

# THS Alumni News

### **Scholarships Awarded**

The THS Alumni Association awarded two \$1,000.00 per semester THS Alumni scholarships this year. Recipients were Skylee Perkins, daughter of Kris and Lindsey Perkins, and Colton Anson, son of Cindy Anson. Skylee is majoring in Funeral Science and Colton is majoring in Social Studies.

## Two Second Year Scholarships Awarded

In 2019 the THS Alumni Board voted to expand the scholarship program to award \$500.00 per semester to the scholarship recipients who are in good standing and apply for scholarships for their second year of college. Blake Scott and Hadley (Rosie) Rosemarie Conaway applied for and were awarded the THS Alumni scholarships for their second year of college.

### Military Wall of Honor/AllStar Showcase

Anyone who served in the military and attended THS between the 9th & 12th grades is eligible for the Military Wall of Honor. The new website for Veteran & Showcase is http://www.tonkawaallstars-military.com. There is also a link at Tonkawa.k12.ok.us. Those who served overseas & are eligible to join the VFW are honored on panels in the Event Center. Information can be mailed to Mike Schatz at PO Box 252, Tonkawa, 74653.

### **Lucky Duck Derby**

THS Alumni Association partnered with the Tonkawa Masonic Lodge again this year. We completed our very successful annual fundraising event, the Lucky Duck Derby, chaired by Reta Swords. Over 2,000 ducks floated down the canal on July 4th. We met our goal again this year. Our scholarships total \$6,000.00 per year

# THS Alumni Association

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The Tonkawa Alumni Association is celebrating our 68th year! We are still going strong thanks to the efforts of our officers, board members and all of you that support our various projects. The THS weight room project was completed. The Alumni Association partnered with the Tonkawa Public Schools and current booster organizations to meet our goal of \$25,000. Athletes were finally able to use the new equipment towards the end of June 2020 due to COVID-19. This new equipment will be a great asset for our student athletes for years to come. Thanks to all of you for making this project a success!

As many of you know, Bruce Robinson passed away in 2020 year and we really miss him. The THS Alumni scholarships were given in memory and honor of Bruce in 2020. The Alumni Board believed this was a fitting tribute to Bruce's lifelong commitment to the THS Alumni Association and the Buccaneer Spirit. Bruce led the effort to invest THS Alumni Association earnings to build our investment account to a goal of \$200,000.00 to ensure funding for the THS Alumni scholarships if something were to happen to the THS Alumni Association. Bruce passed knowing the balance was \$196,000.00 and steadily approaching his goal. Bruce was an advocate for the THS Alumni Scholarship and led the selection process for several years. We have surpassed Bruce's goal of \$200,000.00! We will be honoring Bruce Robinson at the Luncheon.

Your Alumni support is what keeps our organization vital and thriving. All your donations including Memorial donations and Lifetime Memberships are very much appreciated. Please keep them coming! (Lifetime member's names are engraved on a plaque that hangs in the Commons Area of THS). Remember, our purpose is to keep our traditions alive, continue to make our THS the best it can be for future generations, and encourage students to always be proud to be a BUCCANEER!

-David Fruits, President

Alumni Coffee	THS Event Center	Friday, Oct. 8th	9:00 AM
All Class Alumni Meeting	THS Event Center	Friday, Oct. 8th	10:30 AM
Assembly	THS Event Center	Friday, Oct. 8th	1:30 PM
Parade (Lineup at the THS Parking Lot)	Grand Avenue	Friday, Oct. 8 <sup>th</sup>	2:30 PM
The Hub (No Scheduled Activities)	Tonkawa Indian Casino & Hotel	Friday, Oct. 8th	After Parade
Football Game	<b>Buccaneer Field</b>	Friday, Oct. 8th	7:00 PM
Distinguished Alumni & All Class Reunion Mixer	<b>THS Event Center Foyer</b>	Saturday, Oct. 9 <sup>th</sup>	10:30 AM – 11:30 AM
Distinguished Alumni & All Class Reunion Luncheon Buffet	THS Event Center	Saturday, Oct. 9th	11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Tonkawa Alumni Association P.O. Box 12, Tonkawa, Oklahoma 74653						
Luncheon	_ Tickets, \$25 each (non-refundable)	Lifetime Membership	\$100	Scholarships \$		
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