

HISD ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NEWS

P.O. Box 728

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January is the time for membership renewals. For those of you who join on a yearly basis, now is the time! We have been fortunate in our ability to award scholarships and to date we have given more than \$75,000 to deserving HHS seniors. To continue, however, we need your help. Please take the time to send in your renewal so that we can continue giving these scholarships and honoring Distinguished Alumni.

Also, we would love to know when your class is having a reunion or just an informal get together. Let us know and we'll come, take photos and make sure everyone sees their friends from "back in the day." We get lots of positive comments on Facebook.

Please check out our Facebook page for current photos and information. You do not have to be a part of Facebook to see our page. It is public, which means anyone can simply go to Facebook.com and type in *HISD Alumni Association* in the search box and you're there!

Also don't forget to buy a brick in honor or memory of someone and help us fill the Alumni Plaza. Cost is \$60, and the form can be found on the [Alumni link](#) at

www.hendersonisd.org.



LION STADIUM'S NEW LOOK



THE UNEXPECTED GIFT

Each year we leave our Distinguished Alumni festivities with good feelings about our recipients and believing that we have made the day special for them.

This year was all that and just a bit more! Mr. Grady Ash turned the tables and made the day special for HISD. It all began when he spoke to a calculus class during his visit to HHS and later presented each one, nineteen in all, scholarships for \$100,000 to the college of their choice. That alone would have been more than awesome, but he wasn't done.

After hearing some questions asked of Mr. Boles about the proposed upgrade to Lion Stadium and then seeing the stadium that night at the ceremonies, he donated nearly \$4 million more for Phase I of the project which includes an all new entrance, locker rooms for both home and visitors as well as increasing the seating capacity of the visitors' stands to 2,400. This will be completed in time for this year's football season.

Please check our Facebook page where we will keep you updated on all of these renovations as well as Phase II which will begin next year.

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Class Year _____ Maiden Name _____

Dues: Yearly-\$15 10-Year-\$125 20-Year-\$200 Lifetime-\$250

Please enclose check or cash and mail to above address

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IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- SEND IN DUES
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- CHECK FACEBOOK

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI 2016



GRADY ASH



STACEY JOHNSON



PHILLIP DAVIS



Grady, Stacey and the Davis Family

Grady Ash, Class of 1951, served in the Navy during the Korean War, returned to enter Texas A&M and graduated with degrees in Mechanical Engineering and Business. For the past thirty seven years he has been sole owner of the AG Equipment Co. in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma where he has overseen the growth of his company from five to over 400 employees. His company now ranks among the top globally in the gas compression industry. He has donated millions to A&M in both buildings and scholarships.

Stacey Johnson, Class of 1982, began her career teaching English, and quickly rose to become the first female principal of HHS. She also served as Director of Curriculum and Communications and since 2010 has been the Director of Human Resources, Communication and Title IX Coordinator. She also currently serves as Executor of the Henderson Education Foundation. She has been honored with Principal and Administrator of the Year in '05 and '08. Stacey is or has been a member of seven civic organizations as well as being active in her church and church choir.

Phillip Davis, Class of 1968, known for his commitment to the youth of Rusk County, was a founding member of the Rusk County Expo Center, serving as president for many years and was a driving force behind the Youth Project Show, As owner of Lone Star Farm and Home Center, he received two Business Individual Awards from the Texas Conservation Awards Program and was honored with the Rusk County Lifetime Achievement Award in 1999. Phillip's award was given posthumously.

Photos from the Distinguished Alumni's Homecoming Day



For photos of recent class luncheons check out our Facebook page

