

THIS IS SURRATTS FOUNDATION E-NOTICE 2018-10 OF OCTOBER 1, 2018

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

- 1. FOUNDATION MAKES GRANT TO ART DEPARTMENT.** We're proud to report that the Foundation has made a grant to the School's Art Department to assist it in buying necessary supplies not covered because of a budget shortfall. Best wishes to the talented young Hornets who participate in the various Art Department initiatives at the School!
- 2. FOUNDATION PARTICIPATES IN ANNUAL SCHOOL COMMUNITY DAY.** The Foundation was proud to participate in the School's recently-held second annual Community Day event. This is a great chance for the School to invite the greater Clinton community to visit the School and enjoy some great music and other outdoor activities. Congratulations to the organizers on another great event!
- 3. VERY SPECIAL 2018 ANNUAL CAMPAIGN CONTINUES.** As we announced previously, the Foundation's current leadership, which generally has been in place since the Foundation was founded in 2000 (!), will be handing-off the reins to an outstanding and energetic group of new leaders on January 1, 2019. We want to give the 2018 Annual Campaign special prominence in the hope that the retiring volunteers will be able to effect this hand-off at a time when the Foundation is in the best possible financial condition.

If you support the Foundation's mission and enjoy any of its efforts (such as these e-Notices), please consider using the "Donate" button on www.surrattsville.org, or the Donor Form below, to participate in the 2018 Annual Campaign. Remember: because the Foundation has no overhead, no donation is too small (or too large!) to benefit the Foundation. And please check to see if your employer has a matching donation program.

Thanks in advance for considering joining this very special 2018 initiative!

- 4. FOUNDATION "2.0" LEADERS WORKING HARD ON JANUARY 1, 2019 TRANSITION.** The outstanding new volunteer leadership that will take the Foundation into its "2.0 era" met again on September 14 for another very productive planning session and they continue to work with the outgoing volunteer leadership of the Foundation. All in attendance agreed that the next phase of the Foundation's history will be a successful and exciting one. Please send me an email at hsmith@smithdowney.com if you would like to volunteer to assist this next generation of Foundation volunteers.

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5. ACHIEVEMENT AWARD RECIPIENT EARNS ULTIMATE DISTINCTION! A number of our readers reported on an absolutely wonderful Washington Post article (with photos and an on-line video) by Maura Judkis about a truly singular achievement by Foundation Achievement Award recipient Patrick O'Connell (63), (<http://surrattsville.org/achievement/2007.shtml>). Here are some excerpts:

“The Inn at Little Washington Earns Its Third Michelin Star, a First for the D.C. Region:

"It's clear that Washington now has joined the ranks of the great gastronomic capitals of the world," says the Michelin Guide's director. There's an old French adage about the Michelin Guide, the famed little red restaurant rating book: "It takes three generations to get three stars," the guide's top rating. It used to be that top European restaurants would be handed down through families, each descendant improving on his father's work.

In the case of chef Patrick O'Connell of the Inn at Little Washington, it took only three years to get three stars. The Michelin Guide announced Thursday that it added a coveted third star to the Inn's previous designation, making it the first restaurant in the Washington area to earn three stars. "That a kid from South Capitol Street, via Clinton, Maryland, who worked in a Mr. H hamburgers ... can teach himself to cook and measure his progress every year against the greatest restaurants in the world, realizing that if he kept at it and [was] committed and willing to sacrifice, [he] could make an achievement like this, it's like being in the midst of a fairy tale," O'Connell said.

The Michelin Guide's arrival in Washington three years ago cemented the city's status as a serious food destination. But with its first three-star restaurant, "It's clear that Washington now has joined the ranks of the great gastronomic capitals of the world," said Michael Ellis, the outgoing international director for the Michelin Guides.

The Inn, a restaurant and hotel modeled on the three-star inns of France, was elevated in the ratings this year after many visits, Ellis said, from "both the U.S. team as well as the international team. I had lot of French inspectors there." Inspectors praised "the attention to detail on the plate," Ellis said. "Also, he really has elevated the execution of his sauces to a degree that was just amazing."

O'Connell's third star coincides with the Inn's 40th anniversary, an event the chef has feted throughout the year. Anniversaries are not something that Michelin takes into account, said Ellis, who called it a "nice coincidence." "To have him, in his 40th year of his activity, have the ultimate accolade from Michelin and our universe is a source of great pleasure for all of us," Ellis said. O'Connell said that he and his staff had been working intensely all year to achieve the third star. "We thought we had given it everything we had last year. But that wasn't the case —

we had more to give,” O’Connell said. “And we exceeded our own expectations this year with not only our efforts but our ability to form an intense common bond. There isn’t anyone in the operation right now” — from the cooks to the servers to the gardeners — “who isn’t all in, in wanting this acknowledgment.”

But for O’Connell, who has worked his entire career for the honor, it’s an occasion for a major celebration. He recalled an employee asking him, years ago, what would happen if the Inn were to earn three stars. “I said ... ‘Champagne would be flowing in the streets of Little Washington. I hope big Washington is celebrating, too, and they realize that anything we can do collectively together to put the nation’s capital on the radar of the international culinary scene benefits everyone.’”

Congratulations to Patrick and his staff on this absolutely extraordinary achievement!

(The full article, with photos and a video, can be found at:

https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/food/wp/2018/09/13/the-inn-at-little-washington-earns-its-third-michelin-star-a-first-for-the-d-c-region/?noredirect=on&utm_term=.dd84ed3a75a1&wpisrc=nl_buzz&wpmm=1)

6. CLASS OF 70 PLANS GOLDEN REUNION. We received this exciting news from Leslie St. Clair (70): “The Class of 1970 has our 50th reunion year coming up soon in 2020. I’m working on a new contact email list -- please send me your email address to Stclair.leslie@comcast.net. Also, please join our Facebook Group called “Surrattsville 1970” to get information about the reunion plans. Since our last couple of reunions were open to surrounding classes, please include your class year if you request to join our Facebook page and if you send me your email address. To get reunion information you must join our page and send email me your address, because I will not be posting any plans/info on my personal Facebook page.”

7. CLASS OF 68 REUNION NEWS. We received this update on the Class of 68’s upcoming 50th Reunion: “For December 30, 2018-January 6, 2019 sea cruise reunion, contact Cruise Planner Jeannie Lipphard, jeannie@cruiseplanneronline.com, 410-987-SAIL (7245) or 443-871-5914.”

8. SECOND ANNUAL ALL CLASSES HOMECOMING EVENT SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 6! Don’t forget this fun announcement from the School. Here’s hoping many Classes will be able to send representatives to this wonderful event.

“Forever a Hornet Tailgate – For All Surrattsville Alumni! I need for every class president/point of contact to organize the tailgate for your class and bring it to Surrattsville for this year's Homecoming! Contact me ASAP at marcus.davis@pgcps.org. In your planning make sure you include everything needed for a fun-filled tailgating experience. That should include your tent, your tables, your chairs, your food, your drinks, your grills (maximum of two), your charcoal, your utensils, and any and everything that you would need to make this event memorable (class shirts, etc.). Alcohol and tobacco products are prohibited.

Date: October 6, 2018 (Homecoming)

Time: 11:00 am - 5:00 pm

Game Time: 2:00 pm

Location: The practice field in between the school building and the football field.

Purpose: To restore the Hornet pride, to build bridges between the past and current classes, and to support (donate to) the Class of 2020.

Come in your Surrattsville paraphernalia or school colors. If you don't have any paraphernalia, some will be sold on site. Sponsored by the Class of 2020. Donations for the Class of 2020 are welcomed! Please RSVP if your class will be participating to marcus.davis@pgcps.org by close of business on September 15, 2018."

9. DON'T FORGET THE FACEBOOK GROUPS OF THE FOUNDATION AND OF EACH CLASS YEAR.

More and more of the communications about the Foundation, Surrattsville generally, and about individual Class year activities, have moved to the applicable Groups on Facebook. The Foundation's general Surrattsville Group, called "Surrattsville Alumni," is now approaching 2100 members, and the various Class Groups – such as "Surrattsville 1969," "Surrattsville 1973," etc. – are growing vigorously. To stay in touch, and to see a regular parade of interesting photos and info about dear ol' Surratts, please consider joining the Surrattsville Alumni Group and your own Class Group.

10. MORE HISTORICAL TREASURES FROM 1964-1967 SURVEYORS! Here are more treasures from The Surveyor from the 1964-1967 period. Thanks to Nancy Miller (67) and the Class of 67 for donating these "journalistic time capsules" to the Foundation Archives! The following are some excerpts from the January 1965 issue:

"Itinerary Set for Visitors: On January 14, Surrattsville will welcome foreign visitors from the Washington International Center. The tour of Surrattsville is sponsored by an agency to further international development. Our visitors will therefore be from the underdeveloped countries of the world, particularly Southeast Asia, Africa and Latin America. Europeans will not be represented in the group since the European project of assistance has been completed. The group will be representative of various occupations, such as engineers, aviators and agriculturalists. Only a small number of educators participate in the project. Our guests will arrive at Surrattsville at 11:30 a.m. Before coming to the school, the foreigners will have had lectures on the American school system. After a greeting from our administration and a briefing on the traditions and statistics unique to Surrattsville, the visitors will dine in our cafeteria. After lunch, student guides will take small groups on a tour of the school which will include the guidance department, the home economics and shop classes, the language labs, the gymnasium, science laboratories, the music department, and the office. After the general tour, the visitors may want to revisit specific areas that interest them. At 2:30, the foreigners will depart, taking with them new ideas and outlooks gained from three hours spent in an American school, Surrattsville.

Alumni Advises College-Bound: The fourth annual Christmas Alumni Program was presented December 22, at 1:30 p.m. For the last four years, Surrattsville graduates have returned at

Christmas to give college-bound seniors helpful suggestions about college life. The 19 representatives, from colleges all over the country, told of experiences they had, concerning such topics as adjustments to living quarters, working habits, college tests, and grades.

Varsity Club Inducts: Twenty-one boys were inducted into the Varsity Club on November 20. Although the induction ceremony was reported to be “slightly more rigorous” than the gentle rose-tapping of the N.H.S., the inductees admitted that “it was worth it.” The following were inducted: Bob Wechsler, Dick Wechsler, Alvin Thomas, Jack Shuler, Charles Moser, Dwight Holm, James Muelchi, Carl Scott, Norman Meyers, Manuel Currea, John Clendinen, Alan Porter, Tom Fitzpatrick, Harry Shisler, Pat Fahey, Larry Shillings, Paul Curto, Skip Hale, Ernie Reese, John Cook and Reggie Masano. To be eligible for membership in the club the boys have to have a good standing at Surrattsville, a letter in a varsity sport, and a 2.0 average. The eligible boys must then be accepted by 2/3 of the members of the club.”

[Ed. Note: Yes, young readers, girls weren't allowed to participate in sports in those ancient times, or even during my very recent – geologically speaking -- attendance years of 1968-1971!]

11. ... AND MORE HISTORICAL TREASURES FROM “GREEN LIGHT.” As we previously noted, in 2015 Duke Coleman (53) donated to the Foundation's Archives a number of copies of an early SHS student newspaper, the “Green Light.” Those editions provide a fascinating glimpse into student life at Surrattsville during the 52-53 academic year, 66 years ago! Here are some excerpts from the April 30, 1953 edition:

“Girls Attend Playday: Monday several girls attended a playday at Gwynn Park. The girls who attended were Shelby Coffey, Doris Hamby, Betty Lou Hill, Frances Kissinger, Madeline Kimble, Dorothy Miller, Josephine Parker, Evelyn Wood, Marie Anderson, Mary Roylance, Pat Theunisson, Lynn Robinson, Mildred Wood, Carolyn Dill, Pat Williams, Betty Lou Liggan, Mona Napier, Jo Ann Simpkins, Barbara Simpkins, Violet Dickerson, and Joyce Maynard. The girls enjoyed it very much and are looking forward to a return visit. The 10th grade girls won their ball games, 10-3 and 4-3. Congratulations!

The Record Shop: Percy Faith and Felecia Sanders have one of the hottest discs of the day in “The Song from Moulin Rouge.” The only trouble is that Felecia is not getting rich from royalties. She waxed the disc for a flat sum. The flip of it, “Swedi Rhapsody,” is selling pretty well, too. Miss Sanders, however, doesn't sing on this side. Mercury has released the word that Patti Page's platter, “Doggie in the Window,” has sold over two million copies. Patti has another disc that should prove to be a hit, “Now That I'm In Love,” written to the strains of the “William Tell Overture.” It is selling well, and should soon be a hit. “Dancing with Someone,” Teresa Brewer's latest, was sung by her on her appearance on the Abbott and Costello Show Sunding night. Our Miss Brewer is also somewhat of a dancer – she danced a real cute number with the chorus, to the melody of a song that has come to be her theme, “Roll the Roly Boly Eyes,” “I Believe,” written especially for Jane Froman, is very pretty, when it is sun by Miss Froman.

Frankie Laine's version is alright, but the Capitol disc is far superior. "Two's Company," the show that starred Bette Davis, has an RCA album out. It includes most of Bette's imitations, even her remarkable imitation of Tallulah! So long for this week.

Helen Bovbjerg sings at a wedding the weekend. Whose? Jeannette Williams, of the Class of 51. Best wishes, Jeannette! Kenneth and his violin – accompanied by Lorraine Bush – play at a concert at District Heights this weekend. Mrs. Roland substituted for Mrs. Moorehead on Monday, and the 8Bs are grateful for that pleasant rendition of Strauss! Thank you, Mrs. Roland!"

12. PAINLESS – AND VERY EFFECTIVE! -- WAYS TO HELP RAISE FUNDS FOR THE FOUNDATION. Thanks to the many of you who make your Amazon purchases not through "regular" Amazon, but through <https://smile.amazon.com/>, with the Surrattsville High School Foundation designated as their charitable beneficiary. The smile.amazon.com prices, products and Amazon website are identical to "regular" Amazon, but Amazon makes a charitable contribution to the designated charity for every purchase made on smile.amazon.com.

And thanks to those of you making your internet searches using the goodsearch search engine. It uses the yahoo search engine (which we're told rivals google and apparently has never failed any Foundation user) and, like smile.amazon.com, makes a contribution to your designated charity for every internet search. Here's the link: <https://www.goodsearch.com/causes/surrattsville-high-school-foundation>.

13. PAID COLLEGE AND HIGH SCHOOL 2019 INTERNSHIPS OFFERED BY THE NAVY. We received this tip about paid Summer 2019 internship opportunities from Neal Dawson (73):

"NREIP and SEAP applications for 2019 due Oct. 31. The application period for both the 2019 college-level Naval Research Enterprise Internship Program (NREIP) and the 2019 high school-level Science and Engineering Apprenticeship Program (SEAP) is now through Oct. 31.

These programs provide an opportunity for students to participate in research at a Department of Navy (DoN) laboratory during the summer. NREIP provides competitively selected research internships for 475 college students (400 undergraduate students and 75 graduate students) each year, and SEAP provides 265 competitively selected research internships each year.

SEAP is open to high school students (16 years and older). It pays \$3,300 for new students and \$3,800 for returning students for the eight-week summer internship. More information and details about eligibility can be found at <http://seap.asee.org/>.

NREIP is a 10-week internship open to both undergraduate and graduate students. The stipend levels for NREIP are:

Level 1 (\$5,400): New (first-time) NREIP

Level 2 (\$8,100): Returning NREIP

Level 3 (\$10,800): Proof of enrollment in graduate school

More information and details about eligibility can be found at <http://nreip.asee.org/>.

Applications must be complete, including all supporting documentation, no later than Oct. 31 at 5:30 p.m. EST.

The applications are here: <https://nreip.asee.org/> <https://seap.asee.org/>

Please direct any questions to NSWCCD's Intern Coordinator: Rachel Luu - Rachel.luu@navy.mil or (301) 227-1166.”

14. FOUNDATION ARCHIVES SEEKING PERMANENT PHYSICAL HOME. And speaking of the Foundation’s Archives, we’re seeking a permanent home for these precious objects. Anywhere in the Clinton/Southern MD area would be fine, and a room or building that starts at 8 x 10 and goes to infinity would be very nice. If you have a lead on a space that might be available to preserve this very important history, please send me an email at hsmith@smithdowney.com.

15. FALLEN HEROES PLAQUE AVAILABLE FOR EVENTS. Here’s an update from Bob Jeter (64) on the Foundation’s Fallen Heroes Plaque that hangs in the Foundation’s Legacy Hall at the School alongside the American and Maryland flags that flew over the U.S. and Maryland Capitols in its honor. “The Fallen Heroes Plaque is available for display at class reunions or any other worthy functions. Feel free to contact me, Bob Jeter, 904jeter@gmail.com or 410-315-9403, preferably well in advance of the date so transfer arrangements can be made. Bob”

16. DON’T FORGET TO CHECK-OUT THE FOUNDATION’S VARIOUS YOUTUBE VIDEO PROGRAMS. Thanks to the tireless efforts and creative talents of the Foundation’s youtube master, Foundation Board member Sandra Smith Simmons (70), the Foundation’s youtube channel now features many programs of interest, such as programs featuring the Foundation’s Fallen Heroes Plaque that was conceived and executed by Bob Jeter (64), the 2015 Achievement Award recipients, and the 2015 Scholarship recipients. The programs can be found at: <https://www.youtube.com/user/SurrattsvilleFDN>.

Happy Fall to all our readers, wherever they may be! Henry Smith (71)

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