

PHHS FOUNDATION

The past and the present coming together for the future.

August 2023

Foundation President's Message

You Hold the Power

After what seemed like a long winter, spring finally came and with it the long-anticipated change in weather. Summer is now fading fast as we head into fall and another school year. There are more changes yet to come. It is not winter that I am referring to. I am referring to the imminent name change, the impact not only to the school, but the Foundation that helps support the high school. There have been six resignations from the Foundation's board and committees since I came to my first meeting over three years ago. To offset these resignations, the Foundation gained five new members, including alumni from the 1970's and 1980's and a former teacher. We are still looking for others to help maintain and grow the mission of the Foundation so it can continue for years to come. Are you able to help, not only with your continued financial support, but with your time and expertise as part of the board and or on a committee? Now is the time. We need your help to support the school and students. Let's make a positive impact for their high school experience that will carry over into their future.

Bud Grant understood that high school has a significant impact on our lives and has said, **"You're imprinted in high school more than any other point in your life."**

I find this quote right on target as president of the PHHS Foundation and a former student at Patrick Henry. Looking back, it was the students, faculty and community that provided the support, compassion and wisdom in these formative years. There was so much subtle power that each group of people offered to me as I was becoming an adult. We hold that power to help make a significant impact on the students attending the school today.

Football coach Pete Carroll once said, "Each person holds so much power within themselves that needs to be let out. Sometimes, they just need a little nudge, a little direction, a little support, a little coaching, and the greatest things can happen."

We hope that you can unleash your power to help us make great things happen at the school we attended in our youth. Think about what difference you can make for the youth and faculty that walk through the doors today and into the future.

IS THIS YOU? I hope this little nudge as you read this article will remind you about why you have financially supported the Foundation and its mission. Although the name will change, the mission and the need has not. Please consider joining the board to lend a hand, offer assistance and ideas to help bring us through what might be a rough patch because of the changes. Our Foundation needs people who care about education, students, and faculty. What happens (or doesn't happen) in our schools can have a dramatic impact on the future of the community and those who reside there. Although the Foundation did not exist when I was a student at Patrick Henry, there were individuals, programs and assistance from other sources that helped me grow into adulthood and influenced me to not only appreciate education for my own purposes but understood that education is really the key to future success.

As we prepare for the future, there is much that is unknown. Will the Foundation lose some of the financial support we have relied upon because of the name change? I can understand the desire to cease supporting a school that will no longer bear the name that we knew it as, but the hope is that alumni can come to terms with the decisions of those who were behind the efforts and then acted upon the initiative. The board has renewed their commitment to the Foundation as long as the donations continue to come in. We hope that you can support us going forward as we enter this unusual time. You have the power to help us with the "WHY" part of the mission. Bud Grant knew the time and place where youth are receiving their high school education makes a huge difference. Let's do our part to help these youth succeed. Our future depends on it.

Geneva (Sorensen) Kubal '80

PHHS Foundation President

The **PHHS Foundation** exists to enhance the learning environment at Patrick Henry and expand educational opportunities for students.

Interested in volunteering on the PHHS Foundation Board?

Attend one of our monthly meetings or contact a Board member to find out more information.

Meetings are held the third Wednesday, 4:30 pm, at Henry*.

We do not meet in June, July or December.

* Due to school availability and/ or weather we may chose to meet via teleconference.

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DONATIONS, BOARD BIOS & EVENTS

Donations received by July 31

\$500-\$999 Paul Donahue '72 In memory of Dennis Zadlo '72

\$250-\$499 Cynthia Eckberg '71 In memory of Kathleen Eckberg Ness '66 And Duane Ness '63

David Lindblom '54 In memory of the 1954 class

\$100-\$249 Berdette Berger In honor of Judy (Borman) Fehn '65

David Berger '81 In honor of Jim Sawyer '66

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Pat Bumgarner In memory of James 'Doug' Bumgarner '52

Marilyn Campbell '63 In memory of Bill Campbell

Todd & Mary (Lunzer) Jacobson '64

Jim Jasper '71 In honor of Scholarships

Jane Kostik - former staff

Jean (Johnson) Picard '70

Karen (Ostenberg) Soland '53 In memory of Duane Soland '50

Gary Thomsen

Robert Wetherille '68 In honor of Tom Caswell '68

<u>\$50-\$99</u>
C. Larry Adams '63
In memory of Linda Adams

Loren Brandt - husband In memory of Jane Brandt '65

Mary Jo (Herkenhoff) Cosio In memory of Diane (Working) Robillard Dahlberg '71

Scott Jacobson '79 In memory of Susan Pearl Hable '79

Robert W. Jacobson '56

James Pedersen '63

Julie Prange '67

Les (Rob) Slind '65 In memory of Beverly (Fuller) Slind '68

Elsie West '46 From the class of 1946

<u>\$25-\$49</u> Phil Bania '61

Daisy A. Carlson '48

Elaine (Melsness) Lindstrom '65 In memory of Jane (Noden) Brandt '65

Charlotte (Kelch) Ostrom '52 In memory & honor of 1952 classmates

Gloria (Bolduc) Schmidt '54 In memory of Alvin Bolduc '63

Kimberly (Tappe) Thompson '83 In honor of the class of 1983

<u> Julie Jacobson Anderson – Class of 1971</u>

As a Minneapolis Public Schools Early Childhood teacher, I had a frontrow seat to the lives of all Minneapolis families, their struggles, and successes. Many of those young children are now adults and some parents are grandparents. Many continue to build community in their neighborhoods which makes me hopeful. I also live (and pay taxes) in Minneapolis.

When the Class of 1971 was planning our 50th reunion, Geneva Kubal offered the Foundation's assistance to publicize the event and connect with alumni. Later she invited me to visit a Board Meeting and consider joining the Board. I hope that living in the city, knowing Minneapolis family resources and navigating the School District, gives me unique perspective to support our school's students, staff and community – so I said "Yes!"

Lyndon Carlson—former teacher

I am a graduate of Mankato State where I majored in Social Studies. I was a teacher for 33 years with 32 years in the Minneapolis School System. After one year in the St. Charles Minnesota School System, I started at Patrick Henry in 1965 as a Social Studies and Business teacher. Most of my teaching experience was at Henry and Edison. In addition to teaching, I served 48 years in the Minnesota House of Representatives where I was a staunch advocate for education at all levels.

As a teacher, my goal was not only to teach the subject matter but also to get to know my students and to find common interests to help create a positive learning experience.

Serving on the Henry Foundation Board gives me an opportunity to continue my interest in helping students have a positive educational experience. The Foundation helps students as well as the faculty and staff working with the students. I believe that investing in education is one of the most important investments a society can make. The Foundation is investing in the school and improving opportunities for students.

Upcoming Events

Class of 1965 Luncheons

Second Wednesday each month, 1 pm: Pub 42, 7600 42nd Ave N, New Hope

Class of 1968 55th Reunion

Sept 9: Crowne Plaza Northwest, Plymouth MN

Contact: Bob Wetherille at robertwetherille@gmail.com or Steve Kozicky at mplsman50@hotmail.com

Class of 1957—Annual Luncheon

Sept 13, Noon: Lucky's Pub, 3000 Harbor Lane N, Plymouth

Contact: Warren Rolek at wjrolek@icloud.com.

Class of 1961—80th Birthday Celebration & 62nd Reunion

Sept 18, 11am—3pm: Pub 42, 7600 42nd Ave N, New Hope

Contact: Elaine Teige Zimmer 763-424-2023 or jackelaine.zimmer@gmail.com

Class of 1983—40th Reunion

Sept 22, 6-11pm: Brookview Golf Course, 316 Brookview Parkway South, Golden Valley Contact: Linda Lonn at linwol731@msn.com

Yearbooks for every student:

I wanted to share the Yearbook that I created using the money from my wish list. I made a Google slide show, printed the slides off, put them in slip jackets and then into a 3-ring binder. The slip jackets and binders were purchased with wish list money.

Creation of a "school store":

I also wanted to share what my store looked like that the students used for shopping. They learned how to use a recipe to create a shopping list, how to look in the cupboard and determine what to shop for, how to plan a meal and create a shopping list, how to add and subtract money using a calculator and how to use a coupon. They loved it! The wish list helped purchase the shopping baskets, stand up bags, produce baskets, and hanging pockets.

I wanted to thank you again for making these funds available to us.

Katie Bloomer (She/Her/Hers) Patrick Henry High School ASD Special Education Teacher



Patrick Henry High School Foundation Scholarships Thank you for your donations. They make these scholarships possible!

- Alexis Gutierrez received a \$2,500 Foundation Scholarship
- Juan Pino received a \$2,500 Foundation Scholarship
- Molly Minneama a \$2,500 Foundation Scholarship
- Natalia Love received a \$1,000 Gary A. Foss Scholarship
- Tysean Hughes received a \$1,000 Dan Schmidt Memorial Scholarship





Back row: Jim Sawyer, Charles Greene, Lyndon Carlson, Julie Anderson, Kim Thompson, Dave Berger Front row: Sharon Sawyer, Louise Seigworth, Judy Fehn, 'lil Henry, Cathy Peterson, Laura Hudoba, Geneva Kubal

We honor several Board members who recently "retired" from the Foundation: Jim and Sharon Sawyer, Judy Fehn and Cathy Peterson. The Foundation owes a debt of gratitude to these wonderful people who contributed so much of their time and talents to the Foundation over many years. The Foundation would not be where it is today without their decades of service. The current Board members will do our best to carry on the mission, "the past and the present coming together for the future".

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We Depend on Your Support

The Patrick Henry High School Foundation seeks to create an environment where students, families, teachers, and staff are empowered to shape the world in which they live. This environment ensures all students have equal access to quality materials and superior technologies. We see a world where our students excel by capturing the spirit of innovation and carving the path of our future. Our goal is to inspire personal growth and development that builds upon a foundation of skills, knowledge, and abilities, so they are equipped to become the future leaders of our society.

Please print your information below and mail it to: PHHS Foundation, 4320 Newton Avenue North, Minneapolis, MN 55412. Or visit the PHHS Foundation online to donate <u>https://patrickhenryhighschoolfoundation.org/donate</u>.

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