

## Featured Alumnus George Bedford '73 & Katrina Keyes '96



### George Bedford '73, Bachelors of Arts in Sociology

He joined the Dallas Police Department in 1974 and as a result of his exemplary work; he earned the Meritorious Conduct Award. He currently serves as detective in the Southeast Patrol Division's Investigative Unit.

George is the co-founder of the Leslie K. Bedford Memorial Foundation which originated in 1994. It is a catalyst for young women in need of nurturing. The participants are provided training and guidance that enables them to reach womanhood with self-assurance and confidence. Financial assistance in the form of college scholarships is given to those who successfully complete the program.



### Katrina Keyes '96, Bachelors in Business Administration

Katrina is the president of K Strategies Group LLC, a public affairs firm providing Minority and Woman-Owned Business Enterprises programs, public information programs, and community affairs services. She has received numerous honors for her business accomplishments, including being ranked as the Dallas Business Journal's Top 40 Under 40 in Dallas Business.

Katrina is a committed public servant and serves on the board of directors of the Dallas Black Chamber of Commerce, Trinity River Authority, and the Black Contractors Association. Katrina also holds a Master of Education in Higher Education from Dallas Baptist University.

Both Katrina and George are the 2007 Outstanding African-American Alumni Award Recipients. [For more information regarding the African-American Alumni Reception on February 17th, click here.](#)

## Featured UT Arlington Academics Honors College



UT Arlington is one of seven universities in Texas (and one of only two in North Texas) to have an Honors College. The Honors College is devoted to meeting the needs of exceptionally able and highly motivated students who want to reach the highest levels of academic achievement. Honors students may earn an Honors degree in any undergraduate discipline within the university without taking extra credit hours. They have access to Honors classes limited to 25 students that are taught by award-

winning faculty. The Honors College has an enrollment of approximately 600 students from the eight other undergraduate colleges and schools on the UT Arlington campus. The average GPA of Honors students is 3.55/4.0.

Pictured with Dean Bob McMahon are the 2006 HURCA competition winners, which consisted of senior students presenting their research project or creative activity to a panel of distinguished faculty judges. For more information regarding the Honors College, please visit <http://honors.uta.edu/>.

## Homecoming '07 Ben Stein Lecture



### America: City On The Hill or Looting Opportunity, What Would John F. Kennedy Think?

In 1973 and 1974, Ben Stein was a speech writer and lawyer for Richard Nixon at The White House and then for Gerald Ford. He has been a regular columnist for Los Angeles Magazine, The Washington Post and the The Wall Street Journal and is a published writer and novelist about ethical and social issues in finance, and also about the political and social content of mass culture. He is also an accomplished actor of movies, TV, and commercials including the memorable *Ferris Bueller's Day Off* and

Win Ben Stein's Money.

Ben Stein will speak Wednesday, February 21st at 7:30 p.m. in Texas Hall. Tickets are \$10 for general public and \$5 for Alumni Association Members. To purchase tickets or for more information, please visit [www.uta.edu/benstein](http://www.uta.edu/benstein).

## Southland Conference Basketball Tournament Houston, Texas



### Calling all Houston Alumni and Maverick Fans!

The UT Arlington Alumni Association and the UT Arlington Athletics Department is asking you to join fellow Mavericks for the **UT Arlington Spirit Reception** in conjunction with the Southland Conference Basketball Tournament on Tuesday, March 6th at 7:00 p.m. at the Marriott Greenpoint in Houston, Texas. Call 800-687-8855 for more details or to RSVP.

## University Club Thursday Jazz Nights



All UT Arlington Alumni Association Members are invited to join The University Club Thursday nights from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. for Jazz Night. Enjoy the food, have a glass of wine and listen to a pleasing mix of jazz standards brought to you by UT Arlington faculty and students, including Assistant Director of Jazz Studies Dan Cavanagh.

The University Club is located on the Lower Level of Davis Hall. To receive updates about the University Club, [join the University Club listerv.](#)

For more information about how to use the University Club for special events, meetings or special occasions, please call the Operations Office Conference Coordinator for more information at 817-272-2929.

## Join the Alumni Association! New Benefits!



### What is a benefit you would like to see?

We're adding benefits all the time, let us know if there is a new benefit you would like to have for your membership. [Drop us a line!](#)

If you aren't a member yet, find out why everybody is doing it! [Click here to join!](#)

## Alumni Calendar of Events

### January 22-March 3, 2007

#### Show Featuring Margarita Cabrera and Billy Hassell

The Gallery at UTA  
For more information, visit [The Gallery at UTA.](#)

### February 17-24, 2007

#### UT Arlington Homecoming 2007

For more information on Homecoming events, visit [www.uta.edu/homecoming](http://www.uta.edu/homecoming).

### February 17, 2007

#### African American Alumni Reception

University Center-Bluebonnet Ballroom  
7:00-9:00 pm  
Tickets are \$25. For more information, [click here.](#)

### February 22, 2007

#### Featured Speaker: Anousheh Ansari, the first female private space explorer

E.H. Hereford University Center (Rosebud Theatre)  
12:30-2:00 pm  
For more information, visit [Engineers Week 2007.](#)

### February 24, 2007

#### Homecoming Tailgate and Game

Homecoming Chili Cook-Off and Tailgating  
Texas Hall  
2:00 p.m.

#### Mavericks vs. SFA Mens Basketball

Texas Hall  
4:00 pm  
Coronation at Half-time

#### Student Leader Alumni Reception

All former UTA Campus Leaders invited  
University Club  
7:00 p.m.  
Visit [www.uta.edu/homecoming](http://www.uta.edu/homecoming) for more details.

### February 22-24, 2007

#### UT Arlington Baseball playing in the 2nd Annual Southwest Diamond Classic Baseball Tournament

Dr Pepper Ballpark-Frisco, Texas

Individual tickets: \$7-Adults, \$5-Students (with ID), \$3-Kids 12 and under, Children 5 and under are FREE

Tournament pass: \$15-Adults, \$10-Students (with ID), \$6-Kids 12 and under, Children 5 and under are FREE  
Visit [ridersbaseball.com](http://ridersbaseball.com) for more information and a schedule of games.

### February 28-March 4, 2007

#### Urinetown (Tony award-winning)

Mainstage Theatre  
Various times  
For more information, visit [UT Arlington Theatre Arts.](#)



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