



The Marionette

Harding Alumni in the News

In recent months, several Harding alumni have been recognized for their contributions to their communities or for their professional accomplishments.

Nancy Wilson Payne Ellis '59 was inducted into the Oklahoma Hall of Fame by the Oklahoma Heritage Association in November, 2005. Nancy has excelled in both the corporate and civic arenas through generous and selfless donations of her time and knowledge. She has served in leadership positions on

corporate boards and charitable foundations at the local, state and national levels.

Dick Lowry '63 was recognized by the University of Oklahoma as one of four distinguished alumni of the OU College of Arts and Sciences on February 23, 2007. Dick graduated from OU in 1967 and moved to California where he earned a master's degree from the American Film Institute. Professionally, he is a

successful director and producer of movies and television series. Among his credits are 'The Gambler', "Smokey and the Bandit" and episodes of Barnaby Jones, Crossing Jordan and other heralded television programs.

Ruth Carolyn Arbuckle Swaim '58 was recognized by the University of Oklahoma College of Education as one of 75 graduates who have made a difference in education.

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HHSAA Scholarships

This spring, Harding Charter Preparatory will celebrate the graduation of its first class! This will be the first senior class to graduate in the Harding building since 1968. The Harding High School Alumni Association will

present scholarships to five students in the HCP class of 2007. The scholarships will be awarded on the basis of academics and financial need.

We encourage all interested alumni to

make tax deductible donations to the HHSAA. Please remit checks to HHSAA, P.O. Box 54307, Oklahoma City, OK, 73154, with a memo indicating that the donation is for scholarships.

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Alumni Events

- *Class of 61—Lunch, first Monday of every month, 12:00 pm, Olive Garden on Memorial (note: the location changes occasionally)*
- *Class of '63 Women— Dinner, First Tuesday of the Month. Contact Marty McCharen.*
- *Class of 65—First Tuesday of the month, 6:30 pm, Johnnies on Britain Road.*
- *Class of 66—5:30 pm, First Tuesday of the Month, Bahama Breeze*

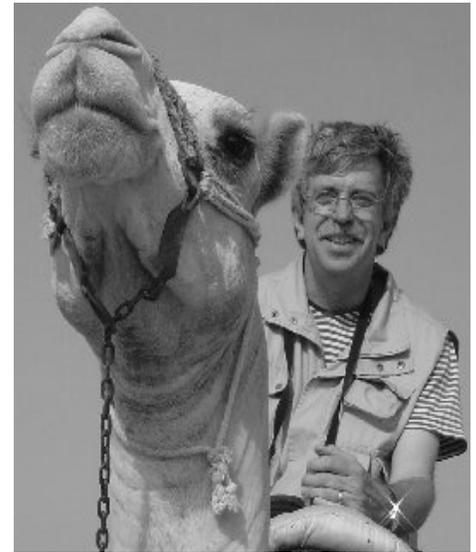
Outstanding Alum— Richard Bard '64

Harding High School students will remember Richard Bard as the editor of *The Marionette* his senior year and a participant in track and cross country. After graduating from Harding, he attended Wheaton College, where he received a B.A. in political science. During his college years, he spent a semester at Drew University studying the United Nations. Richard obtained a master's degree at the University of Oklahoma and was granted a fellowship in journalism at Duke University.

Richard was a lieutenant in the U.S. Army, and served as the information officer for the commanding general of the 38th Air Defense Brigade in South Korea. His professional life includes working for *The Oklahoman* and then joining the Miami Herald's Fort Lauderdale bureau in 1975. He spent many years as the editor of *Viewpoint*, a section in the Sunday paper covering opinion and analysis. During

this time, he had the opportunity to meet a number of nationally prominent authors, including Rudolph Giuliani and Theodore Sorenson. In 1997, he was elected president of the Association of Opinion Page Editors. In recent years, Richard has been the national editor and deputy world editor of *The Miami Herald*. In the 1990's he co-edited an oral history book marking Miami's centennial, *Miami: In Our Own Words*.

Richard married his wife Karen in 1968. They have two children and two grandchildren. Among Richard's many interests are genealogy and travel. Richard took a trip of a lifetime a year ago to Egypt, where he spent three weeks seeing the wonders of Egyptian history, including the pyramids of Giza, King Tut's tomb, Karnack and Luxor temples and dining with Bedouins in the Sinai desert.



Richard Bard in India

Alumni Support Functions at the Harding Charter Schools

Alumni of Harding High School attended several events this year that were sponsored by the charter schools at Harding. On September 28th, Harding Charter Prep held their first fundraiser. Approximately 100 people attended a silent auction that raised \$15,000 that will be used to fund scholarships for HCP graduates. Alumni who attended reported that they had a great time and will be back next year.

The HCP Veteran's day assembly was held on November 11th. Speakers at the event included **Charles Watts '65** who was a green beret in Viet Nam. HCP student, Tiffany Kundysak, a member of the guard, was also a featured speaker.

Christmas brought an invitation to Harding alumni to attend a Christmas concert by the students of the Harding Fine Arts Center. The event was held in Robertson Auditorium at Hard-

Harding Alumni Invited

- **HCP National Honor Society Initiation**, April 19th, 7:00 p.m., Robertson Auditorium at Harding.
- **HCP Graduation**, May 19th, 10:00 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, 1001 N.W. 23rd Street, Oklahoma, City, OK.

ing, where the sound system has been totally refurbished by Harding alum **Greg Robertson '64**.

Homecoming for HCP was held at the basketball game between girls and boys of HCP and Classen SAS on February 8th. Harding High School alum, **Carole Kelley**, HCP teacher and director of student services, sang the Harding High School fight song at half time.

Annual Meeting Set for June 9th

Plans are underway for the second Annual Meeting of the membership of the Harding High School Alumni Association on June 9th, 2007. The HHSAA directors would like to encourage all members to attend. Several amendments to the HHSAA bylaws will be considered and the input of our membership is important to this process. The proposed changes to the bylaws will be posted on the HHSAA website (hardingalumni.org) so that all members can become familiar with the proposed amendments, prior to the meeting. The agenda will also include updates on the activities of HHSAA and the election of officers for the coming year. A reminder about the meeting will be sent to the membership no less than 10 days prior to the date of the meeting.

This is a great opportunity to be become more familiar with the activities of your HHSAA and to renew old friendships. The meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. in the Harding library, followed by lunch at Johnnie's on Britain Road.

Class of 1967 Plans it 40th Reunion

The class of '67 will hold their 40th reunion on July 20th and 21st, 2007. The Saturday evening event will be held at the Sportsman's Club and will begin at 7:00 p.m. Entertainment will be provided by the band "Sold Out". The dinner and

and dance will cost \$75 per person. For additional information, contact Hal McKnight (405-842-3238) or Steve Haggard (405-843-9200). Updates will be posted at www.hardingalumni.org.

Have You Joined the HHSAA Alumni Association?

Remember it is alumni dues that allow the publication of this newsletter and support other activities of the association.

Lifetime Memberships—\$100

Yearly Memberships (Sept 1-Aug 31 of each year) - \$10

Alumni in the news (from page 1)

This recognition was based upon her record of achievement and awards for teaching mathematics in Los Angeles. Her devotion to teaching and use of in-school time to tutor students were the primary reasons for the recognition.

On December 14, 2006, the High Plains Division of the American Cancer Society presented **Dr. Tim Mauldin '65** its "Lifetime Achievement Award". The award is presented to volunteers with over 15 years of service who have served in three or more leadership positions within

Fallen Eagles

Judy Basham Thurman '62, September 26th, 2006.

Nancy Gayle Sanger Smart '58, May 7, 2006, Dallas, TX.

Please report recent deaths at:

www.hardingalumni.org

Items Requested

We have received requests from alumni for unwanted copies of *The Aquila*. If you happen to have a spare copy of *The Aquila*, please contact us at www.hardingalumni.org. We will try to identify those alums who want the copies.

We are also looking for the complete lyrics to the Harding fight song.

Advertise Your Business

The charter schools at Harding are looking for advertisers to support their school paper/newsletter. To learn more, please contact:

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the society and who have distinguished themselves through dedication to the goals of the American Cancer Society.



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PLEASE KEEP IN CONTACT AND UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION

www.hardinalumni.org or send in this form

First Name _____ Last Name while at Harding _____

Last Name _____ Spouse _____

Address _____ e-mail _____

Update us on what you are doing _____

Mail to: HHSAA, PO.Box 54307, Oklahoma City, OK 73154