



The Miner Tremor



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56th Edition

Shullsburg High School Alumni News

Spring 2024

30th Annual Banquet

Our 30th Annual Alumni Banquet is set for **September 21, 2024 at Banfield's Swiss Haus** between Benton and Cuba City. The cost for a family style meal is \$25 per person and this includes: meal, tax and gratuity. There is a [reservation form](#) found on our [website](#) for you to complete and mail in. Hope to see you there!

Calendar of Events

May 24 – SHS 2024 Graduation, 7 pm
May 27 – Badger Mine and Museum opens
June 1 - Cruisin' Car Show in the Burg, sponsored by Advance Shullsburg, on Water Street, 4-8 p.m
June 15 - Shullsburg Farmers Market, 7:30-11:30 am
July 2-4 – Shullsburg 4th of July Celebration, <https://shullsburg4thofjuly.com/>
July 11, 18, 25 – Music in the Park, 6:30 pm
July 13 – Concert at the Berry Tavern 5 p
July 20 – Shullsburg Farmers Market, 7:30-11:30 am
Aug. 1 & 8 – Music in the Park, 6:30 pm
Aug. 10 – Gravity Hill Run 10 am
Aug. 13 – Six-Oh-ATE, Food Truck Festival
Aug 17 – Shullsburg Farmers Market, 7:30-11:30
Sept. 3 – School Begins
Sept. 21 – Shullsburg Farmers Market, 7:30-11:30 am
Sept. 21 – SHS Alumni Banquet 5 pm Social 6 pm Meal
Oct. 4 – SHS Homecoming
Oct. 5 – Cheesefest
Oct. 6 – Alzheimer's Walk to Remember
Nov. 30 – A Bit of Yesteryear Christmas
Dec. 11 – Ladies' Night Out

Changes in the Old Burg

New Businesses Downtown

Kingsley Crossing

Both buildings have new owners. Ila Rose is now Shullsburg Healing Arts Center and Kingsley Crossing will retain the same name by new owner Jenny Jacobsen.



VRBO Eastside Bungalow

A peaceful Bungalow. Located four blocks from the downtown district for 9 guests. Convenient ATV/UTV trail access with off street parking. Has 4 bedrooms, 2 on the first floor and 2 on the second floor. Enjoy the evening on either the three-season porch or the open-air deck with a gas fire pit. This is owned and operated by Joel (JD 79)Doreen (Palfrey 81) Doyle.



Wonder Wood Floral

Faith Burgess(24) began her own floral business in November of 2023. She's currently a Senior at Shullsburg with plans to attend Iowa State University in Horticulture. The FFA Floriculture contest sparked her interest in the floral industry. She and her teammates won the state contest and got a silver rating at the National Convention in 2022. She has a website: <https://wonderwoodfloral.shop/> where you can look to see what she has to offer. She has arrangements, pressed flower frames, custom shadow boxes, bouquets and even candy bouquets. She is on FaceBook and has Instagram, wonderwood.floral! She's the daughter of Theresa (Woodworth) Burgess(94) and granddaughter of Barb (Weiskircher 71) and Doug Woodworth(65).

Happenings in the Burg

CLASS of 2024

Commencement exercises, for the twenty four members of the Class of 2024, is scheduled for Friday, May 24, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the new gym.

Cruisin' In the Burg

Bring your classic car and cruise into Shullsburg on June 1st from 2-8 p.m. Water Street will be closed from Mineral Street to Judgement Street to display your sweet, sweet rides. Featuring music, food, door prizes, 50/50 raffle and much more. NO entry fee and ALL makes and models are welcome! Downtown shops and restaurants will be open to welcome you.

2024 Music in the Park

21st Annual Event on Thursdays in Badger Park, Shullsburg, WI. Concerts starting at 6:30 p.m. for two hours. Free of Charge! Bring your lawn chair. There will be food & beverage available to purchase at every event. More info on their website and Facebook.

July 11 The Resistors
July 18 The Ghost Town Blues Band
July 25 Craig Gerdes Band
August 1 Moments Notice
August 8 The Beaux

Badger Mine & Museum

The Museum will open Memorial Day weekend and the hours are Wednesday-Sunday 11:30-4; General admission \$7, under 5 free.

The new Administrators are Lee (Cherrey) Gill(72), Curator, and Joe Lyne(16) the Assistant Park Director and Museum Manager.

New Jesse Miner Sculpture



A Bronze Relief Sculpture of Miner Jesse has been mounted on the west side of the new gym. Charles "Chic" (50) and Marcella (Cherrey) Russell donated this to the Shullsburg Schools. Dedicated to the SHS Classes of 1950 and 1951. Honors All Students from the past, present and the future! Sculpture was done by David Seagraves in 2023.

2024 Royce Lyne Memorial Alumni Tournament

On March 30th, alumni, family and friends convened at Shullsburg High School for the 2024 Royce Lyne Memorial Tournament. With over 160 competitors, 120 supporters, and numerous volunteers, this year's event continued the strong momentum this annual gathering brings. With the generosity of the community, the Royce Lyne Memorial Scholarship will once again be able to provide numerous awards to graduating seniors on May 15th, as they embark on continued education.

Thank you to each supporter, volunteer, family member and friend that makes this event successful each year. On to 2025!

Russell Family Farms was the 2023 Case IH Farm Family



Russell Family Farms consists of 4 generations, including 5th generation Charles "Chic"(50); 6th generation Bruce (72); 7th generation Eric (99); and the future 8th generation Maddux (future graduate of 2029).

On Friday October 3rd, the Packers organization along with Ritchie Implement and Case IH brought a film crew to the family farm to film and learn about the family operations. They showcased their Case IH equipment. Former Packer wide receiver, Jared Abbrederis, presented the family with a Green Bay Packer jersey and invitation to attend the Green Bay Packers vs the Kansas City Chiefs game on December 3rd.

The weekend of the game consisted of tours of the Green Bay Packers franchise including the Packer Hall of Fame, Club House and Lambeau Field. The evening of the game, the family had access to the sidelines where they saw up close Packers and the Chiefs warm ups, Simone Biles and Tony Shalhoub (Monk). And of course, Taylor Swift with binoculars.

The family was recognized with a video during the game while cheering an exciting Packer victory. It was an unforgettable experience and opportunity offered to us by Ritchie Implement, Case IH and the Green Bay Packers.



Our organization is super excited that January 1st, 2027 is approaching fast, a little more than 2 and a half years away. When the fundraisers began it seemed like such a long

way off and plenty of time to get there. The group is more than pleased at the success thanks to a lot of hard work, a good number of contributors and a few very generous donations. There has been some early merchandise released to support and memorialize celebration...t-shirts and insulated mugs so far with more to come! And who wouldn't want a unique souvenir of the Burg Theatre??? A wine rack made from film reels retrieved after the fire has been donated and will be offered for the benefit of the Bicentennial Fund!

The recent announcement of the Freedom Rock coming to town, and the way that one family pursued it and initiated it is inspirational. It's a perfect addition to the celebration of 200 hundred years and a tribute to those who made, and continue to make Shullsburg special. Follow us on Facebook at Shullsburg Bicentennial Celebration.

Scheduled Class Reunions

Class of 1964 is having their 60th reunion on Thursday, September 19, 2024 at The Burg, Shullsburg. Social will be at 4:30 pm with dinner at 6 pm. Contacts: Judy Hawthorn, Karen Grace and Bob Hillary, 608-738-8375 or hillaryrobert8@icloud.com.

Class of 1967 is having a reunion to celebrate most of them turning 75 this year. It will be held on Saturday, October 5 (Cheesefest) at the home of Chic Russell and hosted by Christine Russell. Cocktails at 5 p.m. with dinner to follow.

Class of 1974 is having their 50th Class Reunion at The Burg on Friday, July 5th at 6:30 p.m. – Lori Burns or Sandee Webster Schunk

The **class of 1979** will be having their 45th class reunion on Saturday, September 21, at Second Chance, Shullsburg. Social hour starts at 4 p.m. and meal at 5:30 p.m. with music afterwards. Please contact Pam Harker at 608-482-1579 or email harkerjp@hotmail.com, if you have not received your invite by July 1, 2024.

Class of 1984 is planning their 40th Reunion over Cheesefest 2024. Christine (Fick) Lacke is the contact.

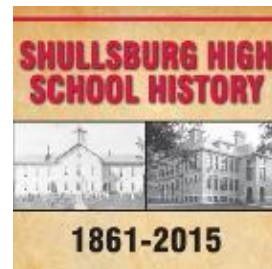
Class of 1989 is planning their 35th Reunion on October 19, 2024. A facebook page and invites to come as the dates grow closer per Vicki (Harty) Wiegel.

Class of 1999 is having their 25th reunion around the 4th of July. – Jen Walker

Class of 2004 will be celebrating their 20th Reunion on October 5th, 2024 at the shop of Josh Blackburn in Cuba City, WI. For more details contact Abbie Behrens at wiegelab@gmail.com.

Class of 2014 is having their 10th reunion at the Burg on Cheesefest at 6 p.m. – Kasha Cook

SHS History Book on Sale



The *Shullsburg High School History 1861-2015* book is available spiral bound. If yours has binding issues you can exchange it for no charge at Clare Bank. The books are \$35 each and can be purchased at Clare Bank or by contacting Cheryl Mulcahy at 608-732-4060

Bits and Pieces

Alumni Updates

70's

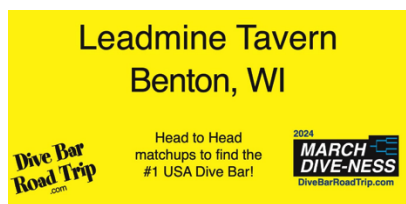


Tom (75) and Patti (Edge 77) Black retired in December 2023 after 28 1/2 years at TRICOR Insurance. There was an Open House at the office in Darlington to celebrate. Congratulations to you both!

Sandy Russell(76) has officially retired! She along with husband Bruce(72), son Eric(99) and daughter-in-law Amber ran Kingsley Crossing for 14 years. In 2019 Sandy and Bruce opened another shop, Ila Rose, a gift and floral shop. Sandy retired from her "real job" with the County in 2014 and started devoting all her time to Kingsley Crossing and Ila Rose. Sandy hopes to continue to follow her grandchildren's events and travel while Bruce continues to "live the dream" farming. Eric and Amber will continue the farming adventure with Bruce.



Karen (Lacke) Carrig(77), President/CEO of Rainbow Community Care retired after 27 years of service. She will now serve as President of the Rainbow Hospice Foundation and will assist with all fundraising efforts and donor relations. Congratulations!



David Lacke(78) and family had The Leadmine Tavern get included in the #1 Dive Bar Championship for 2024 this spring. It coincided with March Madness and was held on Facebook. It started on March 26 with 128 from all over the country. It worked its way down to the Final Four and then the Championship round. Great to see Community, family and friends pull together! Trophy presentation and DBRT Party Sept 7 at Leadmine. Watch FB for details!

90's



Renee (Weiskircher) Edge(95) started working at Memorial Hospital of Lafayette County Primary Care Clinics on May 1st as a Nurse Practitioner. She will see patients 2 days a week in Darlington and 2 days in Shullsburg. She is the daughter of Dave(69) & Diane

Weiskircher.

Wausau River District won the Diversity, Inclusion, & Belonging Award at the Annual Wisconsin Main Street Awards Ceremony on April 20 in Green Bay, WI. This award is for the Diversity through Inclusion Campaign designed by **Alyson Leahy (05)**.

2000's



Kyle Blackburn(06), who has spent the last eight seasons on the University of Wisconsin men's basketball staff, has been named as the new head coach for the Rockhurst men's basketball program in Kansas City, MO. Prior to going to Wisconsin in 2016, Blackburn

was an assistant coach at Rockhurst under head coach Drew Diener in 2015-16. The Hawks ranked third in the GLVC in scoring defense that season. He is the son of Terry and Colleen(Corley 78) Blackburn(76).

2010's

Maggie Gleason(19) graduated from UW-Platteville in December 2023 with a degree in Finance.

2020's

Ella Reilly(20) graduated from Loras College this May and plans to continue her education at Clarke University for Physical Therapy.

University of Platteville announced the fall 2023 Dean's List (gpa 3.5 or higher) at UW-Platteville **Garret Ray(23)**, Civil Engineering and **Luke Unbehaun(22)**, Electrical Engineering.

Cheyenne Burgess (21) made the Fall 2023 Dean's List (gpa3.5 or higher) at UW-River Falls, Crop and Soil Science.

Brooklyn Strange(21) was named to the Chancellor's List at UW-Platteville. This honor acknowledges those with perfect 4.0 gpa for the fall 2023 semester. Brooklyn is majoring in Accounting.

UW-LaCrosse announced the fall 2023 Dean's List (gpa 3.5 or higher): **Peyton Doyle(21)**, Recreational Therapy Major; **Janie Gleason(20)** Psychology Major; **Alexis Redfearn(20)** Exercise Science-Pre-professional Track; and **Ella Woodworth(23)**, Biology Major.

Anniversaries



Tom & Deb (Wiegel) Lethlean(72) celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on December 1st. Their children are Brian (Liz Wood) Lethlean(92), Portage, WI; Cherry (Tory) Miller (96), Waunakee, WI; and Erin Lethlean (00), Madison, WI. They have 3 granddaughters and 2 grandsons.



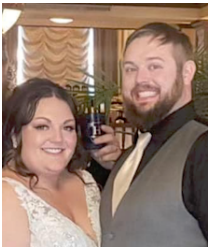
Rick & Lee (Cherrey) Gill(72) celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on December 23rd. Their children are Brock(97) (Karen) Gill, AZ; Lindsey (Pete) Poppy(99), Shullsburg, WI; Reid (Jenna) Gill(01), Darlington, WI;

and Ashley (Kevin) Frontz(05), Waco, TX. They have 5 granddaughters and 9 grandsons.



Tom and Jane (Webber 72) Jean celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, April 27th. They celebrated with Mass at Our Lady of Fatima in Darlington and a family dinner. They have 2 children; Daughter, Sarah (Aaron), with Children, Isaac 27, Anna 15 and Ava 12, Appleton, WI and Son, Jason (Kelsey) Jean, with Ella 13 and Hudson 10, Darlington.

Weddings



Brian & Taylor (Ubersox 16) Hanger were married April 20, 2024. Had their reception at the Hotel Julien in Dubuque, IA. Taylor's parents are Jason & Jennifer Ubersox and grandfather is Jim Beau(68).



Ryan Leahy (08) and Kelly (McLaurin) were married in Apache Junction, AZ on March 23, 2024. Ryan is the son of David(76) and Roxanne Leahy. Scott Leahy(07), brother of the groom, officiated the wedding. Ryan and Kelly reside in Phoenix, AZ.

Births



Lance & Cora (Holland 17) Lierman(17) had their first child, Ruthie Clara Lierman on April 3, 2024. Grandparents are Nick and Paula (Probst 84) Holland(82); Mark and Leigh (Teasdale 89) Lierman and Great Grandparents: Clara (Gensler) Probst(60) and Larry and Pam Teasdale(66).



Greg(10) & Katie Leahy had their first child, Tyson Gregory, on September 1, 2023. Grandparents are Jeff(79) & Bev Leahy.

Obituaries



Donald Ellis MacNaughton Jr.(67), Mac, De or Doc, passed away on December 26, 2023. Born January 24, 1949 to Donald and Mildred (Rector 31) MacNaughton, Sr. (31) in Shullsburg, WI.

De was predeceased by his wife Carol, who together raised two sons, Donald and Adam. He had 2 grandchildren, and one step-grandson Eddie. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother, Andrew (61), and nephew, David. A prayer service was held December 30, 2023 at Erickson Funeral Home, Shullsburg and burial in Evergreen Cemetery in Shullsburg, with military graveside rites.



Ronald J. "Ron" Foley(59), age 82 of Cuba City, WI passed away December 10, 2023, at Edenbrook Nursing Home in Platteville, WI. He was born December 5, 1941 in Shullsburg, the son of James and Anita (Gable 37) Foley(34). Ron graduated from Shullsburg High School in 1959. He married the love of his life, Barbara Burke (61) on November 17, 1962, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Shullsburg.

Ron is survived by his wife for 61 years, Barb(Burke); four children: Tim Foley(82) of Madison, WI, Todd (Renee) Foley(83) of Palmer, AK, Cindy (Foley) Blanks(89) of Wauwatosa, WI, and Scott (Natalie) Foley(92) of Anchorage, AK; 7 grandchildren one brother: Dan (Linda) Foley(70) of Cottage Grove, WI, three sisters: Kathy (Dan) Kilpatrick(67) of Neenah, WI, Mary Foley(73) of Shullsburg, WI and Pam (Dan) Cruse(75) of Davenport, IA; two sisters-in-law: Josephine Foley of Dubuque, IA, and Juanita (Burke 43) Swift of Platteville, WI, a son-in-law: Dennis Blanks, a special family friend: Sharon Donohoo of Shullsburg, WI and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother: Gary Foley(58); and an infant son: Brian Foley.

Mass of Christian Burial was held December 22, 2023, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church, Shullsburg, and Burial in St. Matthew's Cemetery.



Chuck (John Charles) O'Neill(57) of Leadmine, WI passed away on December 28, 2023. He was born on September 15, 1937 to John and Hannah O'Neill. He graduated from Shullsburg High School in 1957. He met Shirley Goffinet in Dubuque, IA. and they were united in marriage on January 28, 1961, in Dubuque, IA.

Chuck is survived by his brother Jim; his 7 children: John(80), Bill(81) (Cindy), Tom(83) (Juanita), Terry(85), Kenny(86) (Jill), Peggy, and Chris(90) (Katrina); his grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife Shirley and his parents.

Chuck was buried in St. Matthew's Cemetery on December 29, 2023. A Memorial Mass was held, January 25, 2024 at St. Matthew's Catholic Church, Shullsburg.



James Ernest Hendrickson (63), peacefully transitioned into eternal rest on November 27, 2023. Born on September 27, 1945, to Ernest(44) and Alice (Lyne 43) Hendrickson in Shullsburg, WI,

Left to cherish his memory is his wife, Linda; his 4 children: David Hendrickson (Danielle), Angela Abbott, Amy Prater (Doug), and Melissa Roberts (Rodney); 12 grandchildren; and his siblings, Anne(64) Brown (Bill), Bob Hendrickson(66) (Becky), Dean Hendrickson(72) (Beth), Dick Hendrickson(74) (Jan), and Susan(80) Magyar (John). He joins his parents, Ernest and Alice Hendrickson, and his parents-in-law, Frank and Bessie Farel.

Visitation and Celebration of Life service was held November 30, 2023 at City First Church, Rockford, IL.



Mary Lou Kulpinski(56), age 85 of Dubuque, IA passed away Saturday, March 2, 2024, at the Bethany Home in Dubuque. She was born at home in Shullsburg on September 9, 1938 the daughter of Thomas and Eunice (Nethery) Doyle. Mary Lou grew up in

Shullsburg, attended St. Matthew's Grade School. Mary Lou went to UW-Stevens Point and got her degree in Home Economics and eventually served as Food Service Supervisor in the Wausau Hospitals for many years. Mary Lou was united in marriage to Leo J. Kulpinski on August 17, 1963, at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Shullsburg. Together they lived in Wausau, WI for many

years. Leo died in August of 1994. She continued to live in Wausau until 2018, when she moved to Sunset Park Place in Dubuque before moving to Bethany Home a few years later.

Mary Lou is survived by three brothers: Fr. Gene Doyle(68), Rick(71) (Deb) Doyle, and Tim(75) ((Annie) Doyle; two sisters: Joan(58) (Mike) Miles and Deb(69) (John) Harry; two sisters-in-law: Eva Doyle and Margaret Wolfe; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband Leo in 1994; and brothers: Billy Doyle, Bob Doyle(55), Jack Doyle(61), Jerry Doyle(62), and Denny Doyle(66).

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Friday, March 8, 2024, at 11:00 A.M. at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church, Cuba City, WI with her brother, Fr. Gene Doyle(68) officiating. Burial will be in St. Matthew's Cemetery in Shullsburg.



Ruth Ann (Milestone) Galbreath(60), age 81, passed away on January 27, 2024, in [Coon Rapids, MN](#) after a long struggle with Alzheimer disease. Ruth Ann was born on May 17, 1942 in [Darlington, WI](#) to Clarence and Ulrika (Toots) Milestone. Tom and Ruth Ann

married on March 2, 1963 in Chicago, IL. She is survived by their 2 children: Lori (Ricky) Chaddock, Mark (Ruth) Galbreath, three grandchildren, and three great granddaughters.

Ruth Ann grew up on a dairy farm in Shullsburg, WI with 7 other siblings. She is survived by her siblings Donna (Bill) Stratton(56), Mary Ann Watson(58), Randy (Scotti) Milestone(64), and Linda Rahn(65) and sister-in-law Dorothy Hoyle. Ruth Ann is preceded in death by her siblings Carroll (Dawne) Milestone(47), Gerald (Martha) Milestone(54), and Karen Kay (John) Orchard(62), and brother in-laws Charlie Watson, Gerald Rahn and Carl Hoyle.



Lois Tyson Leahy(48), age 93, of Shullsburg, WI passed away, March 16, 2024, at Mineral Point Health Services. She was born in Shullsburg on June 2, 1930, the daughter of Ernest and Evelyn (Tiffany) Tyson. Lois grew up in Shullsburg, attended Wardsville Grade School and

graduated from Shullsburg High School. Lois was united in marriage to William Leahy(46) on November 28, 1953, at St. Matthews Catholic Church Rectory, Shullsburg.

Lois is survived by her six children; Theresa Watts(72), East Troy, WI, Steve(Cathy) Leahy(75), Bagley, WI, David(Roxanne)Leahy(76), Shullsburg, WI, Jeff (Bev) Leahy(79), Shullsburg, WI, Luann(Mike) Zimmerman(80), Verona, WI, Kathleen(Tom) Hughes(82), Stillman Valley, IL, Two Brothers: Keith Tyson(59), Robert (Kenn Saxton) Tyson(60), Two sisters-in-law: Isabelle Doyle and Joyce Tyson(50); 17 Grandchildren-Tiffany (Zack)Buell, Brian Watts, Rebecca(Vince) Schwarz-Loera, Jessie(Ben) Fortuna, Cody Schwarz, Alyson(Chad) Leahy(05), Scott Leahy(07), Ryan(Kelly) Leahy(08), Maureen Leahy(07), Greg(Katie) Leahy(10), Brianna Leahy(18), Patrick Zimmerman, Chris(Jeni) Zimmerman, Anna(Nate) Whitham, Ellen(Nick) Pinnola, Bridget(Zach) Wallace, Shannon (Jon) Sturdevant; 10 Great Grandchildren and many special nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband William Leahy. Also, two brothers; Wilbur Tyson(51) and Floyd Tyson(46).

SCHOOL NEWS

Staff News:



Debbie Blackburn – retiring in May after 40 years (35 at Shullsburg Public School) teaching elementary students. She and her husband, Harry(77), are looking forward to spending more time with family and their grandchildren. Thank you for all your years of service to the Shullsburg Schools.

“Miner Tremor” Online

The Miner Tremor is a biannual publication designed to keep SHS alumni and friends informed of activities, changes and events happening in Shullsburg. This publication is funded using monies generated by the SHS Alumni Association. Letters to the editor are welcome, as are suggestions for articles and alumni updates.

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