



NEWSLETTER

Sunset High School Alumni Association

Summer 2012



in the
SPOTLIGHT...

Judge Brown Fite

Judge Brown Fite was an Oak Cliff Legend in the field of Real Estate and was a fourth generation Texan, born and raised in Dallas County. He attended Rosemont Elementary and helped out with family chores that included chopping and picking cotton. But in 1937, he decided that it was easier and more fun to sell the land than to work it. Thus began a long and very successful career in real estate.

When World War II broke out, he proudly joined in December 1942 and served his country as a counter intelligence agent with the U.S. Army until January 1946. He would receive the Bronze Star and Purple Heart.

Judge married Modenia "Dene" Earle Long and together they raised 4 children, all graduates of Sunset High School.

Linda Kay Fite – Class of '62
Jan Earle Fite – Class of '65
Judge Carl Fite – Class of '67
James Robert Fite – Class of '71

Judge Fite served on numerous committees and organizations that included Director of the Greater Dallas Board of Realtors, Director of TAR for 8 terms, Director of NAR and many others.

Judge and Dene Fite were staunch supporters of Oak Cliff and Sunset High School. Judge was a mentor, teacher and lecturer to many real estate agents. Dene was a "mother" and friend to anyone who knew her.

Judge passed the baton to his children, Jim and Jan, who have continued the Fite real estate legacy under the well known Century 21 Judge Fite Company.

It was a great sorrow when Judge Brown Fite left us on February 2, 2003 but his legacy will continue. Dene passed away on October 5, 2010.

The Sunset High School Alumni Association wish to thank the family of Judge and Dene Fite for their continued support.

Officers

Jerry Boyd 1976
President

Joseph Contreras 1999
Vice President

To Be Determined
Secretary

Dixie Thomas Laney 1966
Treasurer

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Lynn Bergoon DeWitt 1950

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Historian & Newsletter Editor

Joe Whitney 1967

Doris Murphy 1970
Special Projects / Resource Advisor to Classes

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Sunset Faculty Liaison

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Don Moore ('50)

Shirley Young Sutton ('50)

Bill Smith ('57)

Ed Cullum ('58)

Steve Levine ('60)

Peggy Tomlinson van Wunnik ('69)

Laura Schuller Lockwood ('85)

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Due to the current economic climate and in an effort to give back to Sunset, we would like to announce, "We are Going Green." If you have an e-mail address listed in our database but don't currently receive the newsletter by e-mail please contact us before our next issue which is due out in November or December. You will receive all future issues by e-mail.

If you have an e-mail address, you will continue to receive the newsletter, but by e-mail. If you have an e-mail address but don't have it listed in our database, please contact us before our next issue, which should be out in November or December.

We would like to apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. Our goal will always be to give as much of your donations back to Sunset as possible. We are asking of your help in this effort. Our email address is sunsetbisons@gmail.com



Alumni Association 2011 Grants

The Sunset Alumni Association awarded its 2011 grants on October 25, 2011 at an assembly in the Boys Gym. The following departments received grants:

KOM Fresh Mentoring	Supplies	\$500
Counseling Dept	Dart Passes	\$250
Counseling Dept	Walmart Cards	\$250
Counseling Dept	Dart Passes	\$250
Counseling Dept	Journals/Books	\$250
Counseling Dept	ACT/SAT Stamps	\$220
Counseling Dept	Books/ Events	\$270
Counseling Dept	Guidance books	\$150
Medical Explorers	Scrubs, books	\$300
Forensic Science	CSI Kit Supplies	\$300
Medical Explorers	UT Southwestern Tours	\$300
Outdoor Wilderness	Celestial Globes	\$300
Natl Honor Society	T-Shirts	\$300
AP Committee	Name Plates	\$300
TAFE	Printer	\$300
Peace Makers	Supplies	\$300
Tennis	Tournament Fees	\$300
Cross Country Team	Meet Fees/Expenses	\$300
Bisonettes	Field Uniform Vests	\$300
Physical Education	Gym Equipment	\$300
Softball	Equipment	\$300
Sundial/Stampede	Sports action lens	\$300
Boys Basketball	Banners state champs	\$250
Fine Arts	Sketchbooks	\$250
Academic Decathlon	Study materials	\$250
Theatre	Supplies	\$250
PE Department Gym 1	Equipment	\$250

A total of \$7,590 was awarded this year. Since the Association began in 2000 they have awarded over \$48,701.54 in grants to various departments at SHS. Our sincere thanks go to the SHS Alumni whose contributions make these grants possible.

sunset trivia

Who was the first principal
at Sunset High School?

Answer will appear in the Fall Newsletter

Classes of 1966-1967 Reunion Donations

We had a “friendly” competition between these 2 classes on which class could donate more and receive a Sunset wristband. As it turned out we had a tie! We collected a total of \$588.00. And we just received \$235 from Jack Miller ‘66 and Cindy Grigis Miller ‘67 that was not used for the reunion.

Many thanks to the following Class of 1966

Cathy Edwards Smith
Cheryl Cunningham Gray
Deitra Howard Langley
Jack Miller
Giles C. Berry
Larry Yowell
Tom Snyder
Tyler Anderson
Dixie Thomas Laney
Linda Snider
Howard Lovelace

Many thanks to the Class of 1967

Carl Fite
Cindy Grigis Miller
Cindy Womble Billman
Jimmy Cox
Jody Seay
Mike Marlowe
Cindy Brignon
Harry James
Liz Royce Joe
Betsy Ann Taylor
Ron Luke
Bruce Prine
Sandy Robertson

Our sincere apologies if you donated and your name was inadvertently left out!

BREAKING NEWS

We are in the process of reformatting our newsletter in hopes of making it more up to date, easier to read and more exciting! So, if you have any ideas on what is important to you please email us at sunsetbisons@gmail.com. Beginning with this issue, we are going to spotlight a person that has been a force for Oak Cliff and Sunset and a Recognition for an alumni on his/her achievements.



Congratulations
to the
Sunset High School
Graduating Class of 2012
Job well done!



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 '59	www.sunsetbisons59.com
Class of '60	www.bisons60.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	https://sites.google.com/site/sunsetbison/1970
Class of '71	www.sunsetclassof71.com
Class of '89	(link through Alumni Assn. web site)
Sunset Foundation	www.sunsetfoundation.org
Oakcliff Tribune	www.oakcliffonline.com

Have we missed your class web site? Tell Webmaster at sunsetbisons@gmail.com



Find us on
Facebook

If you're on Facebook, check out Sunset Alumni Association's new Facebook group. Just type Sunset in the search box in the upper right hand corner. That will bring up a list of suggested groups, one of which is for our association. You can also get to it by clicking on the Facebook button on our website's homepage. We will use this to send out news and activities regarding Sunset and our association. We recently uploaded photos from our 2009 Homecoming. We'll continue to list news and announcements on Facebook and our website.

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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 sunsetbisons@gmail.com

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1937	Glenn Simmons	gsimmons@arcip.net	(817) 261-5110
1938-46	Roy Kinslow ('42)	rkinslow@flash.net	(972) 661-1941
1943-46	Clay Scott	jscottatty@sbcglobal.net	(214) 358-0341
1947	Glenn Wamble	glennwamble@yahoo.com	(214) 796-6327
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1948	Dan Waddle		(512) 250-5662
1949	F. Clark Williams	cwwms@tx.rr.com	(817) 477-1597
1951-52	Sandra Young Julien	sandra-julien@sbcglobal.net	(972) 709-7832
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1958	Edward Cullum	ed.cullum@tx.rr.com	(972) 881-9169
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1978	Debbie Boone	boonegrp@earthlink.net	(214) 358-3328
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2005	Priscilla Cabrera	cabera_priscilla@att.net	(214) 998-6761
2009	Yanella Montoya	yanelamnt@yahoo.com	(214) 339-5514
2009	Veronica Rios	vrios@hotmail.com	(214) 339-3751

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 cynb48@gmail.com.

For a complete list of Departed Bisons please visit our website at
www.sunsetalumniassociation.homestead.com

Kathleen (Taylor) Evans	1927	Peggy Lou Melton	(est.) 1944	Richard Deane Carvajal	1952
John Joseph Evans	1928	Ruth Marie (Murdock) Reed	1945	Jimmie Lou (Perkins) Horton	1953
Lillian Doris (Scudder) Carter	1931	Henry W. Westerlage, Sr.	1945	Stanley Bert Jones	1955
Angelo Sala	1932	Allwyn Wilmoth	1945	Bobby G. Jarrard	1955
Mikdred Eunice (Caster) Sala	1932	Bill G. Pritchett	1946	Virginia (Stampher) Shelton	1956
Marguerite (Addison) Groves-English (est.)	1932	Rosalind (Riddle) Beaird	1947	Martha McElroy	1959
June (Murray) Burris	1934	Miriam (Keele) Poland	1947	Winifred (Coburn) Danks	1959
Earl Roe Donnell, Jr.	1935	Earl M. Pearce	1947	Paul H. Moore, III	1959
Leroy Gaffney	(est.) 1938	Shirley Ann (Merritt) Zahn	1947	Richard Allen Reeb	1960
Worth M. Speed	1939	Albert " Wyndham " Hudgins	1947	Charles Godi	1960
Edd Lee Haskins	1939	Dortha Maxine (Combs) Tipton	1947	Carol Ann (Marchant) Walden	1962
Catherine Anne (Malcomson) Carter	1940	Mary (Milam) Vander Hoya	1947	Patricia Ann (Knott) Ryan	1964
Edward Ellis Carter	1940	Paul Miller Streetman	1948	Anne (Walraven) Rupe	1964
Peggy Louise (Amos) Smith	1940	Tom Franklin Pope	1949	Robert Allen Kelsey	1965
Dorothy (McCary) Huffstutler	1941	Ruth (Broad) Neely	1949	Patricia Lynn (Ramsey) Zagorski	1965
Walter Charles Baltzell	1941	Charlene (Corbitt) Rackley	1950	Hollis Riddle	1966
William O. Floyd	1941	Janette (Vandiver) Chamberlin	1950	Deborah (Dunn) Wallace	1966
Jack Austin Titus	1941	Jerry H. Hinnant, M.D.	1951	Michael Lynn Brown	1967
Bettye (Mims) Danoff	(est.) 1941	Calvin Hendon	1951	Brenda Joyce (Calvert) Angell	1967
Denson Forrest Walker, Jr.	1941	Roger Furlong	1951	Terry D. Waldrum	1969
Walter Grant	1941	Charles Ashworth	1951	Alan Jack Howell	1969
Louis Blaylock Gillmour, Jr.	1942	Ann Laverne (Tye) Munchrath	1951	Adrienne Anderson	1970
Monte Moncrief	1942	Gwendolyn (Berry) Slavik	1951	Clifford Averitt (parking lot attendant)	1971
James Calvin Hodge	1943	Barbara (May) Crenshaw	1952	Dennis Acord	1973
T.A. Painter	1943	Patricia (Conner) Robbins	1952	Rhonda Thornton	1974
Joan (Park) Wilkins	1943	Betty Jean (Webb) Koons	1952	Daniel Silva	1979
Jimmie H. Lowry	1944	Jerald D. Crow	1952	Adam Reyes Hernandez	1985
Margaret (Hight) Earnheart	(est.) 1944	Milton Padgett	1952	Fred Sallis (Teacher)	
Wallace Duncan Price	1944	Joe Nelson Watson	1952		

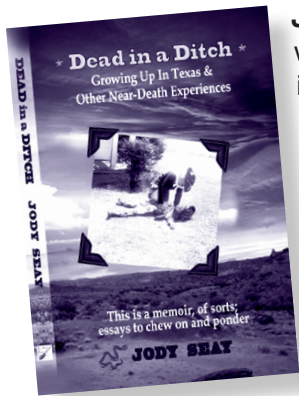
They will not grow old, as we who are left grow old...

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 in the News...



Jody Seay, Class of '67 is a freelance writer and author. Her new book is titled "Dead in a Ditch" and a memoir of sorts about her growing up in Texas (especially Oak Cliff). It is written with humor and reflections of life's changes. The book can be purchased on Amazon.com or for an autographed copy you can contact her publisher at 503-723-7392 and talk to Scott or Dayna.

Ivan Greenhaw AWARD



This year's recipient was Alyssa M. Gonzalez

Happy 70th Anniversary

Robert H. Campbell (Class of '36) and Caroline Whyte Campbell (Class of '38) just celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary with a 5 day cruise from Galveston to Cozumel and were accompanied by their children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. A fantastic time was had by all and congratulations to the "newlyweds"!

SHS Alumni Association

Have you ever wondered what the SHSAA was all about?
The Sunset High School Alumni Association was formed in the summer of 2000...

- To promote the continuing and on-going interest in SHS as one of Dallas' important institutions
- To recognize and support the historic significance of SHS through its students, its graduates and its physical facilities
- To preserve Sunset's place as a significant educational and social venue in Oak Cliff
- To recognize the achievements of SHS, through its students, its graduates, its faculty and its staff
- To ensure a continuing place of public education and gathering place for the people of Oak Cliff by advocating continuation of exemplary academic, athletic and co-curricular activities at Sunset High School
- To ensure on-going pride in attendance at SHS and to celebrate its place in the growth of Dallas
- To ensure on-going academic, social and athletic opportunities
- To develop funding for scholarship and unique co-curricular activities

The Sunset High School Alumni Association was formed in the summer of 2000 to advance continuing interest in Sunset High School as one of Dallas' important institutions and to champion its historic significance through its graduates, former students, physical facilities and current students.

Through contributions and fund raising efforts, the association will celebrate its role in the growth of Dallas and North Texas region. In particular, the association will develop funding for the betterment of Sunset High School and its students.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The SHSAA Board Members are all volunteers that were duly elected and are not compensated for their time and dedication. All donations are "given back" to Sunset High School in the form of grants with a small percentage that goes to the cost of operating expenses. Please refer to the October 2011 Grants that were awarded in this newsletter.

Sunset Alumni Association Contribution/Contact Info Update

Your annual contributions is 501 (c)(3) Tax Deductible and our only source of funding

Contribution year is January 1st to December 31st

This is a: ☐ New Contribution ☐ Renewal ☐ Current Member Info Update

Annual Membership Contribution (check one)

<input type="checkbox"/> Individual Membership.....\$25.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Silver Level.....\$250
<input type="checkbox"/> Couple Membership.....\$40.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Gold Level.....\$500
<input type="checkbox"/> Century Club Membership*.....\$100.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Platinum Level.....\$1000
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Amount.....\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Diamond Level.....\$2500
<input type="checkbox"/> I do not wish to contribute at this time, but please add my name to the Sunset Alumni database.	

* If both are Sunset Alumni, please complete separate forms

A reminder, many employers will match employee contributions 100% and especially to an educational organization.
Just check with your Human Resources/Personnel Dept.

Donations can also be made using **PayPal** on our website at www.sunsetalumni.com

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

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

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

Address: _____ City/State/Zip _____

Email Address _____ @ _____ Phone (_____) _____

May we send you Alumni newsletters by email? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Make checks payable to Sunset Alumni Association **(Please do not send cash)**

Mail completed form to:

Sunset Alumni Association, P O Box 225276, Dallas TX 75222-5276

In Recognition: Michael Jenkins, Class of 1960



Michael Jenkins, SHS Class of 1960
Recipient of the
Samuel J. L'Hommedieu Award

The Samuel J. L'Hommedieu Award for Outstanding Achievement in Presenter Management was given to Michael Jenkins of Dallas Summer Musicals for demonstrating excellence in management by The Broadway League. Under the leadership of Jenkins, Dallas Summer Musicals has produced or invested in 123 Broadway productions and presented 438 national tours. Jenkins is a leader in the community, founding programs that bring Broadway and the arts to special needs and at-risk youth in the Dallas area.

BISON SPIRIT



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Supporting Sunset Students is Our Mission

POSTMASTER: RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

*Is it time to make your contribution for 2011?
The Alumni Association thanks you!*

**We're on the Web!
Check us out at
www.sunsetalumni.com**

Summer 2012 Bison Spirit Newsletter

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 e-mail 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.

Century Club Yearly Contributors

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.

Charles B. Morton	1948	Cindy Womble Billman	1967
Lynn Bergoon DeWitt	1950	Kathy Kempher Lee	1968
Bill Melton	1958	Anna Lyle Barclay	1968
Mitch Womble	1964	Stephany Pitt White	1968
Dr. Steve Haley	1965	Janelle Chandler Bates	1971
Mark Laney	1965	Bruce Nance	1974
Tyler Anderson	1966	Nan Suggs Nance	1974
Dixie Thomas Laney	1966	Beth Morgan Whitaker	1977
Bob Mayo	1966		