

# Carlisle Alumni Association Newsletter

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*We are for you, we adore you, Dear old Carlisle!*



## Homecoming 2003 Date Changed!!!

Greetings Bison Alumni!

Just in the last few days, we've had our first brief encounter with cooler weather for the season! I'm sure that summer will sneak back on us, but the cooler temperatures have brought renewed excitement for Autumn and the impending football season! In case you haven't heard the news, the

date for our homecoming weekend has changed to October 17. The school district was informed approximately two weeks ago that the scheduled opponent would not be fielding a football team this year. My sincere apologies to those who had already made travel plans based on the original date. Hopefully, your

travel plans can still be worked out for the weekend of the 17th. In the next month, the officers and directors of the association will be giving 100% to make homecoming weekend the biggest and best ever. I hope to see you there in your Black & Gold!

Mike Calvert, President

## Friday, October 17 Activities

*All schedules and activities subject to change! Check at the Friday afternoon reception for an updated list of events.*

### Homecoming Royalty Luncheon

Former Homecoming Queens and their maids of honor will meet at 11:00 a.m. for their annual luncheon, hosted this year by Sharon Jackson Hillman. Former Queens and Maids of Honor should contact Sharon at 870-552-3152 or SandRFarms @ centurytel.net for more information.

### Football Letterman Reception

Chris Hart will be hosting a reception for all former football lettermen on Friday afternoon. All Bison lettermen should contact Chris at 870-552-7455.

### CHS Homecoming Parade

The Carlisle Homecoming Parade will be held on Friday afternoon immediately following the coronation ceremony. Many of our alumni are planning to participate in the parade. If you are interested in having a parade entry, please contact Nancy Chudy at Carlisle High School, 870-552-3032 or nchudy@carlisle.k12.ar.us.

### Alumni Reception

Our friends at Bancorp South will once again host a welcome reception for all alumni immediately following the parade. The reception will be held in Down's Hall of First Baptist Church. This will be our first chance to gather together and start reminiscing with each other. While at the reception, you will have an opportunity to view the incredible memorabilia displays. We will be featuring decade classes, as well as athletics, band, and a featured former teacher (it's a surprise!). If you have anything from the past that would be of interest to other alumni, please contact Olivia Amaden Kegley at 870-552-7070.

### Bison Football!!!

We want all of our alumni to come out and support the Bison as they take on Des Arc. All former football players are asked to meet on the track prior to pre-game to be introduced to help form the spirit tunnel at the beginning of the game. Be sure to drop by and visit the Alumni reception tent.

### Chamber of Commerce BBQ

The Carlisle Chamber of Commerce will host a BBQ dinner, catered by Nick's BBQ. The dinner will be held at the Carlisle Schools Cafeteria from 5-7 p.m. Cost is \$7.00. You'll want to get there early so you can make it to the Homecoming festivities!

### Alumni Band

The alumni band will be gathering for a meet & greet at the bandroom at 6:00 p.m. on Friday afternoon. This will be a time to see old friends and get re-aquainted with each other. If you're interested, get your instrument dusted off and start getting those lips back in shape. The Bison band is always excited to have some old timers sit in with them!

Would representatives of the classes of 1993, 1983, 1973, 1963, 1953 & 1943 contact Olivia Kegley regarding your classes memorabilia display.  
870-552-7070

# Saturday, October 18 Activities

## Masonic Breakfast

Members of the Carlisle Masonic Lodge cordially invite all alumni to attend a special breakfast at the lodge on Saturday morning. The breakfast will start at 7:00 a.m. There is no cost for the breakfast, but donations will be accepted. The lodge is located on Hwy. 70 East. For more information, contact W.H. Kittler at 870-552-7867.

## Bancorp 5K Run

Bancorp South will be sponsoring a 5K run at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday morning. Proceeds from this race will go to the Carlisle Altruistic Club. For more information, contact Janet Pasley at 870-552-7571.

## Class Get-Togethers

Unfortunately, there are not a lot of venues available in Carlisle for your class to get together. The Alumni Association has reserved the school cafeteria on Saturday night after the fish supper for that purpose. You are cordially invited to stay and visit as long as you like on Saturday night. Bring your own refreshments. Remember, no alcohol on school property.

## Registration!!!!

We want to have a record of every alumni who attends the festivities this year. Please take an opportunity to register at the following locations:

- ◆ Alumni reception on Friday
- ◆ Football game Friday night
- ◆ Registration tent in the park on Saturday.

## Alumni Gathering

Carlisle City Park will be the site for the majority of our activities on Saturday. Bring your lawn chairs and plan to stay and visit. We will begin gathering at 10:00 a.m. for a time to visit. Enjoy lunch in the park from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. Our program will start at approximately 1:00 p.m. The entertainment is being coordinated by Jon Plafcan. He can be reached at 870-552-3332 or 501-690-8155 (cell) or jplafca@agheritagefcs.com

There will be a meeting on Sunday, Sept 14, 2:00, at Bancorp South to discuss the entertainment portion of the Alumni weekend. Please come and join us or call/email with some of your ideas for this year's acts.

## We Want Your Stuff!!!

One of the objectives of your association is to preserve historical artifacts relating to Carlisle High School. Do you have something you might consider donating to our collection? Suggested items include Bison Yearbooks, Bison jewelry, letter jackets, school newspapers, play programs, graduation programs, band, athletic, cheer uniforms, any band memorabilia, FFA memorabilia.....get the idea?? Please bring your items to the reception on Friday or contact Olivia Amaden Kegley to make arrangements. We are also in the process of finding a permanent home to store our collection. We need a secure, climate controlled, easily-accessible facility that won't cost us anything. Can you help us out?

## Honorary Bison Alumni

Last year, we began a tradition of naming "Honorary CHS Alumni". This is to honor individuals who did not attend Carlisle schools, but have made a positive impact on our school, students, and town. Last year's recipients were Raymond & Doris Brown and Wesley P. Smith. If you have someone you would like to nominate for this honor, please contact Mike Calvert ASAP.

## Chamber of Commerce Fish Supper

The Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a fish supper on Saturday night. The supper will be held at the school cafeteria from 5-7 p.m. Ages 13-up will cost \$10.00. Ages 6-12 \$6.00. Children 5-under eat free. Come early and enjoy another opportunity to fellowship with other alumni.

## Web Site Updates

Please remember to visit our website at [www.carlislearkansas.com](http://www.carlislearkansas.com) to update your contact information. If you don't have web access, we will have a form available on Friday afternoon and Saturday morning for you to fill out with your updated information.

## Volunteers Needed for Homecoming Weekend

Planning for homecoming weekend is a monumental task. There are many, many details to be worked out to make the weekend a special event for Bison alumni. There are also a lot of jobs that need filling....from sitting at a reception table, to filling out nametags, to hauling tables and chairs.... We're asking for a list of volunteers to help with one or more jobs during the weekend. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Mike Calvert at 501-519-1202 or by email at [calvert@carlislearkansas.com](mailto:calvert@carlislearkansas.com)

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