

2016-2017 ANNUAL NEWSLETTER

Last year's Dedication Day was a tremendous success. The talent of our school population was reflected in the student body and by our honorees. We also honored veteran alumni with a "Well Done" medal for their service to the country.

You may visit the Hall of Honor, located adjacent to the Jacquelyn McGee Performing Arts Center and the Band Hall, at any time. The Brian Schenk Archives, based in the Library, are also available to you at any time. We maintain a class ring collection, the third largest in the nation; a *Comet* yearbook collection; a collection of books by Austin High authors, faculty, and alumni; and the Archives, containing a wide variety of memorabilia from Austin High's past.

We encourage your donations to any of the collections. Keep your eyes open in antique shops which carry old yearbooks or other Austin High memorabilia. Bring the items on Dedication Day or on any school day to the Library. Please include your name and address with your donation.

Surplus *Comets*, Mr. Maroo lapel pins, Mr. Maroo earrings, and Mr. Maroo necklace pendants are always on sale. Contact Mrs. Debra Windham (dwindham@austinisd.org) for more information.

Loyal Forever,
Debra Windham and Esther Joucken
Hall of Honor Advisors

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Please print name below to RSVP for Dedication Day. See back for donor information.

Name: _____ Class of _____

Updated Mailing Address (optional) _____

Phone _____ Email _____

I **will** be present on Dedication Day, April 21, 2017.

Yes, I need an escort for assistance in the school. No, I do not need assistance.

I **will not** be present on Dedication Day.

I am a United States Military Veteran. Branch _____ Year(s) _____

2016 Distinguished Alumni:

Carlos Valdez '47

United States Navy, Local Philanthropist

Dr. Arthur Frankel '65

Hematologist and Oncologist, Cancer Researcher

2016 Honored Faculty:

Leyla Cohlma

Chemistry Teacher 1977-2013

2016 Well Done Medal Recipients:

Hunter Archibald '02

Stewart Geise '99

Elliott Weeks '03

SPECIAL PROJECTS

AWARDS AND ELECTIONS: The Student Steering Committee of the Hall of Honor "builds" the files on nominees for the Hall of Honor. We would appreciate contributions from former students and/or retired faculty. We are certain that you had a favorite teacher from your years at the school or a classmate who has gone on to do great things. To start a file or add to an existing one, simply send a letter of nomination to Mrs. Debra Windham, Hall of Honor Advisor, or send an email to dwindham@austinisd.org.

SCHOLARSHIPS: Through a rigorous voting process, the top 1% of the current Senior Class is identified as Maroon Society. In 2002, Maroon Society recipients began to receive scholarship money from the Hall of Honor Endowment Fund. If you or your business would like to donate to the Endowment, please contact Debra Windham.

RELOCATION OF THE HALL OF HONOR: We are raising money to relocate the Hall of Honor to the main building in a more central location visible to all students and visitors. If you would like to donate to the Hall of Honor Endowment for this purpose, please provide your information below and return it with your RSVP. You may contact Debra Windham with additional questions.

If you would like to make a contribution to the Hall of Honor to help support the endowment, scholarships, or maintenance of the Hall of Honor, checks made be made out to **AHS Hall of Honor** and mailed to the school at the address below. *We are raising money to relocate the Hall of Honor to the main building in a more central location visible to all students and visitors.*

Mail this sheet to: Debra Windham c/o AHS Hall of Honor
1715 West Cesar Chavez
Austin, TX 78703

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Please fill in your name and RSVP on the front of this form.

Enclosed is my check for \$_____ to AHS Hall of Honor.

For donors of \$250 or more: A 2 x 4 metal plate, inscribed as you desire, will be placed at the entrance to the Hall of Honor. Please PRINT the text of your memorial plate as you wish it to be recorded. Please limit the text to three lines.

Hall of Honor Contributor Levels:

- Subscriber (up to \$49)
 - Sponsor (\$50-\$99)
 - Founder (\$100-\$249)
 - Memorial (\$250 and above)
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