

Centralia High School Alumni Association

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Distinguished Alumni

2002 Inductee

Captain Larry Knolhoff-Class of 1968

2008 Inductees

James S. "Jim" Brady-Class of 1958

Roland W. Burris-Class of 1955

Colonel Paul Mason Carpenter
Class of 1976

Thomas Dwight "Dike" Eddleman
Class of 1942

Stephen M. Francois-Class of 1966

William Ronald "Bill" Norwood
Class of 1955

2009 Inductees

Glen Daum-Class of 1958

Jimmie Evers-Class of 1930

Roy Lambert-Class of 1950

Bobby Joe Mason-Class of 1955

Ric Swartzlander-Class of 1978

2010 Inductees

Dr. David Blackwell-Class of 1935

Ken Coleman-Class of 1960

Major General Thomas Eggers
Class of 1959

Andy Kindle-Class of 1964

Dr. Barbara Loughman Linder
Class of 1958

2011 Inductees

James "Al" Danielwicz-Class of 1970

John Capellupo-Class of 1952

2012 Inductees

Verle Besant-Class of 1953

Gary Gaetti-Class of 1976

Robert Hight-Class of 1958

2013 Inductees

Colonel Fred W. Johnson
Class of 1980

Dr. Jay E. Niepoetter-Class of 1983

2014 Inductees

Don Beckmeyer-Class of 1980

Dr. Nancy A. Evers-Class of 1964

Com. Jack Shannon Parker Jr.
Class of 1992

It has been another great year for the alumni association! As our membership continues to grow, so does the amount of correspondence with former graduates. Every year we hear from alumni that, for the first time, have realized there is a Centralia High School Alumni Association. I am proud to watch the membership grow each year. With tremendous support from 2011 Distinguished Alumni Member, Jim "Al" Danielwicz, the number and amount of scholarships to CHS graduates continues to increase. We recently began a Capital Fund to help with capital improvements of the current CHS campus. The CHSAA, through this fund, donated \$8,000 to CHS for protective track tarps and a flag pole. The CHSAA, with your support, will continue to provide CHS students with the tools they need to become successful. Thanks for your continued support!

M. Reid Shipley, Principal

2015 Distinguished Alumni Inductees

The eighth annual Distinguished Alumni Ceremony will be held on **Friday, November 13, 2015**. An afternoon assembly, beginning at 2:00 p.m., is planned for the student body and is open to the public. The evening program will be held at the Community Arts Center in Centralia beginning with a social hour at 5:30 p.m. followed by dinner and program at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$25/person and reservations can be made by contacting Kim Copple at kcopple@centraliahs.org/618-322-6100 or Reid Shipley at 618-532-7391 ext. 3001. **Get together with some of your alumni friends and join us for this outstanding day!**



**Clifford J. Berger,
D.M.D.**

Class of 1964

Oral and Maxillofacial
Surgeon

University of Kentucky-
1972, Oral; Maxillofacial
Surgery Cert.-Medical
College of Georgia-1975,
Drafted 1968 by NBA
Milwaukee Bucks



**Thomas E. Holloway
Class of 1968**

Bank President/CEO

University of Wisconsin
School of Banking-1981,
worked in banking field
over 30 years. Serves on
many Boards and recipient
of achievement and
distinguished citizen
awards



**Annette V. Shores,
M.D., F.A.C.S.**

Class of 1983

Surgeon

Doctor of Medicine from
the University of Illinois
College of Medicine-1991
Introduced advanced
laparoscopic surgery in
our area/began bariatric
surgery program

2016 CHSAA Distinguished Alumni Nominations Sought

To submit a nomination, go to www.chsalumniassociation.org/nomination.htm to print the form and mail it to the CHSAA address at the top of this newsletter. Nominations must be received by **June 1, 2016** to be considered for 2016 inductees.

Homecoming Tailgate-October 16, 2015

The CHSAA recently sponsored the sixth annual Homecoming Tailgate. Donations were received from local businesses, clubs and individuals to provide an outstanding, fun-filled afternoon of games, food and prizes before the Homecoming game. You can see the "Orphan Spirit" displayed below!



Ribbon Cutting for New Evers Field-September 11, 2015



Nancy Evers, daughter of the late Jimmy Evers and 2014 CHSAA Distinguished Alumni, along with Centralia High School Superintendent Chuck Lane, cut the ribbon on the new Evers Field Friday, September 11, 2015, behind the new CHS campus. Also on hand for the ceremony, FROM LEFT, were CHS Board members Larry James and Olen "Butch" Border, Centralia Mayor Tom Ashby, CHS Board member D.K. Klein, Centralia City Council member Howard Jones, Centralia City Manager Dan Ramey, CHS Board Secretary Rod Snow, Bob Kelsheimer of the Greater Centralia Chamber of Commerce, CHS Board Vice President Galen Mahle and CHS Board President Keith Kessler.



CHSAA Funds

- If you have not paid your 2015 membership dues, you can still mail them in to the address at the top of this newsletter.
- CHSAA is a 501(c)(3) organization and all donations above dues are federally tax deductible. Receipts will be provided in January for previous year donations.
- Memorial donations are always an excellent way to honor a relative/classmate and promote the alumni association at the same time.
- **Scholarship Fund**-All donations to this fund are used strictly for scholarships to CHS students.
- **Landscape Fund**-The CHSAA would like to do additional landscaping around the new campus.
- **Capital Fund**-This fund was established to assist CHS with additional items/expenses around the new football field complex. Several needed items have already been purchased through this fund.

CHSAA Email Address Book/Update Your Information

- If you are not part of the CHSAA email address book or if you have changed your email address/internet provider, contact Kim Copple at kcopple@centraliahs.org. Also, if you relocate, please send us your new mailing address to the address at the top of this newsletter or to kcopple@centraliahs.org.