



The Marionette

Meet the Principals



Justin Hunt M.Ed.

certainly fulfilled this paradigm.

Last year a new principal was appointed at Harding Charter Prep when Carole Kelly resigned to join her husband who took a new job out of state. After a nationwide search the board found the perfect candidate right in the halls of HCP. Justin Hunt was then the vice principal of HCP. Mr. Hunt is an Oklahoma native and grew up in Enid, OK. He received his B.S. degree in Math Education from Northwestern Oklahoma State University in Alva in 2006 and has teaching certificates in intermediate mathematics and advanced mathematics. Mr. Hunt began his teaching career in Newkirk, OK. While there he taught mathematics and served as head baseball coach in addition to completing his Master's degree in Education Administration at Oklahoma State University, Weatherford.

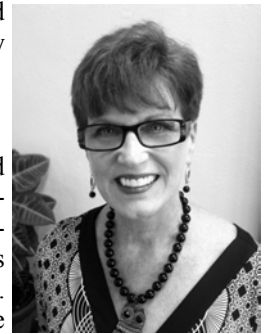
In his first two years at HCP, Mr. Hunt was Assistant Principal, Director of Saturday School, Director of Summer School and Building Test Coordinator. It is little wonder that he wa se-

lected to be Principal of HCP in 2012. Justin goals for HCP are to be at or above last year's ranking and to maintaining the high test scores that HCP students have achieved. In addition, he hopes to promote an attitude of life-long-learning within the student population and to insure the safety of the student population.

Justin is married to Laverne, OK native Shailaina Hunt. They have one three year old son, Braedyn. In his leisure time he enjoys spending time with his family and watching sports. He is a fan of OU, OSU, the Saint Louis Cardinals and the Oklahoma City Thunder.

An accomplished teacher and administrator, Dr. Sherry Rowan joined HFAA as principal in 2006. She has overseen the school from near it's beginning and has built it to a point where it is among the top five high schools in the Oklahoma City system.

Dr. Rowan began her academic training at the University of Texas, Arlington where she earned her B.A. degree in French. Dr. Rowan holds a M.ED. in Secondary School Administration from the University of Central Oklahoma and a Ph.D. degree from the University



Sherry Rowan, Ph.D.

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Don't Miss It!
Annual Meeting of the HHSAA Membership

Saturday, July 13th, 2012
12:00 p.m.
Johnnie's Charcoal Broiler
2652 West Britton Road

Purchase your meal and join fellow Harding alumni in the private room on the southwest side of the restaurant

Outstanding Alum—Bob Vernon, '64

Bob Vernon's love of teaching started during his senior year at Harding. In his 43rd year as an educator, he first felt the draw to teach while tutoring students in 1965. Bob graduated from Yale in 1969 with a B.S. in history. Although he contemplated enrolling in law school that summer, he learned about Teacher Corp, a program established to improve elementary and secondary education in low income areas. Bob seized the opportunity to teach and enrolled immediately.

That same fall, Bob joined the Air National Guard, splitting his time between teaching and the reserves. In 1971, Bob left Teacher Corps with a master's degree in education from the University of Oklahoma and a deepened desire to teach. He taught a few years in Norman, followed by a year immersed in a Ph.D.

program at Stanford University. It was during his time at Stanford that he realized his ultimate career goal was to have his own school, not to spend his professional time in academia.

Bob saw a potential to grow Westminster school. He wanted to head development of a middle division at Westminster. That fall, Bob began teaching fifth and sixth graders at Westminster. He started to lay the groundwork for the middle school, which opened in 1978. In 1992, Bob was appointed head of school, the position he still holds.

Bob has served as a trustee or board member of the Crown Heights-Edgemere Heights Neighborhood Association and the Oklahoma School of Science and Math, but most of his time has been devoted to Westminster School. In addition



Bob Vernon '64

to work, he tries to exercise daily and keeps up with current events and politics. He has been happily married for nearly 43 years to Lissa. They have two children and three grandchildren.

"As I reflect on my career and time at Westminster School, I'm most proud of my students and the community we've created," Bob says. "I'm more proud of what they have accomplished than anything I've done. I've been very fortunate and love what I do."

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of Oklahoma in Instructional Leadership and Academic Curriculum. She taught Spanish, French, English, German and Healthy Living at Putnam City North High School, Mayfield Junior High School, Bishop John Carroll Catholic School, Bishop McGuinness High School and was principal at St. John's Episcopal School and Trinity School before joining HFAA.

Dr. Rowan has recruited a talented faculty and plans for the school to continue to advance in the goal of excellence in academic achievement through

providing an arts-integrated approach. The ultimate goal is to graduate students who will become well-rounded and productive members of the community and the world.

Sherry is married to Oklahoma City attorney, James T. Rowan. They have two grown children—Sara, a infectious disease physician who lives in Denver, CO and Dan, a lawyer specializing in labor law in Portland, OR. Sherry and her husband live in Edgemere Park and have a beloved dog, Penny Lane. When her busy schedule permits, she likes to travel, cook, and attend theater, arts and music events.

Congratulations HCP and HFAA Students

The A-F Report cards from the Oklahoma Department of Education for 2012 were released this fall. Students at both HCP and HFAA earned straight As in all academic disciplines including English II, English III, Algebra, Algebra II, Geometry, Biology, and U.S. History. Our congratulations to the students and their faculty.

50-year Reunion Class of 1963

**Friday, September 21
Toby Keith's
Bricktown
310 Johnny Bench Dr.**

**Saturday, September 22
Waterford Hotel
6300 Waterford Blvd.**

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www.hardingclass63.org**

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Fallen Eagles

Thanks to Our Donors*

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Dr. Kaye Middleton Fillmore '59, Feb. 2013, El Cerrito, CA.

Joe Riley Fuller '66, 11/19/2012, Newcastle, OK.

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(Report recent deaths at www.hardingalumni.org)

Annual Members!

It is time to renew your membership!

Annual memberships start on June 1 of each year and run until May 31 the following year.

Please use the form on page 4 to send in dues for the next membership year starting on June 1,

2013

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Fallen Eagles Honored

Buddy Coke '63
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*Scholarship, Gifts & Memorial Donors
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Last Name _____ Spouse _____

HHS class _____

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I have included payment for : Annual dues _____ ; Lifetime dues _____.

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Please indicate which scholarship fund: General (B) ____; Sayre (CP) ____; Miller (B) ____;

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My \$ _____ contribution is for the general gifts/memorial fund: _____. if this donation is in memory of a deceased alum please indicate their name: _____

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