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Happy holidays! As we look back on 2006, the Alumni Council is pleased that our new website is online. Thank you to Judy Donahue, who has assumed the role of webmaster in addition to her many other responsibilities on the Alumni Council. Don't forget to bookmark www.shrewsburyalumni.org—Our website is the perfect place to keep in touch with the Association and with other alumni.

We are excited to be able to offer our readers a new means of reading *Alumni News*. Some of you have received notice about this latest newsletter via email, and are reading it online for the very first time. We hope you'll find this a convenient alternative to the paper copy. Any readers who'd like to join the email list or who'd rather revert to receiving a hard copy may contact Judy at jldonahue@townisp.com.

At Shrewsbury High's Academic Awards Night in June, members of the Alumni Association announced the recipients of three scholarships. Congratulations to Lauren Bailey (Alumni Association's Scholarship for Achievement Award), Tarah Hunter (Major Beal High School Class of 1955 50th Anniversary Legacy Scholarship Award), and Xi Lian (Peter Perreault Student/Athlete of the Year Scholarship Award.) Seniors interested in applying for a scholarship should contact the guidance office or consult the alumni website in the spring.

The past year also saw the awarding of grants to seventeen student groups at SHS. The application deadline for the next round of grants is February 1. Applicants should complete and print out the form from the Association website (<http://www.shrewsburyalumni.org/id3.html>). Email Janet (jpope@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us) if you have any questions.

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In Memoriam...

FACULTY:

Allan L. Smallidge, 73, of Winter Harbor, ME; March 4, 2006
Wasily "Wes" Shepeluk, 72, of Worcester; April 17, 2006
Jean M. (Gallant) Josie, 55, of Shrewsbury; instructional aide at Spring Street School; July 24, 2006
Frances J. (Mulholland) Cellucci, 90, of Shrewsbury; September 26, 2006
Paul P. Lavelle, 88, of Clinton; November 25, 2006

ALUMNI and CLASSMATES:

Martha I. (Dandurand) Bird, 84, of Auburn; SHS Class of 1939; March 4, 2006
Robert E. Dean, 78, of Shrewsbury; SHS Class of 1947; May 22, 2006
George W. Ducat, 79, of Boylston, formerly of Northborough; SHS Class of 1944; May 26, 2006
James W. Michalak, 59, of Lancaster; SHS Class of 1965; May 29, 2006
Gary P. Salmonsén, 69, of Millbury; SHS Class of 1956; June 8, 2006
Mabelle R. (Forrister) Parham, 86, of Woodstock, CT; SHS Class of 1937; June 11, 2006
Robert Edward Jewers, 74, of Harwich; SHS Class of 1949; June 20, 2006
Susan M. Corazzini, 47, of Shrewsbury; SHS Class of 1976; June 30, 2006
Thomas Gardiner, Jr., 57, of Brewster, formerly of Holden; SHS Class of 1966; July 7, 2006
E. Thomas Golden, Sr., 73, of Worcester; SHS Class of 1953; July 16, 2006.
Brian T. Dunlevy, 55, of Worcester, and York Beach, Maine; SHS Class of 1970; July 23, 2006
Dorothy E. Mawdsley Crocker, 84, of Falmouth, ME; SHS Class of 1940; July 30, 2006
Hazel F. (Keddy) Herman, 85, of Worcester; August 10, 2006
Panagiotis "Peter" Fotiadis, 21, of Shrewsbury; SHS Class of 2004; in a motor vehicle accident in Shrewsbury, August 13, 2006
Jessica T. (Kimball) Chase, 90, of Sutton; August 14, 2006
Sheryl A. (Tracy) Beleckis, 36, of Boylston; SHS Class of 1987; August 21, 2006
Florence E. Cook Church, 89, of Shrewsbury; SHS Class of 1934; August 28, 2006
Sumner W. Loomer, of Shrewsbury; SHS Class of 1947; September 4, 2006
A. Susan (Mattero) Watson, 66, of Shrewsbury; SHS Class of 1959; September 8, 2006
Dennis R. Lyden, 51, of Bellingham; SHS Class of 1973; September 10, 2006
Allan Richard Thayer, 75, of Framingham; SHS Class of 1948; September 13, 2006
Helene J. (Paulsen) Taylor, 87, of Worcester; SHS Class of 1937; September 19, 2006
Richard F. Whitney, 77, of Shrewsbury; SHS Class of 1948; October 9, 2006
Irida Mazzari, 90, of Shrewsbury; SHS Class of 1935; October 9, 2006
Robert F. Angell, Jr., 42, of Sutton; SHS Class of 1982; October 12, 2006
Frank R. Martinelli, 69, of Worcester; SHS Class of 1954; October 15, 2006
John T. Kehoe, 92, of Shrewsbury; SHS Class of 1932; October 16, 2006
Carl A. "Chico" Simone, 58, of Shrewsbury; SHS Class of 1966; October 22, 2006
John P. "Johnny" Sheehan, 77, of Shrewsbury, October 25, 2006
William G. Pecevich Jr., 61, of Shrewsbury; SHS Class of 1963; October 26, 2006
Clarence F. "Sam" Sampson, 88, of Worcester; SHS Class of 1936; October 28, 2006
Ruby E. (White) Larange, 97, of Northborough, formerly of Westborough; November 1, 2006
M. Rita (Dudley) Winslow, 86, of Shrewsbury; SHS Class of 1938; November 13, 2006
Barbara Janson Green, 81, of Shrewsbury; SHS Class of 1942; November 17, 2006
Pamela J. Olson, 52, of West Boylston; SHS Class of 1972; November 17, 2006
Rita M. (Clapp) Jones, of Shrewsbury; SHS Class of 1955; November 25, 2006

Weddings...

Jessica M. Dempsey and Timothy C. Brennan

Julie M. Wagner and Thomas J. LaRose

Sara C. Cunningham and **Sean M. Biadasz**

Colleen Leone and **James Mulcahy**

Melissa Lucente and Christopher Johnson

Regina M. Manzoli and Brian Golden

Roya L. Omidbakhsh and Chad A. Clements

JoAnne M. Schnare and Benjamin J. Caruso



Anniversaries...

50 Years

Mr. and Mrs. **Ralph Dumphy** recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Mr. Dumphy is a retired mathematics teacher from the Shrewsbury Public Schools.

30 Years

Richard and **Janet (Buckley) Pope**

25 Years

Donald J. and **Bonnie J. (Warren) Goodney**
Robert A. and Donna M. (Aitken) **Warren**

Graduates in the News...

A. Wayne Sampson, SHS Class of 1970

Police Chief A. Wayne Sampson has announced that he will retire on December 31. Chief Sampson has been with the Shrewsbury police department for 34 years.

Paula McCarthy, SHS Class of 1971

Paula McCarthy, chef and owner of Zia Grill at 352 Shrewsbury Street, was chairperson of *The Taste of Shrewsbury Street* on June 20. This annual event has been presented by the Shrewsbury Street Area Merchants Association since 2003.

John Samia, SHS Class of 1988

Shrewsbury Selectmen and the School Committee have voted unanimously to appoint attorney John Samia to the Shrewsbury School Committee. Mr. Samia succeeds Alden Harris, who resigned from the School Committee on October 26.

Christie Hodgen, SHS Class of 1992

Christie Hodgen's first novel, Hello, I Must be Going, was published recently. In 2001, Christie won the Associated Writing Programs (AWP) Award for Short Fiction, which led to the publication of her first book, a collection of short stories...A Jeweler's Eye for Flaw. Her other awards include the Tobias Wolff Award for Fiction, the Ernest Hemingway Days Festival Short Fiction Prize, the Quarterly West Novella Prize, and a National Endowment for the Arts literature fellowship.

Erin Largess, SHS Class of 1999

Erin Largess has been named SHS girls' basketball coach. A former co-captain of the Colonials, in 1999 Erin led SHS to its first Central Massachusetts championship in 25 years. After graduating from Worcester State College, Erin returned to SHS to help her father, Ken, coach the team in 2004. Erin teaches second grade in Rutland.

Robino Africa, SHS Class of 2006

Singer Robino Africa was voted winner of the Spirit of Shrewsbury's *Shrewsbury Idol* competition on September 23. Judges were *Idol* chairman P. K. Pandey, Arthur Dobson, and JoAnn Warren.

SHS ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME ELECTS NEW MEMBERS

Congratulations to the 12 new members who were inducted into the Shrewsbury High School Athletic Hall of Fame during a ceremony at Shrewsbury's Italian-American Victory Club on October 21, 2006:

- Gordon Warren, recently retired coach and Athletic Director, who for over 37 years played an important role in developing the Shrewsbury High School Athletic Department into a formidable force at the league, division and state levels
- Red Breslin, an outstanding 3-sport athlete, Class of '32
- Forest Miner, a member of the National Schoolboy Championship Crew, Class of '41
- Clifford Nordwell, an outstanding 3-sport athlete and captain of the basketball team, Class of '46
- Walter Lonergan, captain of the 1954 National Schoolboy Championship Crew, co-captain of the Blackstone Valley Champion Football team and center on the Clark Tournament Champion basketball team, Class of '54
- John Jasper, leading scorer in Central Massachusetts Basketball Conference, league champions, scored 44 points in one game (school record), 444 points in senior year (school record), and a member of the cross-country track team, Class of '60
- Roy Chesley, competed in baseball, track and basketball, was Central Mass high jump champ – 6'2", was selected a Class B (state) all-star and Central Mass all-star on a team that was Central Mass and State Finalist 2 years running, losing only 4 games in the 2 years, Class of '61
- Michael Kelly, outstanding 3-sport athlete, quarterback of the football team, captain of the basketball team and an outstanding baseball player, Class of '83
- Mary-Beth Pelosky, Class of '85, and
- Ann-Marie Pelosky, Class of '85; The Pelosky twins were dominant tennis players
- Jennifer Grochowlski led the Shrewsbury track team to a state championship; Class of '92
- Joanna Nelson, an outstanding softball pitcher, named a Fast Pitch World High School All-American, 3-time Telegram & Gazette all-star, had a career 51 wins, 460 strikeouts and as a senior batted .400, Class of '95.

--Ron Sanguinet

See the entire list of past SHS Athletic Hall of Fame inductees on our website at <http://www.shrewsburyalumni.org/id28.html>

Alumni Discount Card Sponsors

September 1, 2006 – August 31, 2007

Your \$10.00 Alumni Discount Card membership entitles you to savings from these sponsors:

Black Diamond Coffee

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508-842-3709
Jacqueline Marcello
Jackie_marcello71@yahoo.com
Sundays & Mondays ONLY: Buy 1 get 1 FREE – any coffee drink. Free drink is of equal or less value.

Shrewsbury Children's Center

138 N. Quinsigamond Ave., Shrewsbury
508-755-3922
www.shrewsburychildrenscenter.com
Mike & Mary Rose Casey (SHS '68 + '69)
\$25 off registration fee for NEW enrollments only.

Danielson Flowers

660 Main Street, Shrewsbury
508-842-8992
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danielsonflowers@att.net
\$2 off purchases over \$10. Does NOT apply to FTD orders. Not to be used with other discounts.

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64 Holden Street, Shrewsbury
508-841-8840
Athletic Director Jay Costa (SHS '94)
jcosta@shrewsbury.k12.ma.us
\$1 off admission to SHS HOME athletic events.

Mary Kay Cosmetics

147 South Quinsigamond Ave, Shrewsbury
508-767-2597
Kathy Floyd
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10% off ALL purchases PLUS 10% off birthday month bonus!

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508-753-4705
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15% off any watch repair, jewelry repair or battery

Shrewsbury Nurseries

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www.shrewsburnurseries.com
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10% off regularly priced merchandise (Bulk mulch and soils, sod, sheds NOT included).

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508-842-1858
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R & R Remodeling

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FREE estimates. Discount on any home repair, improvements, and/or remodeling.

New England Trim, Inc.

129 Hartford Turnpike, Shrewsbury
NETrim1@yahoo.com 508-752-8576
Matthew Smith (SHS '98)
10% discount on any car, bike or boat work order.

Xpress Lube

507 Boston Turnpike, Shrewsbury
508-842-8101
Paul Nash
\$5 off oil change – 10% off Xtra Service with Membership Card only.

Balloonsallover-Shrewsbury-Westboro-Worcester

164 Milk St., Westboro, MA 01581
508-366-6307
Al Miller
Info@balloonsallover.com
20% off balloons picked up or delivered to Shrewsbury, Westboro or Worcester. Complete decorating service for all occasions.

Any questions, problems or suggestions? Would you like to be a sponsor?

Contact Judith L. Donahue at 508-845-6501 ext 301 or jldonahue@townisp.com
Visit us on our web site at www.shrewsburyalumni.org for the latest updates of sponsors

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UPCOMING EVENTS

January 10, 2007

Alumni Association Council meeting, SHS Faculty Lounge, 7PM

February 1, 2007

Application deadline—Alumni Association grants

February 14, 2007

Alumni Association Council meeting, SHS Faculty Lounge, 7PM

March 1, 2007

Alumni Association grant winners announced

March 14, 2007

Alumni Association Council meeting, SHS Faculty Lounge, 7PM

September 23, 2007

“Wicked” theater trip (with bus to/from The Opera House, Boston)