

THIS IS SURRATTS FOUNDATION E-NOTICE OF OCTOBER 1, 2019

Hello Hornets! Here are some items that might be of interest:

1. 2019 ANNUAL CAMPAIGN BEGINS. The Foundation is proud to announce the opening of its 2019 Annual Campaign. If you support the Foundation's mission and enjoy any of its efforts (such as these e-Notices), please consider using the "Donate" button on <u>www.surrattsville.org</u>, or the Donor Form below, to participate in the 2019 Annual Campaign. Remember: because the Foundation has no overhead, no donation is too small (or too large!) to benefit the Foundation. And please check to see if your employer has a matching donation program.

Thanks in advance for considering joining this very special initiative!

2. FOUNDATION SEEKS BOARD MEMBER VOLUNTEER. The Foundation is seeking a volunteer of the greater SHS community to serve on the Foundation's Board. This person will be responsible for the social media presence the Foundation hopes to establish as well as the development and maintenance of the website. Board meetings are typically telephonic with the next one scheduled for October 17 at 8 p.m. Local Board members, and Board members of a younger demographic, are particularly important to the Foundation. Please email Jontice Small if you would consider serving at jontice.small@gmail.com

3. THE CLASS OF 1964 CELEBRATED 55 YEARS. The class of 1964 celebrated our graduation 55 years ago during the weekend of September 13, 2019. On Friday (9/13/19), 22 former classmates met at the Holiday Inn in Solomons. We visited and had dinner together at the Ruddy Duck Brewery & Grill. That night, the Grill was celebrating "halfway to St. Patrick's Day." Need I say more as to how much we enjoyed this outing?? Ann (Walton) Hammond traveled the furthest from Houston, TX. Then on Saturday more former classmates arrived at the hotel. We went our various ways in the afternoon; some went to the Museum & Lighthouse; some went to the Taste of St. Leonard; and some went to the town of Solomons to walk around, but ended up at the Tiki Bar! That evening 42 of us had dinner at the Lighthouse Restaurant. We were honored to have John Riedesel, former Algebra teacher, join us. We were his first class after graduating from college! I would have to take so much space to say how much everyone enjoyed this evening. Two highlights (out of many) were former classmates Carol (Tisdale) Whitsell and Roy Revis beautifully sang for us without music. And, Carol (Tisdale) Whitsell provided a delicious & beautifully decorated (in the Surrattsville spirit) cake that was enjoyed by all. Everyone agreed that we need to get together once a year. Where we meet next year has not been decided. If you are reading this and are a former 1964 graduate, please consider joining us next year. If you have a suggestion as to where we should meet, please e-mail your suggestions to either Ginger Trapanotto @ gingersnap699@gmail.com or Barbara (Schlosser) McCall @ mandbmc@md.metrocast.net.

4. CHRISTMAS EVE 1966, ON THE AIRWAVES! Thanks to Wayne Tatum (74) for sending along this link that likely will bring back extraordinary aural memories to our readers who regularly tuned-in to WPGC in the mid-60s. It's a half-hour excerpt from Cousin Duffy's iconic radio show of Christmas Eve 1966: <u>https://youtu.be/5qqaScZ5IAg</u> Many thanks to Wayne for sending this along!

5. FACEBOOK PARTICIPATION REALLY TAKES OFF! We've noticed a significant uptick in folks joining the "Surrattsville Alumni" Facebook Group sponsored by the Foundation. This is a great "gathering place" to share Surrattsville community-related and Surrattsville Alumni-related news, photos and the like. And there has also been an

increase in participation in the individual Class Facebook Groups such as "Surrattsville 1973," "Surrattsville 1969," and so on, which are the best way to keep up-to-date on things happening with your particular Class. If you haven't joined the Surrattsville Alumni Group, and your Class's specific Group, please consider doing so. (And if there is not yet a Facebook Group for your Class, why not open one, using the standard nomenclature of "Surrattsville [Full Graduation Year]"!)

6. REUNION FOR CLASSES OF 79, 82, 83, 84 AND 85. The SHS classes of 79, 82, 83, 84 and 85 are holding a joint class reunion on October 12, 2019, from 5 pm -10 pm, at the Holiday Inn in Solomon's Island, MD. This is an open reunion so anyone from any class is more than welcome to participate. If you grew up with us and went to a different school, you are invited as well! Tickets can be purchased by clicking <u>here</u>. There will be no tickets handed out. Names will be at the registration desk the night of the reunion. If you do not receive a confirmation email, please feel free to email Debbie O'Clair MacKenzie (84) at <u>debbiemackenzie45@yahoo.com</u>.

TEACHERS: ALL FACULTY IS INVITED TO ATTEND AT NO COST!!!

If you have questions, please get in touch with someone from your class that is helping with the reunion. If you would like to be added to the email list, please get in touch with your class emailer. Contact information:

Class of 79: Marilynda Macquade (head RC) - mmacquade@verizon.net (301) 752-2450 Class of 82: Scott Gavel (head RC) - scott.gavel@att.net Margaret Foster Wood - mwwood@woodcons.com Terry Smith Downs - tdowns212@gmail.com Cathy Strong Telli (class emailer) - cathy telli@yahoo.com Class of 83: Bill Goldstein - wigoldstein65@yahoo.com Katha Moreland Shcheeler - kischeeler5785@verizon.net Class of 84: Gary Stallings (head RC) - gstallings@yahoo.com Kim Coyle Lockard - kimbalock@gmail.com Ken Dawson - opus702k@yahoo.com Donna Kessler Stallings - browneyedgirl45 6@yahoo.com Mike Zike - m mzick@yahoo.com Debbie O'Clair MacKenzie - (class emailer for 83, 84, and 85), debbiemackenzie45@yahoo.com Class of 85: Tina Williams (head RC) - tabnlog@gmail.com" Marybeth Klick - mbklick@aol.com

7. AN UPDATE FOR THE CLASS OF 70 PLANS GOLDEN REUNION. Classmates of SHS, class of 1970 50th Class Reunion, the date will be September 19, 2020 from 4pm to 2am at the Marlboro Moose Lodge, Upper Marlboro, Maryland. Jimi Simon Class of 71 will be our DJ and will perform his new Woodstock show. Surrounding class years before/after 1970 are invited. There will be free draft beer until it runs out, there will be a cash bar. We will have heavy hors d'oeuvres and a desert table. Tickets will be \$75.00 per person. There has been a lot of interest in this reunion, we can accommodate 280 people. I suggest you buy early as once we reach 280 people that's it. I'm already receiving checks everyday in the mail. Make checks payable to Leslie St.Clair/SHS reunion. I'm not mailing tickets, you will get a confirmation by email. My address is 3800 Summer City Blvd. Chesapeake Beach, Md. 20732. This information will go out to those that have provided an email address and in the upcoming Enotices. Any questions, you can IM me on fb or <u>SHS1970reunion@yahoo.com</u>

8. AN ADDITIONAL REUNION HAS BEEN ORGANIZED FOR THOSE WHO WANT TO CONTINUE THE PARTY-ON THAT WE HORNETS ARE SO FAMOUS FOR!!!!!
After the Upper Marlboro reunion at the Moose Lodge on Sept 19, 2020 there's more entertainment pleasure! On SEPTEMBER 20, 2020, a 7 night CRUISE to BERMUDA leaving Baltimore for groups. (A group is usually considered 8 or more cabins just so you know.). Inside: \$871 per person Ocean View: \$981 per person Balcony: \$1164 per person *Prices based on double occupancy Please note rooms that hold 2 do not have sofa beds. Rooms for 3 or 4 people may have a combination of a sofa bed and/or 1 or 2 "upper berths" which are like bunk beds. **All prices include the cruise fare, port charges and taxes. ****
Everyone: Time is crucial!!! Your booking must be secured by Oct 31st of THIS YEAR to get these cruise prices*****\$250/per person secures your cabin for Reunion next year! When ready to

book please submit the following to Joanna Garroway Legal names as they appear on passports (or they can use a driver's license PLUS a legally-issued birth certificate. Married women should also have a copy of their marriage license).
Birthdates
Mailing address
Email address
Phone number
Dining preference (do you want the whole group eating together for dinner? The choices are early - around 6 pm -, late - around 8:00 pm -, or open seating - which won't work well for a group)
If you want travel insurance (can be discussed one-on-one)
Credit card (can email everything else and call me with this if more comfortable

You may contact Joanne Garroway at (877)600-4646 orjgarroway@dreamvacations.com for any questions and to send your deposit

9. FOUNDATION ARCHIVES ACQUIRES SPECIAL TREASURE. Thanks to the generosity of Ann Johnson Collins (57) and Sandra Johnson Highsmith (59), the Foundation Archives has acquired a truly unique treasure. Ann kindly donated to the Foundation the 1961-1962 State Basketball Champions letterman's jacket of her late brother, Robert Miles Johnson (62). Bob attended Surrattsville from first grade through his graduation in 1962, excelled in all sports, and was named the Hornet Athlete of the Year. In the 1962 State Championship game, Bob, who wore number 33, scored 32 free throws in a row without a miss! Bob's athletic performance at Surrattsville resulted in him being awarded a full athletic scholarship to attend Washington College in Chestertown. We are so grateful to Ann and her family for adding this treasure to the Archives. (Photos of the jacket and from the game, and Bob's graduation photo, are posted on www.surrattsville.org.)

10. REQUESTS FROM THE FOUNDATION'S NEW VOLUNTEER LEADERS. A few requests from the Foundation's new volunteer leaders (listed below): First, please contact me, Jontice Small (07) (jontice.small@gmail.com), if you have any Surrattsville-related items for inclusion in one of these e-Notices. It is your submissions over the past 19 years that have helped to make these e-Notices always interesting. Second, please encourage your friends in the Surrattsville community to send me their email addresses for inclusion on our e-Notice emailing list. Third, if you are a donor to the Foundation, please consider checking with your employer to see if it maintains a matching program for donations to 501(c)(3) organizations like the Foundation.

Thanks in advance for all of your support since the new volunteer leaders took office on January 1, and for considering these requests!

Here's the list of the Foundation's new volunteer leaders: Ta'Mya Harrison (07), President (<u>tamaya.harrison@outlook.com</u>) Tayana Harrison (07), Treasurer Rontanetta Gibson (11), Secretary Jontice Small (07), Communications Liaison/e-Notice Editor (<u>jontice.small@gmail.com</u>) Kevin Stith (15), Social Media Director Myles Bradshaw (11), Foundation Photographer Elsa Tlapechco (15), New Board Member Susan Roley Malone (65), New Board Member

11. PAINLESS (I.E., FREE) WAYS TO HELP RAISE FUNDS FOR THE

FOUNDATION. Thanks to the many of you who make your Amazon purchases not through "regular" Amazon, but through <u>https://smile.amazon.com/</u>, with the Surrattsville High School Foundation designated as their charitable

beneficiary. The <u>smile.amazon.com</u> prices, products and Amazon website are identical to "regular" Amazon, but Amazon makes a charitable contribution to the designated charity for every purchase made on <u>smile.amazon.com</u>.

And thanks to those of you making your internet searches using the goodsearch search engine. It uses the yahoo search engine (which we're told rivals google and apparently has never failed any Foundation user) and, like <u>smile.amazon.com</u>, makes a contribution to

your designated charity for every internet search. Here's the link: <u>https://www.goodsearch.com/causes/surrattsville-high-school-foundation</u>.

12. PDF VERSIONS OF 70, 71 AND 72 BOOMERANGS AVAILABLE; YEARBOOKS

SOUGHT FOR ARCHIVES. Jon Miller (72) has very generously offered to scan his 70, 71 and 72 yearbooks for anyone needing a copy. Please contact Jon

at jonmiller5535@aol.com if you would like a copy.

And, on a related point, thanks to very generous donations our yearbooks from our readers, the Foundation's Archives are now missing only these yearbooks: -All before 1950

-1983-1989, inclusive

-1995

-1998

-2000 and 2001

-2004 and 2006

-2007-present, inclusive

If you would like to donate to the Archives a copy of any of these missing links, please let us know.

13. DON'T FORGET THE FACEBOOK GROUPS OF THE FOUNDATION AND OF

EACH CLASS YEAR. More and more of the communications about the Foundation, Surrattsville generally, and about individual Class year activities, have moved to the applicable Groups on Facebook. The Foundation's general Surrattsville Group, called "Surrattsville Alumni," is now approaching 2100 members, and the various Class Groups – such as "Surrattsville 1969," "Surrattsville 1973," etc. – are growing vigorously. To stay in touch, and to see a regular parade of interesting photos and info about dear ol' Surratts, please consider joining the Surrattsville Alumni Group

(https://www.facebook.com/groups/49215776591/) and your own Class Group.

14. FOUNDATION ARCHIVES SEEKING PERMANENT PHYSICAL HOME. The

Foundation is seeking a permanent home for its extensive Archives. Anywhere in the Clinton/Southern MD area would be fine, and a room or building that starts at 8 x 10 and goes to infinity would be very nice. If you have a lead on a space that might be available to preserve this very important history, please send me an email at jontice.small@gmail.com.

15. FALLEN HEROES PLAQUE AVAILABLE FOR EVENTS. Here's an update from Bob Jeter (64) on the Foundation's Fallen Heroes Plaque that hangs in the Foundation's Legacy Hall at the School alongside the American and Maryland flags that flew over the U.S. and Maryland Capitols in its honor. "The Fallen Heroes Plaque is available for display at class reunions or any other worthy functions. Feel free to contact me, Bob Jeter, <u>904jeter@gmail.com</u> or 410-315-9403, preferably well in advance of the date so transfer arrangements can be made. Bob"

Wishing all of our readers a cool start to summer!

Best,

Jontice Small (07), jontice.small@gmail.com **AND MANY THANKS TO DONORS OF THE 2019 CAMPAIGN!** Sandra Smith Simmons, In Memory of Gary L. Smith (68) State Farm Insurance Company, Matching the Regular Donations of Craig Bergeman (76) Rich Grace, (81) Steve Profilet, (71) Henry Smith (71) and Donna Rae Sturtevant Smith (70), on behalf of the Roland Coluzzi Memorial Fund Laura Burleson, (72) Bob Marr (71) Patricia B. Oles (71) Vicky Jo-Anna Young (57) Joseph Capone (79) David L. Brown (69) State Farm Companies Foundation Ross Stores Foundation Lawence "Larry" G. Romjue (57), In Memory of lois Marie Osgood (57), "THE TIDE IS RISEN" – Blondi Lee R. ('68) and Lois B. ('70) Hessberg Paul E Managhan (59), "In memory of Robert M. Edwards class of 1959" great friend and class act