

GREETINGS TO ALL SPERRY ALUMNI !

PLAN TO ATTEND HOMECOMING, OCT. 07-08, 2005

Sperry Alumni from the classes of 1931 – 2004 gathered October 15-16, 2004 to celebrate and reminisce about their years spent at Sperry High School. The festivities started with the annual crowning of the high school royalty and the homecoming football game in which Sperry defeated Chelsea 21-14. After the coronation, Druscilla Miller, Class of 1960, presented the winning game football from the 1936-1937 Pirate football undefeated season to Coach Robert Park, Class of 1984, and Sperry High School. This football had been presented to her uncle, Abe Palmer, who played on that undefeated, unscored upon team.

The parade on Saturday afternoon consisted of 36 entries, including floats from the classes of 1944, 1954, 1957 and 1974.

Approximately 180 alumnus and friends attended the annual alumni dinner on Saturday evening. Beatrice J. Lyles, Class of 1941, was honored as the 2004 outstanding alumnus.

Many alumnus and local merchants sponsored tables for the alumni dinner to raise additional funds for the association. Funds raised over and above expected expenses for the next year are donated to the Cliff & Helen Grace Herrington Sperry School Foundation for scholarships and grants. Door prizes valued at over \$1100 were given to attendees thanks to the generosity of area merchants and alumnus.

At the annual business meeting following the dinner, the alumni voted to send the 2005 Homecoming letters via email to those for whom the association had valid email addresses. This is being done to save postage, thus providing more funds for the scholarship/grant programs. This newsletter is to notify you of those changes and to give you the option to not receive your letter via email if you so desire.

Nominations for the 2005 Outstanding Honored Alumnus can be made by submitting it online at: http://www.sperryalumni.org/nomination_form.htm or by mailing it to: PO Box 417, Sperry, OK 74073. *Submission deadline is June 30, 2005.*

It is requested that any Sperry graduate who did not receive his/her 2004 annual alumni letter, please submit a current mailing address via the directory update at http://www.sperryalumni.org/update_records_form.htm or mail the address correction to: PO Box 417, Sperry, OK 74073.

There are still many SHS alums for whom we do not have a valid mailing address, please help us find these individuals listed at: http://www.sperryalumni.org/lost_alums.htm

Help us improve our website and save our history for future generations. We are still looking for photos to be placed on the website, you can view those that we currently have at: <http://www.sperryalumni.org/photos.htm>

The 2005 Homecoming activities are slated for October 07-08, 2005. More detailed information is available at: <http://www.sperryalumni.org/homecoming.htm>

Everyone is invited to participate in the homecoming parade and alumni dinner. We would like to encourage the “milestone” classes to participate in the annual homecoming parade and they will be recognized at the alumni dinner. The milestone classes are: 1930 (75 years); 1935 (70 years); 1940 (65 years); 1945 (60 years); 1950 (55 years); 1955 (50 years); 1960 (45 years); 1965 (40 years); 1970 (35 years); 1975 (30 years); 1980 (25 years); 1985 (20 years); 1990 (15 years); 1995 (10 years); 2000 (5 years); and 2005 (new alumni!).

If any class is having a class reunion, please send an email to: classreunion@sperryalumni.org so that we can post the information on the website.

Hope to see you at the 2005 Homecoming Festivities!

Your Alumni Officers