



# the HERD

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## BISON NEWS

Our sincere condolences to the friends and family on the deaths of fellow BISONS:

Dr. EUGENE NORRIS (1957)

RICHARD LYNN GLEAVES (1959)

WAYLAND LAYNE (1958).

Wayland died in December of heart problems. He had recently completed 35 years of employment at Southwestern Bell Telephone Company. He worked as a communications technician at the Federal office on Westmoreland near Illinois. In the last year your Eddietor had renewed a friendship with Wayland when our work caused our paths to cross. Wayland attended our 1993 reunion and told me several times what a wonderful time he had.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! An informal get-together is planned for March 17, 1994 at Tupinambas Mexican restaurant at 6:30PM. The restaurant is located just South of LBJ freeway on the West side of Midway Rd. Come on by and say HI. If you want to eat, bring money. We have had two or three such gatherings in the past year and the attendance is growing. You will not receive any other notice, so don't forget.

REUNION VIDEO IS AVAILABLE! We have put together a wonderful video tape of our 35 year reunion using photographs and part of Jack Shell's reunion video that was good. See several of our classmates express their greetings and share some profound words of wisdom. If you're

interested in a copy, send \$12.00 (total cost) to:

Evelyn Spencer Cramer, 218 Dorris Drive, Grand Prairie, Texas 75051

Makes checks payable to Evelyn. You will enjoy this.

Those of you who sent money to the HERD asking for tapes need not send any more money but it wouldn't hurt to send a little reminder to the HERD.

We hope you all send us more letters for THE HERD. The mailbox has been rather empty recently. When you do, also include your business card.

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Please advise the HERD if you have any of these addresses or know of any other corrections that need to be made.

### SOUNDS OF THE 1950s

Anyone interested in having a cassette tape custom made of your favorite rock 'n' roll songs? Contact Bud Stamey for cost and details (214) 298-0034

## MEMORIES OF 1958

BY MAX MARIS

After our last newsletter, I got to thinking that it would be nice to continue the "memories" articles in future issues of THE HERD. I've run out of stories to tell about our teachers at Sunset, but just think of all the other memories (both naughty and nice) that are out there just waiting to be told! If you're like me, you just love to reminisce about those wonderful days of growing up in Oak Cliff and going to Sunset in those fabulous '50's. I was talking to one of our classmates the other day about our experiences, and we both wholeheartedly agreed that our lives had been shaped by the values we learned during this time. Don't you wish everyone could have had the same opportunities and experiences! maybe some of the problems we see and hear today would not exist. Oh well, on with my story. I just hope you enjoy reading it as much as I enjoy writing it.

I thought for my first "Memories" article, why not write about that wonderful year 1958? I sometimes refer to 1958 as the high point of the human race. I don't have any facts to back that up, but it sure appears to have been about then when looking back in hindsight. I think this period (Say '55 - '59) has more nostalgia that is still alive today than any other time in history. Just think; rock n roll, those unbelievable '55 - '57 automobiles, James Dean, Marilyn Monroe, Elvis, TV, stereophonic sound, Sputnik, and much, much more. It was an age of innocence in which each year seemed to get better and better.

Sometime back, I bought a video tape titled "1958" by comedian Robert Klein. Some of the things that happened in '58, besides our graduation, included: - Hula Hoops are introduced - TV Dinners - The president is Dwight D. Eisenhower - Tequila is recorder by The Champs - The Peter Gunn show starts on TV - The Grammy awards started - The term

"Teenagers" is introduced - The movie "Lolita" is filmed - "Lollipop" is recorded by the Chordettes - Vice president Nixon is stoned in Venezuela - Elvis joins the Army - "Attack of the 50 ft. Woman" is filmed - "Vertigo" with James Stewart and Kim Novak is filmed. - Krushchev is named premier of Russia - Castro leads the revolution in Cuba - Sweet N Low is introduced - Cocoa Puffs cereal is introduced - The 1st Pizza Hut opens. - Credit cards are introduced - Start of Solid State Circuitry for computers - Beatniks become "in" - The Dodgers and Giants baseball teams move from NY to California. - Arnold Palmer wins \$42,000 for all of 1958. - Colts beat Giants in the 1st televised NFL championship game. - Celtics win NBA - Gunsmoke #1 TV show - Alaska becomes 49th state - Stamp cost is increased to 4 cents - Gas cost 23.9 cents/gallon - Barbi Dolls introduced - "At the HOP" is recorded by Danny & the Juniors.

Next: More Memories of Oak Cliff.

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## OAK CLIFF TODAY AND YESTERDAY

By Max Maris

**Texas Theater Sold:** An anonymous buyer has purchased the Texas Theater on Jefferson Blvd. for \$150,000, thus saving it from the wrecking ball. The Texas Theater historical society is presently planning fund raising events to raise the \$1.5 million for restoration. The group envisions an art center at the theater.

**The 1994 Reunion** - Senior PGA golf tourney will be played at the Oak Cliff Country Club April 18 - 24, The Reunion Pro Am will draw a field of 78 senior PGA pros, including Bison's Don January (Class of '48) and Jimmy Powell (Class of '52). Monday's qualifying round and Tuesday's Skins game are free to the public.

Oak Cliff received approval from the Dallas City Council for the second

Historical area, The 10th Street District. The area is located east of Thornton Fwy around the Elisabeth Chapel in Freedman's town. Oak Cliff's other historical area, Winnetka Heights, is presently installing antique type street lights that will be dedicated in May.

Remember Austin's Bar-B-Q at Illinois and Hampton? Well after 43 years, owner Austin Cook is retiring, turning the business over to his stepson, John Zito. In 1949, Cook and Bert Bowman opened a beer and Barbecue joint called the Bullpen. Their motto was "Come in and shoot the bull". An old Bullpen menu reads "If you like our Bar-B-Q, tell others! If you don't, keep on coming back, you'll get used to it!" Cook became sole owner of the Bullpen in 1958 and changed the name to Austin's Bar-B-Q. The covered parking spaces still remain but the carhops lasted until 1975. The Longhorn steel atop Austin's is gone, but the inside looks the same, with an old Seeburg jukebox at each booth.

Cook, now 73, and his wife Helen, live at Lake Waxacachie. Prices from a 1950 menu read "hamburgers 35 cents, Bar-B-Q ham or beef sandwich 30 cents, beef of ham plate \$1.25 (included fries, onions and tomatoes). Beer was 66 cents/6 pack and \$3.12/case.

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## YOU ASKED FOR IT

It was suggested in our last newsletter that we write an article about some of our more distinguished BISONs. If anyone can think of others, please write. Some of our famous BISONs include:

JOHN STEMMONS, Class of 1927. Past president: Dallas Citizens Council, Greater Dallas planning Council, Dallas Real Estate Board, United Way of Dallas, Dallas better Business Bureau; Trustee, Washington & Lee University; Life manger, State Fair of Texas Board of Directors; Linz Award; Easterwood Realtors Award; Texas Realtor of the Year; All Time

Press Club "Headliner"; Co-developer of Stemmons Freeway of Stemmons Market area; retired in Dallas.

WIMBERELY GOODMAN, Class of 1935. Sports reporter for the Dallas Morning News; later took stage name of Henry Calvin pursuing a successful radio, TV, and stage career; best known for his role in the television series "Zorro", 1957-60; died in 1980's.

EARL STEWART, JR., Class of 1938. Three time state high school golf champion at Sunset; long-time touring professional golfer on the professional golfers tour; only professional to ever win a PGA tournament on his "home course"; winning the 1962 Dallas Open at Oak Cliff Country Club; long-time SMU women's golf coach died in 1990's.

LINDA "MONETTE" DARNELL, Class of 1941. Attended Sunset as a freshman in late 1930's; took screen test and became Hollywood star at age 16; made numerous movies with leading stars, i.e., Tyronne Power, Erroll Flynn, etc.; received Sunset Diploma (through Hollywood tutoring) in 1941 in special ceremonies at Sunset; died in house fire during 1960's.

ROBERT S. FOLSOM, Class of 1944. Member of 1944 State Championship Basketball Team at Sunset; All State in basketball; Member of West Point National Championship football team, 1945, transferred to SMU where he was a four sport letterman, 1947-48-49, Tri-captain, football, participated in two Cotton Bowl Classics; Recipient of NCAA 25 year Silver Anniversary Award; president, Dallas School Board, 1965-66; Mayor of Dallas, 1976-81; Led effort to construct Reunion Arena; Chairman, Methodist Hospital board, 1974-76; Successful Realtor/developer.

DON JANUARY, Class of 1948. Joined professional golf tour in 1956; won Dallas Centennial Open, Tucson Open, St. Paul Open, Philadelphia Classic, '67 PGA Championship, '68 Tournament of Champions, Jacksonville Open, San Antonio Open, '76 MONY Tournament of Champions

with career earnings of \$1.1 million; joined Senior Tour in 1980 winning numerous championships, including the '82 PGA Seniors Championship, '86 Senior Players Reunion Pro-Am in Dallas, and '87 MONY Senior Tournament of Champions; became first player on Seniors Tour to surpass \$1 million earnings; started 1993 with \$2.4 million Seniors winnings; selected to 1965 and 1977 U.S. Ryder Cup Teams; continues Seniors tour and resides in Dallas area.

DON "TINY" GOSS, Class of 1950. All State Football selection, 1949, member of 1950 Sunset High School Big City State Championship football team, Sunset's only State football Championship; played tackle for Southern Methodist University, 1952-53, 1955; played professional football for the Cleveland Browns and New York Giants; Dallas area resident.

EDDIE SOUTHERN, Class of 1955. Olympic Silver Medalist, 1956 Olympics in 440 yard hurdles; set world record in event preliminaries which was broken by Olympic champion Glenn Davis in finals; member of numerous world record relay teams and NCAA hurdles champion at The University of Texas during the late 1950's; successful proprietor of a catering business in Duncanville.

JERRY MAYS, Class of 1957. See "Honoring Jerry Mays" on page five.

BILL MELTON, Class of 1958. Dallas County Treasurer since 1977; selected "Most Valuable Public Official" in County Government in the United States, 1991 by City & State Magazine; selected "Outstanding County Treasurer in the United States", 1982, Public Address Announcer for Super Bowls VI, VIII, and IX, PA announcer for Dallas Cowboys, Texas Ranges, SMU, Texas Relays, WCT; named one of the "Five Outstanding Young Texans, 1974 and "Outstanding Young Man of Dallas", 1973; seeking re-election as Dallas County Treasurer in 1994.

JERRY RHOME, Class of 1960. High School Football All American at Sunset; transferred from SMU to Tulsa

where he was the nation's leading passer in 1964; runner-up for Heisman Trophy, 1964; played for Dallas Cowboys, coached in two Super Bowl games for the Washington Redskins - Super Bowl XVIII loss to Los Angeles Raiders and Super Bowl XXII Championship victory over Denver Broncos; currently quarterback coach for the Phoenix Cardinals of the National Football League.

## Another EDDIEtorial

The HERD is published by Eddie Cullum and Max Maris and th Sunset High School Class of 1958 for all former Bisons. It is published three times per year and is supported by voluntary contributions.

The past few issues have been mailed to the entire class of 1957. Unless contributions are received from the class of 1957 sufficient to cover the additional costs of printing and mailing, this will be the last issue mailed to the entire class. Those who have supported this venture will remain on the mailing list.

To give you an example of the costs involved, the last issue of the HERD cost \$395 for printing, \$90 for postage and \$20 for supplies. The total mailing was 815 copies. The additional costs to include the entire 1957 class was approximately \$100.

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This issue is a little late due to some computer glitches. We will try to do better next time.

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Max and I would like to express our gratitude for the dedication of the 1993 reunion video. But this is really a class effort. Your kind words and deeds make our efforts rewarding and your generosity makes this possible.

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This is just another in the long list of examples that proves that we came from a very special place in a very special time. God bless you all.

## LETTERS to the EDDIEtor

Dear Eddie & Max

I sure enjoyed reading THE HERD, please send me a new class directory & enclosed is a small donation to help with THE HERD.

My address is Patricia M. (Tupin) Cox  
1310 Apple Court Midlothian, Texas  
76075

Thanks, Patricia Cox

Dear Eddie,

Would you please send me the back issues of THE HERD. I would certainly appreciate it if you could.

Thanks for all the hard work.

Sincerely, Joan Dunlap, 428 Forsheer  
Drive Chesterfield, MO 63017

Dear Max & Eddie

Thanks for making the effort to keep us "Old Bison's" informed. I like reading THE HERD, please keep it up.

Robert Henderson, 8 Chisholm Tr.,  
Allen, TX 75002

Dear Max and Eddie,

I have meant to write for a long time to thank you for sending THE HERD. Reading the letters from day classmates of '57 has inspired me a lot.

I married Joy Juanita Foster (S.O.C. 1960) on May 16, 1959. We have a son Glen, who was 33 on August 14th. Glen Coburn is the youngest person in history have had a movie in preproduction. The movie, "BLOOD-SUCKERS FROM OUTER SPACE" was written and directed by Glen and premiered at JOE BOB BRIGGS 3rd

Annual Drive-in Movie Festival at the Inwood Theater in 1983. By the way, I am SHERIFF in the movie.

I have been a salesman in the industrial electronics industry since 1960. They call be "Cheerful Charlie."

My wife, Nita, has been with Southwestern Bell for over thirty years and is a circuit design clerk. We have a granddaughter, Claire, who was born March 31st.

Thanks again and "God Bless You All". Please note my new address and phone.

Charles C. Coburn, 3729 Towne  
Crossing Blvd. # 1901, Mesquite, TX  
75150 - (214) 682-9750

Dear Max,

Thank you for sending me the class directory. It is so interesting to look through and see where our friends live. And the last issue of the HERD was full of great letters and notes about our reunion. It really was a wonderful evening of good food, wonderful memories and a great program.

Thanks again, Carolyn Cass Scott,  
906 Rock Canyon, Duncanville, TX  
75137

Dear Max:

Sending mail to my Dad's house, sometimes I get it, most times I don't. Please note my address (and name) as enclosed. I've also included the address for my cousin. Frances (Mitchell) White. I know she would appreciate being added to your mailing list.

Received the September issue of THE HERD -- the first I've received -- and I loved it. A copy of previous issues would be a treat. A donation is enclosed.

I was a 5 year Bison, staring at Cockrell Hill Elementary, the L.O. Donald, and right into Sunset. The upper-classmen were so very helpful, always volunteering to "lift an 8th

grader up to the water fountain" or onto a stool at the Boundary Drug Store. Gosh, a Cherry Coke from The Boundary sure would be good!

Thanks for your efforts.

Sincerely Janett Logan, Class of '57,  
3044 Westforest, Dallas, TX 75229

Dear Max & Eddie,

THE HERD is great! This is just like a class reunion without the diet. A brief biography is good way to find out "What ever happened to \_\_\_\_". Within us is the only place that the Old Sunset exist, and it is a nice place to visit occasionally.

It is interesting to hear that several of our classmates made a career in music. I guess that the chalk throwing antics of Mr. Williams didn't scare them away. As for myself, I put away my drumsticks shortly after graduation and went to North Texas. While there I became fascinated with flying, so I joined the USAF to learn how to do it right. From 1967 until it shut down in 1991, I flew for Pan Am. My greatest accomplishment has been my two boys, one of whom is rich and the other is a real life "top gun" F-18 pilot. Both are nice people.

I believe that it was in 1957 that a tornado traveled up Hampton Road and I tried to get in the middle of it. I missed that one, but on August 24, 1992 my second wife who is from Germany and I were trying to celebrate our first anniversary when Hurricane Andrew removed our roof and walls, landing us on the front page of many newspapers. Thank goodness for insurance, rental property, and friends. One of the greatest losses was my 1957 Sundial.

Enclosed is an obituary of Dr. Robert (Bobby) Norris who was a neighbor in Oak Cliff and a fellow '57 grad. The passing of Gerald Moore was very sad for me as we had played in several bands together and was one of the nice guys I should have kept up with.

Thanks for your efforts to produce

THE HERD. They are appreciated.

Sincerely, Ron Wise, 515 N.W. 22 Street, Homestead, Florida 33030-3171

**EDDIEtor's note:** Ron failed to mention his heroic efforts to save the life of a woman trapped by the debris of her damaged home. Because of the extensive damage and the great demand for rescue personnel, Ron was unable to get assistance. Unable to free the woman, Ron stayed with her and comforted her in her dying minutes.

Dear Eddie & Max,

Here's a donation for THE HERD. Each issue is great, thanks to the outstanding input from you two combined with the letters and articles from our classmates.

I want to thank everyone on the various reunions committees for helping make our 35th reunion a huge success. Bill Melton's comments on our reunions, printed in the Sept. issue, were right on target. Each reunion is special in its own way by virtue of the passage of time and the closeness of our class.

The 1950's were our time and memories of those wonderful years will always be a part of us. Not wanting to age five more years too soon. I nevertheless am already looking forward to the 40th reunion. I've got to make one comment about our class. The women of the class of '58 sure are good looking. There were in 1958 and still are! Oh what memories they bring back!

My wife and I are building a house in Sachse, Texas and hope to be moved in by the end of the year. I'll send the new address then.

Jim Cron, PO Box 851860, Mesquite, TX 75185-1860

Dear Eddie & Max,

Many thanks to the two of you and all the others for putting together the 35th reunion.

Still suffering from "Terminal Shyness". I didn't interact with as many classmates as I would have liked; but, just being there was a great thrill.

We recently moved to San Antonio after selling my practice in New Mexico. I took a position teaching young Air Force Physicians to be Ear, Nose & Throat specialist at Wilford Hall Medical Center. The work is very satisfactory and stimulating. Plus we are happy to be back in Texas.

Keep up the good work and know that the entire class appreciates your effort.

Bill Clark.



## Honoring Jerry Mays

On Friday, February 11, 1994 a reception was held at the Quadrant for Bisons to honor the greatest athlete every to graduate from Sunset, Jerry Mays. Over 100 people signed the register but there must have been 200 people there.

John Eads introduced Jerry by listing some of his accomplishments.

**SUNSET:** 2nd-Team All State Tackle; District, Bi-District, Regional Shot-Put Champion; Silver Medal in Shot-Put at State Track Meet, Captain of Football and Track Teams.

**SMU:** All SWC tackle and Captain of the '60 team; Academic All-American; Earl Blaik Scholar Athlete '60; East-West Shrine Game '60; Hula Bowl '61.

**DALLAS TEXANS/KANSAS CITY CHIEFS:** All AFL Defensive Tackle 2 years; All AFL Defensive End 4 years; Six AFL All Star Games; First AFC vs. NFC Pro Bowl Game; Captain of the Chiefs for 7 years; played in Super Bowl I (lost to Packers); played in Super Bowl IV (defeated Vikings); All Time AFC Team; Third inductee in Kansas City Chiefs' Hall of Fame.

**PROFESSIONAL:** Served as president of Avery Mays Construction; Served as Design and Construction Consultant to the Chairman of the Texas Board of Corrections and The Governor of Texas. Presently President and CEO of the Mays Companies; the Construction Management Advisors for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

**CIVIC:** Past General Chairman Greater Dallas March of Dimes; Past Director Metro Dallas YMCA; Past member Board of Trustees "Goals for Dallas"; Past director Dallas Goodwill Industries; Past member Dallas Citizens Council; Development - Dallas Citizens Council and Dallas Chamber of Commerce; present member Salesmanship Club; present member Young Presidents Organization.

Jerry also has a remarkable wife, Shirley. Together they have raised seven children and are actively involved in their eight grandchildren's lives.

The past couple of years have certainly been trying as Jerry fights his toughest battle yet. A battle with cancer. The obstacles have been tough. Even so, this man never gives in. Jerry is a very special man who has touched many lives.

The HERD joins all Bisons in thanking Jerry for being one more example of why we are so proud to have attended Sunset.

## WE SURVIVED

We are Survivors!!! Consider the changes we have witnessed in our lifetime.

We were before radar, credit cards, split atoms, laser beams and ball point pens; before pantyhose, dishwashers, clothes dryers, electric blankets, air conditioners, drip dry clothing and before man walked on the moon.

We got married first THEN lived together. How quaint can you be?

In our times, closets were for clothes, not for "coming out of". Bunnies were small rabbits and rabbits were not Volkswagons. Designer jeans were scheming girls named Jean and having a meaningful relationship meant getting along with your cousins.

We thought Fast Food was what you ate during Lent and outer space was the back row of the local theater.

We were before house husbands, gay rights, computer dating, dual careers and commuter marriages. We were before day care centers, group therapy and nursing homes.

We never heard of FM radio, tape decks, electric typewriters, artificial hearts, word processors, yogurt and guys wearing earrings. For us time sharing meant togetherness - not computers or condominiums. A chip meant a piece of wood. Hardware meant hardware and software wasn't a word.

In 1950, made in Japan meant JUNK and making out referred to how you did on an exam. Pizzas, McDonald's and Instant Coffee were unheard of.

We hit the scene when there were 5 and 10 cent stores where you could buy things for 5 and 10 cents. The corner drug store sold ice cream cones for a nickel or a dime. For one nickel you could ride a street car, make a phone call, buy a Pepsi, or buy enough postage stamps for a letter and two post cards. You could buy a new Chevy for a few hundred bucks, but

who had the money? A pity, too, since gas was 23 cents a gallon.

In our day cigarette smoking was fashionable, GRASS was MOWED, COKE was a cold drink and POT was something you cooked in. GAY meant happy and carefree, ROCK MUSIC was Grandma's lullaby, and AIDS were helpers in the Principal's Office.

We were certainly NOT before the difference between the sexes was discovered, but we were before SEX CHANGE. We made do with what we had.

And we were the last generation that was so dumb as to think a woman needed a husband to have a baby!!

No wonder we are so confused and there is such a generation gap. But WE SURVIVED!!!

What better reason to celebrate?

So, don't forget Tupinambas, Midway Rd south of LBJ, St. Patrick's Day, March 17, 6:30 p. m.

See you there!!!!

## *the HERD*

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