



Scotland School for Veterans' Children Alumni Association

*"Dedicated to Preserving
Our Family Forever"*

SSVC Alumni News - Issue No. 138 — Spring 2024

From the Desk of the President



Hello Alumni and Friends,

I hope everyone is doing well, and had a nice holiday season.

I'm sure the question on everyone's mind is what is the status of our school. The only thing I can tell you is as of right now the Campus has not been sold. Hopefully, I will have an update for you at reunion. As you may or may not know we were told to move out of the museum and off the campus. We have moved everything to a storage unit, until we know what we are doing. I would like to thank all the alumni, friends and relatives of alumni that were able to help with the move. At this time we are actively looking for a new place for our museum, but unfortunately we will not have it to open for the reunion in June.

I would like to give a BIG THANK YOU for all your kind donations. Without you we cannot keep the Association going. Your donations help with our events, the newsletter, pays bills (e.g. storage unit) and a new museum location. I hope you will consider continuing to donate. Every donation really helps, and I truly appreciate each and every one we receive.

Our upcoming events are the Reunion June 7-9 at the American Legion in Chambersburg. Details are on pages 9-11. Our picnic will be September 14 this year. We moved it to September due to the heat in July. I hope this will work better for us. Our 21st golf tournament will be on August 24 at Eagles Crossing in Carlisle, PA. We had our Franklin County Special Olympics/Scotland School Alumni Association Bingo on March 10. Thank you everyone who turned out to support this event. I hope you are able to make it to some, if not all of our events. I always enjoy seeing my SSVc family and friends.

Sincerely,

Ken Beck '74

President

SSVC Alumni Association

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2024 Events!

June 7-9: Reunion—American Legion, Post 46, 755 Philadelphia Avenue, Chambersburg, PA.

September 14: Picnic—Greene Township Park, 996 Elevator St, Scotland PA. (across from the pond entrance of the school).

August 24: 21st Annual SSVc Alumni/Friends Golf Tournament— Eagles Crossing Golf Course, 501 Conodoguinet Ave. Carlisle, PA.

Treasurer's Report, Alumni Dues, Officers, Student Records

Treasurer's Report (as of 03-05-2024)

General:	\$21,888.89
Museum:	<u>\$15,890.26</u>
Total:	\$37,779.15

Alumni Dues

\$25 (covers two years). Make checks payable to: S SVC Alumni Association, mark memo section: Alumni dues. Please send to Vickie Portner Cook '73, 80 Red Rock Avenue, Dover, PA 17315. Phone 717-698-8905.

Secretary's Corner

Vickie Portner Cook '73



Thank you everyone for keeping our alumni family, friends & supporters in your thoughts & prayers as they go through difficult times.

If you know someone who is need of our prayers & well wishes please contact me through IM, email, or phone. Please leave a message if I don't answer. In our world of scammers & telemarketers if I don't recognize the number I don't answer. BUT I will call you back.

If you change your contact information, or you know someone who has a made a change please let me know so I can keep your information up to date.

I would like to thank **Robb Avery '96** for his idea to spotlight our alumni (young & old). We are looking for alumni to share their journeys from leaving S SVC to present/retirement so we can share on Facebook and in the newsletter. Please email me at 717-698-8905. I love reading about my Scotland family!

Student Records

Alumni and Students with graduating years of 1976-2009 need to contact the DMVA. The contact person at DMVA is Kay Marks, Records Coordinator. Her number is 717-861-7713, and her email address is: kaymarks@pa.gov. Ms. Marks has your records at Ft. Indiantown Gap in Annville, PA and is very helpful and quick to turn around requests. Alumni and Students with graduating years of 1895-1975 need to request records from the PA State Archives. You may ask the State Archives representative to copy everything in your record. To release copies of files to former students and alumni, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania State Archives will need a written request from the student/alumnus, signed by the student/alumnus. Send the student/alumnus's full name, date of birth and Social Security number. Research and copy fees will apply to mail requests. The Research fee is \$15.00 for requests from Pennsylvania residents; \$25.00 for requests from out of state. The Copy fee for the first 10 pages is free; thereafter it is \$0.50 per page plus shipping and handling for additional pages. Mail your request to State Archives, PA Historical & Museum Commission, 350 North St., Harrisburg, PA 17120-0090. If the student/alumnus visits in person, the State Archives representative will need to see current identification such as a driver's license or passport. Copying fees will apply: \$0.50 per page. For inquiries, the State Archives number is: (717) 783-3281.

What's Happening (Alumni News)

Rev. Dr. Anthony "Tony" DeMarco '43—I will always love and cherish my life at SSV. I was admitted to the school when it was known as Soldiers Orphan Industrial School and General Smathers was our Superintendent. My life was changed forever. *Thank God!* My prayers are with all of you.

Julie DeMarco Anthony '50—Doing Great—Never thought I would be drawing on my Beauty Culture Days. I am giving manicures to the elderly woman and even some men... They love it, they get all excited trying out new colors!! I buff the men's nails. It is a labor of love—more fun and pleasure for me! We sing along to all the oldies & Gospel songs! How sweet it is. Love and Prayers to all 

Murphy Brothers,- Joseph '53, Edward '53 William '51



Edward passed away 12/3/23 & William passed away 12/5/23.

Gary Peters '54— Came to SSV in 1946 (4th grade), left in 1952. My mother remarried and moved to Wisconsin. Eddie DePascale '54 & I were best bud's for 6 years. Thanks to Peggy Moore Stout '54 we were able to stay in contact over the years. Eddie was an important person/brother/friend over the years. In later years I regretted leaving S.O.S. & all those close friends. I finished high school/Navy/college then worked at United Airlines for 35 years. Ended up as Manager Engineering Configuration Control. Retired & have lived in Palm Springs for 28 years.

Marian "Mim" Walmer Lancaster '55—my husband Al passed away 12-14-2021. I live by myself, but my 3 children live near by. I have 6 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren, with the 11th on the way in February. I enjoy going to the Senior Center several times a week and meeting all kinds of people.

Dr. Darrell Morrow '55—Darrell turned 87 February 28. He and his wife will be celebrating their 64th wedding anniversary in July 2024. *Happy Birthday Darrell and Happy Anniversary to you and your wife.*

Ruth Singer Myers '58—Became a great-great grandmother on January 6, 2024 to her grandson Ja'Kai. *Congratulations Ruth!*

Judy Mellott '63— Judy welcomed her 5th great grandchild. Her great-granddaughter Aubrey was born on December 2, 2023. *Congratulations Judy!*

Denny Hughes '63—Denny & Kathy welcomed their grandson Hatcher on 10/19/2023. *Congratulations Kathy & Denny!*

Diane Walsh Freeman '65—I would like to thank all my SSV brothers & sisters for all their support during my recent illness.

Sally Sheaffer '65—Thank you for your many prayers, cards and concern for my sister Betty, and my family. Betty went to her heavenly home on February 18th. I appreciate your love and support during her time of illness and your cards also. Thanks again. Love, Sally

Rudy Boyance '67—I would like to thank everyone for the cards sent to my wife Elaine during her illness. We truly appreciated them. A bit of good news, Rudy and Elaine celebrated their 51st wedding anniversary on March 3, 2024. *Congratulations Rudy & Elaine!*

What's Happening (Alumni News)

Cindy Hissem Berry '69—I retired as a registered nurse after working in Colorado, South Carolina, & Pennsylvania. I taught elementary school in Pennsylvania before becoming a nurse. I also received a degree in Computer Science. My husband's a retired Air Force veteran. We currently live in Latrobe, PA with our dog Penny. *Thank you for your service to our country.*

Larry Stopa '73— Moved in September 2023 to "Regency at Waterside" a 55+ active adult community. I've been retired from Environmental Project Management since 2020.

Mary Morton Phillips '73— Retired from the Department of Corrections in 2004, then received my nursing license (did nursing for 5 years). I have been living in Florida since 2004. I have the usual "getting older" issues :-).

Chris Estright '78—Chris's daughter Leah made the Dean's list the first and second semester at Penn State. *Way to go Leah! Congratulations Chris!*

Gerelle Dunn Henderson '82—Welcomed grandbaby #2 on 11/16/23.

The **class of 1983** recently had a reunion— I would like to share the post from Andre Price on facebook and their picture. — SSVC "CLASS OF 1983"



CLASS OF 1983" continued—My tribe, my peeps, my family. We have known each other since elementary school. We lived, sat in class, played, did sports/activities, broke bread, even fought one another (lol), did everything together 7days a week 7+yrs of our lives. Except when we went home (to our biological families) for holidays and summer vacation. We stand tall and grateful, humbled to still have one another. We are knocking on the door of 60 years of age (some sooner then others 🤔🤔🤔🤔🤔) and all, but one(R.I.P.), are still here to enjoy each other. The love, respect, and admiration I have for each of you leaves me speechless.....MUCH LOVE, MAD RESPECT

James Scott '88 —Welcomed his grandson Jalen Zion Scott February 2024. *Congratulations to you and your family, James!*

Jeff Marshall '96 (on left in first picture below, his wife Taneise (2nd picture—lady with white skirt/black top on right), and Malcolm J. Yates '99 (on right in first picture) were invited to and attended the 2024 Black History Month Reception at Pennsylvania Governor's mansion with Governor Josh Shapiro and First Lady Lori Shapiro.



In The Spotlight



Dear **Paul Knouse '54**

It is with great pleasure that I inform you of your selection as one of this year's PITT Varsity Letter Club Awardees of Distinction.

This award, has been in existence for 61 years, recognizes former PITT varsity letter winners 25+ years after graduation or completion of their playing days from the University of Pittsburgh, for their community and professional achievements.

We hope you will be able to join us on the weekend of Friday February 23rd, 2024 for the festivities surrounding this award and celebration of your accomplishment. The weekend begins Friday night at the Varsity Letter Club Dinner at the Westin Pittsburgh Hotel where you and your fellow Awardees will be honored. The next day, you will be recognize during the PITT basketball game at Petersen Event Center.

We are quite pleased with this year's awardees and have listed the 2024 class below:

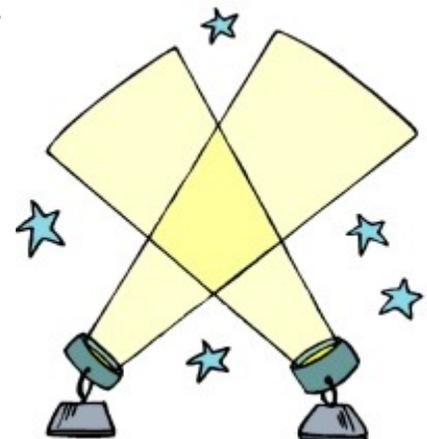
Ken Balkey (Track & Field/CC), Dave Bucklew (Football), Sue Hershelman (Volleyball), **Paul Knouse (Squash & Tennis)**, Jason Matthews (Men's Basketball), Ray Olsen (Football), Stuart Swanson (Swimming & Diving) and Kimberly Yarnall (Gymnastics).

This year, the Pitt Varsity Letter Club will also be honoring two young Forever Panthers as the inaugural Pitt Varsity Letter Club Rising Star Award recipients.

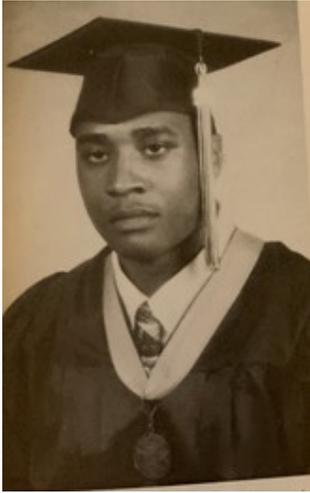
The Rising Star Award recognizes Forever Panthers who are 10 years or less from their final year of competition at Pitt and have distinguished themselves in their profession or community. They are: Jordan Fields (Track & Field) and Andin Fosam (Track & Field).

As always, it is a stellar group with impressive credentials. By accepting this award, you join the prestigious group PITT Forever Panthers Letter of Distinction.

Again, please accept our sincerest congratulations.



In the Spotlight



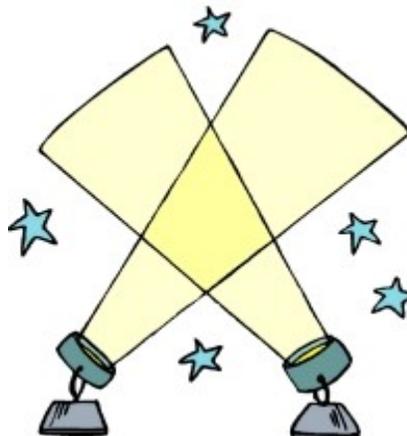
Cadets have been all over the world since leaving Scotland. One Cadet, **Dennis Brockington (1996)** has 20-plus years in The United States Air Force, has since retired, and lives in Germany. Dennis is fluent in German and works all over Europe. While at Scotland, Dennis was a two-time State champion on the basketball team.

Dennis has spent many of his Air Force years stationed in Germany and other European US Military Bases.

He and his wonderful wife live in Germany. My family and I had an opportunity during the Thanksgiving holiday on a family vacation to meet up with Dennis in Bonn, Germany. He showed us around a Christmas Market, which Germany is famous for. Dennis told us how excellent the quality of life is in Germany. He is doing very well.

It was great to catch up with Dennis! Thank you for your service to our country, Dennis!!

Thank you **Robb Avery (1996)** for sharing Dennis's accomplishments with us.



Taps

Names in **BOLD** text represent recipient, names under recipient represent person making donation.
The following alumni, friends, supporters have been reported deceased since Newsletter 134. We carefully reviewed the list for accuracy, but if there are any omissions/corrections please contact Vickie Portner Cook '73.

TAPS

Virgo Zeek '43
September 8, 2020

William "Bill" Murphy '51
December 5, 2023

Edward "Ed" Murphy '53
December 3, 2023

Robert "Bob" Shrawder '57
December 17, 2023

Charles Millhouse '58
January 2021

Freda Stalb Heaton '58
November 28, 2023

Paul Fochler '60
December 3, 2023

Kenneth Gross '61
June 30, 2023

Bill Fink '62
December 1, 2023

Donald Estep '70
January 18, 2024

Gone from us,

But leaving

memories

Death can never

Take away,

Memories that

Will always

Linger while

Upon this earth

We stay

TAPS

Kathy Boyance Edmunds '71
February 20, 2024

Kerry Landis '73
September 2, 2023

Harry "Luke" Golder '75
February 29, 2024

Rodney Geist '80
November 7, 2023

Mrs. Joan Reinecker (93)
Wife of Dr. Dale Reinecker, Superintendent
August 22, 2023

Mr. Leland Schaffer (94)
Cosmetology Teacher/Tennis Coach
December 26, 2023

Hartina "Tina" Ali (79)
Staff
January 2024

Carl Miller (93),
Math & Mechanical Drawing Teacher
January 26, 2024

Mrs. Bernice Whitehead (97)
Housemother 1950/1954 & wife of
John Whitehead '43/teacher & coach
February 27, 2024

In Memory Of / In Honor Of

In Loving Memory Of and In Honor Of those who are always present in our hearts

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IN MEMORY OF

John William Petre '38

Karen Petre Gordon, Daughter

Eddie DePascale '54

Gary M. Peters '54

Classmates that are departed

Jerry Sanner '54

William "Skinny" Cocker '58

Tedd Cocker '60

Wayne Pennock '59

Roland '61 & Tina Pennock

Maxine Hissem Upholster '66

Merle Hissem '66

Larry Hissem '66

Cindy Hissem Berry '69

Tom Eagle '72

Mary Morton Phillips '73

Connie Carlin Miller '73

Mary Morton Phillips '73

Debra Schmeider '73

Mary Morton Phillips '73

IN MEMORY OF

Mr. John Whitehead '43

Teacher/Coach

Don '55 & Ann (Herrold) '55 Trexler

Mr. Charles Leshner '32

Math Teacher

Don '55 & Ann (Herrold) '55 Trexler

Mr. William Peck '42

Teacher/Coach/Supervisor

Don '55 & Ann (Herrold) '55 Trexler

Mr. Marshall Frey

Teacher/Coach/Principal

Don '55 & Ann (Herrold) '55 Trexler

Mr. David Daley

Supervisor of Citizenship

Don '55 & Ann (Herrold) '55 Trexler

Charles E. Leshner '32

Math Teacher

Sally Sheaffer '65

Steve Singel

Band Director

Sally Sheaffer '65

Ray Smith

Math Teacher

Lia Alexander, Spanish Teacher
(1985-2009)

IN HONOR OF

Regis "Buck" Buckwalter '49

Karen (daughter)

Mary Stopa Williams '67

Nancy Stopa Lee '68

Linda Stopa Drawbaugh '73

Larry Stopa '73

Larry Stopa '73

Kay "Pug" Shearer

Coach/Teacher

Sally Sheaffer '65

Ray S. "Red" McKenzie

Science Teacher & Coach

Sally Sheaffer '65

Jone Mader

Wife of Mr. Wayne Mader,

Teacher/Coach

Janie Morgan

Teacher

Jenifer Jannuzi Coffroth,

daughter of

Mr. John Jannuzi

Asst Superintendent /

Superintendent (1978-1983)

& Mrs. Margaret Jannuzi, Teacher

Mr. Ray McKenzie

Teacher/Coach

Don '55 & Ann (Herrold) '55 Trexler

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Chambersburg Area Lodging (off Route 81) during Reunion

EXIT 14

Holiday Inn Express & Suites
1097 Wayne Avenue
Chambersburg, PA 17201
717-709-9009

Red Roof Inn
1110 Sheller Avenue
Chambersburg, PA 17201
717-264-8382

Motel 6
1095 Wayne Avenue
Chambersburg, PA 17201
717-263-3400

Hampton Inn
955 Leshner Road
Chambersburg, PA 17202
717-261-9185
Price quoted for BLOCK \$179/night
Contact person: Michelle

Baymont by Wyndham
1122 Wayne Avenue
Chambersburg, PA 17201
717-660-0862

EXIT 16

Travel Lodge
565 Lincoln Way East
Chambersburg, PA 17201
717-264-4187

Red Lion Inn & Suites
Note: Formally Clarion Inn
1123 Lincoln Way East
Chambersburg, PA 17201
717-263-9191

Days Inn by Wyndam
30 Falling Springs Rd.
Chambersburg, PA 17201
717-263-1288

EXIT 17

Best Western
211 Walker Road
Chambersburg, PA 17201
717-262-4994

Candlewood Suites
231 Walker Road
Chambersburg, PA 17201
717-263-2800

Country Inn & Suites (2.3 miles, 8 minutes)
399 Beddington Blvd.
Chambersburg, PA 17201
717-261-0900

LaQuinta Inn & Suites (2.2 miles, 6 minutes)
199 Walker Road
Chambersburg, PA 17201
717-446-0770

EXIT 20

Super 8 (Block of 10 rooms being held)
3301 Black Gap Road
Chambersburg, PA 17201
717-263-6655
\$75.00/night plus tax

Comfort Inn
3648 Olde Scotland Road
Chambersburg, PA 17201
717-706-6142
Price quoted for BLOCK \$99.00 = tax
Contact person: Crystal

Sleep Inn & Suites
1435 Doron Drive
Chambersburg, PA 17202
717-263-0596

SSVC Alumni Association Reunion

June 7-9, 2024

Schedule of Events

All events will take place at the American Legion Post 46, 755 Philadelphia Ave.
Chambersburg PA

We will not have a museum to visit during reunion.

Friday, June 7:

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Registration / Social Hour	4:30 pm — 6:00 pm	American Legion Dining Room
Dinner/Barbeque*	6:00 pm — 7:30 pm	American Legion Dining Room
*Menu: Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Macaroni Salad, Baked Beans, Rolls, Potato Chips, Coffee, Tea, & Water (The meal will be served from 6:00 – 7:30 only)		
DJ (Dancing)	8:00 pm — 10:30 pm	American Legion Dining Room

Saturday, June 8:

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Lunch	11:00 am — 1:00 pm	On your own
Business Meeting	1:00 pm — 2:00 pm	American Legion Dining Room
Free Time	2:00 pm—4:30 pm	On your own
Registration / Social Hour	4:30 pm — 6:00 pm	American Legion Dining Room
Dinner	6:00 pm — 7:30 pm	American Legion Dining Room
*Menu: Boneless Stuffed Chicken Breast, Baked Ham, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Corn, Salad Bar, Assorted Pies, Coffee, Tea, and Water (The meal will be served from 6:00 — 7:30 only)		
Dancing (Josh Squared Band)	8:00 pm — 11:00 pm	American Legion Dining Room

Sunday, June 9:

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Lunch	11:00 pm — 1:00 pm	American Legion Dining Room
Menu: Deli Sandwiches, Macaroni Salad, Chips, Ice Cream		

"Reunion 2024"

June 7-9, 2024

Name: _____ Maiden Name (Alumni) _____

Address: _____

Home Phone #: _____ Cell Phone #: _____

Email: _____ Class of (Alumni): _____

Position & years employed at SSVc/Retired (year): _____

Veteran: Yes ___ No ___ Branch of Service: _____ Retired military: Yes ___ No ___

What's Happening (will be in newsletter) _____

RESERVATIONS / DONATIONS

All meals at American Legion Post 46, 755 Philadelphia Ave., Chambersburg, PA (717-267-3585)

Bar-B-Q/Dance Reservation — Friday, June 7 (\$20/person) No. of Meals _____ \$20 = \$ _____

Dinner/Dance Reservation — Saturday, June 8 (\$35/person) No. of Meals _____ \$35 = \$ _____

Lunch, Sunday — June 9 (\$20/person) No. of Meals _____ \$20 = \$ _____

Membership Dues (due date on mailing label).....\$25.00 per person (covers 2 years) \$ _____

Museum.....Donation \$ _____

PostageDonation \$ _____

General FundDonation \$ _____

In Honor of: _____ Amount of Gift \$ _____

In Memory of: _____ Amount of Gift \$ _____

GRAND TOTAL.....\$ _____

Please RSVP / send payment by: May 24, 2024

*Please make checks payable to: SSVc Alumni Association
Send to Vickie Cook (Secretary), 80 Red Rock Avenue, Dover, PA 17315*



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SSVC Alumni Association Mission Statement

The mission of the Alumni Association of Scotland School for Veterans' Children
Is to promote and keep alive the close companionship and memories made during the days at Scotland;
And to promote acquaintance with persons interested in the welfare of the alumni.

For information, visit www.ssvcalumni.org