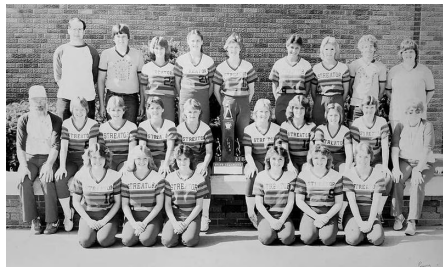


THE NINE RAHS REVIEW

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1983 Lady Bulldogs Honored



MEMBERS OF THE STATE CHAMPION TEAM INCLUDED A.T. MOGILL ASSISTED BY SUE MCGRATH AND DELBERT COSEK; SCOREKEEPER HELEN MOGILL; STUDENT MANAGERS BRIAN PETROTTE AND JOE YANELLO; AND PLAYERS JULIE ZAVADA, MARIA WHITE, JULIE WEISS, GINA WAHL, BRENDA SIMPSON, GINA MORGAN, CARLEEN SEROKA, DANA GOTCH, MARCIA ECCLESTON, LYNN YANELLO, LINDA WEISS, RAYANN SIMPSON, AMY PEDELTY, ALEXANDRA "ZAMI" MOGILL, LUANN KOZAK, PEGGY KILLIAN, KIM HANSEN, JEAN ESSMAN AND LORI DORSAM.

The 1983 Lady Bulldogs Softball team was honored at the Night of Champions event on June 10, 2023 commemorating the 40th anniversary of the Streator High School softball team's magical run to the one-class IHSA state championship on June 10, 1983.

They are the first team sports championship in La Salle County history and still the only team sports championship in Streator High School annals.

Streator mayor Tara Bedei, who was in attendance, read a proclamation dedicating it "Champions Day" in honor of the team and presented a street sign that has since been erected onto the portion of Glass Street to be named "Honorary Lady Bulldog Way". Some of the former members of the reunited ball club were on hand to receive the acknowledgement.



1983 Lady Bulldog Alumni celebrated at the PNA in Streator this past summer with the dedication of a street in their honor.



Above: Nick McGurk, A.D. along with Mayor Bedei declare "Lady Bulldog Way"

Below: Lady Bulldog Way in place



The celebration of the Lady Bulldogs continued by acknowledging the State Champion team at the first home football game. Dieken Stadium Field was the place to be on August 25th during the halftime of the varsity game. Athletic Director, Mr. Nick McGurk and Mayor Tara Bedei were on hand to declare the southernmost portion of Glass Street, adjacent to the softball field "Lady Bulldog Way".

Coached by former Science teacher, Mr. A.T. Mogill, these ladies went on an historical run. Alexandra "Zami" Mogill, who led a host of amazing athletes, was also awarded All-State Pitcher. She recorded all 30 pitching wins that season. She is all-time record holder in career strikeouts with 1,016 and total wins with 95. This accomplishment still remains a school record.

The '83 Lady Bulldogs represent the first and only state championship in Streator Township High School's 147-year history. The team was inducted into the STHS Hall of Fame in 1989 as well as inducted into the Illinois Valley Sports Hall of Fame in 2022.

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Another Stellar Year For FFA



2022-2023 FFA Brings Home Awards

The SHS FFA Chapter brought home 7 State Titles this past June. The students received state winners in Growing Leaders, Strengthening Agriculture, Ag Issues CDE, Spanish FFA Creed, Information and Technology, Diversified Crop Production Placement and Food Service Supervised Agriculture Experience. Along with these achievements they also received numerous section and service awards. Mr. Riley Hintzsche and Ms. Gwen Heimerdinger recognized that it “Takes a Village” and has carried out this motto in various ways throughout the year.

This year there were special moments for the SHS Ag instructors as well, with Riley Hintzsche being recognized as a finalist for the state Golden Owl Award, along with Gwen Heimerdinger receiving recognition as a recipient of the IAA Agriculture Teacher Grant.



**Presenting the Golden Owl Finalist award
Sara Mitchell (Left) Riley Hintsche (Center) Levi
Maierhofer (right)**



**Gwen Heimerdinger (Center) recieveing The Illinois
Agricultural Education Teacher Grant Program along
with Riley Hintzsche (Left) and Amy Jo Mascas,
Principal (Right)**



Great Things Happening in the Classroom



Theater Sets the Stage

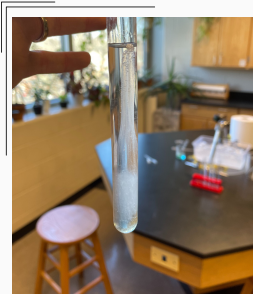
When you are part of a class that teaches you the difference between stage right and stage left it could be a comedy or tragedy.

Ms. Kim Freeman has had the opportunity to teach classes that focus on the fundamentals of theater and implement those lessons on stage. The classes teach students every aspect of putting on the perfect performance. Students learn how to set stage lights, set the sound board with the placement of body mics and the need of all accessible mics to let the audience experience the perfect performance. The class is also instructed on how to audition for a show as well as how to direct their peers on stage. Need costumes and make-up to complete a show? Yes, that is covered as well. The theater program is growing. Students are excited to be a part of something that is a fit for them that they never thought would be possible in their high school years. Many students were involved in the successful Spring musical "Chicago". Students from the classes did everything for the production under the watchful eye of their instructors. Along with the classes, many students have joined the Drama Club and were inducted into the Thespian Honor Society that started many years ago, but unfortunately with the lack of having a drama club there wasn't a need for the Honor Society for Thespians. The Drama Club and Theater Program have come to life again and with the newly renovated auditorium the program stands out on a new level of excellence.

It's A Question of Who Done it

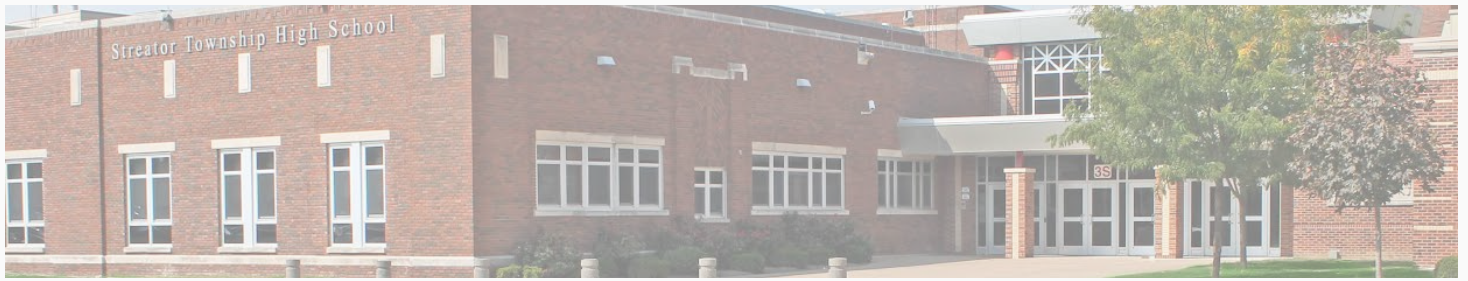
For four years students have been given the opportunity to take a science class that could lead into a career and many students have done just that by majoring in Forensic Science in college. Mr. Nate Nugent started this program by creating scenarios and cases for his Physical Science classes but felt that it could be turned into so much more. That definitely was the "case," Mr. Nugent stated, "The world is ever changing and the need for investigators and detectives to solve crimes are continually on the rise." To meet that need, SHS offers a Forensic Science class for students to enroll in. In the class, it is discussed the importance of evidence and preserving that evidence the correct way in the event it is needed at a later date. The class also discusses fingerprinting, hair analysis, DNA profiling, blood typing, handwriting, entomology (bugs), autopsies, shoe prints and even tire tracks. Mr. Nugent explains how these tools are used for a career in forensics. Then, at the end of the year, when all these skills are learned it is time to put them into practice.

Mr. Nugent reaches out to staff to help in the crime. Staff takes on the role of suspects with very detailed alibis as well as a staff "victim". Students use all the forms of evidence to track down the culprit. Students must determine who was in the building at the time of the murder, cross reference their suspect alibis, collect evidence and compare to the crime scene to create a board of evidence showing they have matches and that there is enough evidence to place their suspect in custody. With the classes growing interest, it has been determined the need to further the class by adding Forensic Science II for the upcoming 2024-2025 school year.



(L) Solutions used to solve the crime of who killed Mr. Beau Doty (R) this past spring

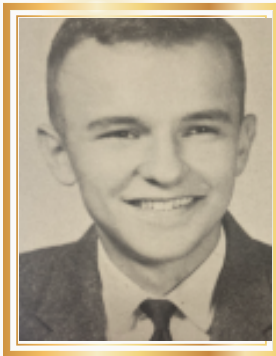




DR. WORTHY STREATOR HALL OF FAME INDUCTS NEW MEMBERS

Four people were added to the Dr. Worthy Hall of Fame during its 10th induction ceremony December 3rd, 2022. The inductees included **Jack Dzuris '63, Lynn Cahill-Masching '73, Richard O'Hara '66 and Amy Linton Barklem '90.** These new members were recognized at the event which, itself is run entirely by students of Streator High/Illinois Valley Community College dual-credit instructor Rob Tyne's Western Civilization Class. Mr. Tyne's classes were in charge of the ceremony.

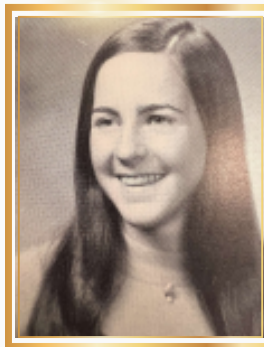
Jack Dzuris Class of 1963



Jack Dzuris '63 was born on September 1, 1945 and spent the majority of his young life in Streator and the surrounding area. He graduated from Streator Elementary Schools, Streator Township High School, and Illinois Valley Community College before getting his degree from the University of Wisconsin Graduate School of Banking. While at Streator High, Jack participated in a wide variety of activities. He was in cross country, baseball, basketball, business, prom committee, Hub Club, S Club, WIZZ, Review Senior newspaper, and Hardscrabble. In his graduating year of 1963, Jack earned his place in the Streator Township High School Athletic Hall of Fame for being a part of the state qualifying baseball team.

These immense successes would continue throughout all of Jack's life. From 1963 to 1966, he was the Scholarship Committee chairman and the Sunday School Superintendent for Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. For 32 years, Jack has been a member of the Rotary Club of Streator, and was previously the past president and fundraising chairman. Since golf has had a tremendous effect on Jack's life, he fundraised for the Streator Junior and Senior Golf Association for 15 years. He was the City of Streator Golf Tournament "starter" for 15 years as well, and was later inducted into the Streator Men's Golf Association Hall of Fame in 2011. In 2008, he served as the YMCA-past board member for capital campaign co-chair until he resigned. Jack was a member of the Streator Elementary School Board for 23 years and also a past president of the board for 17 years. He is an active member of the Streator Township High Educational Foundation and has been the Secretary of the "organizational" Board since 2007. He was a member, board member, past president, and treasurer of the Streator Chamber of Commerce and Industry and retired on January 31, 2022. Jack served as a member and the secretary of the board at St. Mary's Hospital, and took part in fundraising. He was a foundation committee member there for 8 years, during which he was also the Foundation Chair in 2009. He served in 2020-2021 year as an OSF Foundation member and Vice Chairman. Dzuris was the vice-chairman from 2018 to 2021 for OSF Live Well Committee.

Lynn Cahill-Masching Class of 1973



Lynn Cahill-Masching '73 was born in Seattle Washington on June 27, 1955 to parents, Roger Cahill and Shirley (Barta) Cahill. She was the oldest of five children. After just two years of living in Seattle, her parents decided to move to Streator where her father opened a pharmacy. Lynn worked there alongside her siblings. For her primary education, she attended St. Mary's Grade School until eighth grade when she transitioned to Streator Township High School. Lynn attended Streator Township High School from 1969 to 1973 and did nothing short of experiencing all she could in high school. Lynn was involved in many clubs and extracurriculars that kept her very active. She was a member of the Student Council, served as Treasurer for the Sophomore Class, was Junior Class President and Senior Class President for half of the year.

Lynn was also involved in the Dolphins synchronized swim club at SHS, and German club where she traveled to different countries on class trips. She was the Student Council Parliamentarian, and was inducted into the National Honor Society. On top of all of the extracurriculars she was involved in, she was also able to keep her grades up and was an excellent student for all four years. Because of her dedicated studies in German class and her involvement in German club, she was able to test out of the language requirement for college and earned two years of college credit for the subject. Lynn attended Indiana State University in the fall of 1973 and graduated in December 1976 with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Criminology and Business Administration. She was president of her sorority, Gamma Phi Beta. She was also involved in professional and scholastic fraternities. Lynn won the Criminology Student Academic and Leadership Award while at Indiana State. In December of 1980, she attended Illinois State University and graduated Summa Cum Laude with a Master of Science Degree in Human Services. Lynn Cahill-Masching is being inducted into the Worthy Hall of Fame because of her integrity within the workforce and for breaking the glass ceiling by becoming the first female Warden from 1999 to 2003 at both Dwight Correctional Center and Kankakee Minimum Security Unit in Manteno, Illinois. There she implemented a female sex offender treatment program, coordinated a Prisoner Advocacy Program, and accomplished a multitude of other achievements. Not only that, but she also served as a Jail Administrator/Superintendent from 2003 to 2011 at Livingston County Sheriff's Office, Pontiac, Illinois. Afterward, she took a short break and in 2009 she became a South Africa Humanitarian Initiative Delegate. She has been an Accreditation Auditor since 2003 for the American Correctional Association, Lead Compliance Inspector/Security Subject Matter Expert since 2011, and a Detainee Programming Expert since 2015 for The Nakamoto Group, Inc., Rockville, Maryland where she is responsible for inspecting the quality of life for ICE detainees. Lynn Cahill-Masching has opened wide the doors for opportunities for women in the field of criminology and the prison systems workforce through her dedication to her field.



**Richard O'Hara
Class of 1966**



Richard O'Hara '66 was born November 22, 1948 in Streator. Growing up on Water Street he attended St. Mary's for his elementary education. Richard was very active at Streator Township High School, participating in Jets, Swim Team, German Club, and the president of the Thespians acting club. Richard was also a National Merit Scholar. During high school, he managed multiple jobs which included working at an ice cream stand, delivering newspapers for The Times, working at a rootbeer stand, and bagging groceries at a local grocery store.

Richard described his class of '66 as a class that was easy to make friends in and a tight community. After high school, Richard went to the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign where he earned a BS in Psychology and took courses in Architecture and Natural Science. O'Hara also earned a degree in Natural Resources Concentration. Richard left his mark before leaving U of I by scoring a perfect score on the graduates record exam. After U of I, Richard went into the Air Force and was stationed at Mather AFB in California from 1971-1978. In the Air Force, Richard served as a navigator with the KC-135 aerial refueling squadron. After Richard completed his military service, he attended graduate school at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. In 1980, he graduated with an MS in Urban and Regional Planning. Following graduation, his career included working at the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, Waste Management, Inc. (Oak Brook), Sheaffer International (Glen Ellyn), and American Ecology in Boise, Idaho. As of 2022, O'Hara still lives in Boise, Idaho. While remaining in Idaho with his wife Patti, Richard O'Hara has become an outstanding author. Richard has written many books regarding the history of his hometown Streator and about the people who have helped shape Streator. O'Hara has also helped many people from Streator to recall fond personal memories of Streator through his writings. Some of his greatest books about Streator include: A Few Stories from Streator, Illinois, Streator Air Service and Streator Boys.



**Amy Linton Barklam
Class of 1990**



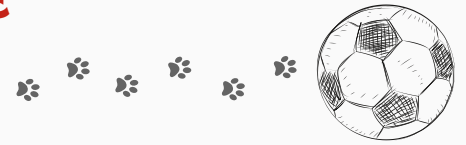
Amy Linton Barklam '90 was born to Richard and Susan Linton in Streator, IL on July 27th, 1972. She grew up with her parents and younger brother Mark. She attended Streator elementary schools where in Junior High. At Northlawn, she was a member of the cheer team and band. She then attended Streator Township High School where she remained active in extracurriculars. Amy continued in band her freshman year, was a JV and varsity cheerleader for 4 years, and was a member of student council and National Honor Society. She was a member of the academic team and participated in WYSE academic competitions. She graduated from STHS in 1990 with Salutatorian Honors.

After high school, she was accepted to the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign. She continued extracurriculars throughout college, including: philanthropy lead for her sorority (Alpha Delta Phi), student member of the McKinley Health Center Advisory Board, vice president of Sachem (a leadership honor society), and President of Torch (charitable honorary). Her activities led her to be named to the senior 100 honoraries and earned her a place on homecoming court. During her college, she spent a summer studying abroad in Chile. She graduated in 1994 with a Bachelor of Science in Economics with highest honors and an unofficial minor in science. Upon graduating college, she moved to New York City and began working for investment bank Stanley and Morgan. She worked in their Latin American Debt Capital Markets department for 3 years. After considering opportunities in both their Mexico and Brazil offices, she relocated to London where she had responsibility for the bank's Eastern Europe, Middle East, and African Debt Capital Markets business. During her time with Morgan Stanley, she traveled extensively. She left Morgan Stanley to obtain a Master of Arts Degree in International Studies and Diplomacy from the School of Oriental and African Studies at the University of London. She then went on to work in a number of positions including Global Head of Fund Distribution for a leading global real estate firm and an Executive Consultant for a strategic advisory firm and the director of business development for a leadership development social enterprise. Currently, Amy works at HSBC (Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corp), one of the largest global banks in London. She began there in 2017 working as a global leader for capital markets compliance, before moving to become the chief control officer across the firm's global banking business. She leads a global team of 25 people responsible for the establishment and maintenance of a robust risk and control governance framework, established to keep the business safe and in compliance with global regulations. She is involved in HSBC's women in banking initiative and is a strong proponent of diversity in the workforce. Amy remains close to SHS and is proud to be the co-founder and continued sponsor of the Brett Stone Memorial Scholarship in honor of her late high school classmate and great friend. She also remains very close to the University of Illinois, serving for several years as a board member of the University of Illinois Alumni Association. Currently, she is the chair of the University of Illinois Alumni Association Awards committee, which is responsible for bestowing the alumni achievement award. Amy is also a trustee of Days for Girls UK, a charity working to provide menstrual supplies to young women globally.



SOCCER GETS A NEW HOME

The James Street Sports Complex is the new home of the STHS Soccer Bulldogs. In July, STHS came to a 10 year agreement with the City of Streator that would allow STHS to convert 2 fields into stand-alone soccer fields. The North Field has already been open for Bulldog game play this fall. The hope is to have the current baseball field at the James Street Complex to also be converted to a soccer field prior to next spring. In order for this to happen, a new irrigation system is to be installed. Soon after the irrigation system is in place, a new scoreboard will also be installed. STHS has put roughly \$100,000 into this project. These funds are exclusively from a Federal Grant called the Community Partnership Grant. This move will give the growing soccer community a new home. In turn, it will allow STHS to improve the surface of both the current softball and baseball fields. With the new home, there is not longer the need to share the space between the soccer, baseball, and softball teams.



James Street Complex underway to the new home of Bulldog Soccer with the construction of the grounds, a scoreboard, and seating



BULLDOG SERVICE JACKETS

This past year the Athletic Department created the Service Dogs Jacket Program. In 22-23, via grant funds from the Federal Community Partnership Grant, The Service Dogs Program was developed. The criteria for this program is open to all students who earn a Varsity Letter and complete 25 hours of documented service or volunteerism. When this is accomplished, they are awarded a free varsity letter jacket. In this first year, 49 students received jackets. The students that were eligible accumulated over 1,225 hours of community service.



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ONCE A BULLDOG ALWAYS A BULLDOG



CLASS OF 1973



CLASS OF 2003



CLASS OF 1993



CLASS OF 1983



The Class of 2003 enjoyed a game and a tour of dear old Streator High



Members of the Class of 1988 celebrated their Class Reunion at the Eagles club



CLASS OF 1968

Streator **LOYALTY**

Nine rahs for dear old Streator High,
 We're backing you to play the game.
 Our loyal hearts are ever beating for you.
 We carry aloft your name, rah, rah, rah.
 Always, we fight for victory.
 Our banners waving in the sky.
 We will never cease to fight
 For the crimson and the white,
 Forever, for Streator High.

Dorothy Mulford Coolidge - 1911

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