



PHHS FOUNDATION

The past and the present coming together for the future.

May 2020

President's Message

Coming from a family of teachers and a lot of students, several who are seniors in college and high school, I can empathize with the sadness and anxiety many are experiencing this spring. So many are feeling the loss of that final year of excitement and closure to this phase of their education. Hopefully, in ten or so years, they will look back with less pain on this part of their life story about how they endured the physical isolation, and loss of missing out educational experiences and milestones.

My teacher friends are also entering into a new world. So much of classroom instruction is based on human interaction. Teachers have had to learn a whole new way of presenting course content in a very short timeframe. And again, because of physical isolation, much of it had to be self-taught. Where once technology was a distraction in the classroom, it has become the primary means by which teachers can teach and connect with students during the pandemic.

In his novel *Origin*, Dan Brown wrote: "We are perched on the cusp of history. A time when the world feels like it is turned upside down and is nothing quite like we imagined. But uncertainty is always a precursor to sweeping change; transformation is always preceded by upheaval and fear. I urge you to place your faith in the human capacity for creativity and love, because of these two forces, when combined possess the power to illuminate any darkness."

We will survive this darkness, hopefully with a better understanding and appreciation for all of our human interactions. I know students and teachers will be very happy to reunite, whether it is this spring or next fall.

We, the PHHS Foundation Board, will continue to work to connect with our members through these unprecedented times. While the timing is uncertain, when schools open again, we will be ready to support Patrick Henry students, teachers and staff, and with a greater appreciation for each other.

They say that "necessity is the mother of invention." It's possible mothers will discover the cure for the Coronavirus after a few more weeks of home schooling!

Cathy Roehl Peterson, Class of '65
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.*

** During the Covid-19 pandemic "shelter at home" executive order issued by Governor Walz, we will meet via teleconference.*

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HELP US GROW THE FOUNDATION

After working on plans for a class reunion, I was looking for places to not only gather information, but share information. I stumbled upon the Patrick Henry High School (PHHS) Foundation. I was hoping the PHHS Foundation could help me and they did. But with that help, I discovered that they also could use some help.

The Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that was originally started in 1999 to administer the Wallin Scholarship Program. The Foundation's mission is to enhance the learning environment at Patrick Henry and expand educational opportunities for students. While the Foundation still provides scholarships, with tightened school district budgets, they now also provide much needed resources to bridge the divide between school administration funds and operational needs, for example, through "Wish List" items.

We need your help to fund the mission of the PHHS Foundation with financial contributions. Donations both large and small are accepted. Donations can be mailed to the high school address to the attention of the Foundation. We also accept donations electronically on our website, <http://phhsfoundation.org>. To donate online, select the yellow "Donate" button on the right side of the Foundation website page to be linked to PayPal.

The concept of "Paying it Forward" is a great way to make a positive impact. Think of the help you may have received or the help you wish you would have received as a youth. No matter what you come up with, I am sure you understand the difference both can make in a life. Be a part of helping to provide a positive environment where students can have access to quality materials and superior technologies. Help current students at Patrick Henry excel, become inspired, gain knowledge, and so much more. Let's help the faculty and staff to be better equipped to help students to become solid citizens in our changing society.

Members of the Foundation Board may include alumni, present or former staff, parents and community members. Some of the current and past board members are alumni and retired PHHS faculty from the 1960's. The Foundation could use some new members to help them maintain and expand it's mission. Consider attending a meeting to see what the Foundation is about. Determine what needs, if any, you are in a position to help. It could be as part of the Board, skills to train others, providing supplies or equipment that could be used by the students or faculty, or donating much needed funds to carry out the Foundation's mission. If you are unsure of how you can help at this time, become a member with a donation you are able to manage. Your support in any regard will be greatly appreciated.

To stay in touch with the Foundation, please see our contact information on the last page of this newsletter, including our website and Facebook page. The Foundation will communicate its needs through social media groups, email, phone calls and/or this newsletter. One of the easiest ways you can help the Foundation is to let other alumni know about the Foundation and its needs. Please share our contact information with other alumni to help us grow.

Geneva Kubal, Class of 1980

GRANTED 'WISH LIST' REQUESTS 2019—2020 SCHOOL YEAR

The PHHS Foundation supports monetary requests from faculty and staff for classroom and activity enhancements that are not covered by the school budget. The following is a list of the requests paid for by the Foundation for the 2019-2020 school year:

- \$5,250 PHHS spirit wear "Phamily Matters, Patriot Pride" t-shirts for entire student population
- \$50 to the PHamily Academy for students who enroll late in the year to welcome and to orient them to PHHS
- \$500 for the Life Skills/Autism Programs School Store
- \$1,000 for newspapers for the school wide SSR Program of reading for education
- \$76 for the Adult and Family Living Course
- \$225 Homecoming door decorating prize for the class that wins (juice and donuts)
- \$700 Incentives related to grades and attendance throughout the year
- \$260 for Honor Roll celebrations
- \$700 to Irreducible Grace Foundation workshop with a focus on healing from trauma through theater
- \$500 for III Emotional Behavior/Disorder (EB/D) program
- \$6,500 in scholarships from the Foundation

A sincere thank you to all who donated to the Foundation. Your contributions have made a difference in the lives of students at Patrick Henry High School!

DONATIONS—THANK YOU!!

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Lee Kopp

\$1,000-\$1,999

Jack Hansen '60 Memorial Fund

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In memory of My Coaches

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In honor of class of 1971

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Ron Stolksi '57

In memory of The Boys of Bohanon Field '52-'57

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To Herobotics/Robotics program

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In memory of Nick Hnath '61

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Less Than \$25

Susan (Skjold) Froslee '63

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In memory of Deceased class of 1953

Darrell F. Olson '66

In memory of Art Olson '56 & Frank Bydlon '65

Steve Skjold

PATRICK HENRY H.S. IN THE NEWS

Patrick Henry High School In The News

Patrick Henry High School was spotlighted in local newspapers recently. Below are some highlights from the published articles, including links to the full articles online.

Henry Herobotics Team builds urban competitiveness of Minneapolis Robotics, by Susan Breedlove, Feb. 28 Camden News

The robotic team at Patrick Henry High School, well-known as Herobotics, with the help of other Minneapolis robotics teams, recently secured a grant from Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) to purchase a \$20,000 world class aluminum competition field to be installed at Minneapolis Urban Robotics Alliance (MURA) Field. This field is inside the former Lincoln School at Penn Avenue and 12th St. N. Minneapolis Robotic teams will have a new competitive edge as they practice to increase their skills in local, state and national robotics events. The MURA Field has become the model or prototype of a practice field and is referred to as Hub. The model is being copied in five other parts of Minnesota. MURA Field, as a Competitive Robotics Hub, was the model on which DEED formed the larger statewide grant.

Full article at: <http://www.camdennews.org/2020/02/henry-herobotics-team-builds-urban-competitiveness-of-minneapolis-robotics/>.

Solar Suitcases from North Minneapolis to Northwest Kenya Turning light energy into electricity across the globe, by Susan Breedlove, Feb. 28 Camden News

Students of Principles of Engineering and Civil Engineering & Architecture classes at Henry High School built portable solar generator suitcases that will capture the sun's energy and bring electricity for students at schools in the Kakuma Refugee Camp in Kenya. They participated in a partnership with Wells Fargo, and the company "We Share Solar," building a dozen fully operational briefcase-sized solar power systems as part of a national project.

"There are 840 million people worldwide who just don't have access to electricity," said Henry High classroom instructor, Lars Peterson. "With this [solar generator] it can be beneficial and helpful for the people who are in dire need of electricity," said junior Fue Vang. Officials say the suitcases are powerful enough to illuminate two to three classrooms and charge devices such as mobile phones or tablets. Henry High is one of 11 Minnesota high schools participating in the "We Share Solar" project, collectively sending 26 suitcases to Kenya in early 2020.

Full article at: <http://www.camdennews.org/2020/01/solar-suitcases-from-north-minneapolis-to-northwest-kenya-turning-light-energy-into-electricity-across-the-globe/>

Henry High Wrestlers bring fellowship and excitement to the community "Wrestling is an opportunity to celebrate our students." PHHS Wrestling Co-Coach Minus, by Susan Breedlove, Jan. 29 Camden News

Joining the crowds attending the Henry High wrestling events has been an experience that rejuvenates one's spirit. Most of these motivated student wrestlers must get up at 5 a.m. to catch a city bus to Henry where they meet up with teammates and coaches at 6 a.m. to traverse to Saturday tournament matches around the metro area. They usually don't return to Henry until about 6 p.m. Despite this rigorous schedule the team's average Grade Point Average is 3.092 and some of these 18 young men and women have additional jobs in the community and family responsibilities to attend to.

The 2019-20 Henry High wrestling team is strikingly culturally diverse. The coaches are African American, Hmong, European American and American Indian. Student wrestlers have Lakota, Ojibwe, Hmong, Hispanic, African American, East African, Tibetan and European American roots. "Wrestling is a universal sport that dates back many centuries, as a way to show toughness and competitiveness," reflects Coach Minus.

A hope for the future is to have an updated designated wrestling room or space in the school that can meet and exceed the needs of our student athletes; a place to bring in families and youth.

Full article at: <http://www.camdennews.org/2020/01/henry-high-wrestlers-bring-fellowship-and-excitement-to-the-community-wrestling-is-an-opportunity-to-celebrate-our-students-phhs-wrestling-co-coach-minus/>

***'No big deal. We're just wrestlers.'* Patrick Henry's wrestling lineup features three young women**, by David Pierini, Jan. 9 North News

Hannah Brown, Jamesa Robinson and Danae Lawson are three girls on the Patrick Henry's wrestling team. "It's no big deal," Robinson said, "we're just wrestlers."

Once seen as a controversial rarity, girls in boys wrestling are becoming more common. Last season, more than 2,124 girls were on high school wrestling teams, a 27% increase from the previous year, according to the National Federation of State High School Associations. Minnesota high schools had 20 girls on wrestling teams last year, according to the federation's annual sports participation survey. The gender equity law known as Title IX does not require high schools to allow girls to wrestle, but many states, including Minnesota, allow it. Some states have separate teams for boys and girls and a couple, including South Dakota, forbid "mixed wrestling."

Despite the growing numbers of girls wrestling, there remains discomfort for some schools, coaches and wrestlers. "I guess I get it, but you still have to have progress," Coach Minus later said. "I think the girls add to the culture of wrestling. We train everybody the same to go out and compete. These girls are tough and they are just as dedicated and have the same drive as the boys."

Full article at: <https://mynorthnews.org/new-blog/2020/1/9/no-big-deal-were-just-wrestlers?fbclid=IwAR2ALkzQsI84mSoe90Xqwk3vUzk-BjfSmn49fb5Y24kqv2MMgXRNs0T-QVg>

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT & EVENTS

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Craig Anderson, Class of 1966

What career did you choose after graduation?

Medicine was always my goal since the 8th grade. After graduation, I went to Gustavus Adolphus College and then on to the University of Minnesota for Medical School. I was privileged to practice Family Medicine in Duluth for 40 years.

Who was your favorite teacher and why?

Mr. Ray. He taught trigonometry but it was as a coach for cross country and track that I got to know him personally. He was always encouraging and demanding, which I only came to appreciate years later.

Which high school class or activity benefited you most in your career or life?

Biology in 10th grade with Mr. Clawson. It continued to fuel my interest in nature and how all living things worked.

Nancy Hays, Class of 1980

What career did you choose after graduation?

I didn't really choose a "career." I have worked at hospitals since graduation, doing various clerical duties, mostly surgery scheduling.

Who was your favorite teacher and why?

Mr. Backes. He made learning fun. He never took his class too seriously and he had great sarcastic wit.

Which high school class or activity benefited you most in your career or life?

I'm not really sure what is responsible for my "organizational and planning" skills. From a practical application, typing class. Maybe Speech Team is to thank for my ability to talk to anyone (then again I am probably just a natural chatty person).

Hall of Fame applications are currently being accepted for 2020 nominees. Please visit our website at <http://phhsfoundation.org> for more information and to view or download a nomination form.

Upcoming 2020 Events

Because of the Covid-19 pandemic, please check with contacts listed here for the most current information and status of the event.

School Events

May 30: PHHS Class of 2020 Commencement; 8 PM, Minneapolis Convention Center

Class of 1951 Reunion

July 8: The Lookout Bar & Grill, Maple Grove; 11:30 AM. Contact: Jackie (Krieg) Alexander at 612-518-8044 or jackiea3942@gmail.com

Class of 1960 60th Reunion

July 31: Brookview Golf Course, Golden Valley; reunion starts 4 PM, dinner 6 PM; \$45/person. Contact: Joyce Johnson at 763-557-2565 or joycejohnson825@yahoo.com

All Classes Welcome: 10th Annual Patrick Henry "Up North" Reunion

July 31: Crosslake Campground, follow the signs to Pavilion #2, Crosslake, MN; 12 PM. Bring a dish to share and your own beverages. Contact: Judy Johnson Knox at 218-763-3547.

Class of 1956 64th Reunion

August 11: Edinburgh Golf Course, Brooklyn Park; 11 AM—4 PM. Contact: Ron Bolanda at 763-561-9601 or ronbolanda@centurylink.net

Class of 1970 50th Reunion

August 22: Plymouth Creek Community Center. Contact: Dave Sibley at dwsibley@unwsp.edu

Class of 1965 55th Reunion

September 9: Al and Alma's; 11 AM. Contact: Cathy Roehl Peterson at Tcpeterson1@comcast.net

Class of 1958 Reunion

Save the Date: September 15, Pub 42, New Hope

Class of 1980 40th Reunion

October 3: Embassy Suites North, Brooklyn Center; 6–11:30 PM. Contact: Geneva Kubal at 612-280-4539 or gkubal@aol.com

Class of 1975 45th Reunion

Save the Date: October 4, Elsie's Bar NE Mpls. Contact: Jim Cain

Fall Hall of Fame Luncheon

Save the Date: October 15

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