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## A Note from the President

Hello Fellow Alumni,

I hope this finds all you "Rockets" healthy and happy. Before I go any further, the association owes a big THANK YOU to Brenda Brown for her leadership during the years 2004-2006. I am attempting to fill her shoes as well as those who have preceded me as president and promise to do my best to help the association grow. We need your help to accomplish this task. Let us know if someone needs to be added to the mailing list or if you know of an address change, etc. We will do our best to keep in touch with those we have current information on. If you have internet access, visit our website at [www.forrestalumni.com](http://www.forrestalumni.com). Jason Curtis is doing an excellent job and the site continues to expand.

Here's a brief update of some things the association has done recently. We placed an ad in the Forrest yearbook and purchased a paving brick for the new baseball/softball concession stand project. The trophy cases are in place and we'll have the trophies out of storage by the July 28 reunion. The alumni/community basketball games made over \$1300 that will benefit the scholarship fund -- THANKS EVERYONE!!! A composite picture of the Class of 1985 should be on the Forrest hallway wall by the July 28 reunion time and a big thank you to Sheila Harber for overseeing this project.

Speaking of the banquet -- we will be honoring the Classes of 1957 and 1982, celebrating their 50th and 25th reunions respectively. WE are so excited that John Rickman has secured former major league baseball pitcher Claude Osteen as our guest speaker. Our starting time for fellowship this year will be at 3:00 P.M. with our dinner starting at six. Please check our the other reunion related articles within this news letter and make plans to be with us on Saturday, July 28, 2007.

Finally, I want to extend a person thank you to all those who serve with me on the executive council:

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Give us a call if you need us. Take care and we hope to see you all on July 28th!!!

Go Big Blue!!!!

*Katie Harris*

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### **A Note from the Vice-president: " Remembering Claude"**

Let's go back a few years to October 1965. It's the third game of baseball's World Series where the Los Angeles Dodgers are down two games to the Minnesota Twins. Dodgers Manager Walter Alton has thrown his future Hall of Famers Don Drysdale and Sandy Koufax in the first two games and lost. Now, he has to rely on his other pitcher in rotation, Claude Osteen. Claude, formally of Chapel Hill/Caney Spring, takes the mound against the American League Champion Twins in a crucial third game. Claude is successful! He pitches a 4-0 shutout, and from there, the Dodgers go on to win the 1965 World Series.

Perhaps, this was Claude Osteen's greatest moment in his long professional career. He had helped turn the series around. This was a special moment for all the folks back in Marshall County too, as we followed the games on television and radio.

Claude Osteen will come back home and speak at our alumni banquet this year. He will tell us about working in his dad's Caney Spring Store and delivering cattle feed. He's sure to tell stories about his early years growing up in northern Marshall County, about family, friends and about his lengthy major league baseball career.

Make plans to attend this year's Forrest Alumni Reunion Dinner. Our website is [www.forrestalumni.com](http://www.forrestalumni.com). Hope to see you there.

*Johnny Rickman*

Vice-president

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### **A Note from the Scholarship Chairman:**

Once again the scholarship committee is able to award scholarships to five deserving Forrest High School seniors. We are pleased to announce the following winners:

#### **Forrest High School Alumni Scholarship:**

Lauren Sweeney, daughter of Ricky and Beth Sweeney

#### **Forrest High School Alumni Scholarship:**

Britt Elmore, son of Sharon Elmore and the late Kenneth Elmore

#### **Earl and Sarah Barnes Memorial Scholarship:**

Brooke Baird, daughter of Richard and Saconda Baird

#### **Hill Family Scholarship:**

Chelsie Gordon, Daughter of Clarence and Darlene Gordon

#### **Bill Orr Scholarship:**

Megan Bunty, daughter of Eric Bunty and Dana McDaniel

Thanks to the following alumni for serving on the scholarship committee:

Emily Lawrence Gordon  
Phil Comstock  
Jennifer Henson

Jimmie Hedgecoth Lee  
Ralph Osteen, Treasurer

*Joe Allen*

Scholarship Committee Chair

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## Spotlight on Our Schools

### From Forrest -

Dear Alumni and Friends,

The 2006-2007 school year has been very busy at Forrest School. A seven million dollar building expansion is almost complete. The expansion includes a twenty classroom addition on the north end of the school (adjoining Unionville Road), a state-of-the-art- band room, a new football field/complex on the east side of the school, and an expansion of the existing cafeteria. Also, air conditioning has been added to the school gymnasium.

We are very excited about our additional facilities and hope that personnel will be added to meet the rising student population within our school. Our student body will number almost eight hundred students at the beginning of the 2007-2008 school year.

We hope that all of you will be able to attend the Forrest Alumni Banquet on July 28th. The facilities mentioned above should all be complete, and we would love for you to see the results.

Sincerely,

*Mike Bishop*

Forrest School Principal

## Chapel Hill Elementary School Update

According to The Tennessean, Chapel Hill was listed as #22 in 2005 as one of the "Fastest Growing Cities in Tennessee." Although two years have passed since this list was published, Chapel Hill continues its growth spurt. Along with expansion of our city limits, comes the growth in our schools. For the first time in school history, every grade level in our school exceeds 100 students. Our enrollment has reached an all-time high with as many as 824 students this year surpassing the 668 students from the previous school year. Our faculty and staff have also grown to eighty-five, adding nineteen new faces this year alone. For the first time, CHES has a new assistant principal, Mr. Stanley Murphy. Chapel Hill Elementary School would like to welcome the following new faculty/staff members and former Forrest Alumni:

- Mrs. Robin Johns teaches Kindergarten. She is married to Brent Johns, a 1990 Forrest graduate.
- Mrs. Michele Cochran teaches first grade.
- Mrs. Jennifer Blackwell Daugherty teaches fifth grade and is a 1993 graduate of Forrest School. She is married to Jeremy Daugherty also a 1994 graduate of Forrest.
- Mrs. Jamie Morgan teaches fifth grade and is married to Mr. Danny Morgan, the Forrest Jr. High Football Coach.
- Miss Stephanie Maynard teaches third grade.
- Miss Jeannie Smith teaches second grade.
- Mrs. Lori Harber teaches first grade and is married to Keith Harber. Keith is a 1996 graduate of Forrest School.
- Mrs. Jennifer Cooper teaches third grade.
- Mrs. Sheila Smith Edde is a 1993 graduate of Forrest School. She teaches sixth grade.
- Mrs. Debbie Hileman teaches sixth grade.
- Mrs. Rosalynn Conder teaches sixth grade.
- Mrs. Sheila Holton teaches sixth grade. She is married to Tony Holton, a 1976 graduate of Forrest School.
- Miss Holly Adams teaches fifth grade and is a 2001 graduate of Forrest School.
- Mrs. Betty Miller teaches sixth grade.
- Mrs. Michelle Wright Perryman is a 1988 graduate of Forrest School. She is married to Mike Perryman who is also a 1985 graduate of Forrest.
- Miss Kim Chumbley has been added to our custodial staff.
- Mrs. Angie Haynes Love has been added to our custodial staff and is a 1986 graduate of Forrest School. She is married to Clifford Love who is also a Forrest graduate.
- Ms. Mary Beth-Fennell Short has been added to our cafeteria staff.

In addition to our staff, for the first time, sixth grade has been included in our enrollment. Five teachers from Forrest joined our CHES family this year transferring their knowledge and talents to educate the 117 sixth grade students. Four portables were also added to the south end of the school accommodating the classroom needs for sixth grade. However, in the fall, the teachers and sixth graders along with approximately 111 graduating fifth graders will return to Forrest School to enjoy their new facilities. We wish each of the students much success while they continue their secondary education at Forrest School.

As CHES transitions to a K-5 school for the 2007-2008 school year, we look forward to continuing the annual traditions at Chapel Hill Elementary School. We would like to invite you to join us for some of these special events for the upcoming school year:

*Grandparent's Day:* Grandparents are invited to take a tour of the school with their grandchild.

*Homecoming:* A fun week filled with activities; float building, and the traditional Homecoming parade.

*Turkey Supper:* Enjoy the traditional Thanksgiving meal and fellowship with your neighbors in our CHES cafeteria.

*Veteran's Ceremony:* All Veterans are invited to attend as we recognize, honor, and salute you!

*Read Across America:* In honor of Dr. Seuss' birthday, we invite guest readers to share a book with our classes.

One reason CHES and Forrest School are so special and unique is because of our community involvement. As always, Forrest alumni, you are cordially invited to stop in for a visit, eat lunch with us, drop us a note, or visit us online. The Chapel Hill Elementary School web site features grade level news, school menus, a calendar of events, a message from our principal, and links to various web sites including Forrest School. Our web site is [www.chapel-hill-es.marshall.k12.tn.us/](http://www.chapel-hill-es.marshall.k12.tn.us/). We look forward to hearing from you!

Do you remember our school shield? The Shield of Forrest School proudly displays, "Class, Pride, and Tradition." The teachers at CHES strive to instill the values, character, traditions, and high academic standards into our students with the help of our community. The mission of CHES is "to work in partnership with the community to provide a safe and secure learning environment in which students will be challenged and can develop the skills necessary to achieve success in their secondary education and lifelong goals." If you, the Forrest Alumni, would like to join our mission and work in partnership with our school, we would love to hear from you! Whether you are the young or the young –at–heart, we are always looking for volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering your time, please complete and return the form below to:

**Chapel Hill Elementary School**

**415 S Horton Parkway**

**Chapel Hill, TN. 37034**

**Volunteer Form**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Forrest Alumni- Class of** \_\_\_\_\_

**Days and/or Times Available:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Known Alumni Deaths Since August 2007**

Bill Gabard  
Bobby Randolph  
Wayne Cooper  
Trent Jarrett  
Kenneth Elmore

Danny Sparks  
Edna Mae Fagan  
Betty Allen  
Ethel Crick

Gwen Paul Ragsdale  
Lennie B. Giles  
Jim West Jr.  
J. W. Epperson

**Spotlight - Class of 1957**

President..... Earl Crick  
Vice-president..... Tony Holmes  
Secretary..... Betty Hill  
Treasurer..... J. C. Tucker  
Reporter..... Warren Crutcher  
Valedictorian..... Grace Lamb  
Salutatorian..... J. C. Tucker  
D.A.R. Representative..... Mary Margaret McCormick

**Senior Football Players:**

Earl Crick, Freddie Logue, Bernie Cromer, Tommy Riggs, Billy Batte, Larry Giles,  
Tomy Holmes, J.C. Tucker, Philip Daughrity, Billy Blalock

**Senior Girl Basketball Players:**

Donna King, Betty Jean Hill, Mary Margaret McCormick, Polly Elmore, Reba Blalock

**Senior Boy Basketball Players:**

Philip Daughrity, Billy Batte, Donald Cook, Tony Holmes, Earl Crick, Larry Giles,  
J.C. Tucker

**Senior Cheerleader:** Evelyn Gault

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**Spotlight - Class of 1982**

President..... Jimmy Purdom  
Vice-president..... Mark Blackwood  
Treasurer..... Donna Turley  
Secretary..... Vicky Wright  
Miss Forrest..... Mitzie Eddins  
Bachelor of Ugliness..... Ken Daughrity  
Valedictorian..... Duane Harper  
Salutatorian..... Ray Anderson

**Senior Football Players:** Tommy Anderson, Darnell Fulton, Ken Daughrity, Mark Griffy,  
Eddie Walls, Jimmy Purdom

**Senior Boy Basketball Players:** Johnny Eatherly , Darnell Fulton, Jimmy Purdom

**Senior Girl Basketball Players:** Donna Turley, Senino Turner

**Senior Cheerleader:** Mitzie Eddins

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## Updates from the Class of 2006:

- ◆ Mikey Minor, who led the Forrest Rockets to state runner-up last spring, has been impressive on the mound this season as the number two pitcher for the Vanderbilt Commodores. At press time, the Commodores are ranked number one in the nation, and Mikey has been named the SEC Freshman of the Year!
- ◆ Danielle Hooper has also made a name for herself in the softball world this season as the starting catcher for the Austin Peay Lady Governors. Following a successful season, Danielle was named to the OVC All Season Team!

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## Special Thanks:

The association extends special thanks to the following people for their continued financial sponsorship:

Lawrence Funeral Home - Garrett Lawrence, Tommy and Jane Howell

First State Bank - Mike and Nancy Moorehead

Ronnie Stinson of Woodward and Stinson Printing who generously printed the alumni flyers that were mailed out in January 2007

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## A Note from the Historian:

Because of over crowding the students of Forrest School will move into a new 20-room addition this fall. These classrooms will replace portables that have become a part of the school's landscape and will enable a better separation of middle and high school students and classes.

While Chapel Hill has faced tremendous growth over the past few years, the trend of an overflowing building is apparently not a new phenomenon for Forrest School. The following is an article from the school newspaper, The Wizard, dated September 1927. It is interesting "how the more things change, the more they stay the same."

### *Building Overflowing*

*In order to retain our rating as a first class high school this year, it was necessary, at the recommendation of the State High School Inspector, W.A. Bass, to relieve some of the congestion caused by the grades. Permission was granted by the Methodist Church to use certain rooms in the basement and three grades under the supervision of Mrs. Alden Marshall and Mrs. J. L. Nunley are being quartered these.*

As some of us bemoan the growth of our school and community, this 80-year-old article gives one pause to imagine how the people of that 1927 Chapel Hill community felt about the growth and what they would say about the Chapel Hill community of 2007.

## Faculty 1927-28

J. L. Nunley, Principal Math & History

E. G. Rogers, English & History

Mrs. Lorene Savage, Home Economics & Languages

Herman Osteen, Science & Athletics

Katherine Higgs, 7th & 8th Grades

Mrs. Alden Marshall, 1st Grade

Mrs. Charles Jones, 2nd Grade

Mrs. J. L. Nunley, 3rd & 4th Grades

Lorene Thompson, 5th & 6th Grades

*Beth Chunn*

Historian