

CHS Alumni Newsletter

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News From Our Alumni

1938

1940's

Class contact:
Albert Sharpton
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1951

1952

Class Contact: Don Wilcut
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The class of 1952 will have our 55th reunion on Sept 1, 2007. It will be at the All Steak.

1957

Class contact: Joyce Brown
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1953

Dottie Henke

The class of 1953 is still very active. We still meet the last Tuesday night of the month at 6:30 P.M. We had been meeting at the All Steak, but for the last two months and for the month of July, we are meeting at Carlton's on 1st Avenue N. We lost two more classmates this year, Joe Davis and Frieda Haynie (Mrs. Fred Yarbrough) and in November 2006, we lost Bennie Joe Wolff. If any of our classmates read this newsletter, we encourage them to meet with us each month. We usually have about 16 to 20 people who attend regularly.

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1954

1955

1959

1960

1961

Class Contact: Becky Kirk kirkbcrafty@aol.com

1962

1963

1964

Class contact: James Roden

rodenj@MSN.com

Since our class reunion Bobby Prater has changed jobs. He has resigned as Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity for Meriwether County GA in 2006. He worked doing some Child and Family Assessments for Georgia Dept of Family and Children Services. Now he is working a part-time job as a teller at a local bank which is only 6 blocks from his home. He says he enjoys the work and the opportunity to see old friends and meet new ones.

James Roden

1966

Class contact: Jane Connell

fconnell1@bellsouth.net

1968

Class contact: Ron Dunn

RONSDONE@aol.com

1969

1970

Class contact: Connie Booher

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1971

Class contact: Rickey Kreps

rickeyk@oeccullman.com

1972

The class of 1972 is planning a '35th' reunion on July 28 beginning at 5:30 at Larkwood Club. We will have registration from 5:30 until 6:00! Hors'devoures by the pool until 7:00. (Soft drinks will be provided, you may bring BYOB if desired.) A buffet dinner will be served at 7:00. The cost will be \$25.00 per person or \$50.00 per couple. Please make checks payable to "Class of 72"-Rodney Kreps-1607 Parkman Street N.E.- Cullman, AL. 35055 by July 21st, 2007. You may call Barbara McKenzie at 256-737-6054 if you have questions. We will be mailing postcard an-

nouncements the week of July 9th. Hope to see everybody at Larkwood on the 28th!!!!

We are also hoping to have a get-together that coordinates with the "Bearcat Homecoming" game sometime in October. We are not sure of the exact date yet, but we will be in touch. If you do not hear from us please go to classmates.COM and register. We tried very hard to get everyone's address and hopefully we didn't leave anybody out.

Class of 1972

Rodney Kreps

Barbara McKenzie

1973

Teri Norton-Feaser

I wanted everyone to know that **Glenn (Togar) Robinson** lives in Foley Alabama and manages the Cornerstone Lodge there. It is next door to a bar called the Pink Pony. My band played there last weekend and we had a great reunion!

Unfortunately, Glenn was in a terrible motorcycle accident a couple of months ago & is still recovering. Someone ran him off the road and he suffered a broken collarbone (both front & back) as well as all ribs broken..front & back. He also suffered a collapsed lung and damage to his left rotary cuff. He was in ICU for over a month and his heart had to be jumped twice. We almost lost him.

He's only been home for a couple of weeks and though it was great to see him again, he wasn't up to much visiting but it sure was nice to see him after over 30 years!!! He has a great son and future daughter-in-law who have been there for him every step of the way. He graduated in '71, so if any of you want to email him or call him this is his info....he'd love to hear from you! ima-beachho@yahoo.com

My email has also changed...it is now: terioke@suddenlink.net

you can also check out my band's website at

www.thecoolbeenz.com I enjoyed the multi-class reunion a few years ago & I would love to bring my band to play at the next one!! I hope everyone is good.

1974

Class contact: Ellen Stubblefield

estubble@yahoo.com

Carol Hallaway Nichols

My first grandchild was born on March 12th, 2007

His name is Bryon Andrew Nichols

1975

Class Contact: Ian Frost

itfrost@hotmail.com

1976

1977

Class contact: Teri Hansen

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Cullman High School Class of '77 30-year reunion set

The **Cullman High School Class of 1977** is celebrating its **30-year reunion** on Sat. **June 30** at 6:30 p.m. at Terri Pines Country Club. Cost is \$30 per person and includes a buffet meal. Reservation deadline is June 22. Make checks payable to "CHS Class of 1977" and mail to Class President Susan Fink Copeland, 1016 Brookridge Lane SE, Cullman, AL 35055. For more information, contact Susan Fink Copeland at 709-8789, home; 737-2529, work; e-mail: Susan.Copeland@crmchospital.com, or call Vicki Silvers Arndt at 739-5926. The Hampton Inn is host hotel for out of town classmates. Contact classmate Bill Piper to share photos, news clips and memorabilia for a reunion slide show:

bpiper@hiwaay.net; 1075 Co. Rd. 1154, Cullman, AL 35057. A June 30 dutch treat luncheon at noon at Rumor's Deli will reacquaint former teachers with their students. Contact Betty Hauk, 736-2039, or elizabethhauk@bellsouth.net. CONTACT: Tim Hermetz, 739-6336; timhermetz@yahoo.com

1978

Mary McMillan Alldredge

The class of 1978 is starting to look for classmates for our 30th reunion next year. If you do not see a name on the list below and have an e-mail for someone in our class, please send it to: mary_alldredge@yahoo.com (be sure and put _ between my first and last name) or call me at 256-709-1752.

Nadine Antallia
Greg Arndt
Patti Bates
Mark Berry - not sure I have his e-mail
Wanda Brown
D'ete Cabri
Marcus Clark
Nell Daniels
Ginger Dickerson
Lisa Dillehay
Karen Fairbrother
John Gamble
Duke Griffith
Lisa Hearin
Jeff Herrin
Jim Hill
Cindy Hollingsworth
Dwayne Hood
Vicky Howard
Leigh Hudson
Keith Jennings
Kristy Knight
Jimmy Kugler
Rebecca Michaels
Teena Milligan

Karen Morris
Debbie Nelson
Randy Nix
Randy Sauber
Leisha Suggs
Kelly Perry
Stephen Richards
Laura Eidson
Elen Richter
Helen Richter
Dylan Rogers
Kathy Ross
Janet Russell
David Rutledge
Melinda Shikle
Donna Talley
Tracy Teeter
Grace Varnes
Crystal Waters
Frances Wolff

1979

1980

1981

Joseph (Mike) Hayden

Currently serving with the US Navy Reserve in Ali Al Salem, Kuwait. I came to the navy reserve after 18 years combined service with the Army and the Alabama National Guard. I was deployed Feb 16, 2007 and should return to the US Oct 15, 2007. Serving with Navy Customs Battalion Sierra. I invite any and all fellow school mates to email me at dreamin@alaweb.com It would be great to hear from you.

Barry Creel

Hello from Dallas!

My niece and nephew are currently at East Elementary, and my niece, Mary Claire Smith will be heading over to the Middle School this next year. I'm looking forward to a visit to Cullman this summer when school is out here. Can't wait to get some good Top Hat Barbecue and orange rolls at the All Steak!! Hope all is going well in the old hometown! Thanks so much!

1982

Class contact: Jonathan B. Green

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1983

1984

Class contact: Suzanne Harbin

sharbin@cullmanhosting.com

1986

Class contact: Jan Kraft Gaw

Jangaw@aol.com

Class web page:

http://www.geocities.com/cullman_1984/

Micki Hammett Cobb has a new address -

Wes and Micki Cobb

1898 Biscayne Boulevard

Navarre, FL 32566

Michelle Slovak McKinsey will now be teaching 3rd grade in Denver, Colorado.

Her new address is: 7811 Knox Ct, Westminster, CO 80030

1987

Class contact: Angie Grayson Solomon

angiedawn87@yahoo.com

1988

Class contact: Lynn Gordon Edmonds

Elmirajones@aol.com

My name is Amy Morelli (maiden name: **Amy Slayton**). I graduated CHS in 1988. After attending the University of South AL and serving 14 years in the Army, I am back in the area. My husband and I live in Madison. Our "children" are two Yorkies who go by Greedy and Princess. I graduated from USA in 1998 with a degree in Biology. Charles is retiring from the Army this September and is already working for DRS. Charles is from Carlsbad, NM. I am working the summer with the Huntsville Space & Rocket Center, and am an Independent Mary Kay Beauty Consultant. Since our 20th reunion is supposed to be next summer I would be happy to help, email me at ohare_a@hotmail.com

Lisa Kennemur Buchanan - still lives in Cullman; married to Brad Buchanan (also a CHS alumni); she has a son Christian who attends CHS and a son Wyatt who is 1 year old and expecting another baby in December; she is a stay-home mom and volunteers as a teacher to the 5-yr-olds at Northbrook Baptist.

Cindee Byrd Wasilewski - still lives in Cullman; married to Kevin Wasilewski for 18 years; 3 kids (son Seth, 15; son Levi, 13; daughter Brilee 7); she is a stay-home mom; stays very busy with the kids!

Jamie Rutledge Turner - lives in Elkmont, Alabama with husband Ronnie; step-daughter Cheyenne is 13, step-son Ronnie, Jr. is 6, son Jim is 3, and daughter Kirsten is almost 1; she works at a company specializing in church audio systems.

Kellie Johnson-Lemons - lives in Attalla with son Eric, 12 and son Ethan, 9; she works out of her home for HUD.

Lisa Hodge Gann - lives here in Cullman with husband Baron and son Dee, age 4; works as a realtor.

Stacey Rodgers Looney - lives in Cullman with daughters Shay and Shauna. Stacey works at Verizon wireless.

Lynn Gordon Edmonds

WOW class of 1988 we are quickly approaching our 20 years! Won't be long now! I can't believe it has been that many years since I have seen some of you! Where we have been and what we have done has certainly been an adventure for me! I have been in and out of Cullman mostly out for the better part of my 19 years! I have lost touch with so many, I would love to hear from you all! I do keep in touch with a few and will tell ya what I know about them! I, of course, still keep in touch with **Dawn Dunn Beckman**. She lives in Hanceville and is married to James Beckman (Beck) They have 2 daughters Bailey and Emily. We get together whenever we can. She is a busy woman!

I also Talk to **Stacey Johnston Parmer** she is married to Steve Parmer and they have 2 boys, Austin and David! She is also quite busy! She and her family are still in Cullman also! We get together when possible too, just not possible much. I have never lost touch with one of my nearest and dearest friends **Kim Chandler Hill**, She and I have been friends for our whole lives! She has one little girl, Alex, and she works in Huntsville. She comes to visit about 1 or 2 times a month! Just to catch up!

Tammy Hall Gordon my friend and sister-in-law has run off and left me to move to Panama City Florida. Can't blame her there. She graduated in 2006 from WSCC and has a degree in Occupational Therapy assisting. She and her family moved to Florida because she got a great job offer there! She is of course married to my Brother Garrell Gordon and they will be married 20 years this month (July 25) Happy anniversary to them! They have 2 Beautiful Children Erica 17 and Brett 14.

I have recently gotten emails from a couple of guys that I hadn't heard from in YEARS. **Trevor Hale** which is in China and doing well! **Mitch Leopard** which is in Georgia and just got married! Congratulations Mitch!!!! I hope they both can make it home for our reunion! **Lisa Hancock Jones** is married to my cousin Jimmy Jones and they have a new daughter Leanna Pearl who just turned 1. I don't see her much except family reunions once a year! However, I did run into her at the Grocery store and got to see Leanna for just a few minutes! What Joy she has given those two! They are thinking of having another one soon! Jimmy owns his own business and Lisa is getting to stay home with the Baby!

I recently got to see another of my oldest and dearest friends **Amy Slayton**. She just got out of the army a few months ago and is living in Huntsville. She is a Mary Kay consultant and is doing well! It was great to see her! We hadn't seen each other in probably 18 years and it was like we were never apart! I see a few others from time to time and it is always great! I would love to hear from anyone from our class. You can contact me at Elmirajones@aol.com and view my web page at www.myspace.com/elmiralynn There are a few others that have a "my space" that you might be interested in. Well I am looking forward to seeing you all in the coming year 2008 at our 20 year reunion! If you know anyone or how to get in touch with any of

our class mates please give them my address and let them know about the newsletter. I think there will be another one around Christmas. I would love to get some entries from EVERYONE! Take care of yourselves and GOD BLESS YOU ALL!!!!

Kelly Glenn

My wife and I would like to host a gathering later this year at our home in Glenwood Springs, Colorado. Tentatively, we will shoot for December, when I have vacation time. The plan would be a long weekend of skiing, relaxing and socializing. The guests of honor will be the Cullman class of 88 as a prelude to our upcoming 20th. I would love to hear from interested parties at mullet104@gmail.com

1989

Class contact: Deborah Kraft

deborahmkraft@yahoo.com

1990

Class contact: Susan Nielsen Bowen

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1991

Class contact: Carrie Cabri Witt

CBCWITT@aol.com

1992

Class contact: Beth Michael Solze

ElizabethSolze@aol.com

1993

Jennifer Arnold Boyd

We praise God for our newest addition, a baby boy born in April 2007, Rhett Lincoln Boyd. He has two brothers, ages 7 and 3, and a sister, age 5.

Brandi Daniel Wolfe

I was wondering if the class of 1993 is ever going to have a reunion since this next year will be 15 years? If so I would be willing to help organize. jjwolfe@netzero.com

1994

1995

Class contact: Summer L. (Roberts) Kemp

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1996

Class contact: Joe Lambert

lambe012@bama.ua.edu

Kelly Powe Burgess and Adam Burgess announce the birth of their daughter Addyson Paige Burgess. Addyson was born on October 5, 2006, she weighed 6 pounds 12 ounces and was 19.25 inches long. We currently live in Goodhope.

Jamie Luker Troutman, husband Billy and big brother Luke announce the birth of: Blaire Marie Troutman born September 7, 2006. 7 lbs. 0 oz. 19.5 inches

Jamie Luker Troutman reappointed to a 2nd term on the State Health Coordinating Council (SHCC) by Governor Bob Riley.

1997

Class contact: Laura Barnes

lkabarnes@yahoo.com

The class of 1997 is planning a reunion, anyone interested in the reunion contact Laura Barnes Lewis at: llewis@uniquedigital.com, the date for the reunion is 8-25-07, more details to follow. Also be sure to register on the CHS Alumni Page

<http://chs.cullmancats.net/alumni.htm>, if you are already registered check to be sure your email address is current.

1998

Class contact: Misty Angle

mlynneangle@hotmail.com

Leslie McDade

I am currently still looking for a new job, The job I am doing now for my Uncle is not a full time job. I hope to find a new job soon. My family is still growing, my cousin Kelly and her husband Bill are expecting in January. I can't wait for our class reunion coming up. I do miss everybody. My family and I are going to Gulf Shores in August, only this time my brother, sister-in-law and both nieces will be going with us. We will be down there for nephews 11th birthday just like last year when he turned ten.

Robert "Vaughn" Sparks III

My wife, Stacey, and I just celebrated our 1 year wedding anniversary. We were married June 24th, 2006 in Negril, Jamaica. Stacey is a medical sales rep with Kendall Healthcare, a division of Tyco International. I am a Certified Financial Planner with Ameriprise Financial. My practice is located in Inverness Business Center located on hwy 280 in Birmingham. We reside in Trussville, AL.

1999

Class contact: Schenaye Mauldin

csmauldin@hotmail.com

Trey Doyle

Well as for me I'm still working at Hydra Service, and I probably always will be. Right now I'm still over our Rental Dept. I have also started doing some outside sales as well. Me and my wife, Abby, currently live in Good Hope but are planning to move back to the city soon. We have a daughter named Madilyn. She just turned one. For those who don't have kids yet, time will only go by faster when you do. I can not believe that our reunion is right around the corner. I hope everyone is doing well.

Kim Freeland Owens

Hey Everyone! I am currently living in Alabaster, AL with my husband (Brian Owens of Cottonwood, AL.) and our five year old American bulldog (Ruger). No kids as of now, but somewhere in the future. Brian and I will be married three years on July 24. We met at Auburn during our junior year and married after graduation in 2004. I coached softball at Birmingham-Southern College for a year before starting medical school. I am currently in my third year of medical school at UAB, and I'm doing my clinicals in Tuscaloosa right now. I'll be graduating in 2009 if all goes as planned and then starting residency in whatever I decide I want to do for the rest of my life. My family is still in Cullman, and I make it back whenever I can. Laura Hamm (used to be Laminack) and I are still playing softball together in co-ed leagues since she lives in Calera. I guess that's about it for now...my home number is (205)685-8339, and my email address is kim_freeland1@hotmail.com if you want to get in touch!

Sarah Gibbs Helms married Brian Helms in June 2004 and lives in Cullman. She graduated from UNA with a degree in Photography and currently works for Sullivan's Photography in Arab.

Mary Hollis Gossett

Derek and I have been married for almost 5 years. We live in the city of Cullman and have one son, Matthew, who will be 3 years old July 27th. I am in Nursing school right now and will graduate next May. I also work for Jones, Milwee & Ross, LLC, where we do title searches and loan closings. Derek has been working at REHAU for 3 ½ years and plays on a men's softball team with some guys from work. We love being parents and hope to have a couple more children as soon as I finish school.

Brook Huffman Thompson lives in Birmingham with her husband, Blake and 3 boys: Elijah(5), Judah(3), and Zion(2), dogs Reagan and Solly, and cat Fontana. They are her full time job! Part time, she and Blake work with an urban ministry Fight 4 Life (fight4lifeministry.org) and facilitate small group planning like the one they are currently involved in Family Indeed. I miss you all, but life is good! Check out my MySpace family album at myspace.com/brookhuff.

Laura Laminack Hamm

I'm married to Tim Hamm from Florence, AL. I teach Physical Education at Creek View Elementary School in Alabaster, AL. This will be my 4th year teaching. I graduated from Monte-

vallo last December with my Masters in Educational Administration. Tim and I live in Calera, AL with our 2 year old son Camp (Black Labrador). No children besides the dog. That pretty much sums it up.

Kel Lawrence

Wow, so much room to speak my mind about all of my shortcomings and travels to horrible places. Instead, I think I'll give you a rundown of the last couple years. I graduated from Auburn University with a BA in Psychology. I went to Bartending School and spent some time bartending in Nashville. I have zero children and two wonderful dogs. I work for CB&I and tend to wander about the countryside from jobsite to jobsite. I did one tour of duty in Al Asad, Iraq with the USMC. I hate MySpace but love eBay.

Zach Morrow

Been married for 4 years this September. My wife, Meg, and I have a daughter (Abby) who will be 2 years old in August. We still live in town, and I work as marketing director for HH Technologies, Inc. in Bremen.

Blakely Reese Hopper married Heath Hopper in June of 2005, and they are expecting their first child (a girl) in October. She graduated with a degree in Criminal Justice and Behavioral Science and currently works for Alabama Mentor in Cullman.

Emily Satterfield Ray married Patrick Ray (CHS class of '94 and realtor for Doyle Real Estate) in June of 2002. We have two children, John Weston (turned 2 years old in April) and Ava (who was born in February of this year). I graduated with a bachelor's degree in Math Education in 2002 and then received my master's degree from the University of Alabama. I am entering my 6th year of teaching math at Cullman High School.

Tasha Vass Meyer

Married Mark Meyer in December and is expecting first child (a girl) in November. She is the Librarian at Cullman Middle School.

Beth Windham Collins married Richard Collins in July of 2006. I am now living in Cullman and teaching third grade at East Elementary. I am also the (full-time) stepmom to two wonderful children ages 9 and 6.

Ashley Lamar Loggins (1999) bought a business over the summer, Just for Looks Formalwear, located at 322 1st Avenue, SE in Cullman. She is a retailer of wedding, pageant and prom dresses as well as business suits and cocktail dresses. She offers interview and modeling consulting services and dance choreography. She is still working at Cullman Savings Bank as the Public Relations Director, part time. Ashley is married to Derek Loggins of Springville.

Chris Brinson and wife Debbie welcomed their first baby, Danielle Elizabeth, May 16, 2007. She was born at Brookwood Hospital in Birmingham. Chris and his family reside in Mc Calla, AL.

2000

Leslie Dellinger is engaged to marry Wayne Mertz of Murfreesboro, TN on October 27, 2007. I am the Program Director of Greenhouse Ministries in Murfreesboro, TN. We will live in Murfreesboro after our wedding.

Caitlin Alldredge and Weston Bates were married on June 9th. They are expecting their first child in early December.

2001

I am **Katie Lewis** (Burney). I am married to Mahlon Burney, and we have two children: Juliet (3/4/02), and Fisher (8/26/03). We live in Cullman. I am still a homemaker, and I am attending Wallace State online, then I will follow with Athens State to be a secondary elementary teacher.

Abby Willoughby Doyle

My husband Trey and I just celebrated our daughter's, Madilyn Elizabeth, first birthday in June and will soon be celebrating our three year anniversary. I am lucky enough to stay at home with Madilyn and Trey is with Hydra Service doing sales. We currently reside in Good Hope but hope to move to the city by the end of the year. Last month we took a weeklong trip to Ireland and did some site seeing, but other than that, it's work and home. Hope all is well with everyone

2002

Ashley Collier-Medley Joins the Pinecastle Records Staff
July 4, 2007 – Columbus, NC
For Immediate Release

Ashley Collier-Medley is the newest edition to the Pinecastle Records staff as the Director of Print Publicity/Tour Support. With a degree in Music Business from Belmont University, Ashley brings a fresh insight to the position. Having interned with various companies in Nashville, TN throughout her college career, she is delighted to find a position that will utilize her experience. "Working in the music industry is a dream come true and starting my career with Pinecastle is an exceptional and challenging beginning."

When not in the office, Ashley can be found continuing her songwriting at home with her Siberian husky, Leo, or checking out the open mic nights in Asheville, NC.

About Pinecastle:

With what began as a hobby for Tom Riggs, has resulted in a new force in Bluegrass Music. Founded in 1990 in Orlando, FL, Pinecastle Records has grown over the years to its current status with over 200 works within its catalogue, and a diverse roster of recording artists set to take the genre over. Additionally, in 2002 his receiving the IMBA Distinguished Achievement Award honored Mr. Rigg's achievement in bluegrass music.

Ashley Collier-Medley

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ashley@pinecastle.com

From the editor's desk:

Bill Bagley

Once again a special thanks to all of the class contacts for their help in putting together the July 07 Alumni Newsletter. If your class doesn't have a class contact send the information that you want listed in the newsletter directly to me: wbagley@mindspring.com If your class isn't listed in the newsletter it is because that class has never submitted information to be included in the newsletter. If your class contact that is listed no longer has a valid email address please let me know and I will remove them. If anyone would like to be their class contact for the newsletter please contact me and I will list you as the class contact on your classes web page.

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with remove in the subject line, include your name, year of graduation, and email address in the body of the message.