South Brunswick High School

Class of 1969

50th Reunion Yearbook

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It was a great pleasure reading your stories and learning about what you all have been up to for the past 50 years. We have such an interesting class – living widely divergent lives but sharing in common our love of family, our country, and adventure. Since the reunion in August, we had another 10 responses, bringing the total to 74 responses. Of the 110 working emails we have, an almost 70% return is impressive! Thank you for sharing what you've been up to for the last 50 years.

To those of you who were able to attend the reunion, it was wonderful to see you and reconnect, or in some cases, connect in the first place. Alan Peizer, Elaine Rosenstock's husband, took so many great pictures. Contact Elaine Phelps Neiberding at <u>sbhs1969class@gmail.com</u> if you haven't seen them yet.

We still haven't been able to find all of our classmates so if you have addresses or emails to share, please send the information to <u>sbhs1969class@gmail.com</u>. A directory of our classmates who agreed to share their contact information will be coming soon. If you don't see a classmate on the list, and you have their contact information, send it along. It's not too soon to think about our 60th!

Thank you again for letting us know what you've been up to. Let's stay connected.

Deborah (Debby) Smith Cook

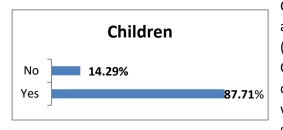
Family

The majority (82%) of our classmates are married. Sadly, ten percent are widowed. Seven percent are divorced. Interestingly, almost 35% have been married more than once. Katherine Leary Alsdorf got married for the first time at 58 (and "it's wonderful!"). She said, "I do believe that meeting my now-husband at 58, shortly after our last reunion, and getting married 7 months later was God-ordained and I am so grateful!"

Jeff Seidenstein met his wife, Sally, in 1971 and will celebrate 45 years of marriage on the day after our 50th class reunion. Judy (Pike) Smith is celebrating a long marriage, 44 years! Ralph Voorhees married his college sweetheart 47 years ago. Marsha (Berk) Tarcza's life saying is "Have the best, loving, happiest marriage that anyone can wish for. I wish I can bottle it and sell it to the world. It would make the world a better place!" This year has been a hard year for Marsha as her beloved husband just passed.

Elaine (Phelps) Nieberding has enjoyed a marriage (now 38 years) to her beloved Art. And Carol (Holland) and Mike Beltranena are enjoying 39 years of marriage. Jay Rosloff just celebrated 31 years of marriage. Julie Parmenter said, "Peter Wise is my husband and my hero."

The peak of romantic – Elaine Rosenstock Peizer and her husband recently re-created their first date 37 years ago by flying to New York to see a one night only 40th anniversary charity presentation of the opening of the Broadway play they saw on their first date in Seattle, "the Neil Simon-Marvin Hamlisch-Carol Bayer Sager musical, "They're Playing Our Song," with the original cast -- Robert Klein and Luci Arnaz, an electric evening with several celebrities and many other first-daters!"



Clarice Bailey wins the prize for the most children – she had six and they had 24 children who gave her 6 great grandchildren! (Ask Jeff Seidenstein about a chance meeting with one of Clarice's children in Indianapolis.) Almost 86% of the classmates who responded have children. Looking at what we're most proud of, forty of you said that your children, your grandchildren, your family was the most important thing to you.

And fourteen of you said that the thing you most wanted people to ask you about was your family. Gail (Russel) Austin said, "I'm always delighted to have a conversation about my wonderful family." Mike Hollander said to ask him about "My family (children & grandchildren)." Clarice Bailey not only had the most children, she said she wanted you to ask her about her "Intelligent, kind, caring, children." Judy (Williams) Perrine responded when asked what she was most proud of, "My family....a joy, blessing for sure!" And Jim Parker said he was most proud of "My children. They are doing good things with their lives." Gary Abbamont and his wife Katherine may have the youngest children; they have a son William (19) and a daughter Lauren (14).

Grandchildren are a huge source of joy for our classmates. Among the classmates who responded we have 57 grandchildren, at least 6 grand dogs, and 2 grand cats. Gail (Russell) Austin responded, "YES!!! Four beautiful grands: 4 yr. old granddaughter 2 yr. old grandson 6 week old twin Granddaughters. "Carol (Latimer) Williams has one and a half granddaughters – one was on the way at the time of the survey! Judy (Williams) Perrine only has one granddaughter – "8 years old....a wonderful joy in our lives!" Judy (Pike) Smith said "I love being a Gramma! I am very proud of my children and grandchildren." Suzanne (Turner) Martin watches her granddaughter and her 4 Grand-dogs on a regular basis.

Not to be outdone, the men also dote on their grandchildren. KO Decker said, "I have one grandson age 4 named Sam who is a joy in our lives." If you run into Mike Novack on the street or at the reunion, he wants you to ask him about his grandson. In fact, Mike missed the last reunion planning meeting because he was "pressed into" taking care of his grandson, much to his "regret." Riiight, Mike, we know what you really wanted to do – spoil that grandson! Mike Treiber wants you to ask him about his grandkids, too. Wayne Conover said his current passions are "My grandkids mostly." Jeff Seidenstein said that his "focus these days is on my grandchildren." Joanne Moser said Zeb is most proud of his children and grandchildren.

Education and Work

A significant percentage (26%) of our classmates ended their formal education with SBHS graduation. Others have pursued additional degrees. Eighteen (18) earned a masters or an MBA Two attorneys and five PhDs – a lot of years of education!

Julie Parmenter earned a Master of Divinity degree after her traumatic brain injury. Dee Dee (Bednar) Sheridan went back to school in her 50s. Ken Decker was on the 30-year college plan

SBHS graduate 18 Associate Degree 9 15 **BA or BS** Masters 17 MBA 4 2 JD MD 0 PhD 5

but got his PhD in Vocational Education in only 28 years! In May of 2020, Gary Abbamont will graduate with a doctoral degree from the University of Pennsylvania.

Gail (Russell) Austin and her husband have been able to travel and continue to enjoy learning and growing through new experiences. Deborah (Debby) Smith Cook admits to being "a learning junkie. I take classes all the time 'for fun.' "

We have worked in a wide variety of industries and positions.

- Registered Nurse
- Manager & administrator in public libraries
- Special education paraprofessional.
- Accountant for 40 years
- Psychologist/University
 Professor/Research Centre Director

- Retired from Massage Therapy and Pilates training
- Truck Driver-retired/ Special needs school bus driver-now part time
- University professor, dean, strategy coach and consultant

- Network Provisioning Technician "I don't even know what that means" Dee Dee (Bednar) Sheridan
- Creative Director for a training and consulting company - teaching about fostering Emotional Connection in work teams and boards. Also, a holistic nurse and transformation coach. Former early childhood/daycare teacher. Former bedside oncology RN.
- Speech-Language Pathologist
- Sales and teaching.
- Hair stylist
- Attorney
- I was going to join the navy, but I got a job as an electrician's helper. I ended up making a career out of it
- Instructor of Early Childhood Education in the community college in Raleigh; a public-school kindergarten teacher.
- I worked in various financial positions for the State of Indiana and the City of Indianapolis, mostly managing budgets.
- Television Producer, Documentary Filmmaker
- Social Services
- Homemaker
- Quality assurance manager
- Preschool teacher. Then HR Coordinator until retirement
- Elementary school secretary
- I started out as a trauma nurse practitioner. After my brain injury, I became an ordained minister.
- Tech company business leader; church ministry leader

- Executive assistant for HR. Legal & Sales, Event planner
- Financial Planner and Consultant
- Law Enforcement.
- Health Care policy analyst
- I had unlimited contracting authority to fill Federal space needs of various kinds, supervising 26 to do so.
- Worked for the State of N.J. (taxation)
- Retired Police Director and currently Director of Safety and Security.
- Research Chemist, Plant Manager, Director and finally owner of Thermal Enterprises.
- Retired, Dow Jones -WSJ, MTF Tissue
 Bank
- I'm the Assistant Manager for outpatient Nuclear Stress Testing for Atlantic Health System
- Warehouse exporter then landscaper
- Director of Information Technology at ScriptSave
- IT professional, programming and production support
- Recruiter (headhunter); geologist
- Accountant
- Owner and CEO of a software company in nursing education.
- Lawyer
- Physical-analytical chemist
- Software Architect at Department of Veterans Affairs
- Chief Radiation Therapist
- Office work, bookkeeping for credit cards

Pat (MacDonald) Sferra said, "I've worked at the same job for 30 years and still love what I do."

Jay Rosloff, Tad Wacker, Brenda (Young) Legg, Walter Reilly, Jim Parker, Ken Decker, Ralph Voorhees, and Ernie Singer owned, or still own, their own businesses. Jay owns a great cigar lounge in St Louis. Tad is remodeling kitchens and bathrooms. Brenda has an early children education center and has educated 100s of children. Jim Parker is the founder and owner of Riverview Studios, a television production facility located in Bordentown New Jersey. Walter is the owner of Reilly's Collision Center & Towing. Ken Decker has a financial planning business; his daughter is joining the business soon. Ralph is the owner of an automotive dealership. Ernie had his own electrician business for years; he wired a lot of celebrities' houses. Suzanne (Turner) Martin is retired after years of running an arts and craft co-op with Kentucky crafters and artists.

Dave Bemiss spent four years in the Air Force, include one year in Vietnam. Tom Sheppard was also in the Air Force. Joe Berk served in the Army. Madeleine Smith and Anita (Birch) Vann were both in the Navy.

Forty-two (42) of us are retired. Thirty (30) still work for money. And six (6) are retired **and** still work for money.

Where we live

New Jersey is the big winner with 18 of our classmates living in New Jersey, many living within an hour of SBHS. Florida is a distant second with 7 and Pennsylvania is almost tied for second with 6. Virginia has four while North Carolina has three. California, Connecticut, Oklahoma, and Oregon all have

Where we liveNew Jersey18Florida7Pennsylvania6

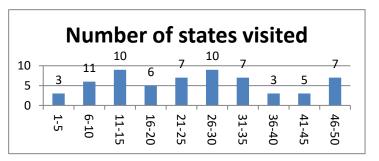
two classmates living in those states. And we have two classmates that live in Canada, almost on opposite sides of the country – British Columbia (Vancouver) and Ontario (Brantford).

The rest of our classmates are scattered from Alabama to Vermont, Texas to Minnesota, and Arizona to Washington. Chris (Swoger) O'Connell has lived for 21 years outside the US. She moved to Chattanooga, TN to be near Rob's sister after living in Aruba for 21 years. Carolyn (Cook) Gotay has lived in seven (7) states or provinces and Washington DC. Elizabeth (Betsy Elian) Whitcraft and her husband are living in western NC, 30 miles north of Asheville. After taking care of her husband's parents who were 98 and 99, they took a couple of years looking around, including Panama, before settling in Asheville. Beth Ziegler now lives in Wisconsin, but she and her husband have lived in CA, NJ & MN. Julie Parmenter would like you to ask her about her new home in Taos, New Mexico – it is "sublime" and "magical."

Carolyn (Cook) Gotay (3,000 miles) just edged out Ernie Singer (2,887) for traveling the farthest to the reunion although Elaine Rosenstock Peizer (2,866 miles) was hot on Ernie's heels.

Travel

95% of our classmates have visited Washington, DC. We have a very wide distribution in number of states we've visited. Gail (Ibbott) Crutchfield bought an Airstream and has visited most of the Western states with an Airstream group. They plan to be at the Rose Bowl this year so watch for them on TV. Elizabeth Bechtel



has a travel trailer and plans on seeing as many as states in the USA as she can. Elizabeth (Betsy Elian) Whitcraft has been lucky enough to travel all her life. Aside from living in Japan, Germany and Bolivia

while growing up, she has been all over Central/South America and several European countries. She's also enjoyed 40+ states and she's going on a British Isles cruise this summer.

Beth Ziegler would like you to ask her about her trip to Japan while Anita (Birch) Vann wants to share her trips to Italy, Germany and Belgium or France. Chris (Swoger) O'Connell would like to talk about her frequent trips to Europe. Deborah (Debby) Smith Cook has taken 18-20 graduate strategic management classes to Paris, France, for a week of corporate visits. She has also travelled to the Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Kuwait, Singapore, and Hong Kong as well as many European countries.

John Newton has enjoyed snorkeling trips in the Caribbean. Mary Beth (Tusa) Kren enjoyed a Viking River cruise down the Rhine this summer. She has travelled many times to Europe. Mike Beltranena recently traveled to Cuba.

Madeleine Smith would like to visit the Amalfi Coast, Italy, and go on an African safari. Deborah (Debby) Smith Cook and her husband will be doing a road trip on Interstate 70 from Baltimore to Utah for his 70th birthday in September. Mike Beltranena would like to get to Europe. Carol Latimer Williams wants us to ask her which national park she's visiting next. Many said travelling was their current passion.

Lifestyle

- ✓ Four of our classmates have a camper or a motor home.
- ✓ Twenty-one have motorcycles. Jay Rosloff just bought his first one and is learning how to drive. Michele (MacConnell) Kurtz has traded in her motorcycle for a bicycle.
- ✓ Eleven drive a pickup.
- ✓ Kathy Prouty Marsh bought an old model Chevy (1970 ish) and drove it in a race at Langley Speedway in Hampton, Va.
- ✓ Gad Gartner is dedicated to his car hobby. He currently owns a 1957 Chevy Nomad.
- ✓ Dave Bemiss drove a NASCAR stock car at 160 mph at Poconos Racetrack.
- ✓ Ralph Voorhees has passion for automotive history and is the current Trustee of the Vintage Automobile Museum of NJ. He also has a collection of antique cars.
- ✓ Bob Beckley said he "Buried the needle in my '61 Olds 88 in high school heading south on Route 1 from Sand Hills." (DSC—I'm not sure what this means, but it sounds really cool.)

On the riskier side:

- > Five people have parachuted from a perfectly good airplane.
- Tad Wacker didn't break his leg but jumped 13 times. He also rode his motorcycle to Fla. when his oldest stepdaughter had her first baby.
- > Thirteen have climbed mountains.
- > Beth Ziegler has been up in a hot air balloon.
- > Jim Parker has his pilot's license.

- Ken (KO) Decker has paddled the Yukon River solo and canoed the Susquehanna River with a group of high school boys from his church every year for the last 32 years.
- > Jay Rosloff has another career as underwater archeologist
- > Carolyn Cook Gotay does jet-skiing, ziplining, and camel riding.
- > Phil Oppenheim climbed a volcano in Guatemala.
- Madeleine Smith was a "ski bunny" in Aspen after graduation from college. She recently jumped off the side of a mountain in New Zealand to paraglide—along with an experienced guide.
- > Maria (Blazewski) DiFedele has been an avid downhill skier for years.
- > Judy (Williams) Perrine participated in an Alaskan dog sled excursion.
- Mitch Barrack did some ring jumping on one of his daughter's horses. "Scary."
- Diane (Witte) Jettinghoff worked for Bell South (when it was named that) as a repair/install tech. She climbed poles with spikes, carried big extension ladders, worked at great heights in all kinds of weather, had to crawl around in attics & cellars.
- > Tom Sheppard obtained black belts in three different styles of martial arts.
- > Jay Brown did (and finished) a marathon.
- Deborah (Debby) Smith Cook hiked down and up the Grand Canyon where she camped at the bottom with eight other women, ages 21 to 60. She has also done three marathons and the Avon 39-mile walk.
- Mike Treiber paraglided off the side of a mountain onto the beach in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (and did not break anything!)
- Tony Prestigiacomo was life-flighted from the Mid-Ohio racetrack after crashing out of 4th place. He quit road racing 2 years later.

Music courses through our veins. Six of our alumni still sing in a choir and thirteen (13) sing in the shower. Anita (Birch) Vann admits that she sings in her claw foot tub. Julie Parmenter sang in Alice Tulley Hall at Lincoln Center with the Denver Women's Chorus. She marched in the Rose Bowl parade in Pasadena (As part of a marching band? -- ask her for clarification.) She also marched in the Gay Pride parade down Fifth Ave. in NYC. Deborah (Debby) Smith Cook continues to study piano and plays for her most appreciative audience, her husband, Joel. Rich Fiore says he's still involved in music. Ask him whether he sings or plays an instrument. Faith (Whitehead) Peltzer played her guitar and sang at care facilities for three years.

More personal items

Seven (7) classmates have tattoos – no further information about the nature of tattoo or location. 78% still have their own hair although Jeff Seidenstein laments he has less than he would like. 24% have a beard or mustache. 90% still celebrate birthdays. 44% go to church or temple regularly.

93% eat meat. 54% drink beer, wine, or other adult beverages. Jocelyne (Bouffard) Schmitz enjoys exploring the wineries in her area and Kathy Prouty Marsh says there is always time for wine. Anita (Birch) Vann enjoys drinking local craft beer at the Pub in the next town. Tad Wacker quit drinking 40 years ago.

95% of us have cell phones. 86% use Facebook and 36% use LinkedIn. 26% have used Google Docs. We have lower adoption rates for Twitter (14%), GroupMe (8%), Instagram (6%), and Snapchat (4%).

Seven (7) of our classmates have won a lottery or sweepstake. Elizabeth (Betsy Elian) Whitcraft shared that her lottery win was \$88. It's already spent – she went out to dinner. None of the other winners volunteered what they won nor that they were willing to share.

Surprisingly, 40% have been on TV. Gary Abbamont has been on Good Morning America twice. When Maria (Blazewski) DiFedele lived in Ridgewood, NJ, where she served as a trustee on the library board for 8 years, (eventually as President), her budget presentations were locally televised. Jeff Seidenstein appeared in the movie "The Godfather". Gad Gartner was a disc jockey on a small FM radio station in Vineland, NJ. Elizabeth Bechtel was in the newspaper – she didn't say why so start googling, or just ask her.

Nine (9) classmates have published a book, short story, or article. Anita (Birch) Vann had a Readers Digest anecdote published. One of our classmates has fourteen books on Good Reads (and at least four other books not listed there) covering topics of quality management and manufacturing delivery performance to the Gatling gun to motorcycles.

Health

Several of our colleagues have dealt with, or are dealing with, serious health issues. Mike Treiber had open heart triple by-pass surgery. Judy (Pike) Smith broke her ankle on both sides five years ago when she was helping her daughter move. Marsha (Berk) Tarcza had a very difficult year this year. Not only did she have 2 major operations in one week (about 15 total hours) on her back in April of this year, but her husband passed, and her sister's husband had a massive stroke. Belva Perrine-Riley had major back surgery in 1997 and has been affected with Fibromyalgia since then.

Elaine Rosenstock Peizer survived a serious auto accident in which she ran over herself in her driveway, recovering from life-threatening injuries and three hospitalizations/surgeries. Clarice Bailey used drugs, but never went to detox or rehab. She made the decision to stop using on October 29th 37 years ago. She makes "the same decision on a daily basis".

Brenda (Young) Legg dealt with cancer. She said, "I am passionate about life. Since I have had cancer, I thank God for everyday! Life is a challenge and an adventure." Beth Ziegler survived cancer and is now living with Multiple Sclerosis. Our classmate, Barb Evans Godfrey died in January of this year of liver cancer.

Michele (MacConnell) Kurtz lost weight, lowered blood pressure, and feels great after she retired in September 2017 and moved to her retirement home. She remodeled and painted inside and relandscaped yard all in the last 18 months! She said it didn't help her grow any taller.

Good Works

Giving back and doing good is a common theme in your responses. Just to highlight a few of your good works...

Lynn Olmsted, with a friend, started ReBloom which recycles flowers from Whole Foods and gives them to people at the soup kitchen. She also makes Christmas bags for homeless children in her grandson's school. She crochets hats/scarves for the homeless and baby afghans for the Crisis nursery.

Phil Oppenheim works in animal rescue, saving animals from cruelty and abuse.

Jim Parker serves on the boards of the Trenton Area Soup Kitchen, New Jersey Policy Perspective, and is the founder of Parker Mother & Child Foundation, a 501 c 3 which gives scholarships to girls in Uganda. He also works as an advocate for NJ Small Business, and for non-profits serving our neighbors in need. He is a partner in CRISPRInsider.com and ImmunoTherapyToday.com. He is politically active and advocates for social policies which benefit all individuals equally.

Katherine Leary Alsdorf work s in NYC for a church-related organization that helps people collaborate on projects to serve their city.

Priscilla Featherstone Martin spends her time making quilts, helping people trace their family trees, babysitting preschool age grandkids, and tending graves in the local pioneer cemetery. She is also the organist at her church.

Madeleine Smith said that "Professionally, I am most proud of my work adding prescription drug coverage for seniors under Medicare and for having testified before the U S Senate Finance Committee and for the House Ways & Means Health Subcommittee, both when I worked on healthcare issues for the Congressional Research Service (CRS) which is the research arm for Congress." Now she wants to volunteer in a food bank and work for stricter gun control.

Marti Moore does a lot of volunteer activities, such as serving at her oldest granddaughter's school, participating in Kairos prison ministry, and undertaking various church volunteer efforts.

Carol (Latimer) Williams is a fairly prolific quilter. Most of what she creates is donated to nonprofits such Hospice and Planned Parenthood.

Jo-Anne (Tiernan) Feldman volunteers at a sanctuary for senior dogs and helps shelter pets get their "furever" homes.

Tom Sheppard is a State certified firefighter, Red Cross instructor, NRA Instructor & Chief Range Officer.

Clarice Bailey is very involved in trying to help people who are addicted to drugs. She and Mike Beltranena collaborated to help the son of one of our classmates get and stay clean; his children are benefiting from their father being clean and present in their life.

Personal Notes

Gary Abbamont

My wife Katherine and I live in Bucks County Pennsylvania with our son William (19) and daughter Lauren (14). Currently, I serve as the Assistant Superintendent of Schools for the Wissahickon School District (Ambler, Blue Bell, and Lower Gwynedd). Prior to assuming my position in the Wissahickon School District, I taught for 18 years at Crossroads Middle School and served as principal of Constable School and Brooks Crossing for an additional 18 years. Not only was SB great as a student, but it is a wonderful district as a member of the faculty and administrative teams. My wife teaches reading in the Council Rock School District. Will is a junior at Rutgers University majoring in sports journalism where he manages the men's basketball team. Lauren will enter high school this fall at Villa Joseph Marie HS where she will pursue her love of art. Ranger, our silky terrier, is fifteen years old, and is very much a part of our family.

My occupation: Education: Both Teacher and Administrator

Currently residing: Wrightstown, PA

Ask Me: Classmates might want to know about our family's fascination with Disney!

Most Proud of: My Family

Surprise! I appeared on Good Morning America twice.

Life Saying: "There's so much more to do!"

Current Passions: Travel, Learning, Season Ticket Holder for Rutgers Football and Basketball, Traveling to Attend NCAA Basketball Events

What else? In May of 2020, I'll graduate with a doctoral degree from the University of Pennsylvania.

Clarice Bailey

I am living in a Senior Building. I am one of the youngest seniors here. My friends are 95, 88, 87, very delightful people. We socialize about once a week, because I spend most of my time alone. I need alone time very much.

My occupation: Cosmetologist/Hairdresser I received a masters degree from Dudley Cosmetology University in Greensboro NC

Currently residing: Somerset, NJ

Ask Me: My Intelligent, kind, caring, Children. My struggle with drug addiction and the 37 years of my recovery journey.

Most Proud of: Raising 6 children as a single parent although I have been married twice. Good help has been hard to find for me

Surprise! Used drugs, never went to detox or rehab. I made a decision to stop on 10-29, 37 years ago and I make the same decision on a daily basis.

Life Saying: "What does not kill you will make you strong"

Current Passions: Kind people!!

What else? In my bio in the Valhalla it says future Hairdresser, I accomplished that goal. I was sad in High school because I wanted to be in Vo-tech. However my mother made me stay at SBHS. She was under the impression that Vo-tech was for special needs students and I had no place there so I went to beautician school in July 1969

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: I am very involved in trying to help, people who are addicted to drugs. NJ has one of the worse opiate addiction in the country; the death rate is alarming. I have been trying to get

a paid position in that field, but it has not happened. Michael Beltranena and I collaborated to help one of our classmate's son get and stay clean. If I'm not mistaken he's clean to this day and his children are benefiting from their father being clean and present in their life.

Mitch Barrack

Retired 4 years now. Enjoy fishing and beaching with my boat off Cape Canaveral. Also build and fly radio controlled aircraft, tons of them!

My occupation: IT - Senior Project Engineer (AT&T)

Currently residing: Casselberry, FL

Ask Me: What do I do in my spare time. Children? Married? (Lost wife Debbie Messina to breast cancer in 2002.) Remarried. Kindergarten teacher. Love her.

Most Proud of: My Children. My daughter Lindsay runs a 200 acre horse farm in Tallahassee. My son Ryan is a Lieutenant first responder and paramedic.

Surprise! I did some ring jumping on one of my daughter's horses. Scary.

Life Saying: I try to keep a positive, daily attitude as friends and family grow older, many passing away. **Current Passions:** Salt water fishing, radio controlled aircraft, watching my daughter compete in equestrian events.

What else? I always need crew members on my boat. Anyone live in/near Orlando? (-: Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: Big fan of NASA and KSC. Would like to see a Mars expedition.

Bob Beckley

Retired and living in a quiet wooded area next to Percy Priest Lake in Middle Tennessee. Enjoy writing fiction, fishing, bird watching, and the Southern culture of guns and Bibles.

My occupation: Software Architect at Department of Veterans Affairs

Currently residing: Middle Tennessee

Ask Me: I would want to do the asking, so that I could mine them for story ideas. I love hearing people talk about themselves. What moves them, moves me.

Most Proud of: Serving our veterans by working at the Department of Veterans Affairs and by volunteering at veteran organizations. Also, supporting local law enforcement in various activities. **Surprise!** Voted Democrat before I knew better (it still haunts me).

Life Saying: "I'm just a peckerwood who lives in the hills with too many guns."

Current Passions: The three F's of life: fishing, friends, and fiction.

What else? I write every day, using Dragon NaturallySpeaking and Scrivener, and knock out about 3,000 words of completed manuscript in 3-4 hours. Most of it is action/adventure/thriller, but I have written cozy mysteries, romance, urban fantasy, and post-apocalyptic, all under different pen names. Also, I wrote a book of country song parodies under the name Bubba Joe Aintwright. I self-publish on Amazon KDP. I used to write country songs, about 70 of which can be found at soundclick.com/bobbyjoedemos. No big name artist cuts to speak of (unless you count bluegrass duo Jim & Jesse and Johnny Paycheck), but I did end up with about 30 independent label recordings.

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: Pray we (by the Divine Grace of God) can save us from ourselves.

Elizabeth Bechtel

Retired! but working part time at Kohls. I have a travel trailer and plan on seeing as many as states in the USA

My occupation: office work, bookeeping for credit cards Currently residing: New Castle, DE Ask Me: I have 2 children, a girl and boy, and a granddaughter, and two grandsons. They are all grown up. I like collecting carnival glass. Most Proud of: My childrens and my grandchildren Surprise! I hook up my trailer, setup on the camp site, and then pack up and head home all by myself. Life Saying: I'm sorry I am late. Current Passions: gardening, taking care of my dogs. camping.

What else? I have traveled to Italy and stayed for two weeks.

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: travel to as many of states I can in the United States.

Diana (Dee Dee) Bednar Sheridan

I've lived in Colorado since 1976. Love it here. Have 2 sons and a grandson, all still close by which I am thankful for. Still working, I don't know why, in IT for an oil and gas company. It keeps me out of trouble most of the time.

My occupation: Network Provisioning Technician - I don't even know what that means Currently residing: Broomfield, CO Ask Me: Where do you live and what brought you there? Most Proud of: Always been able to land on my feet. Surprise! Went back to school in my 50s Life Saying: Today is a new day. Current Passions: Living in a downtown area Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: Meet Mr Right

Mike Beltranena

Carol (Holland) and I are enjoying our 40 years of marriage living in Kendall Park with our three dogs. Our son, Matt, is a police officer with New Brunswick Police and is loving it. I am still working in my hobby job as Director of Safety and Security for Coach USA/Suburban Trails.

My occupation: Retired Police Director and currently Director of Safety and Security.

Currently residing: Kendall Park, NJ

Ask Me: My son Matt, my recent trip to Cuba, or my Corvette.

Most Proud of: My career.

Surprise! Served as a State Trooper in Nevada.

Life Saying: Life is too short, so live everyday like it is your last. Live your dreams.

Current Passions: Road trips, golf, and Carol.

What else? I love to hear about other's experiences and their lives.

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: Most important I hope that our nation will overcome the current "What is in it for me." attitude and unite against the violence that is overwhelming our society. My bucket list is to travel to Europe before I hit 70.

Dave Bemiss

I am semi-retired after driving a tractor trailer for 23 years. I now work part time driving a school bus.

My occupation: Truck Driver-retired/ Special needs school bus driver-now part time Currently residing: Florence, NJ Ask Me: My year in Vietnam. Most Proud of: My 4 years in the Air Force Surprise! I drove a NASCAR stock car at 160 mph at Poconos Racetrack Life Saying: Its a small world but I wouldn't want to paint it Current Passions: Stock car racing Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: The country needs to move back to the right

Joe Berk

My occupation: Engineer Currently residing: California

Marsha Berk Tarcza

This year was the hardest year with my husband passing. My sister's husband's massive stroke. I had a major operation.

My occupation: worked for the State of N.J. (taxation)

Currently residing: Port St Lucie, FL

Most Proud of: my marriage

Surprise! In April of this years had 2 major operations in one week (about 15 total hours) on my back. **Life Saying:** Have the best, loving, happiest marriage that anyone can wish for. I wish I can bottle it and sell it to the world. It would make the world a better place!

Current Passions: love old and new cars, planes and motorcycles

What else? My husband and I building 2 airplanes and flew them.

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: go back to South Pacific. River Cruise. visit the giant seguoias.

Anita Birch Vann

Live in Vermont, in the house my grandparents owned. Sing in the church choir. Still work as an RN but am retiring August 2nd. Married a North Carolina man.

My occupation: Registered Nurse

Currently residing: Peacham, VT

Ask Me: My trip to Italy, Germany and Belgium or France. Or my flower garden.

Most Proud of: My children and my nursing career.

Surprise! When is the music starts I'm a dancing fool. I forget that I'm in my 60s and lose myself. Of course, I can hardly walk the next day but sacrifices must be made.

Life Saying: Keep laughing even if it's through your tears.

Current Passions: Visiting grandchildren in Texas or Boston, singing with my friends, drinking local craft beer at the Pub in the next town with my drinking buddies, dancing with my honey as soon as his new knees will allow.

What else? I'm a pretty good cook.

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: Let's try to be kind to one another. Let's respect our planet. Let's make sure everyone in this country has access to adequate health care.

Marie Blazewski DiFedele

Retired, I am still adjusting to a calmer pace. It is easier now to let go and not sweat the small stuff. I am amazed at how quickly time has flown.

My occupation: I had unlimited contracting authority to fill Federal space needs of various kinds,

supervising 26 to do so.

Currently residing: Stamford, CT

Ask Me: life's journey

Most Proud of: My children

Surprise! I was an avid downhill skier for decades. When I lived in Ridgewood, NJ, The mayor and city council voted me to be a trustee on the library board, on which I served for 8 years, ascending to be its President. My budget presentations were locally televised.

Life Saying: Not taking anything for granted

Current Passions: Swimming, reading, boating, maintaining relationships

What else? Working just north of the World Trade Center, I saw the 2nd plane attack. The journey home to Connecticut that day was challenging. Two days later, I was back at work to procure necessary replacement space. Within two years, I was stranded in NYC's blackout overnight, another challenging experience.

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: We need to better care for our planet and its people, plants, animals, and resources. We need to enable all to achieve their potential. We need to be more humane.

Jocelyne Bouffard Schmitz

After living in Sussex County NJ for 30 years I retired and moved to GA. Although we miss our children (2 are still in NJ, t one in CO) we are enjoying the area and all it has to offer.

My occupation: Homemaker Currently residing: Dahlonega, GA Most Proud of: My kids Life Saying: Be thankful! Current Passions: Walking & hiking trails Enjoying wine & scenery at local wineries

Jay Brown

I currently reside in Melbourne, Florida with my wife Barb and daughter Samantha, who is a sophomore at Hamilton College. I have two older sons from a first marriage and two grandsons. In many ways I'm the same as I was when I was 18. I still...am socially inept, have bad posture, love listening to music, root hard for the NY Giants, watch too much tv, and weigh 155 pounds.

My occupation: Corporate exec in financial services, mostly in the technology realm.

Currently residing: Melbourne, FL

Most Proud of: I think I'm a pretty good dad.

Surprise! I ran a marathon (and finished).

Life Saying: Be kind.

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: I worry about the world we are leaving for our children and grandchildren. We could have done much better.

Wayne Conover

I've been married twice. I have been married to the same wonderful woman for the last 35 years. I'm still working having recently left my employer of 39 years to join a local company that I'm very excited about.

My occupation: Director of Information Technology at ScriptSave. Lead a software development team that is used as the main vendor and item repository for over 200 grocery chains in multiple countries. **Currently residing:** Tucson, AZ

Ask Me: I have 3 children, a boy and 2 girls. We have 6 grandchildren, 3 boys - 3 girls and I adore them. Family is so important to me and I'm so proud of the grown-ups they have become.

Most Proud of: My family and my relationship to my Lord. I also happen to be one hell of a software architect.

Surprise! Given my sensitivity to the sun I moved to Tucson where we have 320 days of sunshine per year. Turns out the lower humidity helps reduce the sensitivity.

Life Saying: It's just fine to make mistakes, it's really bad to repeat them

Current Passions: My grand kids mostly. When I get the time I woodwork and build furniture for my family.

What else? I love my life, I feel very blessed.

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: I hope the people of this country have a decent opportunity to select a real leader in 2020.

Carolyn Cook Gotay

I've been retired for exactly a year and I'm still figuring out my next steps - kinda like when I graduated from SBHS.

My occupation: Psychologist/University Professor/Research Centre Director **Currently residing:** West Vancouver BC

Ask Me: I'd love to tell anyone who wants to know about my pets (2 pups and 3 cats), what it's like to live in Canada, and my next trip (to Croatia). But I'd rather listen to what somebody else is up to! **Most Proud of:** I was able to achieve more than I expected in terms of career and also stay married and raise two kids.

Surprise! In the past year, I've gone jet-skiing, ziplining, and camel riding for the first time. **Life Saying:** Breathe, Let go. And remind yourself that this very instant is the only one you know you have for sure. Courtesy of Oprah

Current Passions: After as a career as a research scientist, I'm using a different side of my brain and exploring art. I'm a gallery attendant at the West Vancouver Art Museum, I've taken a course in Post-Modern Art from the Museum of Modern Art, and next summer, I'm going to Italy to restore frescoes. **What else?** I've been fortunate to live in beautiful places, including Annapolis, MD, Kailua, HI, and Vancouver, BC. I've been fortunate to travel to six continents and Antarctica is on my bucket list. **Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals:** I intend to continue to be optimistic and creative and to work toward achieving inner harmony. I am seriously concerned about the planet and welcome any advice others can give me.

Ken (KO) Decker

I have just completed my 37th year as a financial planner here in Central PA and am looking forward to my oldest daughter Sarah joining me in my business. My other daughter Emily is an artist and graphics web designer. They both live in State College. I have one grandson age 4 named Sam who is a joy in our lives. Barbara and I have a 36 acre horse farm surrounded by a game preserve and across the road from Canoe Creek State Park. We are truly blessed!

My occupation: Financial Planner and Consultant

Currently residing: Hollidaysburg, PA

Ask Me: I have paddled the Yukon River solo, canoed the Susquehanna River a group of high school boys from our church every year for the last 32 years, raised Labrador puppies and had horses around me most of my life.

Most Proud of: My children have become outstanding accomplished young women and my grandson Sam is allowed to be spoiled rotten.

Surprise! I was on the 30 year college plan but got my PhD in Vocational Education in only 28 years! **Life Saying:** I've been told that my optimism will be the death of me. Definitely a glass half full guy. **Current Passions:** I am excited that my financial business will be able to continue through my daughter and that I will be able to spend more time on our farm and do some traveling. Really don't know what my second career will be, but it will be something great!

What else? My wish for you all is that the Lord bless you and keep you, that His countenance shine upon you and give you the peace that passes all understanding. We have made it this far, my hope is you know the Savior and if we don't see each other again, I will catch up with you in Heaven.

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: I figure the first 25 years of my life I really didn't have any control, someone was always telling me where I needed to go (school, college, etc) The next 25 years were raising kids and building my business. So now, at 50 years since graduating from SBHS, I'm looking forward to the

second half of my adult life. Knowing what I now know, it should be a lot easier to navigate! And, of course, Peace and Goodwill unto all men!

Elizabeth (Betsy) Elian Whitcraft

My husband and I are living in western NC, 30 miles north of Asheville. Beautiful country. After taking care of his parents who were 98 and 99, we took a couple of years looking around, including Panama, before settling here. Our cat, Priscilla traveled with us and we rescued 2 feral cats. My brother and 2 sisters also live in NC. First time we've all lived in the same state since I graduated from HS. It's beautiful country here!

My occupation: Sales and teaching.

Currently residing: Mars Hill, NC

Ask Me: I've been lucky enough to travel all of my life. Aside from living in Japan, Germany and Bolivia while growing up, I've been all over Central/South America and several European countries. I've also enjoyed 40+ states and I'm leaving for the British Isles

Most Proud of: Being healthy right now.

Surprise! Oldest of 5 and never had kids.

Life Saying: I'm not a human doing, I'm a human being!

Current Passions: Finding great places to eat and exploring the mountains. I do enjoy crafting jewelry. Of course, planning my next trip/adventure.

What else? I spent 18 years working for international ceramic companies traveling through the East coast. 2nd career was in real estate as a broker for property management in the Outer Banks (beach rentals), then I started and directed a real estate school (had the highest pass rate for my students in the state my last year of doing it. Then it was time to take care of the aging parents.

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: I hope the nation can heal and that it's not too late for our planet. I'm concerned about future generations and am heartened by them. I hope I leave this world a better place than when I entered it.

Priscilla Featherstone Martin

I live in a 100+ year old farm house on 4 acres outside of Portland, Oregon. I spend my time maintaining the place, making quilts, helping people trace their family trees, babysitting preschool age grandkids, and tending graves in the local pioneer cemetery. I am the organist at my church.

My occupation: Teacher in the juvenile justice system, most recently in sex offender rehab **Currently residing:** Damascus, OR **Most Proud of:** My children.

Rich Fiore

I'll be working for about 22 more months and retire in early-mid 2021. I've been an independent technical recruiter, placing industrial EPA and OSHA regulatory specialists nationally for Fortune 500 manufacturers since 1986, after I got laid off then from the oil & gas exploration business in the global oil price crash that started in Summer 1985. I started in that business after getting my Master's ('76)/Bachelor's ('73) in Geology. I am in excellent health, and have worked hard to keep it that way. I have lived in TX since 1973 when I started grad school at UT, and moved to Houston in 1976 for my first job, and never left. I have been married to a wonderful woman since 1998, but was also married earlier for 15 years, and have a daughter, age 39, and now a grandson, age 8, as a result of that marriage. (6 sentences-sorry)

My occupation: Recruiter (headhunter); geologist

Currently residing: Houston, TX

Ask Me: What makes me happy.

Most Proud of: My daughter.

Surprise! I'd like to say that I was in a rock band with Jesus on the top of Mt. Everest, but unfortunately.... **Life Saying:** If something is worth doing, it's worth doing well.

Current Passions: Experiencing those occasional perfect moments; family; music; workouts; great movies **What else?** I have trouble wrapping my mind around nothingness.

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: Me: stay healthy and productive ALAP US: everybody start talking to, not screaming at, each other; learn about different points of view, attain real knowledge, gain a collective wisdom World: see above - no one can help us but us.

Sally Flag Poissonnier

My occupation: Retired/Administrative Assistant Currently residing: Helmetta, NJ Most Proud of: My family

Gad Gartner

Retired 12 years from being a teacher and high school counselor. enjoying life with my wife of 44 years Sallie.

My occupation: teacher for 16 years dealing with the children of migrant farmworkers. then 17 years as a high school guidance counselor

Currently residing: Vineland, NJ

Ask Me: how are you doing. is life ok for you?

Most Proud of: my marriage, career and loyalty to other people

Surprise! I was a disc jockey on a small fm radio station in Vineland, NJ.

Life Saying: life is a marathon roller coaster. TRY not to get too high or too low.

Current Passions: car hobby, flea marketing with my wife, travelling

What else? I have very positive thoughts of SBHS. enjoy hearing from all classmates, not just my immediate crew. very comfy dealing with fellow graduates such as the reunion committee.

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: goal; try to stay on an even keel. don't let the haters and negativity get you down

Ronald Held

Retired after 30 years at Lockheed-Martin and 10 years of college. Dr. Ronald Held graduated with a Bachelor's/ Master's degrees in Physics and a PhD in Astrophysics from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

My occupation: IT Currently residing: King of Prussia, PA

Mike Hollander

Retired and enjoying life between my homes in South Brunswick and Venice FL. My late wife (Jane Magalski-Hollander) passed away in 2005. We dated throughout HS so despite my being class of 66' I do know many members of class of 69'

My occupation: Research Chemist, Plant Manager, Director and finally owner of Thermal Enterprises. **Currently residing:** Kendall Park, NJ

Ask Me: My family (children & grandchildren).

Most Proud of: My children and grandchildren.

Surprise! I've remained rooted in SB since HS

Life Saying: Choose happiness and be grateful for the blessings in your life.

Current Passions: I'm a beach lover and enjoy spending time with my children and grandchildren.

What else? Married to Jane Magalski-Hollander for 34 wonderful years when she passed away in 2005. We had 3 children together (Paul 44, Christopher 43 and Michelle 26). All 3 of my children graduated from SBHS although not all in the same building we called SBHS back in our time.

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: Respect one another and be tolerant. Have an open mind and recognize that your position or opinion on things isn't always the right one.

Gail (Ibbott) Crutchfield

We are enjoying our retirement, traveling and spending time with our kids and grandkids.

My occupation: Chief Radiation Therapist, retired

Currently residing: Auburn, .CA

Ask Me: We bought an Airstream trailer 6 years ago and have traveled all over the western U.S. with the Airstream group we joined. We've made so many new friends! We're going to the Rose Parade this year with the group. Watch for us on TV!

Most Proud of: I'm proud of the wonderful, responsible adults my son and daughter have become. **Surprise!** I've become an expert knitter! When we moved to Northern California after retiring, I needed a hobby. I knew basic knitting, but I improved by skills by watching You Tube and taking lessons. Now people ask me to teach them!

Life Saying: "Take me somewhere, anywhere, and let me bring my friends!"

Current Passions: Traveling and seeing new places!

What else? Moving to California in my junior year of high school was a difficult part of my life. Now I love California, but I've never forgotten my friends in New Jersey!

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: I hope to leave the world a better place for my grandchildren.

Carol Kady Luck

Retired and enjoying life.

My occupation: Special education paraprofessional. Currently residing: Kingston, NJ Ask Me: Are you still married to George? Most Proud of: My two children and grandchildren. Life Saying: Age is just a number! Live life to the fullest. Current Passions: Spending time with my family and friends. What else? I have been friends for 50+ years with Jan Guthrie who was my ninth grade business teacher. Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: To respect one another.

Lois Kilbride Wojcik

My occupation: Accounting Ask Me: My home state of New Hampshire Most Proud of: My two sons

Elliot Kramer

Some of you may know that I married a classmate - Karen Schultz. Karen passed away 10 years ago from leukemia. I continue to work as a tax and business attorney.

My occupation: Attorney

Currently residing: Metuchen, NJ

Ask Me: Just in general how I lived the last 50 years.

Most Proud of: This is a difficult question because it can bespeak of hubris. I am most proud to have married Karen; she was a wonderful, supportive spouse and whatever "success" I enjoy is due in large part to her.

Surprise! Sorry - I lived a conventional life so I do not think anything I did would surprise my classmates. **Life Saying:** Each day we need to be humble and live a moral life.

Current Passions: My passion now is to live a responsible life and enjoy the blessings of life.

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: That we as a nation may focus on what we share in common and not what divides us.

Claudia Krause Osinski

I am living happily in Cherry Hill with my significant other. We have been together for 21 years. He has his own company and loves to vacation.

My occupation: Accounting Clerk Currently residing: Cherry Hill, NJ Current Passions: Motorcycles and children Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: I hope Trump gets voted out of office or impeached. He is an embarrassment!

Carol Latimer Williams

Retired. Reviving Spanish skills from Miss Molar's class. Upping my cooking game Hiking wherever and whenever I can

My occupation: Accountant for 40 years

Currently residing: Walnut Creek, CA

Ask Me: What National Park are you going to next? What are you BBQing tonight? How's your little granddaughter?

Most Proud of: My children!

Surprise! What I have never done is to drink coffee. I had my first and only cup of coffee with Diane Witte Jettinghoff at a coffee shop at Rutgers in 1969. I thought it tasted like dirt. I never drank coffee again. **Life Saying:** Today is important. Enjoy it.

Current Passions: I am a fairly prolific quilter. Most of what I create is donated to non profits such Hospice and Planned Parenthood. Save the Earth! There is no Plan B!

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: Everyday at the individual level one can make an impact. Random acts of kindness, use the reusable, plant a tree, pick up trash, show respect, teach our grandchildren well. I hope that caring for the earth and each other will ultimately prevail.

Katherine Leary Alsdorf

I'm working again full time, after 2 years of part-time consulting work. I work in NYC for a church-related organization that helps people collaborate on projects to serve their city. My husband, John, and I also spend as much of the summer as we can in Ocean Grove NJ hosting tons of family. My goal in life is to make sure they're all great body surfers.

My occupation: Tech company business leader; church ministry leader

Currently residing: New York, NY

Ask Me: childhood memories - I love hearing what people recall of our shared school and growing up experience and how that has

shaped them.

Most Proud of: entrepreneurial and faith-based work; being a fun aunt and now Nana.

Surprise! Got married for the first time at 58 (and it's wonderful!)

Life Saying: Everyone has something to contribute; together we can make a difference. or All you need is love. or With

Current Passions: gardening walking on the boardwalk & body surfing a great play or musical dinner time with loved ones a conversation with a young person about the meaning of life high school reunions! **What else?** *I'm still very close to my 3 younger brothers and their families and we get together for a least one beach week every year - despite one living in Tunisia (Paul) and another (Rich) living in Budapest. Jim lives in Virginia Beach. * Our classmate, Barb Evans Godfrey, who died in Jan. of this year of liver cancer, was a best friend and role model to me ever since high school - I miss her daily! * I do believe that meeting my now-husband at 58, shortly after our last reunion, and getting married 7 months later was God-ordained and I am so grateful!

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: hopes for: 1. a new President in 2020 2. a huge increase in racial equity and harmony in this country 3. civility in political discourse - nationally and locally - and reformation of the "call out" culture 4. a respect for the importance of all faiths in the lives of our countrymen and new ways to live in harmony 5. an increase in gratitude and decrease in entitlement (I'm sounding like my father!) 6. that our generation would use its remaining years to make the world or country or city or small town a better place.

Michele MacConnell Kurtz

Retired Sept 2017 & moved to my retirement home. Remodeled & painted inside and re-landscaped yard all in the last 18 months. Rewards; lost weight, lowered blood pressure, & feel great - didn't know this old bird could still do it.

My occupation: Retired, Dow Jones -WSJ, MTF Tissue Bank Currently residing: Whiting, NJ Ask Me: How's life been all these years? Most Proud of: My son and grandson Surprise! Didn't grow any taller..... Life Saying: I count my blessing and forget the rest. Current Passions: Birding, nature, gardening and bicycling What else? I'm still a work in progress.... Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: For me retirement is still new, unfolding and an exciting new adventure and where it will lead me.

Patricia MacDonald Sferra

I don't teach in the summer so we are taking it easy and doing day trips and relaxing.

My occupation: teacher Currently residing: Ewing, NJ Ask Me: How is the family. Most Proud of: That I've worked at the same job for 30 years and still love what I do. Surprise! I have no idea. Life Saying: Whatever! Current Passions: Visiting our Grandchildren, reading and the kids in my classes. Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: I hope I live a long Healthy life.

Suzanne Martin Turner

I am currently taking care of my 91 year old mother and 11 year old granddaughter. Needless to say, my days are full!

My occupation: I am retired after years of running an arts and craft co-op with Kentucky crafters and artists.

Currently residing: Lebanon, KY

Ask Me: I would like them to share a memory/memories of our years in school together.

Most Proud of: I really don't feel "proud" of anything... I am more "thankful" for all that I have ... family, faith and friends.

Life Saying: "Live ... love laugh.... " "Laughter IS the best medicine!"

Current Passions: My passion is decorating for all celebrations/holidays. I always say, "I am addicted to decorating... and ... if they ever send me to rehab, I will relapse and redecorate!!! I have 4 Grand-dogs that I watch on a regular basis. I love to work in my "gard

What else? Our family motto is, "We put the FUN in Dysfunctional 🤪"

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: Health and happiness

Marti Moore

Hi everyone. Enjoying retirement in sunny Florida and spending time with my grown kids and grand kids. All is well and looking forward to many more years with family and good friends.

Currently residing: Clearwater, FL

Most Proud of: Not boasting, but I do get a lot out of volunteer activities, such as serving at my oldest granddaughter's school, participating in Kairos prison ministry, and undertaking various church volunteer efforts. I am proud of my kids and enjoy watching them become parents and growing in nurturing their own families.

Zeb Moser, Jr

Hi, This is Joanne, Jr's wife of 40+ years. Jr had an aneurysm 12 years ago and has not been as outgoing as usual. We have lived in NC since 1986.

My occupation: Moser Bros Inc., Exxon Refinery, and All Seasons Marina in NC Currently residing: Mooresville, NC Ask Me: His family and new grands Most Proud of: His children ♡ Surprise! Cruised the Rhine River 2 weeks in Italia Life Saying: Easy Like Sunday Morning Current Passions: Hanging with "OLD" friends at social clubs. Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: Peace and Health

Tom Mullen

I own a state certified environmental testing lab, Ocean Environmental Inc. I also own an online water testing site just rated #1 in by Amazon (drinkingwaterspecialists.com).

My occupation: physical-analytical chemist BS,MS, consutant

Currently residing: Bordentown, NJ

Ask Me: whatever comes into their minds

Most Proud of: marriage, professional accomplishments

Surprise! was scouted by the Chicago Blackhawks hockey team in 1974 after playing for Illinois (wasn't quite good enough and went to grad school instead

Life Saying: never stop and let age catch up

Current Passions: sailing , restoring classic sports cars, spending winters at our condo in Playa del Carmen Mexico.

What else? Due to playing hard when younger, I have had hip replacement surgery and it has worked out well for me.

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: Return to normal political discourse. Ynderstand the real consequences of global warming

John Newton

Currently living in Connecticut but we recently purchased a home in Naples, FL to be built by February. I retired in 2011 and Deb did the same in 2017. We are now looking forward to spending our future years at a new latitude.

My occupation: Quality assurance manager
Currently residing: Branford, CT
Ask Me: Our snorkeling trips in the Caribbean.
Most Proud of: Being married to a wonderful woman and raising a responsible son.
Life Saying: Tomorrow might be even better than today.
Current Passions: Snorkeling, exercising, walking with my wife and dining out with friends.
Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: I hope that our nation will continue to be a great constitutional republic as founded.

Sue (Noebels) Maclary

Currently working part-time, I do volunteer work at a local clinic and am studying for my DNP (Doctorate of Nursing Practice)

My occupation: CRNA RN Currently residing: Virginia Beach, VA Ask Me: just to catch up on what's going on. Most Proud of: my career as a CRNA (Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist) Life Saying: This too shall pass, when I am encountering difficulties Current Passions: volunteer work, politics What else? I ran my own business- doing travel nursing Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: To be the best I can be

Mike Novack

I'm still working. I'm the Assistant Manager for outpatient Nuclear Stress Testing for Atlantic Health System here in North Jersey. Tina and I live in Warren County in near the Delaware Water Gap. We have three grown children and one grandson with a granddaughter due in October.

My occupation: Assistant Manager for outpatient Nuclear Stress Testing for Atlantic Health System Currently residing: Great Meadows, NJ Ask Me: Ask me about my grandson! Great idea for a t-shirt. Most Proud of: My children. Surprise! Met Muhammad Ali on a street corner in NYC in 1968. Life Saying: I try to live by the Golden Rule. I treat others as I would have them treat me. Current Passions: The New York Yankees!!!! What else? I love Scotch and my birthday is June 4th! Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: I work for true equality for all people and fight to halt or reverse climate change.

Lynn Olmsted

Enjoying retirement and being with my grandson, Sam

Currently residing: Duluth, MN

Most Proud of: My service to others. A friend and I started ReBloom which recycles flowers from Whole Foods and give them to people at the soup kitchen. I also make Christmas bags for homeless children in my grandson's school. I crochet hats/scarves for the homeless.

Surprise: I've done 2 Half-Marathons

Life Saying: "What you do speaks so loudly that I can't hear what you say." Ralph Waldo Emerson **Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals**: I want to work toward a world of people that sees others with their hearts instead of their eyes.

Philip Oppenheim

I am married and enjoy going to science fiction conventions. My son and I just started attending the NYC comic cons and will be going again this year.

My occupation: IT professional, programming and production support

Currently residing: Somerset, NJ

Most Proud of: The relationships and friendships I have built.

Surprise! Climbed a volcano in Guatemala. Visited Stonehenge in Britain.

Life Saying: Where ever you go there you are. Send lawyer, guns, and money. And lastly Always look on the bright side of life.

Current Passions: Animal rescue. Saving animals from cruelty and abuse.

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: I would like to see us land on Mars. I would also like the internet become a place of ideas and rational discussion. Unfortunately Mars will be populated and successfully colonized before that happens. And while I am at it I would like it to rain beer every now and then.

James Parker

I am founder and owner of Riverview Studios, a television production facility located in Bordentown New Jersey. I serve on the boards of the Trenton Area Soup Kitchen, New Jersey Policy Perspective, and and am founder of Parker Mother & Child Foundation, a 501 c 3 which gives scholarships to girls in Uganda. I am politically active and advocate for social policies which benefit all individuals equally.

My occupation: Television Producer, Documentary Filmmaker

Currently residing: Bordentown, NJ

Ask Me: My Eclectus parrot, Brucie.

Most Proud of: My children. They are doing good things with their lives.

Surprise! I've testified before a Congressional committee in Washington DC.

Life Saying: There's definitely got to be a pony in here somewhere.my glass is always more than half full.

Current Passions: My work as an advocate for NJ Small Business, and for non profits serving our neighbors in need.

What else? I speak German and some Luganda. I am a partner in CRISPRInsider.com and ImmunoTherapyToday.com

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: As a society, as a nation, as humanity we need to really get our act together! I think the bottom line is we need to start thinking more globally.

Julie Parmenter

Peter and I moved from Colorado to Taos, New Mexico 11 months ago. I have retired from ministry. No one really retires from ministry, so I continue to serve the United Church of Christ by preaching and teaching in the Southwest Conference.

My occupation: I started out as a trauma nurse practitioner. After my brain injury, I became an ordained minister.

Currently residing: Ranchos de Taos, NM

Ask Me: Please ask me about my new home in Taos - sublime. We are still exploring the area and it is magical. I love to talk about ministry and the United Church of Christ.

Most Proud of: Earning a Master of Divinity degree after my traumatic brain injury. **Life Saying:** Choose Love.

Current Passions: Mary Magdalene and her influence on Christianity. Exploring northern New Mexico. My husband.

What else? I've lived a lot in my time.

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: Peace. Compassion. A new administration in these United States.

Belva Perrine Riley

Retired R N in Virginia .

My occupation: Retired

Currently residing: RICHMOND, VA

Ask Me: My family 2 daughters and three Grandchildren.

Life Saying: Look forward not backward.Look up and not down.

Current Passions: Witnessing. Cooking

What else? I loved caring for my Patients and belonging to various organizations. Had major back surgery in 1997 and have been affected with Fibromyalgia since.

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: Pray our Nation will return to its roots of "One Nation Under God"

Elaine Phelps Nieberding

I'm jumpstarting long-overdue home renovations and decluttering, inspired by classmates who've downsized and retired. I shake my head at my books, files and memorabilia collections...

My occupation: is helping people live more intuitive, playful, creative lives - shedding resistances to selfcare and spiritual inner wisdom. I very much "live in the flow" undertaking projects that come my way and "light my fire".

Since high school my professions/roles have included: early childhood/day care teacher, development associate for the MD Science Center museum, Mary Kay consultant, developmental disabilities agency house counselor and office manager. In the complementary healthcare world, I taught and practiced Usui Reiki (energy medicine) and even intentional laughing (Laughter Yoga).

At age 51 I returned to school to become an RN and primarily worked in bedside cancer-care nursing. Five years ago, I started my entrepreneurial and broadcasting journey while helping my parents through their end-of-life transitions. I still hold my holistic nursing and integrative coaching credentials and use those both in group and individual transformation projects.

Currently Residing: Bel Air, MD

Ask Me: about public speaking and online presenting - it's a passion. Toastmaster clubs are great with corporate, community and online clubs globally. Mine is <u>op.toastmost.org</u> - Online Presenters - come visit.

Most Proud Of: A long-marriage with my beloved Art. Finally, oh so much friendlier with each other. We've such opposites - him grounded, quiet, linear, practical (an engineer) and me creative, chatter-boxy, mystical, playful.

Surprise! In my twenties, for 2.5 years I lived with a... mortician.

Life Saying: Danielle LaPorte - "the journey has to feel the way you want the destination to feel." **Current Passions:** Tracking social trends and being a watchdog about media manipulation and disinformation. Sadly, it happens in both traditional and alt-media. The work of <u>judicialwatch.org</u> and Tom Fitton inspires me to be a more caring, active citizen.

What else: bringing levity to loving care to aging spouse and aging dog!

Hopes, Visions, Dreams, Goals: That humankind evolves into being kinder, more creative and playful in these paradigm-shifting times. I love the quote by Marianne Williamson: "Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate. Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure. It is our light, not our darkness that most frightens us."

Judy Pike Smith

I moved back to my birth country of Canada and found the love of my life! I am a retired elementary school secretary. We just downsized and moved into a condo ... loving it!

My occupation: Elementary school secretary Currently residing: Brantford, Ontario Ask Me: My wonderful family! Most Proud of: That my husband and I raised two beautiful and caring children that are now raising their own caring and beautiful children! The world needs more caring and kind people! Surprise! Five years ago I broke my ankle on both sides. I was in Virginia helping my daughter move and while carrying a box fell downstairs. I had to travel home to have surgery! Current Passions: Being able to travel during non school holidays! What else? I love being a Gramma! I am very proud of my children and grandchildren. Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: That the next generation will be better at taking care of our planet than we were!

Tony Prestigiacomo

Enjoying semi-retirement on my beautiful 66 acre country home with my wife Kimberly. I'm an avid kayaker, sailor and motorcyclist.

My occupation: Owner and CEO of a software company in nursing education.

Currently residing: Guysville, OH

Ask Me: Life on my farm in Southern Ohio.

Most Proud of: Living true to my values.

Surprise! Was life-flighted from the Mid-Ohio racetrack after crashing out of 4th place. Quit road racing 2 years later.

Life Saying: If you keep moving and never lose your passion for adventure, you can cheat the aging process.

Current Passions: Sailing is the most wonderful way to spend time. It's physical and truly spirtual all wrapped up in one activity.

What else? I'm politically progressive and love living in the country.

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: That the Government of the US stop denying climate change and become a leader in finding a solution.

Mark (Price) McGee

Retired, recently purchased my wife's family beach house in Normandy Beach, New Jersey. My wife graduated SBHS in 1971. Currently, trying to do some remodel on the beach home.

My occupation: Ran a small branch of a larger General Contracting firm.

Currently residing: Broken Arrow, OK

Ask Me: What have I been doing for the last 50 years.

Most Proud of: My wife, My kids Matthew, Andrew, and Kathleen. My grandkids Aidan, Finn, Sullivan. **Surprise!** Owned a 41' Lagoon Catamaran

Life Saying: Worked for the same company for 40 years. It was the largest American Indian owned general contractor in the world.

Current Passions: Watching my grandsons play sports.

What else? I am the luckiest man in the world. Married my high school sweetheart. Have three great kids and 3 super grandsons. Worked my butt off for 40 years. Now trying to enjoy life.

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: Enjoy beach life for 5 months a year.

Kathy Prouty Marsh

My occupation: Executive assistant for HR. Legal & Sales, Event planner

Currently residing: Virginia Beach, VA

Surprise! Bought an old model Chevy (1970 ish) and drove it in a race at Langley Speedway in Hampton, Va.

Life Saying: Tomorrow's another day!

Current Passions: Cruising with friends, My dogs, Bailey & Chico, Walking on the beach by the Atlantic Ocean, Gardening, There is always time for WINE!

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: Wish we could be kind to each other,

Walter Reilly

Same as 50 years ago. Working in a garage, driving tow trucks.

My occupation: Owner, Reilly's Collision Center & Towing Currently residing: Monmouth Junction, NJ Ask Me: Anything they want. Most Proud of: My daughter and my two grandchildren. Life Saying: Do onto others... Current Passions: Towing and NASCAR

Elaine Rosenstock Peizer

I have been living in Seattle, Washington since 1980. My husband and I have been married 36 years and have 2 children ages 28 and 33. I have a private practice in speech-language pathology, having received degrees from Northwestern University and the University of Washington.

My occupation: Speech-Language Pathologist Currently residing: Seattle, WA Ask Me: Where have you traveled? Most Proud of: My children Surprise! I survived a serious auto accident in which I ran over myself in my driveway, recovering from life-threatening injuries and three hospitalizations/surgeries. Life Saying: gratitude

Current Passions: theater, theater and theater

What else? My husband and I recently re-created our first date 37 years ago by flying to New York to see a one night only 40th anniversary charity presentation of the opening of the Broadway play we saw on our first date in Seattle, the Neil Simon-Marvin Hamlisch-Carol Bayer Sager musical, "They're Playing Our Song," with the original cast -- Robert Klein and Luci Arnaz, an electric evening with several celebrities and many other first-daters! Also, I have not had any cosmetic surgery or found any long lost relatives through DNA testing.

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: Peace and kindness.

Robert Rouder

I live in Austin Texas with my wife. Our children are grown and on their own. I am a trial lawyer with a very large international law firm. I specialize in advertising law and over half my clients are pharmaceutical or biologics/genomic companies. When not trying cases in court, I review clients' commercials and see that they comply with the law.

My occupation: Lawyer

Currently residing: Austin, TX

Ask Me: Tell me if I owe you an apology.

Most Proud of: I am most proud to have been a good --- not perfect, but good --- father and raised two wonderful children who have become outstanding adults.

Surprise! I actually have been healthy and without accidents for most of my adult life.

Life Saying: We can't always do all the good that we would, but we must take care to never do the harm of which we are capable.

Jay Rosloff

I've just celebrated 31 years of marriage. I'm the owner of 66 Cigar, a terrific cigar shop/lounge in St. Louis.

My occupation: Owner, 66 Cigar in St. Louis Currently residing: St. Louis, MO Ask Me: My career as an Underwater Archaeologist. Most Proud of: That I've helped more folks than I've hurt. Surprise! I graduated from college with Honors. Life Saying: Now that I've given up all hope I feel much better. Current Passions: I'm still a fan of Space Exploration and Archaeology.

Gail Russell Austin

For 45 years, my husband and I have lived in the great state of North Carolina, where we attended college, where we began our careers, and where we raised our two beautiful daughters. Each of our daughters also attended UNC. We're a Tarheel family, and we have much to be thankful for and much to look forward to.

My occupation: Instructor of Early Childhood Education in the community college in Raleigh; a public school kindergarten teacher.

Currently residing: Raleigh, NC

Ask Me: I'm always delighted to have a conversation about my wonderful family. My husband and I have been able to travel and continue to enjoy learning and growing through new experiences.

Most Proud of: I'm proud of the wonderful family I grew up in in NJ, and our amazing NC family. **Life Saying:** This is not a saying, but it is the optimistic sentiment expressed in the Louis Armstrong song," It's a Wonderful World".

Current Passions: My passions are reflected in my love of and interest in my family and friends and getting involved in new endeavors in my newfound time in retirement.

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: To make the most of retirement time to be with those who are important/close to me; to use time to contribute to community and create new opportunities to learn and grow.

Jeff Seidenstein

I met my wife, Sally, in 1971 and will celebrate 45 years of marriage on the day after our 50th class reunion. We were blessed to have two children, a boy and a girl, each of whom now has a boy and girl of their own.

My occupation: I worked in various financial positions for the State of Indiana and the City of Indianapolis, mostly managing budgets.

Currently residing: Indianapolis. Indiana USA, IN

Ask Me: Some might wonder how I ended up living in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Most Proud of: I'm proud to have helped raise two children who are successful and also good parents themselves. Also, for the most part, I've stayed out of trouble and have made an effort to contribute to society.

Surprise! Some might recall that while in high school, I appeared in the movie "The Godfather". I didn't have a major part, but if you want to know more, you'll have to ask me!

Life Saying: We all have a responsibility to be good citizens and caretakers of the world and our environment.

Current Passions: My focus these days is on my grandchildren. I also do a lot of volunteering in my community, and traveling when I have a chance.

What else? I live in the wonderful city of Indianapolis, Indiana. I would be happy to see any of our classmates who might be in the vicinity.

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: I hope that humans living 100 and 1,000 years from now are living in peace, and not on a poisoned, overheated planet.

Tom Sheppard

Living & working in Florida, 44 years now - married, two adult kids, one grand-daughter. In my spare time I hunt, fish, shoot when I can. Like vacations here in state, Keys or Sanibel Island.

My occupation: Special Projects, Head of Security, Safety & Compliance **Currently residing:** Palm Beach Gardens, FL

Ask Me: Anything to do with guns, archery, shooting, fishing, old cars or motorcycles

Most Proud of: My kids - both turned into great adults with good lives.

Surprise! Obtained black belts in three different styles of martial arts.

Life Saying: It's another beautiful day."

Current Passions: Hunting...big game, ducks, birds...and all the preparation, planning and stuff that goes with it.

What else? State certified firefighter, Red Cross instructor, NRA Instructor & Chief Range Officer **Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals:** Really only interested in my little piece of the world - no global expectations. But don't mess with my piece......

Ernie Singer

I am retired, I collect lots of cool things, from our time as kids, I travel a lot, with my wife Chris

My occupation: I was going to join the navy, but, I got a job as an electricians helper, I ended up making a career out of it

Currently residing: Troutdale, OR

Ask Me: I would be just as interested in them as they might be of me , so it would be general catch up time

Most Proud of: Our children, and the fact they all turned out special. My Mom that lived to be over 100, and My Dad, my sister and brother, and all my many Aunts, Uncles, Grandparents, and cousins. Plus, so many that took me under their wing throughout my life

Surprise! I had a some really great times, and done and seen a lot. Wired some really famous peoples houses, because of our business. Got to know and be good friends with many professional people **Life Saying:** I'm from NJ. You can't bull shit a bull shitter

Current Passions: Old cars, trucks, tractors, motorcycles, comic books, and toys. Auctions, comic cons, going to the movies. Traveling, and seeking new adventures

What else? I am not a saint by any means, but I do try to live by the golden rule. I was brought up being taught manners, and to respect people. Too bad there are a lot of rotten people we have to deal with , at times

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: I hope all the crooks in DC and the FBI and and crooked politicians end up serving time. I hope a lot of them get voted out, I hope term limitations are adopted for members of congress. I really hope this damn PC crap and hate would go away

Madeleine Smith

I am trying to cope with my husband's Alzheimer's. We had to put him in a memory care facility in late December.

My occupation: Health Care policy analyst

Currently residing: Falls Church, VA

Ask Me: How I am coping with retirement. I retired 2 years ago and have not missed working at all. Ask what I do with all my "free" time.

Most Proud of: Personally, I am most proud of the fine human beings that we raised. Professionally, I am most proud of my work adding prescription drug coverage for seniors under Medicare and for having testified before the U S Senate Finance Committee and for the House

Surprise! I was a "ski bunny" in Aspen after graduation from HS. I recently jumped off the side of a mountain in New Zealand to paraglide—along with an experienced guide.

Life Saying: Somebody has to do something. It seems pathetic that it has to be us.—Jerry Garcia **Current Passions:** Finding a cure for Alzheimer's, stricter gun control and hoping to visit the Amalfi Coast, Italy, and an African safari.

What else? My hair is no longer dark brown, but a combination of blonde, brown, and, of course, gray. **Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals:** I want to learn Spanish and how to play the piano. I also want to volunteer at the local food bank get physically fit. My hopes are that we can strengthen gun control. I do not want to see another candlelight vigil for the rest of my life.

Deborah (Debby) Smith Cook

I took early retirement in January 2017 and moved to Madison, WI to take care of our son, Travis, who passed away on March 2, 2018, after a five year battle with brain cancer. He was 28. What is/was most important to me was loving him, taking care of him, pursuing every avenue with NIH, CERN, his great doctors in Madison, doing everything we could to make the most of the time we had with him. My husband Joel and I have been married for 34 years and we're now back in Virginia, just outside Washington, DC where we've lived for over 30 years. Our younger son, Hunter and his wife, Gabrielle, live about 2 miles from us and we talk every day and see them at least once a week.

My occupation: University professor, dean, strategy coach and consultant

Currently residing: Springfield, VA

Ask Me: Taking 18-20 graduate strategic management classes to Paris, France, for a week of corporate visits.

Most Proud of: the deep friendships I have, my sons and their many accomplishments, my work in education

Surprise! I really did break my leg in two places when parachuting. I was in a cast for 10 weeks. The best part of the story was that when a waiter asked how I broke my leg, he thought I said "parrot shooting" and he replied, "I didn't know you could hunt them."

Life Saying: "I'm not lost, I'm on an adventure. "

Current Passions: Coaching remote teams on how to be more productive. Delivering workshops on the five behaviors of a cohesive team. Facilitating change management Supporting my 87 year old parents. And the usual, reading, reading, reading, writing, gardening, travelling, travelling, travelling. For my husband's 70th birthday in September, we're driving Interstate 70 from Baltimore to Utah. For my 70th in two years, we're going to California and Oregon and visiting 70 wineries.

What else? I'm a learning junkie. I take classes all the time "for fun." I hiked down and up the Grand Canyon. We camped at the bottom. I've done three marathons and the Avon 39 mile walk.

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: As a nation, I wish we could discuss issues rather than being angry all the time. I wish for good health for all of us.

Lowell Sprague

I am semi-retired and have lived in Oklahoma since 1975.

My occupation: Law Enforcement.

Currently residing: Tulsa, OK

Ask Me: What are your best memories of SBHS.

Current Passions: My family, life in general and the friendships I have made in 68 years.

What else? I hold dear my time at SBHS.

Chris Swoger O'Connell

Moved back to the States after living in Aruba for 21 years. Moved to Chattanooga, TN near Rob's sister,

My occupation: Retired from Massage Therapy and Pilates training Currently residing: Harrison, TN

Ask Me: My frequent trips to Europe, moving back to the US

Most Proud of: Having the strength to move back to the States.

Life Saying: I am on a quest to make my carbon footprint lower.

Current Passions: Travelling, visiting friends, ecology

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: Trump is voted out of office and immediately put on trial. McConnell and Graham voted out of office. Having a government that works together. All businesses and citizens work together to save our planet.

Joanne Tiernan Feldman

I retired from Middlesex County Board of Social Services after 35 years. My husband and I moved to Sarasota FL 11 years ago.

My occupation: Social Services

Currently residing: Sarasota, FL

Ask Me: My family (that includes my dog).

Most Proud of: My daughter Lauren.

Life Saying: Life is better with a dog.

Current Passions: Volunteering at a sanctuary for senior dogs. Seeing shelter pets get "furever" homes. **Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals:** I'd like to see all nations recognize the long term effects of climate change and work to combat it. Also, humane conditions for all animals.

Mike Treiber

I retired from BM Squibb in 1997 after 27 years. I then started a small landscaping business and worked at that for 18 years - retired from that in 2015. I now work two days a week at a car auction, Manheim close to my home in Columbus, NJ. We moved here from South Brunswick just 6 years ago. The farmlands of Burlington County remind us of what South Brunswick was like years ago.

My occupation: Warehouse exporter then landscaper

Currently residing: Columbus, NJ

Ask Me: My family is what is most important to me - I love spending time with the grand kids! **Most Proud of:** That I have stayed married to the love of my life for 45 years and we have built a wonderful life together. I am so proud of my two children and their families.

Surprise! Paraglided off the side of a mountain onto the beach in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (and did not break anything!)

Life Saying: We live to serve God and each other and you don't have to be perfect to be amazing! **Current Passions:** My wife and my family are my passions - they make every day exciting.

What else? My grand kids lovingly call me "Pops"

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: To live out my days sharing the love of the Lord with as many people as possible

Mary Beth Tusa Kren

I retired in December 2018 and love being retired. My husband and I are at the gym 3 times a week and enjoy ballroom dancing on the weekends. I've been busy doing household projects over the past few months. My dad is still alive at 101 and I visit him regularly in long term care.

My occupation: I started out teaching and in my mid 40's moved into a totally different career working in a nonprofit library and was running it the last 5 years I worked

Currently residing: Princeton, NJ

Ask Me: 2019 summer Viking River cruise down the Rhine

Most Proud of: A long marriage, 44 years, and a successful adult daughter

Life Saying: When life hands you lemons, make lemonade

Current Passions: Tuesday exercise class, Balance and Movement Ballroom dancing Dark chocolate **What else?** I've made mostly good choices in life and I am happy and living a content life.

Ralph Voorhees

Life is good. We recently bought a home in Vero Beach, Florida and just returned from a 3 week vacation with our grandson Matthew.

My occupation: Automotive Dealer

Currently residing: Millstone Township, NJ

Ask Me: My antique car collection

Most Proud of: My family and successful automotive business

Surprise! Avid boater and loves to catch crabs along the Jersey Shore

Life Saying: Life is a rollercoaster

Current Passions: Passion for automotive history and current Trustee of the Vintage Automobile Museum of NJ

What else? Happily married to my college sweetheart of 47 years

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: Let there be peace in the world where everyone gets along.

Tad Wacker

My occupation: Retail store manager

Currently residing: Old Bridge, NJ

Most Proud of: I quit drinking 40 years ago. I married a woman with 5 children and helped raise them. **Surprise!** Didn't break my leg, but jumped 13 times. Amazing. Rode my motorcycle to Fla. when my oldest stepdaughter had her first baby.

Life Saying: Live each day fully, help others, even when inconvenient.

Current Passions: Riding my motorcycle, meeting new people, seeing new places and doing things never tried before.

What else? Widowed for three years now. Just starting to move on to a new chapter in life. Not quite sure what it is yet.

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: Just want to live the rest of my life as healthy as possible, helping others along the way.

Faith Whitehead Peltzer

Enjoying recent retirement! My time is now my own!

My occupation: Secretary various places Currently residing: New Providence, PA Ask Me: Hmmm....identification and go from there!

Most Proud of: Raising 3 wonderful daughters
Surprise! I played my guitar and sang at care facilities with a friend for 3 years.
Current Passions: Simple things...time with family and friends. Watching soccer with my daughter right now..go USA !
What else? I am thankful for all that God has blessed me with. I'm looking forward to reconnecting with my old classmates!
Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: Peace on earth

Judy Williams Perrine

My husband, Eric and I live near family in central PA, and we are enjoying retirement and opportunities to travel. This fall, we will celebrate our 48th anniversary! Community service, activities in our church and our grand daughter keep us busy - Life is good!

My occupation: Preschool teacher. Then HR Coordinator til retirement Currently residing: Mechanicsburg, PA Ask Me: It would be a joy to just catch up on each other's lives. Most Proud of: My family....a joy, blessing for sure! Surprise! Alaskan sled dog excursion Life Saying: Find and discover your happiness and hopefully, good health. Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: Live with kindness and respect

Diane Witte Jettinghoff

I now live in the Smoky Mountains - Western North Carolina & love it. I'm also a professional photographer after taking it up after retiring. I do a lot af hiking & reading continuing to learn about our world.

My occupation: After telephones & before photography, I finally got to marketing research for several types of media. When computers improved, I used my Sociology major & determined best ways to advertise different products.

Currently residing: Tuckasegee, NC

Ask Me: Where I live.

Most Proud of: Being independent, even now when I'm married.

Surprise! Worked for Bell South (when it was named that) as a repair/install tech. I climbed poles with spikes, carried big extension ladders, worked at great heights in all kinds of weather, had to crawl around in attics & cellars. Due to EEOC I was the first an

Life Saying: When the power of love conquers the love of power, the world will know peace. - Jimi Hendrix

Current Passions: Photography, hiking, travel, dogs (especially agility).

What else? I'm just as argumentative as I was, but listen better & easier to get along with.

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: Be kinder to everyone & help the suffering, especially in US. Legalize the Constitution.

Donna Wilczynski Helfrey

Ed and I retired 3 years ago! We moved to sunny Ocala, Florida! We have 3 beautiful children, 2 beautiful daughter in-laws and 1 wonderful son in-law! 2 grand daughters and 1 grandson

My occupation: Retired Administrative Assistant in Education Currently residing: Ocala, FL Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: Peace in our country and the world!

Brenda Young Legg

We have been spending time this summer at our beach house. Have still not fully retired own a Child Development Center.

My occupation: Church Secretary for 25 years; owner and director of A Step Above Child Development Center

Currently residing: Rock Hill, SC

Ask Me: I would want them to ask me about my children and grandchildren.

Most Proud of: My family

Surprise! I designed a 6,500 square ft building filled it with 126 children and have been in business for 15 years. Started from the ground up!

Life Saying: Believe all things are possible if you put your trust in the Lord.

Current Passions: I am passionate about life. Since I have had cancer, I thank God for everyday! Life is a challenge and a adventure.

What else? I am happy and blessed!

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: My goal is to be fully retired in 2 years and spend more time at the beach.

Beth Ziegler

I've been married for 26 years and am now living in Wisconsin. My husband and I have lived in CA, NJ & MN. I'm retired from a 30-year career in public libraries.

My occupation: Manager & administrator in public libraries

Currently residing: Verona, AL

Ask Me: My trip to Japan My three grandchildren

Most Proud of: My long-lasting friendships of more than 50 years.

Life Saying: Friends are family.

Current Passions: Traveling to new places. Connecting w/ longtime friends who I don't see often.

What else? I've survived cancer and am living with Multiple Sclerosis.

Hopes, Visions, Needs, Goals: I look forward to seeing any of my grandchildren begin living their lives as adults .

Classmates attending the 50th Reunion

Gary Abbamont **Clarice Bailey** Elizabeth Bechtel Diana (Dee Dee) (Bednar) Sheridan Mike Beltranena **David Bemiss** Marsha (Berk) Tarcza Joe Berk Anita (Birch) Vann Marie (Blazewski) DiFedele Jocelyne (Bouffard) Schmitz Carolyn Cook Gotay **Richard Fiore** Sally (Flagg) Poissonnier Gad Gartner Dorothy (Haleluk) Sica Carol (Kady) Luck

Elliot Kramer Katherine Leary Alsdorf Linda Levy Kristensen Patricia (MacDonald) Sferra Marti Moore **Thomas Mullen** John Newton Mike Novack Lynn Olmsted Philip Oppenheim Julie Parmenter Elaine (Phelps) Nieberding Mark (Price) McGee Kathy (Prouty) Marsh Walter Reilly **Elaine Rosenstock Peizer** Gail (Russell) Austin Dana Ryan

Rose Marie (Savino) Stewart Jeff Seidenstein Tom Sheppard **Ernie Singer Deborah Smith Cook** Madeleine Smith Lowell Sprague Chris (Swoger) O'Connell Mike Treiber Mary Beth (Tusa) Kren **Ralph Voorhees** Tad Wacker Faith (Whitehead) Peltzer Donna Wilczynski Helfrey Brenda (Young) Legg **Beth Ziegler**

Did you know?

- ✓ We were the 8th graduating class from our high school.
- ✓ The old high school, the one we graduated from on the corner of Major Road and Kingston Lane, is now the middle school. (We hope to tour the old high school on Saturday).
- ✓ The new high school was built in 1997 at the corner of Stouts Lane and Ridge Road due to overcrowding issues and the "annex" which is connected by a twolevel indoor bridge on levels 2 and 3 was all built in 2003-04, on the side of Stouts Lane.
- ✓ The South Brunswick High School celebrated its "50th birthday" in 2010.

In Memory of

Too many of our classmates have passed away. We don't know if this is the complete list so if you are aware of any others, please let the Reunion Committee know.

Douglas Babcock (2017)

Our classmate Ernie Singer, to our knowledge, was the last of Doug's friends from SBHS to have contact with him before his passing in November of 2017. His recollections are assembled here.

Ernie wrote, "In his lifetime, Doug Babcock was a true-to-life rebel, but had a heart of gold as well. He had marriages, and heartbreaks, as most humans do. After high school, he became a skilled electrician, even working with Ernie Singer and Bobby O'Connell for Wagner Electric and being part of the team that was wiring houses in the new construction Twin Rivers project. On farmland in New Jersey, he chose, for some period, living commune-style. Years later he did work in refrigeration services and specialty electronics. He moved to Florida after the passing of his mother. For a good while working hard, "he played the straight shooter routine, having a nice house in South Florida, a cool car, even a boat. He discovered that was not for him either. Thereafter his life was one of more seclusion, but also blossoming his deep connection with animals, many that he would nurse back to health."

After many years being out of touch, Doug and Ernie reconnected in 2013. Ernie said: "What I want people to remember most, Doug would give you the shirt off his back. He was a lot of things at times, and lived life hard, and over the top, way over, sometimes. But he was one of the best people I ever have known. I am so glad he came out to visit us (in 2013). I took him all over the place (in Oregon and even to Mt. St. Helens in Washington) and saw how much it meant to him. It's a good feeling, helping make a friend happy."

James Barrouk (2016)

James G. Barrouk, 65, of Dayton died Thursday, May 5, 2016 at University Medical Center of Princeton at Plainsboro surrounded by his loving family. Born in Wilkes Barre, PA. He has been a resident of South Brunswick for over 36 years. James was employed as a Sales Manager with Motion Industries, Trenton.

Diane Castle Calvo (2018)

Diane Calvo , 66 years old) passed away in October 2018 at her home in Somerset, NJ. She graduated from South Brunswick High School in 1969. She loved going to the beach, shopping, cooking and nothing more than having her family together. Family and friends revered her as the life of the party. Diane was employed for twenty years by the Franklin Township Board of Education as an Executive Secretary/Registrar.

Mrs. Calvo was predeceased by her parents, George and Mary Castle, and her son, Daniel Calvo, in 2012. She is survived by her husband of 40 years, Herman Calvo, of Somerset and her daughter, Amber Sincak, of Hightstown. Contributions in Diane's name were made to the Alzheimer's Association.

Clayton Cardoza (1995)



Clayton Cardoza passed away on August 17, 1995 in Rancho Mirage, California. He is interred at Cook Inlet in Anchorage, Alaska. This poem reflects how he wanted to be remembered.

After Glow

I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one. I'd like to leave an after glow of smiles when life is done.

I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways, of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days.

I'd like the tears of those who grieve to dry before too long, and cherish those very special memories to which I belong

Joanne Fritog Wilson (2018)

We knew her as Joanne Fritog. If closer, she was your "Fritz". She made this request:

Weep not for me though I have gone into that gentle night Grieve if you will, but not for long upon my soul's sweet flight

I am at peace, my soul's at rest There is no need for tears For with your love I was so blessed For all those many years

There is no pain, I suffer not The fear is now all gone Put now these things out of your thoughts In your memory I live on

Remember not my fight for breath Remember not the strife Please do not dwell upon my death But celebrate my life.

~Joanne Wilson~ 12-11-50 ~ 7-20-2018

Barb Evans Godfrey (January 2019)



Barbara Evans Godfrey transferred to SBHS for our junior and senior years. Katherine Leary Alsdorf recalls that she first really talked with her on the bus to one of the tournament basketball games. Katherine wrote, "That began a 50 year friendship. Barb joined in everything at SBHS - choir, plays, honor society and went on to Gettysburg for college. After college she went to work for NJ Bell, which seemed like the most boring job on earth to me. But she excelled, was part of the strategy team that worked on breaking up Ma Bell, and was invited to move to London to help create a merger between AT&T and Olivetti. There she met her husband, Kevin Godfrey, and they lived and worked in the UK for more than 16 years. Barb ran their International Affairs group for a number of years. I often visited their house in the Lake District to hike and

garden. In 2002 they moved to Atlanta - Barb for work and Kevin to retire. They both retired in 2004 at Lake Keowee, SC. Shortly after a fun vacation together re-visiting England's Lake District in 2017, Barb learned she had cancer. After a valiant 18 month fight, she died this past January. She is survived by her husband, parents, brothers David and Allen and sister Amy.

Not only was she a role model and inspiration professionally, I admired and enjoyed her in so many ways. She was a creator of beauty - in style and her home. She was a creator of memories - she planned special activities and meals and conversations for each visit. I have so many memories with her over these 50+ years of our friendship! And I loved her laugh! We were supposed to get old together... this is so NOT the way it's supposed to be. Barb was an amazing friend... I think of her every day."

Evelyn (Gee) Austin (2013)

Evelyn Beatrice Austin, 61, was called home to be with the Lord on May 29, 2013 with her loving family at her bedside. She was born in Portsmouth, VA on June 29, 1951 and at an early age she moved to New Jersey. Upon her return, Evelyn was a member of Macedonia Baptist Church, Chesapeake and of Solid Rock Baptist Church, Chesapeake. In 2000, Evelyn helped organize the New Ship of Zion Baptist Church in the Berkley section of Norfolk, VA along with her husband, Rev. Glenn B. Austin, Sr. where she served as the First Lady, Women's Day Chairperson, Deaconess and various other functions.

She leaves to cherish her precious memory, her loving and devoted husband, Rev. Glenn B. Austin, Sr. of Chesapeake; two sons, Keyon Gee (Monicia) of Portsmouth, VA and Christopher Austin of Chesapeake, VA; three daughters, Tameka Gee Watford (Hilbert) of Portsmouth, VA, Tashawn Best (Dondell) of Norfolk, VA and Kimmeco Hinton (Willie) of Portsmouth, VA. Also left to cherish her memory are two brothers, six sisters, thirteen grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends.

Gene Hanna (1997)

Gene W. Hanna, 46, of Rio Rancho, N.M., died in October 1997, at home. Mr. Hanna had been a driver for Hanna's Florist of Milltown, New Jersey, a family-owned business, for many years before moving to New Mexico. Born in Aurora, Colo., he lived in Milltown and South Brunswick before moving to Rio Rancho several years before his death.

Lance Lemli (2011)

Lance J. Lemli, 60 years, of West Amwell Township, NJ died July 31, 2011, in Clinton County, Pa. as a result of a motorcycle accident there. Born in New Brunswick, NJ, June 29, 1951, he had formerly resided in Kendall Park, NJ, before moving to West Amwell Township nine years ago. He was an internet specialist and computer consultant. A member of the Harley Owner Group, he served in the US Air Force 1970-1971.

Douglas Lidy (2015)

Douglas Merritt Lidy, Sr., 64, of Conowingo, MD, died Thursday, August 13, 2015 at his residence. Born November 10, 1950 in General Hospital of Wilkes Barre, PA, he was a veteran of the U.S. Navy and was employed as a diesel mechanic for the last 40 years of his life.

Jane Magalski Hollander (2005)

Jane Magalski Hollander lost her 15 month battle with lung cancer on April 6, 2005. Diagnosed in November 2003, she was told she had 6-9 months to live. She proved her doctors wrong and lived longer than their prognosis. Her husband, Michael Hollander (SBHS '66), marveled at how hard Jane fought to survive. Mike said that "Jane always had a smile on her face. She never complained. She always had a positive outlook. She had more courage in this battle with the disease than I can even imagine." Jane worked for Franklin Township starting in 1989 and worked there until she was too sick to continue. Her co-workers remembered her as having a great sense of humor and being a really hard worker. Jane loved Kendall Park and the people there loved her – there were so many people at her funeral that part of Route 1 and Route 130 were closed to let the procession through. She and Mike have three children, two sons, Paul and Christopher, and a daughter, Michelle, who was just married July 20, 2019.

Richard Maher (2010)



Richard Maher, age 59, of Tyler, Texas died peacefully Wednesday, Dec. 22, 2010, after a lengthy illness. He was born in New Brunswick, N.J., on April 25, 1951. He spent his childhood in East Millstone, N.J., on the family farm that was settled by his great-grandparents, Edward and Honora Meagher from Tipperary, Ireland. As a young adult, he moved west, first to Palisade, Colo. (his true "second home"), and eventually to Tyler in 1994. He enjoyed a lifelong career in lithography and photography, and possessed a creative spirit only surpassed by his humor, congeniality and overall kindness towards everyone. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions were requested for the Hospice of East Texas, Tyler Civic Theatre in which he was very active, and the Cancer Action Network.

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Arthur (Artie) Mendelson

This is Artie, doing what he loved best, playing blues piano at Green Acres Tavern.



Robert O'Connell (2007)

Robert O'Connell was born on September 16, 1951. After graduation he served in the United States Marine Corps for 2 years. He married fellow classmate, Chris Swoger, in 1971 and lived in Jamesburg, New Jersey working as an electrician until his move to Aruba in 1995. He resided in Aruba until his death on August 14, 2007 from a heart attack.

Craig Price (1984)

Craig Price passed away February 1984, from complications of a lifelong struggle with diabetes. After high school, he traveled to Oklahoma and Florida. In Florida, he met up with his brother, Mark McGee, and Lowell Sprague, Mike Novak, and Pat Yost. Returning to South Brunswick, he worked for Carter-Wallace, renovated a home on Broadway Road, and married the former Jill Hink. In 1983, they returned to Oklahoma with their two daughters.

Marguerite Rudek Hornek (2002)

Margie Rudek Hornak, 51, of Kendall Park, NJ died on December 25, 2002 at Trinitas Hospital in Elizabeth, N J. Born in New Brunswick, she had resided in Franklin Township before moving to Kendall Park. She was a graduate of South Brunswick High School and Rider University. She also was a doctoral candidate in German literature at Rutgers University, where she was an adjunct professor of the language. In addition, she earned an MBA degree and teacher's certificate license from Rider University. She loved teaching and her students loved her. Full of life, full of plans and ideas for the future, she was helping everybody who needed her help-her relatives in Europe, exchange students, second language English students, and the kids next door. For years she was a member of the World Citizens Diplomats, an organization dedicated to providing peaceful solutions of conflicts. She was also active in several student exchange programs. An enthusiastic world traveler, she visited many countries throughout the world, including the Holy Land and Fatima. She was a member of St. Euphrosynia Belarus Orthodox Church in South River and active in church and community life. Marge accompanied the Kalina Choir and Belarus Community Choir at festivals in Holmdel, NJ. For midnight mass at Easter procession, she played the organ bells at her church.

Karen Schultz Kramer (2009)

Karen Schultz Kramer, 57, of Metuchen, died May 27, 2009 of leukemia, at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, New Brunswick. She was a program director for 17 years with Rahway Board of Education, Public School System. She was a member of Temple Neve Shalom, Metuchen. She received her bachelor's degree from Penn State University, Master's Degree from Teachers College of Columbia University and her Doctorate Degree from Rutgers University. She left behind her husband of 34 years, Elliot; a son, Evan of Philadelphia; a daughter, Allison of Brooklyn.

Toni (Antonio) Tavarone (1989)

Toni Tavarone passed away on March 2, 1989 in Syracuse, NY, after a very brief illness. She was a program evaluator with the Rome Developmental Center and also ran her own consulting firm. She received her PhD from Syracuse University in 1983, completing her dissertation on women and alcoholism.

We will miss these classmates who have also passed.

Denise Bastek (2010) Ralph Lee Farrow, Jr. (2011) James Oughton (2003) Patricia Hudgens Dallenbach Trudy Lynn Summers (2013) Barbara Sutton-Mitchel Delores Louise Taylor Dorothy Wallace Robert Yaros

Birthdays

JANUARY2Betsy (Elian)Whitcraft4Marsha Berk Tarcza4Ernie Singer8Gary Abbamont12Sally (Flagg) Poissonnier18Gad Gartner18Mike Treiber22Judy (Williams) Perrine31Carol Kady Luck	MAY 2 Anita Birch Vann 2 Julie Parmenter 5 Jay Rosloff	SEPTEMBER 2 Maria (Blazewski) DiFedele 2 Katherine Leary Alsdorf 10 Jocelyne (Bouffard) Schmitz
FEBRUARY2 Elaine (Phelps) Nieberding (Groundhog's Day)6 Jo-Anne (Tiernan) Feldman9 Gail (Russell) Austin12 Carolyn (Cook) Gotay (same as Abe Lincoln)23 Ken (KO) Decker23 Bob Beckley25 Elizabeth Bechtel27 Elaine (Rosenstock) Peizer Don Sheluga	JUNE 1 Tom Sheppard 4 Mike Novack 7 Beth Ziegler 21 Claudia (Krause) Osinski 23 Judy (Pike) Smith 24 Mike Beltranena	OCTOBER 2 Mitch Barrack 5 Suzanne Martin Turner 10 John Hollander 10 Diane (Witte) Jettinghoff 17 Kathy (Prouty) Marsh 27 MaryBeth (Tusa) Kren 29 Clarice Bailey 30 Mark McGee
MARCH 13 Tony Prestigiacomo 24 Wayne Conover 27 Rich Fiore 29 Carol (Latimer) Williams 31 Zeb Moser	JULY 16 Jeff Seidenstein 17 John Newton 23 Deborah Smith Cook	<u>NOVEMBER</u> 17 Donna (Wilczynski) Helfrey 22 Gail (Ibbott) Crutchfield 26 Robert Rouder Dee (Bednar) Sheridan
APRIL 1 David Bemiss 2 Ralph Voorhees 5 Elliot Kramer 7 Madeleine Smith 7 Tom Mullen 17 Michelle (MacConnell) Kurtz 19 Lowell Sprague 24 Jay Brown Walter Reilly	<u>AUGUST</u> Jim Parker	DECEMBER 1 Chris (Swoger) O'Connell 4 Pat (MacDonald) Sferra 11 Belva Perrine-Riley 29 Tad Wacker

Class of 1969 50th Reunion August 9-10, 2019 Schedule

Friday, August 9, 2019		
5:00PM until lounge	Meet and Greet :	Doubletree by Hilton Princeton
closes at 11:00PM	Casual get together in the restaurant lounge.	
		4355 US Route 1, Princeton
	Everyone is invited. If you live in the area, but are not	GPS address: 939 Ridge Rd,
	registered for the Saturday banquet, please come and	Monmouth Junction, NJ 08852
	meet your classmates. For fun, wear black and gold so	
	we'll know you're part of the group!	
Dinner	Dinner on your own	
	Grab some friends. Pick up a list of recommended	
	restaurants that the committee compiled or branch out	
	on your own.	
Saturday, August 10, 202	19	
Breakfast	Breakfast on your own	
10:00-noonish	Tour of South Brunswick High School (tentative)	
Lunch	Lunch on your own	
Banquet		Doubletree by Hilton Princeton
5:30PM	Welcome/ Banquet Attendees	Mike Beltranena
5.501 141	We had to turn in a headcount quite a while ago so	Dee (Bednar) Sheridan
	unfortunately, we cannot take any walk-ins for the	Dee (Dealiar) Sheridan
	banquet.	
6:00PM	Doors Open	
6:00-7:00PM	Appetizers and Cash Bar	
	Anteroom of dining room	
7:00PM	Welcome	Gad Gartner
	Dining room	
7:15-9:00	Dinner	
9:00-9:30	Reunion Program	Gad Gartner
9:30	Dessert Bar Opens	

50th Reunion Committee

Elaine (Phelps) Nieberding (Chief Organizer) Dee (Bednar) Sheridan Michael Beltranena Gad Gartner Carol Kady Luck Katherine Leary Alsdorf Michael Novack Lynn Olmsted Phil Oppenheim Elaine (Rosenstock) Peizer Jeff Seidenstein Tom Sheppard Madeleine Smith Deborah Smith Cook