

# CHS Alumni Newsletter

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## News From Our Alumni

### 1938

Dorothy Burgess Pate, Class of 1938. My husband and I retired to Tucson Arizona in 1972 after his 30 Years in U. S. Navy (Naval Aviator).

Vinemont, AL  
35179.

### 1949

Cindy Hancock Golub  
My father, Dr. Thomas A. Hancock, Jr. passed away on May 8, 2003. He was a member of the class of 1949.

### 1940's

**Class contact:**  
**Albert Sharpton**  
albert@e9usn.com

### 1951

### 1944

The CCHS class of 1944 will have their annual reunion on Saturday, August 2nd at the Allsteak from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The price is \$18 each. The members should have received a letter. Registration and money is to be sent to Elsie McCoy, 82 County Road 1322,

### 1952

**Class Contact: Don Wilcut**  
WILCUT@aol.com

### 1953

**Dottie Henke:**  
The Cullman High School Class of

1953 will be having their 50th reunion on July 18th & 19th, 2003. We will have a two-night affair. On Friday Night, July 18th the classmates will be meeting at the homes of Jackie Melton, 1808 Oakmont Dr. SE, and Dottie Henke, 1821 Oakmont Dr. SE, (in Carroll Acres) Cullman. On Saturday

night, July 19th, we will have a banquet at the All Steak Restaurant. The response has been great, but there are so many classmates who have not responded at all and many of these live here in Cullman. We have lost Bill Martin, Sonny Cranford, Jean Lawrence Jordan, and Martin Stricklin

since our reunion five years ago.

We have one classmate that has been lost since graduation and that is Olga Walls Balch. If anyone knows her whereabouts, we would love to hear from them.

We still meet once a month on the last Tuesday in the month at the All Steak at 6:30 and invite all classmates to join us for a night of fun. Classmates who attend these get together: Don & Martha Burnham, Don & Dean Green, Lowell & Myra Vann, Jerry & Shirley McClendon, Gus & Cora Lowery, Jackie Melton, Donald & Wanda Clay, Fran & Joe Brindley, J. L & Jean Herring, Bill & Fay Marty, Jackie Melton, Evelyn Stevens, Dottie Henke, Dottie Wolff, Shirley & Wallace Stephenson and Max & Nancy Kelly. We would love to have more attend.

Please if you read the alumni news and we have not heard from you concerning the Reunion, contact Jackie Melton or Dottie Henke. My e-mail address is dothenke@hiwaay.net

## 1954

## 1955

Class Contact: Don(ald) Scott  
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### **Ottis B. Ellenburg:**

Having graduated in '55 and moving to Michigan the same year, and for many years called this home, I am pleased to tell you that I have been retired for almost 18 years from General Motors as a Master Mechanic Engineer, having visited many parts of our great world including; all but New Hampshire and Maine, in the U.S. (plan to do them this summer), Western Europe several times, Scandinavia, Russia, Northern Africa, Mexico, Central and South America, Australia, New Zealand, Fiji, Samoa, (my older son's father is Samoan), and Canada. I have also been on several bicycle trips to parts of Europe, got to know many friends some of whom have visited me here in the States. So, I have many extended family members. For many years while I was employed I vacationed in many countries, usually a different one each year. I have taken several cruises where I made many lasting

friends whom I still keep in touch with. This makes my stateside travels more enjoyable. You might say I have enjoyed myself. I have also been married and divorced twice, no biological children, but am still involved with my former in-laws and grandchildren. Last year in February, (at the ripe old age of 67) I adopted two young boys, half brothers, whom I had as Foster Children for over a year. They are now 13 and 15 years of age and are my pride and joy. Since they are in school, my travels have been somewhat reduced. However, they have many trips lined up for us during their summer vacations. Both boys are active in after-school activities such as Boy Scouts and Civil Air Patrol, so I spent most of my spare time taking them to their activities as well as to and from school. As for my spare time, I volunteer at two TV stations as a camera operator, Floor Manager, and Director. I also had my own radio show, for 26 weeks, interviewing foreign citizens each week for 1/2 hour. I also teach children crafts at the International Institute in Flint as requested; work with the Senior Citizens group here in Flushing; On a committee with the Disability Center in Flint as an advocate for people with handicaps; helped organized and headed up for three years a Senior Citizens Group who work and support the local Police Department called Seniors And Law Together, S.A.L.T. You can see that I have little time to get bored and I love it all! I even had a total knee replacement last year. I think that may have helped me even speedup with my volunteerism!! I have this to say to my fellow graduates; don't let age stop you from being involved. There is much you can do that will be appreciated; so many people need your help. Take pride in your age and enjoy helping others. At our age, we don't have time to sit around and complain about our aches and pains!!

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Would enjoy hearing from you.

## 1956

**James L. (Jimmy) Rooker**, class of 1956, retired from Southern Company on January 31, 2003.

## 1957

### **Class contact: Joyce Brown**

joyceb3@hiwaay.net

### **From Joyce Brown:**

Since Glenda wasn't able to attend the 45th Year Reunion of the Class of '57 in August 2002, Glenda Holmes Neal and I, Joyce Earl Brown, decided to have a mini-reunion of our own. Although Bobby and I had included a side trip to Silver Spring, Maryland for a visit with Glenda and Bill during a spring 2001 trip to Washington, D.C., Glenda and I couldn't let the reunion year pass without a visit. By March, Glenda's second grandson was settled into the family and we finalized plans to meet in Charleston, SC. March in Charleston is beautiful and we enjoyed a delightful weekend. Of course we didn't have time to really "catch up" on all news, so we've already started plans for another getaway.

**All members of the Class of '57 should start planning for the big 5-0 reunion in 2007.**

### **From Pete Holmes:**

Not a lot has happened since Jan 2003. Sandra and I have been doing some redecorating to the house, and just playing the role of grandparents. This past spring we did spend a week in Charleston, SC ( <http://www.ci.charleston.sc.us/> ) playing tourist. Spending the week with us was Jim and Jane Rooker (from Cullman, AL) and Barry and Judy Turner (Sandra's brother and wife from Muncie, IN). Had a great time... eating and sightseeing. A recommended place to stay is the Anchorage Inn. <http://www.anchoragecharleston.com/> I could have retired this spring, but the package offered by P&W Space Propulsion ( <http://www.prattwhitney.com/2a/html/products1sp.html> ) wasn't that good so I decided to stay on until next spring. Guess I enjoy what I'm doing in the space business, and it works out better for us.

Daughter in-law Mihwa and grandson Noah have been staying with us since January while son Chad was up in Georgia going to school and training for his new job. Oldest son Navar (age 40) who lives and works as the Technical Systems Administrator for the Campbell County Memorial Hospital in Gillette, WY ( <http://www.ccmh.net/> ) is getting married around Labor Day weekend. The bride to-be is Jennifer Hoff of Story, WY. He was recently down here for a weeks vacation and taking lessons on "Surf Kiting" ... where you ride the surf on a small board similar to a snowboard while being pulled by a large kite..... very exciting.

<http://floridakiting.com/>

Daughter Cinde is starting a new physical fitness type of business here in town, which should be up, and running in a few months. Daughter Eli (Elizabeth) and family (Karel, and children Karina and Jake) spent their extra time this past winter and spring on the ski slopes east of Seattle, WA where they live. Each snow season, Eli and Karel are weekend ski instructors.

Sandra is thoroughly enjoying her retirement. Sez I should hurry and retire so I could come and play!!!

Well, that is about it for now from south Florida... time to watch some more Florida Marlins baseball.

[http://florida.marlin.mlb.com/NASApp/mlb/index.jsp?c\\_id=fla](http://florida.marlin.mlb.com/NASApp/mlb/index.jsp?c_id=fla)

Harwell Pete Holmes

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## 1959

## 1960

**Virginia Lee (Wilder) Stevens** and her husband Stiles Stevens will be traveling from the Virgin Islands to vacation in Alabama and New England this summer. They love Looney's Tavern in Double Springs, Alabama, and will drive up to Huntsville and the Tri-Cities area. From Boston they will visit friends in Kennebunkport, Maine, on Long Island, in New Hampshire, Vermont and Connecticut. Virginia says that she would love to have classmates in Alabama vacation in sunny St. Croix, Virgin Islands!

**Fritz Curt Schuman** still lives in Cullman, AL. Owns and operates Mother Goose Day Care for the past 25 years. He is married to the lovely Violet Basch Schuman for 39 years and counting. He has two daughters (Leah Supensky and Dusty Townson), two son-in-laws (Scott Townson and Mark Supensky) and one granddaughter (Maddie Townson). The Townson's live in Atlanta, GA and the Supensky's live in Madison, Wisconsin. Fritz loves to travel: China, Greece, Switzerland, Austria, Mexico, Canada, Germany, Alaska, Hawaii, Nova Scotia, and all 50 states. Fritz also loves to snow ski: Winter park, Colorado, Park City, Utah, Jackson Hole, Wyoming, Innsbruck, Austria, Zermott, Switzerland, Lake Tahoe, Nevada, British Columbia, Canada, Banff, Canada, and

Whister, Canada.

**Virginia Howard**, in collaboration with her sister-in-law Gail W. Howard, is author of a murder mystery, DEATH BY UNCHES, under the pseudonym "H. O. Ward." The book should be in print by August 2004 (publisher, Hilliard & Harris). Gail W. Howard is married to Fred Howard, CHS Class of '57.

## 1961

**Class Contact: Becky Kirk** [kirkbcrafty@aol.com](mailto:kirkbcrafty@aol.com)

## 1962

## 1963

**Class contact: Walter Wheeler** [TripleW@linkfast.net](mailto:TripleW@linkfast.net)

**Sandy Daniel**, now Sandra Cuyler. I graduated CHS in 1963. My husband, Dick, and I are "sort of" retired here in Etowah, N.C. south of Hendersonville (12 minutes) and south of Asheville (30 minutes). We both love the beauty of the mountains and the climate in this area of the country. Last July I also got my mother moved up here from Cullman. That's a blessing. We moved here from Binghamton, New York 5 years ago. Dick and I taught at State University of New York for 15 years in the theater department. Before we married 20 years ago, I taught acting at the Univ. of Maryland. Dick is a juggler and works the festivals and special events in this area. I do some radio and TV voice-over work with 2 commercial studios in Asheville. I've done some directing for the Hendersonville Little Theater and we've both acted with the Flat Rock Playhouse, which is the state theater of North Carolina. Dick and I are both very involved with the drama ministry at our church. We have Tonkinese 2 cats that are our "children" at home. We have 3 grown children in Rochester, Boston, and Los Angeles. We've one grandchild, Matthew, who is entering the terrible twos.

## 1964

**Class contact: James Roden**

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**Courtney McKoy:**

Cullman High School Class of 1964 will hold it's 40th Reunion on the weekend of Father's Day, 2004. Activities will be planned for Friday evening, June 18, 2004, a Saturday picnic, and the main event for Saturday evening, June 19, 2004. All the activities will be held at St. Bernard.

Missing Classmates from 1964:

Edith Smith, James DeMonia, Larry Higdon, Jon McGill, Jeanette Schafer, Charlie Rigsby, Marlene Baker Jones, James Rufus Scott, Carron Robinson, Gail Aderholt, Janice Gay, Wilman Jordan, and Sandy Harbin.

A very informal class meeting/planning meeting for classmates, spouses, etc will be held on Saturday, August 2, 2003, 1:30 pm, Jack's Truck Stop Restaurant, Cullman.

**If you have any questions contact:**

Courtney McKoy

256-586-7683

256-572-6132

[courtney@mindspring.com](mailto:courtney@mindspring.com)

**Joyce Marie Smith:**

In 1964 I started work on my College education at Florence State College, now the University of North Alabama. I completed my BS degree in 1969 with a double major in Biology and Chemistry. Upon graduation from Florence I moved to Mobile and started work with the Department of Public Health as a Microbiologist. Remaining at this job for about 5 years. During this time I met my Husband, Pat McCartha, who had come to work at the Department from Troy, Alabama. Pat is a graduate of Troy State University. We were married in 1973 in a small church in Hatchechubbee, Alabama a very small town in Russell County. During the past 30 years Pat and I have lived in Montgomery where I have worked in laboratories at St Margaret's Hospital and Barber Milk company for a short time. Later, I returned to the state of Alabama to work and served as a Botanist with the Department of Agriculture and as a Chemist with the Departments of

Environmental Management and Transportation. Pat and I are both retired now, but I still do some part time work with the gym where I exercise. In addition I do volunteer work at church and Baptist East Hospital all of this keeps me pretty busy. We have one son, Jeremy, who has been at Auburn University for the past nine years. He has a BS and MS in Geology and will complete a BS in Civil Engineering in August. Both of my parents have passed away, but I still have three brothers in Cullman. I try to get up there a couple of times a year to visit with them and other relatives who still live in that area.

## 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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### Glenda Lott

A classmate from the CHS class of 1970 has passed away. **Art Woods** died Thursday evening, June 5th at home. Art lived in Riverchase in Hoover, AL with his wife Denise and daughters, Lauren & Kristi.

## 1971

**Class contact: Rickey Kreps**  
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### CLASS OF 1971 NEWS

Welcome back to Cullman - Debbie Bates Cunningham and her family (husband Ralph, son Cole) have moved back to Cullman. Debbie is teaching at Vine-mont High School. Also, congratulations to Debbie and Ralph on the recent marriage of their daughter, Bekka.

Congratulations to Lionel Powell who was elected to the Cullman City School Board and served as board

president for the past two years.

Congratulations to Joyce Springer and Don Hardeman who were married last fall.

Congratulations to Donna Lee on her recent marriage to Rick Bryant. Donna is the Special Education Coordinator for Cullman City Schools.

Congratulations to Rickey Kreps on the recent marriage of his daughter, Jennifer, to Jason Richerson. The newlyweds reside in Mobile, Alabama.

Congratulations to David Below whose daughter, Julie, is joining Below Chiropractic Center in Cullman.

Congratulations to Martha Bates Mazzara whose grandchild is celebrating the first birthday in June, 2003.

Get well wishes go out to Don Hardeman, who underwent open heart surgery in December, and to Don Schultz who also had open heart surgery.

Our condolences to John Arndt whose father passed away recently and to Claire Wachter Walker and Mike Wachter whose mother also passed away recently. Our prayers are with them.

The class of 1971 would like to take this opportunity to remember ten of our classmates who are no longer with us.

Leldon Butler  
Gary Evans  
Jeanene Churchill McAnally  
Phil Harding  
Ronnie Lee  
Marlin Pitts  
Bill Rape  
Steve Taylor  
Ray Widner  
Paul Williford

**We have several classmates that we've been unable to locate the past several years. If anyone knows the whereabouts of these folks, please let me know (Rickey Kreps email: rickeyk@oecullman.com). Thanks in advance for your assistance.**  
Robbie Allbritten, Donald Allbritten, Michael Allen,

Margaret Babb, Sharon Cole, Deborah Cosper, Wilfred Graveman, Joe Green, Brenda Harris, Nancy Harris, Phyllis Hattaway, Donald Helms, Darlene Hinkle, DeNeal Hodge, Sandra Lynn Jones, Brenda Lynn, Mike Morgan, Michael Allen Murray, Debbie Partain, Linda Patterson, John David Phillips, Debbie Pierce, Kenneth Rains, Dennis Ratliff, Nancy Reasonover, Glenn Robinson, Ricky Sanford, James (Scotty) Scott, Ricky Sharp, Susan Shikle, William Travis, Tony Watkins, Tom Webb, Jo Diane White, and Gary Wiseman.

## 1972

**Rodney Kreps rkreps@oeccullman.com**

The CHS Class of 1972 will hold a reunion on July 19, 2003 at the St. Bernard Dining Hall.

The reunion is scheduled for Saturday, July 19 at the St. Bernard Dining Hall, 6:30 P.M. until. We'll serve heavy hors' d'oeuvres, etc., and we'll have a DJ, with music from "our" era, among others. Still don't have a final cost, but for purposes of the newsletter, let's call it \$30 per person. Reservations and checks can be sent to Rodney Kreps, 1607 Parkman Street Northeast, Cullman, AL 35055. Our intention is to get out a post card within the next week with all this info, to make sure we catch everyone, email fan or not.

Dear Classmates,

It's no secret—we're all too busy! The well-intentioned Thirty-Year Reunion we wanted to have last year didn't happen. We've discussed doing one this summer (yeah, it's a little late—so shoot me!), and believe it or not, we're getting it underway!

Since this is an "off year", we're going to try to make this one a little easier. Thank heaven for the prevalence of e-mail, in that we can do this much more efficiently than ever before. HOWEVER—that means that it will fall on each of us to help spread the word. I've got what I think are good email addresses for about thirty folks, listed at the top of my email. Please feel free to forward this to anyone else in the class; we need to spread the word as quickly as possible. Mike Graham, Barbara McKenzie, and I have tentatively reserved the St. Bernard Dining Hall for Saturday, July 19, from 6:30 to midnight. Suzy (their food-

service director) is working up a menu and pricing for us, and should have it back to us within a week. Assuming we don't get voted down, we'll proceed, line up a DJ, etc., and get this show on the road.

I've roughed out some numbers, and it looks like we can pull this together for around \$27.50 to \$30.00 per person; the bigger the turnout, the closer we'll be to \$27.50. For those coming from out of town, St. Bernard has renovated Boniface Hall into a Retreat Center. The rooms are very nice, each is well furnished, has a private bath, etc. (Were it not for the fact that I live two minutes away, I'd plan on staying there myself!) As of this time, there isn't another function scheduled for that weekend, so if there's any interest, let me know, and I'll contact Brother Andre to block out some rooms for us. Since it's mainly used for retreats, their rate structure is on a per-person basis; \$30 for the first night, and \$25 for subsequent nights. Believe me, it's an awfully nice room for \$50-60 per night, so again, anyone interested please let me know ASAP.

Please—HELP US SPREAD THE WORD AROUND! If there's adequate interest in putting this together, we need to get busy; if there's not, we also need to know soon, so we can stop before making commitments.

My contact information: Rodney Kreps  
1607 Parkman Street Northeast  
Cullman, AL 35055  
Phone 256-775-2593  
Email rkreps@bellsouth.net (This one gets less spam than the others!)

We'll need to be in a position to make a go/no go decision by early to mid June, so an early tentative indication of interest would be great! More details will be forthcoming in the next week or so.

Looking forward to hearing from each of you,

**Rodney Kreps**

## 1973

## 1974

**Class contact: Ellen Stubblefield**  
estubble@yahoo.com

## 1975

**Class Contact: Ian Frost**  
itfrost@hotmail.com

## 1976

## 1977

**Class contact: Teri Hansen**  
dnthansen@smyrnacable.net

**Toby Alldredge** works at Intergraph in Huntsville, Alabama, he has been there about 15 years. He is married to Mary McMillan from the class of 1978.

## 1978

Birth Announcement:  
Ethan Jacob Hurt  
Born: March 3rd, 2003  
Parents: **Amy and Kevin Hurt**

### **Bryan Schaefers**

The Class of 1978 is in the initial planning phases for our classes' 25th reunion. The date for this festive event is the 11th of July and it is scheduled to be held at the Larkwood Club. Several of our classmates are working to make this year's event one to be remembered. D'ete Cabri Sewell has been working to get the word out while Kathy Ross Leiter is working on food cost, Marcus Clark on teacher alumni, and finally Cindy Hollingsworth Lewis and Helen Richter are searching for missing persons. If you want to get involved in the planning of our reunion or can help locate classmates please email me at bryanschae-fers@cableone.net or D'ete at dsewell@ralphwaldos.com

## 1979

## 1980

### **Annette Kirk Harris**

Just a note I'm proud of:  
My husband and I opened Rumors Deli in July of 2000, almost 3 years ago. Since opening, we have been voted "Best Sandwiches" and "Best Deli" both years that we've been open. Earlier this week, Southern Living came by and did a photo shoot in Rumors so look in either Sept. or Oct. issue to check it out. In a nutshell, we have truly been blessed.

## 1981

## 1982

**Class contact: Jonathan B. Green**  
green-jb@ieee.org

## 1983

### **Lisa (Pfeil) Williams**

I graduated Cullman High School in 1983 as Lisa Pfeil. Since that time I have married Mark Williams from Baltimore, Maryland and we have one 14 year old daughter who will begin high school this year. I teach first grade at Nelson Elementary School in Scottsboro, Alabama where we live. We are very involved in our community where we live. My daughter swims. She also runs on the winning state champion cross country and track teams. My husband runs marathons. I run little things. All of this keeps us in shape and very busy.

### **Jim Kendrick**

jkendrick2@carolina.rr.com  
I am trying to find out when the 20-year class reunion for Cullman High School will be held?? If anyone has any information please send me an email.

## 1984

## 1985

**Michelle Greer** will be married at Seaside on October the 11th, 2003. It will be a beach side ceremony at sunset. They will take their honeymoon there as well and will reside in Nashville, TN.

**Seth B. Thompson** and wife Tracy Hodges Thompson class of 1986 are celebrating the birth of their second child a girl named Claire Montgomery Thompson born 4-23-2003. 4-23 is also Seth Thompson's birthday. Claire's big brother Will is doing well, he was born May 10, 2001.

**Brett King:**

I have a Ph.D from The University of Alabama in Finance. I am teaching at The University of North Alabama as an Assistant Professor of Finance, and I'm also Graduate Program Director for all of our Graduate programs at the College of Business. I have recently won distinguished research honors from the Allied Academies of Science, and have numerous publications in Finance and Political Economics. I'm also co-editor of a refereed publication: The Journal of Business, Industry and Economics. My wife, Amanda King (formerly Wilhite, class of 1985 also) is a tenured teacher at Muscle Shoals Middle School, teaching Science. We currently have two little girls: Victoria (Tori), 5 yrs. old - and Alexandria (Alex), 18 months old - as well as two Bassett Hounds: Molly & Bruno. Just want to say "Hi" to my old friends, and I do mean OLD! Hope everything is going well...

## 1986

**Class contact: Jan Kraft Gaw**  
[Jangaw@aol.com](mailto:Jangaw@aol.com)

**Found Bruce Payne:** Bruce graduated from UAH in 1991 with an Electrical Engineering degree. A few days after graduation he went to work for Dynetics in Huntsville, where he continues to work as a software engineer. Bruce married Michelle Jones in December of 1995 and now have two children: Daniel (09/30/99) and Joshua (04/12/02). They live in the city of Madison, AL.

**William Hammond:** He and his wife Kandi have 2 children ages 10 and 11. They are currently in Phoenix, AZ at Luke AFB. He's been from Korea to Saudi Arabia during his 16.5 year Air Force career.

**Erica Kohanowski:** Was married September 28th to Mark Hunter in Kansas City, Missouri. She's an OB/Gyn practicing in Mexico, Missouri. She likes to do

endurance riding.

**Leah Schuman** Supensky graduated from the University of Alabama in 1991. She moved to Winter Park, Colorado in 1991. She lived there for three years and then moved to Madison, Wisconsin. She just got married this past December (2002) in Innsbruck, Austria to Mark Supensky (from Madison, Wisconsin). They have lived in Madison, Wisconsin for the past seven years.

## 1987

**Class contact: Angie Grayson Solomon**  
[angiedawn87@yahoo.com](mailto:angiedawn87@yahoo.com)

**Link Loegler:**

My wife (Elizabeth Loegler) and I are expecting our first child in July. In addition, I was made a shareholder of Leitman, Siegal & Payne, P.C., a law firm located in Birmingham, Alabama. I am an attorney with the firm.

## 1988

**Steve Smith** and wife Rebecca had their first child on Dec. 19, 2002. His name is Ryan Parker Smith and he has been a blessing to our family.

## 1989

**Class contact: Deborah Kraft**  
[dmkraft@yahoo.com](mailto:dmkraft@yahoo.com)

## 1990

**Class contact: Susan Nielsen Bowen**  
[susanandbryan5@aol.com](mailto:susanandbryan5@aol.com)

## 1991

**Class contact: Carrie Cabri Witt**  
[CBCWITT@aol.com](mailto:CBCWITT@aol.com)

**Tannis Tankersley McCombs** and husband Brian (class of '90) welcomed their first child, Hayden Claire, on November 4, 2002. Tannis is a healthcare administrator with Children's Health System of Alabama. They have made Helena their home for a few years now, and just love the area!

**Dusty Schuman** Townson attended Jacksonville State

University and then moved to Winter Park, Colorado in 1993. She married Scott Townson from Atlanta, Georgia in 1996. They have lived in Atlanta for the past eight years and have one child, Madison Kate "Maddie" (four months old). Her occupation was a Law Firm Paralegal until the birth of Madison, she is now a full time mom.

**Tonja Henson:**

My family has just moved from Fort Myers, Florida on the west coast of Florida to Florida's east coast in Port Saint Lucie. Our new address is:

Jim & Tonja Henson  
Kayla, Kara & Mallory  
2543 SE Leithgow Street  
Port Saint Lucie, FL 34952  
(772) 398-6923 (home)  
(772) 528-4463 (Tonja's cell)

My e-mail remains the same at THinSunnyFL@aol.com

My oldest daughter starts middle school this year! (I can't believe it!!) I'd love to hear from some of my high school friends!

**Tannis Tankersley McCombs** and husband Brian (class of '90) welcomed their first child, Hayden Claire, on November 4, 2002. Tannis is a healthcare administrator with Children's Health System of Alabama. They have made Helena their home for a few years now, and just love the area!

## 1992

**Class contact: Beth Michael Solze**  
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**Beth Michael Solze:**

I hope that everyone is doing well. There are a few bits of news to announce to the class. Lots of babies are being born! Please forgive me if I get the details a little bit wrong. Some of these things were just mentioned to me in passing a few months ago, but I thought they might be of interest to the whole class.

Wendy Walker Tysinger had a little baby girl on August 17, 2002 (2 months early). Her name is Rhianna Yvonne Tysinger. She weighed 4 lbs. 1 oz. and was born while Wendy and her husband were on vacation visiting friends in Montgomery. After a 25-day stay at

Jackson Hospital, the family was able to return to Cullman. Rhianna is doing great now.

Vicki Mayo Persaud had a little baby girl on January 3, 2003. Her name is Mary Calista, she weighed 8 lbs 1 oz. and was 21 inches long. Vicki likes to believe that little Cali will have blue eyes like her Mama, but I don't think they'll last for long. Cali is gonna look just like her Daddy with a beautiful dark complexion and dark brown eyes. Don't start looking for blond hair on her yet, Vic.

Crystal Mulligan Steelman had a baby girl, Madelyne Grace Steelman, May 30, 2003. Mother and Daughter are both fine.

Amy McAfee Wood had a baby girl in January. I believe Amy and Zac named her Olivia Rose Wood, but I haven't talked to Amy in a while. Somebody correct me if I'm wrong.

Candy Byrd Roland and husband recently moved/are moving from Virginia to Georgia. Candy told me she has taken a job with her alma mater, UGA. Candy has my dream job...she's in college forever! (OK, not technically.)

Joe Mobley and Karen Heaton Mobley have moved to Virginia so that Joe can begin a cardiology fellowship at UVA. He just finished residency at UT in Knoxville. Only 3 more years, Joe.

Wes and I still have about 2 years left here in Mobile. For those of you who don't know, I changed residencies. Pathology was not right for me, so I am now an internal medicine doctor and much happier despite the longer hours.

## 1993

**Class contact: Ashley Holt Eddleman**  
todd@net-3.net

**Karen Reed Guthrie** gave birth to twins on February 26, 2003, Boy - Kolton Lane Guthrie; 4# 14oz; 17" long, Girl- Kyla Rose Guthrie; 3# 9 oz ; 17 1/2" long  
Sibling- Karson Dale Guthrie - 3 years old.

## 1994

**Class contact: Katrina Kilgo Goldman**  
kkandjay@bellsouth.net

## 1995

**Class contact: Summer L. (Roberts) Kemp**  
summerlou98@aol.com

## 1996

**Class contact: Joe Lambert**  
lambe012@bama.ua.edu

### **Brad Hawley:**

After spending 6 weeks in Costa Rica studying Spanish, Latin American culture, and surfing, I have moved to Washington, D.C. I currently work for The Corporate Executive Board, which is a firm that compiles and disseminates the world's leading corporate strategies. In my spare time, I kayak, golf, and travel. I am currently in the process of planning another trip to Costa Rica with a fellow Cullman High School alumnus. I also spend much of my time in Nashville, Tennessee.

### **Meredith Freeman:**

I moved last fall from Boston to Nashville to be closer to my family. I work for the Tennessee commission on national and community service as the learn and serve program officer. Basically I manage federal grants for service-learning programs in Tennessee. I spend much of my time playing with my new baby nephew, who also lives in Nashville, traveling to D.C., going to weddings every weekend (or at least that is what it seems like), and playing flag football.

### **Joe Lambert:**

I finally was able to defend my master's thesis on May 22nd, 2003 and will be officially receiving my M.S. degree in August from the University of Alabama. Over the summer I will become a full-time faculty member at the University as I take over the position of labtech for the Alabama Stable Isotope Laboratory. I plan to take the fall semester off from classes and then start working toward my Ph.D. in the Spring of 2004. In my spare time I enjoy softball, photography, camping, and working out.

## 1997

**Class contact: Laura Barnes**  
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## 1998

**Class contact: Misty Angle**  
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**Jessica Britton** has recently had a baby girl Karley Anne Blaylock, she was born April 2, 2003.

## 1999

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## 2000

**Ashley Bell** and Jud Olzawka had a baby boy, Dax Matthew Olzawka, in December.

## 2001

**From the superintendents desk:**  
**Dr. Suzanne Freeman**

### **From the editor's desk:**

#### **Bill Bagley**

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