

From Our Graduates:

Larry Thomas: "Enjoyed reading about Susan's life. She has great artistic talent. Those Cowboy Churches are such a blessing, especially for those not totally comfortable in the traditional church. I spent 10 years of raising money for Missions. Two of my favorites were helping to start Cowboy churches and funding for college student ministries. It's great to see how so many of our class share those similar connections."

Linda Shelby Lyons: "Susan's paintings are beautiful. "

Bev Murphy Wells: "Wow, what a talent Susan Harkness Hill is! Gifted in so many ways! I admire her abilities and talents! Annie Oakley has nothing on Susan! What a blessing she and her husband are to their community; the Cowboy Church is their mission field. What an outreach and legacy! Praying for those who are having health issues. This has been a difficult year!"

Regarding the passing of Rosemary Alexander (wife of Bill Alexander):

Stan Lennard: I am so sorry for Bill's loss of a beautiful and loving wife and friend for so many years. Bill was always a good friend, and I grieve with/for him.

Gwen Ewing Hodges: Condolences to all who loved her.

Barbara Brunett Hunt: So sorry to hear.

Bev Murphy Wells: So sorry to hear about Bill Alexander's wife. Will be remembering him with thoughts and prayers during this very difficult time. After supporting Arc of Indiana for many years and knowing Rosemary was part of this organization in Texas means even more. Rosemary's "light" will live on in TxP2P and in the many lives she impacted. What a legacy!

UPDATES:

Pat Carpenter Turner is home from the rehab facility. Her contact info is:
700 Horseshoe
Waco, TX 76711

Dave Walsworth: "COVID is a wicked, crazy disease. Sharon and I have both had it - fortunately mild cases with no lasting effects. It ran through our retirement community both staff and residents. Things have subsided and returned to normal thank goodness."

Bonnie Burson Chapman has recently gotten out of the hospital with Covid-19.

Darrell Gill: has a new address-
410 Overland Dr
Lowry Crossing, TX 75069

Cynthia Kirkland Mazza: Is still in the hospital and needs our prayers. Cynthia has such a supportive and attentive family while her faith remains remarkable and an inspiration to all.

Kay Phillips Sparks and Ralph Sparks ('59) have both been diagnosed with Covid. Ralph is currently hospitalized.

Victoria Tooker, widow of Richard (Dick) Tooker, was doing some cleaning out and found this framed picture of the 1960 WHS student government. Victoria said she will give it to whomever wants it. All she needs is a name and

address and she will mail it to you. If there might be several who want it, the names will be put in a hat and drawn for the winner. Email me at bjharman@hotmail.com if you would like this and I will pass the information along to Victoria.



Birthdays for January:

- 4 Malissa Ruth Starnes Baugh
- 8 Beth Freeman Holliday
- 10 Betty Luedeker Gatlin
- 12 Nanci Stiteler Felice
- 16 Vince Tusa,
Steve Brown
- 17 Ken Lipscomb
- 19 Betty Barrett Reaties
- 25 Bernie Regian,
Pat Gabler Kemper
- 26 Don Clyde Blackburn

Medical Corner:

For graduates who may be experiencing long term pain, here is a message from our very own Robert (Little Red) Wilson regarding his Laser pain treatments:

"I just can't say enough good about David Rosen's laser pain treatments. I could hardly walk before. I talked to my M.D. Pain doctor and he looked David up on the internet and told me even if the laser didn't work for me it would not hurt anything.

I have seen David for ten treatments and I am pain free and back playing golf without pain. David can help your arms, shoulders, legs, feet, back, headaches, and so much more. I know firsthand because he has helped me in all of these areas.

People, people, if you have any kind of pain, call or text David maybe he can help you also."
Robert Wilson

(This is not an advertisement....just hoping it might be able to help some folks.)

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Jeanell Buida Bolton

In April 2018, Jeanell Buida Bolton was featured in the **SHOW and TELL** segment highlighting two of her novels that have been published. This was before "life after graduation" was being shared with our classmates. Jeanell wants to share with us where life took her after WHS graduation. Following is a recap of her adventures and experiences.

After WHS graduation Jeanell was awarded a Latin scholarship and chose to attend the University of Texas. She was accepted into Plan Two, which was a regimen of advanced classes. After two semesters of Latin, she switched to Russian, then took a semester of German, then chose Linguistics as her major.

Romance bloomed and she married Chris Bolton in the summer after her second year of college. This blocked her from getting a UT scholarship as she said, "**Mr. Carpenter, the man who was guarding the safe**" told her she would "**just get pregnant and drop out**". Instead of getting pregnant and dropping out, she accepted a full-time job in the Sears credit department and arranged her work schedule so she could attend three classes in her off- time. Meanwhile back at UT, she notes, "**Interestingly enough, a couple of years later, Mr. Carpenter cracked the safe, grabbed the cash and left town for regions unknown.**"

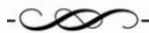
Jeanell's senior year of the undergrad Linguistics program required two semesters of a non-European language. Her advisor suggested she talk to Andree Sjoberg, the Telugu instructor. After her first year in Telugu, Dr. Sjoberg

recommended her for a government scholarship. Jeanell says, “This financed not only the rest of my college career but also allowed me to dabble in voice training and architectural drawing”. Jeanell said she became Phi Beta Kappa, Magna cum Laude, skipped her Master’s degree and went straight for the Doctorate. Jeanell dedicated her dissertation to Elor Osborn, her WHS Latin teacher and was “thrilled when she attended my graduation.”

“Post -graduation, I had a few academic offers, but as the lyrics go, “I let my golden chances pass me by’, per Jeanell. It seems Jeanell’s goal was to travel the world and talk to everyone in their own language. Jeanell explains, “Reality intervened when I tried to find employment. Apparently, having a PhD in Linguistics didn’t mean a thing in the job market. Since Chris had gotten us fairly well financially established by then, I fell back on my oldies but goodies— music, art and writing.” Music was probably the most fun. I did a lot of church singing, appeared in several local music theater productions, and put together a women’s chorus that chalked up a good number of performances. My favorite was a children’s opera of “The Three Little Pigs.” Jeanell said she wrote and scored the opera and sang the part of the wolf.

Regarding art, Jeanell specialized in portraits. She said somewhere out in the world are about 100 of her original paintings. She said she still will sketch when the mood strikes her but she has not painted for years. However, sometimes she said she will post a few of her oldies-but-goodies on *Facebook*. Jeanell has written for newspapers and local magazines as well as some poetry and short stories in which a few have been published. Two of those novels were highlighted in the April 2018 issue of the *Waco Town Crier*.

During her career, Jeanell and her husband, Chris, produced three children- two boys and a girl. They built the house of their dreams on 5 acres of land in the backwoods of Georgetown. Jeanell eventually retired after twenty-three years of teaching on the college level. Her husband Chris retired after 30 years at the Texas State Board of Insurance. Chris died of lupus in January 2019 so currently Jeanell is preparing to sell the house. She says, “It will be hard to leave this beautiful untamed wilderness, but I can’t handle the acreage alone. The current plan is for me to set up housekeeping in a separate unit of my younger son’s house and write to my heart’s content. Wish me well. “



HUMOR:

A married man's honest
confession :



"I always read my wife's horoscope to
see what kind of day I am going to
have..."



**glad i didn't
waste my money
buying a planner
for 2020**

**Stepped on my scale
this morning and it
said: Please use social
distancing, one person
at a time. 🤔 🤔**

If 2020 were a math word-problem, it might read much like this: If you're going down a river at 2 MPH and your canoe loses a wheel, how much pancake mix would you need to re-shingle your roof?

For 2021:



This January, why not start the year with an empty jar and each time something really good happens, jot it down and put the note in the jar. Months later, on New Year's Eve when ushering out the old year, empty the jar and reflect on the good things that happened during the past 12 months.

A GOOD QUOTE:

"Happiness was always important to me, even at a young age. People would ask, 'What do you want to be when you grow up?' I'd tell them, 'I just want to be happy.'"

Goldie Hawn, actor.

**HAPPY
NEW YEAR**