

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### BOWLING PARTY

Monday, October 13, 2014  
7:00 pm - 9 pm  
Crest Bowling Alley

### FAMILY SKATE PARTY

Tuesday, October 14, 2014  
7:00 pm - 10 pm  
Skate King

### "HAPPY HOUR"

Wednesday, October 15, 2014  
6:00 pm - 10 pm  
Déjà Vu II Café

### Alumni Hoop-fest Games

Thursday, October 16, 2014  
6:00 pm - 10 pm  
Vashon High School

### HOMECOMING DANCE

Friday, October 17, 2014  
8:00 pm - 1:00 am  
The Machinist Hall

### TAILGATE PARTY

Saturday, October 18, 2014  
12:00 pm - 5 pm  
Tuskegee Field

### FOOTBAL GAME

Saturday, October 18, 2014  
Sumner vs. Vashon  
Tuskegee Field, 1:30 p.m.

### 12th ANNUAL ROUND-UP

Sunday, February 22, 2015  
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
Sumner High School

### 140th Anniversary Gala

Saturday, June 20, 2015  
6:00 pm—12 am  
Chase Park Plaza

St. Louis Public Schools  
The Sumner Alumni Association  
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St. Louis, MO 63101

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## Bulldog Leadership



### Student Leadership In Action

On Thursday, August 21, 2014 three Sumner High School seniors participated in a roundtable discussion about the Michael Brown shooting and other topics with Senator Claire McCaskill. The event was hosted by 100 Black Men of Metropolitan St. Louis, at their headquarters at 4631 Delmar Boulevard.

The students met with Senator McCaskill and members of her staff, and intelligently discussed their feelings about racism, the police, conditions in their neighborhoods, the media, education, jobs and other issues important to them as young men. Sumner is very proud of students Jonshae Gary, Courtez Johnson, and Brandon Washington.

Warice Blackmon - Davis '80

**Audrey Poindexter, SAA Souvenir Chairperson**

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### MEMBERSHIPS

The Association has 902 members for the 2014 calendar year with 587 lifetime memberships, 3 honorary lifetime memberships, 86 partial lifetime memberships and 226 annual memberships. The dues are allocated as follows: all monies from annual memberships and a proportional percentage of each lifetime membership is assigned to the annual budget and up to half of that total is assigned to the scholarship budget for that school year. Memberships are payable throughout the year. For the membership application, see insert on page 6.

### ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

Kenneth M. Lee, President  
John House, Vice President  
Betty M. Louis, Treasurer  
Danna Lee-Hammon, A. Treas.  
Carola Wright, Rec. Secretary  
Brenda Drake, Cor. Secretary

### Past Presidents

John Abram  
Jacqueline Vanderford

### Board Members at Large

Kim Garrett  
Elaine Maufas

# The Sumner Alumni Association Newsletter

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## Scholarship Update

Jocelyn Anderson '57, Scholarship

**Sumner Alumni Association  
Scholarship Awardees 2014-2015 Academic Year**  
**Caroline Moss Fisher SAA Renewable Scholarship**  
Callan Turner, University of Central Missouri, Warrensburg, MO  
**Sumner Alumni Association Scholarships**  
Sacoya Roberts, Harris Stowe State University, St. Louis, MO  
Kierra R. Solomon, Harris Stowe State University, St. Louis, MO or  
University of Missouri - St. Louis  
Asia S. Durham, St. Louis Community College  
Kelcee Burton, University of Central Missouri, Warrensburg, MO  
Ericka Jackson, Fontbonne University, St. Louis, MO



Callan Turner



Sacoya Roberts, Kierra R. Solomon, Asia Durham, Kelcee Burton, Ericka Jackson

## Hat's off to the Scholarship Luncheon Committee

Joan M. Smith '54  
Marlene F. May '54  
Jocelyn M. Anderson '57  
Wilbert Overall '59

Charles Shelton '60  
Sandra Sledge Simmons '61  
John D. Abram '63

Elaine Vincent Maufas '66  
Samuel McKeever '75  
Cynthia Lewis '78  
Priscilla Mason '84

Elizabeth Jennings '76, Souvenir Program Chairperson

Betty M. Louis '76, Chairperson



## The President 's Corner

by Kenneth M. Lee '63

Hello Sumnerites,

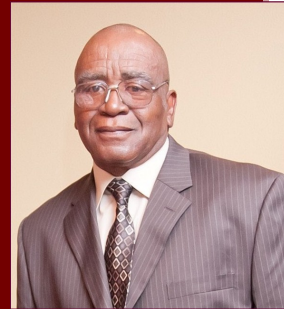
Sumner High School has continuously operated as a High School since the year 1875. As Sumner begins its 140<sup>th</sup> year of operation, efforts are underway to keep the legacy alive. A gala celebration in honor of this achievement is scheduled to occur June 20, 2015, 6 p.m. at the Chase Park Plaza Khorassan Ballroom. Refer to the inserts pertaining to this event for more information. In the interim, we are still seeking volunteers at Sumner for our **140 Years/140 Minutes Campaign** to give a minimum of 140 minutes of service at Sumner High School in commemoration of 140 years of our alma mater.

Membership for the alumni association continues to grow. I strongly encouraged you that are members to recruit graduates of Sumner to join the alumni association. It is mainly through our efforts and insistence that Sumner remains open. Voices of the many will always be heard. The institution of Sumner High is too important to our heritage, to let it only become a memory. The tradition of excellence since 1875 will continue as long as we support the ideals that were instilled within us, while attending Sumner High. As we continue this heritage, I would be remiss if I did not introduce you to our new principal, Mr. Nehemiah Thomas. Please feel free to welcome him to Sumner High at email: [nehemiah.thomas@slps.org](mailto:nehemiah.thomas@slps.org).

It's nearing our **Maroon & White** Homecoming week which will take place during the week of 13-18 October. The week culminates with the football game against our traditional rival, the Vashon Wolverines. We are looking forward to seeing you at any or all the events that are planned. Refer to the flyer insert for the time and location of the events scheduled for that week. Speaking of events, let me remind you of our Annual Round-Up of Sumner Alumni scheduled for February 22, 2015 at Sumner High School.

As a final thought on this amazing year that I have been honored to serve as your president, remember that we are all just stewards of the alumni association of Sumner High, which built its rich history by always looking toward the future.

**“SUMNER HIGH SCHOOL, A TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE, SINCE 1875”**



President  
Kenneth M. Lee '63

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### 13th Annual Golf Scramble

The 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Sumner Scholarship Golf Tournament was held on Saturday, May 17, 2014, with a 7:30 a.m. “Shot Gun” start at The Golf Course of Florissant. This year’s chairperson was Robin Allen from the class of 1984.

Almost 40 golfers participated in this year’s tournament. In addition, there were six **Class Hole Sponsors**; ‘57, ‘75, ‘76, ‘81, ‘84, and ‘86 as well as **Alumni Star Contributors**; **Class of ‘75** and **Class of ‘79**.

Trophies were awarded to the men’s 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners. Trophies were also awarded to the women’s 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place winners. A certificate was awarded to the “Closest to the Pin” winner. Please see the photos of the winners on page 8 in the photo gallery. In addition, there were plenty of door prizes and everyone was able to leave the tournament with a prize.

A Bulldog ‘Shout Out’ to the entire golf committee for creating a fun atmosphere and making sure everyone felt welcome. **Robin Allen, Golf Chairperson, Eric Oliver, Charles “BeBe” Shelton, Richard Perry** and **Warice Blackmon-Davis** did an outstanding job coordinating this year’s tournament.

Once again, the committee sends a Special Thank You to all who attended, wanted to attend, and those who worked and supported us by doing whatever was necessary to help make this event a success!



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## SUMNER ALUMNI ASSOCIATION All Members – September 15, 2014

### ANNUAL MEMBERS

#### Class of 35

Underwood, Edward

#### Class of 40

Perkins, Ottie Micheau  
Wright, Jean Oliver

#### Class of 41

Tanaka, Valeria Benson  
Underwood, Audrey Hunt

#### Class of 42

Gates, Harriet Craddock  
Richardson, Geneva Skinner

#### Class of 43

Shelton, Marietta Mayer

#### Class of 44

Burris, Arlilian D. Davis  
Pena, Mae McLean

#### Class of 45

Parks, Jeanette Jackson

#### Class of 46

Crawford, Mary L.

#### Class of 48

Grillo, Julia Smith  
Holbrook, Audrey Mosley  
Senter, Ola M. Watkins  
West, Juanita Essex  
Williams, Jacqueline Young

#### Class of 49

Butler, Jonnie Jones  
Thompson Whitlocke, Dr Patricia T. Bi

#### Class of 50

Irving, Albert  
Lockett, Florence Johnson  
Willis, Jerry

#### Class of 51

Hunt, Barbara Campbell  
O’Neal, Edna J.

#### Class of 52

Casey, Joseph  
Dabney-Gray, June Bosley  
Gregory, Richard (Dick)  
Herd, Walter  
Jackson, Juanita Turner  
McCombs, James L.  
Oler, Jimmiezone Halcromb  
Rowell, Lillie Jones  
Smith, James B.

#### Class of 54

Alexander, Barbara Vincent  
Brown, Wanda Wilson  
Haddox, Delores  
Lewis, Harriet Jones  
McPherson, Marzelle Nichols  
Moore, Bernadette F.  
Napper, Clarence  
Sales, Julia Gregware  
Wright, Carol Murrell

#### Class of 55

Bohlen, Ruth Williams  
Carter, Glenda Williams  
Hutcherson, Jane Reed  
Hutcherson, Robert T.  
Porter, Yvonne A. Lee  
Thompson, Harold

#### Class of 56

Bryant, Pearlle Buckner  
Gregory, Ronald  
Herd, Shirley

Mitchell, Barbara Moore  
Wells, Marva L.

#### Class of 57

Beck, Barbara Gaines  
Dunn, Janet Taylor  
Floyd, Nelda  
Greene, Samuel R.  
Johnson, Izella Givens  
Pittman, Sherline Crittenden  
Rhodes, Elizabeth Tate  
Young, Tommie L. Anderson

#### Class of 58

Ambus, Marjorie Jackson  
Hodge, Ronald  
Parks, George  
Robinson, Rolla  
Rogers, Joyce Helen Blanks  
Stith, Lake R.  
Truelove, Joan McLemore

#### Class of 59

Carbin, Mildred  
Carter, Vera Vincent  
Mitchell, Delores Bolden  
Perry, Melvin  
Ray, Larry  
Robinson III, Harold D.

#### Class of 60

Collins, Luella B. McCallum  
Deavens, Winifred Golliday  
Rice, Cedric D.  
Ware, Lee

#### Class of 61

Brideman, Aldosia T  
Bridgman, III, Aldosia  
Burns, Marian Grady  
Embank, Carolyn Sykes  
Harold, Robert  
Patton, Yvonne Deshields  
Savoy, Pearlle Washington  
Smith, Lois Hill

#### Class of 62

Gray, Walter  
Guyse, Virginia Davis  
Rembert, Robert C.  
Smith, Carolee Buren

#### Class of 63

Campbell, Mary Alice Reese  
Dumas, Thesola Starks  
Gilkey, Albert  
Ledbetter, Carol Jean Cross  
McLucas, Joyce Johnson  
Nave, Jacqueline Bridgeman  
Richardson, James  
Thorpe, Ruby Jewell Campbell  
Wilson, Ophelia

#### Class of 64

Brown, Thomas  
Foster, Lola M.  
Lewis, Ernest B.  
McLucas, Phillip  
Taylor, Mary Bracey

#### Class of 65

Bland, Joyce Granberry  
Perry, Richard  
Ramsey, Dwight  
Smith, Eliane Smith

#### Class of 66

Fox, Jr., Walter  
Goodgaim, Gwendolyn

Goodgaim, Rodderick  
Joiner, Tommie L.  
Lewis, Emily M.  
McClain, Carolyn Posey  
Taborn, Eleanor Woods  
Wellington, Ophelia Tobias

#### Class of 67

Benford, Marsha Taylor  
Bond Jr., Frederick

#### Class of 68

Bryant, Michael  
Hawkins, Beverly  
Hawkins, Kenneth  
Irving, Betty  
Mitchell, Sandra Williams  
Murchison, Joseph N.  
Owens, Jr., Malachi

#### Class of 69

Fields, Denise Hill  
Fishburn, Dorothy Jones  
Mullins, Mildred McCallum  
Walker, Chester Jr.  
Young, Brenda Collins

#### Class of 70

Fox, Janet  
King, Arthur  
Paige, Brenda Dangerfield  
Randall, Harvey G.  
Torry, Penelope Kelly

#### Class of 71

Clay, Valenica  
Collins, Julius Jr  
Reed, Vickie Austin  
Tunstall, Curtis  
Young, Harold

#### Class of 72

Bass-Puckett, Millita-Ann  
Wilson, Clarence

#### Class of 73

Cornell, Edward O.  
Davis, Linda Byrth  
Gill, Kim  
Hill-Brown, Linda  
Jenkins, Claudette  
Johnson, Alnitra  
Osby, Trent  
Shurn, Sid

#### Class of 74

Chandler, Beverly  
Davis, Peggy Gardner  
Harris, Vanessa McCloud  
Irving, Jacqueline  
McPherson, Kevin  
Parker, Sharron Lane  
Roberts, Marsha Moore  
Shabazz, Hassan  
Smith, Audrey  
Westfall, Dornice Berryman

#### Class of 75

Bell, Kenneth  
Brown, Angela Byrth  
Bunnell, Marlene Griffin  
Gardner-Thomas, Karen  
Harvey, Diana Hunt  
Harvey, Oscar  
Harvey, Sorrell  
McClain, Carol Jackson  
Moore, Desi  
Taylor, Sabrina  
Thomas, Paul

#### Class of 76

Andrews, Cornell  
Jennings, Elizabeth D.  
Pride, Alice Steen

#### Class of 77

Ewell, Renee Graham  
Green, Noah  
Jackson, Patricia  
McKinney, Lynette Price  
Poindexter, Terrence  
Smith, Smith

#### Class of 78

Brown, Maria Rall  
Louis, Verreana  
Mullen, Laura  
Murkey, Debra D Lee  
Shands, Mary

#### Class of 79

Brown, Kenneth  
Harvey, Karen Berryman  
Hayes, Dorcas  
Hicks, Demetrius  
Leachman, Beverly Buckner  
Lockette, James  
Mitchell, Helena  
Sinclair, Patricia Caldwell  
Storms, Wyntra Haynes  
Vantreece, Shirley  
Wright, Alvin

#### Class of 80

Hall, Rodell Taylor  
Smith, Gydner  
West-King, Doris A.

#### Class of 81

Brown, Gloria Lucas  
Fellows, Larry  
Hykes, Mr Tracy  
Madden, Karen

#### Class of 83

Hendrix, Stephanie Griffin  
Mack, Quintin  
Oliver, Rick J.  
Payne, Mary  
Thompson, Joette Hartley  
Tolson, Floretta

#### Class of 85

Love, Rochelle Elbert  
West, Rachelle A.  
West, Tammy  
Winford, Minor

#### Class of 86

Bolden-Griffin, Rhonda

#### Class of 87

Stephenson, Eddie

#### Class of 88

Betts, Valencia  
Betts, Vanessa  
Thomas, Albert

#### Class of 94

Harris, Chantey Johnson

#### Class of 95

Taylor, Carey

#### Class of 96

Moore, Calvin

#### Class of 99

Jackson, Kisha

#### Class Not Available

Epps, Rodney  
Ramsey, Mary L.  
Smith, Lyonel



**SUMNER ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**  
**All Members – September 15, 2014**

Wilkerson, James E.  
Williams, Verna Ruth Hinds  
Wise, Erra D. Moore

**Class of 64**

Adams , Michelle \*  
Allen, Yvette  
Anderson, Merline Powell  
Bell, Patricia Crymes  
Bennett, Linda Jeffries  
Brooks, Cheryl Ann  
Brown, Elizabeth Pitts  
Brown, Ronald  
Cox, Marilyn Sykes  
Darris, Walter \*  
Ferguson, Audrey Buford  
Fields, Carole Hendricks  
Green, Deloris Major  
Guy, Marsha Dawson  
Hamilton, Claire McCoy  
Jefferson, Henry J.  
Ledbetter, Leon  
McClendon, Mable Williams  
Mitchell, Cranston J.  
Needham, Delores Hopkins  
Ntalaja, Kathy Meyers  
Orange, John H.  
Parker, Janice Graham  
Scott, Earline Atkins  
Strawbridge, Carol S.  
Williams, Flora June Burton

**Class of 65**

Abram, George \*  
Akins, Ora Bell  
Berry Jr., Joseph  
Cannon, Caroline Haymon  
Franklin, Patricia  
Granberry, Beverly  
Johnson, Dwight  
Needem, Sr., John D.  
Perry, Ruddie  
Shaw, Cynthia A.  
Watkins, Charles David

**Class of 66**

Briggs, Myrtis Mitchell  
Chapman, Sharon  
Edwards, Victor T.  
Ellis, Eddie  
Harris, Beverly  
McDuffie, Jacquelyn Hearn  
Miller, Betty Washington  
Mitchell, Herman  
Osby, Glenda Logan  
Relerford, Linda Gilliam  
Savant, Rose Valpant  
Talley, Terry Michael

**Class of 67**

Algee-Stancil, Carlotta J.  
Dupree, Arthur  
Grandberry, III, Ralleigh  
Henry, Joseph K.  
Holman, Modena Ballentine  
Holman, Jr., William  
Hunt, Stella Louise  
Johnson, Mark T.  
Rycraw, Donna Young  
Smith, Johanna Orange

**Class of 68**

Dungy-Peters, Sharon Ann  
George, Alvin M.  
Henry, Dr. Ronald J.  
House, John Jr  
Jones, Herman

Lang, Carolyn Micheau  
Terrell-Young, Shelly L.  
Williams, Christine Mitchell  
Williams, Deborah Hendon  
Wilson, Ronald

**Class of 69**

Austin, Phyllis Calvert  
Crawford, Jackie Hill  
Davis, Constance Parr  
Hinton, Meredith Yvette  
Lane, Rose Gray  
McMorris, Sherman  
Spotts, George  
White-Coleman, Dorothy  
Williams, Andrea Miller  
Zaid, Amir

**Class of 70**

Brown, Cynthia Bakar  
Brown-Bakar, Cynthia M.  
Steele, Cynthia Kennedy  
Westfall, William \*

**Class of 71**

Shields, Rita Hinton

**Class of 72**

Chapman, Vicki G.  
Shahid, Mellve A.

**Class of 73**

Arthur, Vivian Jones  
Compton, Linda D.  
Darden, Cheryl \*  
Johnson, Beverly D.  
Johnson, Rose M.  
McGhaw, Dorris Simmons  
Sams, Paula Smith  
Thompson, Gail D.  
White, Bernadette Dennis

**Class of 74**

Adams , Caroyln \*  
Cruesoe, Joyce Bush  
Livingston, Karen Rivers

**Class of 75**

Armstrong, Judy L.  
Austin, Kevin  
Blackshear, Percy  
McKeever, Samuel R.  
Preston, Iris Fletcher

**Class of 76**

Thompson, Michael  
Wilson-Smith, Pamela V.

**Class of 77**

Alexander, Curtis

**Class of 78**

Alphin, Kevin  
Baker, Eric  
Henry, Patricia Davis  
Lewis, Cynthia Drake  
Moore, Ronald L.  
Pearson, Grace  
Thornton, Glenda

**Class of 79**

Barnes, Mark Robert  
Griffin, Diana Phillips  
Taylor, Keith Chew  
Walker, Karen

**Class of 80**

Finley, Lowry Ann  
Jackson, Lorie  
Mack-Handley, Viveca  
Mitchell, Deanna  
Oliver, Eric  
Purtt, Terry Ann  
Taylor, Neva Riley

**Class of 81**

Casson, Rebecca  
Davis Jr, Alton  
Johnson, Alicia D.  
Smith-Hill, Bonita E.  
Waters-Jones, Jennifer  
Witherspoon, Robin Childress

**Class of 82**

Drake, Brenda  
Jennings, Arlesia D.  
Lee-Hammons, Dana

**Class of 83**

Anderson, Tyrone

**Class of 84**

Mason, Priscilla R..  
Snelson, Dwight

**Class of 85**

Brown, Anthony  
Collins, Yvette Wren  
Dawkins, Sherriese  
Kilpatrick, Pastor Willie  
Vantreece, Richard

**Class of 2006**

Waters-Jones, Kal El

**Class of 2008**

Waters-Jones, Jazmine Ormelda

**Class Not Available**

Graham, Clifton L.

**BRONZE – PARTIAL**

**Class of 29**

Kennedy, Hallester

**Class of 39**

Wheeler-Ware, Grace

**Class of 42**

Evans, Marion Bosley

**Class of 45**

Luckey, Jeanette Gordon  
Russell, Lucille Brantley

**Class of 48**

Bryant, Ruth M. Morris

**Class of 49**

Bell, Helaine Tucker

**Class of 51**

Williams, Joella Carrigan

**Class of 52**

Crenshaw, Sr., Edward J \*

**Class of 53**

King, Martha Harris

**Class of 54**

Bell, James  
Everett, Shirley French  
Gay, Charles \*  
Woodson, Mary I. Fuse

**Class of 55**

Franklin, Dannie  
Frazier, Queen Ester Simon  
Rhodes, Marlene Rutherford

**Class of 56**

Clatto, Diane White  
Person, Thomas  
Reese, Linda Bradley

**Class of 57**

Keene, Jo Ann  
Sevier, Dorothy Abram

**Class of 58**

Bosley, Jeanetta Boykin  
Cornell, Sylvia Ryce

**Class of 59**

Brown, Stanley  
Hinton, Hubert

Teeter, Nancy Williamson  
Townson, Willa Mae Hill

**Class of 60**

Whitfield, Marian W.  
Williams, Elaine

**Class of 62**

Berry, Erma Lewis  
Wilson, Aulbon W.

**Class of 63**

Johnson, Sr., Larry S.  
McNichols, Phyllis  
Turner, La Joyce Vails

**Class of 64**

Chambers, Jewel  
Sevier, Carole Reese  
Shelton, Patricia Ann  
Sinclair, Harriett \*  
Smith, Edna Pritchett  
Stewart, Waymon

**Class of 66**

Scott, Jeanice M. Walker  
Sinclair, Regina \*  
Stover-Harris, Lois

**Class of 67**

Kelley, Andrew H.

**Class of 68**

Campbell, Linda Stewart

**Class of 69**

Brown, Travis  
Marley, Carol Handley  
McAllister, Mildred Williams  
Norfolk, Robert

**Class of 73**

Fields, Allison Askev

**Class of 74**

Smith, Patrica Johnson

**Class of 75**

Cato, Sarah Martin

**Class of 76**

Dalton, Cheryl A.  
Miller, Readus  
Peaston, David \*  
Smith, Billy H.  
Smith, Edna

**Class of 78**

Johnson, Tracey

**Class of 79**

Goston, Charlene

**Class of 80**

Williams, Paula Brown

**Class of 81**

Baker-Moore, Carla  
Green, Eric  
Hood, Alan R.

**Class of 84**

Wilkins-Mitchell, Felicia W.

**Class of 85**

Williams, Adonica

**Class of 87**

Johnson, Mary Alice

**Class of**

Williams, Vernon

**Honorary Life Members**

Roberti, William V.  
Matlock, Dorothy Thomas \*  
Waters, Romelda McDowell

\* Deceased

**THE SUMNER ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**  
**2014 MAROON & WHITE**  
**HOMECOMING WEEK ACTIVITIES**

**Saturday, October 11, 2014, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.**  
**Calling all Alumni to "Meet Me on the Corner" in Sumner attire**  
**Kingshighway Blvd. and Natural Bridge Ave. (Park in rear at Walgreens)**

**Monday, October 13, 2014, 7 p.m. – 9 p.m.**  
**Bowling Party @ Crest Bowling Alley**  
**650 N. New Florissant Road @ St. Francois, Florissant, MO**  
**Tickets \$10.00 (Bowling Shoe Rental Included)**

**Tuesday, October 14, 2014, 7p.m. – 10 p.m.**  
**Family Skate Party @ Skate King with host DJ Reala**  
**2700 Kienlen Ave @ Jennings Station Road**  
**Tickets \$7.00 in Advance or at Door Everyone / Skate Rental \$1.00**

**Wednesday, October 15, 2014, 6 p.m. – 10 p.m.**  
**"Happy Hour" @ Déjà Vu II Café**  
**2805 Target Dr. (@ 270 & New Halls Ferry Road) SAA Souvenirs for Sale & Memberships**

**Thursday, October 16, 2014, 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**  
**"Sumner vs. Vashon Alumni Basketball Games" and Shooting Contest**  
**Vashon High School, 3035 Cass Ave**  
**Tickets \$7.00 in Advance or at Door Adults/ Students \$5.00 at Door with Student ID**

**Friday, October 17, 2014, 8 p.m. – 1 a.m.**  
**"Homecoming Dance" @ The Machinist Hall**  
**12365 St. Charles Rock Road (50/50 Raffle, SAA Souvenir Items for Sale, & Memberships)**  
**Tickets \$15.00 in Advance / \$20.00 at the Door**

**Saturday, October 18, 2014**  
**Homecoming Parade 10:00 a.m. @ Sumner High**  
**Tailgate Party 12 p.m. – 5 p.m. @ Sumner's Tushegee Airmen Field**

**"HOMECOMING Football Game" 1:30 p.m.**  
**Sumner vs. Vashon**  
**Tickets \$3.00 in Advance / \$4.00 at Gate**

**All event tickets available at SHS Volunteer Office 314.371.1048 x 123**

**For info, call Ms. Prissy 314.556.3944/Michelle Elaine 314.452.1275**





The 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon and Fashion Show was held at the Renaissance St. Louis Airport Hotel, Lambert Ballroom June 7, 2014. This event provided a memorable afternoon of elegance, history, delectable meal, fashions and fun before it was cut short by severe weather. Six students from the Class of 2014 were awarded scholarships by The Sumner Alumni Association and invited to our awards luncheon. For more information on the honorees, please refer to the Scholarship Update on the cover.

The program started with remarks and welcome from President Kenneth M. Lee followed by Elizabeth Jennings '76 introducing the Mistress of Ceremony, Joyce Orr McRath '76. Miss Zion Shands (11 years old), daughter of Mary Howard Shands '78 graced us in song, "The Lord's Prayer" A'Capella just before Elder Ronald Smith brought the Invocation. With a change in program, Mr. William Curtis was called to the podium and presented the alumni association with a beautiful award presentation "Bridge to the Past/Gateway to The Future of St. Louis Area Tuskegee Airmen" 39 in all. Dr. Marlene Griffin-Bunnell '75 presented our awards to Mrs. Lynn Mitchell, former Lady Bulldogs Track Coach. In Mrs. Mitchell acceptance, she presented a stirring history on the trials and tribulations of being a female track student and coach in the 70's. Also, she highlighted the accomplishments of each of her invited track students that were present at the luncheon. President Lee and Betty Louis made a special surprise presentation to alumnus, Jocelyn Anderson '57, Scholarship Chairperson and Harold Williams '60, her brother who is a Scholarship Committee Member. The Alumni Officers and Sumner High School Volunteers were recognized. Kenneth Lee provided background information and the future aspirations of the six scholarship winners. Afterward, the three scholarship winners that were present posed for photos with our Scholarship Chairperson.

Our 2nd Fashion Show was again coordinated by Marlene May '54 and consisted of four scenes — Casual, Business, After Five, and Furs. DJ Marla Hudson-Spriggs provided the entertainment during the pre-luncheon reception and the fashion show. Right from start the audience was captivated by the wit and humor of Commentator, Helen Imes '58. She engaged each model as they made an appearance. Special attention was given to our future next "American Top Model" Miss Harlem Simone Nixon, 4 years old.

The Scholarship Luncheon Committee wishes to thank all of the alumni/patrons for their support as well as those generous benefactors who provided a student meal, a donation toward our Scholarship Fund, or advertisement for our souvenir program booklet. Thanks to all the models and the assistants, Chico's St. Louis Galleria and DeMay Furs Ltd. And special thanks to Sandra Sledge Simmons for her continued support of our luncheon... WE LOVE YOU!

You may view/order photos from the event by accessing this website: <http://stlzoom.smugmug.com/> (choose **Sumner High 2014 Dinner**).

## Sumner Alumni Association Membership



The SAA was established in 2003 and shortly thereafter a membership schedule was set-up to provide stability for the association. Membership Drives are available at all of our events. The Annual Round-Up is our biggest membership drive. There are various membership levels and they are: Annual (\$10 renewable every year), Bronze (\$150), Silver (\$300), Gold (\$500), Platinum (\$700) and Diamond (\$1,000). All Lifetime

Memberships may be paid in partial payments and paid off within three years from the initial payment. I look forward to seeing you Homecoming Week October 13 - 18, 2014. If not a member, please consider joining then or anytime. Refer to page six for our Membership Form.

If the Membership Team can be of assistance to you in any way, please feel free to contact us at: 314.345.2676.

### Wilbert Overall '59, Membership Chairperson

**THINK AND DO BIGGER, MOVE UP JACOB'S LADDER!**

**Presentation to Mr. Nehemiah Thomas**  
**By Dr. Ron Gregory**



## New principal @ the Summer Concert

Wilkins, Perry C.

## Class of 51

Henry, Jr., George A.  
Jordan, Jr., Floyd \*  
Miller, Robert L.  
Newsome, Carolyn Shanks  
Poindexter, Robert L. \*  
Williams, Martha E. Nesbit

**Class of 52**

Bonaparte, Jacquelyn  
Carter, Arthur L.  
Graham, Rebecca M. Lee  
Hendricks, Jacqueline Scott  
Housley, Jon W.  
Mansker Jr., Allie C \*  
Porter, Augustine Abram  
Price, June L.  
Stone, Flora La Dorn Williams  
Taylor, Oliver  
Webb, Edsel  
Williams, Gussie D.  
Williams, Jr., Oscar

**Class of 53**

Bumbry, Charles \*  
Goodum III, Elmer \*  
Hite, Almeater Young  
King, Alvin M.  
Nashville, Barbara Pleasant  
Walker, Thomas

**Class of 54**

Balls, Charles  
Bentley III, Dr. Eugene M.  
Billups, Betty Brown  
Brisker, Dr. Lawrence  
Candler, Joan M. Bell  
Cavitt, Herbert \*  
Cunningham, Rev. Dr. Ronald  
Evans, Gladys Hollins  
Gower, Dr. Eleanor Casey  
Hauck, Joel  
Hodges, Yvonne Mitchell  
Jones, Jean Bonaparte  
Livingston, Janice Granberry  
Martin, Lillie Henry \*  
Norwood, Jacqueline  
Pompey, Lela A. Palmer  
Quarles, Earl  
Ricks, Glenda D.  
Rowe, Dorothy Beckwith  
Smith, Joan Williams  
Smith, Mary C. Green  
Thomas, Sadie Dixon  
Thompson, Irma Louise

**Class of 55**

Ballard, Dorothy	Rycraw, Laura Denny
Beck, Charles	Scott, Agatha Vincent
Bell, Doris Lenox	Scott, Henry
Boone, Alexander	Small, Gwendolyn M.
Dixon-Spann, June	Smith, Adeline Williams
Harrington, Sr, Melvya	Snider, Dorothy Thomas
May, Gloria Hunter	Stevens, Helen Christ
Nesbit, Joyce Campbell	Stevenson, Delores Daniels
Nesbit, Joyce	Thomas, Barbara Price
Quarles, Wanakee Henry	Vanderhorst, Mattilion Parnell
Reed, Victor L.	Wright, Dr. John A.

## Class of 56

Bell, William A.  
Chambers, Clauddean  
Coulter, Lee \*  
Craft, Willie J.  
Crump, Jr, James  
Fenner, Margaret Ackerson  
Flagg, Lelia  
Goodum, Eloise Winkler  
Grady, Colleen Weed  
Graves, Vivian Barber  
Greene , Frank S.  
Gross, Shirley Ruffin  
Jones, Phyllis Poindexter  
McCraty, Elnor J.  
Murdock, Sandra Smith  
Murphy, Ronald  
Nelson, Dorothy Hamilton  
Palmer, Katrude Darthard  
Tate, Barbada J. Walker  
Townson, Margaret Martin  
Weathersby, Barbara Dowd  
Wilks, Jacqueline Sanders

## Class of 57

Adams, Sterling  
Anderson, Jocelyn Williams  
Ashford, Leon  
Ballentine, Willie  
Banister, John M.  
Beckwith, Jr., Dr. Lynn  
Booker, Rosemary Langston  
Brown, Nancy Sledge \*  
Chambers, Odessa Crump  
Charles, Theopholis  
Chism, Wesley  
Cole, Evelyn Hill  
Creighton, Jacquelyn Ervin  
Curtis, Elizabeth Woods  
Gay, Sylvia Mitchum  
Granberry, Edythe Robinson  
Hunter, Carol Y. Bonaparte  
Ingram, Rosie Moore  
Jacobs, Barbara Cole  
Johnson, Myles J.  
Marshall, Annie White  
Mitchell, Edward  
Mitchell, George  
Overall, Manard  
Parks, Dr. Arnold  
Perkins, John  
Perry, Robert  
Petitford, John  
Roden, Jr., Clarence  
Rodgers, Marie Lawrence  
Rycraw, Laura Denny  
Scott, Agatha Vincent  
Scott, Henry  
Small, Gwendolyn M.  
Smith, Adeline Williams  
Snider, Dorothy Thomas  
Stevens, Helen Christ  
Stevenson, Delores Daniels  
Thomas, Barbara Price  
Vanderhorst, Mattilion Parnell  
Wright, Dr. John A.

**Class of 58**

Abram, Glenda Washington  
Bell, Brenda Williams  
Brantley, C. Jean  
Cannida, Bishop Irma Gray  
Cofield, Jeanette Richards  
Daniell, Sandral Davis\*

Drake, Willis  
Epps, Renee Allen  
Fleary, Dingwall  
Hamilton, Melvin E.  
Hauck, Rosemarie W.  
Jasmine, Carol Davis  
Johnson, Joy V.  
Jones, Cecilia Swift  
Kirksey, Berges \*  
Mitchell, Melvin L.  
Overton, James \*  
Pennington, Gwendolyn Williams  
Ray, Yvonne Cook  
Robinson, Alcurtis  
Sauls, Beverly Kilgore  
Scott, Delores J. Gardner  
Scott, Harold  
Scott, Marguerite Matherson  
Small, Karatol  
Stephenson, Harry  
Warley, Brenda Cleere  
Williams, Shirley \*  
Williams-Parr, Ada \*

## Class of 59

Armstrong, Shirley Abram  
Bell, Ronald E.  
Franklin, Richard  
Gardner, Shirley Sledge  
Graham, Gloria  
Hartsfield, Janice Craig  
Hughes, Robert Donald  
Lucas, Virgil H.  
Morris, Hazel  
Overall, Wilbert L.  
Pettiford, Freddie Jelk  
Robinson, Carol  
Samuels, Rose Williams  
Thomas, Margo  
Wells, Jeanie Roddy  
Williams, Donald  
Wilson, John W.

**Class of 60**

Beard, Otis C.  
Bracy, Dr. Jean Daniels  
Foster, Glenda Eason  
Gause, Dr. Lucy B. J.  
Goodson, Martia Graham  
Halbert, Pearl Watkins  
Jackson, Curtis  
Jones, Lemonia Herron  
Key, Lola Birt  
Merchant, Lorraine Williams  
Miller, Jr., Paul L. \*  
Neals, Marvin  
Rodgers, Veronica Cleere  
Russell, Annie  
Strawbridge III, Joseph  
Thomas, Forrestine Mitchom  
Thomas, James Ronald  
Walker, Doretta A.  
Wesley, William B.  
Williams, Sylvia Overall

## Class of 61

Adams, Richard B.  
Ballentine, Eugene \*  
Banks, Ira E. \*  
Bland, Yvonne Nickerson  
Cain, Marion A. Hamilton \*  
Clay, Marva  
Compton, Mildred Lambert  
Craft, Merlen Owens  
Cross, Donald

Crouch, Harriet Waldon  
East, Jessie M. Johnson  
Eldridge, Alverne T. Meekins  
Garrett, Gwendolyn Washington  
Harmon, Robert  
Hughes, Jean McDaniels  
Hunter, Julius K.  
Leverette, Tessie Ward  
Lewis, Amie Jones  
Littles, Sr., Orthel  
Logan, Kenneth  
McAllister, Dorris Dillard  
Meriweather, Sr., Ronald  
Mitchell, Joseph  
Moore, Rita Francis  
Mosely, Valerie Porter  
Newsome, Karolyn Monroe  
Pernell, Charles  
Pruitt, Judith Ann  
Ridley, Walter B.  
Rodgers, Nadine Hardy \*  
Rodgers, Jr., William \*  
Sledge, Dorothy Daniels  
Truss, Georgette Kincaid  
Washington, Robert  
Wilson, Karen Shelton  
Woolfolk, Ida Goodwin  
Young, Andrea Rhodes

## Class of 62

Alexander, Emogene  
Bryant, Eldridge  
Davis, Aloha Walker  
Duvall, Rev Dr. Willie W.  
Ferguson, Iris Golliday  
Harris, Lucille V. Smith  
Hughes, Stella Fleming  
Johnson, Wanda M. Griswold  
Matthews, Threatta Williams  
Moppins, Harry

**Class of 63**

Bailey-Small, Sylvia  
Banks, Camillia Sanders  
Beckwith, Patricia Waugh \*  
Bell, Dorothy Anderson  
Betts, Cecelia Ann Tate  
Bryant, Marsha E. Gray  
Curry, Everett  
Daggs, Mary Ann Allmon  
Dickson-Durham, Judith Ann  
Eaton, Joyce Davis  
Farrow, Mary Louise Jones  
Franklin, Mary L.  
Harvey, Gail Marie Johnson  
Hollingsworth, Joice Westfall  
Holt, LaVonzell Ballentine  
Hughes, Dorothy Monroe  
Johnson, Larry  
Jones, Hattie Barker  
Kimbrough, Rose Goston  
La Grone, Wilma Jackson  
Lee-Simms, Darlene Smith  
Mitchell, Madeline  
Neals, Andrea P. Willis  
Ratliff, Doris Gardner  
Robinson, Faye Young  
Scoggin, Joseph E.  
Small Sr., Keith L. \*  
Soward, Rosalind  
Stewart, Barbara Hawkins  
Vanderford, Jacqueline Rose  
Warren, Robert L.  
Whitmore, Harriet Merritt



## SUMNER ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

### All Members – September 15, 2014

#### DIAMOND MEMBERS

**Class of 54**  
Poindexter, Audrey H.  
**Class of 61**  
Brooks, Sherry Ellis  
**Class of 62**  
Johnson, Regina Gilliam  
**Class of 67**  
Coyle, Luther  
**Class of 71**  
Turner, Diann Wilks  
**Class of 80**  
Turner, Valerie Shurn

#### PLATINUM MEMBERS

**Class of 26**  
Giles, Inez J.  
**Class of 42**  
Fisher, Caroline Moss  
Price, Dr. Anne E.  
**Class of 46**  
Doggett, Juanita Toley \*  
White, Harriett Price  
**Class of 50**  
Broadnax, Louise Hoskins  
**Class of 51**  
Walker, Norma Jean Abram \*  
**Class of 56**  
Blackmore, Claude  
Rycraw, Richard Joe  
**Class of 57**  
Alligood, Douglass  
**Class of 61**  
Hutchinson, Samuel  
Simmons, Sandra Sledge  
**Class of 62**  
Robinson, Frank  
**Class of 63**  
Abram, John D.  
Jones, Robert S.  
Price, David  
Thomas, Joseph  
**Class of 64**  
Blackmore, JoAnne C.  
Glore, Gregory M.

#### PLATINUM - PARTIAL

**Class of 59**  
Johnson, Belma  
**Class of 60**  
Walton, Jr., Elbert A.  
**Class of 61**  
Pendleton, Donna J. Marshall  
Williams, Sheila Grimes  
**Class of 62**  
Sellers, Richard  
**Class of 63**  
Beckwith, Eunice  
**Class of 71**  
Wilhite, Alphonso

#### GOLD MEMBERS

**Class of 52**  
Cook, Eric \*  
**Class of 54**  
White, Jessie Mae Davis

**Class of 56**  
Walker, Clinton E.  
**Class of 60**  
Shelton, Charles  
**Class of 61**  
Irons, Julia Wilburn  
Martin, John A.  
**Class of 72**  
Williams, JoAnn Simon  
**Class of 73**  
Furr, Johnny  
**Class of 77**  
Berryman, Oscar  
**Class of 80**  
Leake, Marty J.

#### GOLD - PARTIAL

**Class of 63**  
Wright, Carola DeKowperlandth  
**Class of 71**  
Evans, Karen Bluit  
**Class of 72**  
Williams, John

#### SILVER MEMBERS

**Class of 38**  
Cox, Elece Dempsey \*  
**Class of 42**  
Brown, Dr. Virginia Suggs  
**Class of 43**  
Coleman, Gertrude Young  
**Class of 45**  
Daniels, Jr., Stafford  
**Class of 54**  
Poindexter, Virginia  
**Class of 55**  
Cannon, Claramarie C. Colbert  
Cook, Harold F.  
**Class of 56**  
Ball, IV, Harry  
**Class of 57**  
Coleman, Doris Stevens  
Love, Janet M.  
**Class of 61**  
Brown, Leather Foster  
Culmore, Bernice Hamer  
Miller, Dr. Ellword \*  
**Class of 62**  
Washington, Clee Yvonne.  
**Class of 63**  
Lee, Kenneth  
**Class of 65**  
Whitman, Eddie  
**Class of 68**  
Smith, James  
**Class of 69**  
Blalock, Jessica Kelly  
**Class of 76**  
Louis, Betty  
**Class of 80**  
Bennett, Pamela Adams  
Grant, Rosalind Mc Elroy  
**Class of 84**  
Garrett, Kimberly Clayton

#### SILVER - PARTIAL

**Class of 42**  
McLoud, Gwendolyn Fox

**Class of 45**  
Lyles, Dr. Barbara Coburn  
**Class of 50**  
Wolfe, Pauline Coleman  
**Class of 51**  
Brown, Evelyn Tate  
**Class of 57**  
Wicks, Odessa Reed  
**Class of 64**  
Thompson, Steve G.  
**Class of 66**  
Maufas, Dorothea  
**Class of 78**  
Mason, Marcellars

#### BRONZE MEMBERS

**Class of 19**  
Spotts, Cleotta \*  
**Class of 30**  
Swann, Thelma L. Broomer  
**Class of 33**  
Burrow, Marie Brabham \*  
**Class of 36**  
Bennett, Dorothy Jackson  
Miller, Willie Mae Anderson  
White, Thomas J.  
**Class of 37**  
Wood, Sarafrances Steele  
**Class of 38**  
Anderson, Mary Ellen Johnson  
Finley, Dorothy Cook  
Rayford, Claret  
**Class of 39**  
Henry, Leroy \*  
Nelson, Maxine Freeman \*  
Page, George M.  
Powers, Annette Carter  
**Class of 40**  
Carter, Ann Johnston  
Clary, Virginia Cherry \*  
Hancock, Richard  
Smith, Mary Myers  
Wilburn, Vincent  
**Class of 41**  
Carper, George  
Davis, Louise Foster  
Harston, Mischa Garrett  
Joiner, Lucille Long  
Madgett, Dr. Naomi Long  
McAllister, William  
Rose, Cornelia President

**Class of 42**  
Abernathy, Arzella Johnson  
Fisher, Howard F.  
Garrett, Clothilde Wilder  
Jones, Bertram  
Reddick, Tyler B.\*  
Schumacher, Dr. Brockman \*  
Suter, Lyle  
Wright, Sylvia Boyd \*

**Class of 43**  
Allen, Novelite Washington  
Bess, Gloria Covington  
Cockrell, Joel  
Collins, Nancy Roberts  
Franklin, Dr. Mary Louise  
Jordan, Martha Weaver  
Proctor, Rosalee Robinson \*  
Shivers, Clarence \*  
Williamson, Louisa Anderson

**Class of 44**  
Bass, Sen. John F \*  
Bell, Johnetta Jackson \*  
Curtis, Nathaniel  
Grant, Lillian Weaver  
Jordan, George  
Kinchlow, Ethel Hoffman  
Lawson, Marietta Washington  
Polk, Mary Attyberry  
Ratcliffe, Alfonso  
Robinson, Marion Meaux  
Stewart, Dorthi Jones \*  
Turner, Lois Jean  
Vaughn, Alva M.

**Class of 45**  
Brown, Emily Bosely  
Daniels, June Smith  
Gourdine, Thelma Becton  
Granberry, Jr., Donald  
Jones, Luther  
King, Marie Chambers  
Saunders, Lillian  
Williams, Benjamin V.  
Woolfolk, E. Mansfield \*

**Class of 46**  
Bosley, Janet Robinson  
Bowles, Lorraine Shanks  
Gregg, Charles B.  
Miller, Samuel  
Morgan, Sylvia Edwards  
Sharpe, Magalyn Woody  
Shavers, Ardell I. Ellis  
White, Sr., Otis  
Williams, Pauline Euband \*

**Class of 47**  
Bell, Augustus Jr  
Bosley, Preston R.  
Brown, Josephine Pace  
Dyle, William  
Smith-Prince, Brunette  
Taylor, Sadie Cooper  
Tripp, Rose Pickett  
Whitlock, Margaret Piper  
Williams, Frances Spurlock

**Class of 48**  
Brumfield, LoisMarie Divers  
Gregg, Audrey Quarles  
Malcolm Jr., Clarence  
Miller, Roy G.  
Rausch, Sr., Ralph W  
Still, Jr., David

**Class of 49**  
Cole, Anna M. Walker  
DeClue, Gerald O.  
Gladney, Alonzo  
Spencer, Helen V.

**Class of 50**  
Adkins, Leroy  
Berryman, Kenneth W.  
Billingsly, Jr., Dr. Clem E.  
Burnett, Edgar A \*  
Graham, Irene Goodwin  
Horne, George E.  
Jackson, Althea Ashford  
Johnson, Evelyn M. McKay  
Laster, Gerald K.  
Lee, Gloria. Sharpe  
Moore, Genell Hoskins \*  
Reed, Dorothy Stewart  
Sharpe, Jr., Arthur  
Watkins, Marlene Hunter  
Watkins, Richard M.

## Happy 140<sup>th</sup> Birthday SHS!

By now, most of our Sumner family has received a “Save the Date” post card announcing the **140<sup>th</sup> year anniversary** of our beloved alma mater. What a milestone and blessing that Sumner has survived through many trying years!

The black-tie affair, including a reception, silent auction, dinner, program, and dance, will be held at the Chase Park Plaza Khorassan Ballroom on **Saturday, June 20, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.** The cost is \$75 per person. Club 140 (committee) needs each class to sponsor at least one table of ten for your classmates. We are projecting 70 tables from the classes of 1940 – 2004. Class leaders, we are seeking your help in making this humongous effort feasible. Contact Audrey Poindexter ‘54 @ 314.383.7174 email: [ajpoin@charter.net](mailto:ajpoin@charter.net) to make your reservations or for questions. Please use the inserts on page seven for your reservations or souvenir program booklet ads.

There are also three other areas that we need your unending support:

- 1) **Items donated for the Silent Auction - Vera Carter-Smith @ 314.991.1746**
- 2) **Ads in the Souvenir Program Booklet (see flyer on page seven) - Betty Louis @ 314.385.9843**
- 3) **Volunteer at Sumner for our 140 Years/140 Minutes Campaign: give a minimum of 140 minutes of service - Kenneth Lee @ 314.368.8668**

Thanking you in advance for your loyal support. It is because of you, that we have been continuously open for 140 years.

Jacqueline Vanderford ‘63, Chairperson  
314.265.9541 email: [jvanderford63@att.net](mailto:jvanderford63@att.net)

## It's has come and gone again, First Day SHS August 11, 2014!

by Joan Smith, Chairperson ‘54

The “FIRST DAY TEAM” stood strong in numbers in their alumni attire waiting for the baby bulldogs to enter the building of our beloved alma mater, Sumner High. Prior to the start of the school day, the team was assembled in the lower level after receiving their tasks by First Day Chairperson. When the bell rang, indicating that school had officially started, students were greeted by the team. The students received “First DAY” Sumner High School wrist bands and pencils and were ushered into the cafeteria for breakfast and fellowship. After which, the students met the new principal, Mr. Nehemiah Thomas and staff members, listened quietly to an introduction and orientation, followed by receiving their class schedules. The alumni members assisted students in their movement to class.

To the alumni members that were in attendance, Charles Shelton ‘60, R. A. “Pete” Sellers ‘62, John Abram ‘63, Jacqueline Vanderford ‘63, Elaine Maufas ‘66, John House ‘68, Betty M. Louis ‘76, Kenneth Brown ‘79, Sarah Burke ‘79, Dana Lee-Hammons ‘82, Priscilla Mason ‘84, Terri Dena Marie Sellers-Stidmon 2004, and Alumni Association President, Kenneth Lee ‘63, “THANKS” to a great team for all you do.

Special thanks to Sarah, Dana, and both Kenneth’s who stayed for most of the day to assist where needed. It was a beautiful day and all went well for “First Day” at Sumner High School.

## 1st day of School



Yearbooks for sale \$25 - \$30 plus shipping  
Betty Louis 314.385.9843 or email:  
[sumneralumniassn@yahoo.com](mailto:sumneralumniassn@yahoo.com)  
1970, 1972, 1976, 1980, 1983, 1987, 1989,  
1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994 and 1996.



## Hats off to the Scholarship Fashion Show Committee

### Fashion Show Assistants

John Abram ‘63  
Joyce Crusoe ‘74  
Samuel McKeever ‘75  
Alice Pride ‘76  
Willie Groves ‘85

### Models

Barbara Hunt ‘51  
Joan Smith ‘54  
Vera Carter Smith ‘59  
Charles Shelton ‘60  
Ann Williams ‘61  
Andrea Willis Neals ‘63  
Mary Howard Shands ‘78  
Sarah Burke ‘79  
Darryl Poindexter ‘85  
Lc Cade  
Cynthia Hill  
Ashley Houston  
Rhonda Poindexter  
Miss Harlem Simone Nixon



**Marlene F. May ‘54**  
**Fashion Show Coordinator**





# The Sumner Alumni Association Membership Form



Graduation Year \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ Maiden Name \_\_\_\_\_

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. Number \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip/Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Work) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Fax \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

( ) New Annual – \$10 for Year 2014 or ( ) Lifetime – Diamond - \$1,000 ( ) Diamond Partial \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
( ) New Annual – \$10 for Year 2015

( ) Lifetime – Platinum - \$700 ( ) Platinum Partial \$ \_\_\_\_\_

( ) \* Renewal Annual – \$10 for Year 2014 or ( ) Lifetime - Gold - \$500 ( ) Gold Partial \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
( ) \* Renewal Annual – \$10 for Year 2015

( ) Lifetime - Silver - \$300 ( ) Silver Partial \$ \_\_\_\_\_

( ) Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) Lifetime - Bronze - \$150 ( ) Bronze Partial \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\* Annual Memberships renewal due date is January 1 every year.

Partial's MUST be PAID Within three (3) years

Please make check payable to the:  
**SLPS Foundation-Summer Alumni**

Mail Membership Form and Check to:  
**The Sumner Alumni Association  
c/o Membership Chairperson  
P.O. Box 45225  
St. Louis, Missouri 63145**

## For Office Use Only

Date of Check \_\_\_\_\_ Revenue Sheet (Comm) # \_\_\_\_\_ (Treas.) # \_\_\_\_\_

Date Dues/Donations Received \_\_\_\_\_ Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Received \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Check/Money Order # \_\_\_\_\_ Processed By \_\_\_\_\_

The **Class of '79** celebrated Phase I of its 35-year reunion June 20-22, 2014. To change things up, the class opted for a "destination" reunion, which was held in Lake Ozarks, MO at TanTarA Resort. A good time was had by all. The weekend included an All-White Get Acquainted Party, Luncheon Cruise on the Tropic Island Yacht, a Hawaiian Luau Dinner Dance, and an inspirational Farewell Breakfast/Worship Service. The class is looking forward to continuing their festivities when Phase II of the 35-year reunion will be held homecoming weekend, October 17 & 18.

## Sumner Class of '79, Phase I, 35-Year Class Reunion



Sumner High school Class of 1969 celebrated their 45th Class Reunion June 20 – 22, 2014 at Sheraton Westport Plaza Chalet.

The **Sumner Class of 1974** celebrated their 40th Class Reunion July 18 - 20, 2014 at the Double Tree Hotel, Chesterfield, MO. Their reunion included a "Meet 'N' Greet on Friday, a Dinner Dance on Saturday, and a Memorial Brunch on Sunday at New Beginning Missionary Baptist Church. A fun filled weekend was enjoyed by all.

**Sumner High School Classes of 1959** kicked off part 1 of their 55<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion July 27, 2014 at Déjà II Café. The reunion opened with a "Meet and Greet" as classmates and friends enjoyed the sounds of Mrs. Uvee Hayes new CD, "In the Mood". The afternoon consisted of a "Soul Food" buffet with entertainment by Oliver Johnson (One Man Band), Ron Wilkinson (Vocalist) and the "class of 55" own DooWop 4 (Vocal Group). Angela Jones made a Tribute to the class. There were give-ways and dancing by all for our on the ground event.

Part 2 of the 55<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion was August 13 – 17, 2014, with a 5-Days/4-Nights Tunica and New Orleans Get-Away at the Resort Hotel in Tunica and ended at the Four Star Astor Crowne Plaza Hotel in New Orleans. The 'Class of 55', had a scrumptious reunion luncheon aboard the Natchez River Boat. 5-Days/4-Nights of fun were enjoyed by all that chose to participate in this reunion get-away .

The Class Whom We Adore....The **Class of 1984** celebrated its **30th Year Class Reunion**, August 22 - 24, 2014 at the Renaissance St. Louis Airport Hotel. The festivities opened Friday evening with a "throwback" 80's themed "Meet and Greet" which was full of nostalgia and fun! Many classmates dressed to impress for the 80's era. An "Old School" Senior Spectacular Talent Showcase featuring performances from 80's artists such as Run DMC, New Edition, and more was TRULY PHENOMENAL! DJ Slim rocked the house with old school classics. Saturday evening, the reunion was elevated in style to the Penthouse for our fabulous and elegant Masquerade Ball. During "A Time to Remember," we reminisced on the days of old as we watched a power point presentation featuring our journey from junior high to the mighty halls of Sumner High; to our current status as alumni. DJ Kut (musicologist extraordinaire) from the Old School 95.5 "brought the house down" with his "Kut classics".

Sunday, classmates and families gathered for the "Fellowship in the Park Picnic" to culminate our epic reunion weekend. Once again, DJ Slim got us "turned up"...dancing until the park lights came on! The Class of 1984 celebrated the only way we know how and that is, "Having Fun...And Doing It With Class!!!"



Class of 1984



Class Reunions

The **Sumner Classes of 1954** celebrated their 60th Class Reunion, August 15-17, 2014 at the Sheraton Westport Chalet. The reunion opened Friday night with Greetings/Registration in the hotel lobby with snacks and cocktails. This was followed by a “Meet and Greet” with a delicious buffet dinner and groovy music from our favorite DJ, Baby “O”.

On Saturday, we socialized in the hospitality room during the day; played cards, ate, and drank. Prior to the Banquet Program, pictures were taken for our class collage. As the program got underway, several beautiful musical selections were performed by Jacqueline Norwood of Philadelphia with accompanist Aquilla Tinglin of St. Louis. A delicious dinner of London Broil and Dijon Chicken was served. Our two guest speakers were Joel Hauck, Parliamentarian, January ‘54 and Betty Hayman Purnell June ‘54. Also Charles Ball January ‘54 of Los Angeles, CA spoke on the California Connections. A Memorial Tribute for deceased members was presented. In closing remarks, Chairperson Audrey Poindexter emphasized that support is needed by all Sumnerites to make the Sumner 140<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration a success.

Sunday morning worship service was held in the hotel to a room filled with our blessed classmates and we were served coffee, orange juice, and Danish. The service began with group singing lead by Marilyn Hawkins King, June ‘54. Wardell Sleet, Treasurer and Reunion Chaplin, served as the speaker for the morning. His subject was “Fear and Hope”. This was the type of information that we, as seniors, needed to hear. Afterwards we had an inspirational testimonial period. The service ended with a heartfelt prayer that included Raoul Holman who took sick at the dinner and was rushed to the hospital. Our Reunion was a great success as this will be the last one. We appreciate the love and support of our classmates. “THANKS!”  
Audrey Poindexter, Chairperson



Sumner Class of 1964 “Golden Anniversary”

The 1964 Sumner High School 50th Class Reunion was held at the Renaissance St. Louis Airport Hotel the weekend of June 13–15, 2014. The attendance was fantastic with over seventy attendees for the “Welcome Reception” around the hotel’s pool. For fun, we had a ball performing in a Karaoke Contest. One female and male contestant won \$100.00 and one five member group split a \$100 prize.

On Saturday, Cranston Mitchell, who works for the Justice Department in D.C., brought a heartwarming welcome. Dr. Richard "Chops" Brown, retired hospital administrator, entertained us with his Comedy Act. There were one hundred plus in attendance for our scrumptious dinner and lots of dancing.

Finally on Sunday morning, forty classmates enjoyed a delicious breakfast buffet as we had an opportunity to share individual reflections about their time as a student at Sumner High School.

A survey was sent out to the classmates who attended any of the 50<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion events. The responses were quite favorable regarding the planned activities, the food, the location and the cost. Carol Strawbridge, Co-Chairperson



Sumner Class of 1964, 50-Year Reunion

140/140 Minutes Campaign

Dear Sumner Alumni and Friends:

The Sumner Alumni Association is hosting its 140<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala Saturday, June 20, 2015 at the **CHASE PARK PLAZA KLORASSAN BALLROOM**, 6 p.m. – 12 a.m., 212-232 N. Kingshighway Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63134. The cost is \$75 per person. Valet Parking \$13 (Kingshighway Blvd. entrance) or Self Parking \$7 (Chase Garage on Maryland). Reservations are based upon tables of ten. Single reservations are also accepted. For more information, please contact Audrey Poindexter at 314.383.7174 or [apoind@charter.net](mailto:apoind@charter.net).

Please complete, detach, and return the reservation form below along with your check payable to **SLPS Foundation – Sumner**. Tables will be assigned in order of monies received and singles seats filled accordingly.

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Sumner Alumni Association  
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