



JHS

# Jeffersontown High School Alumni Association Email

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Dear Jtown Alumni,

## ANOTHER DREAM REALIZED!!!!



BY: Myra Fugate

The Jeffersontown High School football field entrance has been in need of revitalization for years. The sagging gates and chain link fence attest that its time has come, and with the help of some Charger graduates, our goal will soon be met.

- Paul Gambert, class of '82 and current JHS assistant principal, organized our ideas and volunteers
- Alan Stogsdill, class of '80 , drew the original architectural design
- Buddie Jaha, class of '73, provided his company for the construction
- Mike Mason, class of '93, volunteered his company for new landscaping
- Steve Connors, class of '72 , organized financial donations

Many of you have helped as well by purchasing the engraved bricks which will compose the walkway from the parking lot to the track. Those bricks will not only fund the needed materials, but will also exhibit the names of those who purchase the bricks. We have sold over one half of our goal! If you have not reserved your space on the walkway, you still have time!

The deadline is **APRIL 30!!**

With three lines of script,  
up to 14 characters per line,  
the 4 x 8 brick is \$50,  
OR  
with six lines of script,  
up to 14 characters per line,  
the 8 x 8 brick is \$100.

The order form can be found on our web site, [www.jtownalumni.org](http://www.jtownalumni.org)  
or Click the link below <http://jtownalumni.org/docs/Events/Brickorderform03.pdf>

or contact me at  
[Myra.Fugate@Jefferson.kyschools.us](mailto:Myra.Fugate@Jefferson.kyschools.us)  
for the form or any additional help.

Thank you to the following who have already purchased a memorial brick!

### **INDIVIDUALS**

SHARON DAUGHERTY '71  
HELEN ELIZABETH MARTIN '72  
RICHARD STANSBERRY '72  
CHARLIE TRITLE '72  
CHRIS CUMMINS '76  
BLAINE DAUGHERTY '77  
JAY BAILEY '78  
DWIGHT & ALICE ROBINSON '79  
KATHI LINCOLN REMMERS '80  
PAUL & CHRISTA GAMBERT '82  
DAVID LEE MILLER '82  
SCOTT CARMONY '85  
TODD HEAD '92  
WAYNE WEST '92  
STEPHANIE HARMS CARMONY '94  
SHEILA CARSON, ASST. PRINCIPAL & CORY CARSON '01  
CHARLES (CJ) BOWEN '04  
LELAND TINGLE  
LINDA BEAR RYMOND  
DR. THOMAS THURMAN & SUSAN REYNOLDS THURMAN, '73  
BILL AND ANN REYNOLDS, '77  
MRS. A LESLEY FROM WALLY LESLEY  
LYNNE DRISKELL COWELL, '80  
BOBBY BROCK FROM COACH HUGHES  
CHERYL RUCKRIEGEL, '89  
SUSAN SPRINGER BORDERS '78  
CRAIG DRISKELL '76  
STEVE CONNORS, '72  
SHANNON CONNORS, '05  
STEVI KAYE CONNORS, '14

### **FAMILIES /GROUPS**

THE GREENWELLS: MARIE; GERRY; MICHAEL; TONY  
THE BRUMLEYS: BOB & PAT, DARLENE, '79, KATHLEEN, '72, TRINA, '73, KAREN,  
THE NEALS: TONY, '75; GERALYN, '78; SUSIE, '80; ALLISON, '87; CAROLYN, '88  
THE FLOORES: MARSHALL, '41; ED, '45; BETTYE, '50; TED, '70; DOUG, '73  
THE ENGLANDS :CLAY, '73; MARY, '74; BRIAN, '97; TODD, '98; KELLY, '02  
THE CLASS OF 1985  
THE CLASS OF 2010  
THE MUCKERS: LARRY E, SHIRLELY, LALRRY, JR, CHARLES D  
THE DIDIERS: DONNA & DAVID, '72; RUTH, '73; PAUL, '77; NANCY, '80; ALICE, '81  
TO ALL THE "BOYS" FROM COACH HUGHES  
THE COOKS : VICKIE, '70; JUDY, '75; KATHY, '75  
THE PAYNES: DON, '83; MISSY KAELIN, '83; MEGAN, '08; ELLERY, '15  
THE ACKERMANS: MATTHEW, ED, MARSHA  
THE SHUCKS: BILL, '75; MISSY, '77; BETTY, 1974-1994, LESLIE  
THE HOFFMANS: ROXIE, VIRGIL, KEVIN, MICKEY  
THE REIBELS: FRANCES & LANCASTER, '36; JUDY 1971-1975  
THE ZWICKERS: WILLIAM, '77; BARBARA, '79; BEVERLY, 1970-1997  
THE CHEEKS: EDDIE, '72; CHARLEY, '73  
THE PARKS: JIM, DENNIS, VICKI, BJ  
The DAWSONS: RON & VIRGINIA, JON, ZACK, VAL, CLAY & KELLY

## **MEMORIALS**

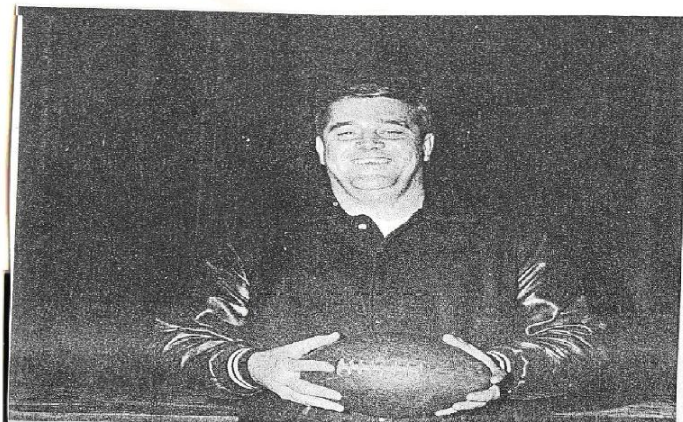
KATHI CUNNINGHAM HILL, '72, IN MEMORY OF JANET COX, MUSIC DIRECTOR  
JHS LIBRARY IN MEMORY OF ANN BORST, LIBRARY AIDE  
JHS YEARBOOK STAFF IN MEMORY OF STERLING GRANT CROWE, ENGLISH TEACHER &  
YEARBOOK SPONSOR  
DAUGHERTY IN MEMORY OF ROGER DAUGHERTY, '72  
MYRA FUGATE IN MEMORY OF PAUL FUGATE, TEACHER & BASKETBALL COACH  
ROSEMARY REYNOLDS IN MEMORY OF WILLIAM T. REYNOLDS, PRINCIPAL  
PAULA ANN PLACHER, '92, FROM DAVID PLACHER  
IN MEMORY OF CHARLES CHEEK, SR.  
IN MEMORY OF KARMEN BUSH FROM DAVID CANTOR  
IN MEMORY OF COACH HUGHES FROM PATRICE SOUTHARD  
IN MEMORY OF JIMMIE HUGHES FROM SOUTHEAST CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
IN MEMORY OF JOHN & ELAINE CONNORS FROM COLLEEN, STEVE, LISA, PATRICK, KEELEY  
CONNORS  
IN MEMORY OF SUSAN PECK SCHULTZ FROM DAVID SCHULTZ

## **FACULTY & STAFF**

MR. HAMILTON  
MYRA BOBLITT FUGATE  
JAMI & WILLIAM ALLEN  
RAY FORE  
LAURA SHORT  
PEGGY LAND KINSELL  
LARRY HOUSTON  
LOU WHEELER

This fall we will rededicate our football complex, once again honoring the two men who have been so important to our Charger legacy: William T. Reynolds, the first principal of JHS High School, and Jim Hughes, our first football coach. As many of you know, Coach Hughes passed away last November due to complications of diabetes and heart disease. He came to J'town in 1967 from Western University where he played varsity football. He was selected for the Ohio Valley Conference team, and received honorable mention on the Little All American team. He retired as head coach in 1975 but remained as a teacher until his retirement in 1983.

Coach Hughes



Throughout his years as coach and teacher, he was an important influence for many young people, especially the football players, many of whom remained "his boys" throughout his life. He is survived by his wife, Becky, and his daughter, Laurie, class of '80, and by all of us who loved him.

In the memory of these two men and the spirit of Charger Pride, join those who have purchased a brick and help us realize our dream of a new football field entrance.

**DEADLINE APRIL 30 !!!!!!!**

[http://www.jtownalumni.org/cart/index.php?main\\_page=index&cPath=25](http://www.jtownalumni.org/cart/index.php?main_page=index&cPath=25)

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## Six JHS Alumni Honored at 2010 Hall of Fame Induction

On November 19, 2010, approximately 100 alumni and guests attended the second annual Jeffersontown High School Alumni Hall of Fame Induction. The induction was held at Edesia Gardens Restaurant (formerly Ferd Grisanti's) with Dr. Charlie Trittle, Alumni Association president, serving as master of ceremonies. Following the dinner and induction ceremony, alumni bid at a silent auction and enjoyed an evening of karaoke with Pell and Debbie Blakeman. Mark your calendars now to attend next year's Hall of Fame event!

The Alumni Association gratefully acknowledges the collective accomplishments and contributions of this year's inductees listed below.

### **Lori Rehmet Moore, Class of 1983**

Lori is an accomplished scholar, educator, and writer. She has written an award-winning book titled *From Zero to Christian in Just 35 Years*. Her most recent effort is *Missing Andy - The Journey from Grief to Joy*, which was written following the untimely death of a friend. In high school, Lori was a member of the German Club, Beta Club, and National Honor Society. She spent considerable time in the insurance industry and as a postsecondary teacher and administrator at several colleges and universities before embarking on her career as a Christian writer.



### **Keith Nolan Caudill, Class of 1981**

As a JHS student, Keith participated in both football and track. Just a few years after graduation, he started as a volunteer fire fighter with the Fern Creek Fire Department. This volunteer position led to lifelong service as a career fire fighter. Keith has worked his way through the ranks at several fire departments. He currently serves as Interim Fire Chief for the Worthington Fire Department. He has received numerous awards and honors, and multiple unit citations. Keith is the recipient of the department's highest honors - the Chief's Commendation Award in 2006 and Career Fire Fighter of the Year in 2007.



### **Dr. William T. Reynolds, Jr., Class of 1977**

Billy devoted much of his time in high school to playing on the basketball team. Now Bill devotes his time to his optometry practice in Richmond, Kentucky, and also to improving vision health and promoting vision legislation within the Commonwealth of Kentucky. He was named Optometrist of the Year in 1998, and served as president of the Kentucky Optometric Association in 2001-02. In addition to his work in private practice, Bill volunteers as director of the Kentucky Special



Olympics Opening Eyes Clinic at Eastern Kentucky University and the as co-director of the St. Pius X Vision Clinic in Kingston, Jamaica.

### **George Yankey, JHS Counselor and Assistant Principal 1966-73**

Mr. Yankey spent 61 years in public education as a teacher, counselor, assistant principal, and principal. He began his career as a math teacher and later became principal of Carrithers Middle School. Mr. Yankey spent his later years teaching GED and adult education classes. While at JHS, Mr. Yankey was known as a dedicated and conscientious administrator, often working tirelessly behind the scenes helping to establish the new school. In addition to his school responsibilities, Mr. Yankey served the J-town community through his work with the Jeffersontown Optimist Club and Jeffersontown Baptist Church.



*(Note: Sadly, just two months after his induction into the Hall of Fame, Mr. Yankey passed away on December 31, 2011. He will be both remembered and missed by JHS alumni.)*

### **Helen Hester, Class of 1942**

Mrs. Hester has had a life filled with great joy, passions, and interests. One of her greatest passions is preserving the history of Jeffersontown and the original Jeffersontown High School. Starting in 1996, Mrs. Hester began organizing reunions for alumni from the classes of 1925-1950 in order to preserve the memory of the "old" school. With her leadership, the school's history is now being shared with a new generation. As a young girl, Helen loved both her school and playing the accordion. During World War II, Helen performed in over 200 USO shows. Since 1944, she has been entertaining at schools, churches, nursing homes and civic events. Mrs. Hester even gave an amazing, impromptu performance on the accordion at the Hall of Fame Induction!



### **Myra Boblitt Fugate, Teacher, 1971 - present**

The JHS Alumni Association honored Mrs. Fugate with her surprise induction into this year's Hall of Fame! Myra began her career at JHS as a student teacher in 1971 and has been here ever since. She has touched countless lives while teaching English, Creative Writing, American Literature, and Mythology; serving as the Chargettes and Miss JHS sponsor; and mentoring both students and colleagues. Her leadership and vision led to the formation of the JHS Alumni Association. Mrs. Fugate is the ultimate "Charger" who maintains connections with former students, organizes alumni events, and keeps the Charger spirit alive for all of us.





## 2011 Alumni Hall of Fame Nominations

Did you experience your greatest success after high school? Do you know of classmates who deserve to be honored for their professional achievements or contributions to the community? Chances are, those post-high school accomplishments distinguish you and/or your classmates as excellent candidates for the **Jeffersontown High School Alumni Hall of Fame**.

The Alumni Hall of Fame was established in order to recognize, promote, and celebrate the success and achievement of JHS graduates and faculty. In 2010, we honored SIX distinguished alumni including an award winning author, a distinguished firefighter, and several lifelong educators! The 2011 Hall of Fame Committee is currently seeking nominations for outstanding alumni who have made significant contributions through academics, community involvement, public service, and/or professional accomplishments. Nomination forms are available on the alumni website at [www.jtownalumni.org](http://www.jtownalumni.org), or by contacting Dr. Charles Tritle.

**The deadline for nominations is June 1, 2011.**

**[CLICK HERE FOR 2011 JHS HALL OF FAME NOMINATION FORM](#)**

Submit completed nomination forms to:

**Dr. Charles Tritle**  
**2508 Alanmede Road**  
**Louisville, KY 40205**  
**Phone: 502-458-5788 or 502-819-1057**  
**Fax: 502-290-4173**  
**Email: [charlestritle@yahoo.com](mailto:charlestritle@yahoo.com)**

We encourage you to consider nominating yourself for the Hall of Fame, as we may have no other way to know about your achievements. Don't be shy about sharing your successes and accomplishments!

Eligibility requirements and guidelines include:

- Nominees must be age 35 or older.
- Nominees must be graduates or faculty members of Jeffersontown High School.
- "Near graduates," including those who entered military service early or those who were bused for desegregation purposes, are considered eligible as nominees.
- Nominees must complete an information profile and provide letters of recommendation (provided by the committee at time of nomination).
- Nominees must attest that they have never been convicted of a felony.
- Posthumous nominations will be accepted on behalf of those alumni and faculty members who are deceased.
- Self-nominations are both accepted and encouraged.

Take the time to showcase your own accomplishments or acknowledge one of your classmates by submitting a nomination today!



**THANK YOU !! THANK YOU !!!!**

**TO THOSE WHO HAVE PAID THE 2010-2011 ALUMNI DUES**



**YOU MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR US TO SUPPORT OUR GRADUATES AND CURRENT STUDENTS**

**LIFETIME MEMBERS**

CHARLES BAILEY, JR.	ORIGINAL SCHOOL	JOHN JORDAN	1977
DEBBIE BLAKEMAN ROBBINS	1979	ELIZABETH KENNEDY SIMON	ORIGINAL SCHOOL
ROSS BROWN	1974	VIRGINIA MCCLAIN	ORIGINAL SCHOOL
BETTIE CARTER	ORIGINAL SCHOOL	MELVIN MILLER	1972
DEBI COMBS MCDONALD	1984	DAVID PARROTT	1974
ANDREW CSABAI	1988	TERRY POTTS	1972
JOAN DALY	ORIGINAL SCHOOL	SUSAN REYNOLDS THURMAN	1973
DEBBIE DUMMER JORDAN	1977	DOROTHY RUCKRIEGEL WALKER	1972
MARION HAMBRICK	1991	MISSY SHUCK	1977
MARVIN HIGHFILL	1974	RICHARD STANSBERRY	1972
VIOAL HOFFMAN	ORIGINAL SCHOOL	DR. CHARLES TRITLE	1972
DAVID HOLLOWAY	ORIGINAL SCHOOL	DR. LINDA BAVENDER ZALESKI	1975
HENRIDA HOLLOWAY	ORIGINAL SCHOOL		
BUDDIE JAHA	1973		

**2010-2011 DUES PAYING MEMBERS**

MATT ACKERMAN	1995	TERRI NEININGER LAVON	1977
JEAN BALLARD	1976	ROSALIE RICKERT COCEREL	
LEIGH BRYANT		DENNIS PARK	1972
EDDIE CHEEK	1972	KIM PHELPS	
VICKIE COOK	1970	TRACI ROEDERER TYLER	1984
CRAIG DRISKELL	1976	CHEYRL RUCKRIEGEL	
LYNNE DRISKELL COWEL	1980	JOHN SELBY	1975
CHEYRL DUGAN	1982	LEE VIFQUAIN STEEN	1975
BARBARA JACKSON		PAM YANKEY CHEEK	1973
SCOTT JOHNSON	1984	KIM YORK SNYDER	
DAVE MILLER	1982		

**THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!!**



Dear Jeffersontown High Alumni Association,

My name is Shane Williams. I am a senior at J'town High School and proud to be a member of the Charger Nation! I have been the concert master of the orchestra for three years, played football, and have been the student leader of the JHS men's choir.



I wanted to thank you for our new auditorium. It has made a huge difference in my life. Compared to the first two years of high school with no real place to perform, these past two years have made all the difference! I can personally say that my life has changed because of your generosity. Due to my performance in the first ever Mr. JHS, I was noticed by 2007 Miss Kentucky Outstanding Teen and the 2010 Miss Louisville. With their help, I entered The MKOT Pageant, and from that exposure, I have been asked to perform in events all across the country. One of the events was The Dance Masters of the Bluegrass Competiton where I not only won the hip hop division, but the first place overall dancer. This entitles me to a scholarship to a dance workshop in Buffalo, New York.

My dreams are coming true because of you! Thank you for continuing to be a Charger and supporting Jeffersontown High School!

Sincerely,

Shane Williams

