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2004 SUNSET ROUNDUP

When: September 18, 2004.
Time: 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Where: Oak Cliff Country Club
2200 W. Red Bird Lane
Cost: \$17.00 per person

The Class of 1944 will be honored on their 60th anniversary. We will also be recognizing the Class of 1939 on their 65th anniversary and the Class of 1934 on their 70th anniversary.

If you have memorabilia you would like to share, please bring it along and we will provide a display table for you.

We will pay a special honor to Kathryn Gillmour Fox '41 who is ailing as this is being written. We hope her health will be such that she can be with us.

A reservation form is on page 7 of this newsletter.

DIRECTIONS TO ROUNDUP

The Oak Cliff Country Club is located on Redbird Lane about two blocks east of the 6200 block of Hampton Road. This is near what used to be called Redbird Airport.

You can also get to OCC using U.S. Hwy 67 (Marvin D. Love Freeway). The exit signs for Redbird Lane are very prominent. Turn east off of Marvin D. Love and you shortly will cross Hampton Road. Go another two blocks and you will see the Club on the right.

The entrance to the registration area is to the left as you face the building from the parking lot.

DALLAS LUNCHEONS

Monthly chat sessions, otherwise known as Sunset luncheon groups continue. Reservations not needed. Just show up, eat and talk.

The **Third Saturday** group meets at the Texas Land & Cattle Steak House, 3130 Lemmon Ave. at Cole St. in the Oak Lawn area. It's not far from North Dallas High School.

The **Last Saturday** Group, formerly known as the '42 Girls group, meets on the

last Saturday of the month at the Celebration Restaurant, 4503 W. Lovers Lane near Love Field. They have asked not to be referred to as a "girls group" any more because guys attend also.

Fifteen people, including five guys, were at the March luncheon.

NEWS ABOUT KATHRYN FOX

Our newsletter publisher and "Lost Bison" tracker downer has been incapacitated by an ongoing medical problem.

In May, while visiting friends in Oak Cliff, Kathryn was hospitalized due to bleeding in her brain. After several weeks in Methodist Central on Colorado Blvd. in Oak Cliff, she was discharged to go home. She is undergoing physical therapy several times a week at a rehab center in Arlington, where she lives.

The other volunteers have tried to relieve Kathryn of her responsibilities regarding Sunset former students activities. However, there are some things that only Kathryn can do. These will have to wait until she is able to do them.

You will notice that the return address on the newsletter is different. **Webster Feild '42** has taken on the responsibility of accepting returned mail and keeping up with address changes. That is not an insignificant task.

Reservations for the Roundup next month will be going to **Rosalie Smith Worsham '41**. Her address is on the reservation form on page 7 and also on the Contacts List on the last page.

Several people have stepped forward to work on the Roundup details. **Inez Hendricks Henley '41** and some of the other Third Saturday Luncheon girls will handle the registration. **Ken Thompson '44** is heading up the decoration committee. Ken's wife, **Helen**, is an Adamson graduate. In June she had quintuple by-pass surgery. At last report she was doing fine. If you can help Ken with the decorations, give him a call at 972-270-1734.

Rosie Worsham is coordinating things

with the Oak Cliff Country Club.

The rest of us are trying to keep up with the news for the newsletter, obituaries of Sunsetters, changes of address, etc. as best we can. No one can do it like Kathryn does it, though. We are holding all her jobs open for her to resume when her health will permit it.

A get well card would help Kathryn in her recovery process. You can send it to her address as shown in the Contacts List on the last page of this newsletter. Your concern and prayers will be greatly appreciated by Kathryn and her family.

SANGER TROPHY RESTORED



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d each year to the Dallas high school with the best overall sports achievement for the year. It was sponsored by Sanger Bros. Department Store. Sunset won it three years in a row and was awarded permanent possession. It sat proudly in our main trophy case for many years.

However, it suffered a fate similar to the National Honor Society picture boards we described several issues ago. As you know we are helping fund the restoration of those boards with individual donations.

Someone in the school's administration dumped all the trophies into the boiler room where they lay unprotected for years. Some

were smashed and all were arbitrarily tossed out without any thought to their historical or sentimental value. We think we know who the culprit was.



The exception were the Sanger Trophy and the State Football trophy that Sunset won.

The full story of this sorry episode is scandalous. You will hear about it at the Roundup. You can expect there to be a very lively discussion.

After noticing that the Sanger Trophy was not in the trophy case, someone initiated a search for it. It was rescued and sent out for repairs. A fund to pay for the restoration was started and our alumni group, that is the 1938-46 group, donated \$600 toward the restoration.

Don Martin '52 and **Sonny Kemble '42** handled the restoration and the trophy is ready for display again. It will be at the Roundup. Sonny has it in his protective custody. The pictures of the restored trophy were provided by **Mike Steindorf**.

Will it go back into the Sunset trophy case? No way. The tentative plan is for it to go on display at the Old Red Courthouse Museum when it opens. The mechanics have to be worked out. A trophy of that distinction deserves wider viewing and more respect and better protection than it received at Sunset.

AROUND BIG D

This will test your memory. Do you recall that the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) created much of the parkland fixtures around White Rock Lake?

Dallas had its own CCC Company, No. 2896. In fact, some of our readers may have been in the company. It existed from 1935 to 1942. About 3,000 young men served in the company during its existence. If you remember, there were not many jobs available then.

Last October, a civic group held a fund raiser to purchase and install a bronze statue honoring the work of the CCC. The money was raised and the statue was put in place early this year. Interestingly enough, it is situated at Sunset Bay at White Rock.

If you have Internet access, you can get more info at several sites. One is www.whiteocklake.org. Another, which is more extensive is done by the "Watermelon Kid" (a.k.a. Steven Butler). You will find his web site at www.watermelon-kid.com/places/wrl/wrl.htm. That's all one long word.

If you get lost, go to Google and search for "White Rock Lake." You will find those sites plus several more.

The Watermelon Kid's web site has lots of old pictures of the Lake and the CCC. Also, there is a roster of some of the young men that worked out there. We saw a couple of names that could be Sunsetters, but we aren't sure.

A new aviation museum, *Frontiers of Flight Museum*, opened in Dallas the first week in June. It is located on the southeast corner of Love Field at 6911 Lemmon Ave. at University Blvd.

In the 100,000 sq. ft. museum, you will enjoy exhibits from Apollo 7, the first Apollo manned flight vehicle to Jay Jay the jet plane, from an F-8 Crusader to a Huey helicopter. You can even climb in the front section of a Southwest 737 jet. In addition, there is a 1930s staggered-wing Beechcraft, an RF-8G "Crusader" jet and an A-7 Corsair II jet.

The Apollo capsule is on loan from the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum until 2007. Also on loan, but not yet on display yet, is a Vought V-173 Flying Pancake being restored by a Vought retirees group at the old LTV plant on Jefferson St. in Grand Prairie. When restored, the Pancake will be put on display also. It is a twin-engined circular aircraft that flew in about 1948. It is one strange airplane.

The museum is open Monday-Friday from 10-5 and Sunday afternoon 1-5. Adults \$8, seniors \$6, children \$5 (2 and under free).

Check out their home page at www.flightmuseum.com.

We've wanted to go see this for a long time but just never have gotten around to it. There is a railroad buff in Dallas, John Radovich, who owns what must be the shortest of the 560 railroads in the U.S.

His 2,367 feet of right-of-way was once

a part of the old Dallas Railway Terminal and Union Depot Company which started operation in the 1890s and had about 15 miles of track.

He named his line Dallas Terminal Railway and it stretches from near his automotive shop near Fair Park to Malcolm X Boulevard.

Despite its small size, the width of its tracks (4 feet, 8 1/2 inches) and its certification with the federal Surface Transportation Board makes it as much of a railroad as its bigger brothers.

Someday Radovich hopes to offer charter rail rides in the area. He also owns three private rail cars, a caboose and a switch engine. How's that for a train set?

A group of preservationists are trying to save an old Sante Fe Rail Railway bridge over the Trinity River near Corinth Street viaduct south of downtown.

The old bridge was built in 1926 the year after Sunset opened. In 1989 DART purchased the right of way for its light-rail system. Sante Fe rerouted its trains and the old bridge went into retirement.

In 1985 the trestle survived a train fire that destroyed original cross-ties and half the steel bridge.

The old bridge figures into the Trinity River Project (if it ever materializes) and will become a bike and hiking path. We'll see.

DALLAS STREET NAMES

The *Dallas Morning News* does an occasional article on how certain streets and landmarks in Dallas got their name.

Lawther Drive around White Rock Lake is named for former mayor Joe E. Lawther. He was a banker and grain merchant.

During his two year stint as mayor that began in 1917, jail prisoners built a gravel road around the lake. This was one of many improvements made at the surrounding park during his term of office. The consolidation of the two telephone systems that had evolved in Dallas was another of his accomplishments.

Leslie Stemmons was an early 20th Century developer in Oak Cliff. His home town was Winnetka Heights, Illinois, a suburb of Chicago. He, therefore, named Winnetka Heights in Oak Cliff after his home town. Montclair Avenue in Oak Cliff was also named by him. His son, John M. Stemmons, named the north-south freeway also known as I-35E for his father.

Before World War I there was a street

that ran between Ross and Gaston avenues, just east of Central Expressway that was called Germania Street. In 1917, because of the backlash to the war, the street was renamed Liberty Street. Other streets whose naming was influenced by the war were Argonne Drive and Versailles, Belleau, Bordeaux and Lausanne avenues.

Boedeker Street in North Dallas bears the name of a German-Swiss family that founded businesses on both sides of the Trinity River. The family arrived in Dallas in a covered wagon. Several years later they became famous for ice cream and 99 years of Oak Cliff retailing. By 1908 one family group was producing 2,000 gallons of ice cream regularly at its plant at Ervay and Marilla streets. The ice cream company was famous for its "1886" flavor. In 1885 another family group started 99 years of continuous retailing in Oak Cliff. The businesses included variety, seed, grocery, hardware and appliance stores. In 1939 they added a bowling alley on Jefferson Boulevard and eventually owned and operated new car dealerships.

McCommas Boulevard is named for one of the earliest white settlers in Dallas County. Amon McCommas and family arrived in Dallas in 1844 from Kentucky with stops in Ohio and Illinois. He preached the city's first sermon. He settled on 640 acres near John Neely Bryan, who started Dallas on the banks of the Trinity River.

McCommas, with his wife and nine grown children, was active in farming, livestock and civic affairs. He helped organize Dallas County government in 1845 and was the first county judge for the Commissioners Court.

Ferris Plaza in downtown Dallas is named for Royal A. Ferris, who was a banker and builder. He was twice president of the State Fair of Texas and helped bring the railroad to Waxahachie and electrify the streetcars in Dallas. The town of Ferris, in Ellis County, is named for his father, Justus Ferris. In the late 1920s Mr. Ferris bought a farm in northwest Dallas County. He asked the Commissioners Court to rename one of the nearby roads. Royal Lane, which runs from northwest Dallas to Coppell, is named for his son, Royal A. Ferris, Jr.

Speaking of the State Fair of Texas, the man for whom R.L. Thornton Freeway is named put the Fair on the national map. After his early beginnings as a traveling candy salesman, he founded a bank in 1916 with the help of his in-laws. He and his bank

prospered. As Chamber of Commerce president, he helped land the Texas Centennial in 1936. Robert Lee Thornton was mayor of Dallas from 1953 to 1961. His motto was "Keep the dirt flying."

Joe Richard Pool was an arch-conservative who supported the Vietnam War, railed against communist influence in government and opposed the integration of public schools. He served in the Texas Legislature from 1952 to 1958 and in Congress from 1962 until his death in 1968. In 1983, President Ronald Reagan signed legislation renaming Lakeview Reservoir near Cedar Hill as Joe Pool Reservoir.

How did we miss this for so long? Singleton Blvd. is named for the father of **Jane Singleton McDaniel '44**. He was a long-serving Dallas County commissioner, who died in 1956.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

We received an email from **Cecil Sammons '39** sometime back and misplaced it before we could acknowledge it. Cecil and his late sister, **Jonella**, both went to Sunset. They lived in Beverly Hills on N. Westmoreland about a half-block from Ft Worth Ave. Cecil now lives in Portland, Oregon. You can email him at rationaloldgoat@aol.com. Love that email address.

Lona Belle Chambers Evans '41 got a call from **Margaret (Peggy) Helen Smith Webb '41** way up in New Province, New Jersey wanting to be put on the mailing list to receive the newsletter. She asked about a number of her old classmates.

Johnny Elder '43 sent a note along with his Heroes donation. Johnny wrote, "Rather than going back to finish my education (who would wish to add to a B.S., MA., M.Div. and a PhD) or play the game where people go around knocking oversize moth balls down gopher holes with a crooked stick (called golf), I have found substitute teaching in the public schools of Georgetown and Leander. I highly recommend it. In fact, during the past eighteen months I have "subbed" 183 times. I invite you all to enrich the lives of today's children by making yourselves available to your school districts. I hope to make it to the September gathering." He signed it "Johnny."

For the record, there is also **Arthur Elder '39, Dolly Elder Stone '42 and**

Jimmy Elder '41/'42. Jimmy transferred to Crozier Tech and graduated in 1942.

Ruby Hightower Wolford '45 and Chris Wolford '46 sent a little note along with their Hero donation to let us know that they have been receiving two newsletters, one to each of them.

With his Heroes donation, **James (Tex) Litton '45** wrote, "Tex has been my principal nickname since age 20. When my wife really wants me to hear her she says "Tex" distinctly or loud. The name Tex helped me get a lot of media coverage in the Midwest when I was playing sports in college and semi-pro baseball. Sports writers always like good names. It was always amusing to me to get the same size headline print in Indiana newspapers as the major leaguers.

We had a very nice phone chat with **Dr. Roy Zuefeldt '42** who called to notify us of his impending change of address. Effective September 15th he and Katy will be living in Austin to be nearer their son. Their new address will be:

4409 Gaines Ranch Loop, Apt 208, Austin, Texas 78735. Their phone number will be (512) 721-3236.

During our conversation we covered a wide range of subjects. It is hard to find a subject in which Roy is not conversant.

However, it gave us the opportunity to ask Roy about one of the books he has written. It was **Dan Simpson '42** who put us on to a book of sermons that Roy did during his pastorate at First Central Presbyterian Church in Abilene, Texas.

During his sermons Roy would assume the character of the subject of his sermon and talk as though the congregation was hearing from the subject himself or herself. Yes, he did female roles also.

The sermon series was so popular and he received so many transcript requests that someone suggested that they be published. A sponsor was found to underwrite the project and all proceeds go to support the Medical Care Mission of the First Central Presbyterian Church in Abilene. The book's title is *The Living Vine*. When you see the book, the title will be obvious to you.

You can get a copy by sending \$20 to Living Vine/Medical Care Mission, First Central Presbyterian Church, 400 Orange St., Abilene, Texas 79601. For further info, call the church's financial secretary, **Nancy Lee Robertson**, at (915) 677-3501.

created a small advertising research business and also acted as a manufacturers' representative. He still does and covers the states of Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana. Last year he traveled about 35,000 business miles. Not bad for a guy who will be 75 years old this year.

You can see more about Paul and Sue on our newsletter web page at www.flash.net/~rkinslow/sunset.htm.

◆
Mary Reitz Bee '39 called to follow up on some old *Oak Cliff Tribune* clippings she had sent us. She had sent a large envelope full. We will print some in the newsletter. Most of them will go on the newsletter home page on the Internet. There is more room there. The clippings are about Oak Cliff history.

Mary, you will recall, is the artist that did the beautiful painting that was auctioned off at last year's Roundup.

She lives across the street from Kiest Park and she brought us up to date on some of the changes that have taken place at the old park where we had so many happy experiences. Her home is at Grayson and Monte Carlo. You can phone her at (214) 337-6003 and she'll bring you up-to-date on Kiest Park, too.

◆
 We received a nice note about and article about **Gene and Peggy Thompson** that was in the Kessler Park weekly newsletter. It seems that they recently celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary. Both are Sunset graduates but we don't have their class years. Probably one of the first classes after Sunset opened in 1925. They expressed a wish to hear from old friends at their current address: 959 CR 3210, Mt. Pleasant, Texas 75455.

◆
 We had a note all the way from El Cajon, California from **Eugene "Shug" Haden '39** to let us know that we had his address off by one digit. The postman delivers it but writes a note on it that it's wrong. We changed the mailing label.

◆
Dorothy C. Cunningham Lamberth '32 wrote to find out if there was a version of the newsletter for classes before '38-'46, which our newsletter covers. Not to our knowledge. There are not too many grads from those years still around. In fact, if Dorothy were to come to our Roundup next month, she probably would win the prize from being from the oldest class in attendance.

She said that **Charles McCarty '39** lives in Rosewood Estates in Tyler, Texas where she lives. Dorothy and Charles'

sister, **Douthit McLarty**, were in the same graduating class.

Dorothy mentioned that she has an old scrap book from her Sunset days. We are going to try to borrow it from her long enough to scan some of the items and put them on the newsletter web page for all to share.

◆
Bill Huber '39 sent us a note about the Half-Century Bridge Club members. All were 1939 class members. **John Wilden** was a Corps of Engineers officer in the China-Burma-India theater in World War II. **Mike Evans** was a P-40 pilot in the South Pacific theater. **Bill Cobb** was in Harvard Medical School and later served in the U.S. Navy. **Bill Huber** was a gunnery officer on the U.S.S. Iowa and served in the Atlantic and South Pacific.

The guys formed a stag bridge club in September 1951. They met once per month and lasted for 50 years. The bridge wasn't too good, but the WW2 stories were big, bigger and bigger still.

John Whilden died in April 1981 and was replaced by Bill Huber's son-in-law, **Stormy Greef**. Mike Evans died in 2001 and Bill Cobb died in August 2002.

◆
Byder Wilde '41 dropped a note from Webster, Texas to let us know that our mention of "good old Louann's" in the last issue stirred some good memories, like marching in the Sunset band.

After graduation, Byder toured the Pacific Ocean courtesy the U.S. Navy. Then he went to the University of Texas at Austin and earned a degree in chemical engineering. He spent 30 years with a chemical plant south of Houston. He and his wife (a non-Texan) have celebrated 56 years together and produced three daughters, two grandchildren and one great-grandson.

◆
 Just before we went to press, we got an email from **Richard Robetson '44** and **Pete Hendrick '44** along with their wives will be driving up from Austin to attend the Roundup next month. They want to participate in the honoring of the Class of 1944 on their 60th anniversary of their graduation. Richard and Pete were two of the four Kessler Methodist Church Boy Scout Troop 20 boys we featured in the Spring issue of the newsletter. The group of four had one of their regular get-togethers in Austin the second weekend of August.

NEWSLETTER HEROES

This newsletter is entirely supported by generous contributions from our readers. All

We had an exchange of emails in addition to an interesting conversation with **Mansfield** Paul is brother **Norma Fieldenny**

Paul and his wife, **Sue**, live in San Angelo and moved there in 2001. Sue is a 1952 Adamson graduate. They grew up in Cliff Temple Baptist Church and were married by **Dr. Wallace Bassett**, longtime minister there.

The picture above was taken at their Sunday School class' annual party at Wilshire Baptist Church, San Angelo, which they attended more recently before moving to San Angelo.

They have been married for 47 years.

Sue and Paul both had previous marriages. Sue had married **Bobby Greer**, (Adamson) '48. An instructor pilot at the Army Aviation School, Fort Rucker, Alabama, Lt. Greer died along with his student in a training accident in 1955.

Paul's first wife was the actress we knew as **Jayne Mansfield**. They were married when Paul was a junior in college and she was graduating from Highland Park High School.

Paul served as an Army lieutenant in Korea in 1953. He says he served "without distinction but with great pride." After he returned from Korea, he was in the newspaper business in Los Angeles. He worked in various phases of the publishing business all over the U.S.

After finally moving back to Dallas, he received an early retirement offer, although he was not ready to retire at age 61. He



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money received goes to pay newsletter expenses, unless the donor has specified otherwise. **Rosalie Smith Worsham '41** is the treasurer of our group and she exercises very tight control over how the money is spent.

We try to acknowledge every contribution but sometimes we slip up. Any donor who has not been listed should contact one of the editors so we can make amends.

Elizabeth Austin Storey '43.
Alice Carolyn Butts Squires '39.
Mary Marteen DeWitt Turnage '44.
Ann S. Ekas '44.
Johnny Elder '43.
Elizabeth Kemp Russell '42.
James (Tex) Litton '45.
Paul Mansfield '46.
Ann McCarson Collins '42.
Floyd Parker '39.
Joan R. Phipps '46.
Ruby Hightower Wolford '45
& Chris Wolford '46.

We know this list is incomplete and we apologize in advance. We ask that recent donors whose names are not listed, please notify one of the editors whose names are listed at the top of the first page.

Virtually all mail having to do with the newsletter and other correspondence concerning our Sunset group goes to Kathryn Fox '41. As a result of her hospitalization and on-going physical therapy, there has been some interruption in the communication channel. We think we have accounted for all the donations but we encourage those who made donations to watch your bank statement to make sure your donation check cleared. Please let us know if your check has not cleared and we will do another search through the mound of letters that Kathryn has received.

IN MEMORIAM

Bernice Evelyn Bentley Nichols '37 died 4-29-04. She is survived by her brother, **William "Bill" Bentley '41**, of San Marcos, Texas.
Victor C. Bilbo, Jr. '39 died 7-21-04 in Dallas. After serving as an Army Air Corps instructor pilot in World War II he built a successful trucking business that served the southwest. He was preceded in death by his sister, **Graneta Bilbo Goodwin '34.**
Lyman E. Bilhartz, M.D. died 5-27-04 in Dallas. He was the son of **Joy Coleman Bilhartz '41.** Dr. Bilhartz was professor of internal medicine at UT Southwestern School in Dallas. He was a graduate of Justin F. Kimball High School in Oak Cliff.
Marybeth Blanton Wood '41 died 7-19-04.

Charles Ray Bloomer '39 died in Houston 7-02-02. We have been sending him a newsletter all this time. Picked up his death from the Social Security Death Index.

Warner Moris Brundrett died 7-27-04.
Mary Agnes Cadmus Evans '38 died 5-25-04.

A. J. Carbone '39 died in October 2003. Reported by his wife in El Paso, Texas.

Herbert Joe Clanton '36 died 5-19-04 in Dallas. He entered the 36th division at the beginning of WWII and later became a bombardier/navigator with the Air Force. His plane was shot down on his 27th mission during a bombing raid on the Ploesti oil fields in Romania. He became a POW on July the Fourth 1944. After his return to civilian life, he had a 47 year career with Greyhound Lines.

Virginia Cooper Durham '32 died in Dallas on 5-31-04. She was a life-long member of Tyler Street Methodist Church.

Ross R. Cone, Jr. '39 died 8-12-04 in Dallas. He had lived in Pagosa Springs, Colorado since he retired in 1985. Ross was a captain in the 8th Air Force during World War II. He graduated from UT-Austin with a degree in chemical engineering. He worked for Sun Oil Co. for 35 years. During his time with Sun Oil, he lived all over the world. He is survived by a sister, **Frances Cone Burnam '40.**
Patricia Ann Curry Benson '68 died 7-2-04. She had retired from SW Bell in 1991 after 26 years and had worked for American Airlines for 12 years at the time of her death.

Robert D. Franklin '43 passed away 3-1-04. Survived by wife **Edna**; two sons and two brothers; **Douglas** of Grand Prairie, Texas and **James** of Big Spring, Texas.

Dorothy Galbraith Lauderdale '45 died 6-30-04. Although she attended the University of North Texas for a couple of years after graduating from Sunset, she dropped out to begin a family. However, she never lost her dream of getting a degree. Last year she proudly walked across the stage at Eastfield College to receive an associate's degree in arts. In addition to her husband, **Tom**, she is survived by a bother, **Walter Galbraith '38** and a sister, **Betty Galbraith '41**
Joe Harold Gray, Jr. died 5-17-04. Joe attended Sunset but he graduated from Adamson in 1940. After service in the Army Air Corps he graduated from S.M.U. and had a distinguished career in the paper business.

Robert Hardwick '40 died 3-27-03 in Dallas. Reported to us by his wife **Althea.**
Mary Evelyn Hargrove Mosley '43 died

10-3-03 in Sulpher Spings, Texas.

Robert Wade Hartson '47 died 7-7-04 in Dallas. At Sunset he participated in drama activities which he continued at Arlington State College (now UT-Arlington). During his acting career he was a protege of the legendary Margo Jones in Dallas. In 1956 he received a law degree from UT-Austin. He practiced law in Dallas for 48 years.

Robert M. Hathaway '50 died in Houston on 8-12-04.

Karen Hinson McGowan '63 died in Dallas on 6-9-04. She was a 3rd generation resident of Kessler Park. Survivors include her husband, a daughter and parents, **E.R.** and **Dorothy Hinson.**

Mildred Hood Gragg '30 died 7-31-04 in Dallas. She was the widow of **J. Willard Gragg '30** who was a prominent Oak Cliff attorney.

Clifford H. Hopewell '31 died 8-03-04.

Clifford was a POW in World War II

James A. Irby, PhD '39 died 12-8-03 in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Jack Kilgore '45 died 5-25-04 in Georgetown, Texas. He had been ill for some time. Info sent to us by **Edna.** Jack had a successful career as a locksmith and was renowned throughout the U.S. for his expertise in bank vault equipment.

Dorothy Madelyn Long '43 died 7-12-04 in Iring, Texas.

Muriel Marks Foreman '37 died 11-02-02 in Castle Rock, Colorado.

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**SUMMER 2004 NEWSLETTER
CLASSES OF 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946
By Bettye Brewer Olive '45**

Donations:

**Margaret Ford Reitenhour '43
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Joe Felton '44
Wayne Lowry '45
Ruby Hightower Wolford '45
Mary Ann Grossman Edgar '44**

**Paul Adiar '44
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**Billie Rogge Bilhartz '44
James Litton '45
Johnny Elder '43
Joan Reinhardt Phipps '46**

Memorium

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Helen Duncan Palmer '43
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Jack Kilgore '45**

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Bob Nail '43
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Harold Melton '44
Frances McGregor Reed '43
Bill Shelton '44
Alton Little '46
Dorothy Galbreath Lauderdale '46**

**Paula Pyle Horton '46
Gergoy Rodgers '43
James Harold Darden '45
Lucille Gaston Smith '43
Harley Easter '45
William Watts '46
Robert Franklin '43
Gordon Stokes '45
Johnnie Crow Morgan '43**

The 1946 graduating class has decided to join with us as a group, and we hope will be attending some of our monthly meetings. Regardless, I will include their mailing list with ours.

Sad news from Jack Kilgore's wife, Shirley. She tells us that Jack '45 has spent several weeks in the hospital lately and she has now brought him home with hospice care. Jack is a graduate from the 1944 class and was always happy and wiling to take control of our hospitality suites (along with Bubba Blackburn) when we had any of our hotel reunions in the past. And speaking of Bubba, he had to spend a couple of days in the hospital for some blood clots in his leg. He is on the mend now, however . . . and we wish him well.

I just received an e-mail from Jane Lovelace Grimes '44, who lost her husband 10 years ago, and who had the nerve to pack up and move to the mountains of North Carolina. She says that she is enjoying her life there. After living in the Metroplex for almost 77 years, I do admire her bravery.

A contribution ans an e-mail from James "Tex" Litton '45 reminds us that he playe semi-pro ball in the past and that is where the "Tex" originated. He says sports writeers liked to give the players nicknames, and his wife has been calling him that when she wants to make a statement.

As of this writing, many of you know that our esteemed publisheer, Katheryn Fox, is still recuperating in Health South Rehab Center in Arlington from some serious medical problems. We miss Katheryn very much. She has been the rock we could all depend on when it came to locating missing alumni and in seeing to it that our reunions got scheduled for the best dates possible. She has also been the one person you sent information to regarding other classmates personal lives. We al wish Katheryn the most speedy recovery.

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Gayle Ethelyne Mears '40 died 8-1-01 in Kemp, Texas.
Scott Wayne Merrell '76 of Little Elm,

Texas died 7-15-04 in Cortez, Colorado.
Annie Jo McAnally Adams '38 died 7-27-04 in Dallas. After Sunset she attended

TSCW (now Texas Womens University) in Denton and UT-Austin where she received a degree in mathematics. She later taught math in the Austin school system.

Ruth Naylor Robinson died 5-28-04.

Elsie Mae Reed Hanson '40 died 7-15-04.

Horace Ben Houston, Jr. '39 died 6-3-04 in Ashland, Kentucky where he had lived for four years. He was a lawyer, a decorated World War II veteran and a conservative Texas legislator who represented Dallas three times in Austin as a Democrat and once as a Republican.

Ralph Venor Hutchinson '37 died 5-22-04 in Fort Worth. He was a field artillery sergeant in World War II. He received a degree in accounting from S.M.U. and was a CPA in Duncanville and Oak Cliff.

Reported by **Frank Gladden '38**.

Cleveland Alton Little '46 died 11-23-02.

Jacque Powers Falconer Hoyn '38 died in 2003. Reported to us by her husband, **Jack Hoyn '36** via **Frank Gladden '38**.

Virginia (Ginny) Reeves Parker '42 died in Mesquite, Texas in May. She was a long-time member of the White Rock Unitd Methodist Church in Dallas.

Charlie Ruth Richards Roundtree died 7-10-04.

Edna Earle Scott Langston '35 died 5-20-04.

Fieldon Julius Starks '41 died 1-24-04 in Richardson, Texas. He had been in bad health for many years. Reported by his wife Mary. Fieldon was one of our most ardent supporters of the newsletter from the very beginning.

Gordon A. Stokes, Sr. died 2-1-03.

Reported by his son, **Gordon A. Stokes, Jr.** in Aubrey, Texas.

Robert Taylor Robinson, Sr. died 8-04-04. He played in the 1956 National High School All-Star Game.

Maguerite Francine Tatom Green '35 died in Dallas on 7-12-04. She also was a 1939 graduate of Texas State College for Women (now Texas Women's University) where she was elected president of her senior class.

Marvin "Buzz" Terry '53 died 7-23-04. He was an All-State football player. **Sonny Kemble '43** reported this to us.

Thomas Eulin "Tommy" Tompkins, Jr. '38 died 5-08-04 in Fort Worth. He was an army veteran in World War II and retired from Tompkins Industries in 1986.

Reported by **Frank Gladden '38**.

Wilma Yeats O'Neal '37 died 3-11-04.

After graduation from Sunset, Wilma attended S.M.U. and U.N.T. At one time she and her husband owned a Western Auto Store in Pecos, Texas.

Finally, check out our newsletter web site for news there was not room to print here. Go to www.flash.net/~rkinslow/sunset.htm.

(Clip reservation form and mail to **Rosalie Worsham** as soon as possible)

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