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Fall 2019

WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI FOUNDATION NEWS UPDATE

Message from the President

Wow...it's just amazing to me to think that this school year we will see the WHS class of 2020 graduate! Time flies when you're having fun, and many great things have been happening at Washington High....

I was honored to represent the Alumni Foundation at the August 26 Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the new science and classroom buildings. These buildings combine to form a new two-story school wing containing six science labs and six general classrooms at a final project cost of \$15.4 million. WHS Principal Bob Moran welcomed the crowd of students, parents, and dignitaries to the ceremony where FUSD School Board V.P. Desiree Campbell and Superintendent Dr. Kim Wallace both made brief speeches. The Huskies Marching band, under the direction of music teacher Amberle Mitchell, played a few songs on the patio outside the new building. After the ribbon cutting, attendees were able to tour the building and appreciate what a wonderful new learning environment this will be for students and staff.

And while we're celebrating new facilities, I want to remind you that this past March the FUSD School Board approved \$3.9 million in renovations and remodeling for the WHS Theater. The construction should start later this school year. Many folks believe that this project was approved as a result of a very vigorous and effective community-based advocacy campaign spearheaded by former FUSD school board member and WHS alumnus Bryan Gebhardt. Thank-you, Bryan!

All Alumni are invited to join us for a new social event on Thursday, October 10, starting at 5:30 pm. We will be gathering on the lawn area behind the

WHS main building for pizza, beverages, and good times. You will be able to see the Wall of Fame, and tour the new Science/classroom wing! The students will be celebrating Spirit Week with a "Unity Bonfire" later that evening in the outdoor amphitheater, and we're invited to stay and watch.

The Homecoming Game will be held the next night on Friday, October 11, at Tak Fudenna stadium. The Alumni Foundation Board will be there with our booth and some freebies for all Alumni who stop by to say, "Hi!"

We look forward to seeing you!

Steve Giudici
Class of '76



Homecoming Football Game

This fall's Homecoming Game will be played **Friday, October 11th** at Tak Fudenna stadium against Newark Memorial. JV kicks off at 4:30pm and Varsity at 7:00pm. The Alumni Foundation booth will be located near the stadium entrance. Come on by and say HI, check out the Alumni merchandise, sign in and receive a free gift. This is such a fun event each year, be sure to stop by.

Alumni Inducted Into the Hall of Fame

This past May 18, three distinguished alumni were inducted into the WHS Hall of Fame during a very special dinner held at Swiss Park. Fremont Mayor Lily Mei, City Councilman Rick Jones, and County Supervisor Scott Haggerty (1976 and a prior WHS Hall of Fame inductee) joined the crowd of alumni, families and friends gathered to honor Stephanie Scott Telles (1965), Dirk Lorenz (1978), and Bill Harrison (1998) as they became the latest additions to this accomplished group.

Members of the WHS school band entertained the crowd during the meal. The induction ceremony started after with each presentation proceeded by a brief biographical video and remarks by a close friend of the recipient. Mayor Mei presented each of the inductees with a special proclamation certificate, and their names will be added to the school's Wall of Fame.

The first inductee of the evening was Stephanie Scott Telles (1965) who was recognized for her long record of service to the school and community. Among her many accomplishments were service as the Alumni Board Historian, WHS building committee, Save the Arch Fundraising event chair and Washington Township Museum of Local History volunteer (in this roll she helped collect Washington Township HS memorabilia on display in the museum).

The next inductee was Dirk Lorenz (1978) who has an unparalleled record of service and support to WHS, Fremont Unified School District, the City of Fremont, Fremont Chamber of Commerce, Rotary International, and the list goes on and on. Dirk has always worked hard to preserve the character and history of our community, and he has leveraged his very successful business, Fremont Flowers, to help support and promote activities that raise funds for schools and community-based organizations.

Bill Harrison (1988) was the evening's final inductee. Being a successful CPA wasn't enough for Bill. He wanted to be a community leader. Starting his civic service in 2001 on the Fremont Planning Commission, Bill was elected to the City Council in 2006, and became Mayor of Fremont in 2012. Serving through 2016, Bill is proud of his

work on rebuilding the downtown areas of Fremont, and promoting the Warm Springs project to create a job center in proximity to mass transit. He was also instrumental in helping to negotiate full funding for a new school in that area.

The Alumni Foundation is proud to help facilitate the Hall of Fame and extends a very special "Thank you" to the WHS Student Leadership class, and alumni foundation board member Helen Tait Paris (1972) for her outstanding job planning and producing this event!



Do you use Amazon.com? Amazon has a program for users to make donations to the charity of their choice. The Alumni Foundation is a beneficiary of the Amazon Smile Program. Please sign up and designate us to benefit from your Amazon purchases.

<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/94-3127598>

eScrip Fundraising

eScrip is an easy way to make a contribution to the Washington High School Alumni Foundation. The Alumni Foundation is now a registered participant of the eScrip fundraising program. Participating merchants will make contributions to the WHS Alumni Foundation based on purchases you make by using the registered cards, at no additional cost to you.

If you are not an eScrip member, signing up is easy. (1) Log onto www.escrip.com (2) Click on "sign-up." (3) Enter your personal information (4) Choose "Washington High School Alumni Foundation" (5) Register your debit and credit cards.

If you are already supporting another organization, eScrip allows you to choose up to 3 organizations to support, so please add the Foundation. The WHS Alumni Foundation provides scholarships to graduating seniors and support for WHS student and campus activities. For eScrip Program Information, Merchant Lists or to sign up online visit www.escrip.com



Bon Fire for Spirit Week!

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"Circle of Honor" Bricks

Thank you to the hundreds of people who have ordered their "Circle of Honor" bricks. We are really excited about the high quality of these engraved bricks and the excellent location around the flagpole, in the front of the school, where they have been placed. At only \$35.00 each, they make a great gift for a friend or family member. All the money we raise goes toward scholarships for the seniors each year. Please call if you have any questions: **Susanne Turner** at 510-793-7452



WHSAF is on Facebook!

The WHSAF has caught up to the 21st century! We are on Facebook. You can access us at: **Washington High School Alumni Association, Fremont, CA** and **Washington High School Alumni Foundation, Fremont, CA**. Please stop in and "like" the pages, and let other Washington grads know the pages are there. We will update these pages with current Alumni news.

2019 Scholarships Awarded

On May 29th, the annual Senior Awards Night was held for the Class of 2019. The soon to graduate seniors were celebrated for their many accomplishments. The WHS Alumni Foundation

was proud to present 14 scholarships that evening. Those receiving Alumni Foundation Scholarships were:

Alumni Foundation School Service Scholarship

Ashley Kim
Irene Park
Shaini Shiva
Priveshika Venkat

Carrie Nunes Community Service Scholarship

Zuhair Imaduddin
Julian Perez

John Woodcock Athletic Leadership Scholarship

Franklin Agohi
Manasi Patel

Belinda Williams Biological Sciences Scholarship

Maryam Ayyub

Steve Avila Automotive Careers Scholarship

Bryan Arenas
Kevyn Ramirez

Mike Jacinto Team Player Scholarship

Gabriela Motta
Elisa Reclusado

Steve Barnett Scholarship

Ryan Ruhany



WHSAF Meetings

The WHS Alumni Foundation meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm in the Student Center at WHS. Come meet us as well as several school Leadership students.

Our remaining 2019 meetings are scheduled for:

October 8 meeting has been moved to October 10 before the Bonfire, November 12 and December 10. We are looking for alumni to help us with:

Webmaster and Newsletter Editor (we will supply the articles!) Won't you volunteer?

In Memory....

Irma Azeveda Vargas	1936
Bernice Weber Voorhees	1936
Jessie Leiva Rebiejo	1939

Dorothy Bettencourt Phippen	1941
Louis Sessa	1942
Bento Cardoso Leal	1942
Isabel Santos Garcia Kelly	1943
Manuel J. Rego	1944
Norma Jean Santos Freitas	1946
Sam Ayala	1947
Phillip P. Enciso	1948
Joseph Salvador	1948
John Quiros	1949
Marilyn LeCount Bernard	1950
Barbara Elias Sites	1951
Henry "Hank" Acosta	1952
Phillip Ayala	1953
Natalie Cicairos	1954
Dan Rodarte	1954
David A. Amaral	1955
Martha Nickel Flynn	1957
William "Al" Piper	1957
Anita Hernandez Carter	1958
Eva Rodarte Santos	1958
Clifton Seavey	1959
Alvina Gutierrez Martinez	1961
Alan R. Mathews	1961
Rosemary Silva Willis	1963
Vicky Jean Norman	1965
Marvin Oliver	1965
Carol Andrade	1966
Debbie Denham WHS	1963-65
Debbie Denham Kennedy	1966
Marsha Eddy Meekins	1969
Nancy Weatherford Boles	1971
Anthony (Sonny) Lucas	1972
Steven W. Avon	1974
Candace King Scott	1974
David W. Born	1977

Jeffrey R. Maberry	1985
Chrissy Rhines Kennedy	1990
Steve R. Duke	1995
Marlena Yauch Wall	1997
Kenneth Wagner	2003
Armondo Canales	2020



Important Newsletter Info

Please send us your email address!

WHSAF is trying to modernize as well as keeping costs under control. With that in mind, the board has decided to send your future copies of the newsletter via email. If you have an email address, you will be sent the newsletter electronically. It will also be posted on the Alumni foundation website www.whsaf.org.

If you do not have an email address or still require a "hardcopy" of the newsletter, please acknowledge your request for a "printed copy" when you renew your annual membership.

Got News?

To contribute any news or information regarding WHS past graduates, please contact **Susanne Turner** (class of 1958) at:

Caut@aol.com or call 510-793-7452.



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I am interested in joining the Washington High School Alumni Association!

- Recent Graduate (within 5 years): \$5 for first 5 years after graduation
- Annual Membership: \$20 New Renewal
- Annual Membership including spouse: \$30
- Senior Citizen Annual Membership (65+): \$15

I would like to make an additional donation to the WHS Alumni Foundation!

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| Classroom – Academic Grant Program | <input type="checkbox"/> \$50 <input type="checkbox"/> \$100 <input type="checkbox"/> \$250 <input type="checkbox"/> Other \$ _____ |
| General Scholarship Fund | <input type="checkbox"/> \$50 <input type="checkbox"/> \$100 <input type="checkbox"/> \$250 <input type="checkbox"/> Other \$ _____ |
| Carrie Nunes School Service Scholarship | <input type="checkbox"/> \$50 <input type="checkbox"/> \$100 <input type="checkbox"/> \$250 <input type="checkbox"/> Other \$ _____ |
| John Woodcock Athletic Scholarship | <input type="checkbox"/> \$50 <input type="checkbox"/> \$100 <input type="checkbox"/> \$250 <input type="checkbox"/> Other \$ _____ |
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