

Sharon Springs Central School
Minutes of the Alumni Banquet Business Meeting
June 9, 2018

The Alumni Association of the Sharon Springs Central School held their annual reunion of the classes and banquet on Saturday, June 9, 2018 at the Coach Doig Gym with approximately 146 present, including alumni, retired and former teachers, the Class of 2018, their advisors, Sue Futerko and Phil Nicholls. Prior to the banquet a social hour was held. Light refreshments were served in the Al Doig and musical entertainment was provided by Ron and Sylvia Letteron and some of their music students. At six o'clock alumni and guests were called to be seated for dinner.

Following the invocation given by Lay Leader Maxine Christman, Paul Kling'64 led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. "America the Beautiful" was sung by all and led by the SSCS Music Department.

President Kling welcomed all those attending to enjoy this special evening with old friends, classmates and family and now enjoy some great food.

After dinner President Kling invited **brief messages** from members of the anniversary classes.

Charles France '43 celebrated his 75th year as an alumni. Charlie was given a standing ovation amidst a lot of cheering. He thanked everyone for such a good time.

Margaret McFee Acello spoke for the class of 1968 on their 50th anniversary of graduating from SSCS. She noted how wonderful it was to see such a great turn out.

Jennifer Kling Brennan'88 thanked the Class of '88 members, Bill Smith, Paul Empie, and Peter Towse for their military service. Each man served his country proudly for thirty years. Thank you, gentlemen for your service and dedication. Hoorah and Congratulations! Well done.

Class of 1993 members Jessica Kling Betts and Melissa Bartlett Interest spoke briefly for the class of 1993.

A special presentation of plaques to two alumni was presented by Senior class member Nicholas Tomaszewski on behalf of the SSCS Athletic Department for scoring over 1000 pts. in their high school basketball careers.

We acknowledge Kenneth Rorick'72 and Joseph Susi'69. Kenneth Rorick is here tonight to receive his plaque. Joseph Susi resides in Florida and will have his award sent to him. Congratulations to you both.

Mr. Kling called two members of the Alumni Association Board to please come forward.

Class of 1957 Bernadetta Vrooman received a \$100 gift card for all her work on developing the current data base and printing our current programs. We thank her for her time and dedication over the 20 years of service.

Class of 1952 Robert Comins has been past president of the association and on the executive board over his 20 years of service. He has traveled over 17,000 miles to come to meetings. We thank you with a Stewart's gas card for \$100 for all your time and service.

President Kling stated the need of younger alumni to step up to the plate and take their turn at keeping the alumni association alive and well. Without the younger generation taking the lead with new ideas, the association will die a slow death and cease to exist. New ideas breathe life into any organization and many of us on the association board have served their terms and some have served 2 or more terms. If you are interested in helping the Alumni Association to continue please see Mr. Kling after the meeting.

President Kling announced this year's Alumni Scholarship Award of \$500 to a graduating senior is Christopher Howell.

Roll Call of the classes was given by Secretary Jeannette Cousineau Kling '65.

President Kling welcomed the class of 2018 into the Alumni Association. Class President Christopher Howell introduced the members of the Class of 2018 that were present and told what their immediate plans were after graduations.

The Alma Mater was sung by all with Ron and Sylvia Letteron leading us.

Maxine Christman gave the Benediction and the assembly left to socialize with friends, family and classmates. Congratulations to all!