

THE FORREST ALUMNI  
ASSOCIATION  
JANUARY 2012  
NEWSLETTER

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**Tribute to Harold Jones  
(Forrest Alumni Association's  
First President)**

Mr. Harold Jones passed away October 24, 2011 at the age of 89 years. In 1988 he and other interested Forrest Alumni would establish the alumni association. Harold was the association's first president. A graduate of Forrest, U.S. Air Force SM Sgt. James Harold Jones would serve in World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War. He spent 22 months as a Prisoner of War in North Korea. He retired after 23 years in the military. Harold is survived by two sisters who are living in the area: Nannie Bell Orr and Kathleen Holton.

Thank you Harold---We remember you for your service to your country and to the Forrest Alumni Association.

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**FORREST ALUMNI  
FOURTH ANNUAL TRIVIA  
NIGHT**

**When:** Saturday - January 21, 2012

**Where:** Forrest School

**Time:** Event opens at 6:00 P.M.  
Light meal before game  
Game starts at 7:00 P.M.

**What:** There will be ten rounds of ten questions. There is no minimum number on a team but there is a maximum of six on each team. A ticket will be given for each dollar donated to the scholarship fund and drawings for door prizes will take place between rounds.

**Why:** Scholarship Fund

January 21, 2012 is the fourth annual Forrest Alumni Trivia Night. This event is used to help fund the Forrest Alumni Scholarship Fun and is a fun night for participants. There are ten rounds of ten questions each. Last year the categories included: On the Menu, Famous Logos, Happy Holidays, Fashion Fads, and Sports. If you think you would enjoy such a night, please get a team together and join us. Teams with diversity in age and interests will have an advantage. There is no minimum number on each team but the maximum is six to a team. The cost is \$60/team and includes a light meal. The game begins at 7:00 P.M. but the meal will be served before the game. The defending championship team from 2010 consists of: Brenda Bradford; Dara Gentry Stevens and her husband, David; Leanne Fly and her husband John; and Brad Simmons. This team was trailing Stacy Cothren's team until round ten. Food was the final category and the championship team proved to know their cuisine and were named champions.

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**KNOWN FHS DEATHS SINCE  
AUGUST**

Helen Moulder  
Rochelle Farlow Uselton  
Jean Aldridge Clay  
Johnny Haywood  
Dorothy Hester Hopkins  
Newt Mealer  
Roger Holder  
James Harold Jones  
Pat Walls  
Pauline Netherly Calahan  
James Smithson Cobble  
Joe Jarrell  
Wanda Kelly Shirley  
Janice Walls

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## REMEMBERING MY TEACHERS – FIRST THROUGH EIGHTH GRADE

I sometimes think about the teachers I had in my early years at Forrest. I suppose they made a big impression on me because I became an educator myself.

I can remember my teachers one by one with absolutely no problem. They were First Grade: Mrs. Jennie Palmore (Note: there was no kindergarten in 1953). Mrs. Palmore was a gentle lady and not so tall that a first grader had to look up to her so high. Mr. Palmore drove a school bus.

My second grade teacher was Miss Agnes Fuller. I confess to you now: I was afraid of Miss Agnes. She had complete control of the class and, if punishment was ever needed, it was swift and sure. Later in life, I found that she had a different side to her. She could have fun, but I didn't pick up on that as a 2<sup>nd</sup> grader.

Mrs. Mabel Shaw was my third grade teacher. She was kind and helpful and treated her students like we were her grandchildren. She and her husband James (Shorty) Shaw were close friends of my parents.

Mrs. Jessie Smith taught my fourth grade class. She was a good teacher and demanded a lot from her students. Mrs. Smith was a stylish dresser and wore bright, complimentary colors, pretty scarves, and high heels. Later in high school, her husband Mr. Don Smith would be my teacher in shop class and my FFA advisor.

Mrs. Mary Sue Lawrence taught my fifth grade class in her final years before retirement. Her grandson Tommy was in our class. Mrs. Lawrence incorporated her love of music into her curriculum and would play the piano as she taught us a number of songs. I remember us singing "Sweet Betsy

From Pike, who crossed the wide river with her husband, Ike...."

Mrs. Jane Kerr taught our sixth grade class. She made learning fun. She would have contests: spelling bees and pronunciation bees, plus she would have us race to see who could look up the word first in the dictionary. We learned our states and capitals, studied and recited poems ("Trees" by Joyce Kilmer and "Barefoot Boy" by John Greenleaf Whittier), and wrote short essays.

My seventh grade teacher was Mrs. Elaine Wilson. She was very intelligent and a really good English teacher. Her daughter Eileen was in our class. I believe teaching the 7<sup>th</sup> graders has to be one of the most difficult jobs in any school, but Mrs. Wilson insisted (and I'm glad she did) that we learn.

And the eighth grade is equally challenging. Mrs. Sarah Harris was a good teacher and worked hard to cover several subjects. With puberty rampant, with 40 plus "Baby Boomer" kids in a class and with untreated and unlabeled "ADD" (Attention Deficit Disorder), Mrs. Harris and all my wonderful teachers were equal to the task. I am forever grateful and thankful for all my teachers at Forrest. They were good people trying to make a difference in the lives of their children.

President John Rickman  
Senior Class of '65

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**SAVE THE DATE!!!**

**August 4, 2012  
Annual Forrest Alumni  
Banquet  
Honoring Classes of '62  
and '87**

FHS Alumni Association Membership  
Dues Form -  
Dates of Membership: July 1 to June 30

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- Yearly Membership: Single \$10  
Couple \$15  
 Lifetime (under 60) Single \$140  
Couple \$175  
 Over 60 Single \$85 Couple  
\$100

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**1502 Hunters Chase**  
**Chapel Hill, Tennessee 37034**  
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**Please include the name and address of  
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Make check Payable to FHS Alumni  
Scholarship Fund  
Send form and check to **Jimmie Lee**  
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