



Alumni Association

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ANY FORMER CHOIR MEMBER MAY JOIN THE **ALUMNI CHOIR** AT 9:30 IN THE CHOIR ROOM TO REHEARSE WITH MISS ELLIS.

DISTINGUISHED COLT ALUMNI 2008

Reunion Classes attending:
CLASS OF 1948
CLASS OF 1958
CLASS OF 1963

ALUMNI OPEN HOUSE
JUNE 14, 2008
10:30
AHS CAFETERIA

PARKING:
IN FRONT OF SCHOOL
IN LOTS WEST OF SCHOOL
IN LOTS EAST OF SCHOOL
WARNING:
CARS PARKED ON NORTH SIDE OF PARK ROW WILL BE TOWED.

ALUMNI BAND
REHEARSES THE GREAT TUNES AT 9:30 IN THE CAFETERIA. TO JOIN, CONTACT TANYA TERRELL WEIDEMAN: 817.460.3408
shadowlr@swbell.net

ALUMNI PRODUCT SUPER SALE

LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD COLTS

Much like a Mission Impossible Team—except in this case it's Mission Possible—**COLT CLASS AGENTS** will work with the Alumni Board to broaden our membership base. Currently the **Class of '61** has more Alumni Members than any other class. Rumor has it that '61 is challenging the other **Sixties** classes to try to catch up!

A Class Agent, who must be a current Alumni Member, will be someone who is already in touch with classmates through his/her class activities—especially reunions. The **CCA** will contact classmates who have not joined the Alumni Association. **Tommy and Lila Waldrop, '65/'66**, will coordinate this group of Alumni volunteers. To join this mission, *should you decide to accept it*, contact texastommy@sbcglobal.net.

Mark your calendar with Alumni events for 2008—Alumni Open House, July 4th Parade, Homecoming Tailgate Party and Distinguished Colt Alumni ceremony on September 19, dedication of the plaque commemorating the old AHS site (date to be determined). Stay connected via the newsletter and our website: www.ahscolts-alumni.org.

Thanks for your continued support of **AHS SPIRIT, PRIDE AND TRADITION!**

Colts Forever!
Mac Martin
Mac Martin, '61

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Milestones

All 2008 unless noted.

Passings: **Martha Thomas Haley**, valedictorian, '35, February...**Virginia Goodwin Hollingsworth**, '35, April ...**Claude Austin**, '36, February...**Jane Pegues Schiflett**, '41, February...**Obie Dale Boyd**, '42, March ...**Bob Thompson**, '47, September 2007...**Mary Louise Davidson Otto**, '55, April...**Shirley Patterson Albin**, '57, March...**Richard Jones**, '57, March...**George Rozelle**, '57, March...**Heather Hill**, '04, April.

Notable: **Barbara Phillips Littlepage**, '64, announces that she and her husband have built "Praise Pavilion" on Interstate 20 at Exit 397 in Brock. For more information: barbara@littlepagelogistics.com or 817.829.5930...

Sandy Sheets White, '78, was named principal of Wood Elementary in Arlington in March. Her entire teaching career at Wood includes ten years teaching special education and twelve years as assistant principal. Sandy



Sandy Sheets White

also serves as president of the Arlington Community Band where she plays bass clarinet...**Marion Crouse**, '87, received an honorable medical discharge retirement in 1998 from the U.S. Navy. In 2005, he graduated from the University of New Mexico with a 3.90 GPA and a BA in Costume Design...**Marshel McCormick**, '03, married Stephanie Sargeant in August 2007 and graduated in December 2007 from UTA with a BS in Kinesiology.

On March 25, the Arlington ISD Education Foundation delivered 18 Impact Grants to campuses throughout the city. Since we have given \$3,000 each year to the Foundation to underwrite

grants at AHS or one of its network schools, the Foundation awards a grant each year named **The Arlington High School Alumni Association Impact Grant**. Over the years we have given \$21,000 to fund grants at AHS, its junior high and elementary feeder schools. This year our grant went to Dawn Zdrojewski at Short Elementary. She works with all **540** students there where each is on the path to Colt Country. Best of all, since the grant will be used more than one year, we can help even more future Colts in the years ahead. The more we help now, the better off these students will be as daughters and sons of the white and green.

These grants represent your membership dollars at work. Over the years of our grant underwriting, we have helped innovative teachers inspire thousands of Colts and future Colts. This is what being members of the Arlington High School Alumni Association is all about.



Mac Martin, teacher Dawn Zdrojewski, Linda Gipson, Principal Katherine McCollum, AHS '75, and Cathy Brown. The amount of money on the sign represents the amount of grants Short has received over the years from the AISD Education Foundation.



John and I at the waterfront in Cape Town with Table Mountain behind, the day we arrived.

♥ Romance Report Update

As reported in the Winter 2007 issue, **Patricia Hurley Schleuter**, '64, and **John Thomas** (Tommy to his '63 classmates) **Harris** married in December 2006. Their extended honeymoon plans included an eventual circumnavigation of the globe in his 40-foot sailing vessel. This picture, taken around Christmastime, proves they are well on their journey. Classmates receive periodic updates on the trials, tribulations and terrific times they have along with their two-man crew which includes John's son Hugh. Next challenge: 2200 miles to Rio from St. Helena!



Arlie's Angels

The **Arlie's Angels** campaign was first publicized in the Winter newsletter. Thank you, **Arlie's Angels**, for giving 28 gift memberships. This represents one of the single biggest membership boosts the Association has received at one time. We are confident that many of these new members will renew year after year which will form a broader base of Alumni support for Arlington High.

Dennis Bradley

Pat Ballweg Gazewood, '48

Cathy Bontley Brown

Scott & Rachel Hill Spain, '95

Erin Hawkes Chaney

 for the following:

Elizabeth Hawkes Turner, '66

Kay Ellen Hawkes Goodyear, '69

George & Lorie Walker Hawkes, '73/'73

Emily Goodyear Klopheus, '91

Elissa Chaney Taylor, '92

Jack Goodyear, '94

Jeff Turner, '95

Jim Turner, '96

Mary Turner Layton, '98

Ben & Cindy Hawkins Goodyear, '00/'01

Kathy Fuller Havins

 removed her children from her household membership, enrolling them as individual Life Members:

Kristie Havins Rivera, '02

Chris Havins, '03

Jo Colliflower McGovern

 for the following:

Pat Burress Vollenweider, '64

Patti Johns Casey, '67

Judy Kirk Alford, '68

Lynne Dorough Buck, '72

Bryan Bishop, '76

Terri Jordan Haugaard, '81

Nancy King Marak, '81

Karen Russell Duran, '82

To see the full roster of members, go to
www.ahscolts-alumni.org.

Linda Garner Gipson

 for

Marcie Gipson Schneider, '85,

Michele Gipson Alverson, '86,

Melinda Gipson Stillwagoner, '92

Jim Holland

 for

Steven Holland, '85 and

David Holland, '90

Mac & Peggy Martin

 for

Corey and Jackie Martin Hooks, '93/'94

Sharron Chapman Merrill

 for

Len Morrow, '61

Wally and Sammie Shackelford

 for

Robert Curry, '60

Other new members since January 2008:

Cheryl Kavathas, '78

Carolyn Findlay Price, '73

Gary & Juanice Nicholas Young, '60/'61

New Life Member

Debi Kraemer Crowell

Upgrade to Life

Tom & Judy Bond Joy, '58/'61

Carol Gowen Marshall, '61

Marsha Matlock, '75

Scott & Rachel Spain, '95

Still Kickin' It on July 4th!

Do you still have your jersey from AHS days? Can you still get in that cheerleader uniform? Even if you answer "No way!" join us **X-Colts** for Arlington's Fourth of July Parade! We walk, ride and have fun while showing our forever strong AHS pride. We need **YOU** to show the City of Arlington **HOW SWEET IT IS TO BE A COLT!** We'll meet in the UTA parking lot at the corner of Cooper and Mitchell at 8:00 a.m. on July 4 to decorate the cars.

Questions: **Sally Culver:** 817.860.9039, sculver@pobox.com.

Marsha Matlock: 817.274.6234, marsha.matlock@sabre.com.

Come on down and be a COLT again July 4th.

**And wear that jersey
or uniform!**

Financial Report

In April, the Board of Directors adopted the 2008 amended budget submitted by treasurer Gordon Cannoles. Accompanying it is the actual list of receipts and expenditures from 2007.

		<u>2007 ACTUAL</u>		<u>AMENDED 2008 BUDGET</u>
BEGINNING BANK BALANCE				
Operating Account		2,662		3,660
Scholarship Fund Account		4,500		1,000
(Per December 31, 2007 bank statements)		<u>7,162</u>		<u>4,660</u>
ESTIMATED INCOME (RECEIPTS)	No. OF		No. OF	
DUES - RENEWALS	122	1,335	150	1,500
DUES - NEW ANNUAL	53	1,110	75	1,700
DUES - LIFE MEMBERSHIPS	<u>42</u>	<u>4,650</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>5,250</u>
TOTAL DUES	217	7,095	275	8,450
SCHOLARSHIP FUND - DONATIONS		1,488		1,750
SCHOLARSHIP FUND - PRODUCT SALES		1,358		1,500
OTHER RECEIPTS - AHS BLDG. PLAQUE		<u>1,977</u>		<u>-</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS		<u>11,918</u>		<u>11,700</u>
ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES				
NEWSLETTER COST		3,964		4,000
POSTAGE & PERMITS		687		1,000
SPECIAL EVENTS-OPEN HOUSE, HOMECOMING		473		750
LEGAL AND PROFESSIONAL		-		250
GIFTS, GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS		7,100		6,100
PRODUCT INVENTORY		42		500
PROMOTION, ADS, WEBPAGE		598		1,000
PAYPAL, AHS BLDG PLAQUE		<u>1,556</u>		<u>100</u>
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		<u>14,420</u>		<u>13,700</u>
CASH FLOW (INCREASE) [DECREASE]		<u>(2,502)</u>		<u>(2,000)</u>
ENDING BANK BALANCE		<u>4,660</u>		<u>2,660</u>
(PER DECEMBER 31 BANK STATEMENTS)		<u><u>4,660</u></u>		<u><u>2,660</u></u>



Money Talk

To see the number of new members we need in order to fund our modest budget for 2008, look at the small set of numbers to the left of the amended budget column. We need 150 renewals (from 152 annual members—an impossible rate of retention) this year. So far we have about 80. We need 75 new annual members and we have about 50. We need 50 Life Memberships and we've only gotten 7.

We have trimmed our Gifts, Grants and Scholarships budget by \$1,000 from last year. Generous support of our Scholarship Fund through donations big and small along with the purchase of Alumni products allows us to continue giving four \$1,000 scholarships to seniors this year. Unfortunately, we did have to reduce the amount we donate to the AISD Education Foundation (see page 2) from \$3,000 to \$2,000. That leaves \$100 in the Gifts budget to donate to AHS in some other area.

Three years ago, the Colt Football Booster Club asked us to help them purchase the inflatable run-through so popular at high school games these days. Fortunately, we had a rush of annual members upgrading to life memberships that year and we had the cash on hand to help them buy it. No such luck for any requests this year.

Increasing membership increases our support to Arlington High. For that, we need **YOU!** On page 3, you will see a list of new members who received memberships in the Alumni Association for 2008 from Arlie's Angels. Use the form on page 8 to give one annual (\$20 or \$25) membership by June 1, 2008. Why June 1? So we can announce at Open House the astounding success of our Arlie's Angels campaign. Help your Alumni Association grow and do good for the high school which was so good to us.

Reunion Arena

Class of 1948

60th RoundUp
June 13: JGilligans
June 14: Alumni Open House,
Celebration at Crown Suites Hotel.
Contact: Frances Ditto Jennings,
817.795.0634 or Beverly Bohannon
Reynolds, 817.275.6452, qbev1@aol.com.

Fabulous Fifties

October 18: Admiral Hotel,
(formerly Holiday Inn)
Hwy 360 & Brown Blvd.
Letters coming in July.
Contact: Mary Bennett, 817.379.4002,
marykeller@verizon.net

Class of 1958

June 13: JGilligans. 7:00-?
June 14: Open House at AHS;
evening at Rolling Hills CC, 5:30-11:00
Contacts: Tom Joy, 281.486.6260

Class of 1963

June 13: Tony's Pizza
June 14: Open House at AHS;
Ladies Lunch at Pulidos;
Dinner at The White Room
June 15: Brunch at Rolling Hills
Headquarters Hotel: Crown Suites
Contact: Joyce Heffington Preisser,
972.851.0642, jmpreiss@swbell.net.

Class of 1978

Saturday, September 13, 7:00-11:00
Shady Valley Golf Club
ahscolts@yahoo.com
Contact: Melanie Halpin Milone,
mjmilone@sbcglobal.net.

Class of 1988

September 19 & 20
Details coming from
reunionsbythepartypeople.com

No word yet from 1953, 1968, 1973, 1983, 1998

Alumni Scholars: What's the Latest?



Jiminy Cricket and Jason Sauter

In our continuing series of updates on Alumni Association scholarship winners, we find **Jason Sauter, Class of 2004**, with one of his colleagues—Jiminy Cricket. Jason is a senior at the University of Central Florida, Rosen College of Hospitality Management. After changing his major from Broadcast News to Theme Park/Attraction and Event Management, Jason left UTA for Florida. Jason has maintained a 4.0 GPA throughout college and was named a Harris Rosen Scholar for 2007-2008. In addition to attending school full time, he is a VIP Tour Guide at Walt Disney World Resort. This places Jason in the footsteps of the first such guide—Walt Disney himself. Some of those VIPs Jason has served include: Lance Armstrong, Robert Redford, and Bret Favre. After graduation, delayed until 2009 due to loss of hours when he transferred and two semesters out of school for full time work at Disney World, Jason will move into the Leadership Casting Call at the park and become a Guest Service Manager of Operations for Disney Theme Parks. He says, “Accepting a role at Walt Disney World has certainly been one of the most amazing decisions I have made in my life. It truly helped me succeed professionally and academically!”

Lisa Creamier, scholar from the Class of 2005, started college at Tarrant County College. Due to her interest in police work, which was sparked by her job in the Security Department at Six Flags, she transferred in the spring of 2006 to Weatherford College. This two-year school has the second-highest ranking for police academies in the state of Texas. When Lisa graduates this spring, she will have earned three associate degrees: Criminal Justice, Applied Science and Criminal Justice, Forensic Science. She will then move on to the University of North Texas for a Bachelors degree, with a possible Masters degree after that. Her ultimate goal is to be a police officer. Lisa has maintained her job at Six Flags since her senior year at AHS and is now a dispatcher for their Security Department.

**Homecoming
September 19
Maverick Stadium
7:30**

Scholarship Giving

Gifts to the Scholarship Fund have assured the Association's capability to continue funding four \$1,000 scholarships for the Class of 2008.

Anonymous \$3,500

Class of 1946 - \$250

Pamela Workman Copeland

Effie Brewton Foster

Toni Leeds Grisham

Tom & Judy Bond Joy

Bill Middleton

Bill & Sabra Nesbitt

Dorothy Thornton Rencurrel

Mary Ann Demases Weaver

Gary & Juanice Nicholas Young

Giving memorial donations to the scholarship fund is a meaningful way to memorialize a departed friend or loved one.

Class of 1957 - \$150 - in memory of friends

Shirley Patterson Albin

Richard Jones

George Rozelle

Jim Holland - \$1,000 - in memory of his wife

Donna Jane Little Holland, '57

Sonny & Barbara Wooten - in memory of

Faith Belovsky Eddingston, '63

Spotlight on Lady Colt Volleyball

Two Life Members of the Association have been inducted into the AHS Volleyball Hall of Fame. **Lori Swartz Gray, '94**, the most recent inductee, teaches biology at Pflugerville High School where she has coached volleyball for ten years. She is married to Keith and their daughter Avery Elizabeth was born June 2006.

Kim Tipton, '95, inducted in 2006, taught at Bailey Jr High for three years, before coming to AHS to teach health and coach volleyball and soccer four years ago. Kim will marry Steve Spencer on June 21.

The Lady Colt volleyball teams have been among the most competitive sports team at AHS since girls began competing in UIL sports in 1968.



Here is a rundown of the banners which hang in the gym commemorating their successes:

- State Champions - 1970, 1976, 1982
- State Semi-Finalist - 1968, 1969, 1990
- Regional Finalist - 1971-1975, 1979, 1997, 2001, 2002, 2007
- Regional Semi-Finalist - 1977, 1983, 1986, 1989, 1993, 1999, 2000, 2003, 2006

Volleyball banners adorn the wall in Gym A.



Lori Swartz Gray, (left) stands with **Kim Tipton** under the Hall of Fame roster.

Other Hall of Famers in order of induction:

- | | | |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Coach Margie Austin, '66-'73 | Lori, Jones, '87 | Cheryl Watkins Neathery, '72 |
| Dorothy Brook, '71 | Sarah Wolfskill, '74 | Karen Richards Granger, '91 |
| Janis McAndrew Hawkins, '71 | Tricia Bowen Spence, '86 | Kathy Pyle, '83 |
| Judy Gromatzky, '68 | Deborah T. Kochevar, '74 | Vickie Lankford, '70 |
| Gayle Davis Bayes, '73 | Leah Box, '74 | Laura McDonald Trevor-Wilson, '83 |
| Ginger Carter Chapple, '90 | Lynn Joeckel Anderson, '77 | Lisa Poss Stewart, '70 |
| Diane Seymour, '84 | Coach Lynda Bradham, '73-'82 | Kristi Ziegler Otto, '76 |
| Debbie Bettinger Wood, '70 | Becky Graves Hughes, '69 | Bea Greytak, '74 |
| Dawn Porter, '91 | Paula Kelly Wolking, '68 | Aubrey Black, '81 |
| Kristen Bloom Scanlon, '77 | Erin "Tooney" Brown McDonald, '69 | |
| Ashley Self Brown, '92 | Coach Teresa Pool, '83-'88 | |

More History

AHS History Corrections: Mark Richardson, '79, writes "giving 1985 as birth year of the logo with the sideways horseshoe representing the letter 'C' in Colts is inaccurate. That logo was in use by the football team in 1977 appearing on the Super Colt t-shirt—an award to football players for special effort. The slogan 'How Sweet It Is to Be in Colt Country' was first used by **Principal James Crouch** at an outdoor pep rally in 1978. Students then thought it silly and I remember one who would show up at a pep rally, dressed in a suit and proclaiming *How Sweet it is...* We were so surprised the slogan stuck. Since Mr. Crouch was such a great principal, leader and friend, I'm sure his quote lived on, quite rightly, through the faculty and students who passed it on."



AHS Alumni Association Renewal/New Member Form

S2008



<u>Annual</u>		<u>Life</u>
\$20 - individual	-	\$100
\$25 - household	-	\$150
\$10 - renewal	-	\$ 0

Scholarship Fund \$ _____

Dues Enclosed \$ _____

Date _____

Join online at ahscolts-alumni.org

Name _____ Class of _____
 (First) (Last) (Maiden)

Address _____
 (Street)

 (City) (State) (Zip) (Phone)

E-Mail _____ Form of Payment Cash Check

Check your preference: Newsletter by regular mail by email notification

Payable to: **AHS Alumni P.O. Box 152578 Arlington, TX 76015 817.261.1512 ahs_alumni@sbcglobal.net**

Given by **Archie's Angel** name: _____ phone: _____

CAN YOU HELP? The Colt Band is going on a Sentimental Journey—the theme of their banquet in May. If you have any mementos (photos, uniforms, stories) you would loan (all items will be returned for this event), contact Tanya Terrell-Weideman at 817.797.8297 or shadowlr@swbell.net.

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