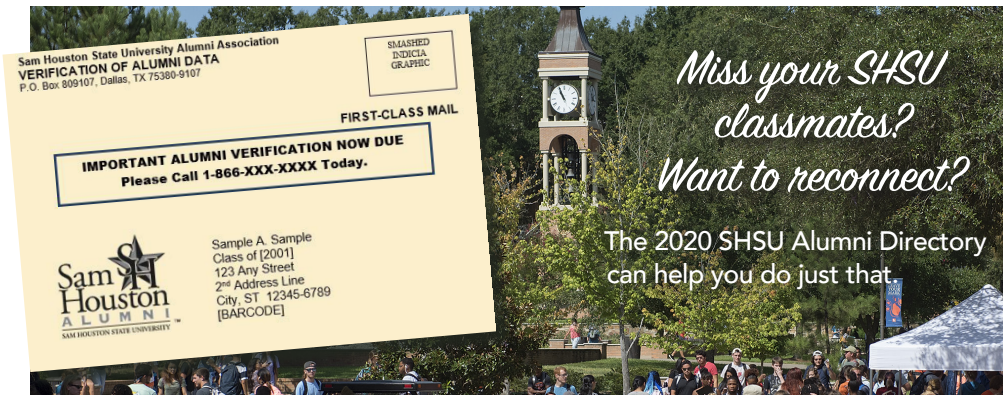


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SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

SUMMER 2019

## NEW ALUMNI PRINT DIRECTORY COMING!



The SHSU Alumni Association is committed to helping our alumni stay connected to and engaged in the life of SHSU and its more than 130,000 graduates worldwide.

In the summer of 2019, all SHSU alumni will be receiving information regarding the 2020 SHSU Alumni Print Directory Project. To produce the most accurate and informative alumni directory possible, the alumni association is partnering with Publishing Concepts Inc. (PCI) to create a resource for our alumni to reconnect with fellow classmates, share information and recognize professional and personal accomplishments. This information not only allows alumni to provide us with their most-up-to-date information, it also provides us with an opportunity to enhance our communication to alumni.

PCI will be reaching out to all alumni via standard mail (postcard), email and phone to gather information for the directory. Our goal is to make the all-new alumni publication the most comprehensive graduate reference available.

It is our desire to lift you up and celebrate your accomplishments, as well as those of fellow Bearkats. It is important that you participate to ensure that your listing is completely accurate and up-to-date. Confirming your information takes just a few short minutes and is vital in making this project a success for Sam Houston State University. If you have questions regarding the project, please contact the Office of Alumni Relations at [alumni@shsu.edu](mailto:alumni@shsu.edu) or 936.294.1841.

## STAY CONNECTED

The SHSU Alumni Association app brings new meaning to alumni engagement.

- Join or renew alumni membership
- Exclusive membership perks
- Discover nearby alumni events
- Global travel with Bearkats



Search SHSU Alumni Kat App in iTunes or Google Play store to download.



For more information, visit [shsu.edu/KatApp](http://shsu.edu/KatApp) or call 936.294.1841.



## Do You Have What It Takes To Be A Director?



**The nominations committee of the SHSU Alumni Association Board of Directors is seeking nominations from alumni and friends of SHSU for 2019 directors.**

The SHSU Alumni Board of Directors is dynamic and turns over by one-third each year. Serving on the board is a prestigious role, and one that is greatly appreciated by the university. Elected directors are alumni that hold involvement, interest, support, and commitment to Sam Houston State University.

The nomination form and position description may be found at [alumni.shsu.edu](http://alumni.shsu.edu). The completed form must be submitted and received by **5 p.m. CDT, Thursday, August 1, 2019**. For assistance, contact the Office of Alumni Relations at **936.294.1841**.



SAM HOUSTON ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



# Welcome To Our Newest Life Members

*New Life Members from November 15, 2018 and April 30, 2019*

- 50's**  
Jody (Greensides) Allen 1952  
Connie Winborn 1953  
Kenneth Hestand 1957  
Bobby Lynch 1957
- 60's**  
Jan Polliard 1964  
Thom McGinley 1968  
Joe Adame 1969  
Ken Rice 1969
- 70's**  
Lupe King 1970  
Ronald Milliken 1970  
Dennis Congdon 1972  
Gary Krone 1973  
Steven Billings 1975  
Ursel Billings 1975  
Charles Calvit 1976  
James Patterson 1976  
Marian Polk 1978  
Billy Polk 1978
- 80's**  
Donnie Marion 1980  
Cindy Marion 1981  
Albertine Conrad 1982  
Mark Marek 1982  
Carla Pope-Osborne 1983  
Mark Curran 1984  
Bill Baldwin 1985  
Steve Bates 1985  
James De Carlo 1985  
Robert Goodwin 1985  
Carl Kleimann 1985  
Jody Bugg 1987  
Marilyn Goodwin 1987  
Sarah Hammond 1987  
Sherman McMorris 1989
- 90's**  
Tracy Hoffart 1990  
Joe Rocha 1991  
Jennifer Waggoner 1991  
Vanessa Boyd 1992  
Christopher Mathis 1992  
Caprice Slaughter Weaver 1994
- Nicole Cox 1995  
Angela Sharrock 1995  
Brandon Davis 1997  
Meredith Hood 1998
- 00's**  
Jason Bell 2000  
Ryan Volkmer 2004  
Stacy Volkmer 2005  
Brandy Powell 2006  
Kimberly Bell 2007  
Kyle Kirst 208
- 10's**  
Jay Riley 2010  
Brittany Wallace 2010  
Alvin Martin 2011  
Tracey Smith 2011  
Angelia Toliver 2011  
Courtney Wright 2015  
Alyssa Dahman 2016  
Mary Washington 2016  
William Davidson 2017  
Lawrence Graves 2017
- Adam Holt 2017  
Tiffany Laws 2017  
Kaitlyn Pasket 2017  
Kourtney Spriggins 2017  
Max Toliver 2017  
Derrick Verdun 2017  
Katherine Andrews 2018  
Andrea Bauer 2018  
Kerry Berry 2018  
Jordyn Denman 2018  
Kelton Farmer 2018  
Brent Garner 2018  
Alexandra Herrera 2018  
Lois Malbrough 2018  
Megan Rodriguez 2018  
Shawn Stewart 2018  
Lykas Wyatt 2018  
Emily Schulze Binetti 2019  
Thomas Reeves 2019
- Family & Friends**  
Sam Skipper  
Rick Barrilleaux  
Vicki Barrilleaux

## UPCOMING EVENTS/ACTIVITIES

- June 12..... Sam Houston State University Night @ Minute Maid Park, Houston
- June 26..... Bay Area Club Dinner and Cocktails, Lakewood Yacht Club
- July 24..... Fort Worth Area Dinner, Joe T. Garcia's
- August 10..... SHSU Athletic Auction and Dinner, SHSU Campus
- September 7..... Young Alumni Pregame Tailgate, Huntsville
- September 10-13..... SHSU Ring Days, SHSU, LSC Lobby
- October 18..... SHSU Distinguished Alumni Gala

*\* For a complete listing of upcoming alumni association events, visit [alumni.shsu.edu](http://alumni.shsu.edu)*



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FOR MORE INFORMATION ON OUR AUSTRIA AND GERMANY VACATION OR ANY OF OUR OTHER TRIPS  
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# SAM HOUSTON BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION



During the Sam Houston Birthday Celebration held on February 26, President Dana G. Hoyt presented plaques to Rep. Trent Ashby, Senator Brandon Creighton and Rep. Will Metcalf '07 for their support of the Sam Houston State University Osteopathic Medicine Program and the THEBC approval process.

## NEW STUDENT SEND OFF



The Office of Alumni Relations partnered with the Office of Accepted Students & Bearkat Orientation to welcome students to SHSU during receptions held in Austin, Beaumont, Dallas/Fort Worth, and The Woodlands. These opportunities are great for the students to learn more about the university and start networking with alumni from their area.

## SAA BANQUET



On April 18, the Student Alumni Association held their annual end-of-year banquet in the Lowman Student Center. Scott McCarley '73, '75 and Barbara Bright '61 of the SHSU Alumni Board of Directors were in attendance, congratulating the students on another successful school year. During the annual dinner, senior members received their graduation cords and the new SAA 2019/2020 executive board was introduced.

## SAN ANTONIO ALUMNI & FRIENDS CLUB



Alumni and friends from the San Antonio area gathered at Paesanos-Lincoln Heights on May 7 to enjoy a dinner and to hear from SHSU President Dr. Dana G. Hoyt and LTC Joe Contreras, SHSU Professor of Military Science. Pictured: Distinguished Alumni Col. (Ret.) Jerry (Gene) Marshall '64, Vice President for University Advancement Frank Holmes, Distinguished Alumni Ronny Carroll '65, SHSU President Dr. Dana G. Hoyt, and Distinguished Alumni & Texas State University System Regent, Charlie Amato '70.

## DAY @ THE RACES



Houston area alumnae Julia Woods '88, '97, '00; Ingrid Lee '83, '90; Beverly Bain '78 and Michelle Harris '11, '18 donned their hats for the Kentucky Derby at the SHSU Day @ the Races on May 4.

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## 2019 SHSU Alumni Association Tailgate Sponsorship

The 2019 Sam Houston State University football season is fast approaching which means it's time for touchdowns and tailgates!

The SHSU Alumni Association provides food and beverage to alumni association members and guests before each game to ensure an electrifying tailgate atmosphere.

### Tailgate Sponsorship Opportunities:

Touchdown Tailgate Season Underwriter: \$2,500  
Berkat Sponsor: \$1,000  
Orange Sponsor: \$500  
White Sponsor: \$250

For more information, visit [alumni.shsu.edu](http://alumni.shsu.edu).

We request all commitments be made prior to August 16, 2019 to ensure adequate time in preparation of tailgate signage and displays.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. GO BEARKATS!

## DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI GALA OCTOBER 18, 2019

### DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD

Mr. William T. "Bill" Byler '88  
*President, W. T. Byler Co., Inc*  
(Bellville, TX)

Dr. LaTonya M. Goffney '99, '03, '11  
*Superintendent, Aldine ISD*  
(Humble, TX)

Mr. Charles W. "Chuck" Jones, III '81  
*Senior VP, SunTrust Banks, Inc.*  
(Dahlonega, GA)

### SERVICE AWARD

Mr. Joe A. Amato '72  
*Retired Partner/Owner Amato Linehandlers, Inc.*  
(Texas City, TX)

Mr. Joe N. Folk '53, '53  
*Retired Kirbyville CISD Superintendent and Jasper County Judge*  
(Magnolia Springs, TX)

### OUTSTANDING YOUNG ALUMNI AWARD

Mr. Will T. Metcalf '07  
*Asst. VP at Spirit of Texas Bank;*  
*Member of the Texas House of Representatives*  
(Montgomery, TX)

Table Sponsorships available call 936-294-1841

## Sponsorship Opportunities - [alumni.shsu.edu](http://alumni.shsu.edu)



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