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Sewickley Academy Office of Advancement has created a Facebook and LinkedIn group for Sewickley Academy Alumni. It's a great way to stay connected with alumni professionally and socially and find lost classmates!

www.facebook.com

Instructions: After logging into Facebook, use the search box in the top right hand corner. Search for "Sewickley Academy Alumni". You will land at the SA group page and click "Request to Join." Sewickley Academy confirms the request and then notifies you of your membership.

www.linkedin.com

Instructions: After logging into your account on LinkedIn go to the top right hand corner and select "Search Groups" and type "Sewickley Academy Alumni" Once you've reached the SA group page, click "Join this Group." Sewickley Academy confirms the request and then notifies you of your membership.

REUNION RECAP

SPORTS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

On Friday, October 3, 2008 Sewickley Academy's Reunion 2008 kicked off with alumnus David Gibson '58 being inducted into the Sports Hall of Fame. David is the 18th inductee to receive this honor, which is awarded to an Academy alumni athlete or coach/athletic director who is at least 10 years out of the school. The Hall of Fame began at the Academy in 1988.



David Gibson '58

During his time at Sewickley Academy, David participated in swimming, baseball, soccer, basketball and wrestling. After Sewickley, David was a student at Andover, where he played soccer, hockey and lacrosse from 1958-1961. In 1961, he was captain of the lacrosse team and received the Press Club Trophy for Outstanding Athlete at Andover. David attended Hobart College, where he was a six-letter athlete, three letters each in soccer and lacrosse. He was All-



American in soccer in 1963 and lacrosse in 1965, and he participated in the annual Hobart lacrosse classic called the North-South College All-Star Game. He received the Babe Kraus Award as Hobart's College Athlete of the Year and the Judge Kane Memorial Award, which recognizes Hobart's most valuable lacrosse player. David was inducted into the Hobart Athletic Hall of Fame in 1992.

John Culbertson '58, classmate and long-time friend of David, had the honor of introducing David Gibson during the Sports Hall of Fame Induction Assembly. He referred to David as "the true definition of an athlete."

David joins the following members of the Sports Hall of Fame:

- Timothy P. Appleton '73
- Maury Bassert '48
- W. Ridgely Diven '67
- Kathleen Dresher
- Scott F. Fetterolf '76
- Maria A. Gaydos '84
- Shelley Harris '96
- Timothy C. Hastings '77
- Christiana Hays '70
- Timothy D. Kaiser '91
- Hal Partenheimer '74
- Stanwood Partenheimer
- Steven M. Partenheimer '88
- Ben Powers '89
- Joan Schenerlein
- Carol Semple Thompson '66
- G. Whitney Snyder, Jr. '79

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REUNION WEEKEND

On October 3 and 4, Sewickley Academy hosted Reunion 2008 for all alumni with those classes ending in '3 or '8. Over 150 alumni returned to Sewickley Academy for the weekend. The annual Friday night dinner at Allegheny Country Club saw the highest attendance from the classes of 1973 and 1983. The smallest class attendance, but with the most enthusiasm was the Class of 1993 represented by Jonathan Glance and D. Scully.



Representing the Class of '93.

On a gorgeous Saturday, over 50 alumni returned to campus to participate in a competitive Alumni Coed Alumni Soccer Game while others took tours of campus guided by current students. Lunch was served in the new Middle/Senior School Cafeteria (former wrestling room, unofficially called the "Sock and Jock") and the Gregg Family Theater Courtyard. Alumni gathered around yearbooks and reminisced as they took a stroll through the archival photo display.

Saturday night was busy for each of the classes as they celebrated with their individual class at various locations. Class of 1988 was surprised to have a special guest, Larry Hall. Although Hall claims the Class of 1988 is his favorite, some believe his attendance had to do more with the location of the party. Class of 1988 celebrated on Smith Bros. rooftop deck while fireworks were going off for Pittsburgh's 250th anniversary!



Rob Pierce '88 and Maureen Kennedy '02 go for a goal against Tad Coburn '83 and Tom Jones '85.



Alumni enjoying lunch in MS/SS Cafeteria. Not the same food they remember!



Chris Lantzsch '75, Barbara Lantzsch Roche '73, and Sara Brettholle Sailer '73 catch up at the ACC.



Class of '88

ALUMNI COUNCIL UPDATE

The Alumni Council had a large turnout for their first meeting on Wednesday, September 10, 2008 at the Edgeworth Club. At the meeting, President Suzanne Genter-Friday announced the goals for the 2008-2009 school year. The Alumni Council will focus on increased participation at alumni events, continued efforts to increase gifts to the Alumni Scholarship Fund, and the increased participation in the Fund for Sewickley Academy. With almost full attendance at the first meeting, the council generated ideas, strategies, and procedures that will be implemented to fulfill the goals established.

The Alumni Council is currently recruiting alumni to participate in our annual phonathon, which supports the Fund for Sewickley Academy. If you are interested in volunteering one hour of your time, please contact Megan Colt (mcolt@sewickley.org)

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, November 12, 2008
6:00 PM
Robinson Dining Room

ALUMNI COUNCIL 2008-2009

Suzanne Genter-Friday '76, *President*
Estee Barbuto '04
Julie Bevevino '99
George H. Craig '59
J. Brett Fulesday '99
Jonathan B. Glance '93
Amy Symons Hughes '89
Thomas S. Jones '85

Leslie Lewis '81
Mark A. Moore '88
Marguerite Gregg Park '95
Kate Poppenberg Pigman '82
David L. Street '93
James R. Wardrop '57
Larry Hall
Megan Colt

REUNION 2008'S LONG-DISTANCE TRAVELERS

Get to know the four alums who traveled the farthest to attend this year's Reunion!



KEN "RUSTY" KENDRICK '78
South Carolina

Last time in Pittsburgh
5 years

Purpose for returning to Sewickley Academy
Attend reunion and catch up with old classmates/friends

Biggest surprise of the weekend
All the new buildings

Favorite moment of the weekend
Tour of campus!



RACHEL JOLLEY '83
London, England

Last time in Pittsburgh
25 years

Purpose for returning to Sewickley Academy

Wanted to experience an American high school reunion and was curious about the US election and wanted to hear what people were saying.



LEE WARNER JACKSON '78
Maine

Last time in Pittsburgh
3 years

Purpose for returning to Sewickley Academy
The ONLY reason was to attend Reunion

Biggest surprise of the weekend
Sewickley Academy seems very upgraded, almost like a college...

Favorite moment of the weekend
Walking through Sewickley Heights both on the trails and roads for 2.5 hours with fellow classmates. "It was a wonderful connection to the community."



COLLEEN CARR '73
Florida

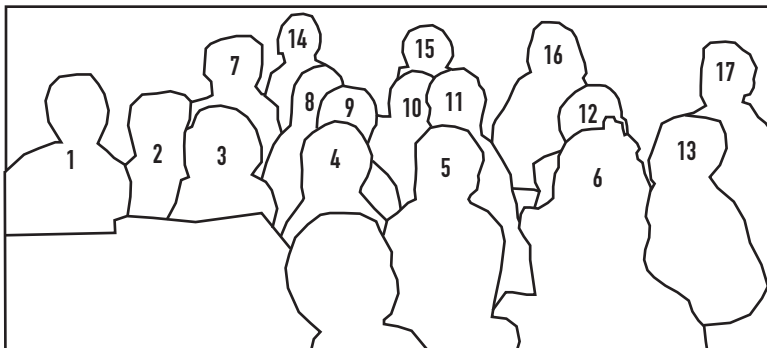
"The greatest thing about reunion, is trying to wrap one's mind around the passage of time with the help of seeing how something like 35 years looks on faces that you last saw as kids. In my opinion, beautiful, really beautiful."

STUDENTS IDENTIFIED IN PICTURE!

Thanks to Jerry Freeble '70 for identifying 12 of the 17 students in the kindergartner picture that was originally published in the Pittsburgh Sun-Telegraph in 1957. The photo was published in *Sewickley Speaking Summer 2008*, but our office was unable to identify the students. Other contributors included Marnie Nimick Silbert '72, Jean Gilpin '71 and Peyton Wendt Berry '69.



This photo was published in *Sewickley Speaking Summer 2008* with a call for help to identify these students.



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| 1. Connie McConnell '69 | 10. Mary Ellen Meanor (unable to confirm) |
| 2. Jeanette "Jenny" Heard '69 | 11. Nathan "Billy" Pearson '69 |
| 3. Mia Byers (unable to confirm) | 12. Robin Heard '69 |
| 4. Sally Willets Nichols '69 | 13. Jerry Freeble '70 |
| 5. Joseph "Chip" Copper '69 | 14. Walter "Wally" Yost '69 |
| 6. Helen "Hap" Paffard Wertheimer '69 | 15. Mary Peyton "Peytie" Wendt Berry '69 |
| 7. Gais Sturdy (unable to confirm) | 16. Dorothy "Anne" Heagy Jensen '69 |
| 8. Donal Rose '69 | 17. Bennett Lord '69 |
| 9. Unknown | |

FINCKE RETURNS TO SPACE

Air Force Col. E. Michael Fincke '85 is commanding NASA's Expedition 18 to the International Space Station. This is Fincke's second trip to space and if the schedule remains, he'll be one of only three American astronauts to have spent more than 365 days in space. Fincke will not be returning to earth until March 2009. Expedition 18 will involve the installation of an oxygen-generation system, a secondary kitchen, additional bedrooms, and a filtration system that converts urine into water for drinking. Fincke will also be escorting Civilian Richard Garriott, the sixth paying customer to space, who acquired his fortune in video game programming. Garriott will return in 10 days with the Expedition Crew 17. Fincke graduated from Sewickley Academy in 1985 and attended Massachusetts Institute of Technology with an Air Force ROTC scholarship. He then received his master's degree in aeronautics and astronautics from Stanford University. Husband and father of three, he hopes to continue his space travel for as long as he can.



Col. E. Michael Fincke '85

INTRODUCING THE SEWICKLEY SERIES

New for 2008-2009, the Sewickley Series presents creative, cultural, and enlightening events designed to bring authors, speakers, performers, artists, and musicians to Sewickley Academy for the educational benefit and enjoyment of the community. All programs are free and open to the public. For more information about our four presenters and details about each event, visit <http://www.sewickley.org/sewickleyseries>. All events are free and open to the public.



The first Sewickley Series event takes place on **Thursday, November 13**, in the Senior School Commons. At 8:30 AM Cheryl Charles, Ph.D., president of the Children & Nature Network, will present *Building a Movement to Reconnect Children and Nature*. Dr. Charles and Richard Louv, author of *Last Child in the Woods: Saving Our Children from Nature Deficit Disorder*, have worked closely to develop training and education for emerging leaders in the children and nature movement. Her presentation will include helpful suggestions on how to encourage and develop an environment-based educational program that can enhance children's problem-solving, critical thinking and decision-making skills.

SAVE THE DATE FOR REUNION 2009 OCTOBER 2 AND 3

CELEBRATING MILESTONE REUNIONS FOR CLASSES ENDING IN '4 OR '9

If you are interested in hosting or helping to plan your Reunion Class Party, please contact Megan Colt at mcolt@sewickley.org or 412.741.2230 x3044.

WANTED: CLASS NOTES AND PHOTOS

Be sure to keep your classmates updated on where you are, where you've been, and who you are spending time with. [CLICK HERE](#) to send in your news and upload your pictures for the next issue of *Sewickley Speaking*. Notes and pictures are due by December 1.

DR. ZAWACKY AWARDED CLARK FACULTY CHAIR

On Friday, September 5, Senior School Chemistry teacher Dr. Susan Zawacky was named the sixth Clark Faculty Chair by the Board of Trustees and Head of School Kolia O'Connor. Each year, the award is given to a teacher who displays a love of learning, leadership, and a commitment to the community. Susan has surely done so in her 24 years at the Academy. Her dedication to students and their success is apparent in all she does. Not only does she show this dedication within the classroom, she can often be seen on the sidelines of a field hockey, soccer, or basketball game, as well as in the audience of a play or musical recital.

Susan's pensiveness and intelligence fuel her love of science. Her creative teaching and mastery of subject inspire students to learn and to succeed. In today's assembly, as the crowd rose to applaud her accomplishments, Susan modestly accepted the award and "tried the chair on for size." Those who know her wouldn't have expected anything else, for she did this in true "Dr. Zawacky" style, with little fanfare and heartfelt sincerity. Although her humility may not allow her to recognize what an exceptional teacher she is, the Academy certainly does and is grateful for the numberless contributions Dr. Zawacky has made to the school.



ATHLETIC UPDATE

Golf

Congratulations to the varsity golf team for capturing the WPIAL Golf Championship at Cedarbrook golf course to conclude the season with a 15 - 1 record! This is the third straight year that the golf team has been crowned WPIAL Champions, the past two years with identical scores of 413. Junior Ian Bangor was medalist with a score of 77. Juniors Jordan Chang, 81, Chris Weir, 82, and Trey Carbeau, 87, and senior Alex Chang, 86, registered the scores for the Panthers. After winning the semifinals by just two strokes, the margin of victory of 28 strokes was the largest that SA has experienced in the WPIAL Championships as the golf course played fast and firm.

Cross Country

Congratulations to senior Nikki Becich who finished 28th in the PIAA Championships on Saturday. Nikki's time of 20:19 was the best finish among all WPIAL runners, a first in school history! Congratulations to senior Nick Blodis who finished 44th in the state with a time of 17:39 and junior JT Ahearn who finished 81st in the state with a time of 18:07. In the WPIAL Championships, Nikki placed 9th with a time of 20:19, earning a medal. Nick placed 5th with a time of 16:46, earning a medal, and JT placed 20th with a time of 17:44.

Girls' Tennis

Congratulations to the varsity girls' tennis team for advancing to the PIAA semifinals where SA was defeated by the eventual champions, Harriton High School, by a score of 4 - 1. The Panthers were victorious in the first round 5 - 0 over Elk County Catholic and 3 - 0 in the quarterfinals over Loyalsock. This ends a fabulous journey that witnessed the first WPIAL Championship for girls' tennis as well as the greatest progression in states!

Girls' Soccer

Congratulations to the varsity girls' soccer team for winning the section championship! The final overall record was 11 - 5 - 1 and 10 - 1 - 1 in the section. The Panthers were defeated by Quigley 2 - 0 in the first round of the WPIAL Tournament. Many thanks to our seven seniors for all of their dedication and hard work for the past four years.

Boys' Soccer

The varsity boys' soccer team defeated Carlynton 5 - 0 in the first round of the WPIAL playoffs on Wednesday. Curry Dewhirst scored a hat trick to lead the Panthers. The Panthers were defeated in the quarterfinals by Shady Side 3 - 0 to finish the season with a 11 - 7 - 1 record. This ended a terrific run by our seniors who were part of two WPIAL Championships and one PIAA Championship.

Field Hockey

Varsity field hockey concluded the season with a 12 - 4 - 1 record. SA was defeated by Shady Side 2 - 0 in the semifinals of the WPIAL playoffs. This concludes a wonderful journey by our eight seniors who have meant so much to our program over the last four years, including three consecutive playoff appearances.

Go Panthers!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Pancake Breakfast Benefitting Local

Police & Fire Departments
Saturday, November 8, 2008
8-10 AM
Cost: \$5
Robinson Dining Room

Mario Melodia Memorial

Saturday, November 29, 2008
TBA
Rea Auditorium
Details to follow.

Alumni Hockey Game

Wednesday, November 26, 2008
4:15 PM
Robert Morris University Ice Arena
Contact Coach Louis Pessolano at louiscarl123@hotmail.com for more details.

Alumni Holiday Party

Saturday, December 20, 2008
6-8 PM
Hansen Library
Start the holiday season connecting with alumni, current and former faculty members over h'dorves and cocktails!

Sewickley Speaking Winter 2009 Edition will include tributes to Mario Melodia and Doug McClure.

FOR LOCAL ALUMNI

UPCOMING ADMISSION EVENTS

For alumni with children considering a Sewickley Academy education, be sure to contact Wendy Burns (wberns@sewickley.org) to find out more about upcoming events and personal tours of campus.

Open Houses:

Saturday, November 8 – All School	9-11 AM
Wednesday, November 19 – Lower School	9-11 AM
Thursday, December 4 – All School	5-7 PM
Saturday, January 10 – All School	9-11 AM
Wednesday, January 21 – Lower School	9-11 AM
Wednesday, February 18 – Lower School	9-11 AM

Deadlines for First Round Admission Considerations:

Friday, January 1, for PK-K
Friday, February 6, for Grades 1-12

Entrance Exams:

Saturday, December 13 – 8-Noon
Saturday, January 31 – 8-Noon
Saturday, February 28 – 8-Noon