

#### THIS IS SURRATTS FOUNDATION E-NOTICE OF April 1, 2020

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

1.<u>UPDATE SCHOLARSHIPS APPLICATIONS HAVE BEEN ISSUED</u>. During the COVID-19 outbreak, SHS Foundation board members have continued to stay in touch with SHS staff and some class of 2020 students to ensure we are providing the necessary support during these unexpected times. In fact, the Foundation will continue its tradition of donating towards the treasure chest to ensure students are still supported. Students have also been proactive with applying for the Foundation scholarships and we look forward to announcing the winners in the coming weeks. If you know of any students eligible please inform them of this wonderful opportunity!

We appreciate your continued support and look forward to announcing the 2020 SHS Foundation scholarship recipients.

**2.<u>THE FOUNDATION HAS NEW COMMUNICATION</u>.** Moving forward all email communication can be sent to <u>surrattsvillehsfoundation@gmail.com</u>. If you would like to send mail you can send it to P.O Box 1543 Piscataway Rd Clinton, MD 20735. The 2.0 officers have been working hard trying to streamline and innovate how we communicate, interact, and build the foundation. Please send any requests, questions, or comments to this email moving forward. Also, you can use this email to submit donations via PayPal. Thank you all for being patient as we strive to continue this legacy.

**3.**SURRATTSVILLE COMMUNITY LOSES BELOVED EDUCATOR. We just learned that beloved and longtime Surrattsville math teacher, Anne Noyes, died on March 20. Anne was born in Birmingham, AL in 1930 to a long line of teachers, and earned her math degree at George Washington University in 1950, a rarity for women at the time. She began teaching at Surrattsville after graduation, and after retiring from the Prince George's County schools continued to teach at St. Agnes/St. Stephen's in Alexandria. Her outstanding teaching abilities, reflected in her motto "Strict but Fair," earned her "favorite teacher" status from many students during her 40-year career at Surrattsville and in Alexandria. Anne is survived by two daughters, a brother and sister-in-law, four grandchildren, and nieces and nephews. Contributions in memory of Anne may be made to Macland Presbyterian Church to support students and teachers, 3615 Macland Road, Powder Springs, GA 30127. We extend our heartfelt sympathies to the family and friends of this wonderful Surrattsville educator.

**5.THOMAS V. MIKE MILLER, JR. (60) HONORED AS AN ICON!** We just learned that the Foundation's inaugural Achievement Award recipient in 2000, Mike Miller (60), was named by Maryland's newspaper of record, The Daily Record, to its list of Icon Honors winners. The Icon Honors recognize Maryland business leaders over the age of 60 for their notable success and demonstration of strong leadership, long-standing commitment to the Maryland business community, and sustained dedication to community service and mentoring.

The winners were honored at an event on December 16, and were profiled in a special insert to the December 17 Daily Record.

Sending our congratulations to Mike – who has been an unflagging and critical supporter of the Foundation since its founding – for this very, very well-deserved recognition!

[Mike's photo and bio, and photos and bios of all of the Foundation's Achievement Award recipients, can be viewed on www.surrattsville.org.]

# 6.PBS DOCUMENTARY FEATURES ACHIEVEMENT AWARD RECIPIENT! Several readers noticed the great recent PBS documentary on 2007 Achievement Award recipient Patrick O'Connell (63)! The documentary can be viewed at: <u>https://www.pbs.org/show/inn-little-washington/</u>

Congratulations to Patrick and his colleagues at The Inn at Little Washington on this very nice recognition!

7. <u>ACHIEVEMENT AWARD NOMINEES SOUGHT</u>. This is the time of year when the Foundation Board seeks nominees for the Foundation's annual Achievement Awards. Photos and bios of past years' absolutely outstanding Achievement Award recipients can be found on the Foundation's web site

at <u>http://www.surrattsville.org/achievement/index.shtml</u>. If you know of a member of the Surrattsville community who you would like to nominate for a 2020 Award, please send us an email at <u>surrattsvillehsfoundation@gmail.com</u>.

### 8. 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>.

**9.CLASS OF 71 PLANS 50-YEAR REUNION** The Class of 71 is planning its 50-year reunion for Saturday April 24, 2021, in Ocean City. Please contact Darlene Monaco at <u>darmonaco@gmail.com</u> if you would like information about this very special event, or if you have contact info for members of the Class of 71 (or members of their families).

#### 10. 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.

## 11. BLAST FROM THE PAST ! THE FOLLOWING ARTICLE IS FROM April 2012.

**ACHIEVEMENT AWARD RECIPIENT PLAYS PRINCIPAL.** A new movie just opening, "Detachment," stars Achievement Award recipient and Oscar winner Marcia Gay Harden (76) as a high school principal. Marcia's performance has been hailed by critics (as have been all of her performances!), and the film has been described as an unflinching, hard-hitting and effective tale about a failing school. Of course, that bears no similarity to her experiences while at Surrattsville, so Marcia had to draw on her extraordinary dramatic talents!

Wishing you hornets a safe, fun, and healthy 2020.

Best,

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