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32 PHS Alumni Association Scholarships of $1,800 Awarded!

That's 38% of the Class of 2021

In 1987, the classes of '51,'52, and '53 at a combined reunion voted to establish the PHS Alumni Association with the purpose of eventually being able to provide a scholarship for any PHS graduating senior who needed it for continuing any type of education, be it college or vocational. At the PHS Awards Ceremony on May 4, Ranay Schieffer Roth '71, chairperson of the Alumni Scholarship Committee, announced and awarded **32** scholarships of **$1,800** each.

Receiving the Alumni Association scholarships are Josiah Bourland, Dalston Bowman, Adam Brand, Savannah Chenoweth, Renissa Cinnamon, Habbie Colen, Jarron Davis, Mason Hall, Ella Hau, Destiny McHughes, Braden Nation, Jaden Oakes, Caleb Pierce, Kelton Proctor, Carson Rames, Tatum Sheets, Connor Simon, Logan Smith, Hadlee Snyder, Tali Stover, Kendalyn Stueve, Kenedee Sullins, Luke Thomas, Armando Tiscareno, Jayde Vaughan, Kayley Wilda, Kennedy Williams, and Taylor Witter. Additionally, receiving the named Memorial Scholarships are Noah Cash - Henry Knight '52 Scholarship, Rachel Larkin - Dr. Linda Powers '67 Scholarship, and Nikole Salas and Caroline Malget - Ken '37 & Jessie Carmack Scholarships.

Scholarship monies are paid directly to the schools, one half for the first semester and the second half for the second semester if the student achieves a 2.3 GPA or equivalent.

According to Ms. Roth, *"Twenty-four of those selected had at least one parent graduate from PHS. I believe it says something about our school and about Perry. It is a good place to live and raise kids! And yes, at least 25 of them had a grandparent or great-grandparent graduate here too."* PHS Alumni Association Scholarship Committee members are Ranay Schieffer Roth '71 chairperson, Gloria Tovar Maine '70, Pat Soulek Novy '65, and Bertha Caine Robinson '73.

From Alumni President Linda Jeffery Branson '71

As President of your Alumni Association, I want to thank everyone who contributes to our continued success: Board members, volunteers, and the many PHS grads who pay dues, donate, and support us in other ways.

To say the past year has been a strange year is an understatement. However, we have managed to continue our mission to provide scholarships to qualified PHS graduating seniors toward ANY TYPE of continuing education, be it tech school or college.

Our hope for the remainder of 2021 is to return to some form of normalcy (whatever that is). Until we have a better idea, we are simultaneously planning for either an in-house and/or virtual Honor Roll Banquet. In spite of COVID restrictions, we continued to raise scholarship funds with our "No Banquet" Honor Roll Banquet where almost ($6,500) was raised in sponsor fees, "non-ticket" sales, and scholarship donations.

It goes without saying our PHS Alumni Association is the best! Linda

Perry High School Alumni Association

NEWSLETTER

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"2020 NO-BANQUET BANQUET" RAISES ALMOST $6,500

What would have been our 16th Annual Honor Roll Event and Fundraiser was quickly converted to a Non-Banquet due to Covid-19 concerns in September.

Selection of new Honor Roll inductees was delayed to 2021. All nominations received will be carried forward for 2021 consideration.

Still supporters and alumni came through with sponsorships and purchasing "non-tickets" to raise funds for scholarships.

Our PHS Archives mannequins even got involved on social media by soliciting donations.

THANK YOU TO OUR "2020 NON-BANQUET" SPONSORS!

- **Parrish Electric**
- **John Vance**
- **Foster Corner Drug**
- **Dennis Brand '66**
- **Exchange Bank & Trust**
- **Bill Hughes '76**
- **Pam Sewell '65**
- **Virginia Eggers '49**
- **Lenny '66 & Linda Sadler '67**
- **Pat Novy '65**
- **Laura Kemnitz**
- **Craig Kemnitz '72**
- **Ranay Roth '71**
- **First Bank & Trust**

YOUR PHS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

MISSION: (Purpose) Providing scholarships to PHS seniors from funds raised through building life-long connections with PHS Alumni.

VISION: (Long-term goal) A scholarship for every PHS senior continuing any type of education.

CORE VALUES: Integrity: We are committed in all aspects of our work.

Pride: We are proud Maroons and work to preserve the history of PHS.

Accountability: We comply with applicable laws and regulations.

Stewardship: We are committed to careful and responsible management of all donations and gifts.

Respect: We treat all individuals with truthfulness, courtesy, and openness.

Continuous Improvement: We will continually focus on identifying opportunities to enhance our organization.

Inclusive: We support inclusion, which brings diverse people, experiences,and ideas to our organization.

PLAN NOW TO JOIN US FOR OUR SEPTEMBER EVENTS: Honor Banquet & Fundraiser, Alumni Office & Archives Open House and Reunions. *(Fingers crossed)*

PLAN TO ATTEND OUR HONOR ROLL BANQUET AND FUNDRAISER–SEPTEMBER 17

Plan now to attend our biggest annual event, tentatively scheduled on Friday, September 17, at 6 p.m. at the Perry Lower Elementary School.

Through donations, sponsorships, raffles, and a silent auction, we raise money for scholarships. If you would like to donate something for the auction or raffle, email us at PerryOKAlumni@att.net or call Peggy at 580.370.1799.

We also induct our newest PHS Honor Roll members.

Tickets are only $20 for a delicious dinner catered by Klein's Catering. You will be able buy them online at PerryOKAlumni.com or at the Alumni office, Kumback Café or the Perry Chamber of Commerce.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO NOMINATE SOMEONE TO THE HONOR ROLL? Deadline: June 1

Since its beginning in 2005, **109** PHS graduates and/or teachers have been chosen for the PHS Alumni Honor Roll. Also, three Legacy Awards have been given.

Biographies and photos of all Honor Roll members are posted on our website: PerryOKAlumni.com. Click on "Honor Roll Celebration" and then click on "Classmates."

If you would like to nominate someone to the Honor Roll, you can download a Nomination Form on our website, email us or pick up a form at our office during our open hours. **Nominations are due June 1.**

STOP BY THE ALUMNI OFFICE AND ARCHIVES ON PARADE DAY

Your Alumni Office at 606 Cedar, on the south side of the square, is the busiest place in Perry as alumni pop in to sign their class sheet, run into old friends and see who else is in town. Many enjoy reminiscing as they view class scrapbooks and composites, old trophies and PHS memorabilia. Open 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on parade day.

LET US KNOW YOUR REUNION PLANS…WE CAN HELP

2020 was a difficult year to hold a reunion. If all goes well, there will be several. Most reunions tend to be scheduled during the 16th Celebration weekend.

Your PHS Alumni Association can help. We provide class names & information for the organizers. Just email us at PerryOKAlumni@att.net Also, we can post it on our Facebook page and reserve a table at the Honor Roll banquet for your reunion.

PLEASE DON'T JOIN ALUMNICLASS.COM

This website pretends to be us, even using our logo. You'd be paying a profit-making company that sends NO MONEY to help us raise money for scholarships!!

Alumni Office Hours

10 a.m.-1 p.m.

1st and 3rd Wed.—May-July

Every Wed.—Aug.-Sept.

1st Wed.—Oct.-Apr.

STOP BY AND VISIT US!

WE LOVE OUR VOLUNTEERS!

We are always welcoming new volunteers. They staff our Wednesday office open days, assist with Honor Roll preparations, file, clean, scan, and help on our projects. They can also serve on committees.

If you would like to volunteer, email PerryOKAlumni@att.net.

STAY IN TOUCH AND CONNECTED

- **Website:** PerryOKAlumni.com. We are pleased to announce that we have now added digitized yearbooks to our website. We have 1916, 1946, and 1950 to 1969 so far. Click on "Classmates" under our name, then "Yearbooks". You can view them page by page. A special thanks goes to webmaster Cheryl Bowers DeJager '69, who does a great job keeping it all up to date!
- **Facebook:** Perry High School (OK) Alumni Association. You can follow what is happening at PHS and your Alumni Association. Be sure to "like" us and follow us.
- **Email:** PerryOKAlumni @att.net. Send us an email with questions or information.

MEET YOUR PHS ALUMNI BOARD MEMBERS

Although we have been meeting by Zoom this past year, your Board has been busy. At the Annual meeting in January, new Board members, Dr. Bryan Chrz '71, Ashley Cook Cox '06, Jamie Payne Thompson '09 and Tom Trumbla '48 were welcomed. If interested in joining our Board, please email us at PerryOKAlumni@att.net.

IN MEMORIAM: Deceased in 2020

Maroons Forever…

1941: Opal Irene Knott Fellers
Phyllis Lorraine Schurkens Wurtz
1942: Ann Gottlieb Weaver
1943: John Keith St. Clair
1945: Mary Jo Trumbla Parker
Avis LaVona Crockett Thomas
Dorothy Ellen Passow Vasek
1946: Richard Hayes Bittman
Olive Jean (Jean) Oden Long
1947: James Richard (Jim) Dolezal
Robert Frank Dolezal
Norma Joan Hamby Knott
1948: Phyllis Faye Darmer Landrum
1949: Morris Ervin Henderson
1950: Kerman Gene (K.G.) Franklin
Fred Kopp, Jr.
1951: Dan Allen Hodge
Ronald Clay Kasl
Russell Carl Vanbiber, Jr.
1953: Mary Ellen Cantrell Inselman
Darrell Lee Milliron
Marilyn Fay Adams Seeliger
Donald Jess Studebaker
1954: Shirley Sue Smith Crundall
Janice Marie Blecha Dunlay
Margaret Lenore (Kit) Norman Froebel
Muriel Louise (Louise) Malget Linholm
1956: Gerald Allen Payne
George Warren Rice
1958: Bettye Kaye Yahn Evans
1959: Raymond E. McBride
1961: Joyce Ann Nicewander Loveless
Timothy James Padilla
1964: Jimmy Allen Davis
1965: Vernon Odel Knott, Jr.
Howard Wayne Seal
1966: Larry Clark
Richard Leo (Rick) Myers
1967: Barbara Hamann Bright
1969: Adam Lee Hasenfratz
1970: Darrell Dean Karcher
Judith Karen Kukuk Skidgel
Jacob Hal (Jake) St. Clair
1971: Robert Lee (Bobby) Davis
Robert Eugene (Bob) Nida
Melody Lynn Powers Terry
Arline Kay Kroll Wagner
1979: Robert Leon Beier
Kelly Wyn Mills
1981: Larry Randall (Randy) Jarrett
1983: Lori Ann Hise May
1988: Timothy Wayne Guffey
1990: Travis Eugene Behara
Laura Ann Morris Smalley
2018: Daniel Ortiz, Jr.

Are you a PHS Alumni Association Member? Have You Renewed? Please Join!

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP:

With Covid, many of our annual members have not renewed for 2020 or 2021. Are you one of them? It is easy to renew and only costs $20. You can renew online with a credit card at PerryOKAlumni.com or via mail with the convenient form below.

LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP

We have 450 Lifetime Members but lost 17 last year.

- Cost is still only $250.
- However, if you graduated in 1976 or before, or 2016 and after, it is **ONLY $100!**
- **All Perry schoolteachers also receive the $100 special price.**

DID YOU KNOW??
Your PHS Alumni Association has awarded 404 scholarships worth over $519,000.

Don't Forget to Renew Your Membership!

Your Dues Help Support Your Alumni Association and the Scholarships We Award.

Last name 1 _____ *First name* _____ *Maiden name, if applicable* _____ *Year of graduation* _____

Last name 2 _____ *First name* _____ *Maiden name, if applicable* _____ *Year of graduation* _____

Street or Mailing Address _____ *City* _____ *State* _____ *Zip* _____ *Email address 1* _____ *Email address 2* _____

I would like to receive my newsletter by email. (check box) ☐

Annual Dues are $20/person per year.
Lifetime dues for 5 years or less out of school or 45 years or more are $100.
Otherwise, lifetime dues for the years between 5 and 45 are $250.

Annual Dues: $_____
Lifetime Dues: $_____
Donations: $_____

**Perry High School Alumni Association is a 501(c)3. All donations are tax deductible. Thank you!*

You can go online at PerryOKAlumni.com to join, or complete this form and return it with your check to:
Perry High School Alumni Association, Inc., P.O. Box 327, Perry, OK 73077-0327