

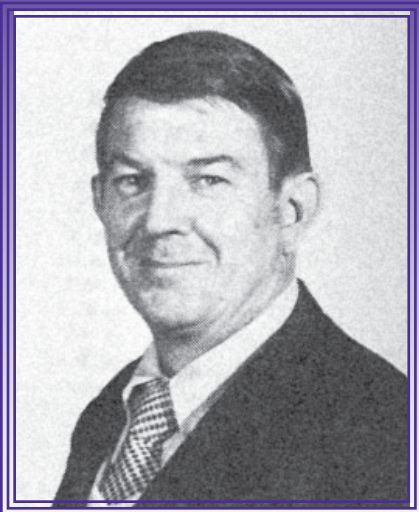


NEWSLETTER

Sunset High School Alumni Association

WINTER 2009

Former Basketball Coach Joe Huey Passes



Joe Huey

Former Sunset Basketball coach Joe Huey, who spent 19 years as both a teacher and Head coach of the Boys basketball team passed away on August 17th, 2007 at age 78 from Heart failure. Coach Huey was both a History teacher and Basketball coach from the Junior High ranks to College until retiring in 2001.

In 2006, Coach Huey required full time nursing care after a heart attack & stroke. Friends & former students would often visit him to lend support.

At his memorial service, former students recalled his efforts to groom them into men. One of those students, Dr. Michael Hinojosa would later become Superintendent of Dallas schools.

In addition to his wife Sara, he is survived by 3 daughters, 2 sisters & 1 brother, and 4 grandchildren.

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Commencement for *Class of 2009*

The Senior class of 2009 is proud to announce its commencement exercises will be held on Saturday May 30th, 2009 at 2:00pm at the Dallas Convention Center. For more information please contact Assistant Principal Barbara Amie at 214-502-1531 or by e-mail at bamie@dallasisd.org.



Sunset High School student **Patrisia Castro** was presented with the Patrick Henry Medallion for Patriotic achievement by the Dallas Chapter of the Military Order of World Wars in recognition of her selection as a Distinguished Student during her participation in one of the Army Junior Cadet Leadership challenges conducted last summer.

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Alumni Association 2008 Grants



The Sunset Alumni Association awarded its 2008 grants at the annual assembly on October 29th in the school auditorium. The following Departments received grants:

- \$ 294 for Group Counseling
- \$ 463 for Group Counseling
- \$ 250 for Girls Track Team
- \$ 250 for Lady Bison Softball Team
- \$ 250 for Boys & Girls Cross Country Team
- \$ 200 for the Speech Team – Debate
- \$ 250 for Girls Soccer Team
- \$ 500 for Bisonette Drill Team
- \$ 500 for Jazz Ensemble
- \$ 400 for National Honor Society
- \$ 250 for French Club
- \$ 500 for Kick-Off mentoring Program
- \$ 500 for the Advanced Placement Program
- \$ 500 for the Academic Decathlon
- \$ 230 for Group Counseling “ Let’s talk about it”.
- \$ 500 for Counseling department for students personal needs
- \$ 500 for Counseling department for Journals & books for coping skills
- \$ 275.00 for Counseling department books & journals

A total of \$ 6,611.64 was awarded this year. Since the Association began in 2000 they have awarded more than \$ 30,000 in grants to various departments at SHS.



Lost & then FOUND

In September of 2008, Ms. DeAnn Hughes said her son was cleaning out an apartment in Austin, Texas when he came across what appeared to be a high school senior ring. Ms. Hughes noticed that the ring was a men’s 1964 Sunset High School senior ring. With a desire to return the ring to its owner, she began her search. She searched for Sunset High School in Dallas on the Internet. There she was able to find a link to the Sunset High School Alumni Association. Ms. Hughes contacted the association through the web site’s email option. She said that they had found the ring which had the initials of RGR and asked if we could research the alumni from the class of 1964 to see if we could find any one who has those initials. She said they would really like to make sure the lost ring was returned to the owner and would be willing to pay the shipping cost. We contacted Penny Peters Wilson ’64 who is the Class Contact Person and told her the story of the found ring. Penny was able to check their class roster and told us that they have a Robert (Bobby) Redman in their class. She was able to contact Bobby and ask about his ring. Bobby said he in fact was missing his senior ring and it has been missing for many years. So long that he figured it was long gone. Bobby said while in college he and his girlfriend would visit a friend’s apartment in Austin to play poker. His girlfriend was wearing his ring during that time. Later when he and his girlfriend broke up, she told him that she had lost his ring. Ms. Hughes mailed the ring to our alumni association, who in turn delivered the ring to Bobby. He said the ring was his and believe it or not, it still fits. The Sunset Alumni Association would like to thank Ms. Hughes and her thoughtfulness and caring spirit, to do something nice for someone that she didn’t know to the point of spending her own money to make sure that a Sunset Bison is returned a piece of their history. The world needs more people like her.

Alumni Events

The Classes of '51 & '52 reports they planned a cruise on Royal Caribbean's Voyager of the Seas from March 22 to March 29, 2009 for all SHS Alumni. If you are interested in booking future cruises please contact the following people for information:

Sandra Julien at sj34ok@aol.com

Cecile Payne at crp33tp@aol.com

Lewis Menshew at ymentshew@flash.net

The Class of 1959 has begun planning its 50th Reunion. For more information and to update your contact info, please contact Becky Burden Kauffman at beckykauffman@hotmail.com They also held a "mini-reunion" on October 31st, 2008 at the Dallas Country Club (formerly Oak Cliff Country Club). For more info on that contact Sandra Julien.

The Class of 1962 held its annual Christmas Cheer Party on December 13th, 2008 at the Hilton Anatole.

The Class of 1968 will also hold a Spring Fling Mixer on Saturday May 2nd 2009 at David and Beth Jackson's home, from 4:00pm to 11:30pm. For more information please visit the website.

The Class of 1989 recently held Garage Sale at Sunset to raise money for its 20th Reunion activities. They also recently held a bowling get-together at USA Bowl in Dallas on November 15th, 2008.

The Class of 1989 has several events planned for its 20th Reunion from April-June 2009. For more information contact

Carol Hernandez at carol.hernandez@hilton.com or Jay Wilbanks at jwilbanks@gmail.com

The Class of 1999 is planning its 10th Reunion. For more information contact Joseph Contreras at josephgc1@aol.com

The Alumni Association held a general meeting on March 14th, 2009 at the El Fenix on McKinney Avenue in Dallas. Over 30 Alumni attended this meeting. The niece of Dr. Henry H. Johns, the voice of Bo Bison, presented the alumni association with the original notes Dr. Johns used for his "Bison Speaks" program. It was great to see so many alumni attend!

“The best antiques to collect are old friends”

Class Websites and Websites of Interest

Sunset High School Alumni	www.sunsetalumni.com
Classes of '38-'46	www.sunset.drkinslow.com
Class of '50	www.bisons1950.org
Classes of '56	www.sunsetspirit1956.com
Classes of '57-'58	www.theherd.net
Class of '63	www.sunsetbison63.com
Class of '64	www.sunset64.com
Class of '65	www.sunset65.org
Class of '68	www.sunsetbisonclassof68.org
Class of '69	www.sunsetclassof69.com
Class of '70	www.shs70.net
Oakcliff Tribune	www.oakcliffonline.com
Class of '89	(link through Alumni Assn. web site)
Class of '94	www.geocities.com/sunsethigh1994
Sunset Bison Band	www.members.aol.com/thesunsetband
Sunset Foundation	www.sunsetfoundation.org

Have we missed your class web site? Tell Webmaster at sunstalumni@sbcglobal.net

The Class of 1969 will have its 40th Reunion on October 16th – 17th, 2009 at the Embassy Suites hotel in Grapevine, Texas. Among the activities planned are a Friday night mixer, Saturday morning golf tournament, Saturday tour of Sunset High School and photo on the front steps of the school, and a Saturday night diner/dance/casino party. Details can be found at www.SunsetClassof69.com or by e-mailing Reunion_Committee@SunsetClassof69.com. Please make note of the underscore between the words Reunion & Committee.

The Class of 1964 will be having its 45th reunion on June 26th, 27th & 28th of 2009. For more info please contact Carol Burns Mason at cbmason@sbcglobal.net or Carol Bender Neal at 214-239-2059.

Who's Keepin' Up With Your Class?

Contact information provided here is for the use of Sunset Alumni only in communicating with class representatives. Class Contacts are asked to refer fundraising requests to the Alumni Association Board for determination as to the appropriate response. For corrections to info shown below, contact Mike Conway at M_conway1@yahoo.com

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2000	Cristina Ibarra	cristina.ibarra@uta.edu	(469) 386-0101
2000	Iris Lozano	shakiris82@hotmail.com	(214)397-5224

In Memoriam

Following are the names of Alumni whose deaths occurred since our last newsletter, or of whose death we were made aware since the last newsletter. If the graduation year is not known, it is shown as "est." If any reader knows correct dates, please contact the Editor at jbsb24@sbcglobal.net.

Mary Louise Mills Grady	1926	Jeanette Durand Potter	1945	David V. McLeod	1954
Laura Loudermilk Williams	1931	JoAnne McKey Broiles	1945	John Mayo Kellam, Jr.	1955
John Carl Day	1932	Betty Sue Kee	1945	Linda McGlamery Battles	1956
Leona Louise Southern	1932	Mary Dudley Dwinell	1946	James Winfrey	1956
Lloyd Dee Sample	1933	James Minnis	1946	Patricia Mae Tupin Cox	1957
Gene Vaughn Jester	1933	William Taylor Hall	1946	Margaret Buchanan Grandee	1956
Wimberly Clavin Goodman	1935	O.F. Thompson	1946	John Terry Wible	1956
Morris Moore	1935	Charles Flagg	1947	Doyce (Bill) Williams	1957
Joe W. Spears	1935	Betty Osborn Porter	1947	Betty Carolyn Prince	1958
Mary Hendrex Pearce	1935	Mary Sturdevant Hawthorne	1947	Donald Glenn Berry	1958
Sidney V. Suhlet	1935	Drexel Toland	1947	Jack Layne Harper	1959
Arvel Franklin	1935	Herbert Hamilton Sanders	1948	Helen Hicks Faulkner	1960
Arveline Billings Standifer	1936	Talford G. Smith, Jr.	1950	Helen Murphy Hedgepeth	1960
Milton Clay Bye	1936	Fredna Fowler Wheeler	1950	Susan Kay Heth	1961
Georgaleen Estes Sample	1936	Donald Terry Fry	1951	Mary Colleen O'Neal	1961
Deck Hulcy	1937	Kathy Watson Corbett	1951	Harry Herndon Royse	1962
Earline Hayes Byrd	1937	Jon Pare Kinslow	1951	Cynthia Richardson Havens	1964
Annie Jo Floyd	1937	Billy Allen	1952	Sharon Duke Vogel	1964
Dene Dowis Broders	1938	Pat Metheny Mickelson	1952	Louis Solganick	1965
Jane Moore Emerick	1938	Tommie L. Payne	1952	Larry D. Lawson	1965
Joy Grelling Smith Halley	1938	Aloha Dale Melton Lanford	1952	Michael Don Pass	1966
Charles W. Weaver	1938	Johnny Pensinger	1952	Aubrey Cryer	1966
Wilbur Roland Lund	1938	Marilyn Bickford Mace	1952	William Philip West	1966
Earline Dolores Horton Clark	1939	Gordon Lee Chambers	1952	Mike Akin	1967
Claiborn G. Foster	1939	Pat Burnett Beardsley	1953	Sylvia Irene Garcia Gonzalez	1969
Mary Kathryn Painter Isbell	1940	Joyce Lassig Bell	1953	Paul E. Brannon	1970
Katherine King Rodgers	1940	Gerald Youngs	1953	Donna Jo Morris Blair	1970
Charles B. Cothran	1940	David E. Meadows	1953	Brian Davis	1971
Jane Casten Bell	1941	Jerry B. Wise	1953	Helen Kay Spears	1975
Kathryn Gilmour Fox	1941	Gene Ausmus	1953	Jana Locke Lynch	1980
Mary Ann McBean Rose	1943	Martin Carroll Young	1954	Don Yen	1980
Phyllis Byron	1944	Nancy Ruth Tucker	1954	Gary Wayne Peters	1982
Patricia Baker Wondell	1944	Clarence Stahl Parsons	1954	Brenda Burgess Smith	1982
Fred Wagner	1944	Bobby Overall	1954	Stagg Renz	
Betty Brewer Olive	1945	Suzanne Astor	1954	Annice Belle Umphress Renz	

They will not grow old, as we who are left grow old...

Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn...And at the setting of the sun, and in the morning...

We shall remember them.

Our sympathy and caring are extended to the families of these Sunset alumni.

Bison News...



Michael Jenkins with Tony Awards won by himself and the Dallas Summer Musicals.

Oak Cliff businessman and Sunset High School alumni **Michael Jenkins**, who currently is President and Managing Director of the Dallas Summer Musicals won a 2007 Tony award for Best Special Theatrical Event for " Jay Johnson: The Two and Only".

Sunset High School hosted the 33rd annual High School math Olympiad on Saturday October 25th, 2008 at the school.

Sunset High School Drama department held performances of the play "Dracula", November 14th & 15th, 2008 in the school auditorium.

Carter Blood Care, along with JROTC held a blood drive at Sunset High School on December 16th, 2008.

Sunset High School Music department held its annual Winter Extravaganza on December 18th, 2008 in the school auditorium.

Sunset High School received the top School Effect Indices ranking among all Dallas area High Schools for the first time ever in 2008. SHS placed 14th among area High Schools in 2007. Among areas looked at in the rankings are ACP scores, TAKS tests and students grades overall.

Dominnik Reyes, a Junior at Sunset High School, was recently elected to the DISD Teen School Board for the 2008-2009 school year. Dominnik will serve as the service project chair.

Barbara Barbee, Class of '59, was recently mentioned in an article in the Dallas Morning News in December about dedicated volunteers nurturing neglected Oak Cliff Parks. Barbara is member of the Friends of Oak Cliff Parks and an intern in the ' Master Gardener Program'.

Rev. Kathleen Baskin-Ball passed away on December 2nd, 2008. She was the daughter of **Peggy Lee** & Gene Baskin. Peggy was a 1948 graduate of Sunset High School.

Peggy Thompson McGowan, Sunset High School graduate and her Husband Norman McGowan celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on October 23rd, 2008.

Leroy and Jean Perryman Parramore, Class of '41 & '42 celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary last summer.

Jack Hays, class of '51 was inducted into the Columbia-Brazoria (Texas) Athletic Booster Club Hall of Honor on Friday October 24th, 2008.

The Sunset High School marching band won First place among 21 area High School marching bands that participated in the Veterans Day parade in Downtown Dallas on Veterans Day, November 11th, 2008. Congratulations to the Bison Marching Band.

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Kick-off Mentoring Program comes to Sunset...



Kick-off Mentoring sponsor Karen Bradford, who is also the Freshman Coordinator, speaks to KOM Mentors, who are upperclassmen, training them to help our new freshmen succeed at Sunset High School.

The Kick-Off Mentoring Program or KOM has arrived at SHS. The program is designed to support incoming freshmen and assist them in making the transition from middle school to high school easier and more successful. The program began in 2001 and was founded by

Lee Lonzo , an educator from Indiana.

The Program at Sunset is dubbed CASHEWS. President Richard Negrete explained that it stands for Caring Active Students Helping Everyone With Success.

Small learning Community Coordinator Karen Bradford said that “Among the requirements for being a mentor are having good leadership, attendance, listening and speaker skills as well as being respectful, energetic, enthusiastic, dependable and most important having the desire to help”.

Ms. Bradford also said that the mentors are also expected to conduct themselves as appropriate models for the freshmen. “Failure is NOT an option for My freshmen”, she stated.

Ms. Bradford expects the class of 2012 to graduate on time. “They are highly motivated and are a good group of freshmen”. In addition to Negrete, the council members include Vice President Emma Cepeda, Secretary Ashley Freney and Corresponding Secretary Margarita Benavidez.

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Be sure that your membership is current, as your membership is the support of the Association!

Membership year is January to December

Annual Membership Contribution (check one)

- Single Membership \$ 25.00
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I cannot contribute at this time, but please add my name to the Sunset Alumni database for your records.

FOR MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL ONLY: (Circle One) Member information SAME CHANGED

Member Name: First: _____ Maiden/Middle: _____ Last: _____

Year of Graduation: _____ Spouse Name: _____ Spouse SHS Grad? _____ If Yes, Year _____

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Phone # _____ Email Address _____

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Editorial Policy...

Your Alumni Association Board hopes to make this an informative newsletter that will present you with items of interest relating to Sunset past, and also news about current-day Sunset. Our goal is to help today's students, while remembering that we who went before them laid the foundation upon which their education is being built.

We welcome letters from alumni. Tell us about your years at Sunset, or your memories of the school or of Oak Cliff. Letters or articles may be edited to meet space limitations, and excerpts may be used.

Your privacy is important to us. We will not publish phone numbers, addresses, or email addresses without permission.

We consider all membership information proprietary, and will not release it to any outside organization or individual.

Your continued financial support is needed and much appreciated by the Alumni Association, students, and faculty of Sunset High School.

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Donors since last issue

Sincere thanks are expressed to the newest members of the Century Club. These members made contributions of \$100 or more to the Alumni Association since the publication of the last newsletter. All gifts, no matter the size, are greatly appreciated by the students benefiting from your generosity.

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| Kibler, W.B. ('60) | Barclay, Anna Lyle ('68) |
| Jester, Janet DiRienzo ('61) | Nance, Bruce ('74) |
| Johns, Dr. H.H. Jr. ('35) <i>In memory of / by Jester, Janet DiRienzo ('61)</i> | Nance, Nan Suggs ('74) |
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| Roten, William ('61) | Laney, Dixie Thomas ('66) |
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| Ibarra, Rafael ('00) | Dewitt, Lynn Bergoon ('50) |
| Preciado, Christina ('00) | Sunset Class of 1968 |
| Carter, John Paul ('40) <i>In memory of / by Carter, Louise D. ('40)</i> | Murphy, Doris ('70) |
| Coleman, Jeanine Springer ('47) <i>In memory of</i> | White, Stephany Pitt ('68) |
| | Boyd, Jerry ('76) |

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