

RHSAA Newsletter

Words from a Scholarship Recipient

I am so grateful to have the opportunity to share how the Rusk High School Alumni Association Scholarship has impacted my life today. Following graduation from RHS in 2017, I began my college career at Stephen F. Austin State University where I studied accounting. At SFA I was involved in various organizations such as Phi Eta Sigma, accounting club, and Beta Alpha Psi. I also worked on campus in various departments as a student assistant for SFA 101, finance and administration, and served as a graduate assistant for the college of business. I recently graduated from SFA with my Masters of Professional Accountancy in May of 2021 and soon thereafter began working at Henry and Peters PC in Tyler. My success over the course of these last 4 years could not have been accomplished without the support and encouragement of my Rusk family.

Nicole Phifer

2021 Scholarship

Recipient	Scholarship
Jordan Babyak	Dr. Jim Swink Memorial
Jebidiah William Besson	Teacher Memorial
Rachel Coleman	E. H. and Marie Whitehead Memorial
Kendal Gates	Hubbard Family Memorial #2
Ethan Givens	Frank Madden Memorial
Addi Holley	Frank Summers Memorial
Jett Jenkins	Tom Sartain Memorial
Callie Lynn	Student Memorial
Miranda Morin	Judge Morris W. & Mauriete Hassell Memorial
Jo Micah Peterson	Lovelady Family Scholarship
Elijah Russell	Keith Conway Padgett Memorial
Grace Veitch	Harmon & Laura Schochler Memorial
Makala Willems	Hubbard Family Memorial #3
Macy Woodruff	Hubbard Family Memorial #1

Each recipient was awarded a \$1000 scholarship

CLASS REUNIONS

*The **Class of 1970** is planning their 51st Class Reunion, Saturday, September 18, 2:00 pm at the Cherokee County Heritage Center, located at 208 S. Henderson St. Refreshments will be provided.*

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*The **Class of 1991** will celebrate their 30th Reunion with activities planned throughout the weekend. Please contact Keith Crawford at keithnholly@mac.com.*

RHSAA Chili Supper has been cancelled

Those Who Have Gone Before Us

These names have been added to the memorial book from July 16, 2020—July 31, 2021

1940	Hazel Beatrice Lanier Martin	1963	William Blankinship
1941	Roy Rayford Lindstrom	1964	Jimmie Poole Bongio Helen Faye Walker Glover
1942	Ernest Calvin Clark Emmett Carlton Holcomb	1965	Max Walter Beathard Charles "Skip" Fulton
1943	Zelwanda Hendrick*	1966	Sandra "Sandy" Kaye Sword Peeples Pat Rutherford James Harrison Sessions Gloria Lee Hays Traylor
1944	Charles Wilbur Danheim* Frances Hudson Lusk Oneta Gilbert Poole	1967	Glenn Boyd Hassell* Joanna Williams Lee
1945	Mary Evelyn House Irby Betty Rae Harvey Shuptrine	1968	John Paul Meador Mavis Moore, Jr.
1946	Janie Lou White Jones*	1969	Zina Akin Perry James Earl Simmons
1947	Dora Louise Thomason Clifton	1971	Harry O. Berryhill Jesse Fannin Johnny Wayne Gilmore Alan Goldsberry Michael Preston Taylor
1948	Marshall Arnold Bowling* Lydia Allene George Wagner	1973	Susie Lavator Kennedy
1951	Linda McIntyre Beard* Roberta Riggs Wilson	1975	Johnny David (J.J.) Jennings* Johnnie Lucas
1952	Biddie Beck Wallace	1976	Gwendolyn Christopher Warren
1953	Lowery Harlan Crawford Bonnie Jones Dement* Allen Clay Jones* Mary Ann Beard Wheeler	1981	Lynette Denice Myers Abernathy
1954	Amelia Ozee Hudson Garner	1983	Bryan Earl Gault
1955	George Robert Holcomb*	1984	Marjorie Barlow Deanna Rashelle Parsons Briley Garron "Hank" Session
1956	Lavene Fletcher Rutherford	1986	Robert Paul Lockett
1957	Nelda Gwyn Smith Ellis* Nancy McCommas Mabry Franks Laura Neel Bobbitt Hail* Spencer Eugene Hall	1989	Orren Haskell "Trey" Bowling
1958	Robert Lynn Banks* Nita Pryor Dover Bobby Nolley Alice June Cummins Phillips	1992	Melanie Lou McRae Swafford
1959	Patricia Dodson Merchant *	2001	Clinton Wayne Brock
1960	Sharon Ann Mitchell Bice Arthur "A.C." Teer	2008	Bobby Larelle McDuff Amber Leigh Smith Vaughn
1961	Betty Wendeborn Hunt	2016	Raymond Dewayne Harvey
1962	Floyd Grover Lusk	2021	Jaylie Kate Gray

* Rusk High School Alumni Association

** Founding Board Member

Every effort is made to keep the memorial record correct and current.

Please send updated information to flong@aol.com

Become A RHSAA Member

RHSAA Membership is open to everyone and the sole purpose of the Rusk High School Alumni Association is to provide scholarships to graduating seniors of RHS. Founded in 2002, the Association has awarded a total of 202 scholarships, totaling over \$200,000.

A Lifetime membership is \$100. Show your support of the RHSAA and be part of Eagle Nation.

Please mail memberships to RHSAA, PO Box 711, Rusk, TX 75785.

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In Honor

Carol Richards Hearn

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Lea Ann Marks

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RHS Class of '54

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Welcome New Members

1956 Odis Echols	Cathy Richards Penn	1978 Vicki Jordan Beard
1962 Judy Sales Watson	Shirley "Pete" Roach Herring	1980 Lori Ocker Hassell
1963 Elizabeth Irwin McCutcheon	1969 Susan McCarroll Birdwell	Rhonda Whitesides Transier
1965 Tony Joe Huddleston	Kenneth Connolly	1987 Lindsay Wallace Dougherty
1966 Parker Stafford, Jr.	Damon Wickware	1993 Andrew Barlow
1967 Allen Norton	1972 Nick Norton	Clinton Blankinship
Ray Penn	Ricky Penn	William Michael Harris
1968 Danny Berry	1973 Phyllis Case England	2017 Nicole Phifer
	1976 David Beard	

Memorial Donations August 2020– July 2021

Donor	In Memory of	Donor	In Memory of
August Memorials			
RHS Class of '58	Bobby Nolley '58 Nita Pryor Dover '58		Sam Florian Charles "Skip" Fulton '65 Zina Akin Perry '69
Judy Lloyd Waugh	Bobby Nolley '58 Nita Pryor Dover '58	Ronny McElroy Don & Cathy Jones	Johnnie Jennings '75 Pat Rutherford '66 Charles "Skip" Fulton '65
David & Frances Long Ann Phifer Mahan	Janie Lou White Jones '46 Nita Pryor Dover '58 Inell Stewart Scott '58 Linda McIntyre Beard '51		
Don & Cathy Jones	Opal Sanders		January Memorials
		Ronny & Mary Ann Perry Don & Cathy Jones RHS Class of '62 RHS Class of '58 Robert Stovall	Emmett Holcomb '42 Emmett Holcomb '42 Floyd Lusk '62 Alice Cummins Phillips '58 Melanie McRae Swafford '92
September Memorials			
David & Frances Long Carol Richards Hearn	Glenn Hassell '67 Jay Norwood '77 Tammy Alexander '77		February Memorials
Roger "Droke" McCrary	Bruce & Patsy Pruett Betty Jones McCrary '47	Ronny McElroy Ray & Cathy Penn	Charles Frank 'Skip' Fulton '65 Robert Allan Holcomb '66 Emmett Holcomb '42 Zina Perry '69 Gail Fisher Jensen '69 Alan Goldsberry '71 Nelda Smith Ellis '57
Don & Cathy Jones The J.D. Norton Family Jhan & Ernestine Echols Odis Echols Larry & Beth Long	Sam Florian Mary Wallace Woods Frances Echols Mangiafico '52 Frances Echols Mangiafico '52 John Paul Meador '68		March Memorials
Joanne Waddell Hart	Glenn Hassell '67 John M. Waddell '63 Robert E. Stover '60 Jamie Crippen '79	RHS Class of '57 RHS Class of '83 Don & Cathy Jones Johnnie & Susan Richey	Bryan Gault '83 Sandra Sword Peeples '66 Glenn Hassell '67 Gail Fisher Jensen '69 Clint Corley Sandra Sword Peeples '66 Zina Akin Perry '69 Charles Frank 'Skip' Fulton '65 Nelda Smith Ellis '57 Sandra Sword Peeples '66
WanDelle Grogan Rutland '53 Glenn & Beverly Wilcox Sherrel Burton Price	Barbara Westbrook Rice '53 John Paul Meador '68 Jerry Russell '57 Phillip Burton '55		April Memorials
Clinton Blankinship Don & Cathy Jones Robert Stovall Adriene Stanaland Keisha Morris Rudy Penn	Rodney Brooks '93 Jimmie Poole Bongio '64 Susie Kennedy '73 Susie Kennedy '73 Susie Kennedy '73 Joe K. Williamson '44	Mike Sartain	Fred Webb
May Memorials			
		David & Lila Murray	Joanna Williams Lee '67 Fern Grogan Elliott
Patricia Ross Arnwine RHS Class of '56 Ronald Dahse RHS '55 Don & Cathy Jones Roger McCrary Patricia Merchant RHS '59 Mary Favaron RHS '55	Charles Raibon '75 Laverne Fletcher Rutherford '56 Morris Goff '55 Glenn Hassell '67 Glenn Hassell '67 Janie White Jones '46 Janie White Jones '46	Chris & Genny Mantzuranis David & Frances Long	Joanna Williams Lee '67 Rhett Butler Joanna Williams Lee '67
June Memorials			
		Lem & Linda Derrington Class of 1957	George Robert Holcomb '55 Eugene Hall '57 Nancy Mabry McCommas Franks '57
July Memorials			
		Judy Lloyd Waugh RHS Class of 1958 Jeanie Swink Jeanne Duncan Waggener Vanessa Nunnally David & Frances Long	Bobby Banks '58 Bobby Banks '58 George Robert Holcomb '55 Bobby Banks '58 Patricia Dodson Merchant '59 Patricia Dodson Merchant '59 Trey Bowling '89 Patricia Dodson Merchant '59 Trey Bowling '89
		Mary E. Favaron '55 Class of 1989	
October Memorials			
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November Memorials			
Robert Kirk Gallatin Water Supply Corp. Don & Cathy Jones	Anna Lou Darby William Blankinship '63 William Blankinship '63		
December Memorials			
David & Lila Jean Murray	Linda Weaver Tropp '64 John Paul Meador '68 Jimmie Poole Bongio '64 William Blankinship '64		