

## What's Going On???

### Alumni Update

Greetings from Keystone! This newsletter is our first attempt at updating you on other illustrious and/or infamous Keystone alums. Our goal is to send you a quarterly update via e-mail although in the beginning it may not be timely (emphasis on the word

#### Did you know ...

- a Keystone alum is running for the Texas Legislature?
- 3 Keystone classes had a reunion in 2004
- An alum was involved in the recent movie *Madagascar*?
- At least 3 alums live abroad?

Read on for more details...

*goal*). Bear with us, please.

As we have tapped into the alumni "pool", we have discovered so many interesting things about you (and, honestly, that's exactly what we expected!). Each one of you with whom we have communicated ends your e-mail or phone call the same way, "I wish I knew what other Keystonians were up to!". So, we sincerely hope that through these newsletters you will re-connect with lost (misplaced?) friends, find new ones now living in your area, and recollect some great Keystone memories.

Please forward this newsletter to those with whom you stay in contact since we may not have their information AND send us information about yourself so that we can include in the next



newsletter. Gosh, send us info about someone else—we'll print that, too! Pictures are coveted since, as they say, they are worth 1,000 words!

Many great things are going on here and we may include a little about that, too. But, not too much...we promise!

Happy New Year and Happy Reading!

### Classes of 1983, 1984 and 1985 reunite

In July 2004, these 3 groups gathered at Keystone to visit and catch up. What began as a communication between four alums—Mark McCormick, Chad McCracken, Camille Moody and Yvette Moran (who had recently moved back to San Antonio and was a Keystone parent) - evolved into a gathering of over 75 on July 24, 2004. Mark sent an inquiry to Keystone for addresses in February of that year. We worked with Mark over the next months to compile our shared contact information and gather more. They used classmates.com and other alumni to compile a fairly comprehensive list. Keystone staff worked to produce and mail all communication and make the arrangements according to their wishes. The event began at 10:00 a.m. that morning at Keystone with visiting, touring and a word from the new Head of School, Hugh McIntosh. Lunch followed at La Fonda on Main and then Yvette had everyone over to her new home for an afternoon party.

It was a great event and one that we would love to do every summer. If you are interested in being the "point person" for your group, please call or e-mail Mary Burch at Keystone.



Keystone Alumni visiting campus in July 2004. From left: Joel Utz, Mark McCormick, Russell Hoke and wife Retno, Jeff Soesbe, David Marine and wife, Carol, and Chad McCracken.

## Stop By If You're in the Area...

Robert Stem, Class of 1962, lives in Thailand with his wife Susan. Together they operate Tribal Trappings. Check out their lovely wares at:  
[www.tribaltrappings.com](http://www.tribaltrappings.com).

Quoting Robert,

“The decision to come to Thailand was made after I received notice of my “retirement” in September 2001 from my job in Saudi Arabia, where I had spent the previous 13 years. We (my wife Susan and I) had made many trips to the far east when in Saudi, and had always enjoyed coming to Thailand, particularly Chiang Mai. We were not ready to return to the US for a variety of reasons, and felt that Thailand, which welcomes retirees from abroad, would be a good place to retire, since the infrastructure is good, basic services cheap, and the quality of life is relaxed. We figured that we could live here better for four years than we could in the US for one, so the die was cast. In fact, you **can** live here on social security. “They” say that many people go through



Robert Stem '62 and wife, Susan

trauma when they lose a job, sell a house, or move, so picture getting canned for old age in one foreign country, then moving to another one, plus arranging shipping of other personal items in storage in the US. It was interesting, to say the least. But we're here now and comfortably

ensconced in a house about 14 kilometers east of Chiang Mai, and are having a great time. The commute to work is about 10 seconds from the bedroom to the office, and we work at whatever schedule seems appropriate. Sort of the Dilbert approach to the home office. Chiang Mai is kind of a regional center for trade in the items which Sue collected for years in Saudi, and we're using her expertise to continue collecting and selling.”

Other information about Keystone alumni from the 1960's...

We are fortunate to see Patrice Hensley daily as she teaches private piano lessons here at Keystone.

Gary Cox '68 and Ray ('67) and Susan ('70) Martin co-hosted the annual Alumni holiday reunion on December 17 along with Ian Thompson (1998), David Bynum (1988) and Orlando Castillo (1988)

Dr. Timothy O'Leary (Class of 1970, but left in 1968 when his family moved out-of-town) works for the VA as a doctor and researcher. He was in San Antonio for a convention and stopped by to make sure Keystone

was still the same—quirky and unique. After a tour, he determined things were still on the right track. He deemed Keystone School “a national treasure”.

***“What are your fondest Keystone memories?”***

## Bitten by the Acting Bug...

Charles Mobbs can trace his love of acting to his theater experiences at Keystone. In November, Charles portrayed Daddy Warbucks in an off-off Broadway performance of *Annie* by the St. Jean's Players in NYC. When Charles isn't dazzling audiences with his

acting prowess, he is teaching and leading research at Mt. Sinai Schools of Medicine as Associate Professor of Neurobiology and Geriatrics.



Charles Mobbs, Class of 1976, as Daddy Warbucks in a recent production of *Annie*!

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For more pictures of Charles and cast (including his beautiful daughter. Emily) go

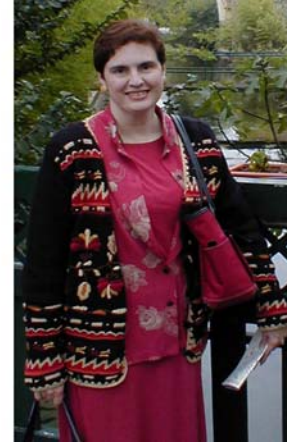
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[saintjeansplayers.org](http://saintjeansplayers.org)

## Dreamworks...*Dream job*

After graduating from Keystone in 1977, Noel Watkins entered Texas A&M where she graduated with a degree in Marketing. This led to a job with Joske's Department Store. In 1986, Noel relocated to L.A. to work for Robinson's Department Store. For the past 9 1/2 years Noel has worked at Dreamworks Animation. She was involved with *The Prince of Egypt*, *The Road to Eldorado*, *Sinbad* and *Madagascar*. In 2004, she was the Production Manager for the NBC TV series

*Father of the Pride*. In 1991, Noel married Marv Wolfman, a writer who created the Blade character and co-created the Teen Titans on The Cartoon Network.

One of Noel's fondest memories of Keystone is history with Mr. Babel. Says Noel, "He had a little sign on the blackboard that said '*Luck is what happens when preparation meets opportunity*'. I saw that little sign in class every day. It's so true and a sign just like it hangs in my office at Dreamworks today."



Noel Watkins-Wolfman,  
Class of 1977

## Class of 2001 graduates

In May of 2005 many of the Keystone's 2001 graduates received their college degrees. This is what some of them are doing now:

**Katy Akin** graduated from Vanderbilt with a degree in Political Science. She is Director of Marketing for Langley & Banack, Inc. in San Antonio

**Austin Dennis** graduated from Wash U. and is working on her MBA. She will go to work for Ernst and Young in summer of 2006.

**Colin Son** graduated from USC and is in Medical School in San Antonio.

**Luke Galindo**, Vanderbilt, now in Texas Tech Medical School.

**Christy Glau**, Ponomo, is attending Southwestern Medical School.

**Katy Hollimon-Murphy**, Baylor, also at Southwestern Medical School.

**Alia Shirani**, Rhodes, is working for Labatt Foods in San Antonio.

**Will Clements**, Rhodes, now attending Kent School of Law in Chicago.

**Emily Reynolds**, Rhodes, living in Austin while attending UT Law

**Lauren Jenison**, Rhode Island School of Design, working for manufacturing company in Philadelphia.

## Keystone Alumni ...

Alex Snead, Class of 1981, lives in Australia with his wife and family. Alex has been involved in various aspects of the travel industry since graduating from Keystone. A combination of work opportunity and an Australian wife led him there in 1989. This fall he started an on-line travel service with several other investors.



**Alex and his international family: Andrew (18-born in SA), Zoltan (5 -born in Sydney), Stephanie (14-born in Sydney)) and Gabriela (2-born in Singapore)**

## Down Under



We know of 2 other alums in Australia. Brenda Padilla, Class of 1997, has been doing social work there but is returning to the U.S.

this spring.... And Shanan Cohen, Class of 2003, will be leaving soon for six months to study abroad with Washington University.

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## Alumni events in the works:

- A gathering of Keystone Alumni living in the Austin area is being planned for Wednesday, February 22 from 6:00-8:00 at *Starlite*, a restaurant owned by our own Michael Terrazas, at 407 Colorado St. in downtown Austin. Invitations will be mailed soon, but please inform any Austin alumni you know as we may not have correct contact info.
- Shanan Cohen, Class of 2003, is organizing an Alumni vs. Varsity basketball game for next January. Contact him at [cohens@wustl.edu](mailto:cohens@wustl.edu) for more information.
- December 2007, date TBD, Annual Holiday Reunion here at Keystone. We'll let you know as soon as date is decided.
- If you would like to organize a reunion for your class, we'll do anything we can to help facilitate the event.

Orlando Castillo, Class of 1988, is giving his time and talents to Keystone as a member of the Board of Trustees. Additionally, Orlando is heading up the Alumni Association. He is working to round up class representatives from each class to serve as liaisons between alumni and the school. Thanks, Orlando!

If you would like to help us keep up with your "group", please contact:

Orlando at [orlo@alumni.utexas.net](mailto:orlo@alumni.utexas.net) or Mary at [mburch@keystoneschool.org](mailto:mburch@keystoneschool.org)

## Keystone Grad Enters Political Arena

John McLeod, Class of 1996, is running for a seat in the Texas House of Representatives. He credits, or blames?, his history teacher, Dian Degnan, for his love of politics.

John works as a mortgage banker and lives in Denton, Texas with his wife, Carabeth, who teaches Middle School, and their newborn daughter, Mackenzie.

On his website, [www.mcleodfortexas.com](http://www.mcleodfortexas.com), he writes, "Thanks to the hard work and help from all our supporters we are officially on the ballot for the Democratic nomination for the Legislature. Now we turn our attention to a year spreading the word that we are charting a new direction for North

Texans and the Legislature. To insure the future of all Texans it is crucial to put politics aside and put Texas schools first. We've got a long road ahead to fight for our children and we need your help today!"

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