essential for ensuring that communications about the Alumni Association reach you.

The SCSAA has a class roster that contains the names of all Sidney alumni. Your contact information is only as current as your membership. When you join or renew and send your contact information, it is entered in the roster and on the website unless, in the case of the latter, you indicate you do not want it posted. The future of *Reflections* depends on alumni maintaining their official membership.

The list of Class Representatives has been updated and revised. Please check the list. Are you listed as the “Class Rep”? If so, is your contact information, i.e., name, address, phone number and email address, correct?

Is your class in need of Class Rep? Would you like to volunteer? Submit your name and contact information to: [update@sidneyalumni.org](mailto:update@sidneyalumni.org) Be sure to write “New Class Rep” on the form.

The membership form is in *Reflections*, and an abbreviated form is on the website. Membership cost is \$15/year; 10/year (for seniors over 65), due by July 31, 2014. See page 14 for details.



MEMBERSHIP FORM

Sidney Central School Alumni Association (SCSAA)  
(Please Print)

Date form completed: May we post your name and contact information in the class lists on the SCSAA website (www.sidneyalumni.org)? ( ) YES ( ) NO

NAMES AND SCS INFORMATION:

Your SCS Class Year: Your Last name: Your maiden name, if applicable: Your First name: Your Nickname: Significant Other's full name (maiden name, if applicable) Your Significant Other's SCS Class Year, if applicable: Are you (or were you) a SCS faculty member? If yes, which subject(s) and which grades do you (did you) teach? Did you coach any sports teams? If yes, which sports? Which level? Which years?

CONTACT INFORMATION

MEMBERSHIP DUES

Mailing Address: (PO Box/Street #) (Street) (Apt #) (City) (State) (Zip Code) Telephone Number: (Area Code) (Phone Number) E-Mail Address: Dues: \$15/year; \$10/year (age 65 and older) The membership year is August 1 - July 31. Your membership expiration date is on the mailing label on your copy of Reflections. I would like to receive an invoice by ( ) Post Card ( ) E-mail I would like to receive Reflections newsletter by ( ) Mail ( ) E-mail

OTHER INFORMATION ABOUT YOU AND YOUR FAMILY

Vocation: Are you retired: If yes, when did you retire? Hobbies/Vacation activities: Volunteer activities: Children's First Names: Grandchildren's First Names: Great grandchildren's First names: Your personal statement:

PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO: SCS Alumni Association AND MAIL TO: SCSAA, PO Box 2186, Sidney, NY, 13838 (One check may be written to include both the membership dues and the cost of the luncheon.)

Annual All-Class Reunion Luncheon  
Sunday, July 20, 2014

Featuring the  
10th Anniversary Wall of Fame Induction Ceremony  
for Distinguished Alumni and Educators

Luncheon Tickets @ \$15.00 per person = Total Website Donation Total Enclosed

11:00 am, Social Hour  
11:45 am, Luncheon & Program  
Luncheon Tickets, \$15 per person

NUMBER OF ATTENDEES: Total amount enclosed:

Name(s) of attendees: Class Year (Where applicable)

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**Cindy Peterson Bell** lives in Unadilla, NY and works part time at Village Variety for Peg Payne Phelps’ husband Fran. She has one granddaughter who is the love of her life.

**Janice Muir Feather** retired in 2010 from AT &T sales and a church administrator/ treasurer. She enjoys travel, quilting, piano and singing. She volunteers as a Honor Flight greeter and in the church choir. She says, “I am grateful for my Delaware County roots and the hard work of all SCSAA volunteers who keep our connections alive.”

**Marcia Martin Knapp** has been married to Pat for 36 years and they have 3 children and one grandchild. She is a retired nurse and is active in the Personal Ponies, Ltd., a program with 3 UK Shetland ponies.

**Wesley Steele** retired in 2008 and has 3 children, Christopher, Jennifer and Shawn and 5 grandchildren. He enjoys NASCAR racing and his grandkids. He also does odd jobs for the disabled in his spare time.

**Debra Tompkins-Cornett** moved back to Sidney in 2009 after having a dental hygiene career in CT & MA. She helped with her Mom until her death in 2012 and had such warm memories of growing up in Sidney, decided to stay in the family home. She became a parent to her brother Duane’s daughter when he passed away in 1998. She is the Vice President/Secretary of Prospect Hill Cemetery Association, assistant treasurer of Sidney’s St. Paul’s Episcopal Church.

**John Volt** lives in Utah and retired in June 2012 as a civilian Lead Equipment Specialist for the USAF. He just completed a lifelong dream of hiking the Appalachian Trail (2,185.9 miles) and sharing the story on FB with classmates and at the reunion this past summer. In 2016 he hopes to hike the Pacific Coast Trail and possibly a cross country bike trip with his grandkids. He has 4 children and 6 grandchildren. In his spare time, he grows 100-130 tomato plants and various peppers! He said, “The mountains are calling and I must go.”

1971

**Jo-Ann Spinelli** lives in Latham, NY and enjoys all kinds of outdoor activities such as jogging, biking, swimming, hiking and geo-caching. She enjoys her friends and going to the theatre to see a variety of shows. She hopes to travel a couple times a year within the US and she also volunteers at the local animal shelter one day a week. “It is a great life.”

1973

**Susan Nolan Dietrich** has been married 27 years and has 2 children and 2 very spoiled dogs. She is retired as HR/PR manager at Proctor & Gamble and continues to volunteer and serve on many boards. She spends the colder months in Siesta Key, FL. She enjoys reading the newsletter.

1974

**James Morenus** says he’s single and has moved to Ocala, Florida.

1975

**Randall Coy** remarried on 7/27/13 and lives in Bedford, TX.

**Marilyn Steele Reynolds** married **Tracy, ’65**, in April of 2004 and together they have 4 daughters and 8 grandchildren. Marilyn had a kidney transplant in 2006 and now enjoys

1975

car shows, swap meets and drag racing. They are both members of the Sidney Elks and the American Legion and Tracy loves bringing new life back into old cars.

1979

**Kimberly Nolan Forbes** went to Sidney school until 8<sup>th</sup> grade but has recently been talking to an older sister who had just attended the reunion weekend. She is hoping to attend her 35<sup>th</sup> reunion this summer at Sidney. She thinks the Reflections is wonderful and has been networking with several of her old classmates.

1982

**Michelle Pressler** lives in IL and is a chem-ist. She has 1 son Donald.

1984

**Kathryn Abbot Struzik** is a music teacher and lives in Webster, NY.

1985

**Sue Francisco Heckman** moved from PA to NC in 2011 because of her husband’s job and she absolutely loves it in NC. Her oldest son, Teo, graduated in May and is working on his Doctorate in Physical Therapy. Her youngest son, JP, is working at Modern Nissan in Win- ston-Salem after graduating in March.

2013 ~ CLASS OF `73 CELEBRATED 40 YEARS



***WE ALL HAD SO MUCH FUN!!!*** On July 20, 2013, the Class of 1973 celebrated their 40th class reunion with dinner and dancing at the Major’s Inn, Gilbertsville. From left to right, front row: Tina Pabst, Anne Parker Liebundgut, Terry Woytek Hawley, Kathy MacDonald Johnson; 2nd row: Tom Wood, Marianne Pepe Mailen, John Sterchak, Leslie Hope, Anne Plummer Winnick, Linda Johnson Stratton, Cheryl Miller Sofra; 3rd row: Russell Marcy, Jackie Hunt VanderVort, Debbie Davis Lynch, Herb Bidwell, Debra Mott Sickler, Peter Mann; 4th row: Jack Doyle; 5th row: Terry Cunningham Sutter, Monica Cycon Lynch, Cindy Schmidt Stacy; 6th row: Marion Budine Striesse, Deb Warnke Page, Angelina Johnson Wermel, Susan Nolan Dietrich, Linda Aylesworth Valentine; 7th row: John Pickering, David Heath, Colleen Brown, Richard Wakeman, Sue Thomas Wakeman, Mark Shields, Paul Higgins; Back row: Mike Jones, Dave Richards, Bob Davie, Bill DeCocker, Bill Dickson and Dan Lynch.

1979

**Michele Johnson Hoven** lives in MA and is a Casa Advocate. She enjoys reading and travelling and has one son, Mathew. She would love to hear from classmates and friends.

**David Lambrecht** lives in Bainbridge and works at Amphenol. He has 2 children; Joshua and Mara.

1980

**Karen Ruff McWeeney** is celebrating her 30<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary this year. They moved to NC ten years ago and enjoy sight-seeing. They have 2 sons and 1 daughter, 2 grandsons and 2 grandbabies on the way. Karen has just rediscovered her artistic side and enjoys donating pieces to a local rescue to help them raise funds. She has an art page on FB- Northern Heart. She says, “Life is precious, enjoy every moment you can.”

1993

**Andrew Brandt** pursued graduate studies from the University at Albany School of Communications and lives in Sidney.

**Christina Pope Huyck ’93 and George Huyck ’85** were recently married. Christina’s daughter Elizabeth attends Sidney Middle School. They live in Sidney in the house Christina grew up in are restoring the house back to the way it looked when first built. It’s a slow process but fun.

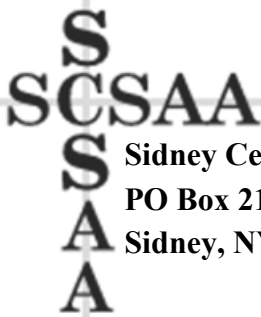
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**Anne Griffith** taught at Sidney for nearly 30 years and just recently retired as a high school English teacher. Her husband still practices law in downtown Sidney. Her son, **Daniel, 2003**, completed his PhD in chemistry at Columbia University and her daughter, **Allison, 2006**, has 2 years left in the same PhD program.





Can you identify the students in this photo? Hint: The year is 1955.  
If you know of anyone, send an email to: [anne@sidneyalumni.org](mailto:anne@sidneyalumni.org).  
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