

COME HOME TO Riverside Foundation News

A newsletter serving alumni, friends and family of Riverside University High School

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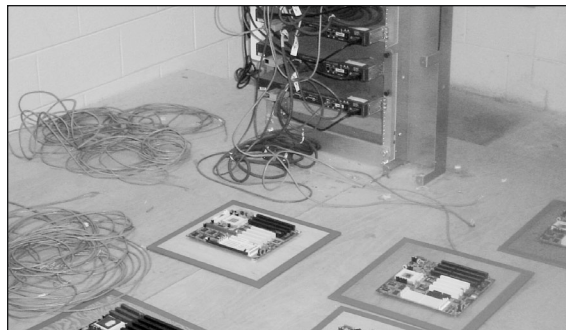
Jack Rosenberg
Class of 1937

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Riverside University High School MISSION STATEMENT

Riverside University High School is committed to being a diverse multicultural urban high school with a primary focus on the preparation of students for success in post-secondary educational settings. The shared efforts of students, parents, and staff will result in life long learners and productive citizens in the global community.

This Foundation newsletter will update everyone on how, and how well, the school actually carries out this Mission Statement on behalf of its 1,500 students.



The Network Academy, located in the 1980 addition to Riverside, is a two-year program where students can learn basic computer operation and maintenance skills.



Riverside University High School Bands and Orchestra

The Riverside University High School Bands and Orchestra have undergone an explosive growth in the past two years. The number of students participating in the beginner, intermediate and advanced bands, the orchestra and the jazz ensemble has increased dramatically. The number and quality of performances of these groups has also increased. The entire Instrumental Music Department has been moved from its cramped quarters in the old Band Room to Room 23, which previously served as the Wood Shop. The growth and relocation of these important programs have resulted in the need for significant upgrades in rehearsal space, storage space and particularly in the quality of the instruments, which are made available to participating students. For more information, Mr. VanPelt, the band director, can be contacted at mup1114@ameritech.net.

Treasurer's Report

During its six year existence, the Foundation has received nearly \$171,000 in donations from Riverside alumni and friends with all of the money being used to directly support the continued efforts of Riverside faculty, administration and parents to maintain the highest academic and citizenship standards possible for Riverside students.

In the past year alone, the Come Home to Riverside Foundation awarded eight (8) \$1,000 college scholarships to deserving Riverside senior graduates, purchased a \$2,870 LCD computer projector for the Riverside Technology

The current school cafeteria is located in an area which previously served as the old gymnasium which was built in the 1940's. The School Library is now located on the third floor where the cafeteria was once located. The badly overcrowded cafeteria currently serves lunch to approximately 1,600 students over three separate lunch periods.



The new rock-climbing wall is located in the "old" west gymnasium and is being built in several stages. The first phase, scheduled for completion in the Spring or Fall of 2004, will involve a rock-climbing wall on the entire lower portion of one wall in the gym. The final phase will involve a floor to ceiling rock-climbing wall. Juniors and seniors enrolled in the new physical education "Adventure Curriculum" will use this new activity wall.



Alumnus Steps Forward Once Again

Once again, Come Home To Riverside Foundation founder, Riverside High School graduate and benefactor, Jack Rosenberg, has stepped forward to meet the needs of the school with a generous donation of \$3,000 for the purchase of upgraded computer technology for the production staff of the "Word On The River," the current name for the Riverside University High School newspaper. Jack and his wife, Lucy, continue to demonstrate their deep commitment to the preservation and enhancement of high quality academic and citizenship standards at Riverside. Their efforts are much appreciated.

Department and contributed \$831 to the Renaissance Program in support of their efforts to reward students who have worked hard to achieve a 3.0 (B) or better scholastic grade point average.

We thank all of the Foundation contributors for supporting the Come Home to Riverside Foundation. Your donations will help the Foundation to continue to support Riverside's high academic and citizenship standards in the face of the crippling budget cuts imposed by the State of Wisconsin.



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2003 Riverside Principal's One-hundred Dollar Black and Orange Awards (as of 12/4/03):

These Riverside University High School alumni/friends have each contributed \$100 or more in 2003 to the Come Home To Riverside Foundation. Their generous contributions, along with those of hundreds of other alumni and friends, are assisting the Foundation in its efforts to support the continued excellence in education at Riverside.

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| Richard Allen | Theodore and Susan Cohen | Morris Goodman | Charles Nelson | Ruth Renzelmann | Margarete Van Antwerpen |
| Mary Barnes | Judith T. Dietrich-Jones | Clayton Hahn | Fred and Nancy Novak | Eric Riemenschneider | David Wade |
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- Alumnus — Year Graduated: _____
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Additional Donation: \$ _____

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

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Your Continued Support of Riverside Is Greatly Appreciated.