



ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL Alumni Association

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President's Letter

The Alumni Association welcomes in the new year with big smiles and positive changes! 2014 proved to be another successful year for us. Alumni Open House gets better every year, and our annual Tailgate Party for the Homecoming game is another winner! We are fortunate to have our dedicated Alumni members who share the spirit, pride, and tradition for our Arlington High School!

We are excited to introduce our new principal **Mr. Shaveer Dhalla** (at Homecoming Tailgate here with Alumni Band member **Donna Irons Vicker, '71**). Shortly after his appointment, he dropped by our August meeting to introduce himself and we were thrilled to meet him! He shared his excitement



about realizing his dream to be on the AHS team.



Our iconic **Jane Ellis**—with me at the Homecoming Tailgate Party—has recently recovered from a bout with pneumonia. AHS students and faculty visited with her during her hospital stay. Miss Ellis says, “All the kids that came

to visit me made a big impact. It was a sweet experience.” Miss Ellis is truly loved by so many here in Arlington, especially the AHS Alumni members! So happy to report she is “back in the saddle!”

Save the date for our **18th annual Alumni Open House, June 13, 2015**, in the cafeteria. Social hour will begin at 9:00am with the program starting at 10:00. The 2015 **Alumni Scholars** will be there, one of whom will receive the **Principal John Webb** scholarship, funded last year with memorial donations after his passing. Traditional highlights include performances by the Alumni Band and Alumni Choir. On a side note, the Alumni Band is available to play for reunions in the cafeteria following Open House as well as in other venues. How fun to include the Alumni Band in your class reunion plans! For

more information, see page 3.

As always, the Alumni Association seeks to add new members to our roster. We make grant and scholarship monies available only through these new memberships, annual renewals, and the donations we receive each year. We give back to Arlington High School and



provide money to support education programs, our AHS staff, and students. Please help us continue our tradition. Visit us on **Facebook** as the Arlington High School Alumni Association and check out our website—www.ahscolts-alumni.org—to give gift memberships, renew memberships, make donations, view photos, read current and archived newsletters, scan the full membership roster, or place a name in nomination for Distinguished Colt.

Arlington High School is the high school that was **First Here**. It is still the **Best Here!** Working with all of you, I anticipate another prosperous year for AHS and our AHS Alumni Association. Together, we can make it happen!

“Shoulder to shoulder FIGHT AND WIN!”

Ana F. Pettit, Class of 1974

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Milestones

Passings: August 2014 - January 2015

Stella Mae Roark Scharf, '33, January...**Ray Hudson, '42**, December...**Lavana Fuller Williams, '45**, August...**Virginia 'Ginny Lou' Mason Shytles, '49**, November...**Charles "Chuck" Dickinson, '50**, October...**Jim Meier, '51**, September...**Jerry Bentley, '53**, December...**Nancy Ann Fuller Hullum, '53**, January...**Bennie Brown, '54**, August...**Jack Cox, '54**, November...**Bob Mann, '55**, October...**Donna Workman Coble, '57**, November...**Beverly Joy Wolf Bush, '61**, September...**Jean Mickelson Sinor, '61**, September...**Tommy Urie, '61**, September...**Robert White, '63**, December...**Wanda King Houghton, '64**, November...**Kay Tuttle Tribble, '64**, December...**Eric Dalton, '65**, December...**Lonnie Beagles, '70**, November...**Steve Starrett, '72**, November...**Rhonda Richey Threlkeld, '76**, November...**Rusty Forehand, '77**, October...**Cynthia Keese Newsom, '80**, October...**Debbie Tuton Mutio, '84**, December...**Melissa Koziolk Briscoe, '88**, January...**Haley Bentley, '15**, December...**John Webb, CBC**, September.

Congratulations: **Hunter Pence, '01**, of the San Francisco Giants, has been inducted into the UTA Athletic Hall of Honor...**Sarah Arambula** and **Patrick Hawley**, both **Class of 2010**—who met in the Colt Band—married July 19, 2014...Our very own **President Ana Pettit, '74**, along with **Faye Snow Reeder, '65**, **John Doshier, CBC**, and the late **Roger Spivy, '74**, were honored by the Arlington Historical Society for their contributions to the arts in Arlington. Ana describes the honor this way. "Having grown up here in Arlington, and being a four-generation Arlington family, this award really meant a great deal to me! My parents, grandparents, and great-grandparents would be so proud!"

A very happy Ana



2014 Alumni Scholar Updates



Marisa Otterbine (pictured in center as Minnie Mouse at a Texas State Halloween party) says, "I was very surprised about how quickly I got into the hang of things. I thought it would take months to

understand how things worked around the campus but it only took me a couple of weeks. AHS definitely prepared me with my note taking, time management and how to pay for all of my expenses. My advice for the 2015 Alumni Scholars is to know that every freshman on the campus feels the same as you do. Don't be afraid to approach them first. Just have fun and make the most of your college experience." *Marisa Otterbine*

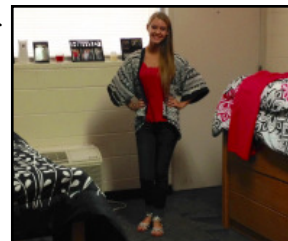
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"I was prepared for Tarrant County College because AHS taught me to organize my time and to do my best. I have changed my major from education to business and paralegal. I want to give thanks to the AHS Alumni for choosing me as a scholarship recipient. I will get my associates degree without worrying about tuition. Although I am no longer at AHS, I will always be a Colt. How sweet it is to be in Colt Country." *Daniela Castro*

"I was the only freshman in my rhetoric and writing class here at UT Austin. My professor asked where I went to high school because he was amazed by the preparation I had for his course. I attribute 100% of that preparation to my AP English III teacher, Mrs. Burriss. SHE ROCKS!

My best advice for AHS 2015 grads is to get plugged in somewhere quick. Every organization I have looked at comes with a hefty time commitment. Pick one or two that really interest you and get the most out of those you can. Spreading yourself thin in college will be hard to maintain and might just drive you crazy!" *Hannah Hullender*

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"One big surprise at SFA has been how many people and resources are there to help me succeed. Some advice for the Class of 2015: try to make a friend in every class on the first day. They'll stick with you the whole semester. Don't ever be too scared to talk to someone because they're probably just as nervous or lost as you are! Don't be so quick to rush out of high school. You really will miss it, your AHS friends, and your home in Arlington. Make this last semester one for the books!"

Shelby Dykes



Reunion Rodeo

Class of 1963 · June 13 · 70th Birthday Party · Ladies Lunch · More plans TBA

Class of 1965 · June 12 & 13 · Friday, JGilligans · Saturday, Alumni Open House · Evening—Rolling Hills CC ·

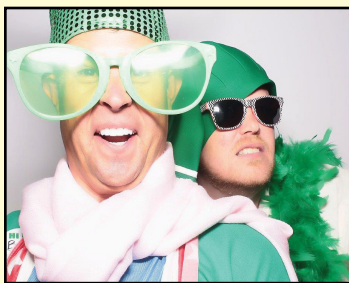
This reunion includes the Sam Houston High School Class of 1965 who attended AHS as sophomores. This was the first class to be split between the two schools.

At press time we have no information on reunions for the other “5” and “0” classes. If you have any contact information for people in those classes, please send to **Doris Whitlock**, dorisjean1941@yahoo.com, 817/469-1971



To all reunion planners: Last year the **Alumni Band** played at two reunions. Because they were already set up for Open House, they agreed to remain in the cafeteria to play for the **Class of 1959**. That class was taking advantage of the free venue to have a catered lunch in the beautiful cafeteria. The band also played for the **Class of 1994** in September. **Tanya Terrell-Weideman, '81**, gratefully acknowledges the donation from the 1994 class and the tip jar made available to them. Contact Tanya at shadowlr@swbell.net, 817.797.8297 if your class is interested in hearing our grand old songs played live at your reunion.

Colts Still Having Fun Together: Class of 1979, Class of 1994



Ben Nicholson, Hunter Hicks



Nicolle Brennan Gaffeney Block, Julie Tapley Booth, Gina Felker, Amy Ostrowski Maiuro



Jamie Taylor Jordan, Shanae Jennings, Sunny Slaughter Workman



Lori Swartz Gray, Tracy Eller Mabry, Amanda Rhoads Huggins, Amy Berna Black

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'79ers from South Davis Elementary at their AHS 35th reunion:

Kim Wedman, Brad Scoggins, Tammy DeNapoli, Greg Heinzman, Yakalene Ross Zack, David Joekel, Dedo Herzog

AHS Alumni at Stars and Starmakers



Beginning in center and moving clockwise, these Arlington High folks enjoyed the Arlington Historical Society's event as well as each other's

company: Alumni President **Ana Pettit** with former president **Beverly Bohannon Reynolds, '48**; **John Doshier, CBC**, at piano; **Cheryl Taylor West, '74**, and **Susan Gunn, '74**; Bill and **Theresa Reichenstein Gilmore, '74**; Tom Dodson and **Doland Maner, '40**.

Membership Report

The Association had a successful membership year in 2014. At this date we have cleared the 1,000 household hurdle. Counting all the individual members brings us to 1,197 Colts in the Alumni corral. Of this number only 170 are due to renew in 2015. If all renew, the \$2,550 would cover printing and mailing of our three newsletters. Unfortunately, we never have 100% of our annual members renew. That means our remaining 1,000+ members can support our mission by bringing in new members in 2015. We aren't kidding when we say we need you. When you think that AHS has graduated 500+ students every year for over 50 years, you realize you know people who would love to be part of the Association and just haven't joined yet. Lasso those Colts and bring 'em in! ~ *Sharron Merrill, Membership Chair*

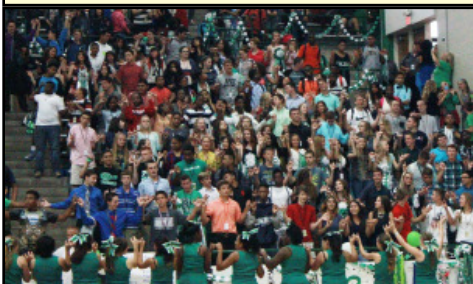
Welcome, New Members

- *Dorian Anderson, '68
- Tiara Austin, '14
- *Gary Barcroft, '63
- *Jackie Walker Barcroft, '64
- David Do, '14
- *Ruth Johnson Edwards, '64
- *Delnita Sutton Foust, '66
- Martha Hand, '83
- Earl Hansen, '61
- Irma Hinostroza, '14
- Mary Ann Jenkins, CBC, teacher
- Kathryn Woodward Johnson, '59
- Angelina Duckworth McFadden, '95
- Maha Naveed, '14
- Adam Newsom, '14
- Jinx Reynolds Neff, '68
- Arthur Payne, '57
- James Kevin Peel, '84
- *Dan Rash, '69
- *Jan Webb Rash, '69
- Perry Seelye, '65
- Phyllis Marfield Seelye, '66
- *Brenda Burmier Tucker, '64
- *Don Tucker, '65
- Elizabeth Hawkes Turner, '66
- *Andrew Underwood, '81
- *Benjamin West, '04
- *Jack Womble, '54
- *Marilyn Womble-CBC

Apologies to many of the above members who were either left off an earlier list or were misplaced in the wrong class—the editor.



Hundreds of potential Association members enjoying the traditional Homecoming pep rally.



Donations

In memory of John Webb:

Horse Head Point Property Owners Association
Cathy Brown
Jane Ellis

An anonymous donation of \$3,000, earmarked for the Scholarship Fund in memory of John Webb, has been granted to the Alumni Association through the Community Foundation of North Texas

General Fund

Mary Ann Jenkins

MEMORIAL MEMBERS

- Natalee Davis Parr, '33, by Carol Blanton
- Jim Reynolds, '48, by Pat Gazewood and Ladies of Class of '48
- Bennie Brown, '54
- Joyce Kniprath Brown, '54
- Pat Brown Carr, '54
- Sarah Watkins Hatchett, '54
- Tom Weaver Hill, '54
- Richard "Dick" Kirk, '54
- Marlyn Wood Latimer, '54
- Douglas Milburn, '54
- Faye Workman Prause, '54
- Dale Rash, '54
- Bryan Hundley, '56, by Bob Hundley
- Beverly Joy Wolf Bush, '61, by Ann Wolf Conklin, Sharron Merrill
- Bryan E. Thornton, '61, by Sharron Merrill
- Tommy Urie, '61, by Sharron Merrill
- Connie Hook, CBC, by Sonny & Barbara Wooten

} These ten memorial memberships were given by the Class of 1954.

AHS Celebrates Homecoming



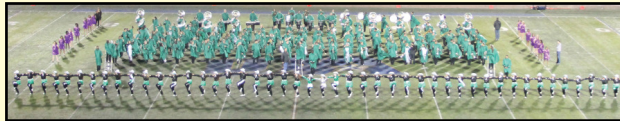
Distinguished Colts with escorts: Erin, Grayson Ross, '16, Ashley Grizzle, '15, John, Ryan Hansen, '17, Stevie, Tanya, Jeff Colston, '16



Coach Peach with horseshoes raised



Student Council hosts at Exes reception: Grayson Ross, '16, Trisha Trantham, '17



AHS Alumni Association New Member Form

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Join online at: www.ahscolts-alumni.org

SCHOLARSHIP FUND \$ _____ GENERAL FUND \$ _____ MEMBERSHIP FEES \$ _____

ANNUAL

Individual = \$25 with \$15 annual renewal
Household = \$35 with \$15 annual renewal

LIFE

Individual = \$125 paid once
Household = \$175 paid once

MEMORIAL FOR DECEASED

\$35 paid once

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Name: _____ Class Of: _____
(FIRST) (LAST) (MAIDEN)

Address: _____
(STREET)

(CITY) (STATE) (ZIP) (PHONE)

E-Mail: _____ Form of Payment: CASH CHECK

Check your preference: Newsletter by U.S. Mail by email notification

Given by Arlie's Angel - Name: _____ Phone: _____

Memorial Membership \$35: _____
(one time only fee for deceased classmate) (NAME) (CLASS)

Distinguished Colt Roll Call ~ 1997 - 2014

James Adams, CBC
 Alan Austin, '69
Margie Austin, CBC
 Jim Ball, '59
Bill Bardin, '24
 James "Brad" Bradley, '39
 Cathy Bontley Brown, '63
 Tillie Lester Burgin, '54
 Erin Hawkes Chaney, '64
 Kent Cherry, '52
William Connor, '36
 Cari Fitzgerald Cook, '70
Dean Corey, CBC (posthumous)
 Tom Craven, '60
 Jeff Dalton, '80
 Tom DeFrank, '63
 James Ditto, '48
Michael Ditto, '55
 Jane Robin Ellis, CBC
 Mike Enger, '74
Robert Fielder, '25 (posthumous)
Phyllis Hargrave Forehand, '51

Greg Friess, '71
 Jane Crews Friess, '71
 John Gardner, '57
 Stevie Campbell Hansen, '62
 Buddie Hrabal, '64
 Bill Hughes, '48
Owen Ivie, '43
 Fran Ditto Jennings, '48
Col. Neel Kearby, '28 (posthumous)
Charlie Key, '59 (posthumous)
 Barbara Nash Kight, '57
 Carl Knox, '40
 Doland Maner, '40
Charles Marshall, '51
 Wanda Roberson Marshall, '49
 Gary Martin, '53
 Mac Martin, '61
 Peggy Wood Martin, '66
 Don Mebus, '62
 Dinah Dalton Menger, '77
 Robert Miles, '57
 Geraldine Nash Mills, '59

Lt. Perry Mills, '59 (posthumous)
 Alvin Moseley, '65
 Martha Wiggins Moseley, '66
Natalee Davis Parr, '28
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 Beverly Bohannon Reynolds, '48
 Anne Ross Berg Seldon, '53
Phillip Stork, '49
Gene Schrickel, '44
Frank Smith, '43
 Kathleen Bradford Smith, '51
 Paul Swartz, '59
Barton Thompson, '51
 Mike Wade, '76
John Webb, CBC
 Tanya Terrell-Weideman, '81
 Ernest Wilemon, '43
 Kathryn Taylor Wilemon, '55
 Jannette Workman, '54
Tom Vandergriff, '43
Anna Waynette Smith Vandergriff, '44

Italics also indicate Alumni who died after receiving this honor

Nominations Open for 2015

Honorees are alumni who typify the spirit, pride and tradition of Arlington High School through tireless efforts to "give back" to our school or are those who have brought honor to Arlington High through their significant career accomplishments. **Attention Nominators:** Remember that the Alumni Board members who select the honorees may not know your nominees. Be specific in listing the ways your nominees have supported AHS or have burnished the reputation of AHS throughout their professional lives.

Use nomination form on website or send to our PO Box. WRITE TO IMPRESS!

DEADLINE: MARCH 15, 2015



Stevie with her escort, grandson Ryan Hansen, '17



DCA Chair Jerrell Womble holding award at pre-game ceremonies with Little Arlie and 2014 honorees: John Gardner, '57, Tanya Terrell-Weideman, '81, Stevie Campbell Hansen, '62, Erin Hawkes Chaney, '64.



Jerrell and Tanya



John Gardner with escort Ashley Grizzle, '15

Jerrell presenting award to Erin

Homecoming 2014 ~ Tailgate Party

Justin Talamentez, '14,
Cole Enger, '13



Courtney, '08, Carson
Wolfskill, '21



Ike Burris, '61,
with wife Peggy,
son Scott, and
granddaughter
Jenna

Butch Mahan, '59,
Charlene Wise
Mahan, '61



John Ball, '65, Tommy Waldrop, '65



Linda Scanlon Wright,
Andy Wright, both '61



2014 Alumni Scholar and Fielder
Award winner **Rebekah Tate**,
with her mom, **Susanna Nation
Tate, '87**



Kenneth
Turner,
Elizabeth
Hawkes
Turner, '66



Buddie Hrabal, '64, and friends

The Crosley twins, Class of 2032,
Mark and Colton



Diane Pierce, Debbie Ericson,
Kathy Einhaus, Linda Kinser
Chaney, all Class of 1968



Special thanks to the many photographers,
including the AHS journalism department,
who contributed to this edition.

~ the editor



Faces in the Crowd



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