

Silver Creek Alumni Newsletter

May 2026



DINNER AND ANNUAL MEETING INFORMATION

The annual Silver Creek High School Alumni Association banquet will be held on Saturday, June 27, 2026 at the Silver Creek High School Cafeteria. The classes of 1966 and 1976 will be honored. The cost is \$20 per person

and \$10 dues per alumni. Please do not bring beverages. The program for the evening will be as follows:

4:30 p.m. Register and pick up booklet

5:00 p.m. Business meeting with guest speaker Todd Balmer. Election of Officers, Scholarship Awards, Honored Classes and Outstanding Alumnus.

6:30 p.m. Dinner – catered by *Schnitzelbank* of Jasper, IN.

Please return the enclosed reservation form by Friday, June 12th. Reservations are necessary for catering purposes.

NOTE: To enter the banquet (at SCHS Cafeteria), you may enter at the north end of the HS building (auditorium Door 26) or the west end of the HS building (auditorium Door 24). There should be plenty of parking at the north end of the school.

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Through generous contributions from community organizations, memorials and dues, the Association has awarded 215 scholarships since 1993.



The recipients for 2025 were:

**Zack Allen
Ella Dreyer
Jackson Lewis
Isabella Scott**

The 2026 recipients will receive their awards on Senior Day on May 13th, 2026.

SC has had many championships and firsts this year. CONGRATS TO ALL! GO DRAGONS!

1st INAUGURAL SEASON
Girls Flag Football

2025/2026 MID-SOUTHERN CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS

Boys Baseball
Boys Tennis
Girls Tennis
Boys Soccer
Girls Soccer
Boys Cross Country
Boys Swimming and Diving
Boys Basketball
Girls Basketball

2025/2026 SECTIONAL CHAMPIONS

Boys Track and Field
Girls Track and Field
Girls Tennis
Boys Tennis
Girls Wrestling-Gabriel Wheatley, Ava Allen
Boys Basketball
Girls Basketball

2025/2026 REGIONALS CHAMPIONS

Boys Tennis
Boys Basketball

2025/2026 STATE QUALIFIERS

Archery
Boys Track and Field-Trey Smith (1600m)
Girls Track and Field- Sophia Scott (Shot Put & Discus)
Boys Tennis
Boys Cross Country-Trey Smith

2025/2026 STATE FINALIST

Boys Tennis

2025/2026 STATE CHAMPIONS

Cheerleading

2025/2026 NATIONAL QUALIFIER

Archery

2025/2026 INDIANA ALL-STARS

Brooklyn Renn
Dane Caldwell

2025/2026 SEMI-STATE CHAMPIONS

Boys Tennis

2025/2026 STATE FINAL RUNNER-UP

Wrestling-Ava Allen

ACADEMIC CHAMPIONS

18 Summa Cum Laude
25 Magna Cum Laude
27 Cum Laude

34 Students receiving the Associates Degree in General Studies from Ivy Tech
61 Students receiving the Indiana College Core Certificate from Ivy Tech

MEMORIALS

All memorial donations go into our scholarship fund. Contributors are listed in the annual dinner program. Persons for whom memorials have been received since May 2025 (up to the printing of this newsletter) are:

2025 OUTSTANDING ALUMNI JERRY LANDERS

Jerry was a graduate of the Class of 1965. He attended IUS in New Albany where he completed his Purdue Engineering and Writing classes. He also received Certifications and continuing required for his position as Director of Research and Development for Food Safety, Underwriter's Laboratories and ISO Quality Management Certification.

In addition to his inventions, he earned great satisfaction in mentoring younger employees and friends that wanted to excel in their own professions or businesses, many of which have become very successful. What a fantastic life and career, and he is still always willing to help others when he can.

Jerry was very active in Community activities. He was President of the local United Methodist Men, Past President of the SC Kiwanis Club, Member of the Church Choir and Special Christmas programs, taught Junior High Sunday School for several years. He was Director of Research and Development at Servend Distributors, Servend Intl. and Manitowoc Ice and Beverage in the Food Service Division. Jerry revolutionized the ice and beverage equipment industry worldwide.

Jerry has received many honors and awards, Work-Place Excellence Team, USA Today 1999, Servend "A Good Place To Be", Flomatic Intl. 1998, Oregon Quality Award Winner and Servend Intl. 1999 Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award Finalist.

He developed one of McDonald's first smoothie machines and it was test-marketed at the McDonald's in Memphis, IN. Larger Servend ice equipment was installed at Opryland Hotel and Disney World. He also worked extensively with Coke and Pepsi to develop ice and beverage systems to meet their needs.

He received his first of 18 patents in 1975. The first customer was Kentucky State Parks who had scoop-out open ice bins for guests to reach in with their ice buckets for room ice. It was common for fishermen to come in at night and push the ice aside to put their catch in the bottom of the same bin that guest were using in their room, then cover the ice back over the fish.

ALUMNI OFFICERS 2026

PRESIDENT	Joe Basham '73
VICE-PRESIDENT	Emma Haas '61
SECRETARY	Debra Thomas '79
TREASURER	Bonnie Edwards '80

YEAR	MEMORIAL
1931	Mildred Hanger Lanum
1932	Gretta McCammon McCoy
1933	Irene Hughes Fleming
1940	Lee Tobin
1941	Mildred RiggleTobin
1946	Paul D. Makowsky
1946	Mabel J. Allen Balmer
1949	Ruth Popp Sipes
1950	Aline Popp Smith
1953	Carolyn Popp Makowsky
1953	Opal Spurgeon Winters
1954	Stan Beyl
1954	Ruth Hall Craig
1954	Ralph Keibler
1956	Nancy Lanum Kopp
1956	Tom Wilkerson
1956	Hershel Witten
1957	Harold L. Dean, Sr
1957	Bruce Mayfield
1958	Roger Motsinger
1959	Richard Werle
1960	Geraldine Creech Popp
1961	Deceased Classmates
1961	Ray Nunn
1961	Michael Byers
1961	Dr. Michael Harney
1962	Carolyn Fleming Beyl
1962	Ray Stone
1963	Charlene McCorry Pennington
1964	Ronnie L. Allen
1964	Woody Bailey
1965	John (Jack) Meyer Jr.
1966	Kathy Craig Frasier
1967	David Tobin
1968	Deceased Classmates
1970	Denise M. Smith
1971	Lorna Costin Wheat
1971	Debbie Stearsman
1971	Mark Balmer
1973	Terry Cook
1973	David Graf
1974	Glen Sharp
1974	Deceased Classmates
1977	Alice Aubrey Oechslin
1980	Tony Hart
1980	Deceased Classmates
1982	Louis B. French
1992	Mike Wilkerson
1994	Allison Adams Reed
2011	Ethan H.M. Bennett

50 Years! Class of 1976

The class of 1976 will have their 50th reunion on Saturday, August 29th at the American Legion-Sellersburg. There will also be a Golf Scramble on Friday, August 28th at Wooded View Golf Course. We look forward to seeing everyone! If you have any questions, contact Jill Koenig Farney at 502-298-5445 or Patty Townsend Prather at 502-544-6789.

60 Years! Class of 1966

Looking forward to seeing old classmates and friends at the Banquet on June 27th.

We hope to see both 1976 and 1966 classes at the Banquet!

The Silver Creek High School Alumni Association would like to thank all of the sponsors who purchased sponsorships for the 2025 dinner booklet! THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU!! For any questions, please contact us at SCAlumAssoc@gmail.com, or call Emma Haas at 502-773-3022.

REGISTRATION FORM



If you would like to register on-line go to: SilverCreekAlumni.com

Dinner x \$20 \$ _____

Scholarship Contributions 2025/26 \$ _____

Dues x \$10 \$ _____

Other _____ \$ _____

Memorial to honor: _____ \$ _____
(Name) (Class)

Total enclosed \$ _____

Name _____ Name _____
(Class) (Class)

Address _____ Address _____

Email: _____ Email: _____

Make checks payable and mail to: Silver Creek Alumni Association
P.O. Box 311
Sellersburg, IN. 47172

RESERVATIONS ARE DUE BY JUNE 12, 2026

SILVER CREEK ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Things to remember!

Find us on Facebook for updated information and forms at:

SilverCreekAlumniAssociation

Or email us at

info@SilverCreekAlumni.com

Website: **SilverCreekAlumni.com**