

SHSU HONORS ALUMNI



Pictured with SHSU President Dana G. Hoyt are award recipients Justin Burnett '02, Susan Lenamon '73, Albert McCaig '72, Richard Mills '74, John Simmons '68 along with Steve and Ken Phelps accepting the award on behalf of their father the Late John Phelps '56

Six Sam Houston State University alumni who have made significant contributions to their professions, communities and alma mater recognized during this year's homecoming festivities held on October 20, with the SHSU Distinguished Alumni awards, Outstanding Young Alumni award and Alumni Service awards.

Those honored during the Distinguished Alumni Gala include Distinguished Alumni Richard Mills '74, John Simmons '68 and the late John Phelps '56; Outstanding Young Alumnus Justin Burnett '02; and Service Award recipients Susan Lenamon '73 and Albert McCaig Jr. '72

Full biographies for the recipients may be found online at: shsu.edu/todayatsam



Alumnus Scott McCarley '73 stands next to one of his sculptures on display as part of the REUNION art show during the pre-gala reception.

ALUMNI GOLF TOURNAMENT MOVES TO NEW COURSE

The SHSU Alumni Association Golf tournament is moving to the Oakhurst Golf Course in Porter, Texas on Monday, March 19, 2018. The facility is owned and operated by SHSU alumni David '81 and Debbie '82 Preisler. Sponsorship and entry: alumni.shsu.edu





Welcome To Our Newest Life Members

New Life Members from March 1, 2017 and October 31, 2017

Life Endowed Member

Matthew Barnebey 2003

40's

Marion Luper 1946

50's

Dorothy Galvin 1953

Letty Lou Thornton 1958

60's

Bedford Mitchell 1960

Joseph Kirkland 1962

Al Brautigam 1965

Joyce Boatright 1967

William Otis 1967

Betty Roberts 1967

70's

Steven Kerr 1970 1976

Irma Hernandez 1971

Carl Traylor 1971

Ronald Waldron 1971

Michael Capps 1973

Dennis Hart 1973

Robert Walton 1973

Susan Moore-Fontenot 1977

Donna E. Rogers 1977

Stephen Rogers 1977 1978

Ellen Simkulet 1977

James Harriss 1978 1978

Terry Schwertner 1978

Catherine Voit 1979

80's

Ingrid Lee 1983 1990

Eric Slape 1984

Ronald Luehrs 1985

Jay Schindler 1988

David Cooper 1989

90's

Joseph Myrda 1991

Kerry Murray 1993

Forrest Smith 1993

Melissa Claybrook 1996

Jason Sharp 1998

Cheryl Spencer 1998

Deena Rall 1999

WilmaJo Tucker 1999 2004

00's

David Mervish 2001

Joseph Pedigo 2001

Dennis Vansa 2001

Natalie Turman 2003 2015

Benjamin Bostick 2003 2006

Daralyn Brzymialkiewicz 2004

Kimberly Ruby 2004

Michelle Baker 2008 2012

Carol-Lee Hale 2008 2015

10's

Casey Goodman 2010

Taylor Pittman 2012

Tara Riebschlaeger 2012

Jonathan Campbell 2013

Jacqueline Guerrero 2014 2016

Darion Walton 2014 2015

Varion Walton 2014 2015

Charity Bostick 2015

Alexandra Hon 2015

Patrick Vollmer 2015

Emily Allen 2016

Nieesha Earls 2016

Rebecca Gessner 2016

Michael Gonzalez 2016

Mary Hicks 2016

Tristin Hyden 2017

John Jones 2016

Jacob Kellogg 2016

Jarod Lambert 2016

Jae-Seung Lee 2016

Colton Metz 2016

Michael Samson-Metzger 2016

Randall Parr 2016

Brittney Schindler 2016

Kimberly Ann Wright 2016

Raymond Armour 2017

Cathi R. Gillette 2017

Marshall Laine 2017

Kevin Richards 2017

Katherine Rodriguez 2017

Bradley Sherman 2017

Evan Landry 2017

Allyson L. Tucker 2017

Jason Womack 2017

Dorcie Gillette 2018

Family & Friends

Shannon Campbell

Jiahuang Ji

Mitchell J. Muehsam

Beth Traylor

*Traveling Bearkats ...
explore with us!*



2018 ALUMNI TRAVEL

- **GREAT TRAINS & GRAND CANYON (DOUBLE \$2,495PP*), MARCH 18 – 23, 2018 SOLD OUT**
- **BRITISH LANDSCAPES (Double \$3,059pp*), April 5 – 14, 2018**
- **ALASKA DISCOVERY (Double \$4,899pp*), September 4 – 16, 2018**
- **ICELAND'S MAGICAL NORTHERN LIGHTS (Double \$2,649pp*), November 4 – 10, 2018**

**Visit our Traveling Bearkats page at alumni.shsu.edu to view trip information and pricing details.*

TAILGATE 2017

The Alumni Association host tailgating every home game for members of the association. Thank you to the many sponsors that assist in making this fun event possible. Eat 'Em Up KATS! Not a member of the alumni association? Join Today online at alumni.shsu.edu



BRYAN/COLLEGE STATION CLUB DINNER



The Bryan/College Station Club President Ron Gay '77, '84 with Men's and Women's Head Basketball Coaches, Brenda Nichols '89 and Jason Hooten at the annual dinner at Christopher's World Grille.

BLACK ALUMNI CLUB RECEPTION



Mr. Frank Parker accepting the "Trail Blazer" award at the SHSU Black Alumni & Friends Homecoming Reception from Club President Richard Evans '91 and Charlie Vienne, Associate VP of Alumni Relations.

BAY AREA CLUB DINNER



Bay Area Club Dinner – The Bay Area Alumni Club Presidential Dinner featuring Dr. Hoyt raised \$2,500 for the SHSU Food Pantry! This is an annual event that has provided nearly \$5,000 to support students in their efforts at SHSU.

11TH ALUMNI TUITION DRAWING



Chandler Goodwin from Houston will not have to worry about paying for classes at Sam Houston State University next year. That is because Chandler was selected during the eleventh annual SHSU Tuition Scholarship drawing on November 17.

The Alumni Association has awarded more than \$200,000 in scholarships through the tuition-drawing program. This year's award of 24-hours of undergraduate in-state tuition has an approximate value of \$5472. The SHSU Alumni Association will award net proceeds from the tuition drawing in \$1000 increments to eligible students for the following fall. For more information on the tuition drawing or alumni scholarships, contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 800.283.7478

UPCOMING EVENTS/ACTIVITIES

January 22 Walker County Alumni Club Scholarship Fundraiser, Huntsville
 February 24 Life Member Celebration, Hotel ZaZa, Houston
 February 27 Austin Area Alumni Club Dinner, Maggiano's Little Italy, Austin
 February 28 . San Antonio Area Alumni Club Reception, Piatti's-The Quarry, San Antonio
 March 19 Alumni Golf Tournament, Oakhurst Golf Club, Porter
 March 27 Cowtown Alumni Club Dinner , Cattlemen's Steakhouse, Ft. Worth
 March 29 Austin/Washington County Area Club Dinner, Kenney Store, Kenney

* For a complete listing of upcoming alumni association events, visit alumni.shsu.edu

CLASS NOTES

We want to hear from you!

Send us updates on work, relocations, marriage, family, degrees, accomplishments—and a photo, too. Let other Bearkats know what you've been up to by completing the online form or emailing us your updates.

Class Notes are shared in [Heritage](#) magazine.

Email: alumni@shsu.edu

or fill out the form at

shsu.edu/dept/office-of-alumni-relations/services/classnotes



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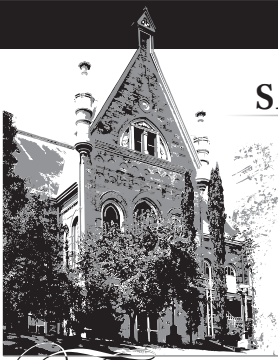
Life Member Celebration



February 24, 2018
Hotel ZaZa – Houston

Table Sponsorships Available

SAVE THE DATE!



APRIL 21, 2018
FIFTH ANNUAL

Founders Day

SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY

Contact the Alumni Association for more information by emailing alu_kat@shsu.edu or calling 800.283.7478



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