

# ALUMNI NEWS

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Needham Bryant Broughton High School

## Class of 2008 Alumni Scholarships

The 2008 Senior Assembly was the site for awarding the annual scholarships presented each year. This year's recipients were very well deserving. These two scholarships are awarded to Seniors who exemplify service both to Broughton and our community at large.



Morgan Abbott

The Broughton Alumni Association Scholarship, \$2000 for each of four years was presented to Morgan Abbott. There are many activities available for students to participate in during their four year tenure at Broughton, and Morgan seemingly did them all. Each year her class elected her as their Class President, spearheading fund-raising projects to benefit both local charities as well as worthwhile causes in both other states and other countries. She was the Prom Chair and Queen of Hearts Chair. Athletically, Morgan participated in Cross Country and Track & Field all four years, while she maintained a ranking of #9 in her class of 442 students. Morgan is now at UNC-Chapel Hill where she is pursuing a political science and public policy major.



Sarah Murray

The Mial Williamson Grant, a \$3000 one-time award, was presented to Sarah Murray. During Sarah's four years at Broughton, she was involved with the Executive Council, holding many Committee chairs. The National Charity League is a community service organization which Sarah was Vice President of for her Sophomore-Senior years. Her love of soccer was rewarded by her four years of participation and receiving the Sportsmanship Award. Sarah is now at Meredith College where she is playing soccer and was recently elected Freshman Class President. She is interested in a Health Sciences major.

# Distinguished Alumni Award

Charles Johnson '72 - Chairman  
Distinguished Alumni Awards Committee

In 2002 the Board of Directors of the Broughton Alumni Association, in anticipation of the school's 75th birthday in 2004, voted to recognize outstanding alumni. It was our wish to honor these individuals and present a Distinguished Alumni plaque to the school during its official birthday celebration. (That plaque can be found in the main hallway by the front entrance to the school). A committee comprised of Art Raymond ('65), Bill Teague ('48), and yours truly studied the issues and offered a proposal and specific guidelines for recognizing these men and women. The Board accepted these guidelines and, since 2002, 33 former Broughton students have been accorded a 'Distinguished Alumni Award'. We don't award money or gold watches—just a few paragraphs in a newsletter and a name on that plaque in the main hallway. Not much reward for a lifetime of extraordinary accomplishments and service, but our way of saying "thanks" for all you have done and for making us proud!

How do we select our distinguished alumni? We know that many Broughton alumni, throughout a lifetime of accomplishments, have brought distinction to themselves, their families, and their Alma mater. The purpose of the Broughton Alumni Association 'Distinguished Alumni Award', however, is to honor those exceedingly rare individuals who have risen to the top ranks in their chosen professions, provided needed leadership to the world at large, contributed to humanity, and exhibited outstanding character.

In accordance with our Preamble, to be eligible for this award an individual must exude stellar qualities in two primary areas: achievement and service.

**Achievement** - The candidate's record of significant achievements during his/her lifetime that has had an international,

national, regional, or state impact OR attainment of a prestigious, unique position at an international, national, regional, or state level.

**Service** - The level of involvement in activities that contribute to the betterment of society. Essentially, this requires evidence of service to humanity, the nation, a state, or a community and should reveal the candidate's character, leadership skills, and awareness of his or her fellow man.

Evidence of record of a candidate's achievements and service may be obtained from curriculum vita, scholarly publications, magazine or newspaper articles, awards and citations, obituaries, personal contacts, etc. Any Broughton alumni can nominate any other Broughton alumni for consideration of the award. Indeed, we welcome such nominations!

The Distinguished Alumni Committee includes Bill Teague ('48), Vicky Langley ('58), Debbie Martin ('69), and Courtney Black ('88) and myself, Charles Johnson ('72). And, as always, Kathie Raymond ('67), our Executive Director, is available to receive suggestions. The committee reviews, discusses, and rates evidence of credentials, and awards are made upon consensus of committee members. The number of awards made at any given time is at the discretion of the committee, and there is no requirement that an award be presented in any given year.

Previous recipients include top executives of Fortune 500 companies, nationally renowned physicians, a Chief Justice of the NC Supreme Court, a Chief Scientist at NASA, a Vice Chief of the US Air Force, two state senators, scholars, writers, and civic leaders. Some of these individuals have passed away, but I have personally spoken with many and can vouch for their tremendous achievements and service

to society. Especially impressive are the numerous philanthropic, humanitarian, and leadership awards won by these persons. All Broughton alumni can take great pride in the accomplishments of our Distinguished Alumni!

- '30 Senator James M. Poyner
- '34 Major General Oscar F. Peatross
- '37 Lawrence E. Blanchard, Jr.
- '38 Senator Lura Self Tally
- '38 M. Susan Jackson Mellette, MD
- '39 Rear Admiral Edward U. Austin, DDS
- '43 Frank R. Anderson
- '44 Edward C. Yates, Jr., PhD
- '44 Judge George F. Bason
- '46 Carl C. James
- '47 Richard H. Jenrette
- '48 George W. Paulson, MD
- '49 Frank A. Daniels
- '49 Warren L. Batts
- '50 Thaddeus A. Eure
- '50 William E. Blackwell
- '52 E. Reynolds Price
- '52 G. Thomas Strickland, MD, PhD
- '52 Verne S. Caviness, Jr., MD, PhD
- '54 Alma E. Graham
- '54 Robert L. (Roddy) Jones
- '57 Rear Admiral L. Ferguson Norton
- '57 Talmage T. Brown, DVM, PhD
- '57 Thomas W. Bradshaw, Jr.
- '57 William M. Dunlap, MD
- '58 Justice Burley B. Mitchell
- '59 G. Smedes York
- '60 Major General Nathaniel H. Robb, Jr.
- '61 Judge Howard E. Manning, Jr.
- '61 James F. Goodmon
- '62 James C. Ballenger, MD
- '62 General John W. Handy
- '65 Peter P. Maravich

# In Honor & Memory of...

In honor of Bill Teague '48  
By George W. Paulson '48

In honor of Ann Permar  
for her service to Broughton  
By Jane Thurlow Ferdon '64

In honor of Ann Permar  
By Susan and Charles Rouse '66

In memory of Allan Charles "Bo" Newcomb '43  
By his wife, Juliette Fulghum Newcomb '49

In memory of Bruce F. Hoffmann '63  
By his sister, Rosemary Hoffmann '61,  
and brother, Ted Hoffmann '58

In memory of Betty Anne Yowell Ellington '47  
By Robert K. Yowell '54

In memory of Louise Clark Curry '53  
By Mary Carter Pruneau '53

In memory of Carey Oliver Rogers McFayden '59  
By Joanna Smith Mills '60 —friends since  
Mrs. Legon's kindergarten

In memory of Lemuel Jenkins '54  
and Julian Peebles '54  
By Edward H. Steinberg '54

In memory of Marsha Simmons Minchew '67  
By Mary Edwards Plybon '67

In memory of Harold Rhodes '49  
By Micky Rouse Johnston '49

In Memory of Mildred Rhodes Smith '49  
By Barbara Rogers Kane '49

In memory of Jean Barbour Wedding '47  
By Rebecca Williams Casteleberry '63

In memory of  
Carolyn Clement Barfield '52—Head Majorette  
By Winky Nelson '52

In memory of G. M. Wooten '50  
By Pat Eberhart Simpich '50

In memory of all Class of 1950  
classmates who have died  
By Hershel V. Anderson '50

In memory of Gerry Hartzog '54  
By Carolyn Rawls Booth '54

In memory of Herb Ridgeway '51  
By his wife, Nan Ridgeway

## \$250 Plus Alumni Contributions

'39	Blanche French Honeycutt	'59	Roberta Brown Feather
'49	Earl Johnson, Jr.	'69	Joseph M. (Buddy) Jenrette, III
'50	Hershel V. Anderson	'77	Jeffrey D. Anderson
'55	Robert (Bob) Wynne, III	'87	Hans Enders

## PASSINGS

'35	<i>D. Evalan Williams</i>	'53	<i>Hilton (Sonny) Turlington</i>
'37	<i>Helen Faison Charlton Power</i>	'53	<i>Betty Martin Rogers</i>
'38	<i>Kathleen Dizor Creech</i>	'55	<i>Sally Ruark Jones</i>
'38	<i>Doris Tyner Howard</i>	'58	<i>Sally Kesler Hunt</i>
'39	<i>Edward Utley Austin</i>	'59	<i>Hallet (Hal) Matthew Pakula (died 2004)</i>
'40	<i>Lorraine Wilson Jeffreys</i>	'59	<i>Barbara Bridgers Wheeler</i>
'41	<i>Robert L. Clifton</i>	'60	<i>Roy Charles Duncan, Jr.</i>
'41	<i>Grover L. Dillon, Jr.</i>	'61	<i>Jackie Phillips Crawley (died 2007)</i>
'41	<i>R. Bruce Ledford</i>	'62	<i>Carol Baker Haley</i>
'41	<i>Maurice William Griffin</i>	'62	<i>Pamela Pierce Hewett</i>
'42	<i>Robert "Bob" Phillips Blackburn</i>	'63	<i>Janet Gurkin Altman</i>
'42	<i>Flora Ann Lee Bynum (died 2006)</i>	'63	<i>Bruce Fredrick Hoffman</i>
'44	<i>Doris McHale Holding</i>	'63	<i>Daniel Dale Hunsucker</i>
'44	<i>Louis Laird Holder</i>	'64	<i>Steve Parham</i>
'44	<i>John H. (Jack) Crum</i>	'65	<i>David Philip Fisher Green</i>
'45	<i>Wade Pridgen</i>	'70	<i>Susan Elizabeth Bello</i>
'46	<i>Garland Burns Porter, Jr.</i>	'72	<i>Karen Bartlett</i>
'47	<i>Sally Johns Spung</i>	'72	<i>John Montgomery Kennedy</i>
'47	<i>Doris Ashby Corl</i>	'73	<i>Frank H. Abrams, III</i>
'47	<i>Jean Barbour Wedding</i>	'74	<i>George Robert Buckner</i>
'47	<i>Anne "Kitty" Arendell Hunter</i>	'78	<i>Carol J. Brailsford (died 2006)</i>
'48	<i>Ed Anderson</i>	'78	<i>Fletcher Johnson</i>
'48	<i>Carolyn Crowder Barbour</i>	'78	<i>Tim Perry</i>
'48	<i>Alice Sanders</i>	'78	<i>Jan Moffett</i>
'48	<i>Bennie Starling</i>	'93	<i>Cy Rawls</i>
'51	<i>Herbert Ridgeway, III</i>	'95	<i>Hilliary Leon Swartzentruber</i>
'52	<i>Ethel King Mack</i>	'00	<i>Jesse George Brunner</i>
'52	<i>Carolyn Clement Barfield</i>	Faculty:	<i>Betty Smaltz, Physical Education</i>
'53	<i>Louise Clark Curry</i>		<i>Lucille Reynolds Sherrill, Math</i>
'53	<i>Shirley Caveness Newberry</i>		

## Class Contributions

Class of 1958

\$1,000

**Coming  
Soon!**

Online Alumni  
Donations



Membership Fees

Checkout the Alumni Association section on [Broughton.wcpss.net](http://Broughton.wcpss.net) website for the latest reunion news and announcements. We will be setting up a *NEW* Broughton Alumni website in the 2009. It will offer new features such as the ability to make alumni donations and pay membership dues online. A link will be added to make these secure payments through *Paypal*.

Go to [Broughton.wcpss.net](http://Broughton.wcpss.net) for more information about the *NEW* website. While on the website, send us your reunion news, and it will be added to the for all your classmates to see. Thanks for your support.

- Rick Russell, '82  
- Brenda Wynne, '75



## NBHS Alumni Association Branding

The Needham Broughton Alumni Association recently decided to have a logo designed to use on merchandise and letterhead. Brenda Williams Wynne ('75) designed the logo. The simple design of the state capitol dome signifies the Broughton Caps (Capitals.)



The alumni logo will be used on apparel items. These items will make great gifts for friends and family as well as support your high school Alma mater. More to come on our *NEW* website.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Charles Johnson '72

ACCOUNTS	12/1/08
<u>Assets</u>	
Cash/Bank Accounts	
Checking	32,440.93
CDs	14,528.01
TCF MW SB (9/30/08)	12,872.48
TCF NBHS SB (9/30/08)	4,335.00
Total Cash/Bank Accounts	\$64,176.42
Investments	
TCF MW (9/30/08)	63,461.44
TCF NBHS (9/30/08)	40,121.53
TD Ameritrade Income Funds (9/30/08)	43,808.23
Total Investments	\$147,391.20
<u>Total Assets</u>	\$211,567.62
<u>Current Liabilities</u>	\$0.00
<u>Contributions</u>	(2008) \$43,610.00
<u>Expenses</u>	
Printing/Mailing Spring 2008 Newsletter	\$13,121.87
Printing/Mailing Fall 2008 Newsletter (est.)	(est.) \$13,000.00
2008 Scholarships	\$11,000.00
2008 Misc.est. (salaries, postal fees, plaques, phone, etc.)	\$4,200.00
TCF- Triangle Community Foundation	
MW- Mial Williamson	
SB- Spendable Balance	

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**More class agents are needed. Please contact Laura Isley at (919)782-3494 or lauraisley@msn.com**

# Reunion Reflections

## Class of 1958

The Class of 1958 celebrated its 50th reunion September 19-21 with 145 class members and 85 guests gathering at the Crabtree Marriott for a weekend of remembering Broughton during the Fabulous Fifties. Classmates from North Carolina as well as Texas, California, Alabama, Canada, New Mexico, Ohio, New York, Virginia, South Carolina,



Tom Tarrant and Betsy Dupree

Georgia, Florida and Colorado, were provided name tags, a gift bag filled with Broughton souvenirs, a CD of our "Best to You" songs, and a memory book compiled by Carol Colvard Cason which included stories, photographs and "Perspectives" of teenage years.

A hospitality room was the noisy gathering place for reconnecting with friends. Friday night's pool party included a buffet, music for shag dancers, and the opportunity to have caricatures drawn as keepsakes.

Saturday began early with Krispy Kremes and coffee in the



Jim Hauser, Johnny Miller and Randy Smith

hospitality room prior to touring Broughton. The next event on this beautiful autumn weekend was a down-home barbecue picnic held at the home of Linda and Ted Hoffmann. Automobiles of the 50's were parked around the vintage gas station. The "Sugar Shack Soda Shop" served milk shakes and soft drinks.

A class photograph was taken at the banquet Saturday evening. Principal Joseph Holliday, teachers Nell & George Kahdy, and band director Robert Barnes and his wife Betty were special guests. Before the gourmet dinner was served, a memorial video was shown as a tribute to our 82 deceased classmates, followed by a special performance by the dance team of juniors and seniors from Broughton. Music of the 50's played as friends danced the night away.



Ted Hoffmann's "Sugar Shack"



Patty Cooper Asher and Brenda Payne Miller

We said our last goodbye's at breakfast on Sunday and lingered together over coffee talking about next year. We will gather, as we do each year, for a covered dish picnic at the Hoffmann's "Sugar Shack" on the 3rd Sunday in September. September 20, 2009 will be our next mini-reunion.



Mr. Holliday and Richard Henderickson

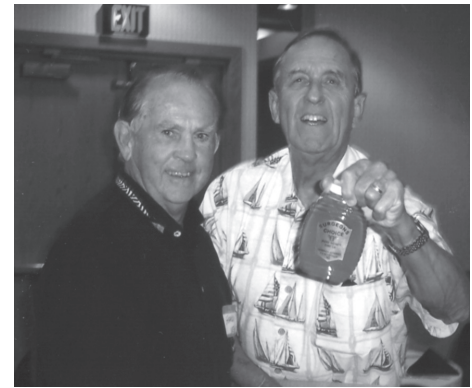
**A gift of \$1,000 from the Class of 1958 is being donated to the Broughton Alumni Association.** These funds are for the benefit of scholarships from our Alma Mater.



Nancy Wason Davison and Randle Carpenter



Bill & Ruth Dowell, Paul Riemel, Gloria Purnell Byrd, Merritt Jones, Susan Jones, Betty Shields Bass, Barbara Daniel Smiley and Sue Coltrane Robertson



Harold Newman and Bill Teague

## Class of 1948

On Friday, Oct. 10 and Saturday, Oct. 11, 2008, approximately thirty-five Alumni of the NBHS Class of 1948 along with about twenty spouses gathered at the Ramada-Inn Blue Ridge for their 60th class reunion. With a lot of hugging, laughing, reminiscing and a few embellished stories the evening was a great success. A smaller group visited downtown Raleigh Saturday morning for an overview of the development in the inner city. Amazing!



Joanne Liles Beal, Gloria Purnell Byrd, and Emily Richie Wall



Bill Teague and Merritt Jones



Bill Teague, Joe Terrell, John Nicholson



Tom Steed, Jonny Thorne, Bill Booker and friend

## Class of 1978

The Class of 1978 celebrated their 30<sup>th</sup> reunion over Homecoming weekend, October 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>, 2008. Classmates met for dinner at the annual barbecue fund-raiser before the homecoming football game. Seated facing their banner (Class of '78 – Forever Great) more than two dozen alumni watched and cheered as Broughton defeated Leesville High. It was quite a thrill since there was no football field at Broughton during our years there! After the game, an even larger crowd gathered at The Point (a local restaurant owned by '78 alum Frank and Karin Winslow). The climax of the evening was listening to The Dune Dogs (a band founded by our own David Finch and Dusty Baker). The festivities continued on Saturday when principal Roy Teel (and senior class advisor for the Class of 1978) took alumni on a tour of the school. The renovations were amazing, seeing some familiar names (Ms. Meszaros and Mrs. Roberts) and even Herr Watts' moose were pretty remarkable. However, the "high spot" of the afternoon was having Mr. Teel take us up into the bell tower and bring us the markers so we could join the recent graduate tradition of adding our names to the walls! The group gathered once more Saturday evening at the University Club. A memorial table was set up to remember those classmates who have passed away since graduation. Over dinner, dialogue, and dancing, many happy memories were repeated, embarrassing moments were shared, and the promises of staying closer were made. After 30 years, the Class of 1978 proved they will forever be great!

-Becky Roland Warrick

## NBHS Alumni Association Leadership

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## Needham B. Broughton Alumni Association

Your Broughton Alumni Association is a unique non-profit corporation formed in 1984. Historically, the sole mission of your Association was to establish and enhance alumni relations within the community. Our vision is to fund a self-sustaining scholarship endowment to aid worthy Broughton students as they pursue a higher education. The association annually awards \$11,000 through these scholarships. Connecting alumni with each other and the community of Broughton is accomplished by publishing periodic newsletters. These newsletters share human-interest stories of long ago school days, report

upcoming and recently held class reunions, honor distinguished alumni and memorialize those who have passed away. WE ARE THE VOICE OF THE BROUGHTON CAPS ALUMNI!!

To continue our mission, we rely solely on your generous support. In addition to your membership fee, we need your tax-deductible contribution to your Alumni Association Scholarship Fund. We depend on your assistance to fulfill our vision. We hope you will join with many other alumni and send in your tax-deductible contribution today. We cannot do it without you.



# From the President

-Randy Worth '64, Alumni President

As those of you in the Raleigh area are well aware, some Broughton matters have received a great deal of press coverage this fall.

One issue has been about paving a significant portion of the lawn in front of the school in order to address the pressing parking shortage and traffic congestion problems. A lack of adequate parking for faculty, staff and students has been a concern for quite some time, but the matter seemed to reach a critical point when the "temporary classroom trailers" which had been located on a portion of the yard in front of the school, were moved—to the parking lot behind the school. The issue is complicated as there were city ordinances and Wake County School System standards to be met. However, the problem stems primarily from the fact that Broughton was built in 1929 and it was not envisioned then that much more land would be needed in the future to accommodate the student population which drives automobiles to school every day.

The plans to pave a portion of the front lawn moved forward, passing one hurdle after another. At some point along the way, a number of alumni sounded the alarm and several different groups organized to stop these plans.

The Alumni Association was contacted to let its position be known. I did go to the preliminary City Council meeting and I stood when there was a call for those who opposed the paving plan. I did so to indicate my position on the issue. Our board had not met to discuss this nor had the board polled Broughton graduates to determine how they felt about the matter.

This situation does provide an opportunity to define "the Alumni Association". We very quickly found out that the alumni of Broughton do not speak as one body. There were several groups which organized but there were differing agendas. Some alumni took the position that there should be no more paving of the lawn as it was felt that it would do irreparable damage. Others wanted to meet with parents of current students to try to seek alternative solutions, if there were any. There was yet another group which indicated that they were conflicted—they graduated from Broughton and they did not want there to be any paving but they had children who were current students and they knew of the very pressing need for more parking and better traffic flow. Finally, there were some alumni who did not feel that there was any alternative.

The point is that the Alumni Association has two primary

functions—the primary one to award college scholarships to deserving seniors and to publish newsletters to keep the Broughton community connected. In my opinion, should report significant issues involving the school but it is not set up to poll alumni to have them vote or indicate a position on any issue, one way or the other. The controversy over this issue has demonstrated that the Association cannot speak as one voice for all alumni on any issue. As you might expect, if you could tabulate all of the alumni e-mail traffic, calls, letters, etc., over the last several months, it would be overwhelmingly negative about the paving; it was by no means unanimous.

There were strong feelings on both sides and, unfortunately this rose to the surface on more than one occasion. It brought about a division in the Broughton community, which the News and Observer was more than pleased to report.

The Council did meet and voted 7-1 to provide parking on the front lawn. As we go to press, the plans are being revised for a smaller parking area.

I recommend that anyone who would like to become more familiar with the issues and the process, go to the *News and Observer* website on line and follow the articles regarding this story.

### Class of 1964

The Class of 1964 will begin planning its 45th reunion in early January of 2009. Please e-mail Randy Worth at rlworth@bellsouth.net if you are interested in planning this reunion.

### Class of 1967

The Class of 1967 is planning to gather on December 27 at 7:00 p.m. at the Player's Retreat. This is a good time to catch up with local classmates or those who may be visiting here over the holidays. Spouses are welcome too! For further information, contact John & Nancy Jenkins at 919/787-6495. Go to www.broughton67.com for the latest news.

### Class of 1969

NOW we really have to start planning a class reunion. If you are interested in being on the Planning Committee, please contact Debbie Martin at dmartin@fmrealty.com or 919-832-4077. We must have a meeting in EARLY JANUARY for a Fall 2009 reunion. Many classmates have suggested some great ideas already. Join us!!!

### Class of 1970

The Class of 1970 is making plans for our 40th Reunion. The tentative date is: September 24-26, 2010. Please contact Jenny Hayes Lewis 252.753.5393 or Barbara Bitler Coughlin 336.884.1335 with questions, address updates, and especially if you're willing to help. The first planning committee meeting will be held in January 2009.

### Class of 1989

The Class of 1989 is planning their twentieth reunion for September 25-27, 2009. Plans are for a casual night on Friday, a Family Picnic on Saturday, and a formal event on Saturday night. For further information and details, please contact Stephanie Torrez at 704/577-5196 or storrez@dare-insurance.com.

# Living Life As a Survivor: A Second Commencement

-Jenny Johnson

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It's 8:30 am on the first day of summer and the temperature is already close to 90 degrees. Most teachers are packing up their class rooms and heading out of town, but this Wake County school teacher is back at school, all dressed up and excited about helping out with yet another high school commencement ceremony. Of course this is nothing new for Carol Allen, a sophomore English teacher, who has been attending Broughton High School graduations for almost thirty years.

As Broughton's student body president in 1979, attending classes and walking

the same halls as her students do today, Carol never thought of her future in terms of being a survivor. No one knows the future or when or if they might hear the words "you have cancer." Even though it took two years after her initial diagnosis to even say the word, it was at that moment in January 2006 that Carol too became a survivor. "To me being a survivor meant someone who is in critical condition or close to death," says Carol. "That wasn't how I saw myself." Survivor is not a natural or easy moniker for most people to accept.

Cancer affects everyone differently and as a result, becoming a "survivor" is also an individual journey. According to the National Cancer Survivor Day Foundation, a "survivor" is anyone living with a history of cancer – from the moment of diagnosis through the remainder of life. By this definition, there are approximately 10.5 million people living with a history of cancer. Each of these survivors is living proof that a cancer diagnosis is no longer an automatic death sentence.

Major advances in cancer prevention, early detection and new treatments have resulted in longer survival rates. A cancer diagnosis, however, can leave a host of problems in its wake. Physical, financial and emotional hardships often persist after diagnosis and treatment. Despite these



Carol Allen

difficulties, cancer survivors can and do live active, productive lives.

Today survivors are learning to live lives that have been transformed into a new and different state of "normal". After all, life goes on, classes go on, work goes on and responsibilities go on—even with cancer.

That's how it is for Carol, too. With an active family and a full-time teaching career, she attributes the fact that she was able to continue working, through both her chemotherapy and radiation treatments, to the support and care she received from her family (both at home and school), her friends and her medical team at Rex Cancer Center.

As another school year comes to an end, Carol is excited about her plans to spend time at the beach this summer with her husband, George and their three daughters. "My life is completely back to "normal" – whatever that means", said Allen. "I feel like my time with cancer

was just a dream. Did I really not have ANY hair just two years ago?"

All the memories and feelings come flooding back each time she looks at the collection of caps her students brought her to wear during her four rounds of chemotherapy treatments and seven weeks of radiation treatments after her lumpectomy. She remembers whenever

**"I also gathered together my closest family and friends and asked them to pray for me and the journey I was about to embark upon."**

*– Carol Allen*

she sees one of her many friends who brought her family meals three times a week for five months. And she remembers whenever she sees an ad for Rex Healthcare – where she developed trusted friendships with the nurses,

technologists and physicians that took care of her during her treatments.

"As I look back on my journey with breast cancer, I know it changed my family in many positive ways," says Carol. "We have learned the importance of reaching out to others in times of need. Our daughters certainly had great role models who showed compassion and love to us. My husband and I have felt our marriage is even stronger because we have learned not to take the small things in life for granted! Overall, I have to say that there were many blessings to have come from this "not so great" time in my life. No one ever wants to hear the word "cancer" or have to become a "cancer survivor", but now I'm proud of telling people I'm a two year survivor!"

For information on Cancer Support Services offered at Rex Cancer Center go to [rexhealth.com](http://rexhealth.com) and click on Rex Cancer Center.

## 2009 Alumni Association Membership Form

I have enclosed my tax deductible check of \$25.00 for my 2009 membership contribution and \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for the scholarship fund.

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# Alumni Decade Captains

To improve correspondence between class agents and alumni, the Alumni Association created "Decade Captains." For each 5 years, one captain is designated as liaison for those classes and the NBHS Alumni Association. For example, classes graduating in years 1980 through 1984, there is one designated captain to contact for any changes in class agent representative, addresses, phone numbers and reunion information. For classes graduating in 1985 through 1989, there is another person designated as the captain for those years, and so on. The Decade Captains are also responsible for contacting the class agents in their group to remind them of their respective upcoming reunions.

The captains follow up with class agents or their reunion coordinator(s) and request they send in reunion news, summaries and pictures for publication in the Alumni Newsletter.

Below are the decade captains who have graciously volunteered to serve as liaisons to the Reunion Committee. Contact your decade captain if you are unable to contact your class agent. We are still searching for a decade captain for 2005-2009. Please contact Laura Boyce Isley '85 at (919)782-3494 or [lauraisley@msn.com](mailto:lauraisley@msn.com).

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