



## ASU Alumni Association Announce Major gift from Kays Foundation

On January 17, 2007 the Kays Foundation signed a Memorandum of Agreement with the Arkansas State University Alumni Association regarding a gift toward the purpose of recognizing the achievements of the Kays Family and Kays Foundation by naming the Board Room in the new Cooper Alumni Center in honor of Mr. V. C. Kays, Mr. V. H. Kays, and the Kays Foundation.

On March 26, 2007 the ASU Alumni Association hosted a luncheon honoring the Kays Foundation's gift, the luncheon was held in the Judd Hill Center.

The Alumni Association made the announcement available to the following news sources in which it appeared in print.

*The Jonesboro Sun,*

*The Arkansas Democrat Gazette*

*NEA Business Today*

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## *Board Member honored by ASU Indian Club*

On February 17, 2007 at the Convocation Center the Arkansas State University Indian Club held a reception to honor members for their spirit and service. Three Spirit Awards were presented and one was presented to our very own. Bob and Brenda Ferralasco. They were featured in the April

2007 Jonesboro Occasions magazine along with the other awardees. Congratulations Bob...



### Fall Birthdays

- Charles Rasberry 09-14
- Wayne Blake 10-08
- Bob Ferralasco 10-19
- Tom Bishop 11-13

## *Board members working for community*

Board member Lucinda McDaniel continues to serve the Jonesboro community by serving on the Jonesboro Regional Chamber of Commerce Executive Committee this year as the Chair-Elect & Membership Division Chair as well as serving as a Board of Director.

She was also profiled as one of the 29 outstanding women in business in NEA in the October 2006 Issue of NEA Business Today.

We are  
very proud of all  
the community  
work and programs  
that our members  
are a part of and  
contribute to.

Keep up the good  
work...

Wayne Blake represents the Foundation as a member of the Chamber of Commerce and serves on the ASU Committee as well as the Streets and Highway Committee, he also is a member of the Jonesboro Lions Club along with fellow board member Bob Ferralasco.

Note: If I've missed an event or you'd like something mentioned please let me know.

## *2007 Paint the Town Red*

The Foundation will participate in the eleventh annual Paint the Town Red, which celebrates the first ASU home football game of the season. It will be held September 4-8, 2007.

Sept. 4 Balloon Launch @ 11 am

Sept. 5 Decorating Judging 1-4 pm

Sept. 5 School Judging 1-4 pm

Sept. 7 Tailgate celebration @ 5:30 pm

Sept. 8 ASU vs. Memphis @ 6 pm

Paint the town red!!!

ASU vs. Memphis

(Paint the Stadium Red)

## *ASU Mascot*

Charles Rasberry was chosen to serve on the Arkansas State University Mascot Committee. The Committee had three choices on the mascot issue—to appeal the NCAA decision, to maintain the Indians mascot or to select a new mascot. The committee consisted of 34 members that belong to a relevant group and have a love for ASU.

## *Reports on Grants Issued to date:*

The Foundation has received a letter from Dr. E. T. Hammerand in the ASU Dept. of Computer Science regarding the BEST project in which the Foundation granted \$1500.00 in December 2006. Each member was mailed a copy of the letter reporting how and what the funds provided.

The Foundation also received a letter from Beth Smith at the Alumni center regarding the grant for the landscaping. Tom O'Connor in the Music Department submitted a letter on the purchase of stringed instruments. A copy of the letters will be included in the Annual Minutes.

Below is a picture of the equipment that was purchased with the grant we approved for the Nursing Dept.



### *Holidays*

*Labor Day: Sept. 3, 2007*

*Veterans Day: Nov. 12, 2007*

*Thanksgiving: Nov. 22-23, 2007*

*Christmas: Dec. 24 - Jan. 1, 2008*