

CHS Alumni Newsletter

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News From Our Alumni

1938

1940's

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1951

1952

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1953

1954

1955

1959

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1960

1957

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The Cullman High School Class of '57 meets quarterly at the All Steak Restaurant at 6:30 pm. Our last meeting was on April 12 with a roomful of alumni and spouses. The attendance has been outstanding thanks to Dorothy Fowler who keeps us all informed about the meetings, as well as other information about the CHS Class of '57. There are usually 30-40 people at these quarterly meetings, so you're missing out on a good time if you aren't attending. Hope to see you at the All Steak on October 11 at 6:30.

1961

Class Contact: Becky Kirk
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1962

1963

1964

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Patricia Barnett Calleja

On April 3, 2011, my husband Allan and I became grandparents for the first time...hooray! Lukas Alexander Taylor Calleja was born to our son Robert and wife Michelle. Lukas is handsome and very intelligent...of course, I might be a little bit prejudiced! You know, you really can't appreciate "grandparenthood" until you experience it for yourself. The only downside to this whole thing is that Rob, Michelle, and Lukas live in California and we're still in Maryland. One other good thing happened for me this year...I became eligible for Medicare! Also, I get to look forward to reaching full-retirement age next January. Growing older "ain't" so bad!

A very bad thing happened this year, I lost my best friend from high school to cancer. JoAnn Taylor Sachs was a wonderful person and my sympathy and thoughts are with the family she left behind.

1966

Class contact: Jane Connell fconnell1@bellsouth.net

The CHS Class of '66 is having a get together Dutch luncheon at the All Steak on Saturday, July 30th at 11:30. After having successful 45th reunion in April, we want to stay connected with our classmates and meeting together about every 3 months is a good way of doing so. If you know any of our classmates who have not heard about this, please inform them and give out this information. Would love to see many there Saturday, July 30th. at 11:30. Jane Ann Frutiger Fields and Sonya Willoughby Cabri

1968

Class contact: Ron Dunn
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1969

1970

Class contact: Connie Booher
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The Class of 1970 was not able to have their planned quarterly "mini-reunion" in May due to the devastating tornado that hit Cullman. It is hoped we will re-start our get together's again in the Fall at the Cullman High School Homecoming game. Last year we had a tail gate before the game. Everyone had a good time and discussed doing the same thing for the 2011 football season.

Allan Pelletier

1971

Class contact: Rickey Kreps
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1972

1973

1974

Class contact: Ellen Stubblefield
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Lisa K. Moran, Class of 1974. Moved to Clearwater, FL October 2010. Hope to settle down here. I've lived in at least 8 different States since high school. Support myself doing contract computer work (business analysis/project management). Enjoying Florida - lots of sunshine, and usually a breeze even when it is hot and humid. The beach is 5 miles away - great for evening walks.

Update from **Greg Tubbs**: 2011, what a busy year...aren't they all. Our daughter, Katie completed graduate school...now job hunting. She wants to teach at the High School level. If any of you have the pull, she would be a great teacher. Our son Chris is completing a research job this summer as a Junior in the Engineering Department at the University of Alabama. Kay and I have put our Virginia house on the market and will commute to Washington in the future, from the farm in Pickens Country. All is good. I am repairing fences this week in hopes of finally putting cows in the pasture. I had business in Singapore and South Korea earlier in the year....was diverted from

Japan while landing.....happened to be during the earth quake. 12 hour flight turned into a 3 day flight. We have upcoming trips to Hawaii, Germany and Israel. I always heard I would be busier in semi-retirement. I guess it is true....at least for now. Kay and I are loving it. Wish you all the best. Also wish more of you would provide updates.

1975

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1976

1977

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1978

1979

1980

1981

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1982

Class contact: Jonathan B. Green
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1983

1984

Class contact: Suzanne Harbin
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1986

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The class of 1986 is planning a 25 year reunion for October 8, 2011, 7 PM-midnight at Terri Pines- 19th Hole. There will be a live band and the dress is casual.

The cost is \$30 per person or \$50 per couple. Please make checks payable to CHS CLASS OF 86 and mail to Christie Bright, 27 County Road 422, Cullman, Alabama 35057 by September 23, 2011. Please include your current address and email address with payment. If you have any questions contact Christie Bright at 256-739-0313 or by email at mammachristie@gmail.com.

See the Facebook event page "25 Yr Reunion" for any updates.

Jan Gaw

1987

Class contact: Angie Grayson Solomon
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C.S. (Sean) Michael has published his first novel. Entitled "The Lost Spyder," it's a Porsche-fueled mystery adventure. And yes, the town of Cullman makes a cameo appearance! More information is available at LostSpyder.com, or simply search Amazon for "The Lost Spyder."

1988

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1989

Class contact: Deborah Kraft
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1990

Class contact: Shannon Carter Price
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Warren Trimble

Living in Colorado Springs, Co
In past 6 months I have been snow skiing and rafting, and work is fine, life is good.

1991

Mary J. Stricklin Wynn is now a mom of two. She is employed at Target in Decatur, AL as a sales floor trainer. She graduated from Calhoun Community College in 1991 with a degree in criminal justice and graduated in 2006 with a certificate in emergency

medical services. She is going back to school this fall to pursue a degree in the paramedic program.

1992

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1993

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Brandi Daniel Wolfe

This has been an exciting year my son started on a travel ball team here in Tuscaloosa we are a 9 and under team and are currently looking for teams to play practice games against on weekends here in bama if anyone knows of any team willing to play us and yes we will travel please email me at brandiwolfe@Att.net

1994

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1995

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1996

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1997

Class contact: Laura Barnes
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Paul Casebolt and his wife, Amy, moved to Tampa, FL during the summer of 2010. After 7 years in the Office of Admissions at Western Kentucky University, Paul was appointed the Director of Enrollment Management at Florida College where he oversees recruitment, admissions, and retention for this private, Christian, liberal arts institution.

1998

Class contact: Misty Angle
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Hello classmates of 98. Things are still going well here. My brother and his family have moved here and are very close to where we live. I am still working my two jobs at the movie theater and Dunkin Donuts. I felt sad when I heard Cullman was hit by the EF-4 tornado back in April. I hope everyone can recover from it. Our grandmother just celebrated her 93rd birthday, we took her out to dinner and gave her lots of presents. I am no longer on facebook it was a personal decision I had to make. So you can always email me if you want to. (LeslieMc8@Hotmail.com). Hope to be able to go to the next reunion.

Leslie McDade

1999

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2000

Amanda (Milligan) Chatham

I recently got married to Joe Chatham on September 04, 2010. We have since bought our first home and are working on starting our family!

2001

Emily Lopez-Carroll: Hello everyone! I am married and have been with my husband, Scott, for going on 8 years now. We have three amazing and beautiful children Bella is 6 (and was named BEFORE the Twilight Series came out :), Madison is 3, and Montgomery is 2. We are done having babies, but we adopted a baby. His name is Dash, and he is an adorable Boston Terrier. He is only 8 weeks old and has been with us for 2 weeks now. I have been working at Mental Healthcare of Cullman for going on 6 years and have two degrees one from Wallace, Associate in Applied Science majored in Human Services with a focus on being a Mental Health Technician and the second from Western International University, Bachelor of Arts in Behavioral Science. I am so excited to be done with that one! It took me a lot longer than anticipated due to the births of two of our children, but no biggie. :) The time has just flown by and continues to go faster as the

years go by. I am grateful to be here as Cullman is my home, and I'm so very grateful for my family and my friends. I have been blessed throughout the years.

2002

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2004

Vish Patel is getting married to Neha Reddy, August 4, 2011.

From the superintendents desk: Dr. Jan Harris

Cullman City Schools Superintendent announces dedication of the Arthur H. Apel Family Science Facility at Cullman High School

Cullman City Schools Superintendent Dr. Jan Harris announced today that the new science facility at Cullman High School is being dedicated to the Arthur H. Apel family and will be named the Arthur H. Apel Family Science Building for the support and encouragement received by the Apel family in this endeavor by providing a grant in memory of Arthur H. Apel by his wife, Maebell Apel and three children: Ronald H. Apel, John F. Apel and Cheri Apel Dalgeish. All three are graduates of Cullman High School and the University of Alabama. The legacy being left by this family will impact the modernization and creativity of the study of the sciences at Cullman High School for future generations.

Mr. Apel served his country during World War II in the European theater. He was named one of the top 100 outstanding citizens of Cullman. He served as President of Apel Enterprises until his retirement at the age of 80 years. The Apels have served the city and county of Cullman for 70 years and will continue to serve with the addition of four grandsons joining the staff. From foundry and machine work, welding, well drilling, and water lines to steel fabrication and erection, they have served in a variety of ways, always in the interest of promoting the community.

Mrs. Apel, a 15 year City School Board member, stated, "This is our way of giving back to the community and to insure good facilities so each student has the opportunity to succeed."

The \$1.6 million science facility project was completed in August 2010. The new 5220 square-foot facility connects to the renovated 6500 square-foot existing science facility. The new facility includes: a new entrance on the west side of the building, three new educational classroom and lab spaces, a chemical storage room, new restroom facilities, and a faculty work space. All classroom/lab spaces are equipped with Smart Technology.

Cullman City Board President Steven Sides said, "We are pleased that the Apel family values education and supports the academic endeavors of our faculty, staff and students. Their generous support is appreciated."

Dr. Harris commended Mrs. Arthur H. Apel and the members of the Apel family for their investment in education. She said, "Because we strive to inspire our students for lifelong success through character, citizenship and scholarship, we seek to provide outstanding role models for our students. The Arthur H. Apel family provides inspiration and affirmation for our students as they work to become successful in their chosen profession and contributing members of our community. We are grateful to the Apel family for their support."

Cullman High School Principal Sheila Phillips noted, "In our quest for academic excellence, having a new and renovated science facility has brought an excitement and renewed spirit to the science classroom and curriculum. The support of student learning and achievement by our school system leadership as well as from community leaders such as the Apel family is realized through the motivation and innovation of our students to excel in the area of science."

Realizing the impact of the new construction, Facility Coordinator Anita Overturf stated, "The renovation and addition to this building is another step toward meeting our goals for strategic and capital planning. The Arthur H. Apel Family legacy is a generous contribution to Cullman City Schools now and for the future."

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From the editor's desk:

Bill Bagley

Congratulations to Cullman High School's new principal Elton Bouldin and new assistant principal Kim Hall.

Once again a special thanks to all of the class contacts for their help in putting together the July 2011 Alumni Newsletter. If your class doesn't have a class contact send the information that you want listed in the newsletter directly to me: whbagley@bellsouth.net
If your class isn't listed in the newsletter it is because that class has never submitted information to be included in the newsletter.

As always if you do not want to receive alumni information send an email to whbagley@bellsouth.net with remove in the subject line, include your name, year of graduation, and email address in the body of the message.

**Alumni Weekend- October 7-8,
2011, see information on the
next page:**

**Join us for a
Cullman High School
Alumni Weekend- October 7-8, 2011**



Cullman High School
Cullman, Alabama
John Seale 2006

IT'S GREAT TO BE A CULLMAN BEARCAT!!!

Friday, October 7th

**Tailgate on the Quad, Homecoming game:
Cullman Bearcats vs. Mortimer Jordan, and a
“Reunion on the Turf” after the game**

Saturday, October 8th

**Oktoberfest Events, Tour of Cullman High School, and an all-
class Reunion gathering in downtown Cullman (location
TBD)**

**For More News and Events Check Out our Facebook Page:
“Cullman High School Alumni” and the CHS Alumni Page**

At: <http://chs.cullmancats.net/regist.htm>

**If you have ideas or would like to assist with the Alumni Weekend,
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