



**2023**

**ALUMNI OF DISTINCTION**





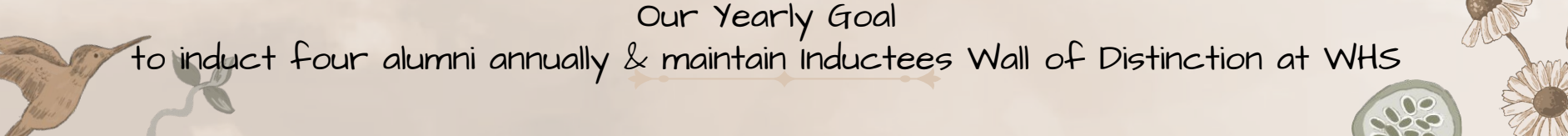
## About the Alumni of Distinction Award

A new Williamson tradition!

Recognizing Williamson graduates who have:

- achieved outstanding professional accomplishments
- contributed to the greater good of their community
- impacted lives positively in Williamson or elsewhere
- attained notable personal accomplishments

Our Yearly Goal  
to induct four alumni annually & maintain Inductees Wall of Distinction at WHS





2023  
Alumni of  
Distinction  
Award Recipients



Class of 1972

# Dave Malgee

Since 2018 David has served on the Gettysburg Foundation Board of Directors, serving with other prominent business executives, distinguished educators, benevolent philanthropists and renowned authors, photographers and journalists.

Author of many history-related brochures and two books, one being the "Piano Man" about the incredible career of his good friend and former WCS faculty member, George Giroux who was band director for 32 years in the WCS District.



## Civic or community involvement

Believing that working with historical and other civic organizations is a way to promote cooperation and collaboration, the sharing of ideas, and productive interaction, David continues his involvement in a variety of organizations to ensure a brighter future for generations to come.

Involvement in civic and community affairs for many years, he was named . . .

"Young Citizen of the Year" in Colonial Heights, VA in 1984

Rotary District 760 "President of the Year" in 1985

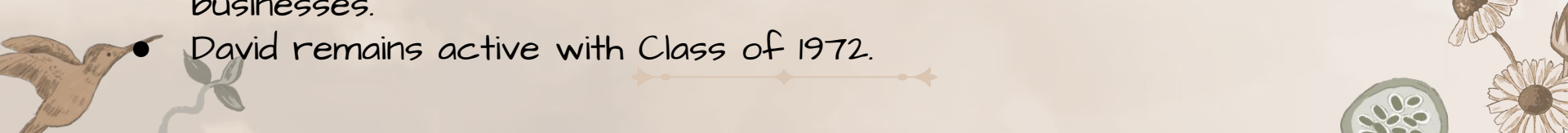
Member of the Gettysburg Foursquare Church

Past recipient of the Colonial Heights "Outstanding Citizen" Award.





## Positive impact on Williamson and other communities

- Though residing in Gettysburg with his family, David continues to be a positive influence in the Williamson community in the following ways:
  - WCS Commencement Speaker
  - Member of the Williamson-Pultneyville Historical Society (W-PHS);
  - Program Presenter for W-PHS and the Williamson Senior Citizens Group speaking on topics of local interest as they relate to the Civil War.
  - Sponsor of the annual Golf Tournament for Gates Hall in Pultneyville . . . the oldest continuously active small community theatre in the United States.
  - As a second home owner in the area David also supports local businesses.
  - David remains active with Class of 1972.
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Class of 1974

# Mike Orr

After graduation from WCS, Mike  
attended Syracuse University  
Became Auto Tech 1977

In 1984, he purchased King's Auto  
Service. Mr Orr is still the owner  
today. Mike personally runs his  
business and has for 39 years.



## Civic or community involvement

2014 Williamson Chamber of Commerce Organization of the year/citizen of the year -

Past member of Williamson Chamber of Commerce

Taught grade 4 Junior Achievement for five years impacting the life of the students he worked with.

President of the Williamson Business Improvement District; Williamson Fire District Commissioner and Chairman of the Williamson Fire District; lead sponsor of the Main St mural project; coordinates annual Town of Williamson Cleanup and Santa Coming to Town event; and a participant in Williamson Community Planning Initiative (Charrette) (2005)



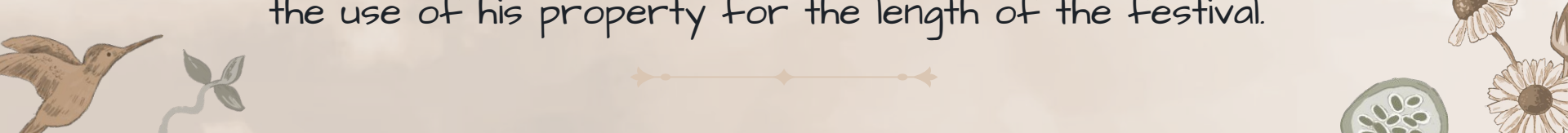




## Positive impact on Williamson and other communities

Mike Orr is a proprietor of an "anchor" business on Main St Williamson. Mike and his wife Dorothy had four children, all graduating from Williamson High School. He further has exercised leadership as President of the Williamson Business Improvement District since 1990. He simultaneously exercised his commitment to public service as a Fire Commissioner and Coordinator of community events.

Mike has supported the annual Williamson Apple Blossom Festival financially including closing his business for the festival weekend, allowing the use of his property for the length of the festival.






Class of 1981

# Brian Manktelow

Brian Manktelow was elected to the New York State Assembly on November 6, 2018. The district includes all of Wayne County, the towns of Aurelius, Brutus, Cato, Conquest, Ira, Mentz, Montezuma, Sennett, Sterling, and Victory in Cayuga County, and the towns of Hannibal, Minetto, and Oswego in Oswego County.



## Civic or community involvement

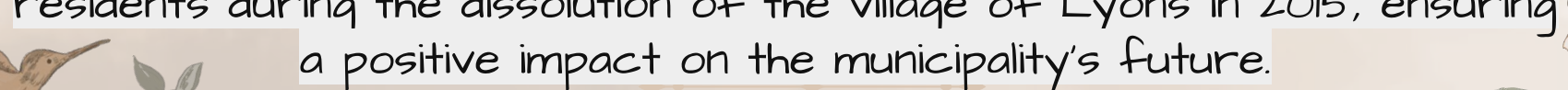
- Brian served in the U.S Army, attaining the rank of sergeant after graduating from Williamson High School. He then completed classes at the University of Chicago and Finger Lakes Community College, where he pursued a degree in political science.
  - He has been the Lyons Town Supervisor since 2009 and has served as Vice Chairman of the Wayne County Board of Supervisors.
  - He was chairman of the board's Finance Committee and also served on the Government Operations and Human Services committees.
  - Brian was instrumental in initializing the Wayne County Land Bank in 2017 to rejuvenate derelict properties, get them back on the tax rolls, and reduce blight.
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## Positive impact on Williamson and other communities

Serving as a state representative he can impact the community and continues to have strong ties,  
Participates in community events (ie: Veterans Day Celebrations)

He has owned and operated Manktelow Farms in Lyons for more than 30 years, and has been an active member of the Wayne County Farm Bureau. Brian's background gives him a unique perspective on the challenges faced by everyday New Yorkers. As supervisor of the Town of Lyons, he worked to protect the interests of his fellow residents during the dissolution of the village of Lyons in 2015, ensuring a positive impact on the municipality's future.





Q & A

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