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### The All School Reunion Is Back For 2023!

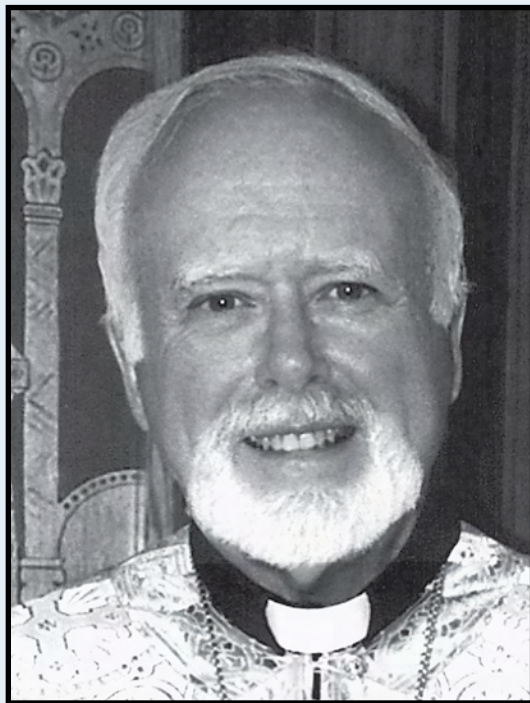
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We are excited to welcome all of our classmates back to the halls of West Seattle High School, and reminisce and celebrate in person again. Activities are being planned, the neighborhood is excited and a schedule of events can be found here in the Chinook! Please see pages 2, 11, and the back cover for more details.

Rekindle friendships, Recall memories, and Refresh ourselves with an appreciation of the memories that made West Seattle High School so special. Really, how often do you get to use the line: "Don't I know you from kindergarten?"

- The WSHS Alumni Association Board

## WEST SEATTLE HIGH SCHOOL HALL OF FAME 2023

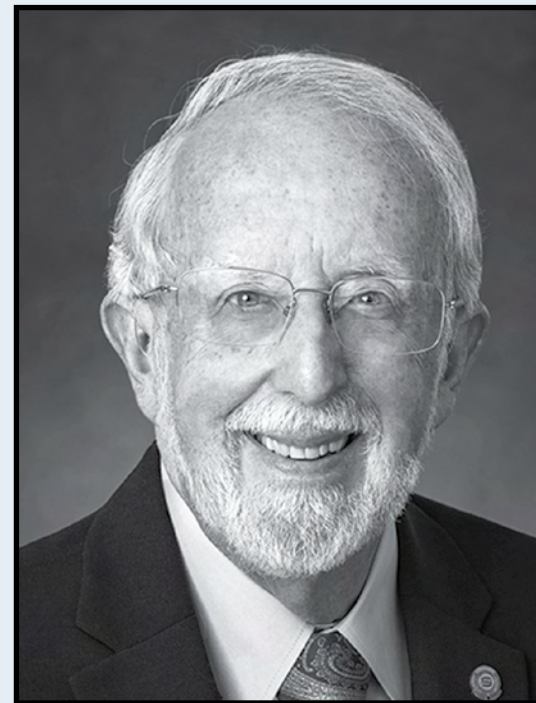


### Rev. Micheal "Bruce" Johnson Class of 1955

*Priest, Eagle Scout and Hero*

While Bruce is known as "Fr. Michael" in the Orthodox Church, he is still "Bruce" to his family and long-time friends. He was born in Seattle in 1938 and moved to West Seattle in 1942. In 1951 Bruce entered West Seattle High School, and perhaps because he was the only one who fit the uniform, he

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### John W. Purvis Class of 1955

*Aircraft Accident Investigator*

John Purvis is an internationally recognized expert in large aircraft accident investigations. He was born in Canada and came to the U.S. as an infant, settling with his parents in West Seattle. He attended Lafayette and Madison grade schools and had West Seattle Herald and Seattle Times paper routes.

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Oldest  
Alum?"**  
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WSHSAA President/  
Chinook Editor  
Karen Seamens Dobbs,  
Class of 1971  
Photo: Gordon Modin

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE / LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

At long last, the Seattle School District has lifted the pandemic restrictions on the use of their buildings and, at least in West Seattle, there was much rejoicing. Not only can the WSHS Alumni Assoc resume in-person meetings but the building is now available for the All-School Reunion!

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But unlike before, there will be no program in the theater. The Alumni scholarships will be presented to the students at the school's Senior Award Night and the Hall of Fame inductees will be honored at a different venue (see announcement on the cover and below). Declining (or shall we say non-existent) attendance at the theater program in recent years prompted us to re-examine the format of the ASR.

The classes of 1970, 1971 and 1972, who missed their 50th year recognitions due to the pandemic restrictions, will be featured in their groups at the planned "Pep Rally" event, along with this year's actual 50th class, 1973.

Board members John Zitkovich and Carlos Estrada-Alamos have taken the reins and have planned a less structured, more exuberant celebration of West Seattle students, past and present.

By bringing current high school students into the festivities, we are hoping to become more visible, as an organization, to them. As the Alumni, we need to show the students of West Seattle HS that we want to support them in addition to providing scholarships to graduating seniors.

It was recently pointed out, at a Class Rep meeting, that students are very appreciative of alums who attend their activities: sports events, musical and theatrical performances, even club fundraisers, such as the Key Club's spaghetti dinner. We can also explore other ways in which to support WSHS students.

The Alumni Assoc is very anxious to welcome members of all ages (none of us are getting any younger!) into the organization. Our Board consists completely of volunteers, either with full-time jobs or of retirement age. The volume of our collective workload has become nearly overwhelming. We are still in need of a Secretary to attend our 8 meetings a year and take minutes; our Treasurer needs assistance with processing and recording incoming checks. We also need more "tech-savvy" alums coming forward to assist with our database and website. Please consider joining us (we're a Fun Group!); any amount of your time would be a gift to us all.

HUGE Thank Yous to John and Carlos for planning our first post-pandemic ASR, as well as Many Thanks to Terese, Sandy, Linda, Ted and Chris, who toil (almost) tirelessly to keep the WSHS Alumni Assoc going.

After three years of "cocooning", let's burst out and make new paths forward!

Karen (Seamens) Dobbs,  
Class of 1971  
President

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# Welcome to the All School Reunion 2023

**When:** Saturday, June 3, 2023, 4:00 - 7:00 pm








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## HALL OF FAME

### Rev. "Bruce" Johnson Continued from cover

was soon chosen as drum major of the band, a post he held for the next four years. Eventually, Bruce also became concertmaster of the orchestra. After four musical years at West Seattle, Bruce graduated in 1955 as valedictorian of his class. Meanwhile, Bruce earned a scholarship to Williams College in Williamstown, Mass. He completed his freshman and sophomore years "back East," but knowing that he would end up living in Seattle, Bruce transferred to the University of Washington, where he graduated cum laude in 1959 with a degree in literature.

In 1962 Bruce entered the Eastern Orthodox Church, specifically the Orthodox Church in America. Here he was ordained to the priesthood in 1973. In 1992 "Fr. Michael" transferred to the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America, where he is now a retired priest.

From 1970 to 1990, Bruce enjoyed a career in marketing and public relations with the local telephone company. At the same time, he served the Church, primarily as an assistant pastor and youth minister. In 1990 Bruce accepted an early retirement offer from secular employment, and became a full-time clergyman. During the next 13 years, he served as executive director of All Saints Camp and Retreat Center near Gig Harbor, as pastor of St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church in Tacoma, and was founding pastor of Holy Apostles Greek Orthodox Parish in Shoreline.

As a youth, Bruce was a member of Alki Troop 281, and in 1955, he attained the rank of Eagle Scout. Today, Bruce is a 59-year veteran of the Boy Scouts of America, having received a number of recognitions for his service to youth. This includes the Silver Beaver, the highest honor a local Scout council can grant to an adult leader, as well as the Prophet Elias award, the highest recognition the Orthodox Church can bestow on an adult leader in Scouting. Through the years, Bruce has never forgotten the words he first pledged in the Scout Oath at age eleven. These include, "to help other people at all times."

On October 9, 2017, a sunny national holiday, Bruce was walking home through a quiet neighborhood near the West Seattle Library, when he suddenly heard a woman screaming for help. Her face was bloodied and she was being pursued by another woman, holding a large knife and shouting at her. As it turned out the victim had been pushing her one-year-old son in a carriage on her way to Metropolitan Market when without warning, the assailant ran up from behind

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## HALL OF FAME

### John Purvis Continued from cover

He and his sister Joan graduated from West Seattle High School in 1955 and 1957 respectively. During high school he was a photographer for school publications and co-editor of the 1955 Kimtah.

While he was still a student at the University of Washington, he began his life's career at The Boeing Company. When he graduated with degrees in mechanical (1959) and industrial engineering (1961), he went to work full time at the company, and eventually spent six years overseas representing Boeing in London and Amsterdam.

In 1982 Boeing named John to manage the team of specialists who investigate airplane accidents. He personally investigated more than 17 major accidents and led the investigations of more than 250 other major accidents and more than 2500 other events around the globe. He represented the company at public hearings with regulatory agencies. His role in coordinating the implementation of safety recommendations with design, maintenance and operations engineers has made a vital contribution to the safety of the world's fleet and to the flying public.

By the time he retired in 1998, he had earned a highly respected reputation in the complex, technical world of aviation safety. Called the "dean of commercial jet accident investigations," accolades lauding his technical and people skills flooded in from the Federal Aviation Agency, the National Transportation Safety Board, countless Boeing customers and other investigative agencies around the world.

After retiring he formed a consulting business, while teaching and speaking on behalf of aviation safety to groups around the world, in affiliation with the Southern California Safety Institute and as a Distinguished Lecturer for the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics. Even today, he is frequently sought after by news sources to provide expert background information for their stories.

John has established fellowships for graduate students in Mechanical Engineering and Nursing and a scholarship for Industrial Engineering, all at the University of Washington.

John is a Fellow of the International Society of Air Safety Investigators (ISASI). He holds professional engineer and private pilot licenses. Today, he devotes hundreds of hours each year to the Museum of Flight, serving as a teacher and docent. For nine year he was a Trustee on their Board, recently graduating to Emeritus Trustee. In the past, he also served on the small but devoted team of 1955 West Seattle grads who plan their periodic reunions.

## Reception Will Honor the Hall Of Fame Winners from 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023

A reception will be held on June 17, 2023 to honor the West Seattle High School's Hall of Fame inductees who missed out on public recognition because of the covid pandemic. Although there will be an All-School Reunion (ASR) this year, the theatre portion of the program has been eliminated due to declining attendance. The event will take place from 2-5 PM in the social hall of St John the Baptist Episcopal Church, 3050 California Ave SW (right next door to the high school).

Hall of Fame recipients from 2020, 2021, 2022 and this year, 2023, will be the guests of honor, along with their families and friends.

Those being formally recognized are Christy (Young) Rowe from the class of 1972, Dennis Madsen from the class of 1966, David Townsend from the class of 1971, Ralph Braseth from the class of 1976, Carol Ann (Sharp) Thornton from the class of 1971, John Purvis from the class of 1955 and Bruce Johnson, also from the class of 1955. David Foster, a 2021 inductee from the class of 1958 has since passed away.

Hall of Fame VP Ted Foss will present each honoree with a brief introduction.

## Hall of Fame

### Nomination Information

Hall of Fame nomination forms will be accepted anytime until December. Next January, the WSHS Alumni Association Board will review the nominations and select four finalists for the board and Class Reps to vote on at the February meeting. One or two finalists will win the Hall of Fame Award for 2024 and will be notified soon thereafter. Each winner will be honored at the ASR planned for 2024.

All nominations received but not selected, will be kept on file and reconsidered for the next year.

### Hall of Fame Nomination Form

The Alumni Association inaugurated the WSHS Hall of Fame in 1986. The nominee should be an outstanding individual noteworthy in their field or community at large. If you would like to nominate an individual for the Hall of Fame, please submit the following form (Please type or print):

#### Hall of Fame Nominee

I would like to submit the following name for consideration by the West Seattle High School Hall of Fame Committee. I will attach a typed sheet of paper (no more than 1-½ pages) explaining my reason(s) for this nomination.

NOMINEE: \_\_\_\_\_ GRADUATION YEAR: \_\_\_\_\_  
If married, please include maiden name

SUBMITTED BY: \_\_\_\_\_ CLASS: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

MAIL TO: WSHS Alumni Association  
 Attn: Hall of Fame Committee  
 4742 42nd Ave SW #215, Seattle, WA 98116

## Donations to the WSHS Alumni Association 2023 (as of 3/13/2023)

Thank you for continuing the legacy. Your generous donations help West Seattle students succeed.

### MEMBERS OF THE MILLENNIUM CLUB

(Those contributing \$1000 or more, \* = \$5,000 or more, \*\* = \$25,000 or more)

- \*WSHS Class of 1972
- Jim Abernethy (1948)
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- Sue Richardson Whittenberg (1961)
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- \*Class of 1970
- Bruce Adams (1962)
- George Adams (1963)
- Bob M Allen (1964)
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- Howard V Baldwin (1965)
- Patricia Baker Hewitt (1959)
- Margaret "Peggy" Baugh Newsom (1949)
- Elizabeth Becker (1965)
- Jim Biava (1971)
- Jim Boltz (1960)
- Betty Bonney (1951)
- Janice Borrow Mrs James Borrow (1962)
- Dan & Patti (Anderson) Boyle (1965)
- Glenda Braun (1964)
- Sharon Brooks Briggs (1957)
- Mark Brown (1963)
- Bernie Carlsen (1959)
- James F Carlson (1965)
- Michael Carr (1968)
- Kimberley Chavey Olson (1981)
- Charlene Chew Jensen (1966)
- Mark Christopher (1975)
- Patrick Connor (1958)
- Michelle Cross (1965)
- Barbara Current Feilberg (1950)
- Paul M De Faccio (1956)
- Alan Delsman (1964)
- Kathleen Dempsey Itter (1972)
- \*Neil Dewey (1968)
- Darrel Dietz (1966)
- Dorothy Dixon Van Leuven (1955)
- Diane Divers Taylor (1961)
- Stanley J Dorst (1945)
- Susan Draper (1970)
- Andrew H Eker (1958)
- Patsy Ann Elliott Wells (1964)
- Guy Farmer (1953)
- Fred Fleischmann (1962)
- Arvin Lee Fosse (1960)
- Gene R Freeburg (1954)
- Adele Gallaher Drummond (1961)
- Skip Gingras (1969)
- Roberta Goodwin Jenes (1958)
- Elizabeth Goplerud (1976)
- Dean Graddon (1957)
- Ron Hagedorn (1956)
- Gretchen Hage Apgar (1984)
- Marilyn Gross Hall (1970)
- Graham Haight (1968)
- \*Jeff Hamilton (1970)
- David M Hansen (1961)

### MEMBERS OF THE CENTURY CLUB (Continued)

- Don Hanson (1963)
- L Jane Hastings (1945)
- Mary Head (1976)
- Arlene Heaslip Angell (1958)
- H Thomas Heerhartz (1957)
- \*Darlene Heldman Milkowski (1957)
- Kirk Hendrickson (1972)
- Vicki Hermann Vaux (1965)
- Ralph Heritage (1955)
- John Herron (1968)
- John Hetrick (1962)
- Linda Hill Preble (1960)
- Linnea Hogdahl File (1957)
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- Perry Jackson Welch (1958)
- Donald M Johnson (1948)
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- Laird Kever (1972)
- Gregg Kennedy (1966)
- Kraig Kennedy (1965)
- Jessica Kerwin Cappiello (1995)
- Chris King (1955)
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- \*Doris Koeplinger Jones (1950)
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- Ruth Leahy Gass (1973)
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- David Little (1964)
- Allan Mackay (1957)
- Heidi Madden Anderson (1963)
- Dennis Madsen (1966)
- John & Michele (Oss) Malgren ((1971)
- Molly Malone Philopant (1972)
- Norma Martin Guenthoer (1963)
- Chadwick E Martin (1970)
- Stephen D Martin (1958)
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- Marilyn McDonald Moon (1945)
- Wanda McGlasson (1958)
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- James E Miller (1957)
- Judi Miller Dana (1957)
- Lynne Morris (1962)
- Leo Moter (1960)
- Dave Mullis (1966)
- Diane Murray Bundrant (1972)
- Gwen Nesheim Howard (1957)
- \*Roger Newell (1960)
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- John Petit (1957)
- Pauline Poppelreiter Couch (1952)
- Patricia Pryor Murphy (1952)
- Dennis J Rasmusson (1959)
- Philip Ratcliff (1973)
- James Rendahl (1958)
- Leslie Rhodes Markey (1979)
- Janice Richardson Stell (1966)
- Eddie Richter (1961)
- Madeleine Roberts Hagen (1950)
- James Rocheleau (1957)
- John H Rogers (1955)
- Shirley Roses Burris (1955)
- Charles Rossman (1956)
- Dave & Christy (Young) Rowe (1972)
- Russell Rumberger (1967)
- Judith (Lowdon) & Alan Russell (1962)
- Terry Rust (1956)
- \*Thomas F Salstrom (1954)
- Eric B Sandall (1965)
- Richard B Sanders (1951)
- John K Selle (1956)
- Robert Skotheim (1951)
- Jimene Smith (1964)
- R Gary Smith (1964)
- Greg Snow (1979)
- Brian Spitzer (1981)
- Timothy J Ste. Marie (1966)
- Darcy Stephens Dabek (1964)
- Randy Stiles (1967)
- \*Jim Struss (1959)
- Mark D Swanson (1977)
- Judson Talmadge (1974)
- Gwen Tatman Fraser (1957)
- Russell Taylor (1968)
- Mel Terrana (1958)
- Sharon Teyler Girod (1960)
- Jon & Audrey (Lowdon) Tharp (1957 & 1958)
- Teri Thies Koretsky (1962)
- Toni Thies Griffin (1961)
- E Calvin Thomas (1957)
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- Drew Thoresen (1962)
- Moonie Thornquist (1956)
- \*Tim Thornton (1955)
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- Carolyn Toly Mattern (1966)
- \*Lorraine Toly (1966)
- Tam Tran (2003)
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- Roger T Trimble (1956)
- Christi Tupper (1961)
- Julie Tupper (1972)
- MSgt Walter A Vickery (1956)
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- Howard Wahl (1952)
- Greta Walker Pelham (1956)
- Jim & Gaile (Kelly) Walsh (1966)
- Patricia Warner Williams (1960)
- Carl Weer (1973)
- Linda Weis Sherer (1957)
- Patricia Wheeler Stensel (1960)
- Paula Wissing Jamison (1967)
- David & Janice (Peterson) Witzel (1961 & 1963)
- David C Wold (1952)
- Kay Yackley Johnston (1958)
- Bob Young (1961)

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Century and Millennium Club donations must have been received by February 28, 2023 for recognition in the 2023 Alumni Chinook.

IN HONOR OF (as of 3/13/2023)	GIVEN BY	IN MEMORY OF	GIVEN BY	IN MEMORY OF	GIVEN BY
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Class of 1948 .....	Donald M Johnson (1948)	Class of 1964 (who have passed away) .....	Glenda Braun (1964)	Gordon Brown (Teacher & 1932) .....	Ronald E Miller (1951)
Class of 1950 .....	Madeline Roberts Hagen (1950)	Class of 1972 Deceased Classmates .....	WSHS Class of 1972	Gordon Brown (Teacher & 1932) .....	Jimene Smith (1964)
Class of 1953 .....	Guy Farmer (1953)	Fallen Classmates of Class of 1968 .....	John Herron (1968)	Gordon Brown (Teacher & 1932) .....	Bob & Kathy (Johnson) Young (1961)
Class of 1958 .....	Mel Terrana (1958)	Oliver Ahrenius (1934) .....	Alan & Judy (Lowdon) Russell (1962)	Helen Butzirus Crum (1949) .....	Margaret "Peggy" Baugh Newsom (1949)
Class of 1960 .....	Jim Boltz (1960)	Oliver Ahrenius (1934) .....	Jon & Audrey (Lowdon) Tharp (1957 & 1958)	Shirley Bybee Berry (1958) .....	Marilyn Amivk Chisholm (1958)
Class of 1960 .....	Roger Newell (1960)	Jeanne Albert Talmadge (1944) .....	Judson Talmadge (1974)	Catherine Carfrae Rhodes (1944) .....	Leslie Rhodes Markey (1979)
Class of 1963 .....	Barbara Lutz Koppe (1963)	Sara Ames Connor (1961) .....	Patrick Connor (1958)	David Carlsen (1964) .....	Bernie Carlsen (1959)
Class of 1964 .....	Nancy Aleksich Tait (1964)	Carrie Anderson Tiroux (1970) .....	Dan & Patti (Anderson) Boyle (1965)	Beverly Carlson Hammack (1973) .....	Ruth Leahy Gass (1973)
Class of 1966 .....	Gregg Kennedy (1966)	John D Anderson (1968) .....	Neil Dewey (1968)	Del Carlson (1965) .....	James F Carlson (1965)
Landrum "Lan" Head (1966) .....	Mary Head (1976)	Marvin Anderson (1943) .....	Dan & Patti (Anderson) Boyle (1965)	Ron Champoux (1949) .....	Marilyn M Champoux Fischer (1950)
Tom Jensen (1966) .....	Madeleine Roberts Hagen (1950)	Ron Anderson (1969) .....	Dan & Patti (Anderson) Boyle (1965)	Jacob Chavey (1957) .....	Kimberley Chavey Olson (1981)
Charles King (1951) .....	Al Ossinger (1950)	Joseph "Joe" Baar (1961) .....	David Hansen (1961)	Phyllis Clark Harriage (1957) .....	Patricia Clark Conklin (1955)
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Don Rossman (1950) .....	Gloria Thompson McCarty (1950)	Ruth V Beveridge (1934) .....	Norma Martin Guenthoer (1963)	Barbara Cox Iacolucci (1950) .....	Edward J Keegan
Sylvia Whitman Baird (1950) .....	Al Ossinger (1950)	Mark Bloom (1964) .....	John Koenes (1964)	Ronald Cox (Teacher) .....	Patsy Ann Elliott Wells (1964)
<b>IN MEMORY OF (as of 3/13/2023)</b>	<b>GIVEN BY</b>	James Whitaker Borrow MD (1962) .....	Janice Borrow	Saralyn Cross Morrell (1961) .....	Michelle Cross (1965)
The Amazing Miss McKenzie .....	Boots Spannaus Winterstein (1958)	James Whitaker Borrow MD (1962) .....	Edward & Shirley Schoen	Jim Cufley (1957) .....	Jerry Caton (1957)
Teachers .....	Elizabeth Eldred Davis (1962)	Darelle Botten Baker (1952) .....	Joan Batson King (1952)	Jim Cufley (1957) .....	John E Petit (1957)
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Larry Duncan (1966)	Jim & Gaile (Kelly) Walsh (1966)	Ron Lenton (1970)	Laurie Tillotson Simpson (1970)	Beverly Snow Rowe (1946)	Dave & Christy (Young) Rowe (1972)
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Jerry Ernst (1960)	Denny & Jenna (Winquist) Olson (1965)	Mike Litch (1970)	Laurie Tillotson Simpson (1970)	Wayne Storm (1950)	Barbara Current Feilberg (1950)
Capt John H File	Linnea K Hogdahl File (1957)	Robert L Little (1956)	David Little (1964)	Don Swanson (1950)	Mark D Swanson (1977)
Peter C Filipovich (1971)	Ruth Leahy Gass (1973)	Les Lynch (1969)	Ruth Leahy Gass (1973)	Dennis Sweeney (1959)	Dennis Rasmussen (1959)
Gerry Flagg (1960)	George T Wagner (1960)	Mary Irene Madden Little (1966)	Heidi Madden Anderson (1963)	Arthur Terrana (1961)	Mel Terrana (1958)
Barbara Flint Petty (1962)	Alan & Judy (Lowdon) Russell (1962)	Jim Magnussen (1958)	Perry Jackson Welch (1958)	Arthur Terrana (1961)	Lewis Jones (1961)
Carolyn Flint Nay (1955)	Alan & Judy (Lowdon) Russell (1962)	Mary Marchand Koenes (1961)	John P Kones (1964)	Bill Teyler (1964)	Sharon Teyler Girod (1960)
Paul Fosso (Music Teacher)	Patsy Ann Elliott Wells (1964)	Don Martin (Sealth 1964)	Stephen Martin (1958)	Mark Thomas (1968)	Raymond "Terry" Thomas (1965)
Margaret Gamrath Toly (1932)	Carolyn Toly Mattern (1966)	Frances Mattison (Teacher)	Lorraine Toly (1964)	Jerry B Thornton (1951)	Tim Thornton (1955)
Margaret Gamrath Toly (1932)	Lorraine Toly (1964)	John W McDonald (1948)	Marilyn McDonald Moon (1945)	Clara Thuen Dempsey (1949)	Kathleen Dempsey Itter (1972)
Terry Gangnes (1965)	Denny & Jenna (Winquist) Olson (1965)	Jim McKelvey (1966)	Jim & Gaile (Kelly) Walsh (1966)	Garnet Trimble (1916)	Roger Trimble (1956)
Fred Glandon (1954)	John H Rogers (1955)	Harry McLellan (1928)	Janet McLellan Cochran (1963)	Norman Trulin (1946)	Bruce Adams (1962)
Patrice Goplerud (1978)	Elizabeth Goplerud (1976)	Joy D Moore (1948)	Janice Dexter Ochoa (1948)	Don Van Blaircom (1952)	Howard Wahl (1952)
Sally Jo Granquist (1962)	Elizabeth Eldred Davis (1962)	Dorothy Mootafes (Teacher)	Karen Seamens Dobbs (1971)	Albert Vaux (1965)	Vicki Hermann Vaux (1965)
Doug Graves (1944)	Marilyn Peterson Graves (1945)	Dorothy Mootafes (Teacher)	Carolyn Toly Mattern (1966)	Albert Vaux (1965)	Richard Mickelson (1965)
Paul Gross (1938)	Marilyn Gross Hall (1970)	Dorothy Mootafes (Teacher)	David Mullis (1966)	Diane Vickery Green (1957)	MSgt Walter A Vickery (1956)
Loren Gulhaugen (1963)	Ronald E Olson (1964)	Dorothy Mootafes (Teacher)	Timothy J Ste. Marie (1966)	Lori Vigil (1978)	Bruce & Donna (Cocherl) Lindseth (1977)
Carol Gutberlet Head (1943)	Mary Head (1976)	Dorothy Mootafes (Teacher)	Lorraine Toly (1964)	Harry Vye (1956)	Terrill "Terry" Rust (1956)
Mary Gutberlet Baker (1943)	Mary Head (1976)	Lisa Murray (1974)	Diane Murray Bundrant (1972)	Harry Vye (1956)	Moonie Thornquist (1956)
Barbara Hagquist Smith (1940)	R Gary Smith (1964)	Gail Lillian Nelson Boyd (1963)	Lawrence A Boyd (1966)	Shirlee Waite McDonald (1960)	Patricia Warner Williams (1960)
Scott Haight (1937)	Graham Haight (1968)	Delmar Nordquist (Teacher)	Bob & Kathy (Johnson) Young (1961)	Mike Walsh (1964)	Jim & Gaile (Kelly) Walsh (1966)
Jon Halverson (1958)	Garland H Berger (1958)	E F Norwood (Teacher)	Bob & Kathy (Johnson) Young (1961)	Harry Warne (Teacher & 1933)	Lorraine Toly (1964)
June Hansen Thies (1936)	Teri Thies Koretsky (1962)	Fred Nuber (1962)	Robert G Nuber (1958)	Hubert Warnick (1946)	Jim Haviland (1946)
June Hansen Thies (1936)	Toni Thies Griffin (1961)	Art "OH BOY" Oberito (1945)	Mike McElnoe (1965)	Roland & Petra (Ulsamer) Weis (1961)	David Hansen (1961)
Jim Harryman (1954)	Gene R Freeburg (1954)	Marshall Okada (1966)	Gerald Okada (1958)	James B Williams Jr (1988)	Mark D Johnson (1988)
Claudia Hickerson Moter (1959)	Linda Blackinton (1959)	Douglas Palmer (1959)	Linda Blackinton (1959)	H.A. "Speed" Winquist (1930)	Denny & Jenna (Winquist) Olson (1965)
Claudia Hickerson Moter (1959)	Leo C Moter (1960)	Shirley Palmer Nelson (1951)	Audrey Palmer Williams (1950)	George Zoffel (1952)	Robert Zoffel (1982)
Gary Holgate (1959)	Donna Holgate Anderson (1962)	Art Peterson (1960)	Arvin Lee Fosse (1960)		
Paul Hudson (1966)	Jim & Gaile (Kelly) Walsh (1966)	Larry Pierce (1955)	Jack & Leilia Pierce (1957)		
Joanne Hurst Daniels (1957)	Robert & Lynda (Moody) Hurst (1958 & 1959)	Louise Pierce (Teacher)	Ronald E Miller (1951)		
Martha C Hutchison Martin (1932)	Stephen D Martin (1958)	David Preble (1952)	Linda Hill Preble (1960)		
Edythe Jackson Swanson (1936)	Joyce Swanson	Jim Quentin (1963)	Don Hanson (1963)		
James E Johnston (1954)	Kay Yackley Johnston (1958)	Ron Riedasch (1961)	Sue Richardson Whittenberg (1961)		
Tom Johnson (1958)	Perry Jackson Welch (1958)	Ron Riedasch (1961)	Denny & Jenna (Winquist) Olson (1965)		
Carl E Jones (1946)	Doris Koeplinger Jones (1950)	Ron Riedasch (1961)	Lewis Jones (1961)		
Justin Kapaun (1994)	Jessica Kerwin Cappello (1995)	Maybelle Rice (1918)	E Calvin Thomas (1957)		
Nels Kaspersen (1964)	John Koenes (1964)	Larry Richter (1963)	Eddie Richter (1961)		
Larry Keller (1966)	Jim & Gaile (Kelly) Walsh (1966)	Alan Roses (1958)	Shirley Roses Burris (1955)		
John Kelly (1939)	Jim & Gaile (Kelly) Walsh (1966)	George "Jerry" Rowe (1945)	Dave & Christy (Young) Rowe (1972)		
Jeannie Kelly (1963)	Elizabeth Eldred Davis (1962)	Bob Saito (1957)	James Rocheleau (1957)		
Genie T Kent Phelan (1955)	Bill Phelan (1954)	Joan Sakrison Armitage (1961)	Robert & Lynda (Moody) Hurst (1958 & 1959)		
K Ron Keesling (1956)	Greta Walker Pelham (1956)	Rod Sakrison (1964)	John Koenes (1964)		
Miss Kilberg	Eric B Sandall (1965)	Cherrie Stephens (1961)	Darcy Stephens Dabek (1964)		
Mary Louise Killeen Richardson (1931)	Sue Richardson Whittenberg (1961)	Terry Ste. Marie (1962)	Tim Ste. Marie (1966)		
Doris Koeplinger Jones (1950)	Carl E Jones (1946)	Ralph Seamens (1950)	Karen Seamens Dobbs (1971)		
Susie Koreski King (1955)	Chris King (1955)	Dan Shaw (1964)	John Koenes (1964)		
Anne Kriegel Gunlogson (1955)	Helen Hudson (1956)	Ann Smith Dirks (1956)	Helen Hunter (1956)		

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# WSHSAA Scholarships

By Sandy Woody DuBuque Scholarship V. P. Class of '69

Two Thousand Twenty-Two, saw an end of the horribly restrictive pandemic lockdowns and a return to some familiar activities. Although we still all at least consider wearing masks if we have a cold, it's now a choice & not a requirement.

We were able to return to the in-person interviews this year which has always been a plus. It's always a joy to meet and speak with our wonderful students. We didn't get to have our All-School Reunion, to introduce this year's recipients, but the students were honored at the Senior Awards night held by the school. This year the presentation of students is once again relegated to the Chinook article.

Every year the six-member scholarship committee has the honor of representing the Alumni by awarding scholarships to well deserving students. It's not a responsibility taken lightly.

This year we were able to award 7 new scholarships to students in the Class of 2022 as well as 17 returning students. Our total scholarship awards were \$134,500 for the 2022-2023 school year.



Diego Escame-Hedger WSHS 2022

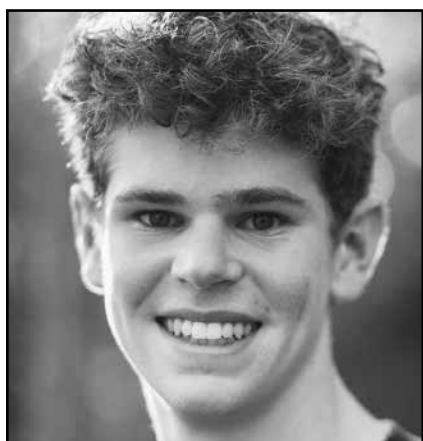
**Diego Escame-Hedger** applied with a 3.81 GPA. Diego will attend **San Diego State University** pursuing a degree in Business Administration with a minor in Political Science. Diego hopes through his education to better understand how our economic systems impact those furthest from social and environmental justice. Diego was awarded a **Clarence & Margaret Duke-Radar Scholarship** to be used toward his freshman year tuition and fees at **San Diego State University**. This scholarship is renewable if all of the criteria of the scholarship are met.



Erika Justus WSHS 2022

**Erika Justus** applied with a 3.73 GPA. Erika seeks a degree in Social Sciences and Literature. Although she is not sure on which path this will lead, she

hopes to broaden her knowledge of social injustices that impact different communities & cultures. Through her knowledge she wants to work to bring equality & equity to society. Erika was awarded one-time **Jim Finnie Scholarship** & an on-going **West Seattle High School Alumni Scholarship** to be used toward her freshman year tuition & fees at the **University of San Francisco**. The **WSHSAA Scholarship** is renewable if all of the criteria of the scholarship are met.



Samuel Lewis WSHS 2022

**Samuel Lewis** applied with a 3.99 GPA. Sam plans to attend **Duke University** seeks a degree in Public Policy and Environmental Law. After attending Duke Sam plans to go on to pursue a minimum 5 year career as a Naval Officer and attend Law School. Sam was awarded an on-going **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** and a one-time **Richardson Scholarship** to be used toward his freshman year tuition & fees at **Duke University**. The **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** is renewable if all of the criteria of the scholarship are met.



Ava Lockman WSHS 2022

**Ava Lockman** applied with a 3.93 GPA. Ava plans to attend the **University of Washington** pursuing a degree in Political Science & International Diplomacy. Ava's love for volunteering within and beyond her community has inspired her to push for a future in public service, where she can act on a global stage to bring her aspirations and goals to life on an international scale. Although she realizes her goals will require at the very least a Master's Degree, she is committed to the long haul. Ava was awarded an on-going **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** to be used toward her freshman tuition & fees at the **University of Washington**. This scholarship is renewable if all of the criteria of the scholarship are met.



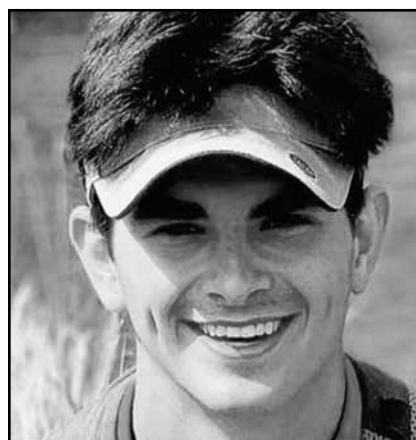
Rhiannon Hayes-McQueen WSHS 2022

**Rhiannon Hayes-McQueen** applied with a 3.98 GPA. Rhiannon will attend the **University of Washington** and pursue an Engineering Degree in either mechanical or Human Centered Design. She hopes with her degree, to work with a team to develop solutions to problems facing minorities, women, children, the environment and more. Rhiannon feels community service is arguably the most important aspect of a person's life. Rhiannon was awarded an on-going **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** to be used toward her freshman tuition & fees at the **University of Washington**. This scholarship is renewable if all of the criteria of the scholarship are met.



Teya Sorenson WSHS 2022

**Teya Sorenson** applied with a 3.82 GPA. Teya will attend **Emerson College** and pursue a degree in Screenwriting, writing & film. Throughout her years at West Seattle High School Teya was a member of the All City Marching Band. Teya found that parades cost nothing to the attendees, but gave a lot of joy. They allowed every member of the community to participate and come together for a few hours of free fun. Teya was awarded an on-going **West Seattle High School Alumni Scholarship** to be used toward her freshman tuition and fees at **Emerson College**. This scholarship is renewable if all of the criteria of the scholarship are met.



Aiden Waller WSHS 2022

**Aiden Waller** applied with a 3.79 GPA. Aiden has chosen to attend **Montana State University**. Aiden plans to study Environmental Science and Business and post-college plans to earn a MBA. With this interdisciplinary knowledge, he hopes to pursue a career in environmental consulting and eventually own his own business. Aiden was awarded an on-going **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** to be used toward his freshman tuition and fees at **Montana State University**. This scholarship is renewable if all of the criteria of the scholarship are met.



Zoe Anderson

**Zoe Anderson** Class of 2021 writes while attending the University of Washington this past year, she has decided to pursue a major in biochemistry and a minor in diversity. Upon her graduation, she wants to attend medical school to pursue a career in gynecology. Her hope is to support and transform the field of women's health in a positive light. Continually receiving this scholarship is a great help to this aspiration and helps her feel supported in her goals. Zoe qualified to receive her ongoing **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** to be used toward her sophomore year tuition, fees & books at the University of Washington. This scholarship is renewable if all of the criteria of the scholarship are met.



Ella Richardson

**Ella Richardson** Class of 2021 writes she has finished her first year at Cal Poly SLO and is enjoying studying business administration. She is exploring a concentration in either finance or information systems. This year on campus she was involved in the triathlon club, Greek life, and intramural sports. Most recently she got a job as an intramural basketball referee, and completed training about sexual assault, gender & power-based violence that will allow her to volunteer with Cal Poly's sexual assault resource center. Off campus she's spent lots of time hiking, relaxing at the beach, and enjoying the food and experiences San Luis Obispo has to offer. This past summer she was lifeguarding and teaching paddle-boarding at an overnight all girls summer camp in Maine. Once that was over, she spent the rest of the summer with her friends and family in West Seattle. Next school year she excited to volunteer with the sexual assault resource center, continue to referee, volunteer as an orientation leader for incoming freshmen, and rush Cal Poly's business co-ed fraternity. This fall she will begin training for the Surf City marathon in Huntington Beach set to take place in February of 2023. Ella qualified to receive her ongoing **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** to be used toward her sophomore year tuition, fees & books at **California Polytechnic State**

# WSHSAA Scholarships Continued

**University.** This scholarship is renewable if all of the criteria of the scholarship are met.



Mason Baier

**Mason Baier**

Class of 2021 very briefly wrote "After studying business at Gonzaga University for my freshman year, I am transferring to the

University of Washington to continue to study business in one of the largest professional and cultural hubs on the West Coast".

Mason qualified to receive his on-going **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** to be used toward his sophomore year tuition, fees & books at the **University of Washington**. This scholarship is renewable if all of the criteria of the scholarship are met.



Henry Parker

**Henry Parker**

Class of 2021 wrote "Going to school in LA has been incredible for my film experience so far. Aside from any opportunities, you can

just feel the creative passion around you at school and in the city because so much of the industry is happening directly around you. Within 20 minutes I can be at the Universal Studio lot. It's just such a huge shift from Seattle in the best way. First semester was definitely difficult since being in LA County meant having pretty strict Covid guidelines and having most of my classes online, but I still learned a lot and felt particularly connected in my Mass Media and Communications class which had an excellent film professor.

At the end of first semester, I got a huge opportunity that most peers my age were not getting yet when I worked on a professional movie set for 3 weeks. I reached out to a director who I knew through a friend's connection back in Seattle and got lucky enough to work as a PA and Intern on the set of a movie that will come to theaters this year or next called *Your Lucky Day*. It was an incredible experience. I would work 12-15 hour days in the middle of the night for 3 weeks and still go to class the next morning, all the way through finals week. However, I wouldn't change it for anything. I learned so much, and got invaluable experience from the work. It will feel so rewarding when the film goes to theaters and I get to see my name credited at the end.

I also starred in an upperclassmen and friend's short film that has been doing very well, and most recently worked as the line producer and co-cinematographer on a friend's horror short film that should release later this summer. My short film script for my screenwriting final received a perfect grade from my professor and was just submitted to the CSU Summer Arts Festival for possible awards. I also was on the Dean's List for receiving a 3.9 GPA first semester. To summarize, I have been getting some incredible experience and opportunities this past year and am so excited to pursue my passion and career further in the fall.

In the fall, I will apply to the upper

division level of my film production program hoping to receive an emphasis in cinematography and further my minor in Creative Writing".

Henry qualified to receive his ongoing **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** to be used toward his sophomore year tuition, fees & books at **California State University-Northridge**. This scholarship is renewable if all of the criteria of the scholarship are met.



Delphine Prange

**Delphine Prange**

Class of 2021 wrote "I am working towards a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology at the University of Colorado Denver with a minor in Communications. I enjoy living in Downtown Denver and exploring the city and the resources it has to offer. Outside of school and work, I hope to find volunteer and/or internship opportunities next school year in the field of mental health or social work".

Delphine qualified to receive her ongoing **Patricia Feldman-Noyes Women in Science Scholarship** to be used toward her sophomore year at the **University of Colorado**. This scholarship is renewable if all of the criteria of the scholarship are met.



Isabel Johnson

**Isabel Johnson**

Class of 2021 wrote "I am currently enrolled at the University of San Francisco, and continuing my studies in Politics and potentially picking up a minor in advertising. My goal is to study abroad during my time at the University of San Francisco and hopefully get the opportunity to do the USF in DC program.

If I am able to do the USF in DC program I would live in DC for a semester interning and working, which would be an amazing chance to jumpstart my career in politics. My first semester here at USF I made it to the dean's list, which I hope to continue making each semester. Outside of academics, I am the apparel chairwoman for the Delta Zeta sorority in the Xi Lambda chapter. I will serve in this position for the 2022 calendar year. I am in charge of designing and ordering merchandise for my sorority. Alongside my position in my sorority, I am also an active member of the club tennis team where we practice every Sunday in Golden Gate Park. I am thrilled to be wrapping up my first year at USF and can't wait for the coming years".

Isabel qualified to receive her ongoing **West Seattle High School Alumni Association Scholarship** to be used toward tuition, fees and books for her sophomore year at the **University of San Francisco**. This scholarship is renewable if all of the criteria of the scholarship are met.



Laura Reed

**Laura Reed**

Class of 2020 wrote "I will be entering my third year at the University of Washington Fall 2022, where I am majoring in Chemistry. I have

been very fortunate to obtain research experience as an undergraduate student, including working with Arctic sea ice at the UW Polar Science Center and learning Python at a computational chemistry research lab and the Applied Physics Laboratory. I hope to continue to explore areas of research in chemistry and further my studies in graduate school".

Laura qualified to receive her ongoing **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** to be used toward her junior year tuition, fees & books at the **University of Washington**. This scholarship is renewable if all of the criteria of the scholarship are met.



Benjamin Trigg IV

**Benjamin Trigg IV**

Class of 2020 wrote "I am still continuing and am on track to graduate with a major in Civil Engineering and minoring in Applied Mathematics. So far this experience has been nothing but amazing. I'll keep going strong and still hope to make everyone proud in the coming years. Can't wait to give back and show that what I'm doing is worth every penny".

Ben qualified to receive his **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** to be used toward his junior year tuition, fees & books at **Gonzaga University**. This scholarship is renewable if all of the criteria of the scholarship are met.



Ana Dillen

**Ana Dillen**

Class of 2020 wrote "I am finishing up my second year at UCLA as biology major. Last summer I was back home in Seattle and had the incredible experience as a research intern at Fred Hutch Cancer Research Center. This year I have spent my time working as a Clinical Research Assistant at UCLA Health, volunteering in the Emergency Department at Cedars-Sinai, volunteering as an Educator at the California Science Center, and am starting a job as an assistant to an Immunology Professor here at UCLA. I am moving along the pre-med track and will be taking my MCAT this coming September! This year has been full of so many amazing experiences and I can't wait to see what the next two years at UCLA bring".

Ana has qualified to receive her **Patricia Feldman Noyes Women in Science Scholarship** to be used toward her junior year tuition and fees at **UCLA**. This scholarship is renewable if all the criteria of the scholarship are met.



Erica Ijeoma

**Erica Ijeoma**

Class of 2020 wrote "For the past year I've been working in a bioengineering lab, assisting graduate students on their

projects. It's been a great experience getting to see more of the behind the scenes of lab research and what goes into running a lab. This past spring quarter I was admitted to the Public Health-Global Health major and I intend on minoring in Data Science. I'm

looking forward to beginning these classes in the fall".

Erica qualified to receive her **Patricia Feldman Noyes Women in Science Scholarship** to be used toward her junior year tuition and fees at the **University of Washington**. This scholarship is renewable if all the criteria of the scholarship are met.



Owen Jacobs

**Owen Jacobs**

Class of 2020 wrote "I'm finishing up my second year as mathematics major at the University of Washington. I'm also now

pursuing a minor in French language, sociolinguistics, and translation. This past year I got to be involved in mathematics research for the first time and it was a fantastic experience. It made me realize I'd really like to pursue more research opportunities in math going forward. I'm going to continue to try to find on-campus research opportunities and then try to participate in undergraduate research programs over the summer as well, once I'm able to apply. I'm still really enjoying college and my courses and am beginning to think now about the possibility of going to graduate school after I finish up with my bachelors here at UW".

Owen qualified to receive his **West Seattle High School Alumni Association Scholarship** to be used toward tuition, fees & books for his junior year. This scholarship is renewable if all the criteria of the scholarship are met.



Marlee Bennett

**Marlee Bennett**

Class of 2019 surprised us all by completing her junior and senior years by the end of 2021. Because her ongoing

scholarship was for four years the Committee and the Alumni Board voted to allow her the fourth year Scholarship to be used toward the 5th year requirement toward her teaching degree. Marlee wrote "In May 2022, I graduated Summa Cum Laude and received a Bachelor of Arts in Teaching degree at the University of Portland. I spoke at the graduation ceremony as valedictorian for the College of Arts and Science and the School of Education, and I also received the School of Educations University of Scholar's Award. During the school year, I worked for the school yearbook as a photographer, volunteered as the celebration of teaching officer for the teaching honor's society, Kappa Delta Pi, and served as the president of several clubs. After a year and a half online in West Seattle, I enjoyed being with my peers and professors in person.

Because I graduated a year early, during the 2022-2023 school year, I will remain at the University of Portland to earn my Master of Arts in Teaching degree with an endorsement in Reading intervention. I am excited to pursue full-time student teaching in a local second-grade class, gather data and research for my capstone research project, and connect with students. I am so thankful for the Alumni Association's continuous and

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generous support. They significantly impacted my educational journey, and I look forward to paying it forward as a future educator”.

Marlee qualified to receive her on-going **WSHS Alumni Association Scholarship** to be used toward her fifth year tuition.



Jake Webley

**Jake Webley** Class of 2019 he is on track to graduate in May of '23 with a bachelor's in both Broadcasting and Communication Studies. While

balancing school work and his employment as a welcome desk concierge in the Hemmingson Center on campus, he is also a part of the Gonzaga Cheer Squad and will be one of the Captains in his final year on the team. He finds it hard to believe that he has one year left, but can't wait to see what opportunities, challenges, and events the coming semesters will bring. Jake has qualified to receive his **Clarence & Margaret Duke-Rader Scholarship** to be used toward his senior tuition at Gonzaga University.



Emma Foulk

**Emma Foulk** Class of 2019 wrote "I will be graduating from Whitworth University in the Spring of 2023 with a B.S. in Mathematics, and minors in

Computer Science and Political Science. I will be playing my senior season on the women's soccer team this fall; the Whitworth soccer team has been one of the biggest gifts of my college career. After my undergraduate

studies, I hope to attend law school to pursue civil or environmental law”.

Emma qualified to receive her **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** to be used toward her senior year tuition and related fees at Whitworth University.



Dominic Freeman

**Dominic Freeman** Class of 2019 wrote "My time at UW is rapidly coming to an end, I'm on track to graduate in Winter 2022 with a BA in finance

as well as supply chain management & operations. This summer I will be interning with Boeing in a supply chain finance role starting in July 2022. If all goes well, there is a possibility for full time employment after graduation. I'm considering taking time off to travel after graduation before resuming a full-time position in early 2023. After a few years of real world experience, I'd like to get my MBA, hopefully from UW Foster”.

Dominic has qualified to receive his **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** to be used toward his senior year tuition and related fees at the University of Washington.



Jake Jonson

**Jake Jonson** Class of 2019 wrote "I am entering my senior year at the University of Washington and having a wonderful time. I enjoyed returning to

in-person classes. I'm taking on a double major in Real Estate and Economics. I'm planning to pursue a career in real estate development. I have been active in my fraternity, Phi Kappa Psi

as one of the undergraduate property managers for this last year and am a member of the executive team. I have enjoyed giving back by raising money through philanthropy events put on through my fraternity. I have also been active playing club sports. I'm excited to be entering my senior year to finish up my degrees and begin my career post-graduation”.

Jake qualified to receive his **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** to be used toward senior year tuition and related fees at the University of Washington.



Travers Sorenson

**Travers Sorenson** Class of 2019 writes "This year was my third year of college, second year at WSU, but only my first in person. COVID

changed a lot about my college experience, but things have for the most part returned to normal this year. I'm on track to graduate with a major in Mechanical Engineering in Spring 2023. Senior year is when you get to really specialize in ME, and so I'm looking forward to my classes for next year. This summer I'm interning at a company called Sedron, a startup located in Sedro-Woolley that is working on developing a more environmentally friendly way to process liquid waste. This internship has been really interesting so far and is a great chance to learn more about what I might want to do after graduation”.

Travers qualified to receive his **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** to be used toward his senior year tuition and related fees at Washington State University.

Once again and as always... **the WSHS Alumni Association would like to extend Congratulations to the Class of 2022.**

**Also, the Alumni Association would like to acknowledge and thank all of the 17,000 Alumni dating back to the Class of 1945. Each of you is very important! Without your generous donations and continued support, none of these scholarships would be possible.**

All students who receive a renewable scholarship must maintain a 3.0 GPA. No renewable scholarship extends beyond four (4) years. The Scholarship application deadline, each year, is mid-April. Applications are available beginning each November in the School library, room 129, on the PTSA website <http://wshsptsa.org/> and on the Alumni Website <http://wshsalumniassociation.org/>. Completed applications must be mailed to: WSHS Alumni Assn., 4742 42nd Ave SW, #215, Seattle, WA 98116-4553.

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***Congratulations to all the Scholarship Winners!***

## “I want to give the Alumni Association a final thank you”

**By Delphine Prange, Class of 2021**

Dear WSHS Alumni Association,

I am writing to once again express my gratitude for your aid in my education. This spring, I am wrapping up my final semester at the University of Colorado Denver as I prepare to graduate with a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology with a Minor in Communication. My time at CU Denver went quickly, though it was not a time taken for granted. I am grateful for the Running Start program made accessible through West Seattle High School, allowing me to receive an Associate of Arts with my diploma. This was the best decision for me, as it offered the opportunity to make the most of my junior and senior years, which took place during the pandemic.

It feels surreal that I am in my final semester at CU Denver. I feel like I was just preparing for my WSHS graduation, which my class was just lucky enough celebrate in-person. Now suddenly, I am on the other side of my time at CU Denver. With the support of the Alumni Association, I was able to attend university out-of-state which has always been important to me.

Being able to experience a new state and new city has allowed me to explore not only what I value in my personal surroundings, but the role that education plays in my life. When I applied to my desired colleges early in my senior year at WSHS, there were several factors complicating my decisions, one of the strongest being money and figuring out how to lessen the financial burden on myself and my family. I did know that I wanted to study Psychology, an interest that was only further cemented by the pandemic when we could no longer ignore the importance of mental health and support. My passion for mental health outreach has not wavered following these past two years of intense focus. I have come to value a practical and holistic approach to what is needed in the field, rather than the more one-dimensional expectation I initially had before beginning my major. In my courses at CU Denver, I have felt particularly inspired by those centered around the role of relationships and micro-scales of an individual's life. I want to continue to learn about what people need in their daily lives to feel connected. After years of isolation felt by every global citizen, the importance of connection cannot be understated.

Regarding the utilization of my education and my future plans, I plan to continue exploring Psychology, mental health, and connection through a real-world lens. Though I do not plan to pursue a Master's degree immediately after graduation, I keep this option open and appreciate the extra time

***I do not plan on ever leaving my status as a student behind. I plan to move through life with an open-mind and absorb all the knowledge I can...***

I have from the accelerated completion of my Bachelor's degree to further narrow my interests. One thing I do know is that I do not plan on ever leaving my status as a student behind. I plan to move through life with an open-mind and absorb all the knowledge I can, in order to support the broadest range of people, backgrounds, and questions that our world has.

I want to give the Alumni Association a final thank you, though my gratitude for the support of the Patricia Feldman Noyes Women in Science scholarship will thrive far beyond this letter. Learning opportunities, academic and otherwise, are priceless in value, but I recognize the privilege I have to be able to look at my education with less financial stress and more practical application as I embark on the next steps of my journey.

With sincere appreciation,

***Delphine Prange***

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Tuy Ouch  
Paul Perry-Allen  
Tang Phum  
Raffi H Simon Ohanian  
John E Spencer  
Nithima Sthienchoak Bertram  
Heather Strawn  
Marsha A Taylor  
John-Quang H Thai  
Nga L Tong  
Meffy Wakabayashi  
Brenda C Wells  
Christopher A West  
Jerome A Williams

#### 1994

Thomas Abbey  
William Abney  
Jun Acuna  
Erica Aeschliman  
Phillip Ahines  
Dave Alcott  
Carrie Anderson  
Adrian Aramburg  
May Bermudez  
Dawn Bevens  
Charity Boley  
Hal Bong  
Eric Bong  
Thela Brown  
D'juan Brown  
Issac Cano-Henry  
Susan Chan  
Arienne Channer  
B J Charles  
Sopahl Chhour  
Amy Childers  
Phat Chim  
Alan Chung  
Jr Collado  
Matt Collins  
Matt Cooper  
David Crane  
Heather Croghan  
Chris Dacy  
Margaret Danielson  
David De La Rosa  
Doreen Dela Cruz  
Kevin Doage  
Plythell Docker  
Robert Downey Jr  
Terrance Downs  
Jennifer Dubois Hernandez  
Anthony Dunston  
Maoi Duong  
Chanthou Ek  
Adrian Erickson  
Vonteeceesa Evans  
Dennis Fong  
David Fore  
Lisanna Fox  
Rolf Frombach  
Darrel Frountfelter  
Alida Garberg  
Kevin Graham  
Melanie Greenfeather  
Brad Grieb  
John Guest  
Lolita Guevarra  
Dirk Hallingstad  
Johnny Hay  
Joshua J Hayes  
Phillip Hines  
Lalita Hively  
Vay Thuong Ho  
Curtis Hunt  
Rico Hunter  
Hanh Huynh  
Michael Irwin  
Patrick Irwin  
Melvin Johnson  
Melissa Johnson  
Joshua Jones  
Charmelle Kary  
Nicky Khai  
Jesse Knoche  
Kevin Krum  
Johnny La  
Tai Lam  
Mike Landis  
Michael Laroya  
Kent Laster  
Froggie Le  
Derrick Leggroan  
Phillip Lei  
Sophia Lei  
Michael Lei

Maximilian Lerch  
 Jeff Levaux  
 Latoya Lewis  
 Joyce Liang  
 Mei Lan Liang  
 Cuong Mac  
 Otha Major  
 Yuen-Ming Mak  
 Myron Many Ribs  
 Alejandro Martinez  
 Stacy Martinson  
 Melissa May  
 Victor Mayorquin  
 Sandra Mc Gowan  
 Phouesay Meuansourinhakoun  
 Kim Mitchell  
 Mario Mitchell  
 Danajo Montez  
 Angela Moulton  
 Gina Muia Longman  
 Safi Negawo  
 Jafer Negawo  
 Tuyet Nguyen  
 Ha Nguyen  
 Peter Olive  
 Chanthay Pan  
 Qu Qu Qian Parris  
 Sharon Penn  
 Randy Peters  
 Angie L Petersen  
 Angela M Piorkowski  
 Hem Poev  
 Brian Powlus  
 Si Prom  
 Samantha Prom  
 Lora Puailihau  
 Yen Quach  
 Geoffrey Quan  
 Manojay Raj  
 Monica Ray  
 Marquette Riley  
 Jennifer Ross  
 Doris Ruan  
 Larron Saecho  
 Nai Saeteurn  
 Jeanne Salter  
 Shawnette Sampson  
 Lancaster Satele  
 John Satter  
 Summer Schmidt  
 Tyler Schorn  
 Mike Seifert  
 Don Sherwood  
 William Shilling  
 Lillian Shilling  
 Christopher Shockley  
 Matt Shuh  
 Dan Shur  
 Eric Smalley

Lenny Smith  
 Chanthima Soumphonphakdy  
 Bobby Spiney  
 Bobby Spivex  
 Jeff Stamps  
 Telisa Steen  
 Rochelle Stewart  
 Rochelle Sutton Williams  
 Katie Suvlu  
 Nunishe Tato  
 Aretha Teague Helms  
 Boun Tepkhoom  
 Kristina Tervino  
 Tata Tewodras  
 Sophea Tha  
 Khim Theng  
 Sit Thepvonsa  
 Dawn Thompson  
 Dave Thompson  
 Le Tran  
 Thanh Dhuong Tran  
 Hang Le Truong  
 Chris Tuxbury  
 Phuong Van  
 Binh Van  
 Amy Van Campen  
 Alex Vasquez  
 Jennifer Velasco  
 Tanya Walker  
 Darnell Walker  
 Josh Wallace  
 Jeff Warnke  
 Yashica White  
 Arlia Williams  
 Mark Williamson  
 Jesse W Wills Harrison  
 Tanya Winston  
 Jeremy Woodward  
 Paul Wright

**1999**  
 Hanna Barbara  
 Kyle D Bauer  
 Anthony Baumgartner  
 Ka Kiu Chan  
 Buck Coburn  
 Charles E Coleman  
 Alissa M Dickey Jones  
 Cay Uyen Thi Do  
 Kim Do  
 Phillip J Dorr  
 Katie Edwards  
 Marysol Espinoza  
 Concepcion Garcia  
 Long Thanh Huynh  
 Tung Kim Le  
 Heather Lennon  
 Jose Mailend  
 Bich Ngoc Chau Nguyen  
 Phuong-Thao Thi Nguyen

Starlight D Ramsey Elliott  
 Jaimie B Satele  
 Vikas Shah  
 Morgan T Stacey  
 Slava Stepanov  
 Shannon M Stevens  
 Christina Stone  
 Mary R Stout  
 Ryan Tatum  
 Le Nhat Tran  
 Toan Thanh Tran  
 Hanh My Truong  
 Betty Walker  
 Eli R Werner-Limardi  
 Melissa Wilcox  
 Alex Wiley  
 Jeff M Wilson  
 Eric N Wright  
 Travis D Yanda  
 Christian S Yin

**2004**  
 Timur V Alekseyev  
 Carolina Alfaro  
 Jose Luis Armenta Aree  
 Daren Atwood  
 Kassandre Aytch  
 Kyle Barker  
 Tanya Beauvias  
 Akbert (Esayas) Berhe-Asfah  
 Jamey L Brooks  
 Sarah A Bryant  
 Daphne Chu  
 Gabriel (Gabe) S Clark  
 Joe Collins  
 Kevin Davies  
 Marcus Davis  
 Melissa Dougal  
 Tomas Espinoza Jr  
 Ronnie Flores  
 Tony J Freund  
 Derrick Green  
 Hanh-Quyen Hoang  
 Jessica Holdsworth  
 Anthony Huff  
 Ben Hutchinson  
 Dantae Jackson  
 Nicholas Johnson  
 Pat Kamon  
 Linh Le  
 Patrick Lee  
 Lawrence Lillie  
 Reid Macdonald  
 Jenifer Mathews  
 Rickey Maxon  
 Jessica McBride  
 Thomas A Mcclellan  
 Luis Rangel  
 Jennifer Ranum  
 Ian Rehm

Laim Saw  
 Diego Sierra  
 Falula Smit  
 Christopher Stevenson  
 Carlos Mazariegos Valenzu  
 Nicholas Van Wie  
 Sophia Vaughan  
 Thomas A White  
 Nicole R Williams  
 Kristen Wood  
 Kolbey Wood  
 Randy Yonts  
 L. Shanaye Young

**2009**  
 Laila Adem  
 Dawood Ayub  
 Cuzack Bailey  
 Kori Ball  
 Zachary P Burden  
 Chris Gero Caculitan  
 Jon Marc Vince Cortez  
 Holly Y Covington  
 Emily R Crane  
 Claire Croteau  
 Katy M Cutler  
 Karen Dean  
 Chandler Dennison  
 Ozden Eygi  
 Kym Flowers  
 Tyler Floyd  
 William Gaudet  
 Dylan Gillies  
 Jules Guay-Binion  
 Franklin Gutama Jara  
 Alexander W Hall  
 James M Hance  
 Thao Ho  
 Quentin Hooks  
 Delano D Jordan  
 Victoria Kelly  
 Darby Kurtti  
 Samantha J Lavielle  
 Tj Lee  
 Trevor C Lloyd  
 Nola L Mandels  
 Mahliisa L Martin  
 Adriana Ortiz  
 Colter Peltier  
 Brenden J Peterson  
 Anthony Purganan  
 Karen Sandoval  
 Kirsten Sims  
 Youhan Sing  
 Raymond P Thomas  
 Heather Uhl  
 Isaiah Wales  
 Swann M Wilhelmsen  
 Hailey Young

**2014**  
 Angelo J Balbin  
 Jayson J Beech  
 Savannah Benton  
 Blake Bias  
 Imari Arlene Calkins  
 Isaiah Duncan-Jackson  
 John Michael Garcillian  
 Filimon A Gebrekidan  
 Eduardo Gonzalez-Mota  
 Arynn Kyla Hauk  
 Anthony Hill  
 Ari G Jasko  
 Elliette A Kee Jr  
 Mariam Khodr Sweetmoon  
 Brooke A Larson  
 Madison Miller  
 Aiclin Myers  
 Karia Najera  
 Ahlyk-Marsyl Newton  
 Joshua H Nguyen  
 Jabrion T Norman-Gosby  
 Sharon S Prom  
 Christian Anne Quirk  
 Elena Rodriguez  
 Andreas R Rodriguez  
 Pasjionette Rountree  
 Robert R Swamy Jr  
 Justice D Sweet-Moon  
 Saphiyah Toulas  
 Samias N Tsegay  
 Tomas H Woldemichael

**2019**  
 Sukaina L Abdikadir  
 Ayden J Al-Shimary  
 Heaven T Ambaye  
 Anissa R Babitu  
 Lily P Bolding-Hunt  
 Hagisa S Bolton  
 Angelique V Brock  
 Evan W Brown  
 Madison T Cannard  
 Michael R Dove  
 Noah C Gangon  
 Aaron M Harris  
 Abu Kel  
 David T Nguyen  
 December L North  
 Je'tia C Porter  
 Maar T Rambang  
 Kaylene L Reuter  
 Yusef E Sillah  
 Finnley B Stauffer  
 Anton E Tomcal  
 Theryn S Wardell

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 Michael Adams  
 Ann Bailey

Jack Robert Barros  
 Beverly Bartlett  
 Elinor Baush  
 Phillip Bradshaw  
 John Budelman  
 Bruce Caldwell  
 Dorothy Cassidy  
 Sophia Coyne Caplan  
 Evelyn M Donald  
 Iris Douthit  
 Rondeau Evans  
 Pauline Ford  
 Robert Iverson  
 Joseph James  
 Helen King  
 Dorothy L Kwapil  
 Sharon Larson  
 Phyllis Lee  
 Geraldine Linehan Bretz  
 Vivian Mackey  
 W Kennon Mundy  
 Sarah Orton  
 Mildred Patterson  
 Lois Paulicheck Benson  
 William Pearson  
 Joseph P Ramm  
 Ethel R Robinson  
 Dorothy Schafer Smith  
 Ray Syers  
 Ellen H Waters  
 Kathleen Willix  
 Doris Wilson Croson  
 Anna I Zeeuw Hunt

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**All classes ending  
 in "4" and "9"  
 are heading for  
 reunion time!  
 Make it easy on  
 your reunion  
 committee by  
 keeping your  
 contact information  
 up to date.**

## The ASR After Party is Back!

Join us at Whisky West following the All-School Reunion for live entertainment by West Seattle's own Nitemates. The group features many WSHS Alumni including Mike McElhoe, Marc Gros, Chris Gross and surprise members too! The fun starts around 6 pm, so come early to get a good seat!

This show at Whisky West kicks off the Redline/Nitemates Summer Tour, our 60th year of rock and roll!



## 20 Years Ago:

### 2003 New Building Opening Ceremonies



The press came out in full force to report on the new building's opening ceremonies

The Superintendent, Joseph Olchefske, of Seattle Public Schools came to wish the students and staff a successful fresh start.



Everybody who was ANYBODY came out for the school's opening ceremonies. If you were in attendance, you know it was a really cool experience. Students, parents, and staff joined together with School Board Executives, the press, and the public for a day that will go down in the books.

## The Annual Classic Car Show Returns in 2023!

### John Zitkovich, Class of 1960

Due to the Covid 19 Pandemic and the cancellation of the All School Reunion for the past few years, we were not be able to hold our annual Classic Car Show. But this year the ASR and the Classic Car Show are back! We are encouraging Classmates who own Classic Cars to share them with our Alumni by bringing them to this year's All School Reunion on Saturday, June 3, 2023.

Many of our Classmates have invested a good deal of time, energy and effort into revitalizing some of the Classic Rides from their glory days at Westside. We are looking forward to gathering together again in 2023 to reminisce about "The Good Old Days".

**Contact:** John Zitkovich by phone at 206 675-8172 for Reservations and Detailed Information.



# CLASS ARTICLES

## WSHS 1976

By Class Rep Megan Sheppard



Hi, guys. Another year gone, and another year closer to our 50th reunion! Look at the smiles on the faces of the messers Stratton, Ruud, Braseth, Thompson and Dreyer in the photo. You'll be enjoying YOURSELF that much if you plan to come...and especially if you can help us plan the event. We have time yet....but I wanted to put the bug in your ear.

*And now for some news:*

The Carnegie Project on the Education Doctorate (CPED) selected Portland State University's associate professor emerita (and our friend!) **Dr. Deborah S. Peterson** for a national 2022 David G. Imig Distinguished Service Award. In recognizing the award, a colleague stated, "Her relentless advocacy for historically marginalized students has significantly influenced leadership programs at PSU, in Oregon and across the United States. She challenges all of us to center equity and justice in everything that we do." Deb also co-edited a book: "Improvement Science: Promoting Equity in Schools."

**Gail Reeder James** has been married for 23 years and is an empty nester. She works for Highline School district at Valley View Early Learning Preschool as a cook and she "fills in with part time jobs when I feel the need to be more busy." She says she'll let me keep her busy on the reunion committee, lol.

**Shireen Norberg Stout** retired last April after 19 years with Admiral Insurance Company. She and her husband Bob recently moved to Bonney Lake, where he is recovering well from some medical issues. Her daughter Rachel and family moved back after 22 years in South Africa. Shireen is thrilled to have all eight grandchildren now in Washington State. Her English Springer Spaniel, Dottie keeps racking up awards in Agility, Competition Obedience, Rally Obedience and Barn Hunt.

**Ralph Braseth** has moved back to Seattle after years of "professoring" across the country: Mississippi, Illinois, California. Poor thing needs some R & R after being named to the WSHS Hall of Fame last year!

**Andy Thompson** retired in the fall of 2022 after many years in property management for Kemper Freeman, Aegis Living and other companies. He's looking forward to spending some time on Lake Chelan.

**Suzu Bale** is tickled to be a new great grandma!

We lost four classmates this year: **Karen Tomisser** in July and **Tom Hirano**, **Jennifer "Ginger" Bradley Quenneville** and **Darrella Lydell** in the fall. Karen worked in the kitchen and bath industry for many years. Tom had worked as an analyst with the IRS for nearly 40 years. Darrella had worked for 21 years as a registered nurse in the Labor and Delivery department at St. Mary's Regional Medical Center in Reno. Ginger specialized in applied behavioral analysis therapy, helping children on the autism spectrum learn and improve communication and language skills.

The All-School Reunion is back in swing this year, as you can see. Will we see you at WSHS on Saturday, June 3rd? It's been awhile, my friends.

Sending you all big hugs. You can find contact info for me on the list in this publication. Or you can join our Facebook Group: West Seattle High School Class of 1976. Always eager to hear what is new with you especially if you have address updates for me!

## WSHS 1969

By Class Rep Linda Benjamin Wells

**Get together for 2024 for class of 1969?**

Hello classmates.

I would be happy to help if someone is interested in taking the lead on setting up a luncheon for next year, 2024, when it will be our 55th year from graduating from West Seattle High School. Just want to toss this out there, to see if there is any interest in getting together for a luncheon? Nothing fancy, you pay for your own meal. Does anyone know of any places that could hold, say 50 people, give or take, without a large deposit for a summer luncheon? Please email me, wells1970@aol.com, by June 10th, if you are interested.

How are you doing? What have you been up to? Are you still working? If not, what activities, painting, collecting stamps, landscaping, volunteering, are you doing?

This last year, we have stepped outside of our daily routine and did some traveling. My husband, Rick and I finally took our delayed 50th anniversary trip last September. With my sister, Becky Benjamin Boender (71) and her husband, Bill Boender (69) as our hosts and travel guides, we ventured out and traveled to the Netherlands, staying in their apartment in Rotterdam. Traveled out to the coast to see the beach, The Hague, Amsterdam, Kinderdijk via train, bus, and hopped on to the boats that take you along the rivers to view the city from the waterside. We also took two good pairs of walking shoes. Ate dinner late, slept well and had weather much like Seattle. We made sure to look both ways when crossing the street, since the bicycles have the right of way. Took the fast train, the Thalys, to Paris, where we stayed for 3 days. Using the Hop On and Hop Off Bus to get around town, seeing the monuments, the buildings and architecture of years long ago still in place. This was also true of the Netherlands with windmills and buildings built in the 1500-1700's.

Ate at tables set outside of the restaurants, took pictures of the monuments and ventured up to the 1st viewing floor of the Eiffel Tower. What a view of the Paris. One of the nights we were there, we were caught in a thunderstorm. Rain, thunder and lightning, Oh My! Rick enjoys history and we traveled down to visit the Beaches. It was very moving.

We have often traveled, such as visiting Tom and Judy (Young) Tuccinari in Maryland, but this was our first trip outside of the states. We had a wonderful time. We have caught the travel bug and after having more surgery done on body parts that seem to be wearing out, think shoulder and maybe hip, we are hoping to do some more traveling next year.

If you have moved or know of any classmates that have moved or know of any deceased classmate, please contact me at: wells1970@aol.com.

Also, if you would like to be a guest writer and pen an article for next year's edition of the Chinook, or be a co-writer with me, I would be happy to work with you. Articles are usually due on February 14th.

Time is rolling by way too fast. Or maybe it's me, slowing down to savor the moments more often than I had in the past. Appreciate what and where I am, with my family and friends.

Take care. I hope that this article finds you, your family and friends well. I look forward to hearing from you.

Your 69 Class Rep, Linda Benjamin Wells

## WSHS 1951

By Jim Monahan

Our Reunion will be lunch at the Tukwila Claim Jumper restaurant at noon on June 28th.

This is a rare number for a reunion, of all West Seattle HS reunions. At our last, the 71st, we had already lost close to half of our original 424 classmates and now, a year later, with all of us another challenging 12 months older, will be losing more classmates.

I do hope we see a great percentage of our now very elderly classmates, please do try to attend.

Jim Monahan (425) 483-6783  
jtmonahan@mac.com



# WSHS 1965

By Class Reps Patti Cook Woeck and Patty Magnuson

Well here we are once again! Let's celebrate The New Year 2023 with a healthy happy and fulfilled year ahead!!!

Today and every day we can be grateful for "Being Alive". These past few years we've lost friends and classmates but we carry on . We've made it three quarters of a century and are on the way to the century mark. Stay well my friends and classmates!!

Travel and sunshine are constant...The Desert, Mexico, Thailand, wherever the sun shines is where our hearts take us. I spend most of the summer at my "other home" in Lake Chelan and for me that's paradise

This past year there are some firsts...Jim Jacobsen married the long time love of his life Denette Wells...about time guys. Danny and Pattie Boyle celebrated 56 years of marriage. Joe Walden continues to fly with the Eagles. Norm Carson found his way back to Alaska with spectacular views and great fishing...invites you all! Our own Nitemates continue to share their tunes.

A special thank you to Patty Magnuson, Sue Campbell and Gary Dobbs' wife for making our class communication possible. There are many not mentioned who pull all of the parts together. If you have anything to share please contact Patty Magnuson.

Hopefully the 2023 year will bring good health and happiness to ALL. Pridefully!,,,

Patti Cook Woeck

Class of 1965 WSHS

# WSHS 2001

By Class Rep Nerissa Hallberg

## Class of 2001 turns 40

The 80s babies that turned into 90s kids are the teens that survived Y2K, will all hit a milestone this year...class of 2001 grads embark on their 4th decade of life and celebrate the big 4-0.

Are you experiencing deja vu yet with all the styles and trends that have made their way back around? You don't just have to feel the nostalgia for flared jeans, Doc Martins, mini backpacks, Adidas shell-tops, because you could probably get them out and fit right in. Which means we should probably be on the lookout for JNCO Jeans as the next fashion fire-starter. Have you been sucked into all the remakes of our favorite shows like Fresh Prince, Full(er) House, Boy/Girl Meets World, and even Saved by the Bell. Maybe you already have your tickets for the High School Reunion Tour with our old favs Snoop Dogg and Warren G headlining.

What I imagine we have to look forward to in our forties - guilt-free napping, wrinkles, living vicariously through our children as they continue to grow and experience the world, travel to new and exciting locations, more grey hair, knowing ourselves well enough to fill our days with the people and things we love and enjoy and yet still being open and willing enough to keep exploring the depths of ourselves in order to add new and gratifying aspects to our lives.

My birthday wish for everyone is to find joy in all that you do and all that you are and reminisce fondly on the last forty years and how you have spent them. To the best of your ability live every day without regret and don't dwell on anything that is regrettable. If we are lucky, we will all have at least forty more years to do the things we have not yet done, become the people we have not yet become and fill our lives with an abundance of joy and happiness. If you aren't yet leading your best life start now, so you don't look back and wish for something different. Everyday is a fresh start and new opportunity to have everything you never knew you dreamed of.

Happy 40th Birthdays Class of 2001!!! Celebrate with a night in (because you know we are too old for the club), your favorite DVD (maybe: Road Trip or Gladiator), a big bowl of Husky Deli Ice Cream (Coffee Oreo, Husky Flake or a both?) and sleeping until 8am (because you know you can't sleep in past that even if you tried).

Nerissa Hallberg

Class of 2001

# WSHS 1968

By Class Reps John Herron and Barbara Simmons McClain

Here we are in 2023. In last year's Chinook we asked if there was any interest in a 55th reunion get together. So far we have only had 22 classmates respond to the request for comment or votes on the reunion. Hopefully we will be able to get in touch with more of our classmates. If you are in contact with any fellow classmates please pass on the information. So here is where we stand on the reunion.

Date: Saturday June 17th 2023

Time: 2:00PM

Location: West Seattle Golf Course Banquet Room  
4470 35th Ave SW  
Seattle, WA 98126

Appetizers will be served, Cake and Coffee. There is a NO HOST BAR. Beverages can be purchased at the Bar. The cost is \$25.00 per person.

Here is a copy of the EMAIL that we sent out in January of 2023.

## What made 1968 special?

- Was it the Beatles release of the White Album?
- Was it that the Vietnam War that caused LBJ not to seek another 4 years as President?
- Was it the assassination of Martin Luther King?
- Was it the student protests all over the world?
- Was it the assassination of Robert F. Kennedy?
- Was it the chaos and unrest of the Chicago Democratic Convention?
- Was it the Olympic protests of Tommie Smith and John Carlos?
- Was it that Nixon won the White House?
- Was it that Apollo 8 orbited the Moon?



Or was it something else entirely? Maybe it was that a group of seniors never got TIRED! Maybe that group thought that a good time could be had by filling the central courtyard of West Seattle High.

On Saturday June 17th 2023 a reunion of those high spirited, fun loving alumni will be held at the West Seattle Golf Course Banquet Hall. 4470 35th Avenue SW. The time will be 2PM till we get tired. Appetizers will be served. Beverages can be purchased at the bar. The cost is \$25.00 per person. **The email list for the class of**

**1968 is incomplete. So if you are in contact with or know of a fellow classmate please forward or pass along this invitation!**

Clip this and send your payment to John Herron

330 Pebble Beach Dr. Cle Elum, WA 98922

Email: johnshelleyherron@gmail.com Phone: 206-735-8426

## WSHS Class of 1968 55th Reunion

Saturday, June 17th 2023

West Seattle Golf Course 2PM

Number attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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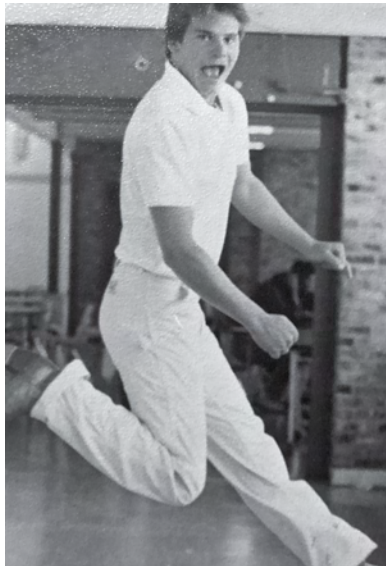
# WSHS 1982

By Class Reps Aly Hallberg and Renee (Seamens) Thorngate

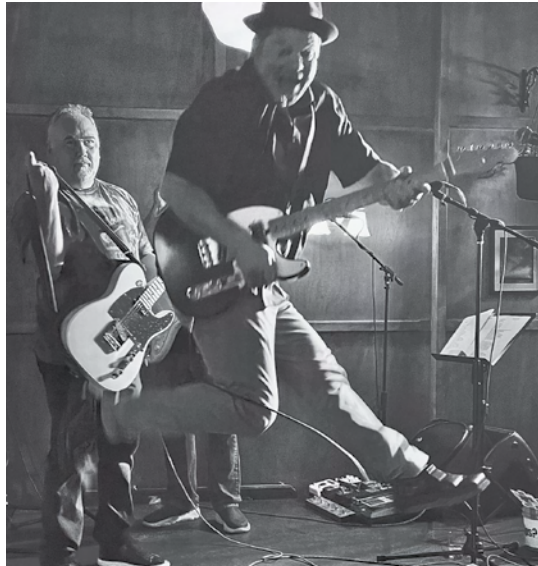
## 40 Year Reunion for The Awesome Crew of '82!

### PHOTOS from Friday Night.:

*"Why?" was awesome Friday night. I screamed, sang, laughed and danced. Saturday morning my voice was shot, my body sore but I rose and did it again at the WAC's Crystal Ballroom. Great weekend with an awesome crew." —Awesome Crewmate*



Pat Tunison rocking the hallway at WSHS 1982



Pat Tunison rocking Whiskey West with the class band Why? 2022



Gatewood Elementary was in the house Friday night. Erika (Schulz) Hanger, Robin (Ferreo) Kaasa, Daina Smuidrins, Kristi Rein,

### Reunion Reflection, Justine Corey

I would like to share my thoughts about our reunion 2 night event. As I have been looking at pictures, sharing pictures and telling other friends about our magical event today, I would like to share a few thank you's. I was proud to be part of the amazing committee team to make this event happen. Thank you to all of you who put in hours doing things to make this event so special. Thank you for the memories presentation of lost classmates.

Thank you to the band Why? for coming together with extras to play Friday night! Epic event and as Alyson said "Basking in an All Girls Dance Floor!" Thank you class of '84 for your participation and hosting of the after party! Mostly Thank You to all who came with open minds and hearts to reconnect with everyone so that we all can be proud to be part of this amazing WSHS Class of '82 Community. I hope everyone enjoyed their time at the events.

My wish will be that more of us start connecting on a regular basis and we try to have group gatherings more often. A heart felt thank you to everyone for a super magical uplifting event. My heart is full!



Lori (Christianson) Cornish, Kim (Johnston) Rapacz, Shari (Alkire) Fischer, Penny Parks, Kirsten Wilhelm



Todd Swenson and Rod Moody catch up in-between sets

### SATURDAY NIGHT: The entrance to the WAC Crystal Ballroom was a hub of activity as people got reacquainted after a decade or two:



**Back Row:** Robin (Ferraro) Kaasa, Joel Pastrana, Shari (Alkire) Fischer, Alyson Hallberg, Alice (Panny) Cords, Karen Bell, Renee (Seamens) Thorngate, Sean Griffin, Rob Zoffel, Justine Corey. **Front Row:** Kim Johnston, Mary Hill, Barb (Haynie) Dolliver, Lisa (Ramseyer) Kautz, Kari Holmes, Renee (Burke) Cerelie **Kneeling:** Rob Moody



Schmitz Park Elementary



**Left to Right:** Xavier Clayton, Cheryl "The Beav" (Beaver) Kilgore, Shari (Alkire) Fischer, Alyson Hallberg, Carol Coombes, Alice (Morison) DesGranges, Mark Tucker, Renee (Burke) Ceriele, Mary (Hill) Robertson, Kari (Holmes) Jennings, Justine Corey, Kim (Johnston) Rapacz, Barb (Hayne) Dolliver



Joe Ross and Barb (Hayne) Dolliver



Angela Abegglen, Daina Smuidrins, Renee (Seamens) Thorngate, Sue (Kenny) Soriano, Mary (Murphy) Brown



Judy, Cheryl, Alyson, Kim - a small representation of WS Basketball



Gatewood Elementary

## WSHS 1982 Continued



Mercer Middle School



Judy Schaefer, Mark Fukeda, Shek Tsang, Karl Wu and Kim Johnston



Mary (Hill) Robertson and Mark Tucker



Renee, Sandra, Mary, Lori and Kristine



Lori Coleman, Diane Germundson, Sandra (Vinge) Rost, Mike Brown, Mark Tucker, Judy Schafer and Kristine (McCann) Sweatland



Karen Hoffbuhr, Penny Parks and Sharon Rand



Justine Corey, Don Summers, Mark Tucker, Mary (Murphy) Brown and Joe Ross



Mike Brown, Jamie Metcalf and Rob McGlothern



Jefferson Elementary



George Yates and Barb (Haynie) Dolliver



Heidi (Peterson) Gustufson, aka Miss Heidi Rae, represents Fauntleroy Elementary School



Kristine and Lori



The dance floor was hopping all night, with Kim (Dowie) O'Grady and her husband Pat leading the way.

### Reunion Reflection: Xavier Clayton

I flew in from France especially to come to our 40-year reunion. I'd been excited about it for months, telling French friends - IN FRENCH - who'd only seen American High School Reunions in films that it's like 'walking into The Twilight Zone, where all the faces are familiar... but older'. What also added to my excitement was my habit of counting the number of people who signed up that they were coming on our Westside Facebook Reunion profile. And even when packing my '82 yearbook, my anticipation was building even more when I read what people wrote in it 40 years ago! We all looked so young then and had no idea where life would take any of us in the years ahead.

During the night of the reunion, "The 80's" played a huge part- and rightly so. Not only from the music we danced to... but also the reminiscing we did and Trivial Pursuit questions we had to answer. FUN!

However, the saddest and most unexpected part of the night turned out to be one of the most poignant for me. It was when the lights were turned down and a slideshow was presented of classmates we'd lost - Kevin Cota and George Pagonos hit me the hardest. So many memories came to mind of all the friends we will no longer see.

On a happier note, to me, a High School Reunion would not be the same without one thing.... Our name tags! With anyone who came up to me to mingle, I would immediately look down at their name tag and an instant wave of memories would come roaring back. Oftentimes, I felt like talking to two people at once - the person I knew then and the one I was talking to now! Yes, Twilight Zone! It was a great evening and one I hope to soon repeat - At least, I was around friends who speak English! :o)

## WSHS 1966

By Class Rep Adelle Hermann Comfort

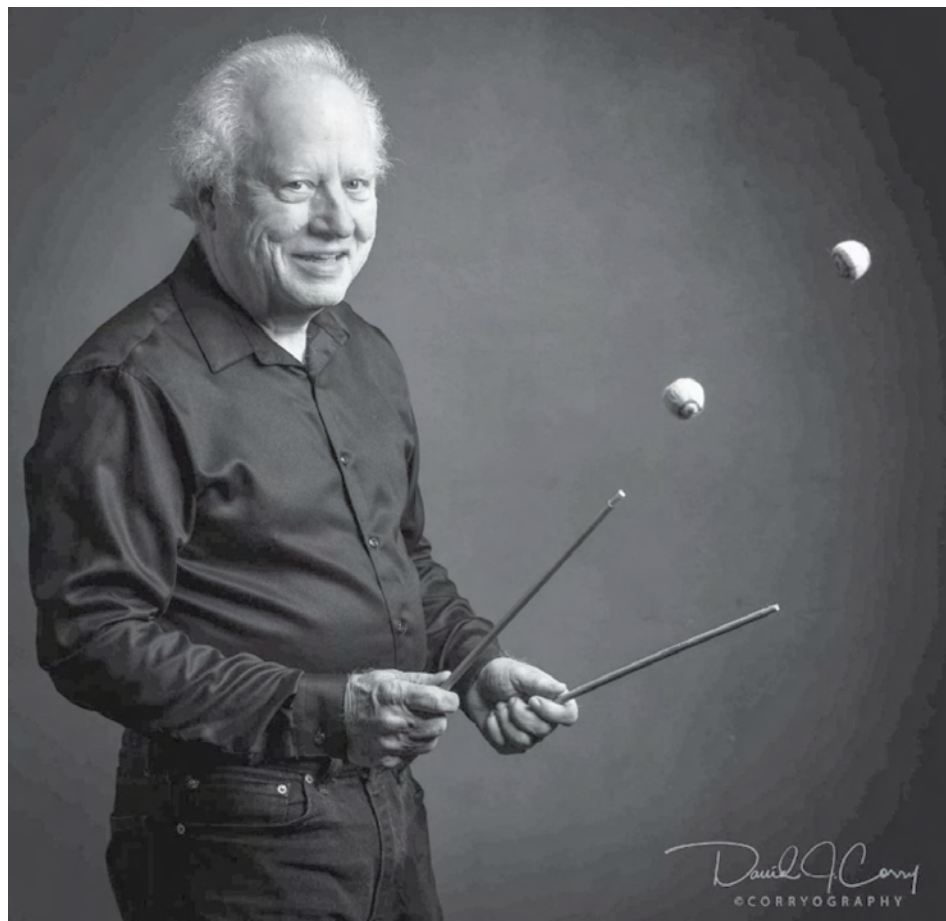


Opening Poem by  
Vinette Meduna Tichi

### “High School Memories”

Driving over the bridge, I look around  
There's Harbor Island and Puget Sound  
Memories are coming from long ago  
Just like the tide, they ebb and flow  
I continue down Alki, it's just not the same  
Houses are gone, only condos remain  
We spent many summers down at the beach  
With transistor radios not far from our reach  
And if you were lucky and had a car  
You tuned the station to KJR  
I continue now, driving up the hill  
More memories coming, just can't sit still  
Movies at the Admiral on Friday nights  
Attending football games under the lights  
I drive down California and on to our school  
These were the times, we thought we were cool  
The guys at the radiator in the front hall  
They'd stand between classes, before the last call  
Our teachers were great, our minds in their care  
In hoping what they taught would maybe stick there.  
But remembering most as I walk down the hall  
Was friendships we made would last overall

**Tom Collier - 2015 Hall of Fame**  
Professor Emeritus of Music at University of Washington  
School of Music



Although I rarely had an opportunity to play music in front of live audiences in 2022, I did have a good year in the recording studio. My solo marimba album, “The Color of Wood”, was released on the Summit label in April. The recording received good music journal reviews and quite a bit of radio airplay, mostly on American NPR and college radio stations, as well as a few European jazz stations. The album was placed on the first-round 2023 GRAMMY award ballot for Best Ambient/New Age Instrumental album. One of the selections on the album, “Five Reflections on Wood”, was nominated for best jazz

instrumental. Three of the reflections – or movements – were inspired by classmates Adelle Comfort Hermann (a short sunset video), Ruthi Winter Sundnes (a painting by her late sister, Karen), and Jim Burdette (his cabin on beautiful Horsehead Bay). Although neither nomination made it past the first round of voting, I was pleased to receive that early ballot recognition by the Recording Academy.

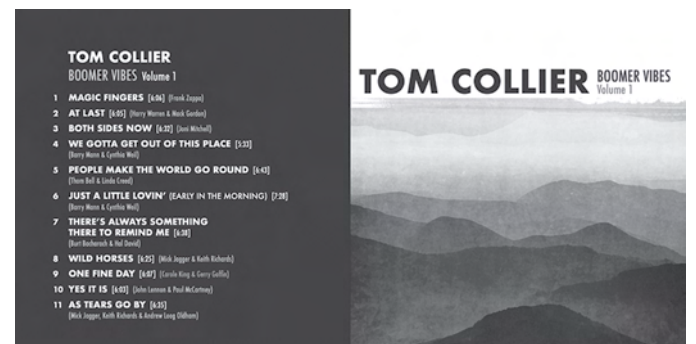
Throughout the summer, I spent a lot of time in my studio recording music for a series of albums to be released in 2023 and 2024 on Summit Records. The music on this extended project has me playing a multitude of instruments on each song through the process of overdubbing – or multi-tracking. I've been doing that type of recording since my senior year at WSHS, but I have to say that the process is much easier utilizing computer-based recording software as opposed to the old method of reel-to-reel tape recording.

Beginning in March, 2023, the first album of these recordings, entitled “Boomer Vibes, Volume 1”, will be released on CD, followed by Volume 2 in October, and Volume 3 in 2024. The music includes my arrangements of songs we all heard in the 1960's and 1970's featuring vibraphone, marimba, piano, synthesizer, drums, percussion, and my debut on hammer dulcimer (my fun new “toy”).

*Post Script by Adelle Hermann Comfort:*

We are grateful that Tom posts regularly on our Facebook @ West Seattle High School Class of 1966 | Facebook . I encourage our '66 classmates to join our page and take advantage of what he shares from his heart with us! Right before Christmas he added links to some of his beautiful Christmas music. For those not on our Facebook pages, you can find Tom on YouTube. Hall of Fame guy forever! We love you Tom! And your equally talented bride Cheryl, too!

If you choose not to join our Facebook page, you can go to Tom's 'sound cloud' page at: <https://soundcloud.com/user-326409494> to listen to his beautiful music.



Tom Collier and his wife Cheryl



Post Script from Adelle: Tom in December of 1949...already practicing his Hall of Fame skills!

**Dennis Madsen - 2021 Hall of Fame**  
From Stock Boy to Retired CEO of REI

“Full of Hope”

As I sit here at my keyboard wondering what I can share with my classmates of 1966 about the year past the words “thankful and hopeful” come to mind. Thankful that I have enjoyed another trip around the sun and hopeful for the years ahead. Two events epitomize these emotions: First, my granddaughter Taylor married my wonderful grandson-in-law, Dan. I'm so thankful that I was present. Their happiness and hope for the future were contagious. Milestone events like marriage or the birth of a child help me focus on what's most important in my life: family, friends, and love. Witnessing the creation of Taylor and Dan's new family and seeing the power of love continue in the next generation... well, it just causes everyone to forget their differences of opinion, dysfunction, stress, and worries. All young families inspire me, for they represent the future, and that inspiration is multiplied many thousand-fold when it's your own grandchild that you've nurtured since her birth.

Following the summer wedding, my wife Debbie and I embarked on our favorite pastimes: camping, hiking, and exploring! This time, it was in Utah and Arizona with our overland trailer, “Myrtle the Turtle.” We love to journey beyond the pavement in search of that once-in-a-lifetime vista; that trail with an awesome rock formation, and that special wildlife sighting. Along our journey, we crossed paths with a wide range of folks who were equally passionate about the outdoors. No matter one's nationality, political persuasion, economic situation, social background, or religious beliefs, the beauty of Nature and the warm spirit around a crackling campfire brings us all together as one.

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## WSHS 1966 *Continued*

This year gave me profound hope for the future. Our future. Humanity's future. Henry David Thoreau famously said, "We all need the tonic of wildness." He also said, "The only remedy for love is more love." Heading into 2023, let's all be thankful and keep our hope for the future through nature and love.

*Post script by Adelle Hermann Comfort:*

In trying to track Dennis and Debbie through the months of 2022, this is what the map and the spinning in my head looked like:



I would recommend our 1966 classmates to 'friend' Dennis on Facebook and see some of the most amazing photos EVER from their trips because everything there is in COLOR and it is beautiful! ...but here is brief summary of their travels:

Feb: Klamath, Oregon; Death Valley California; New Mexico; South Carolina, Washington D.C.; Virginia; Hilton Head, South Carolina

March: Arizona, and then back home

May: Seattle Yacht club tour up to Alaska and therefore stops in B.C.

June: Back to Seattle and sailing

July: Kayaking and sailing in sunny Seattle and beautiful Puget Sound; 4-wheeling in an off road camper in Oregon

August: Sun and lots of boating in various areas of Puget Sound (and granddaughter's wedding!)

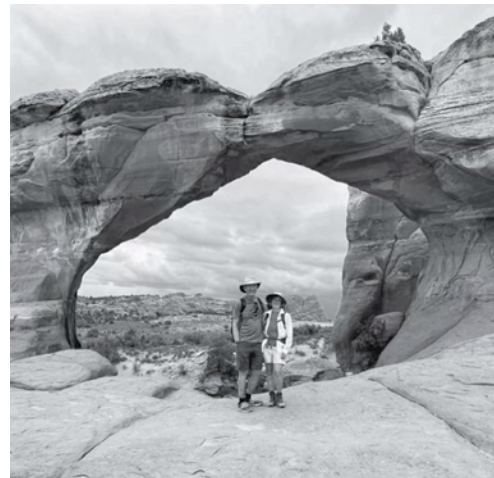
September: Grand Canyon in Arizona and Arches National Park in Utah

October: More of Arizona

November: Many family gatherings

December: WHEW

*Here are some photos from their travels:*



Sweatshirt says 'Property of West Seattle 66' Alum'



Dennis and Debbie



Beer drinking in Flagstaff, Arizona right next to an REI store!

### **A travel story submitted by Ruthi Sundnes Winter**

In October of 2022, my husband Mike and I took a 3 week trip to Ecuador with an overseas adventure travel group. The country of Ecuador has much to offer. First of all, to travel to Ecuador you don't need a Visa and the currency is US dollars. So all you need to do is make a plane reservation and fly to Quito... easy! Quito is a high elevation city of 9,350 feet above sea level. Before this trip was over we would spend time at sea level in the Galapagos Islands and then travel up to 14,000 feet in the Andean mountains, so we got to see a variety of scenery.

After spending a few days in Quito, we flew to Coca in the Amazon rain forest. We stayed in a lodge on the Napo River, a branch of the Amazon River. Our only mode of transportation in the rain forest jungle was by canoe. We visited native villages and every day we took nature trips to find colorful birds and animals that live in the jungle! Life in the rain for-

est was peaceful. We only heard the sounds of birds and animals, so of course I loved the Amazon! Our home was a small ship that took us around all the islands for a week. Here we saw unusual animals that only exist in the Galapagos Islands including the giant tortoises, blue footed Boobies, etc. I found the animals almost tame; at least they were oblivious of human beings! I could walk right up to a Boobie, frigate bird, iguana, giant tortoise, sea turtles, sea lion mothers nursing babies, and they could not care less that we were there! They didn't move an inch! Even the sea lions would play with the snorkelers, nibbling on the fins for fun! These birds and animals have no predators, so they weren't afraid of anything... amazing!

We then flew to Quito and started a 5 day bus trip through the mountains of the Andes, visiting villages and talking to locals along the way. Andean ladies wore fedora hats, ponchos and colorful, gathered skirts and the men wore red ponchos also with fedora hats. They were colorful people! Now for food... In the Amazon rainforest a popular food was a large beetle larva... like a big yellow worm! They barbecued them on a stick. Some said they tasted like chicken, but they were so gross that I couldn't eat them! Outside of the rainforest, the most popular dinner food was guinea pig! Yes, those sweet, cute guinea pigs! There were guinea pig restaurants everywhere! Otherwise the food was great.

Another very special thing about Ecuador is that it lays directly on the equator that divides the north and south hemispheres. There is nowhere else on earth that is closer to the sun than the equator. For that reason there is a constant growing season for fruits and vegetables, so they are always in season. It was amazing to visit the outdoor markets to see them loaded with all kinds of delicious fresh fruits and vegetables. To conclude, I highly recommend a visit to Ecuador. The people are lovely, and the country has a huge variety of things to see and places to visit... It is a hidden gem!

### **A note from Ken Stapleton**

This coming Tuesday, 10/11/22, we are going back to the Czech Republic to dispose of our home, automobile, and more than half of our belongings. We plan to return to Seattle on 12/17 (the 25th anniversary of our deployment). We'll be planted in our new home in Moses Lake by the New Year. This is not retire, it is retreat. We are transitioning into a new field of service. Here is praise from those who witnessed the work of Ken and Linda over the last 25 years:

"This year we recognized and honored Ken & Linda Stapleton who, in December, will leave their full-time work in the Czech Republic and return to residence in Central Washington (Moses Lake) as they transition to an emissary role in Europe. We are humbled by the service of Ken and Linda over these many years. We always knew Ken was going to do great things and we know he gives tribute to his bride for joining him on this amazing journey. With many of our FMI Europe workers having been on the field less than 10 years, we are honored to have served alongside faithful servants who have been there for 25! We honor you, Ken & Linda, and look forward to your new release into ministry in the US and as emissaries."

### **Kevin Mason**



Kevin is our classy class crooner who lives in Port Townsend! You can check out his Facebook pages @ Kevin Mason | Facebook and @ Kevin Mason Vintage Cocktail Hour | Facebook



Ruthi wearing her jaunty hat!



Mike and Ruthi with a giant tortoise



How cool is this?!



**Ken and Linda Stapleton, Czechmates**

*Our prayer: That you be too relevant to be ignored.*

*Naše modlitba; Že jsi příliš relevantní na to, abys byl ignorován.*

## WSHS 1973

By Class Rep Dick Sleight

### Classmates Spot Quality When They See It

Remember those senior accolades handed out at the end of each school year? Is there any validity to those "Most likely to . . ." awards voted on by one's class peers? The class of '73 had three ladies, good friends of one another, who proved their fellow classmates right.



Lisa Bergman

**Lisa Bergman** was chosen "Most Likely to Succeed." How did we know that one day Lisa would become a classical pianist who played worldwide, including at Carnegie Hall? From her bio on Seattle's classical KING FM 98.1 station, where she is a popular radio host: "She is a graduate of the Juilliard School, the State University of New York at Stony Brook and the University of Washington, cum laude. For 10 years she served as an Artist in Residence and faculty member at the University of Washington School of Music (1989-1999). She is a member of the Hall of Fame for the Washington State Music Teachers Association . . ." And in 2018, Lisa was the first member of the class of '73 to be inducted into the West Seattle Alumni Association Hall of Fame.

Lisa's good friend **Laurie (Sleight) Kleespies** since their early years at Gatewood Elementary School, was voted "Best Female Athlete" by her senior classmates. The class of '73 was the first one to benefit from the passage of Title IX which prohibited discrimination based on sex in education programs and activities that receive federal financial assistance. Laurie was the lone daughter in the family. Her three brothers, Don ('59), Randy ('71), and twin Dick ('73) earned a dozen West Seattle varsity letters between them in Cross Country, Soccer, Swimming, Tennis, and Track & Field. But until her senior year, Laurie was not allowed to compete at the varsity level in the sports in which she excelled. In her junior year, Laurie was invited to join the boys tennis team, as there was no girls team at the time. Before the first match, the principals of the Seattle School District voted that girls could not play with the boys. Title IX was passed that summer on June 23, 1972. In Laurie's senior year, she was the captain of the newly formed girls tennis team and was voted its most inspirational player. She also lettered in swimming that first year it became a varsity sport. Laurie's letter sweater is now preserved as property of Seattle's Museum of History and Industry (MOHAI).



After high school, Laurie attended the University of Washington, then graduated from the Walter Reed Army Institute of Nursing (WRAIN). Laurie's Army career as a medical/surgical nurse included hospital postings in Missouri and California. Captain Kleespies is pictured here in 1983 in her dress blues.

Laurie's friend, and eventually her sister-in-law, is **Nancy (Rutherford) Sleight**. Nancy was voted Most Accomplished by her classmates. She played oboe in the orchestra, earned All-Metro status in Gymnastics with top finishes in multiple events including the All-Around competition. One of the cheerleaders, Nancy also was one of the school's valedictorians.

She attended Cottey College in Nevada, Missouri until she ran out of Math classes to take. She returned to Seattle, joined the Seattle Pacific University varsity gymnastics team, and went on to graduate magna cum laude in Mathematics. She had planned to become a high school teacher until the

Regional Manager of IBM specifically asked her to apply with Big Blue. Nancy had a successful career as a Systems Engineer with IBM until she embarked on the "domestic engineer" path, raising three scholar-athletes of her own. Nancy is now a member and regular attender of the West Seattle High School Monogram Club, the organization of West Seattle varsity athletes who graduated at least forty years ago. She welcomes any of her varsity sisters to join her.



Laurie (Sleight) Kleespies



Nancy (Rutherford) Sleight

This year, these three stars of the class of '73 will join with many of their other friends at their 50th high school reunion at Salty's on August 26th. Full details about that upcoming celebration can be found at WSHS73.org.

### Class of 1973 Ready for Our 50th Reunion

Five years ago, a group of us from the class of 1973 began looking ahead toward the 50th anniversary of our graduation. As a practice run for our 50th reunion, we organized a 45th reunion luncheon for late August 2018. On short notice, we filled the Alki Room at Salty's on Alki Beach with our classmates and their partners and guests. The great feedback from those attending told us we were on the right track.

Jumping ahead four years, and especially bypassing the "stay home, stay healthy" years of 2020-21, we reassembled the team last year and began planning for a bigger event this summer. We'll be able to accommodate more of our friends as we have booked both the Alki and Duwamish rooms at Salty's. Combining these rooms affords a sweeping view of Seattle across Elliott Bay from our familiar West Seattle neighborhood.

The class of 1973's "Blue and Golden 50th High School Reunion" is scheduled for Saturday, August 26, 2023 from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Generous donations from a number of classmates have allowed us to keep the cost comparable to what was charged five years ago.

A plated lunch will replace the buffet enjoyed in 2018.

Registration instructions and additional event information can be found on our class website at WSHS73.org. Got questions? Contact a member of our reunion planning committee at reunion@WSHS73.org.

Preceding our big day in August is the All School Reunion on June 3rd. As we are the 50th year class in 2023, a big turnout is expected, and a class photo is planned. Check out WSHS73.org for more information on this early summer Saturday event. Personally, I'm picturing so many delicious snacks that we'll have enough to share with those classes that missed their own 50th All School Reunion in 2020, 2021, and 2022!

We hope to see many of you in June or August, or hopefully both.



Back in 2018, classmates from '73 deeply enjoyed the opportunity to get reacquainted.

## WSHS 1980

By Class Reps Terese (Anderson) Machmiller and Diane (Begunoff) Venti

Greetings to our Class of '80 friends,

We hope you are all thriving in these early, hopeful days of 'post-pandemic'. Spring is soon upon us, shops and cafes are filling up, and the West Seattle Bridge finally reconnects our beloved peninsula to the rest of the city, bringing welcomed and refreshing energy. In other ways, we are slowly shifting into a new normal, with more of us now working from home, and increased outdoor dining being a new and possibly permanent option. Most of us also have recently or will soon celebrate our 60th birthdays - how crazy and unbelievable is that?

After our past attempts to celebrate our 40th reunion were derailed by the stubbornly continuing pandemic, we're now setting our sights on our 45th reunion in 2025. Until then, stay safe and healthy and continue to live your best life!

Best wishes from

Terese (Anderson) Machmiller - Alumni Board, Communications and Diane (Begunoff) Venti - 1980 Class Representative

## WSHS 1959

By Class Rep Lynda Moody Hurst

Hello Classmates of 1959!!! We are still here! We've survived a plague! And West Seattle folks survived living on an "island" for almost 3 years! I shouted out loud, "Wahoo!" when I finally got to take the West Seattle Bridge Exit onto a re-enforced bridge!

But even as survivors, many of us, like Bob and me, you have walked through some hard things this past year: mystery 6- week viruses, questions as we come out of isolation (shot or no shot, mask, or no mask), grieving the death of a loved one, picking up the pieces. As we live more openly in this new year, we will hopefully embrace the joys of human relationships with a renewed commitment to making them a priority.

The pandemic, along with getting older, seems to have been a catalyst pushing more of us to make life changes. Many of our classmates determined 2021-22 was a good time to change their living arrangements: Some moved back to the US, or closer to their children. Judy Dodson Tuininga (Bill) and Joanne Rogstad have moved to senior living communities. Others have "already put their names in" for such moves. Some snow-birds have tired of keeping two homes and are choosing to stay put in one place, either in the desert or in King County. Then there is Sara Harpster Thomas (Jim) who spend winter months traveling throughout AZ and Mexico in their casita, or Al Bender (Carol) cruising abroad. Jim Pillings (Jeri) is comfortable in Grand Coulee and Skeet Hinds is happy at home in Shelton. Some of us are moving more slowly, while others have amazing energy, like Carol Frey Potter (Larry). And, at this age, I have a renewed appreciation for those of you who are angels in disguise as full-time care givers in your homes. 1959, we are an amazing class!

Like me, have you noticed, in these mature years, how prone we are to consider that one-to-five years difference in age isn't what it used to be when we were in school? Remember when sophomore boys still had fuzz on their upper lip? But now we're all "about the same age!" Right? Did you have siblings or spouses or neighbors from another class? My Bob is 1958, and I surely identify with his class. My sisters and sister-in-law are 1961 and 1964; their friends are my friends. For me it's personal: I first met sophomore "little Ronnie Riedasch" in the school hallways when he was shorter than I was. I didn't see him again until he and my sister reconnected at a high school reunion. Ron had grown from 5'8" to 6'8". He became my brother-in-law and dear friend over the past decade. Ron was a compassionate man who passed on to life eternal on January 5. So, this year I am particularly appreciative of the connections we have with those who graduated before or after 1959, and thankful for the history Ron and I had 64 years ago. We were, after all, "about the same age." Who is included in your wider circles and enriches your lives?



Genesee Hill School

One of those circles might include classmates you have known since grade school. It was obvious at our 60th reunion that we strongly identified with those with whom we went to grade school. As we gath-

ered for "grade school pictures" four years ago, no one was confused about which group they belonged to! You just knew! I began attending Genesee Hill in the 2nd grade, a brand new school! But in 1916-17 Genesee Hill opened a newer modern elementary school. The new building now faces Dakota and covers our old playground for one and a half blocks, from 51st to almost 49th! If grade school in West Seattle is part of your history, can you connect with someone you remember?

Some have asked whether people get kinder or grumpier as they age. I want to be the former but am too often the latter. I do believe it is a choice we can make. We may have more limitations, but we can make a difference wherever we are by living lives of gratitude, thankful for each new day. I know that whenever I have a conversation with one of you, I am smiling and very thankful. You make my day!

Please continue to keep updates on new or preferred addresses!

Lynda Moody Hurst

Susan Hubbard Cameron, deceased, May 2022

## WSHS 1955

By Class Rep Ted Foss

Two months ago, I sent out an e-mail to classmates and asked if they would attend a class reunion this summer??? Would you believe that only 12 classmates replied that they might attend one this summer. It appears that the interest is not great for a reunion this summer.

I have been in touch with several of our classmates and talked about having another class reunion. The discussion centered around the fact that in two more years we will celebrate 70 YEARS SINCE WE GRADUATED ON JUNE 1955 AT THE CIVIC Auditorium! Can you really believe that fact??? What have we done during those years except college, work, marriage, children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and then retirement. I wonder how many of our class are great grandparents? At the next reunion in the near future, the discussion would be about how is the family? Of course, many of the class have passed away but they are still in our minds, especially when the word "reunion" is brought up!! Many of our classmates now have moved out of their home and into assisted living, independent living, retirements communities or in with a son or daughter due to health conditions.

Speaking of health conditions, it is hoped that all of us are doing all possible to stay healthy, walk, eat properly, and get plenty of sleep.

The next two years will go by very fast and will be a great time to really get together and celebrate 70 YEARS OUT OF HIGH SCHOOL!!! What a celebration that will be! So, there will not be a reunion during 2023 or 2024, but plan on 2025 for the next very special celebration for all of us! We all agree that time seems to go faster the older we become.

So, please do all you can to stay healthy, be happy and look forward to getting together during summer 2025 for a very memorable event in our lives

Stay in touch with classmates, meet for coffee or take a long walk on Alki.

Ted Foss

## WSHS 1963

By Class Rep John Norden

Hard to imagine that we are celebrating our 60th class reunion. My how time flies.

As I was driving along Alki the other day I looked over to the Seattle skyline and boy has it changed. Happy to say that West Seattle has kept some of its look although we have many more neighbors and homes surrounding this beautiful part of our city. Nice to have the bridge back after over 2.5 years of making it safe again. Had some days that it took almost an hour just to get into the city.

Last year I mentioned to all of you that we were looking into a possible 60th reunion party asking you to comment on whether or not you would be interested attending and had only a few of you respond. Although in the last few months I've heard from many of you that would be interested in a possible celebration of our times together. So I am putting this out there that

I would like to plan on a late summer reunion like say in September for a 60th party. Please let me know as I am in the planning stages and would like as much input from you as possible. Also reach out to some of your classmates to see if they have any interest.

Some of the other classes are planning their celebrations mid-week which can be a little less expensive and could either be a lunch or a mid to late afternoon cocktail party. I need to know if many of you are interested before I finalize a date, time and location. Any and all recommendations would be appreciated. You can reach me at john.norden@yahoo.com. Lea Johnson is going to help with the planning and execution along with anyone else that would like to help out.

I hope to see you at the All School Reunion in June.

John Norden

## WSHS 1957

By Class Reps Gwen (Tatman) Fraser and Beverly McMillin

The Class of 1957 so enjoyed the 2022 Reunion, they are planning to do it again in 2023! Our reunion has been scheduled for July 9, 2023 at Glen Acres Golf Club, beginning at 3:00 PM, a light dinner will be served. Again, we are inviting our classmates from '55 and '56 to join us. To learn more and join the planning process – Contact:

Gwen Fraser – 206-228-4068 gfraser49@msn.com

Beverly McMillin – 206-498-9955 chochosan29@hotmail.com

# WSHS 1967

By Class Rep Helen Verbon Locatelli

## Class of '67 Picnic on August 27, 2023

As each year passes, it means more and more to me to reconnect with people from our high school class. Thanks to being on the 50th reunion committee six years ago, I had the chance to reacquaint myself with classmates I knew pretty well, as well as others that I honestly don't remember even talking with much in high school. What a blessing it's been to get to know these folks better. Over the last several summers, I've had the privilege of hosting classmates for picnics here at my house in Maple Valley. I can't encourage you enough to come join in on the fun. We are always delighted with whomever is able to attend.

The setting is very laid back and I'm pleased to report that everyone is friendly and is just there to have a good time. No pretenses, no insecurities, no cliques...nothing but talking, eating and enjoying each other's company. It's fun to reminisce about teachers and the classes we shared, catch up on people we haven't been in touch with and remember the good times.

Last year those who attended were (in order of how they signed my guest book) – Randy Stiles, Danny Lilliness (Mary), Doug Cozens (Jean), Mike Davenport, Bea Solberg Knott, Rick Hebron (Amy), Margo Scott Roth, Paula Stumpf Barlow, Robin Sanislo, Sharalyn Ferrel (Jack Estep), Bob Nessly, Bev Johnson Wilson, Arleen Jackson Coppin, Deb Lamphere, Jodeen Boessel Rayson (Jeff & Teresa Harmon), Linda Johnson (George Reed), Nancy Bundy Pearson (Bill) and Georgann Pasnick.

We hope you'll plan ahead to join us for this year's Class of '67 Reunion. It will be held on Sunday afternoon, August 27th, starting at 1pm here at my home on Pipe Lake, 21312 SE 265th St., Maple

Valley, 98038. Stay as long as you'd like and prepare yourself for a fun time. After all, if you come, you just may have the thrill of seeing your name in print in next year's Chinook. It doesn't get much better than that!

Kosher hot dogs, buns, and condiments will be provided. Please BYOB and a side dish to share. And please RSVP by Monday, August 21 to either Danny Lilliness (206.246.2571) or me, Helen Verbon Locatelli (360.509.3464). Looking forward to seeing you here!



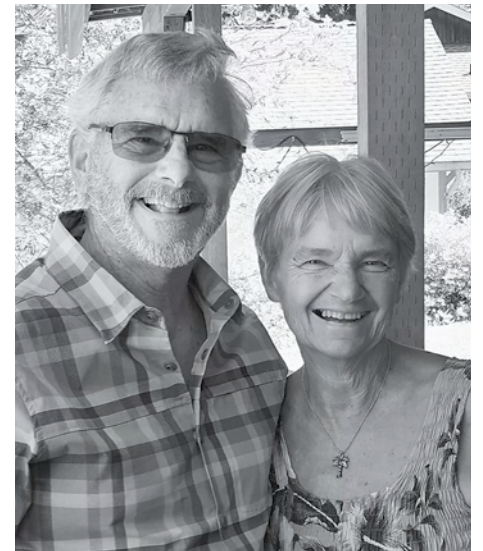
At the tiki-bar Robin Sanislo and our host Helen Verbon....



Danny Lilliness, Arlene Jackson, Bev Johnson, Mike Davenport and Randy Stiles.



Deb Lamphere Bea Solberg Knott



Doug Cozens and Helen Verbon.



Doug Cozens and his wife Jan



Nancy Bundy Pearson and Paula Stumpf Barlow



Mary Lilliness & Bev Johnson Wilson



Sharalyn Ferrel and Georgann Pasnick



Jack Estep and Sharalyn Ferrel



Rick Hebron...



and his wife Amy Hebron



Robin Sanislo



Dan Lilliness & Rick Hebron



Paula Stumpf Barlow, Margo Scott Roth & Arleen Jackson Coppin



Linda Johnson Bird and George Reed

## WSHS 1967 Continued



Jodeen Boessel Rayson and her sister and brother-in-law Teresa and Jeff Harmon

Randy Stiles and  
Bob Nessly

Jack Estep and Sharalyn Ferrel



Mike Davenport, Randy Stiles and Arlene Jackson Coppin

## WSHS 1964

By Class Rep Muriel Verbon Knapp

How happy I was, and you will be, to hear that the West Seattle High School All School Reunion will be held again on June 3, 2023. Covid kept us all at bay for several years. Never mind what else it did to mess with our lives, but we're hoping we don't have to go into lockdowns again any time soon. That was no fun!

All of you who have been waiting with bated breath to know how my trip to Brazil went last February/March, it was simply wonderful. The country had Level 4 Do Not Travel CDC warnings, but we found when we got there that they had almost better protocols for keeping people healthy than we did here with such things as individually wrapped sets of silverware on the tables and small paper bags to put your mask in while dining so that it didn't either get the table dirty nor the table make the mask dirty. We returned safely and I didn't get Covid until I went to a national gathering of a fraternal group at a hotel in Renton in May. Of all exotic places to get Covid, it had to be Renton, Washington! I was just glad I'd had all the vaccines, so it passed quickly with no residual bad health results. Inspired by the beauty and vastness of Brazil and the warm, endearing, and hospitable people, I've been studying Portuguese every day for the last year on Duolingo for a return some day. If nothing else, maybe it will help keep my brain somewhat nimble and stave off any intellectual decline ("from my lips to God's ears!"). Anyway, if you ever have a chance to go – GO! I have loved every place I have ever been in South America.

I have heard of few passings of our classmates. Please look in another section of this Chinook to read the obituary for Jerry Calabrese. He passed away on April 7, 2022. I don't think there's a person in our class who wouldn't remember him. Sadly, more frequently, I've heard of the passing of the husbands of Susan Moody Williams, Marti Rabak Tatum, and Susan Anderson. We mourn with them because they are our friends and they mourn. Life is getting ever more fragile for us and we all know to simply treasure our lives and each day we have with spouses, friends, and other family members!

Near the very end of January, Susan Moody Williams, Marsha Franks Munson, and I took the ferry to Silverdale to meet up with Diane Dalrymple Neesz, who lives in Port Ludlow. It was good to get together and we enjoyed a tasty brunch together. Marsha was leaving on the first of February for a month in Maui, staying with friends she met at Whitman College and having her husband join her after her first week there. I heard from Patsy Elliott Wells last June when she wrote to give me a change of address. She'd had a bad fall the prior March, ending up in the hospital. After that, her sons asked her to move out of the mountains to be closer to them. She's now in Spokane Valley in a retirement center called Revel. I have been corresponding with Margaret Heinzinger who lives in Port Angeles. She takes care of abandoned dogs on her property. We had some good chats as we did some sleuthing of former students with the help of Chris King. She is enjoying a new

relationship with a nephew who appeared through Ancestry.com. He lives in Maine, is a wonderful fellow, and would love to get to know his biological father. These days, such sites as Ancestry.com and 23 and Me are finding relatives for us that we never knew about. For my siblings and me, such discoveries have brought some delightful people in our lives – never mind how they happened to be born. We have become close with a half-brother's daughter. I've been able to visit her in her homes in Scottsdale, Arizona and Park City, Utah, and my sisters and I have visited her at her home on Lake Sammamish. We're looking forward to another trip to Scottsdale in April.

Margaret has kept in touch with Sue Nicholson Walmsley who lives in Walnut Creek, California. Sue was married to Kevin Walmsley from our class and we had mentioned him a few years ago when he passed away. Margaret and Sue have been friends since they were in Camp Fire Girls with Sylvia Haglund Balistreri, Mary Sue Wenger Brooks, and Carrie Ann Scherf LaCounte. Suzann Francisco Kramer talked with Don Renbarger after he came home from fishing in May. They have camped in the same place in Eastern Washington some years.

Don't forget that if you're looking for something to do on a Saturday night and you like Thai food to visit the Silver Spoon Restaurant in Lynnwood to enjoy an evening of listening to Dave Little play piano. I don't think there's a musical tune he doesn't know.

Stacia Stratton has sold her cabin at Cle Elum. She lives at Panorama City in Lacey. In the last year, she got back to Corbett Lake in British Columbia for trout fishing. A trip to Grand Lake, Colorado took her to the Dinosaur National Monument in Colorado and the Buffalo Bill Museum of the West in Cody, Wyoming. On a trip to Fairbanks to help a friend celebrate a birthday, she was thrilled to witness the Aurora Borealis, spending three nights in an "igloo." The trip included a ride on a dog sled and a UTV ride that went alongside the Alaska pipeline. She's looking forward this year to trips to New York City and Arizona.

Returned mail has been received from recent mailings, so these classmates are considered "lost." Please let me know if you have current addresses, phone number, or email addresses for any of them: Gregory Bennett, Hugh Bucknam, Diana Crowe, Lora Gross Wyatt, Roxanna Heuschele, Robyn Thorn Collyer, and Lee Watson. Thanks!

I know there are lots more good stories amongst our classmates and I am always looking for news of the great people in our class, so please keep my contact information at hand so that you can let me know of your adventures and accomplishments.

You may contact me at [murielknapp@msn.com](mailto:murielknapp@msn.com), home 206-932-7283, cell 206-890-8868, or snail mail 4030 55th Avenue SW, Seattle, WA 98116. I am always happy to hear from you! I hope this finds you all in both good health and good spirits!

# WSHS 1972

## 50 for 72

By Class Reps Christy Young Rowe, Gail Paulson Gagner and Kathie Dempsey Itter

In spite of the heat, our Class 50th Reunion was a blast. What a great group of classmates coming from near and far! We had 100+ in attendance and everyone was so happy to see each other, share stories, listen to great music and most importantly, just celebrate the Class of 1972.

The reunion was held at Glen Acres Golf and Country Club in July 2022. The setting was beautiful and the food delicious. All those who came were delighted to be together, especially with two years of Covid and restrictions. Thank you to all who came to help celebrate our class.

Classmates traveled from near and far including: the states of Alabama, Arizona, California, Colorado, Iowa, Michigan, Oregon, Tennessee. The countries of: Canada, Mexico and Ukraine. (More on Ukraine a little later)

Kathie Dempsey Itter, Gail Paulson Gagner and Christy Young Rowe spent most of 2022 planning for this event. A Facebook account was set up to help everyone stay in touch. Emails went out to all we had email addresses for. To help offset the cost of putting on this reunion, donations were requested and our class was very generous! Jeri Larsen Graham donated Mariner tickets, Wendy Wright Hobson donated two of her beautiful watercolor pieces, Steve McLaughlin donated hand tied (beautiful!) fishing flies. And many other items donated were gift baskets with an assortment of products and gift cards.

There also was a golf tournament the day before the reunion at Glen Acres. Thank-you to Gail and Molly Malone Philopant for organizing the event.

After paying all our expenses, the Class of 1972 was able to make donations to the Alumni Association and to the Monogram Club. They were: \$2000 to the WSHS Alumni Association in memory of our deceased classmates (our class is a Millennium Club member - a distinction for those donating \$1000 or more to the scholarship fund), \$2000 to the WSHS Monogram Club Scholarship Fund (The Monogram Club is an exclusive membership organization of graduates who possess varsity letters earned in competition. It raises money to help West Seattle graduating student athlete pursue higher education. Christy and Gail are Monogram Club members.) And the remaining funds totaling \$7934.25 was donated to the WSHS Alumni Association - donations may be used for scholarships or the operating fund which pays for Alumni Chinook, All School Reunion and other activities in support of West Seattle High School.



L to R: Bob Fuda, Kevin Hughes, Gail Paulson Gagner, Helen Mudge Hughes & Brian Hughes

We had live music after our meal provided by Tim Turner, Tom Schmuck, Garth Stacy and Rick Capeloto. Chris Georgas was our MC and Auctioneer for the many wonderful items that were donated to raise funds. (Listed above). A few people were brave and got out on the dance floor. There was a lot of laughter, hugs and reminiscing all afternoon. Many photos are included here in the



Holy Rosary: Mark Vague, Ron Hodge, Molly Malone Philopant, Tom Chudecke and Kathie Dempsey Itter



Alki: Terri Landers, Robin Stoltz Short, Patti Hudson Austad and Karalee Hatch Sutterlin

Chinook but, you can also see photos and messages on our class FaceBook page WSHS CLASS OF 1972 (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1744725129137989>). You are welcome to join 199 of your classmates in the group. This is a private group and you must be approved to join. First you must have a FaceBook page. If you do not have a FaceBook page, go to (<https://www.facebook.com/help/mobile-basic/188157731232424>) for instructions to create one. Once your page is created, go to WSHS Class of 1972 and ask to join the group. As long as you are listed by the Alumni Association as a member of the class, you will be approved, even if you don't answer the three questions correctly.

Back to Ukraine, Nick Sweeney shared some amazing stories of his work there. Nick graduated from George Fox with a degree in Education and from Seattle U with a Master's in Educational Administration. He says he has served as the Lord's imperfect servant, mostly as a school administrator with his last assignment being in Ukraine. He became the director of the school in Kyiv, Ukraine for the last two years. Nick was an administrator at a school in Seattle that took part in a request from the Ukrainian government which thought it would be a good idea for children who lived through the disaster at Chernobyl to interact with American kids. He arrived in Ukraine just when the country was experiencing Covid, a bit behind the rest of the world. By the fall of the 2021-2022 school year, they were able to resume classes at the school once again. Little did we know as we began the second semester in January 2022, we started receiving messages from the US Embassy that a real danger was developing with Russia. The Ukrainians were convinced the Russians would not invade. However, intel from the US Government turned out to be almost 100% accurate and on the 15th of February, the school went to online education due to warning from the state department. We began to evacuate away from Kyiv to places west. The exodus of people was significant. To date, 10 million Ukrainians have left their country, one of the largest refugee movements since WWII. Nick led a group of Americans to the Romanian border when they were able to cross Feb 27th, although they were waiting in line for 60 hours. Then it was Nick's turn to wait at the border preparing to cross. He had a ticket out of Kyiv if the airport remained open and wanted to get home because he had received word that his sister Cheri passed away. (WS grad 1977) He found that the flight to Frankfurt had been canceled and no western European airlines were selling tickets out of Ukraine anymore. He was finally able to get a flight out due to the partnership Air Ukraine had with Air France and landed safely in France. Eighteen hours later, the airport in Ukraine was bombed. There has been huge damage to the civilian infrastructure and the killing of many civilians. Nick says it has been truly amazing the way Ukrainians have demonstrated they will fight and die for their freedom.

"This has been a reminder to be thankful for our situation as Americans," Nick says. He also asks that we pray for these people and consider how to help. You may contact Nick for more information at [Nick.Sweeney@KCA.org.UA](mailto:Nick.Sweeney@KCA.org.UA).

### Other classmate news and updates:

Bob Fuda has two daughters and five grandchildren. He has run over 50 races including 23 half marathons with either one or both of his daughters. Their favorite is the Mercer Island Half which is a fund raiser for colon cancer which they run in honor of his late wife and fellow classmate Barb Grohn. Bob bought a home about 9 years ago in Indio, CA in the same complex as Brian Hughes. He enjoys the warmth and a good round of golf. He worked for

# 50 Year Reunion for 1972



**Schmitz Park:** Brian Hatch, Garth Stacy, Shannon West Henderson, Linda Lager Crenshaw '73, Stephanie Brakebill Timm, Carol McPherson, Matt Reis and Randy Ambrozic



**Genesee Hill:** Janet Hadley Saunderson, Sherry Catron Burke, Wendy Wright Hobson, John Duke, Rick Capeloto, Diane Murray Bundrant, Gina Terjung Grohs and Patricia Ryles Phillips



**Gatewood:** Sue Gamrath Irvin, Barbara Kuznetz, Linda Curtis Smith, Judith Robison Katopodis, Christy Young Rowe, Linda Carlock and Chris Georgas



**Jefferson:** Wayne Hussey, Gail Paulson Gagner, Kay Dial Picinich, Sandra Helms Bottin, Debbie Olson, Ron Hodge, Debbie Beadell Davis, Linda Lager Crenshaw '73 and Patty Healey Hemmen.

Interstate Brands (Hostess, etc.) for 30 years, after that worked delivering motorcycles (Harleys) for 3 years and then retired from Nordstrom after 12 years. He also has his primary home on Alki beach and loves to walk with his dog Jasper. Alki brings back memories of his dad and seeing the sign Alki Cleaners. He said, "Sunsets are spectacular on Alki."

Brian Hughes and his wife Helen Mudge (WS grad 1974) bought their home in Indio in 2009. They have two daughters and two grandchildren. Brian retired with 30 years in the sheet metal business. He made a beautiful copper guitar as a memorial for the Novito family in memory of fellow classmate Rick Novito. He said that he and Rick picked out a piece of copper intended to become a countertop for Rick. Rick got instructions from Brian and began pounding the copper with a hammer thinking he was getting the right look and texture he desired. But something wasn't right so he called Brian to take a look. He was told the copper was supposed to wait until AFTER the copper



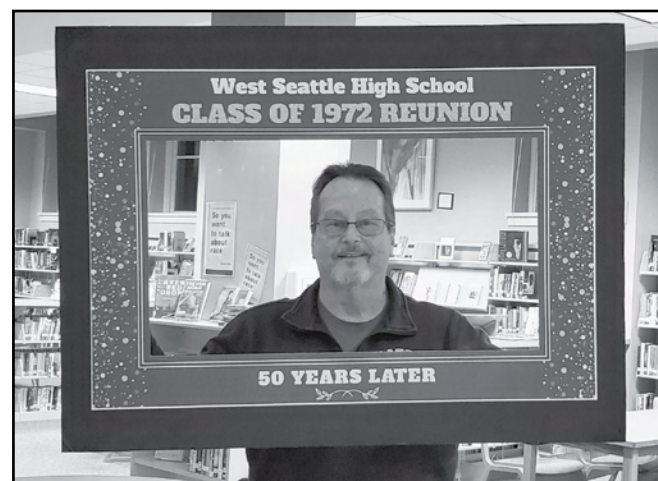
Guitar Art by Rick Novito and Brian Hughes

was installed to texture it. After Rick passed, Rick's mom Gloria asked Brian if he could do something with that piece of copper. He decided he would create a life-size guitar with volume knobs and strings. He finished his art piece and added a plaque on the back that read 'Revised countertop built by Brian Hughes and Rick Novito' and gave it to Rick's family. Brian and Rick were good buddies since first grade at Holy Rosary and were in The Midnight Sun band along with Bob Gagner, Joe Brotherton and Mitch Caddy.

Christy (Young) Rowe and David Rowe: Still married, (48 years), still retired, still gardening, still enjoying their home in South Sound, still working in the wood shop, still living their best life. They have two children and three grandchildren. At last report in the 2022 Chinook, they were getting more anxious about their son's health as he was in dire need of a new kidney due to Berger's disease that damaged both kidneys and they were near 0% function. He and his then fiancé' had planned a wedding four times and each time it was canceled due to Covid - the last time

because their son got Covid three days before the wedding in Atlanta. The wedding finally happened in January 2022 but, only with the doctor's strict orders that Garrett go directly to the ER after the reception. So many family members and friends got tested to see if they were a match and sadly, no matches. His wife gave the ultimate gift, went through testing three times and was finally accepted as a donor. Unfortunately, not a match. But moved our son up the list to the top and in November 2022, a miracle occurred. In what is called a 'paired exchange,' a kidney came from Minnesota for their son and their daughter-in-law's kidney went to someone in Minnesota. A gift to many families and they are so grateful that life has begun again for them and, for their family too. Their son is a WS Grad, 2005.

Wendy Wright Hobson writes: We bought a 6-year-old house in Buckeye AZ in a 55 plus community called Victory. It's part of the "town" of Verrado, which is really big on being a "small town." Lots of small parks and a town square where they have weekly farmers markets, Christmas tree lighting, decorated golf cart parades and frequent free concerts. We are in AZ from October



Steve Itter "models" the class picture frame from 1972's 50th, which they are happy to loan out for other class reunions!

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# WSHS 1970 50 for 70

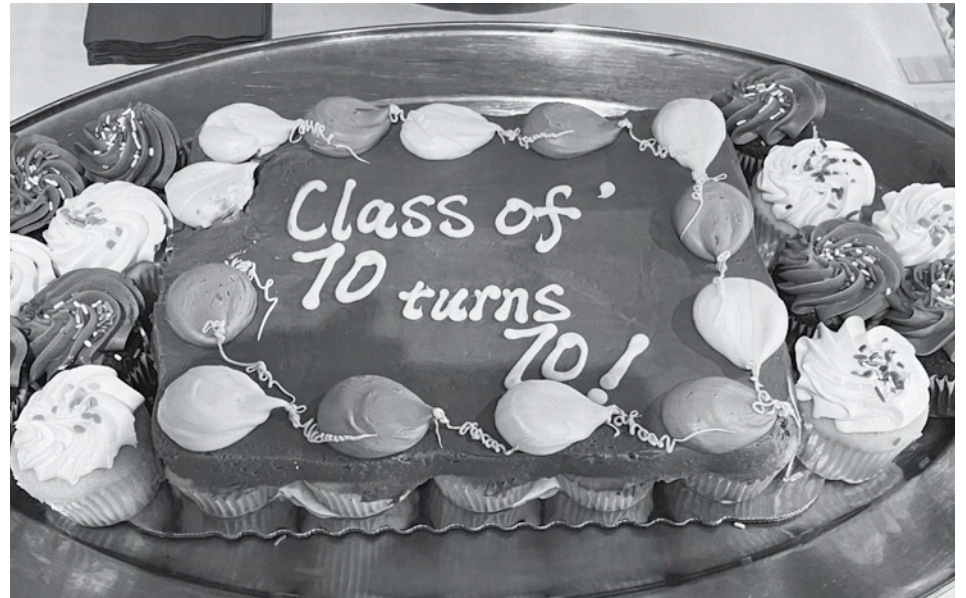
By Class Rep Jami Hanning Vaux

Class of '70's Eagerly Awaited 50th Reunion, 50+2 finally happened August 27, 2022, at Glen Acres Golf and Country Club. It sure was great to be together again. Most of our classmates turned 70 in 2022 so we also made it a Birthday Party, "Class of '70 turns 70". We surprised everyone with a free drink chit, appetizers, balloons, and birthday cake to celebrate. I have to say it was a hit. The club's chef Brian served a wonderful buffet presented in the Fireside room with a choice of steak or chicken and assorted sides. It was wonderful.

Also in this room Classmates could view a collection of our High School Remembrances we had saved and our classmate memorial walls. We also hired a Photo company, they offered unlimited photos to take home as a souvenir which added to the fun. Our celebration started at 4pm and at 10 pm there were still many classmates visiting until the end. Having to wait so long, there just didn't seem enough time to visit with everyone but we all sure tried. Classmate Vern Justice said "he wondered what we'd do for the 6 hrs we had planned", he was pleasantly surprised.

Of course, Patricia Kloster, Cathy Westwood McLynne, and I (Jami Hanning Vaux) want to especially thank those who gave their time the past 3 years to make our 50th Reunion happen. First our extraordinary Printer, Ron Gagnes, who helped with the 2 mailers, your name tags and our table programs. Cathy Andrich Pfau who stepped in this past year when we needed her expertise, ideas and help. Linda Pinkney Eagen and her boyfriend Russ put together our lists of '60-'70 music that played in the background all night. I love that Marsha Hanchett Brix has always been there helping for years. Marsha just picks up the slack, whether to help folding and stamping mailer to getting the balloons for our night. Nancy Hallberg Junkerman also was there for meetings and setup, we loved her input. Nancy supplied bottled water for the night. Ben Keith searched for addresses of our lost classmates. We had our classmate, Photographer Dale DeGabriele, take a great group photo of all our classmates attending the reunion in front of the club house, featured here. The reunion would not have been a success without the help of those decorating, arranging flowers, speaking, and checking you in. Thanks to Nancy Hallberg Junkerman, Verne Justice, Dale DeGabriele, Cathy Andrich Pfau, Linda Pinkney Eagen, Cheryl Jung, Mary Ramsden Grim, Collins P. Guftafson, Linda Stevens Pavola, Ken West, Peggy Pardy Uskevich, and Ben Kieth.

I've been proud to serve as your Class Rep for many years and help with all reunions since the first our 10 yr. at Long Acres Racetrack. So many fond memories we've had together and hope for many more. I will continue to help when my husband Jim and I are in Seattle and not traveling. I want to thank Jim (class of '69)



also for his support, especially with all the computer work over the years. I have decided to step down as a Class Rep., I feel it's time. I leave that in the capable hands of Cathy Westwood McLynne and Patricia Kloster your present Class Reps, who have been my rock. Continue to send address changes to Pkloster@uw.edu.

Sincerely Yours,  
Jami Hanning Vaux





# 50 Year Reunion for 1970



***Happy 70th  
Birthday  
1970!***

# WSHS 1952

By Class Rep Pauline Poppelreiter Couch

Our green years were spent in a good place at a good time... It seemed there were kids in every house and Moms; a corner store on every other block; bread, milk, ice delivered; vacant lots, woods, and beaches to explore; workup baseball [Dads too], 'kick the can', jump rope, roller skates, swimming, and bikes that expanded our world when we got big enough. Also, the 'Nat', Colman Pool, beaches as well as parks, and, for some, a fieldhouse and The Spud. For all, we had safe schools and neighborhoods. What a golden past to build on.

Our present is sparked by friends, doing what we can, and enthusiasm while watching the family continue life into the future. That takes away some of the sting of coping with my hitches in the old gitalong anyway.

My winter project is to sort boxes of ephemera and pictures. Here are some photos you might find interesting.

My wish for you is to have reasons to smile every day.

Pauline Couch, from Guemes Island





## WSHS 1958

By Class Reps Gary Tisdale and Audrey Lowdon Tharp

The Class of 1958 is still moving and shaking as age determines our direction.

Once again the **Class of 58 Golf Tournament** was held at the Auburn course in August of 2022 under the organization of Gary Tisdale. We had enough players to field six foursomes. There were awards for longest drive-men (Bob Kirchner) longest drive-women (Joyce Kirlin) and closet to-men (Bob Kirchner), closet to- women (Joyce Kirlin). This was the 21st year awarding the **HOIEN TROPHY** for low team score and this year the team of Tim Joslin/Bob Kirchner/Bob Nuber/Gary Tisdale were two over par. The second place team of Bill & Joyce Kirlin and George & Deena Carter came in four over par.

Players gathered after for a complimentary lunch, a brew and some Geritol to brag on their performances and putts just missed. The plan is to hold the tournament again in 2023. We will see how many can still swing a club! We have secured the Auburn Golf course for Friday, August 11th, tee-off time for the first group at 8:00AM. Stand by for further information from Gary.

If you were not included in last year's golf email and want to be contacted, send your name and email to Gary Tisdale, g.tisdale@comcast.net, 206 316 6136.

The following have been reported to Audrey Lowdon Tharp as being deceased since the last article in 2022. Paul "Fritz" Gage-2019; Worthly N. Damm-2019; Larry L. Boone-2021; Sally Ann Smith Kaneko-2021; Marilyn Holert Dregson-2021; William (Bill) Byers-2022; Mary Ann Anderson Gonzales-2022; James (Jim) Jones -2022; Shirley Bybee Berry-2022; Donna Barnard Seltz-2022; Wilfred Jeffery-2022; and Stanley (Jerry) Davis-2022.

Can you believe it, but this summer will be our 65th year since we graduated! The Reunion committee (yes, we are still together!) is planning a luncheon on Saturday, August 12th, 2023 at Bogey's Public House (at the Auburn Golf course).

So far we have received responses via email from approximately 45 alumni that are interested in attending. If you would like more information, please contact:

Gary Tisdale 206 316-6136, g.tisdale@comcast.net or  
Audrey Lowdon Tharp 253 931-1136, sharptharp@comcast.net.

All information is being sent out via email.

Gary Tisdale & Audrey Lowdon Tharp

## WSHS 1961

By Class Reps Beverly Lewis, Ann Riedasch, and Gerald Smith, with Judy Jacobson, Linda McRea

It is with great pleasure that we invite all our 1961 Classmates to a "60+2 Class Reunion!" Elmo and Beverly Lewis have graciously offered their home and large yard space in North Bend for this gathering. So - save the date of Saturday, September 9, 2023 (that is the Saturday after Labor Day) from 12 noon to 4:00 PM and start making plans to join us!

We have a small \$ fund left from our last class reunion that we will use to order food for the occasion. With the pandemic behind us we have the opportunity to reconnect again! We would love to know who is coming - so use one of the options below to share your plan. This note in the Chinook will probably be our only means of sharing the reunion information.

We are including Elmo and Beverly Lewis' address so you can Google it. There is plenty of parking, but carpooling is always a great way to travel. If you have any questions, text or email one of us and we will get back to you. We are looking forward to a wonderful get-together on Saturday, September 9th.

Judy Jacobson 206-938-8672 jecjacobson@msn.com

Linda McRea 206-229-9224 Lindamcrea10@gmail.com

Lewis address: 15221 Cedar Falls Rd. SE, North Bend, WA 98045

## WSHS 1953

By Class Rep Joan Johnson Barker

The Class of 1953 Celebrates 70 Years

1953's class representatives hope to see a good turnout of fellow class members at the all-school reunion in June, as we celebrate the 70th anniversary of our graduation. In addition, we are hoping to schedule a luncheon get-together at a later date. Please let us know if you would be interested in attending one and what dates you would be available. We will discuss this at the all-school reunion.

If you are unable to attend that affair, or if you have more thoughts to share later, please contact one of the following people by email, text, or phone call, to share your thoughts with us:

Joan Johnson Barker: (206) 714-7160, faretuttbarker@icloud.com;

Joann Larson McGee: (206) 963-1510, povbayjack@aol.com; or

Rheta Whitman Rutherford, (206) 715-0114, 1rrutherford@comcast.net.

We look forward to being together again!

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through April. My brother and SIL live 3 blocks from us. Lots of friends and family stay with us. I've been going to art classes here, too. It's hard to go back to Seattle. Our shower here is the same size as our whole bathroom in West Seattle! Love having 3 bathrooms instead of 1 and having a dining room, which I mostly use for painting! Really love the sun and blue skies here!

The 50th Reunion was the last organized class reunion for our class. Hopefully, many of you will continue to get together, stay in touch via email, perhaps organize an informal reunion over the next several years. And don't forget, the first Saturday in June the Alumni Association has organized the All School Reunion where classmates can meet up. Traditionally held at the school, the All School Reunion has not been able to do so due to Covid restrictions. Gratefully, there WILL be an All School Reunion on June 3rd from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. Details are in this Chinook publication. Hope to see many of you there!

**Get Ready 1973!  
You're Next!**



Ray and Richard



Roland, Mark and Paul



Tom, Gail and Jeff



Back row: Tom Chudecke, Jeff Ladum, Derron Carstensen (Derene's son), Richard Nessley, Ray Haddenham, Paul S. Holton, Mark Vernon and Roland Wong. Front row: Molly Malone Philopant, Derene Watson Carstensen, Gail Paulson Gagner, Ginger Sanders Johnson '71 and Paul J. Holton (Paul's son).

# WSHS 1966 Continued from page 17

Kevin Mason *continued*

Here are just a few of the photos representing where Kevin shared his musical talents and supported others during 2022:



August on the Dock in Port Townsend



Celebrating after a local performance of "Hair"...Kevin always supporting others in the business!



New Year's Eve at the Roadhouse



Street Singing during Summer Solstice in June

Per Leland (Lee) Lien: "Port Townsend is going to need a bigger venue for Kevin Mason and the PT All Stars. I can't remember ever seeing this many people in attendance. He had them dancing from the first beat and left them wanting more after Uptown Funk. As for me, I'm worn out and need new shoes." (August on the Dock in Port Townsend)

Kevin is not only a great singer and performer, he is a master carpenter. When a large beloved tree came down at the edge of his property a few years ago, Kevin turned the remaining ugly 'stump' into a magical piece of art and called it the Raccoon Lodge. This is because families of raccoons had lived in the live tree for many years....here is a photo from when the tree was still standing and gave respite to the raccoons:



After the tree fell, Kevin turned it into a magical piece of art for the entire population of Port Townsend to enjoy!

The Raccoon Lodge has magical lighting at night and is a magnet for gifts left by folks in the neighborhood who stop for photo opportunities.



Last November, local politicians told Kevin the Raccoon Lodge would need to come down due to it being a hazard should it fall apart and land on someone walking by. Well, that didn't go well, because a petition signed by thousands helped to bring this to a happier ending where the Lodge should be able to stay in place and be 'owned' by the city who would then take on any liability. King 5 news did three series on the Raccoon Lodge and you can locate videos regarding the fight to save the lodge on YouTube as well.

Here is just one example of the amount of support Kevin received to encourage the City of Port Townsend to keep the Raccoon Lodge as a magical piece of art. We are grateful for all those who stepped up for the preservation of Kevin's gift of love. It was an important step for a city that proclaims this on their welcome sign: "Welcome to Port Townsend, Washington's Victorian Seaport and Arts Community"



## The 'Annual June 6th at 'The Bridge' in West Seattle!

It doesn't matter what day of the week 6/6 is, that's the day for our 'annual' get together. The weather was pleasant and a great time was enjoyed by all.

Everybody had a chance to mingle and share:



Back row (left to right): Ken Stapleton, George Jannison, Doug Stayner, Leland (Lee) Lien  
Middle Row: Vicky Beall Hall, Vinette Meduna Tichi, Barbara Bowen Quintana, Kathy Braymer Shepard, Dianna Rakus, Sue Coghill Lindblom  
First row: Sheila Pless, Nancy Noble Hammond, Judy Rein Heard, Adelle Hermann Comfort, Ruthi Sundnes Winter  
(Shirley Ash Tupper is not in the group photo but arrived later...pictures of Shirley follow. Spouses Ann Jannison and Linda Stapleton are also in pictures which follow.)



Ken Stapleton, Ruthi Sundnes Winter and Kathy Braymer Shepard sharing a Kimtah



Judy Heard Rein, Vinette Meduna Tichi, Sheila Pless, Sue Coghill Lindblom



Ann Jannison and George, Leland (Lee) Lien, Ken and Linda Stapleton, Doug Stayner. It is so nice to spend time with the spouses of our classmates and be so happy that they have had a lovely life together.



Doug Stayner, Adelle Hermann Comfort and Leland (Lee) Lien



Sheila Pless, Vinette Meduna Tichi, Judy Rein Heard, Shirley Ash Tupper, Sue Coghill Lindblom



Ruthi Sundnes Winter, Shirley Ash Tupper



Vicky Beall Hall, Barbara Bowen Quintana, Nancy Noble Hammond, Diana Rakus and Ruthi Sundnes Winter



Sue Coghill Lindblom, Leland (Lee) Lien, Barbara Bowen Quintana, Ken and Linda Stapleton



The Elusive KBS, wearing the bracelet that Judy Rein Heard made for those of us who attended our 50th reunion!

Be sure to mark your calendars for 6/6/23 which falls on a Tuesday. Check our West Seattle High School Facebook class of 1966



## WSHS 1966 Continued

pages for updates! [West Seattle High School Women Class of 1966 | Facebook](#) [West Seattle High School Class of 1966 | Facebook](#)

**Another gathering in West Seattle**, this time at Whiskey West a block away from 'The Bridge': Friends since Kindergarten at Schmitz Park Elementary and same Brownie Troop! We met for another 'annual' gathering for 3 hours of great talk and food. So fun! L to R: Adelle Hermann Comfort, Kristine Davis Sanders, Barbara Cameron Bair (she moved to Arizona at age 11, but we've all remained friends... she comes up each



summer with her husband), Melodie Vrtnar Rogers, and Barbara Waite Cooper. Friends forever!

If there are any other Schmitz Park gals in our Brownie troop who are still out there and want to be included, just let

Adelle Hermann Comfort know @ adelle1016@comcast.net! The date changes by a few days from year to year depending on when Barbara Cameron Bair and her husband make the trip! So fun! Her visit, and connection with the rest of us for the last many years, has been the driving force!

We reported on **Christmas in the Country on Bainbridge Island** for many years in our Chinook article. Covid changed the ability for the stalwart attendees to get together in person the last few years. This year, we were informed by the husband and wife team who were the directors that the venue was canceled due to their need to concentrate on their other businesses. So, a number of the long term attendees of Christmas in the Country decided to create a new opportunity to get together before Christmas. On 12/14, this group joined together at the Alki Café for a 10:00 brunch. A great time was had by all! Many stories and photos of grandkids or other special events were shared! Watch for next year's opportunity by following our class Facebook pages: [West Seattle High School Women Class of 1966 | Facebook](#), [West Seattle High School Class of 1966 | Facebook](#)

It is so wonderful to know that classmates stick together over the years, and here is one great example from Sharon Korth Danielson:

Left to right around the table: Sheila Pless, Margaret Wakelee, Kathy Braymer Shepard, Linda Rodstol Brice, Nancy Noble Hammond, Sue Coghill Lindblom, Shirley Ash Tupper, Adelle Hermann Comfort, Ruthi Sundnes Winter, Wendy Burt Henderson, Vinette Meduna Tichi, Patricia Powell Mcguire



I wanted to share a photo of Nancy Carson Nelson and myself. We both have lived on Vashon for years and we volunteer at a non-profit 2nd hand store named, Granny's Attic that raises money for island healthcare agencies. It is an absolutely fabulous place to volunteer and, we, obviously are having some serious fun every time we get together!



Nancy Carson Nelson and Sharon Korth Danielson: Firm and Loyal, too!

A shout out to our Class Representatives Tom Friberg and Margaret Wakelee, and Alternate Patty Jacobsen Spangler, who help our class stay connected with the West Seattle High School Alumni Association. The association website can be found at <http://wshsalumniassociation.org> for more information. And you can check out the alumni Facebook page at: [West Seattle High School Alumni | Facebook](#).

Ruthi Sundnes Winter thought it would be a good idea to state that in 2026 it will be our 60 year anniversary of our graduation from WSHS! Here you go, Ruthi!



In memory of our beloved classmates who passed away in 2021, gone but not forgotten:

- Janice Tomisser** 1/30/22
- Linda Day Sakamoto** 2/8/22
- Ron Young** 10/22/22

*Footnote: Article compiled by Adelle Hermann Comfort, with much appreciated assistance from classmates as noted. Thanks to our copy editor Kathy Braymer Shepard for proofreading the article for spelling errors, formatting issues, typos, and every other imaginable error possible!*

## WSHS 1971

By Class Rep Jim Biava

It has been a while since we all had a chance to visit and catch up with long-term friends, our fellow classmates.

Our Fun 50th is now a couple of years behind us. Upon and ahead of us are our regular Class Luncheons. This is our 6th year of lunches, where we meet and get caught up. It's always a fun time!

Usually, between 8 and 12 people show up. We have held them in various places in West Seattle: The Chelan Cafe, The Great American Diner and, most recently, Endolyne Joe's. Thanks to all who come and add to the camaraderie!

We have our regulars who rarely miss lunch, like Martha (Wiley) Rayles, Marilyn Kleyn, Debbie Vernon, Karen (Seamens) Dobbs, Mark Minckler, Gordon Modin, Dave and Don Hill. Others who join us on occasion to add to the fun, Christine (Manwaring) Burdine, Gary Gunderson, Steve Graunke, Bob Alpers and Dave Townsend. My apologies to anyone I've missed, I know there are a few.

Always trying to make things easier, here are the next few dates so you can put them on your calendar: our next lunch will be the last Saturday in June, the 24th, then the third Saturday in October, the 21st, and then on the last Wednesday in February, the 24th. We love to see any and all comers, please join the group!

Where, you ask? That is TBD, and I will email that information as the date approaches. If you have attended past luncheons, I already have your email (and please keep me updated on your contact info!). If I don't have your current email, please send it to me at: jimbiava@protomail.com and I will make sure you are notified,

On a more somber note, we lost a few more of our ranks. Kathleen (Mackenzie) Fortney passed away on July 2, 2022. My best friend, Al Stalker passed on December 8, 2022 after a long illness. Additionally, we were notified that our classmate Tom Lally succumbed to kidney failure on November 14, 2019. His brother Allen ("Chief Sealath, class of '73, don't judge me!") wrote: "Tom was in the Special Education pro-

gram at WSHS. He always spoke fondly of his time there, which I believe speaks very well of the climate at your school for people like him."

When I peered out of younger eyes, I remember the saying that life is not a dress rehearsal. At the time, it went in one ear and out the other, but now I know what that means.

Also, when I was younger and my kids were little, older people would look at me and say "enjoy them while they're young". I would smile, thinking they meant the kids. Now I realize they were talking about my hips and back!

REMEMBER: Mark June 24th for the on your calendar and send me your email if I don't have it and you want to be kept in the loop!

See you then! Jim Biava



Tom Lally from the 1971 Kimtah

## WSHS 1983

By Gloriana Morine

**Class of 1983 - 40th Reunion**

Hello Friends at the Chinook! The class of 1983 is having our 40th reunion this summer. July 29th, 2023 at the West Seattle Golf Course. We would appreciate your assistance in getting the word out to our classmates - we are doing our best to locate lost classmates and also create an in memoriam for those whom have passed. The reunion committee is as follows:

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|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Gloriana (Harry) Morine 206-919-301 | Mary (Sagerser) Reichert 253-350-9073 |
| Sue Green 206-499-7548              | Sharon (Willard) Nark 206-799-8631    |
| Marianne Costacos 619-300-0313      | Katie (Leroy) Mackey 206-909-3205     |
| Michelle Baker 206-963-0670         |                                       |

## WSHS 1962

By Bruce Thomason

In September of 2022, our class celebrated our 60th anniversary with a lunch at Bahama Breeze, hosted by Ginny Rhodes Montgomery and Nancy Trutich Holert. Initially 52 classmates and spouses/partners signed up with the actual number of attendees numbering in the high 40's.

If memory serves me correctly, in addition to myself, Ginny, Nancy and spouses there was Shirley Stenehjem Ross, Barb Beyers Earling, Jan Dalrymple Espinosa, Danny Smith, Lynne Morris, Ciny Seymore, Barb Wright Rosendahl, Dorothy Hartnett, Bonnie Bryson, Beth Eldred Davis, Ed Ogle, Shirley Vradenburg and Judy Lowdon Russell and Ron Kostanich.

Ron Kostanich came all the way from La Conner and not to be outdone, Judy Russell came from Spokane. And even further away, Jan Dalrymple Espinosa visited from the Garlic Capital of the World, Gilroy, California!

In my opinion, our Class Motto, Forward Ever, Backward Never, was as important and meaningful then as it is now. As far as the Class Flower of a Bronze Chrysanthemum and Class Colors Bronze and Turquoise, neither meant anything to me. However, when I shared my feelings with lifelong friend and our Classmate Sherry Woods Matson, she took me to task and totally disagreed. Eventually we agreed to disagree with one another and with no hurt feelings.

Speaking of Sherry, she and husband Darryl, live in Nikiski on the Kenai Peninsula in Alaska. A retired teacher she is now the Marketing Editor for the Popsie Fish Company.

Classmate Jane Heytvelt, my friend since Sunday School, lives in North Carolina, misses the Pacific Northwest and wishes everyone all the best.

Jane Hyde is retired and living on the beach in Arachon, France. For many years she spent time as a copyist in the great museums of France. A truly phenomenal artist that now paints only as a hobby.

Ginny Rhodes Montgomery, our favorite lunch lady, husband Jon and daughter Brandi, have built their dream home in Sequim. As you may or may not know, Ginny was diagnosed with Stage 4 kidney Cancer, had multiple extensive surgeries and could not handle the chemo. Today she is cancer free and attributes this to her power of positive thinking and the prayers of so many. Throughout all of this, she is proud to share that she has not a single gray hair!

Forest Lamimman, lives with his wife Barbara in Chicago. Throughout the years he has had many extensive surgeries and spent a great deal of time in rehab facilities. I speak with him often, he never complains and on his most recent hospital stay, I asked him what he missed

the most. His answer, My Wife! Forrest is a brilliant scholar and for many years was one of the most recognized and honored Corporate Bankruptcy Attorneys in the USA.

Our longtime class rep, Elsie McCoy and husband Bob are living in an assisted living facility and love it. Elsie had taken a serious fall earlier in the year, spent time in a Physical Therapy Facility and her only complaint was the food was not nearly as good as what she was accustomed to. On another note, she's one very proud grandma as her daughter and daughter's family have created a Basketball Dynasty. I believe she said there were 5 granddaughters playing college ball. Check out the name Fiso!

Jan Dalrymple Espinosa, will be teaching at The City of Refuge Ministries in Ghana at or about the same time the Alumni Edition is published.

Danny Smith, my monthly sushi partner, spends the mornings with a walk in the park followed by either rowing his boat or paddle board in the sound. If that's not enough, he's into weight- lifting and polar bear plunges!

Dorothy Hartnett has moved from Quincy, Washington to be closer with her son and his family in Arizona.

As we grow older, wiser and kinder, we cherish our friendships and families. We've lost parents, siblings and have had broken hearts with the loss of a child or grandchild. In 2011, Ginny started a facebook page to honor our classmates that have passed. Entitled "Light A Candle for WSHS Class of 62 Who Have Passed Away". Now as of February, that list has grown to 146. Added to the list in 2022, were Jim Borrow, Norm Lund, Janet Taber Palmer, Robert (Bob) Fenton, Janice Dodds Timmons, Judy Launceford Neumann and Daryl Habich.

Our class rep and keeper of records, Eddy Ogle maintains this list and we believe there may be even more. Please feel free to email Ed or myself for any questions you may have.

Poet Christina Rossetti when facing her own death wrote, "Miss Me But Let Me Go". The first 6 lines says it all so well,

"When I come to the end of the road and the sun has set for me  
I want no rites in a gloom filled room Why cry for a soul set free  
miss me a little but no too long and not with your heads bowed low"

Like so many generations before us and many thereafter, we were and are, The West Seattle Indians!

Best regards,

Bruce Thomason papabruce@msn.com

## WSHS 1960

By Class Rep Beverly Carlsen Jones

Good News! Now that the pandemic has lessened, your Reunion Committee has been able to meet again. We are planning to hold a belated 60th reunion at long last. It will be held on September 9, 2023 at the West Seattle Golf Course. Since many of us do not drive at night or do not stay up late anymore, we are having a lunch rather than a dinner. The activities will start at 11:00 AM for meet and greet with a buffet lunch served between noon and 12:30. We will continue festivities and reminiscing until 3:00 PM. More detailed information and a reservation form will be mailed to classmates in early summer.

Sad to say we have lost more

classmates. Those we have been notified about since the last Chinook are: Georgia Schafer Morton 1/6/2022, John Merrell 2/26/2022, Judy Rawson Epling 3/19/2022, Paul Monk 7/24/2022, Fred Nuber 9/22/2022. Our condolences to their family and friends.

Make sure we have your current mailing address so you can receive our reunion information. If you have moved in the last few years, know about a classmate who has moved or passed away, please contact Beverly Carlsen Jones at tjones2297@aol.com.

Mark your calendar and join us on September 9, 2023. Look for your mailing. COME JOIN US!

## WSHS 1974

By Class Rep Mark Wittman

Here we are again, about to mark 49 years since we graduated from West Seattle High. It doesn't seem possible, but I did the math three times, and it appears to be accurate.

There isn't much news to share this year, but we are about to hit our big 50th anniversary in 2024, so it's not too early to start thinking about that. One thought is to combine the celebration with the All School Reunion which is the first Saturday in June every year. The Alumni Association typically (if there is anything typical anymore) honors the class celebrating their 50th. After the All School Reunion, it's been suggested we could all meet at a local brew pub for a casual get together.

Of course, we're talking about 2024, so there's lots of lead time. The floor is open for suggestions. The usual cast of characters who have planned previous reunions are bowing out this year in favor of new blood with new ideas. So, if you're interested, step right up. I can put you in touch with the right person at the Alumni Association for address lists, etc.

Now that that's out of the way....I have to get to the annual sad part of the article. We've lost a few classmates in the recent past. The names that I have are Cathey Buckley Heighton, Rick Weglin & Carol Kirkeide. All of them gone way too soon.

Here's hoping everyone else is doing well. I'll have more information in next year's article about potential 50th reunion plans. We have a class Facebook Page: West Seattle High School – Class of 1974 with 207 members. Feel free to join that for updated information or reach out in any other way if you're not on Facebook.

### Missing a Yearbook?

The WSHS Alumni Association has yearbooks for \$30 plus \$5 for shipping. Contact Chris King at 206 938-1937 or seaking55@aol.com before sending any money, to check availability.

# WS CLUBS

## West Seattle Monogram Club

By Club President Ted Foss, Class of 1955

The West Seattle Monogram Club was established in 1965 by the late Earl Lewis. Each year the West Seattle Monogram Club, composed of former West Seattle High School varsity athletes, raises money to help graduating West Seattle student athletes (male and female) pursue higher education. To our knowledge, no other public high school in the country has a not-for-profit club made up of former school varsity athletes dedicated to helping current student athletes pay for college. "We expect to award scholarships again this year, conducting the interviews at the high school" says Steve Palmer, club scholarship chairman.

Graduating varsity athletes are invited to apply for a Monogram Scholarship. Unlike most other scholarships, the candidates do not have to be at the top of the class academically. The Scholarship Committee looks for hardworking student athletes who need financial help to pursue a goal of higher education. Specifically, applicants have to be graduating seniors, have a varsity letter or a varsity "Monogram" earned in competition, a minimum of a 2.5 GPA, and have a thoughtful plan for his or her post-high school goal. The award is sent to the college or university to offset tuition.

The Club meets 11:00 am - 12:00 pm social and check in; 12:00 pm - 12:45 pm lunch, 12:45 - 1:30 pm program at the West Seattle Golf Course Club house on the first Tuesday of October, December, February and June. The lunch costs \$16.00 and includes tax and gratuity. You must make a reservation no later than seven days before the meeting date. For a reservation contact Don Conner, Treasurer, 206-660-0913 or Ted Foss, President at 206-932-5349.

The first Tuesday in August the Club is a "special luncheon" for members and guests and the club usually invites an important sports figure to be a guest speaker. At regular meetings we catch up with former classmates, and teammates to share our former athletic experiences that seem to get more impressive with time. We also hear current and former West Seattle coaches and students talk about the high school athletic programs.

Donations to the Monogram Club Scholarship Fund can be sent to: Monogram Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 16032, Seattle, Wa. 98116-6031



Monogram Club photo 2/2/23  
 Front Row (left to right) Randy Sleight, Ted Foss, Bob Hurst, Nancy Sleight, Mike Aiken, John Norden, Dick Sleight  
 Back Row (left to right) Graham Haight, Wayne Smith, Steve Palmer, Mark Van Antwerp, John Herron, Gary Drobnack, Harald Sund, Kerry Tupper

## West WSHS Wildcats Baseball kickoff their 2023 Season

By Baseball Booster Cindy Lockwood

### How You Can Support the Program

After a Metro League Championship and a 4th in State 2022 season, the WSHS 2023 Wildcats come out swinging, with big dreams and high expectations. We had alumni support in the stands in 2022 and look forward to seeing you during our 2023 season.

The Baseball program depends on Family and Community support. Fundraising pays for equipment, uniforms, training and development, and travel expenses.

The teams largest fund raiser of the year took place prior to the WSHSA Chinook press time, however you can still support the program through West Seattle Booster Club and designate your donation to WSHS Baseball.

Make checks payable to West Seattle Booster Club and mail to:

WSHS Booster Club Baseball  
 4701 SW Admiral Way, PMB #211, Seattle, WA 98116

For highlights and updates follow the team on Instagram:

West Seattle Wildcats Baseball (@wshsbaseball) and on Facebook at West Seattle Baseball

If you have questions regarding the program and how may be able help please contact: Baseball Booster: Cindy Lockwood  
 Lockmurcin@yahoo.com 206-856-0336

## SEATTLE SCHOOL DISTRICT ATHLETE HALL OF FAME Nomination Requirements

To be eligible as an individual student athlete, the following are required:

1. At least 10 years have passed since the candidate's year of graduation.
2. Candidate lettered in at least 1 sport twice or 2 sports at least once during their high school career.
3. Candidate exemplified sportsmanship, leadership, citizenship and teamwork as a high school athlete.
4. Candidate was selected as an All-City, All-State performer, State Champion, All-American National Champion OR has made a significant athletic contribution to high school, college or professional athletic competition.

To be eligible as a Team, no more than 1 team of athletes is eligible for nomination if the team, in one particular season and sport:

1. Won a State Championship, National Championship or made a significant contribution at any level of athletic competition.
2. At least 5 years have passed since such season.
3. Team achieved significant accomplishments raising the bar or set a standard for future teams to follow
4. The team left a "notable legacy" on SPD Athletics.

To be eligible as a Coach (or staff/supporter), no more than one individual coach, staff member or supporter of SPD is eligible IF:

1. More than 5 years have passed since candidate's service to SPD Athletics.
2. Candidate made significant contribution to SPD Athletics through their leadership, inspiration and support.
3. Candidate's accomplishments raised or set a standard for future coaches, teams, administrators and supporters of SPD Athletics.

# WSHS Student Life: Through the Decades

## Track



1943



1963

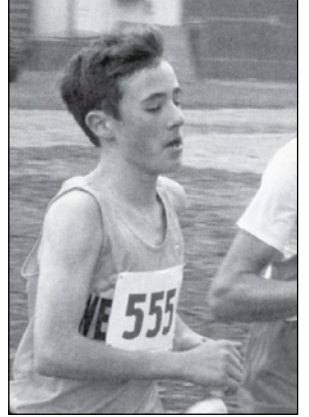
## Cross Country



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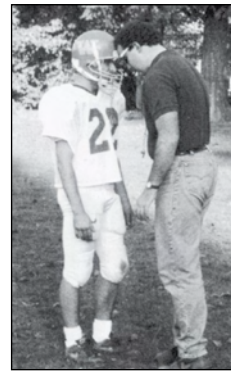
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## Gymnastics



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## Soccer



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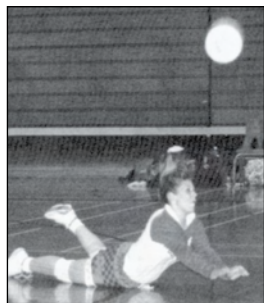


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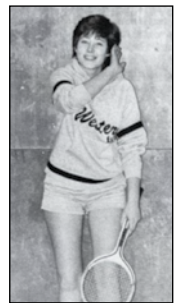
## Tennis



1923



1963



1983

## Baseball & Softball



1933 Baseball



1963 Baseball



1983 Softball



1993 Softball



2003 Softball



# WSHS Student Life: Through the Decades

## Music



1923 Orchestra



1933 Glee Club



1953 Band



1963 Choir



1983 Concert Band



1993 Band



2003 Marching Band

## Drama



1933 Opera



1963



1973



1983

## Talent Show



1943



1953



1983



2003

## Prom and Dance



1953



1963



1963



1963



1983

# WSHS Student Life: Through the Decades

## Classes and Clubs



**1933** Wood Shop



**1943** Service for Victory



**1983** Cooking



**2003** Auto Shop

## Yell Squad / Cheer



**1943** Yell Squad



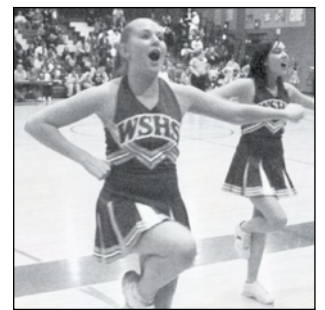
**1953** Yell Squad



**1983** Cheer



**1993** Cheer



**2003** Cheer

## Homecoming



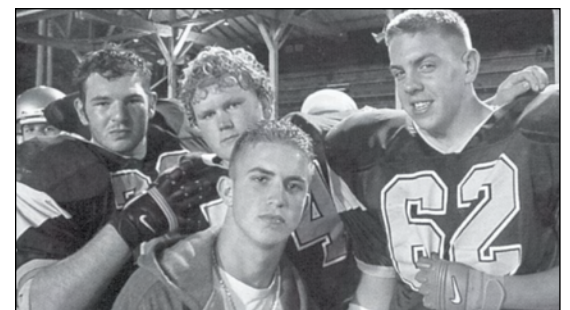
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## Student Life



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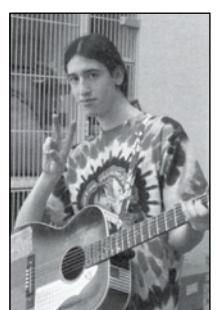
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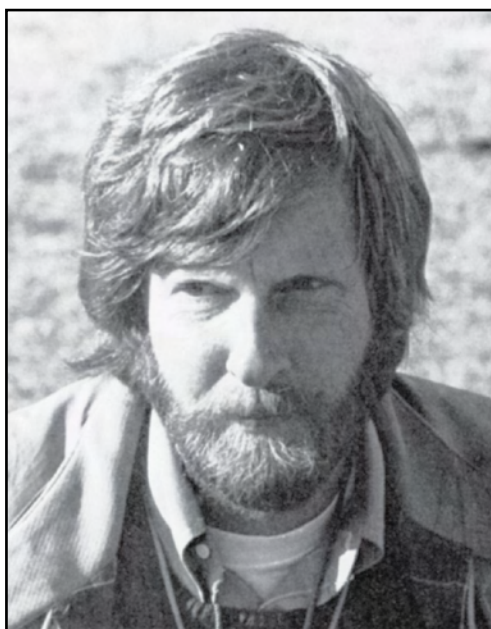
# OBITUARIES

## John Patrick "Pat" Vaughn, Jr

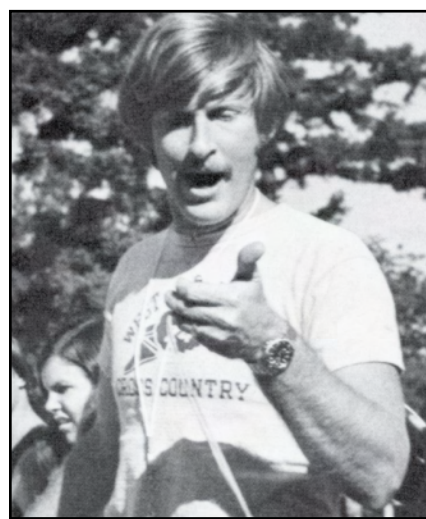
Faculty

Pat Vaughn taught Health Ed at West Seattle HS for 25 years; outside of the classroom, he coached cross-country, basketball, baseball, softball, soccer and golf.

Born and raised in Louisville, KY, Pat attended Bellarmine College on a baseball scholarship, where he was a "stand-out" pitcher. He served in the Marine Corps and met his future wife, Bobbie Lynn, while stationed at Ft. DeRussy, Hawaii. They settled in Seattle, where Pat received his Master's degree from the UW and they raised their sons Mark and Kevin.



John Patrick "Pat" Vaughn, Jr  
10/7/1938 - 10/25/2022



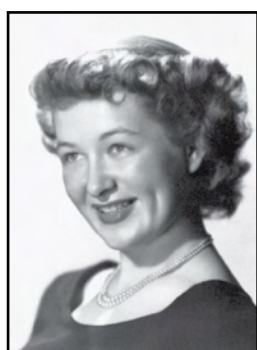
Coach Vaughn on the field and in class

## Clara Romola Dempsey

Class of 1949



Clara Romola Dempsey  
March 31, 1931 - September 10, 2022



Clara Romola Thuen Dempsey passed away peacefully on Saturday, September 10th at Mt. Saint Vincent nursing home in Seattle, Washington.

Born in Seattle March 1, 1931, to Norwegian immigrants Sigurd and Karen Thuen. Clara spent her entire life in Seattle, growing up in Madison Park and West

Seattle, graduating from West Seattle High School in 1949.

Clara married Robert (Bob) Dempsey on June 6, 1953, in Seattle, raising their three children in West Seattle. She worked in retail at Rhodes Department Store and Johnson's Apparel and in the annuities department at Safeco Insurance from which she retired to travel with Bob and enjoy her grandchildren. She spent many years fundraising as a member of the Seattle Children's Hospital Fauntleroy Guild. She was a friend to many who appreciated her kind heart and sassiness.

Clara was a fan of the Seattle Seahawks and Mariners and enjoyed reading and crossword puzzles. She loved family gatherings, hosting many of them, and activities with her Seattle Police Family.

Clara was preceded in death by her parents and her beloved husband Robert Dempsey Sr. She is survived by her children: Kathie (Steve) Itter, Bob Jr. (Tobi) and Mike; four grandchildren: Sean (Kali) Dempsey, Hayley (Jared) Griffin, Katy (Chase) Itter and Michaela Dempsey (Taylor Schulze) and five great grandchildren: Ronan and Finnley Dempsey, Tyson, Ashe and Landon Griffin.

## Arthur Oberto

Class of 1945 and Hall of Fame 2008

August 22, 1927 - August 26, 2022

### The Passing of Art Oberto and Seattle's Quirky Character

By The Seattle Times editorial board, reprinted with permission



From the 1945 Kimtah:  
Oberto, Arthur - "Art" was in Torch, Bank Clerk. He wants to become manager of a sausage factory (And he's serious.)

Art Oberto loved family, sausage, jerky and Seattle. He also loved gimmicks. He was a character in the best sense of the word, an entrepreneur well before that term was a common part of the lexicon.

Seattle's sausage and jerky king died Friday at age 95. Oberto left behind four children, several grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and a legacy of turning business into fun.

On Sept. 6, it will have been 79 years since his father, Constantino, died and 16-year-old Arthur Oberto was plunged into running the family's sausage business alongside his mother, Antonietta. Constantino had started the company with sausage recipes he brought from Italy.

*He wants to become  
manager of a  
sausage factory  
(And he's serious.)*

From Art's Senior Yearbook, the 1945 Kimtah



Art Oberto

Long gone are the days when high schooler Art delivered sausages by bike so the company could survive. Expanding the product line, he built Oberto into one of the nation's largest beef jerky companies.

Not all by himself, of course. His wife, Dorothy, was deeply involved and at one point kept the company books by hand. When she died in 2013, a Seattle Times story recounted that employees referred to her as the "company mom." Employees were an extension of her and Art's family; he regularly credited them for the company's success.

Part of Seattle's character is its quiriness, and Oberto embraced the kitsch. A 1998 profile of the sausage king wrote, "Art Oberto's endeavors in publicity, the hydroplane his company sponsored, the Jerkymobile he drove, became cultural references in Seattle."

Yet his fame, like all fame, faded. "If you moved to Seattle after 1985, you might not recognize Art Oberto as a hat-wearing local celebrity, star of radio and television commercials and wholesale dispenser of free pens and stickers," the same profile noted.

*He once called himself  
"unemployable, undependable  
and not too smart."  
He was everything but.*

The company continued to evolve. After decades of use, its "Oh Boy" marketing slogan was retired in 2013 amid revamped packaging instituted for "a more modern look and feel." Five years later, the Oberto family sold the business to a Canadian food conglomerate, Premium Brand Holdings.

Oberto never got caught up in his own success, instead focusing on his family, his company and his community. He once called himself "unemployable, undependable and not too smart." He was everything but.

As longtime friend Dave Williams said in Saturday's news obituary, "He ran a large company, but he always told me everything you do has got to be good for everyone involved, or it's not worth doing."

Oberto's life was good for everyone involved, especially Seattle. It was most definitely worth living.

## June Preston

Class of 1947 and Hall of Fame 1989

By Sabrina Pires



June Preston - Photo courtesy of Sabrina Pires

June Preston was an American child actress who went on to become an internationally renowned opera singer. At age 4 she made her screen debut as Mrs. Blewett's Daughter in *Anne of Green Gables*. Preston had paid a visit to the studio where a keen-eyed executive saw her and called for a screen test, which resulted in a 5-year contract. Preston acted, sang, and danced, becoming a worldwide celebrated child star who went on to work with Universal Studios, Warner Bros., 20th Century Fox, MGM, Republic Pictures, and Paramount Pictures.

After signing with RKO, she signed with Edward D. Schuwall of the Pottstown, Penn Clothing Firm in New York, who started a worldwide apparel line bearing the name 'June Preston Frock' by JP Loomcraft, better known now as Fruit of the Loom. Her products included dresses, coats, snowsuits, shoes, undergarments, beachwear, purses and hats. In addition there were other products that had her likeness on them such as dolls, paint sets, phonographs, and toys that sold millions worldwide.

Preston later became an internationally renowned opera singer. Her range varied from Spinto Soprano to Contralto. In 1952, at the age of 24, she was one of the youngest artists to debut her tour with the 'Stars of the Metropolitan Opera' in a leading role. The Metropolitan Opera South American Tour featured June as Mimi in *La Bohème* opposite Jan Peerce as Rodolfo. (In this role she originated a bit of stage business that has been used ever since, dropping her fur muff to the floor as Mimi dies in the last act.) She continued touring singing leading roles opposite Salvatore Vaccolini, Nicola Mascono, Robert Weede, and again with Jan Peerce, and more.

Preston favored recitals above all, and was particularly well known for her concert recitals ranging from Beethoven, Mozart, Brahms to Puccini. She later began her American debut with the St. Louis Symphony, performing a recital of Beethoven's Ninth Symphony; followed by her 1962 European debut at the Concertgebouw in Amsterdam, thereafter touring all European countries in recitals. The majority of her performances were overseas until later in her career.

Her roles included: Micaela in *Aida*, Carmen in *Carmen*, Count Octavian Rofrano in *Der Rosenkavalier*, Adele in *Die Fledermaus*, Mimi in *La Bohème*, Violetta Valery in *La Traviata*, Cio-Cio-San in *Madame Butterfly*, Camille in *The Merry Widow*, Floria Tosca in *Tosca*, Turandot in *Turandot*.



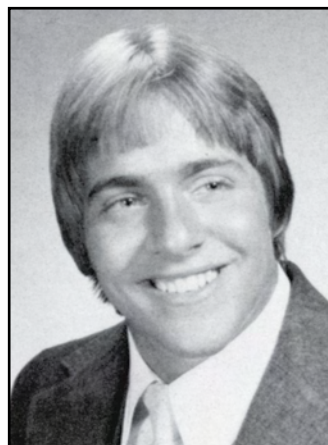
June Preston in a promotional photo for RKO courtesy of Sabrina Pires

## Chris Thompson

Class of 1978

West Seattle's Thompson, Who Was Paralyzed in 1975, Dies at 62

By Scott Hanson, *Seattle Times* staff reporter, [shanson@seattletimes.com](mailto:shanson@seattletimes.com), reprinted with permission



Chris Thompson

Chris Thompson, who was paralyzed while playing football for West Seattle High School in 1975 and was awarded \$6.3 million in 1981 after filing a lawsuit against Seattle Public Schools, died from natural causes Monday in Seattle.

Thompson, who graduated from the University of Washington and owned horses that raced locally at Longacres in Renton and Emerald Downs in Auburn, was 62.

"He was absolutely to the core, a compassionate person," said John Good, who first met Thompson at Madison Junior High in West Seattle. "His compassion really came out after his injury."

Thompson was named athlete of the year at Madison as a ninth-grader, and was the starting halfback for the West Seattle High football team as a sophomore. He was racing toward the end zone when he collided with a pair of tacklers. Thompson was unable to get up after suffering a spinal cord injury that left him quadriplegic. He was hospitalized for six months and eventually regained some use of his arms. Good, a friend of Thompson's since junior high, said Thompson was 100% paralyzed from the waist down and about 60% from the waist to the neck.

Thompson sued the school district, contending that coaches had not instructed him to avoid running with his head lowered. Good said Thompson negotiated a lower settlement after the district's insurance company threatened to appeal the \$6.3 million judgment. But the ruling in Thompson's favor helped pave the way for safety changes in the game.

Good said Thompson, who went on to earn a history degree at UW, was a "tremendous athlete." "He appeared to have a college, and maybe a major college (athletic) future if he hadn't suffered his injury," Good said.

Thompson became known as Mr. Inspiration to most of his West Seattle High School classmates, but was called "T-bone" by his closest friends.

Thompson, who split time as an adult between the Los Angeles area and Seattle, got his first horse in 1985 when he claimed Reardan's Gray at Longacres.

"He dearly loved his horses," Good said. "It was hard for Chris to get around, and when he went out, 99% of the time it was horse related: friends and family meeting him at the track or if they weren't racing, he would visit his horses out at the barn."

One of his top horses was Big Paz, who won 14 times, including a stakes race at Longacres and the Portland Meadows Mile. Big Paz won as a 10-year-old at Emerald Downs in 1996.

Thompson is survived by his wife, Cynda. Good said Thompson exceeded his life expectancy after the injury by 15 to 20 years.

"What a testament to resiliency Chris was," Good said. "He let (the injury) affect his life in the most intellectual way possible. 'What do I do with myself now?' It didn't decrease his will to live and his will to be a great friend, a great brother .... I just hope I somehow conveyed what a tremendous person he was."

## Fred Utter

Class of 1950, Fisheries Professor

Fred Utter, who passed away 3/5/2023, was not only widely recognized as "the Founding Father of fishery genetics", he was "lovingly called 'Mother Utter'" by the numerous graduate students he nurtured and mentored over his prolific career. Fred graduated from the University of Puget Sound in 1954 with a degree in chemistry, followed by a Masters in Fisheries from UW and a PhD in genetics from UC-Davis.

Between 1969 and 1988 he led the genetics group at the National Marine Fisheries Service. He was an affiliate professor at the UW, editor of the *Transaction of American Fisheries Society* and the *North American Journal of Fisheries Management*. In addition, he authored well over 100 scientific publications, including co-editing "Population Genetics and Fisheries Management", a text still used as standard in the field.

His work lives on through a new generation of fisheries scientists.

## DECEASED LIST (as of 3/13/2023)

### Faculty

**Vaughn Jr, John Patrick**  
Pat passed away October 25, 2022  
(WSHS Coach from 1967-1994)

### Class of 1940

**Armfield, John**  
Jack passed away November 29, 2022

**Lenz, Elmer H**  
Elmer passed away November 1, 2022

### Class of 1941

**Johnson, Eleanor Popich**  
Jaunie passed away April 24, 2022

### Class of 1942

**Filer, Patricia Ochsner**  
Pat passed away September 6, 2022

### Class of 1943

**Anderson, Beverly A Winge**  
Beverly passed away September 4, 2022

**Simmons, Howard**  
Howard passed away March 14, 2022

**Witte, Janice Bernhard**  
Janice passed away December 8, 2022

### Class of 1944

**Benefiel, Lois Elaine Ames**  
Lois passed away April 24, 2022

**Percival, Richard E**  
Dick passed away October 18, 2022

**Whittlesey, Donna Bystrom**  
Donna passed away November 26, 2022

### Class of 1945

**Oberto, Art (2008 Hall of Fame)**  
Art passed away August 26, 2022

**Sizer, Florence Scarff**  
Florence passed away October 30, 2022

**Stewart, John**  
Jay passed away July 7, 2021

**Sunderland, Margene L Kreps**  
Margene passed away May 29, 2022

### Class of 1946

**Baker, George Warren**  
George passed away September 15, 2022

**Blyth, Marle Kaufman Tennesen**  
Marle passed away 5/17/2022

**Collins, M. Gwendolyn Stewart**  
Gwen passed away January 2, 2021

**Girdwood, Barbara Jones**  
Barbara passed away December 24, 2022

**Prophet, Jerry D**  
Jerry passed away December 6, 2021

**Snow, Beverly Rowe**  
Beverly passed away January 30, 2022

**Trulin, Norman E**  
Norman passed away July 7, 2022

### Class of 1947

**Beariault, Douglas G**  
Doug passed away August 5, 2021

**Fabbri, Mary Lou Summers**  
Mary Lou passed away July 11, 2022

**McGreer, Jacqueline Cooper**  
Jackie passed away December 30, 2021

**Marshall, Stan**  
Stan passed away March 18, 2021

**Murphy, Richard J**  
Richard passed away in December 2021

**Preston, June (1989 Hall of Fame)**  
June passed away May 11, 2022

### Class of 1948

**Bemis, Patricia Ruth Erwin**  
Pat passed away January 28, 2023

**Carleton, Margaret Albinson**  
Margy passed away on May 26, 2020

**Good, Dale J**  
Dale passed away September 29, 2022

**Schutt, Mary Lee Eden**  
Mary passed away March 11, 2022

**Wells, Kenneth Lee**  
Ken passed away June 9, 2022

### Class of 1949

**Butzirus, Helen Crum**  
Helen passed away December 10, 2022

**Stocking, Patsy Slagle**  
Patsy passed away December 18, 2021

**Thuen, Clara R Dempsey**  
Clara passed away September 10, 2022

### Class of 1950

**Ask, Charles "Chuck"**  
Chuck passed away February 11, 2023

**Bellows, Earl Edward**  
Earl passed away March 16, 2022

**Bender, Marilyn Galster**  
Marilyn passed away March 22, 2022

**Burke, Charlotte O Oliver**  
Charlotte passed away March 2, 2022

**Cox, Barbara Iacolucci**  
Barbara passed away May 16, 2022

**Decker, Donna Olsen**  
Donna passed away August 9, 2021

**Koeplinger, Doris M Jones**  
Doris passed away December 9, 2022

**Langlois, Earldine Mackenzie**  
Earldine passed away November 12, 2021

**Ossinger, Albert**  
Al passed away in November 2022

**Thompson, Gerald**  
Gerald passed away 2022

**Utter, Fred**  
Fred passed away March 5, 2023

**Viteshek Rita Ryder**  
Rita passed away June 20, 2022

### Class of 1951

**Burbach, James C**  
Jim passed away November 27, 2022

**Finn Jr, Earl Lloyd**  
Earl passed away March 5, 2022

**Hamilton, Earl L**  
Earl passed away April 16, 2022

**Isen, Robert F**  
Bob passed away June 7, 2022

**McAdams, Margaret Haberbach**  
Peggy passed away December 6, 2022

**Miller, Ron E**  
Ron passed away in January 26, 2023

**Perry, Georgene Brown**  
Georgene passed away December 1, 2022

**Peterson, Robert**  
Bob passed away March 11, 2022

**Thornton Sr, Jerry B**  
Jerry passed away August 6, 2022

**Yeasting, Robert**  
Bob passed away October 4, 2022

### Class of 1952

**Cole, Joanne Bellonot**  
Joanne passed away December 7, 2021

**Dracup, John A**  
John passed away December 20, 2021

**Kent, Jerry**  
Jerry passed away July 29, 2022

**Sorensen, George**  
George passed away September, 2022

**Wells, Robert H**  
Robert passed away June 6, 2022

**Westra, Jerry**  
Jerry passed away September 26, 2022

### Class of 1953

**Cronk, Dan**  
Dan passed away December 5, 2021

**Dixon, Patricia**  
Pat passed away November 5, 2021

**Heidrich, Carolyn L Overton**  
Carolyn passed away September 12, 2022

**Lenk, Alvin E**  
Alvin passed away December 29, 2022

**Moore, John E**  
John passed away May 16, 2022

**Prospek, Barbara Jean Murray**  
Barbara passed away January 26, 2022

**Smith, Sharon L Cromley**  
Sharon passed away in December 2022

**Victor, Richard L**  
Richard passed away November 30, 2021

**Weatherford, David R**  
David passed away August 15, 2022

**Wheeler, Dennis C**  
Dennis passed away December 29, 2022

**Woods, Marlene Hansen**  
Marlene passed away June 6, 2022

### Class of 1954

**Briggs Jr, Lynn**  
Lynn passed away June 18, 2022

**Knaack, Mary Ellen Fielding**  
Mary passed away August 6, 2021

**O'Neill, Terry (O'Neill Plumbing)**  
Terry passed away January 26, 2023

**Poyner, Thomas E**  
Tom passed away in May 2022

**Keith Willson**  
Keith passed away January 4, 2023

### Class of 1955

**Barrett, Barbara Olson**  
Barbara passed away May 3, 2022

**Chase, Sandra McAdams**  
Sandy passed away September 1, 2022

**Dahl, Sandra L**  
Sandra passed away August 27, 2022

**Evans, Deanna Danner**  
Dee passed away June 29, 2021

**Fazlo, Norman**  
Norm passed away October 23, 2022

**Jernberg, June Jones**  
June passed away February 15, 2022

**Kent, Genevieve T Phelan**  
Gene passed away April 26, 2022

**Lorentzen, Carol Dresser**  
Carol passed away March 24, 2022

**Neltro, Marijo Hudson**  
Marijo passed away April 14, 2021

**Shaffer, Carroll Crosslin**  
Carroll passed away February 2, 2021

**Shetley, Lila Holland**  
Lila passed away July 10, 2021

**Sloan, Alice Peterson**  
Alice passed away December 27, 2022

### Class of 1956

**Brehan, John "Jack"**  
Jack passed away August 16, 2022

**Chantler, David**  
David passed away November 9, 2022

**Duffecy, Carol J Lenk**  
Carol passed away December 29, 2022

**Fleming, Patricia Michael**  
Pat passed away August 17, 2022

**Hartwig, Shirley Parry**  
Shirley passed away February 1, 2022

**Keesling, Kenneth Ronald**  
Ron passed away November 15, 2022

**Ray, Janell Matzdorf**  
Janell passed away July 4, 2022

### Class of 1957

**Farrell, Roger H**  
Roger passed away November 1, 2022

**Fletcher, Shirley Thiel**  
Shirley passed away December 15, 2022

**Hubbard, Shirley Cameron**  
Shirley passed away in May, 2022

**Hurst, Joanne Daniels**  
Joanne passed away March 6, 2022

**Dr. Rosengren Jr, Harold**  
Harold passed away March 3, 2022

**Roses, Jim**  
Jim passed away August 31, 2022

**Tait, Margaret**  
Margaret passed away April 3, 2022

### Class of 1958

**Barnard, Donna Seltz**  
Donna passed away in 2022

**Beyers, William**  
Bill passed away February 1, 2022

**Boone, Larry**  
Larry passed away in 2021

**Bybee, Shirley Berry**  
Shirley passed away April 20, 2022

**Damm, Worthy**  
Worthy passed away in 2019

**Davis, Stanley "Jerry"**  
Jerry passed away December 21, 2022

**Gage, Paul**  
Fritz passed away in 2019

**Jeffery, Wilfred**  
Wilfred passed away June 28, 2022

**Jones, Jim**  
Jim passed away in 2022

**Johnson, Karen Jhoh**  
Karen passed away April 20, 2022

**Smith, Sally Kanecko**  
Sally passed away in 2021

### Class of 1959

**Davis, Lovada Lambright**  
Lovada passed away January 15, 2022

**Haury, James**  
Jim passed away October 11, 2022

**Wigginton, George**  
George passed away June 3, 2022

### Class of 1960

**Abbenhouse, Glynis Van Gelder**  
Glynis passed away March 1, 2021

**Fleming, Charles William**  
Tuna passed away October 3, 2022

**Jensen, Darlene Allen**  
Darlene passed away April 21, 2022

**Lanpher, June C**  
June passed away December 2022

**Merrell, John**  
John passed away February 26, 2022

**Monk, Paul Robert**  
Paul passed away July 24, 2022

**Morris, Phillip J**  
Phil passed away February 9, 2023

**Nuber, Frederick**  
Fred passed away September 22, 2022

**Rawson, Judith Epling**  
Judy passed away March 19, 2022

**Sanford, Jerry**  
Jerry Passed away January 9, 2022

**Torp, Linda Deskins**  
Linda passed away February 21, 2023

### Class of 1961

**Carlstedt, Carol Johnson**  
Carol passed away January 14, 2023

**DeYoung, Cathy Hackett Mikkelsen**  
Cathy passed away July 28, 2022

**Earle, Richard E**  
Dick passed away March 30, 2021

**Riedasch, Ronald**  
Ron passed away January 5, 2023

**Stephens, Cherrie**  
Cherrie passed away July 20, 2021

**Terrana, Arthur**  
Arthur passed away November 16, 2022

### Class of 1962

**Borrow, James W (1962 Class President)**  
Jim passed away June 12, 2022

**Dodds, Janice Timmons**  
Janice passed away August 1, 2022

**Fenton, Robert A**  
Bob passed away July 26, 2022

**Lund, Norm**  
Norm passed away October 9, 2022

**Mann, Katherine Kube**  
Kathy passed away December 17, 2021

**Taber, Janet Palmer**  
Janet passed away September 16, 2022

### Class of 1963

**Baar, Letitia**  
Leti passed away July 30, 2022

**Calhoun, Joanne**  
Joanne passed away October 2, 2022

**Holt John**  
Jack passed away April 8, 2021

**Richter, Larry J**  
Larry passed away May 20, 2022

**Willenberg, Dr Harvey J (2015 Hall of Fame)**  
Harvey passed away October 25, 2022

### Class of 1964

**Calabrese, Gerald**  
Jerry passed away April 6, 2022

### Class of 1965

**Gangnes, Terry M**  
Terry passed away September 22, 2022

**Johnson, Brad W**  
Brad passed away November 22, 2022

**Yarolimek, Jeanne Streck**  
Jeanne passed away August 21, 2021

### Class of 1966

**Day, Linda Sakamoto**  
Linda passed away February 8, 2022

**Madden, Mary Little**  
Mary passed away October 9, 2022

**Peterson, Terry J**  
Terry passed away July 9, 2022

**Streck, Louis**  
Louis passed away March 17, 2022

**Warden, Terri Geary**  
Terri passed away January 28, 2023

**Young, Ron**  
Ron passed away October 22, 2022

### Class of 1968

**Capalby, Dennis R**  
Dennis passed away June 11, 2022

**Weigelt, Susan Teater**  
Susan passed away October 2, 2022

### Class of 1969

**Winter, Connie E Coleman**  
Connie passed away November 13, 2022



# TRANSITIONS

## Citizens Save and Move Historic Stone Cottage; Next Step is to Find a Permanent Shoreline Home

By Clay Eals

Remember the tiny, charming 1930s cottage at the north end of Harbor Avenue that was covered by 15,000 stones from Alki Beach? Most graduates of West Seattle High School can say an enthusiastic “Yes!”

It was threatened by a new condo development, but a grassroots citizens organization raised funds and saved the 800-square-foot structure by moving it one mile south in 2021 to a temporary site owned by the Port of Seattle, where it stands protected on an elevated platform today.

Of course, its journey isn’t over. The citizens organization — Save the Stone Cottage LLC, whose nonprofit fundraising vehicle is the Southwest Seattle Historical Society — is exploring options with Seattle Parks and Recreation to secure a permanent, prominent home for the building.

Ideal sites include Alki Beach Park between the Alki Bathhouse and the Statue of Liberty replica, Don Armeni Park across from the cottage’s original site and Seacrest Park near the King County Water Taxi dock.

The building was donated to Save the Stone Cottage LLC by the condo contractor Chainqui Development. The underlying goal of the LLC is to give the structure to the city and locate it at a visible and well-used waterfront spot, where it would be elevated to protect against tidal damage resulting from climate change and receive significant public use and appreciation.



Photo Courtesy of SAVE THE STONE COTTAGE  
The heart stone on the front façade of the Stone Cottage.



Photo Courtesy of SAVE THE STONE COTTAGE  
The Stone Cottage at 1123 Harbor Avenue in the 1930s.

“This campaign has taken a lot of work by a variety of community partners over the past few years, and we have a long way to go,” says Mike Shaughnessy of Save the Stone Cottage LLC. “But we are thrilled to have preserved this unique treasure, and we are optimistic about a favorable outcome.”

The Stone Cottage was built by the family of longtime Harbor Avenue resident Eva Falk during the Great Depression. Eva and her mother came up with its unusual façade of more than 15,000 stones, which they gathered from the beach near Alki Lighthouse, transported in children’s wagons to its original site at 1123 Harbor Ave. S.W. and thoughtfully placed by hand on the exterior of the building.

### “These Rocks Roll”

*Said the Banners Placed on the Stone Cottage as it  
Traveled to it’s Temporary New Home*

Potential uses for the Stone Cottage include Seattle Parks programming, security and storage space and as a possible West Seattle visitor center. The LLC also envisions that on-site interpretive materials will tell the building’s fascinating backstory.

The one-mile move of the stone-studded structure on Aug. 18, 2021, was an exciting event witnessed by hundreds. Reflecting the strength of the building, not a single stone fell off the cottage during the all-night move. The successful move was recognized by a preservation award by Historic Seattle.



Photo Courtesy of SAVE THE STONE COTTAGE  
John Bennett of Save the Stone Cottage LLC speaks during a Historic Seattle recognition event in March 2022 while the Stone Cottage stands on display on Port of Seattle property along Harbor Avenue.

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# Citizens Save and Move Historic Stone Cottage

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Funds still need to be raised for cottage restoration and for its eventual permanent placement. The LLC also pays rent to the Port of Seattle for temporary storage.

To learn more and stay updated on the campaign (plus see video of the 2021 move), visit [SaveTheStoneCottage.org](http://SaveTheStoneCottage.org) and sign up to receive updates.

*Clay Eals is a contributing writer for Now & Then. Check out his and Jean Sherrard's blog at [pauldorpat.com](http://pauldorpat.com) for how to schedule the two for presentations on local history. Sherrard also shares his 360-degree videos at the YouTube channel [Seattle Now & Then 360](http://Seattle Now & Then 360).*



Photo Courtesy of Jean Sherrard  
A Nickel Bros truck maneuvers the Stone Cottage from its original site to Harbor Avenue for the Aug. 18, 2021, move to temporary storage on Port of Seattle property one mile south.



Photo Courtesy of Jean Sherrard  
Save the Stone Cottage committee members the night of the Aug. 18, 2021, move: (from left) John Bennett, Kathy Blackwell, Deb Barker, Jeff McCord, Clay Eals, Shari Sewell and Mike Shaughnessy.



Photo Courtesy of Jean Sherrard  
With the downtown skyline as a backdrop, the Stone Cottage is moved one mile south along Harbor Avenue on Aug. 18, 2021.



Photo Courtesy of SAVE THE STONE COTTAGE  
A rendering of how the Stone Cottage would look as situated in Alki Beach Park between the Alki Bathhouse and the Statue of Liberty replica.

## Student Honored by the Holocaust Center for Humanity

By Chrissy Dahms, WSHS AP World History Teacher



Junior Gaia Corvino was honored by the Holocaust Center for Humanity for her work creating a video with WSHS Black Student Union.

The video was on the experience and challenges of Black students at West Seattle High School. It was shown school-wide during Black History Month in 2022 to raise awareness among students about what it is like to be a student of color, particularly a Black student, at a white-majority high school.

Gaia's photo and description of her activism is currently on display on the Upstander Wall at the Holocaust Center for Humanity. Gaia was nominated for this honor by Ms. Dahms, her AP World History Teacher.

## Webmaster Wanted

By Karen Seamens Dobbs

Due to the sudden death of our Web Manager, Jeff, the West Seattle High School Alumni Association is in need of a new Webmaster to maintain and update our Alumni Association website. The webmaster would need to be comfortable using Wordpress. The position would generally take no more than 2-4 hours per month. The fee is negotiable.

Please contact Terese Machmiller: [temachmiller@gmail.com](mailto:temachmiller@gmail.com) for more details and to submit your name for consideration.



West Seattle High School - from the 1923 "Blue and Gold"

## “Just Keep Moving”

Continued from back cover



Ellie (third from the left) and her Girl's Basketball team pictured in the 1939 Kimtah.

It is assumed – but not confirmed – that Ellie may be the only surviving member of the 1939 class. She looks back with fondness on her student days at West Seattle High, where her late brothers Justin and Ted Comeaux graduated with the classes of 1934 and 1939, respectively.

“It was a good basis for being prepared for college,” she recalls. “We had great teachers.”

Ellie went on to attend the University of Washington, majoring in engineering and then working for several years at Boeing as one of the company's first female engineers. It was at the UW that she met her future husband, Norm Riddell, a Lincoln High grad who eventually became a dentist and practiced briefly in Ballard before moving with Ellie and their young son and daughter to Juneau, Alaska in the late 1950s. The family witnessed Alaska's arrival to statehood in January 1959. The Riddells five years later welcomed a second son to their household.

Ellie and her family lived an adventurous life for more than three decades in Alaska, as her outdoorsman husband took them on many hunting, fishing, boating and hiking trips. But with two of their three children now fully grown, Norm retired from his dental practice and he and Ellie and their youngest son returned to Washington, settling in Anacortes in 1979.

What happened two years later required Ellie to draw deeply on her faith in God and her positive attitude about life. While Ellie was at home in Anacortes, Norm piloted a small plane along the southeast Alaska coast, accompanied by three family members. To this day, what happened to the plane in July 1981 is a mystery; the Coast Guard searched for weeks and never found it. What is now simply called “The Accident” took the lives of Norm, their oldest son, that son's wife and Sandy's first husband. By late 1981 Sandy and her newborn baby boy moved down from Juneau to Anacortes to live with Ellie and her

one remaining brother. Sandy two years later remarried and her new husband adopted her little boy and three more children later arrived.

While the loss of so many loved ones was a terrible blow for the family, Ellie never let this diminish her zest for life. She has been blessed over the years with the love of her many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She enjoyed travel to many foreign countries and developed an increasing interest in the world of finance. Even today she finds it fun to keep up with the ups and downs of the economic sector, thanks to her constant attention to the Bloomberg financial channel on TV.

Her energy as a dedicated very senior walker made her a popular sight to her many friends in Anacortes, and is also turning her into a bit of a celebrity now in Newberg. She also is one of about 1,500 centenarians – people 100 years or older – who are part of an ongoing national study by the Boston University School of Medicine. The study looks at every aspect of each participant's life, including family background, job history, interests, health and more.

In Ellie's case, in order to stay current that study may need to ask her for additional information, because she aims to stick around for a while.

“My goal is 110,” she says.



Ellie walks a full mile every day

## Camp Long Advisory Council to Host Mountain Fest 2023

Jeff Smoot and Laura Mitchell, Camp Long Advisory Council

Camp Long Advisory Council is proud to present Mountain Fest, an annual event celebrating Seattle's vibrant outdoor community and Camp Long's commitment to providing access to outdoor recreation and education to all people, as well as its place in mountaineering history. Join us for a fun and free day of outdoor activities for the whole family at Camp Long Environmental Learning Center, 5200 35th Ave SW, Seattle, from 11 AM to 5 PM on Saturday, June 24, 2023.

Mountain Fest is intended to be accessible to all groups of people in Seattle's vibrant community. All participants will enjoy a day of free access to rock climbing, rappelling, and mountain-themed games and activities. Thanks to the help of our partner organizations, event participants will be able to participate in nature-based learning, experience outdoor living skills, and learn about an array of programs offered by Camp Long and other local organizations.

All activities will be made accessible to all people, regardless of their experience level. Climbers and adventurers of all ages will be able to enjoy the event safely, with accommodations as necessary. Some limitations may apply for safety reasons, and all participants in climbing, rappelling and Challenge Course activities are required to sign waivers.

Mountain Fest is organized and promoted by the Camp Long Advisory Council, a volunteer organization dedicated to providing environmental education and outdoor learning opportunities for youth. Donations and partner contributions to Camp Long Advisory Council provide funding for Mountain Fest and for youth

programs and scholarships for underserved and low-income youth. If you are interested in volunteering for Mountain Fest or you are interested in joining the Advisory Council, please contact Camp Long for more information.

For additional information on Mountain Fest, contact:

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# Alice Enevoldsen, Class of 1999, Stargazing Host, Teacher

By Terese Machmiller



Alice Enevoldsen,  
WSHS Class of 1999

Alice Enevoldsen, a WSHS graduate, is the host of the stargazing events that are held at Solstice Park, above the tennis courts on Fautleroy Way, at every Equinox, the third week in September and March and the Solstice during the third week of June and December (weather permitting).

While still at WSHS, Alice began her career by taking advantage of the Running Start program and took calculus at South Seattle College. As a current faculty member at South Seattle, Alice has a number of Running Start students from West Seattle; "I enjoy chatting with them about the school".

After finishing at both West Seattle and South Seattle, Alice continued her education with two years of undergraduate work at the Massachusetts

Institute of Technology (MIT) in physics, later transferring to Whitman College in Walla Walla, where she completed her degree in Astronomy-Geology.

Next, she moved on to Seattle University's intensive one-year Masters in Teaching Program, student teaching back at WSHS, earning both her Masters and her certificate in Secondary Education, focused on the sciences.

Also still at WSHS, Alice began giving planetarium shows at the Pacific Science Center, a phase of her career that lasted 17 years, culminating with 5 years as the planetarium Director.

In 2016, Alice pivoted to teaching astronomy back at South Seattle College, in all modalities: in person, online, hybrid and synchronous online.

Alice brings that extensive experience and training to bear in making her classes as innovative, active and inclusive as possible, pulling from activities designed for all levels of teaching, as well as from current research on best practices in teaching and learning, diversity, equity and inclusion.

Alice lives in West Seattle with her 6- and 12-year old children and her partner, Jason.



Of her years at West Seattle HS, Alice reflects:

"There are three programs at WS that opened opportunities for me that I wouldn't have had otherwise:

- The Genetics Program with Ms. Mitchell, which was grant-funded through Immunex and the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center; I think it was called the High School Human Genome Project. This

was a biology class where we did real work with genetics. In class, we sequenced part of the human genome and inserted a gene into a specific bacteria. We learned that scientists are always learning. I credit this program entirely for making first-year biology at MIT a breeze. My hands-on experience in high school enabled me to tutor my MIT classmates, and I truly believe that most of my genetics class peers would also have been able to do so.

- The Computer Club: while we didn't install the first two computers classrooms on campus, we did install the first fiber-optic cable to those classrooms, as well as installing the first computer lab in the library in addition to the new computer lab classroom. These were made possible by grants from Microsoft. A Microsoft recruiter also met with us and offered us interviews for their summer high school internships, one of which I was offered and subsequently accepted.

- Marine Biology with Craig MacGowan. He was only at WSHS briefly, on his way to retirement after a full career at Garfield, but in the second semester of my senior year, we got lucky. Our class learned deeply in this course, with weekly water monitoring, intense memorization, project-based learning and at least three major field trips. We learned so deeply that we often texted our new terms such as 'vellela, vellela' (a genus of floating oceanic siphonophores) within our group.

I would be remiss if I did not mention the influence of Jeff Ursino has had on my career, both as my high school chemistry teacher and, later, as one of my mentors during my student teaching."

"Unfortunately, naming every teacher who had an impact on me would end up being a very long list, so I apologize for leaving off here."

Find "Alice's Astro" star-gazing events at: [aai2.alicesastroinfo.com](http://aai2.alicesastroinfo.com)

## HALL OF FAME

### Rev. "Bruce" Johnson Continued from Page 3

and began to attack her. Leaving the carriage behind, the young mother headed up the street, hoping to lead the attacker away from her young child. While this selfless act did protect the baby, it left the mother at the assailant's mercy.

Bruce soon realized he was the only one around who might come to the mother's aid, and if he didn't act right away, he might literally witness a murder. There wasn't even time to call 911, but Bruce reasoned that a neighbor would eventually see what was happening and report the emergency. In the meantime, Bruce knew he had to get himself between the assailant and the victim and do whatever possible to keep them apart - so he stepped into the street and came face to face with the attacker.

Twice the frenzied woman threatened Bruce, holding up the weapon, saying "Get out of the way, I've got a knife." This was something of an understatement because the weapon was shaped more like a cleaver. At one point she was holding it so close to Bruce's face that he considered making a grab for it. But recalling that he was 79 years old, and neither as quick nor as strong as he once was, Bruce decided to simply hold his ground. Saying nothing, he kept blocking the way\_ to the victim by moving from side to side whenever the attacker tried to get around him. Eventually, a number of onlookers began to gather, and to Bruce's relief, a voice cried out, "911 has been called."

Finally, sirens could be heard coming up the street, and the attacker turned and began rapidly walking away toward California Avenue. Afraid she might escape once she got to the busy thoroughfare, Bruce followed her, and when a police car sped by, he was able to point out exactly where she was. At last, when Bruce heard a police-

man's voice sternly call out, "Drop that knife," he knew the danger was over.

Fortunately, when the victim was later examined at the hospital it was clear that all her injuries could be successfully treated. Perhaps most importantly, during the stand-off with the attacker, alert neighbors had brought the baby carriage into their yard, and then taken the young child inside for safety. The unharmed infant was soon reunited with his mother.

After this incident both Bruce and the victim of the attack appeared on local TV stations, and both were interviewed on the popular Dori Monson radio show on KIRO-FM. In 2018, Bruce received the prestigious Honor Medal from the National Court of Honor of the Boy Scouts of America, "for unusual heroism in saving ... life at considerable risk to self."

A link to the coverage of the incident can be found here:

<http://komonews.com/news/local/bruce-doesnt-like-when-i-call-him-a-hero-mom-on-man-who-stopped-knife-attack>

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<p><b>Class of 1970</b>  <b>Green, Nick</b>            Nick passed away July 11, 2022</p> <p><b>Class of 1971</b>  <b>Lally, Thomas</b>            Tom passed away November 14, 2019</p> <p><b>Mackenzie, Kathleen M Fortney</b>            Kathy passed away July 2, 2022</p> <p><b>Stalker, Albert L</b>            Bert passed away December 8, 2022</p> <p><b>Class of 1972</b>  <b>Fabricus, Rob</b>            Rob passed away May 27, 2016</p> <p><b>Garcia, Kathi Jean</b>            Kathi passed away August 11, 2022</p> <p><b>McLellan, Jeffrey W</b>            Jeff passed away February 18, 2022</p> <p><b>Norgaard, Dan</b>            Dan passed away September 28, 2022</p> <p><b>Thorn, Mark</b>            Mark passed away January 11, 2023</p>	<p><b>Class of 1973</b>  <b>Lynch, Mike</b>            Mike passed away October 20, 2022</p> <p><b>Murray, Shelley Webster</b>            Shelley passed away May 26, 2019</p> <p><b>Phillips, Patricia</b>            Pat passed away March 21, 2022</p> <p><b>Class of 1974</b>  <b>Buckley, Catherine Heighton</b>            Cathy passed away December 19, 2022</p> <p><b>Grindle, Mary Jane Ingham</b>            Mary Jane passed away April 17, 2022</p> <p><b>Kirkeide, Carol Ann</b>            Carol Ann passed away January 29, 2022</p> <p><b>McNeese, Robin Brown</b>            Robin passed away December 26, 2022</p> <p><b>Weglin, Richard E</b>            Rick passed away July 11, 2022</p> <p><b>Class of 1976</b>  <b>Bradley, Jennifer Quenneville</b>            Jennifer passed away in fall of 2022</p> <p><b>Hirano, Thomas</b>            Tom passed away September 12, 2022</p>	<p><b>Lydell, Darrella M McGuire</b>            Darrella passed away November 14, 2022</p> <p><b>Tomisser, Karen</b>            Karen passed away June 28, 2022</p> <p><b>Walker, Debra</b>            Debbie passed away May 5, 2021</p> <p><b>Class of 1977</b>  <b>Morrison, Mark E</b>            Mark passed away July 14, 2022</p> <p><b>Class of 1978</b>  <b>Thompson, Christopher</b>            Chris passed away July 4, 2022</p> <p><b>Tull, Martin</b>            Marty passed away August 19, 2022</p> <p><b>Wagar, Larry</b>            Larry passed away July 27, 2022</p> <p><b>Class of 1979</b>  <b>Ruud, Wendi Hirshberg</b>            Wendi passed away July 4, 2022</p> <p><b>Class of 1980</b>  <b>Johnston, Kevin</b>            Kevin passed away May 5, 2022</p>	<p><b>Porter, Stephanie Osborn</b>            Stephanie passed away in November 2022</p> <p><b>Class of 1989</b>  <b>Andreas, Shawn J</b>            Shawn passed away October 4, 2022</p> <p><b>Class of 1990</b>  <b>Rosete, Adolfo</b>            DJ passed away June 24, 2022</p> <p><b>Class of 1991</b>  <b>Jaksich, Mato</b>            Mato passed away March 28, 2022</p> <p><b>Class of 2010</b>  <b>Wolf, Nicholas</b>            Nick passed away May 6, 2022</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>There are some who bring            a light so great to the world            that even after they have gone            the light remains.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>— Anonymous</i></p>
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## Reunion Reminders

**1951**—Our Reunion will be lunch at the Tukwila Claim Jumper restaurant at noon on June 28th.

This is a rare number for a reunion, of all West Seattle HS reunions. At our last, the 71st, we had already lost close to half of our original 424 classmates and now, a year later, with all of us another challenging 12 months older, will be losing more classmates.

I do hope we see a great percentage of our now very elderly classmates, please do try to attend.

Jim Monahan (425) 483-6783  
jimonahan@mac.com

**1953**—1953's class representatives hope to see a good turnout of fellow class members at the all-school reunion in June, as we celebrate the 70th anniversary of our graduation. In addition, we are hoping to schedule a luncheon get-together at a later date. Please let us know if you would be interested in attending one and what dates you would be available. We will discuss this at the all-school reunion.

If you are unable to attend that affair, or if you have more thoughts to share later, please contact one of the following people by email, text, or phone call, to share your thoughts with us:

Joan Johnson Barker: (206) 714-7160,  
faretuttbarker@icloud.com;

Joann Larson McGee: (206) 963-1510,  
povbayjack@aol.com; or

Rheta Whitman Rutherford, (206) 715-0114,  
1rrutherford@comcast.net.

**1955**—There will not be a reunion during 2023 or 2024, but plan on 2025 for the next very special celebration for all of us! It will be a great time to really get together and celebrate 70 YEARS OUT OF HIGH SCHOOL!!!

**1957**—The Class of 1957 so enjoyed the 2022 Reunion, they are planning to do it again in 2023! Our reunion will be July 9, 2023 at Glen Acres Golf Club, beginning at 3:00 PM, with a light dinner. Again we are inviting our classmates from '55 and '56 to join us. To learn more and join the planning process – Contact:

Gwen Fraser  
206-228-4068  
gfraser49@msn.com

Beverly McMillin  
206-498-9955  
chochosan29@hotmail.com

**1958**—The Reunion committee (yes, we are still together!) is planning a luncheon on Saturday, August 12th, 2023 at Bogey's Public House (at the Auburn Golf course).

So far we have received responses via email from approximately 45 alumni that are interested in attending. If you would like more information, please contact:

Gary Tisdale 206 316 6136,  
g.tisdale@comcast.net or

Audrey Lowdon Tharp 253 931 1136,  
sharptharp@comcast.net.

All information is being sent out via email.

**1960**—Now that the pandemic has lessened your Reunion Committee has been able to meet again. We are planning to hold a belated 60th reunion at long last. It will be held on September 9, 2023 at the West Seattle

Golf Course. Since many of us do not drive at night or do not stay up late anymore, we are having a lunch rather than a dinner. The activities will start at 11:00 AM for meet and greet with a buffet lunch served between noon and 12:30. We will continue festivities and reminiscing until 3:00 PM. More detailed information and a reservation form will be mailed to classmates in early summer.

**1961**—It is with great pleasure that we invite all our 1961 Classmates to a "60+2 Class Reunion!" Elmo and Beverly Lewis have graciously offered their home and large yard space in North Bend for this gathering. So - save the date of Saturday, September 9, 2023 (that is the Saturday after Labor Day) from 12 noon to 4:00 PM and start making plans to join us!

We have a small \$ fund left from our last class reunion that we will use to order food for the occasion. With the pandemic behind us we have the opportunity to reconnect again! We would love to know who is coming - so use one of the options below to share your plan. This note in the Chinook will probably be our only means of sharing the reunion information.

We are including Elmo and Beverly Lewis' address so you can Google it. There is plenty of parking, but carpooling is always a great way to travel. If you have any questions, text or email one of us and we will get back to you. We are looking forward to a wonderful get-together on Saturday, September 9th.

Judy Jacobson 206-938-8672  
jecjacobson@msn.com

Linda McRea 206-229-9224  
Lindamcrea10@gmail.com

Lewis address:  
15221 Cedar Falls Rd. SE  
North Bend, WA 98045

**1963**—Last year I mentioned to all of you that we were looking into a possible 60th reunion party. In the last few months I've heard from many of you that would be interested in a possible celebration of our times together. So I am putting this out there that I would like to plan on a late summer reunion like say in September for a 60th party. Please let me know as I am in the planning stages and would like as much input from you as possible. Also reach out to some of your classmates to see if they have any interest.

You can reach me at john.norden@yahoo.com. Lea Johnson is going to help with the planning and execution along with anyone else that would like to help out.

**1967**—We hope you'll plan ahead to join us for this year's Class of '67 Reunion. It will be held on Sunday afternoon, August 27th, starting at 1pm here at my home on Pipe Lake:

21312 SE 265th St.,  
Maple Valley, 98038.

Stay as long as you'd like and prepare yourself for a fun time. After all, if you come, you just may have the thrill of seeing your name in print in next year's Chinook. It doesn't get much better than that!

Kosher hot dogs, buns, and condiments will be provided. Please BYOB and a side dish to share.

Please RSVP by Monday, August 21 to either Danny Lilliness (206.246.2571) or me, Helen Verbon Locatelli (360.509.3464). Looking forward to seeing you here!

**1968**—In last year's Chinook we asked if there was any interest in a

55th reunion get together. So far we have only had 22 classmates respond to the request for comment or votes on the reunion. Hopefully we will be able to get in touch with more of our classmates. If you are in contact with any fellow classmates please pass on the information. So here is where we stand on the reunion.

Date: Saturday June 17th 2023  
Time: 2:00PM

Location: West Seattle Golf Course  
Banquet Room  
4470 35th Ave SW  
Seattle, WA 98126

Appetizers will be served, Cake and Coffee. There is a NO HOST BAR. Beverages can be purchased at the Bar. The cost is \$25.00 per person.

**1969**—I would be happy to help if someone is interested in taking the lead on setting up a luncheon for next year, 2024, when it will be our 55th year from graduating from West Seattle High School. Just want to toss this out there, to see if there is any interest in getting together for a luncheon? Nothing fancy, you pay for your own meal. Does anyone know of any places that could hold, say 50 people, give or take, without a large deposit for a summer luncheon? Please email me, wells1970@aol.com, by June 10th, if you are interested.

**1973**—The class of 1973's "Blue and Golden 50th High School Reunion" is scheduled for Saturday, August 26, 2023 from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Generous donations from a number of classmates have allowed us to keep the cost, at least for those who register before July 1st, to the same early bird rate that was charged five years ago. A plated lunch will replace the buffet enjoyed in 2018.

Registration instructions and additional event information can be found on our class website at WSHS73.org. Got questions? Contact a member of our reunion planning committee at reunion@WSHS73.org.

**1974**—We are about to hit our big 50th anniversary in 2024, so it's not too early to start thinking about that. One

thought is to combine the celebration with the All School Reunion which is the first Saturday in June every year. The Alumni Association typically (if there is anything typical anymore) honors the class celebrating their 50th. After the All School Reunion, it's been suggested we could all meet at a local brew pub for a casual get together.

Of course, we're talking about 2024, so there's lots of lead time. The floor is open for suggestions. The usual cast of characters who have planned previous reunions are bowing out this year in favor of new blood with new ideas. So, if you're interested, step right up. I can put you in touch with the right person at the Alumni Association for address lists, etc.

**1976**—Another year closer to our 50th reunion! You'll be enjoying YOURSELF if you plan to come...and especially if you can help us plan the event. We have time yet....but I wanted to put the bug in your ear.

**1980**—After our past attempts to celebrate our 40th reunion were derailed by the stubbornly continuing pandemic, we're now setting our sights on our 45th reunion in 2025. Until then, stay safe and healthy and continue to live your best life!

**1983**—Cheers to 40 years! Class of '83, mark your calendar for Saturday, July 29th 2023.

Join us at the WS Golf Course. The WS bridge is open, so there are no excuses not to attend. Please visit our page on FB - WSHS class of 83 to get information about signing up. Also, we have some missing classmates listed on that page that we need help finding.

We will be sending out more details about the event in the near future. Looking forward to seeing all of you!

**Join the West Seattle High School Alumni Association and ensure your reunion organizer is able to find you through the Alumni's data base. See page 5 for Alumni membership details.**



"Many Thanks" to Captain Sean to allow the West Seattle High School 2023 Chinook newspaper to show this mural of the Wildcat on display at Trader Joe's in West Seattle. (Note: the Wildcat is the mascot of West Seattle High School since 2004)

Photo by Ted Foss, Class of 1955

# CHINOOK

## West Seattle

THE WEST SEATTLE HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI CHINOOK, 2023 • THE ALL-SCHOOL REUNION IS SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 2023

### “Just Keep Moving” WSHS Oldest Alum?

By John Fortmeyer

Her simple three-word motto sums up what keeps West Seattle High’s Class of 1939 member Eleanore “Ellie” (Comeaux) Riddell going strong into her 103rd year of life. “Just keep moving,” she says.

And she does exactly that, gripping her walker as she puts in a full mile nonstop each day at either an indoor track or at a local park near her home in Newberg, Oregon.

Ellie, who on Feb. 16 celebrated her 102nd birthday – she shares the birthday with her daughter Sandy Fortmeyer – continues to enjoy life in the face of physical challenges one would expect for anyone her age. She lived in her own home in Anacortes until age 99 and  $\frac{3}{4}$ , when vision and hearing problems prompted her to accept Sandy’s and son-in-law John Fortmeyer’s longtime invitation to live with them in Newberg.

The move to Oregon allows her to not only enjoy their company, but also to regularly see three of her six grown grandchildren and also most of her nine great-grandchildren, who also live in the state.



ELEANOR COMEAUX  
Basketball, Hockey,  
Spanish Club, “W” Club

Ellie’s senior picture  
from the 1939 Kimtah



Ellie and her daughter Sandy celebrate their shared birthdays together

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#### WSHS Alumni Association All School Reunion

Saturday, June 3, 2023  
4:00 - 7:00 pm

#### Schedule

##### 4:00 - 5:00 pm

Event check in, pick up programs, name tag, roam the halls and pay dues

##### 5:00 - 5:30 pm

Welcome Gathering -  
Recognition of the 50<sup>th</sup>  
Reunion Classes in the  
Commons

##### 5:30 - 7:00 pm

Individual Class Reunions in  
assigned rooms

##### 4:00 - 5:30 pm

View the Classic Cars  
showcased on SW Stevens  
outside the Historical Entrance

##### 4:00 - 6:45 pm

Refreshments and snacks  
available for purchase from  
and to benefit WSHS student  
programming

#### Volunteer Opportunities:

There are many ways that  
alumni can get involved and  
make a difference at WSHS.

Scan the QR code with your  
cell phone to sign up as a  
volunteer!



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