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Dr. Susan Rutherford

Class of 1970

Worldwide Expert in Maternal-Fetal Medicine, Violinist

Susan Rutherford was a valedictorian of the West Seattle High School class of 1970. At Washington State University she graduated with a B.S. in Zoology, summa cum laude. She played violin in the WSU Symphony and Chamber Orchestras, raced on the WSU Women's Ski Team, served as a student senator, and was inducted into numerous scholastic honor societies including Phi Beta Kappa. With such intellectual promise, it was no surprise when she was accepted into the University of Washington School of Medicine in 1974. That same summer, Susan was appointed as an Ensign in the U.S. Naval Reserve. Her service in the Navy continued until her honorable discharge in 1994 with the rank of Commander, Medical Corps, U.S. Naval Reserve. (Commander is equivalent to Lieutenant Colonel in other service branches.) She served in San Diego, at the U.S. Naval Hospital in Yokosuka, Japan, and in Portsmouth, Virginia.

Susan's military and post-military medical career in Obstetrics and Gynecology, especially as a board-certified specialist in Maternal-Fetal Medicine (treatment of high-risk pregnancies) continues at age 70.

Susan is a past-president of the Washington State Obstetrical Association. Other leadership positions she has held include Medical Director, Maternal-Fetal Medicine Program, Evergreen Hospital Medical Center, Kirkland (1990-2001); Owner: East-side Maternal-Fetal Medicine Associates, PLLC, Kirkland and Bellevue, WA. (1996-2001, the first private practice providing

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Tom Jensen

Class of 1966

Detective and DNA Investigator

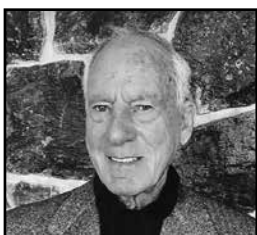
After graduation from West Seattle High in 1966, Tom began his law enforcement career in the United States Navy with Naval Investigative Service. On discharge, he was hired by the King County Sheriff's Department. He began his career on patrol and worked his way up to detective with the robbery division. In 1984, at the height of the Green River investigation, he was asked to join the task force and over 30 years later, he remains involved.

Tom's first impact on the investigation was leading the way to computerize all the data. Almost 10,000 people were investigated but after thousands of dead end tips, the task force was shut down in 1990. Because of his computer skill, Tom had an overall knowledge of the many cases and was asked to stay on with major crimes to work the case. He did this alone for the next nine years. These years were spent attempting to identify the unknown victims, keeping up with the families of the victims they had identified and monitoring the progression of DNA technology. It was Tom that sent the scant bit of DNA that remained for testing. In November of 2001 a match was found and Gary Ridgeway was arrested.

In a Seattle Times article from November 8, 2003 Ian Ith wrote "In the end, no one deserves more credit for catching and convicting Ridgeway than Jensen; his colleagues and bosses agree." At this point, Tom had 30 years with the Sheriff's Department and retired. Because of his immense knowl-

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WSHSAA President/
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Karen Seamens Dobbs,
Class of 1971
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE / LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

This past year has been a trying one for the West Seattle High School Alumni Association. We have had tremendous, repeated problems in trying to hold our regular meetings at the school, as well as some undermining of our efforts to retain a physical presence in the building. We have also been experiencing difficulties in maintaining our online visibility, and in attempting to streamline and upgrade our scholarship application process.

However, it has been encouraging to score minor victories in our ongoing efforts! We have been gifted with the services of one of our Galbraith scholarship recipients, Rhiannon Hayes-McQueen, as our new Webmaster (see article below); we have also reached an agreement, after considerable effort, with Brian Vance, the Principal, regarding the continued use of the Alumni Room.

The Seattle School District main office now requires notice of at least 15 days to request a reservation for meeting space, however,

their system appears to have irregularities such that, by the time communication is established, the 15-day deadline has passed. This has cost the Alumni Assoc our September, November, January, February and March meetings. In fact, we may have to forego September meetings altogether, since the District also will not allow any reservations for meeting space to be requested until two weeks after the start of the school year (that, along with the 15-day rule, negates the entire month).

We are indebted to Sandy Dubuque, Diane Venti and Terese Machmiller for offering and providing us with meeting space during those months! Our heartfelt Thanks to you!

Another accomplishment this year was that we made overtures to the WSHS PTSA for their help in raising the Alumni Association's visibility within the school. One of the benefits of this alliance was their invitation for us to participate in the West Seattle 5K Run (see more information in this issue), to be held May 19th; look for our table there!

Another subject of much discussion with the PTSA is the current status of the West Seattle HS Foundation.

Different school groups, the Art Department, for example, have requested funds for equipment; there have been donations made, but no one seems accountable for either. Some members of both Boards are attempting to find answers. In the meantime, if any person or group wishes to make donations to benefit the school and students, the PTSA would be the best resource; they know where the needs are.

The All-School Reunion (ASR) is set for Saturday, June 1st at the school (we were finally able to secure that, and it was not easy!). Details are still being nailed down, but we will be needing volunteers to help pull it off successfully, so please consider taking an hour or so out of your reunion evening to lend a hand!

Our stalwart band of Board members and Class Reps have pulled us through a challenging year, so many, many thanks to all, especially our Board members who keep the cogs turning: Sandy, Linda, Terese, John, Carlos, Chris and Ted, we couldn't do this without you, Thank You So Much!

Karen Dobbs
Class of 1971
President

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Welcome To Our New Tech Advisor Rhiannon Hayes-McQueen

While our WSHSAA Board of Directors dedicates countless volunteer hours and talents to running the various aspects of our work - from scholarships to all-school reunions to hall of fame and all the rest - we have discovered a bit of a gap in bridging our connections leveraging digital media and other IT-related offerings, especially following the passing of our webmaster a few years back. Now, we are excited to introduce Rhiannon Hayes-McQueen, assisting with the technical side of the West Seattle High School Alumni Association.

As a WSHS Alumni member (Class of '22) and current UW student pursuing a degree in Human Centered Design & Engineering with a focus on Ed Tech, Rhiannon has a passion for education and aspires to improve the technology used in this field. She is super excited to be working with the Alumni Association and hopes that the community can continue to grow and support each other.

Outside of school Rhiannon enjoys spending time with family, helping young kids find their passion, and watching shows and movies with friends. She is also a proud supporter of the WSHS Band and Drama programs and is excited to see them continuously grow and evolve.

The efforts in connecting alumni, school, student and community events to our alumni members will benefit from a small team of helpers, and we invite our readers to offer assistance - just drop an email to wshsaa.98116@gmail.com. In the meantime, while still a work in progress, the website is being brought up to date (check out <https://wshsaa.org/>), and a long list of other tasks is being prioritized. Please join us in welcoming Rhiannon, and thanking her for so generously volunteering her talents and skills to the Alumni Association!

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high-risk pregnancy services to the Eastside); Medical Director, Women’s and Children’s Services, Evergreen Healthcare, Kirkland, WA, (2008-2012); and Corporate President (2013-2023), and Medical Director (2014–present), Women’s Accessible Medical Services, P.S. Needless to say, Dr. Rutherford has also helped bring many thousands of healthy newborns into the world and in addition has consulted with thousands of mothers facing issues involving their high-risk pregnancies.

As a recognized expert in Maternal-Fetal medicine and Ultrasound, Dr. Rutherford has held numerous academic appointments. As a faculty member, she authored or co-authored nearly two dozen referenced journal articles and book chapters and has made research presentations at numerous professional meetings. Over her long career, both while in the Navy and afterwards, she held these various academic appointments. Clinical Instructor, Maternal-Fetal Medicine, University of Southern California; Assistant Professor, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Eastern Virginia Medical School; Clinical Assistant Professor, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, University of Washington; Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Saint Louis University. Her academic contributions continue even now here in Seattle, as she is affiliated with Seattle Pacific University and proctors nursing students in their Doctor of Nurse Practice program and with Northwest University in Kirkland, helping them to achieve national accreditation for their new Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies program.

Dr. Rutherford has served and taught all over the world. She was involved in short-term medical missions at the Bach Christian Hospital in Qalandarabad, Pakistan; Bongolo Evangelical Hospital, Gabon, Africa; and in Honduras. She has done international medical lecturing in China, Kenya, Thailand, Colombia, South Korea, and continues to teach regularly both nationally and internationally.

Susan has not limited her community service to the medical arena. She has been a strong supporter of the Taproot Theatre Company and served on their Board of Directors (2003-2012), including service as Board Chair in 2005 and 2006. She has been a violinist in the Cascade Symphony in Edmonds for 25 years. She also plays in the University Presbyterian Church String Ensemble. When in Japan, she was a member of the Yokosuka Symphony Orchestra.

Along with numerous awards and commendations during her military service, Susan has been recognized both nationally and regionally. The national Healing the Culture organization chose Dr. Susan Rutherford for its 2017 Cultural Hero award.

For the past ten years, Dr. Rutherford’s service has been central to the establishment and success of Women’s Accessible Medical Services, P.S. (doing business as 3W Medical for Women), which is a 501c3 organization that provides free and low-cost women’s health services in Seattle’s University District. Susan has held these positions with 3W Medical for Women: Corporate President (2013–2023); Member, Board of Directors (2013–present), CEO (2014– 2020), and Medical Director (2014–present).

In 2023, 3W Medical for Women was chosen as the best Women’s Clinic in the Pacific Northwest in The Seattle Times “Best in the PNW” program. Dr. Susan Rutherford has been an outstanding example of West Seattle High School’s best and brightest. She returned to the Seattle area following her service in the Navy and continued to make significant contributions both in the medical profession and to the arts community in our region.

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Tom Jensen Continued from cover

edge of the cases, he was immediately hired back as an analyst. In this role he spent 188 days with three other detectives interviewing Gary Ridgeway. I cannot imagine how hard this must have been for Tom after investing so many years of his career on this case. Gary Ridgeway was convicted of killing 49 women but confessed to over 70 murders. Four additional bodies were found as a result of the interviews bringing closure to four more families. Tom stayed on working cold cases until federal funding ran out. To this day, he still has a desk in the department and volunteers on a weekly basis.

Tom and his wife, Charlene (Chew) who is also a 1966 graduate of West Seattle High School have two sons and five grandchildren. Much of my information came from an award winning book written by his son, Jeff Jensen. Titled “Green River Killer, A True Detective Story”. It was a tribute to his father for his perseverance in bringing this horrible case to an end.

After retiring, Tom continued his volunteer work and was awarded the Volunteer of the Year award for 2018. His perseverance paid off in 2019 when an arrest was made in the Sarah Yarborough murder. Sarah was a student at Federal Way High School and was found murdered In 1991. It was the one case Tom’s partner so wanted to solve and Tom was determined to see it through. After learning of the arrest, the daughter of Toms partner commented, “He would be so happy to see the scum bag who took her life in the evilest of ways finally go to jail. Congratulations Tom Jensen and the King County Sheriff’s Office- Dad would be proud.” After the arrest, I asked Tom If he was going to slow down. His response was “I must say my bucket list is well under half full after the events of last week. I’ll step away when I’m done. I’m not done yet. Bucket is not quite empty.”

This brings me to his work from 2020 to 2021. Working with the DNA Doe Project whose goal is to identify unnamed victims, the DNA of Gary Ridgeway’s youngest victim was submitted. This was Tom’s first homicide investigation. In a January 2021 Seattle Times article, they state, “Seeing Bones 10 identified became an obsession with one King Count detective who dedicated most of his career to the case. He needed to find a name for her. It was part of his bucket list.” By using Genetic Genealogy, thirty five years after her body was discovered her name was learned. Wendy Stevens was 14 when she ran away from her home in Denver Colorado. Her mother had submitted DNA in the hope of finding out what had happened to her daughter and finally received closure. There are still two unnamed victims. Unfortunately, with the defunding of the Seattle Sheriff’s Department, there are no funds to submit DNA for these two women. Knowing Tom Jensen, he will continue to look for a way.

Co-Promotion Opportunity

Here’s an opportunity to include your business info in our upcoming all-school reunion program, as well as on our website!

For a small suggested donation of \$200 (and 20% off for alumni-owned businesses, and free to those who volunteer ten or more hours to alumni sponsored activities), we’ll feature your business info - business card or short blurb!

This is a way to support our local small businesses who make up the heart and soul of West Seattle and surrounding neighborhoods.

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 2025 and will be notified soon thereafter. Each winner will be honored at the ASR planned for 2025.

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: _____

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MAIL TO: WSHS Alumni Association
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Vicki Hermann Vaux (1965)	Richard Mickelson (1965)	Ralph Seamens (1950)	Karen Seamens Dobbs (1971)
Doug Holbeck (1962)	Donna Holgate Anderson (1962)	Cherrie Stephens (1961)	Darcy Stephens Dabek (1964)
Joanne Hurst Daniels (1957)	Robert & Lynda (Moody) Hurst (1958 & 1959)	Terry Ste. Marie (1962)	Tim Ste. Marie (1966)
Martha C Hutchison Martin (1932)	Stephen D Martin (1958)	Dan Shaw (1964)	John Koenes (1964)
Roy Ikeda (Vice Principal)	Aurora Bowen Escame (1960)	Almina Simmons Rockwell (1931)	Don Rockwell (1955)
Julie Irvin Giorgetti (1972)	Patrick Giorgetti (1971)	Ann K Smith Dirks (1956)	Brian Dirks (1978)
James E Johnston (1954)	Kay Yackley Johnston (1958)	D.C. Smith (Teacher)	Don Campbell (1957)
Nels Kaspersen (1964)	John Koenes (1964)	D.C. Smith (Teacher)	Karen Seamens Dobbs (1971)
John Kelly (1939)	Dave Kelly (1949)	Herb Smith (Teacher & 1939)	John W Purvis (1955)
Genie T Kent Phelan (1955)	Bill Phelan (1954)	Herb Smith (Teacher & 1939)	Paul Smith (1975)
Mary Louise Killeen Richardson (1931)	Janice Richardson Stell (1966)	Herb Smith (Teacher & 1939)	Lorraine Toly (1964)
Mrs Marjorie King (Teacher)	Carolyn McKee (1973)	Stephanie X Smith (1984)	Dorris X Smith (1981)
Cheryl Krehbiel (1978)	Carol Krehbiel Harrison (1978)	Shelley Sperry Carr (1965)	Joanne Thaanum Rehkopf (1965)
Beverly Landstrom Broughton (1959)	Allan Broughton (1958)	Garth Edward Stacy (1972)	Gayla Stacy Sherland (1962)
Chris Langland (1965)	Dennis & Jenna (Winquist) Olson (1965)	Garth Edward Stacy (1972)	June Stacy Edwards (1968)
Irene Lansing (Teacher)	Jonlee C Repir Nunn (1959)	Garth Edward Stacy (1972)	Robyn Stacy Grether (1963)
Howard Larson (1956)	Darrell Larson (1961)	Wally Styrk (1951)	Karen Stryk Williams (1982)
Judith Launceford Neumann (1962)	Gerald "Ed" McLaughlin (1962)	Dennis Sweeney (1959)	Dennis Rasmussen (1959)
Carole Lewis South (1955)	Marcia Oldsback Sheckler (1955)	Linda Taylor Weer (1973)	Carl Weer (1973)
Donna Lindeke Rennick (1939)	Frank Lindeke (1946)	Jill Terrana (1984)	Mel Terrana (1958)
Robert L Little (1956)	David Little (1964)	Bill Teyler (1964)	Sharon Teyler Girod (1960)
Carol Lorentzen (1955)	Myra Bowen Skubitz (1955)	Jon Paul Tharp (1957)	Audrey Lowdon Tharp (1958)
Jim Magnussen (1958)	Perry Jackson Welch (1958)	Jon Paul Tharp (1957)	Judith (Lowdon) & Alan Russell (1962)
Mary Marchand Koenes (1961)	John P Kones (1964)	Three Sisters	Charles "Al" Rossman (1956)
Don Martin (Sealth 1964)	Stephen Martin (1958)	Mark H Thomas (1968)	Raymond "Terry" Thomas (1965)
Frances Mattison (Teacher)	Lorraine Toly (1964)	Ronald "Moonie" Thornquist (1956)	Margaret Larson Mathisson (1956)
Eugene Merritt (1974)	David J Visser (1974)	Ronald "Moonie" Thornquist (1956)	Greta Walker Pelham (1956)
McLaughlin, Dennis (1965)	Gerald "Ed" McLaughlin (1962)	Signe Thorsen (1965)	Frances Klesper Wletien (1965)
Janet McLellan Cochran (1963)	Ned Cochran (Spouse)	Norman Trulin (1946)	Bruce Adams (1962)
Edwin C McRory (1955)	McRory Family	Ronald M Turner (1965)	Eric Sandall (1965)
Betty Moe McKenzie	Elizabeth Collins Whalen (1943)	Pat Vaughn (Faculty)	Kirk Hendrickson (1972)
Dorothy Mootafes (Teacher)	Karen Seamens Dobbs (1971)	Albert Vaux (1965)	Richard Mickelson (1965)
Dorothy Mootafes (Teacher)	Robin Yeager (1959)	Diane Vickery Green (1957)	MSgt Walter A Vickery (1956)
Dorothy Mootafes (Teacher)	David Mullis (1966)	Shirlee Waite McDonald (1960)	Patricia Warner Williams (1960)
Dorothy Mootafes (Teacher)	Timothy J Ste. Marie (1966)	Harry Warne (Teacher & 1933)	Lorraine Toly (1964)
Dorothy Mootafes (Teacher)	Lorraine Toly (1964)	Roland & Petra (Ulsamer) Weis (1961)	David Hansen (1961)
Lisa Murray (1974)	Diane Murray Bundrant (1972)	James B Williams Jr (1988)	Mark D Johnson (1988)
Delmar Nordquist (Teacher)	Bob & Kathy (Johnson) Young (1961)	H.A. 'Speed' Winquist (1930)	Dennis & Jenna (Winquist) Olson (1965)
Earl "Gene" Nokes Jr	Gerald "Ed" McLaughlin (1962)	Elaine Wise Townsend (1945)	Keith Townsend (1979)
John Nokes (1964)	Gerald "Ed" McLaughlin (1962)	Dave Wissing Sr (1939)	Paula Wissing Jamison (1967)
E F Norwood (Teacher)	Bob & Kathy (Johnson) Young (1961)	Ada Woodhouse Hallberg (1942)	Nancy Hallberg (1970)
Fred Nuber (1962)	Robert G Nuber (1958)	Bob Yeasting (1951)	Robert Skotheim (1951)
Ellen Jean Ogden Anderson (1956)	Valerie Haws Dickover (1956)		

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WSHS Athletic Director Corey Sorenson accepts a check in the amount of \$3,000.00 from the class of 1953. This gift will add to the department's campaign to raise \$30,000 for a new scoreboard for the gym.

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2023 / 2024

WSHSAA Scholarships

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

And so it goes...the 2023 scholarship interviews were once again in person with a larger number of applicants than the prior three years. We were able to conduct in-person interviews which once again were a plus. It's always a joy to meet and speak with our wonderful students. We were to have our All-School Reunion, and were able to present this year's recipients at the Senior Awards night held by the school. Every year the 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 was unusual; we were able to award 25 new scholarships to students in the Class of 2023 as well as 17 returning students. Our total scholarship awards totaled \$208,500 for the 2023-2024 school year(s).



Lachlan Swanson WSHS 2023

Lachlan Swanson applied with a 3.82 GPA and plans to attend **Western Washington University** pursuing a degree in Music (Jazz studies) and Theatre. Playing his trumpet in the Jazz band is what gets him up early in the morning and helps determine his mood for the rest of the day. Lachlan was awarded a **Clarence & Margaret Duke-Rader Scholarship** to be used toward his freshman year tuition and fees at **Western Washington University**. This scholarship is renewable if the criterion of the scholarship is met.



Cooper Hubbard WSHS 2023

Cooper Hubbard applied with a 3.941 GPA and plans to attend **Montana State University**. His area of study will be Chemistry and Biochemistry, hoping to apply his degree in the areas of either biomedicine or pharmaceuticals or in nutrition working with athletes supplying them with the correct food plan to meet and improve their physical needs. Cooper was awarded a **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** to be applied to freshman year tuition and fees at **Montana**

State University. This scholarship is renewable if the criterion of the scholarship is met.



Kailey Browne WSHS 2023

Kailey Browne applied with a 3.93 GPA and will be attending **San Diego State University** and pursuing a degree in Communications with a focus on Marketing or Media. She is currently taking classes in Social Media Marketing and Marketing and is excited to take it to the next level. Kailey was awarded a **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** to be applied to her freshman year tuition & fees at **San Diego State University**. This scholarship is renewable if the criterion of the scholarship is met.



Joseph Lee WSHS 2023

Joseph Lee applied with a 3.993 GPA and plans to attend the **University of Washington**. He plans to study Economics and/or Accounting as an undergraduate with a goal of attending law school and having a career in the Law/Business field. Joseph was awarded a **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** to be applied to his freshman year tuition and fees at the **University of Washington**. This scholarship is renewable if the criterion of the scholarship is met.



Audrey Baier WSHS 2023

Audrey Baier applied with a 3.969 GPA and will be attending the **University of Arizona Tucson**. She plans to begin college taking classes in

math and intro to business, ultimately leading her to a career in Business Financing. Audrey was awarded a **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** to be used toward her freshman year tuition and fees at the **University of Arizona Tucson**. This scholarship is renewable if all the criterion of the scholarship is met.



Cecelia Pfyer WSHS 2023

Cecelia Pfyer applied with a 4.0 GPA and will be attending **Western Washington University** (Honors College). Cecelia plans to study Marine Biology. At **Western Washington University** her educational objective is to graduate with honors and a BS in Marine & Coastal science. She was awarded a **Patricia Feldman Noyes Women in Science Scholarship** to be used applied toward her freshman year tuition and fees at **Western Washington University**. This scholarship is renewable if the criterion of the scholarship is met.



Hannah Bonsack WSHS 2023

Hannah Bonsack applied with a 3.920 GPA and plans to attend the **University of Portland**, School of Nursing. Her 4 year goal is to graduate from one of the most well respected Nursing Schools on the west coast with a Bachelor's of Science in Nursing. Her 10 year future goal is to become a Nurse Practitioner. Her lifetime goal is to raise a strong, healthy family, contribute to her community and build a career that she loves and that changes people's lives. Hannah was awarded a **Patricia Feldman Noyes Women in Science Scholarship** to be used toward her freshman year tuition and fees at the University of Portland. This scholarship is renewable if the criterion of the scholarship is met.

Mevina Ott applied with a 3.993 GPA and plans to attend the **University of Washington**. She plans to study and attain a degree in Biochemistry. In her application Mevina wrote; "My biggest takeaway from my high school chemistry course was the value of thinking



Mevina Ott WSHS 2023

critically about the accuracy and extent that content is initially taught. When the course went beyond electrons sitting stationarily in their designated rings, to electron probabilities in electron clouds, my learning felt uncensored." Mevina was awarded a **Beverly Raleigh Freeman Scholarship** to be used toward her freshman year tuition and fees at the **University of Washington**. This scholarship is renewable for a second year if the criterion of the scholarship is met.



Ruth Golla WSHS 2023

Ruth Golla applied with a 3.663 GPA and will be attending the **University of Washington**. Ruth plans on entering the Nursing program at the University. Ultimately, Ruth wants to become a nurse to serve and aid people with health issues no matter their status or personal wealth. Ruth was awarded a one-time **West Seattle High School Alumni Scholarship** to be applied to her freshman year tuition & fees at the **University of Washington**.



Lathan Joblin WSHS 2023

Lathan Joblin applied with a 3.608 GPA and plans on attending **California State-Northridge**. Lathan plans to pursue a degree in Statistics with a focus on Data Science & Sports Analytics. Lathan was awarded a one-time **West Seattle High School Alumni Scholarship** to be applied to his freshman year tuition & fees at **California State Northridge**.

WSHSAA Scholarships Continued



Joud Inaimi WSHS 2023

Joud Inaimi applied with a 3.786 GPA and will be attending the **University of Washington** pursuing a degree in Nursing. As a nurse she plans to positively impact disadvantaged communities and contribute to the profound changes taking place within the healthcare industry. Joud was awarded a one-time **West Seattle High School Alumni Scholarship** to be applied to her freshman year tuition & fees at the **University of Washington**.



Eloise Perkins WSHS 2023

Eloise Perkins applied with a 3.715 GPA and will attend **San Diego State University** pursuing a degree in Business Marketing. Her dream is to eventually lead a company in the direction of inclusivity and sustainability. Eloise was awarded a one-time **West Seattle High School Alumni Scholarship** to be applied to her freshman year tuition & fees at **San Diego State University**.



Cole Bauersfeld WSHS 2023

Cole Bauersfeld applied with a 3.742 GPA and plans to attend **Oregon State University** pursuing a degree in Mechanical Engineering. With his degree he would like to have a career in the Automotive Industry designing and innovating automobiles by developing new technologies. Cole was awarded a one-time **West Seattle High School Alumni Scholarship** to be applied to his freshman year tuition & fees at **Oregon State University**.

Elliott Allen applied with a 3.882 GPA and will be attending the **University of Washington** while pursuing a degree in Environmental Studies. Global



Elliott Allen WSHS 2023

warming and the climate crisis are issues Elliott is extremely passionate about and would like some aspect of his career to be in educating others on these issues. Elliott was awarded a one-time **West Seattle High School Alumni Scholarship** to be applied to his freshman year tuition & fees at the **University of Washington**.



Ethan Kelley WSHS 2023

Ethan Kelley applied with a 3.838 GPA and will be attending **Western Washington University**. Although Ethan is undecided in his course study he leans toward a degree in Biology with an emphasis in Marine Biology. Ethan was awarded a one-time **West Seattle High School Alumni Scholarship** to be applied to his freshman year tuition & fees at **Western Washington University**.



Tavin Sayles WSHS 2023

Tavin Sayles applied with a 3.899 GPA and will be attending the **University of California-San Diego** seeking a degree in Pre-Med and ultimately going to Medical School, which has been a lifelong dream. Tavin was awarded a one-time **West Seattle High School Alumni Scholarship** to be applied to his freshman year tuition & fees at the **University of California-San Diego**.

Lauren Ellingson applied with a 3.854 GPA and will be attending **Western Washington University** pursuing a degree in Business and Sustainability. She would eventually like to get her PhD in Business Management in order to make world saving changes in the way our huge



Lauren Ellingson WSHS 2023

corporations are polluting our environment. Lauren was awarded a one-time **West Seattle High School Alumni Scholarship** to be applied to her freshman year tuition & fees at **Western Washington University**.



Elliott Burdett WSHS 2023

Elliott Burdett applied with a 3.828 GPA and will attend the **University of Washington**. Elliott plans to be a scientific researcher leaning toward the fields of physics and/or astronomy. He wants to go to Graduate School and get an advanced degree in one of the two with the dream of working for the government, a university or a corporation in space related research. Elliott was awarded a one-time **West Seattle High School Alumni Scholarship** to be applied to his freshman year tuition & fees at the **University of Washington**.



Justine Duong WSHS 2023

Justine Duong applied with a 3.853 GPA and plans to attend **Western Washington University**. Although Justine has listed her pursuit as undeclared she has a strong interest in math and video editing and hopes to find a direction that incorporates both of her interests. Justine was awarded a one-time **West Seattle High School Alumni Scholarship** to be applied to her freshman year tuition & fees at **Western Washington University**.

Octavio Fernandez applied with a 3.929 GPA and will be attending the **University of Idaho** pursuing a degree in Management Information Systems. Project Management is his career goal. Octavio was awarded a



Octavio Fernandez WSHS 2023

one-time **West Seattle High School Alumni Scholarship** to be applied to his freshman year tuition & fees at the **University of Idaho** with the opportunity of a second year if the criterion for this second year scholarship is met.



Sofia Weber WSHS 2023

Sofia Weber applied with a 3.922 GPA and plans to attend **Western Washington University**. Sofia plans to pursue a science major in environmental toxicology. She plans to study the ways industrial practices harm the natural environment as a whole and the organisms that inhabit it, including human beings. As an environmental toxicologist, Sofia hopes to create science based solutions to reduce or eliminate the release of pollutants into ecosystems by industrial practices. Sofia was awarded a one-time **West Seattle High School Alumni Scholarship** to be applied to her freshman year tuition & fees at **Western Washington University** with the opportunity of a second year if the criterion for this second year scholarship is met.



Siena Marie True Wyatt Draher WSHS 2023

Siena Marie True Wyatt Draher applied with a 4.0 GPA and plans to attend **New York University-Tisch School of the Arts**. She plans to pursue a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Dramatic writing. Siena writes; to loosely quote Billy Crystal from one of my favorite films, when you realize you want to spend the rest of your life writing, you want the rest of your life to begin as soon as possible. Siena was awarded a one-time **West Seattle High School Alumni Scholarship**

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to be applied to her freshman year tuition & fees at **New York University-Tisch School of the Arts** with the opportunity of a second year if the criterion for this second year scholarship is met.



Lola Personett WSHS 2023

Lola Personett applied with a 3.906 GPA and will be attending the **University of Washington** pursuing a degree in Political Science and then on to a future goal of completing a legal degree and providing a voice as an Immigration Lawyer. Lola was awarded a one-time **West Seattle High School Alumni Scholarship** to be applied to her freshman year tuition & fees at the **University of Washington** with the opportunity of a second year if the criterion for this second year scholarship is met.



Sadie Strunk WSHS 2023

Sadie Strunk applied with a 3.993 GPA and will be attending **Western Washington University Honors College Program**. Sadie plans on getting a four year degree and discover a career that she is passionate about and wants to spend her life doing. Although her interests are Biology, Literature and Visual Arts she has not yet settled on a career path. Sadie was awarded a one-time **West Seattle High School Alumni Scholarship** to be applied to her freshman year tuition & fees at **Western Washington University** with the opportunity of a second year if the criterion for this second year scholarship is met.



Anna Saboe Hutchinson WSHS 2023

Anna Saboe Hutchinson applied with a 3.980 GPA and will be attending the **University of California-Berkley**. She plans to pursue a

career in STEM, most likely in Biology, environmental Science, or engineering. She plans to spend the first 1-2 years of her undergrad exploring her options so she has the tools she will need to decide the field best suited for her with the greatest potential. Anna was awarded a one-time **West Seattle High School Alumni Scholarship** to be applied to her freshman year tuition & fees at the **University of California-Berkley** with the opportunity of a second year if the criterion for this second year scholarship is met.

Finally our 17 returning scholars.....



Diego Escame-Hedger

Diego Escame-Hedger qualified to receive his ongoing **Clarance & Margaret Duke-Radar Scholarship** for his sophomore year. As he begins his sophomore year pursuing a Bachelor of Science in business administration with a concentration in finance and a minor in interdisciplinary studies as part of the Weber Honors College at **San Diego State University**. The honors college is for highly driven students who are given the opportunities to problem solve in a creative and flexible manner through discussion based seminars and real world experience. Through a rigorous education, he hopes to further his understanding of business and specifically the financial services industry. To help prepare for this, he joined the Finance and Investment Society, where he attends conferences with speakers in the industry who provide financial knowledge and wisdom.



Laura Reed

Laura Reed qualified to receive her **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** for her senior year. She writes; I will be entering my senior year at the **University of Washington**, where I am majoring in Chemistry. This past year I was a Resident Advisor in one of the dormitories on campus. I also joined a research lab, where I am studying how to chemically recycle tire rubber. Last summer I worked on up-cycling plastic waste into cementitious materials at Cornell University, and this summer I spent time working on sustainable plastics at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory. I have loved my college experience so far and look forward to applying for graduate school this fall.



Benjamin Trigg IV

Benjamin Trigg qualified to receive his ongoing **Ross and Viola Galbreath Scholarship** for his senior year. He writes; I am continuing on track to graduate with a major in Civil Engineering and a minor in Applied Mathematics, spring of 2024. So far this experience has been amazing and has led to a few internships that have shown me I am able to do this work and enjoy it. While working on Maritime Structures I even got a few reports and designs with my name

on them! 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 am doing is worth every penny spent.



Zoe Anderson

Zoe Anderson qualified to receive her ongoing **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** for her junior year. She wrote, "Thank you to the West Seattle High School Alumni Association for their support. Their investment in my education is greatly appreciated."



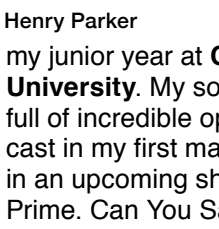
Ella Richardson

Ella Richardson qualified to receive her ongoing **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** for her junior year. Ella wrote; "This past school year I deepened my involvement at Cal-Poly. I have taken on the Resident Advisor role for Cal-Poly's University housing department and I spent my past school year making a positive impact on my residents freshman year experience. Additionally I became a peer mentor for Cal-Poly's Orfalea College of Business, where I mentor a couple freshmen and have weekly one-on-one meetings with them. Finally, I have declared an accounting concentration and have accepted an audit internship, next summer, at Deloitte's Seattle office.



Mason Baier

Mason Baier qualified to receive his ongoing **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** for his junior year. Mason continues to work hard at his studies.



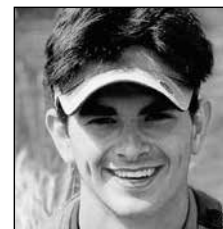
Henry Parker

Henry Parker qualified to receive his ongoing **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** for his junior year. Henry writes; I am now entering my junior year at **California State University**. My sophomore year was full of incredible opportunities. I was cast in my first major lead acting role in an upcoming short film for Amazon Prime. Can You Say Looking. It will be released on Amazon Prime Video to stream on November 11, 2023. It is an indie production created by alumni and fellow students of CSUN.

I also had the opportunity to direct my own first college film production in the winter of 2022. I applied and was accepted into the upper division film production program at CSUN as well, which only accepts about 50 students a semester. I will be emphasizing in sound design where I will learn on set and post production sound design skills that I can use directly out of college to find career opportunities.

My other passion is in music and I have continued to pursue that with my band Aurora Ave., which features other WSHS Alumni. We have played together for 3 years now, and

in 2023 have seen enormous growth, playing around the Seattle music scene during the summer. Our song **Skipping Stones** has reached over 500,000 streams on Spotify. We will be featured in an independent LA based magazine for the first time called **NOTAPHASE** at the end of August. This year, I plan to continue writing and releasing music and media with the band, as well as focusing on my learning sound design skills in school that I can apply to my film studies. I hope to write and direct another short film this fall.



Aiden Waller

Aiden Waller qualified to receive his ongoing **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** for his sophomore year. Aiden writes; I'll be heading into my sophomore year at Montana State University, studying Business Management and Fish & Wildlife. I am in the honors college at Montana State University and am looking forward to continuing my varied course load and getting involved with sustainability research this year. I spent my summer working for a river restoration company based out of Bozeman, and plan to continue on with them as a heavy machinery operator and data collector next summer. I summited most of the major peaks near Bozeman this past year and spent most of my time exploring the wilderness of Montana backpacking, fly-fishing and back-country skiing. I am extremely grateful for the opportunity the Alumni Association has granted me, with their scholarship, to continue my studies here.



Ava Lockman

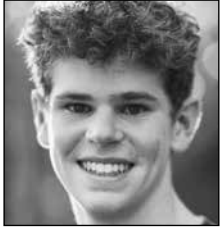
Ava Lockman qualified to receive her ongoing **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** for her sophomore year. She wrote, "I am entering my second year at the University of Washington, where I am studying Global and Regional Studies, and Spanish. Since starting at the UW last year, I declared my major, got involved in multiple clubs and joined a Greek letter organization with a commitment to volunteering.



Rhiannon Hayes-McQueen

Rhiannon Hayes-McQueen qualified for her **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** for her sophomore year. Rhiannon shared; "Beyond my commitments from the past school year, I recently started on a research project with a professor at my university. We're working with young kids to develop better technology for them! I really hope to continue working on this project and help these young students find their voices in the tech world. My continuing education in engineering is leading me toward my goal using technology to support diverse groups of people in ways they haven't be supported before. Recently I remembered my passion for helping educate others, and I hope to work towards giving everything back by doing just that."

WSHSAA Scholarships Continued



Samuel Lewis

Samuel Lewis qualified to receive his ongoing **Ross & Viola Galbreath Scholarship** and his **Richardson Scholarship** for his sophomore

year. Sam shared; "I has an amazing first year at Duke that included some great classes, settling into ROTC, and making lots of friends. I used my first year to explore some new topics through seminars. My first semester, I was in a seminar on environmental justice and one on addiction through Duke's Focus program. My second semester, I had a seminar on 9/11 and another exploring slavery. These seminars as well as some introductory classes I took led me to recently declare a public policy major. Another highlight of my year was adjusting to life as a midshipman in the Navy ROTC. During the spring, I was able to attend a leadership conference at Yale and help organize a 5k that raised over \$4500 for Mothers Against Drunk Driving. I joined the fraternity Alpha Tau Omega and Duke's club ultimate Frisbee team. I am very excited to continue my education and college experience at Duke."



Ana Dillen

Ana Dillen qualified to receive her **Patricia Feldman Noyes Women in Science Scholarship** for her senior year at **UCLA**. She writes; "My third

year has come to an end and I am excited for all the new experiences that are forthcoming. I have had the amazing opportunity to complete research at Cedars-Sinai Hospital, as well as write a literature review on immune checkpoints in cancer therapeutics. I have been applying to medical school and am excited to continue my education. After fall quarter, I will be spending my final quarter studying in Australia. This year I have gained endless experiences and memories and I cannot wait to see what is next for me!"

Erica Ijeoma qualified to receive her **Patricia Feldman Noyes Women in Science Scholarship** for her senior year the **University of Washington**.



Erica Ijeoma

Erica shared, "Going into my final year of my undergraduate studies, I feel so grateful to the Alumni Association's support in my academic career."

This scholarship has really allowed me to focus less on my financial situation, and put more of my energy into my academics and future career. I'm incredibly thankful to the Alumni Association for their support over the years and I'm forever honored to represent WSHS as an Alumna."

Owen Jacobs qualified to receive his ongoing **West Seattle High School Alumni Association Scholarship** for



Owen Jacobs

his senior year at the **University of Washington**. He writes; I'm now entering my 4th and final year at the University of Washington. This past year was a lot of hard work,

as each quarter consisted of the most difficult courses I've taken yet. It was equally rewarding though, earning Dean's List awards and finishing off the year by moving to New York City for an internship in the renewable energy industry. When I head back to Seattle in a few weeks, I'll be preparing for my last two quarters and by March next year I'll have earned my Bachelor of Science in Mathematics. I'm not sure yet what will come about career-wise after graduation, but an important goal of mine is to continue on to graduate school and I'm hoping I'll be able to defer acceptance for a year and find an employer willing to cover the cost of my next degree. It's all very exciting and a little nerve-racking!"



Isabel Johnson

Isabel Johnson qualified to receive her ongoing **West Seattle High School Alumni Association Scholarship** for her junior year at the **University of San Francisco**. Isabel writes; I am currently a junior at the University of San Francisco studying Politics with

a minor in Environmental Studies and Legal Studies. I am proud of being on the Dean's List every semester in college so far and plan to continue achieving this going forward. Last semester I applied and was accepted to the Davies Forum course this fall 2023 semester. This course is a rigorous class at the university in which a different professor teaches each time with a specific area focus. The Davies Forum that I am a part of is titled, "No Place Like Home: Geographies of Belonging & Housing Justice" and is taught by Dr Rachel Brahinsky, Associate Professor of Politics and Urban Studies. In the Spring Semester of 2024 I will be studying at Saint Louis University in Madrid, Spain for a semester to further my Spanish speaking skills. Outside of academia at USF, I hold and have held since January 2022 a Cabinet position as the Apparel Chairwoman for the Xi Lambda Chapter-Delta Zeta. In this position I over see a budget that I plan and disperse throughout the calendar year to enhance our events and philanthropic activities through stylish and trendy apparel for all members of the sorority. Alongside my role in my sorority I am a member of the Women in Legal Studies club and club tennis.



Erika Justus

Erika Justus qualified for her ongoing **West Seattle High School Alumni Association Scholarship** for her sophomore year at the

University of San Francisco. Erika writes; my freshman year of college was successful and I was able to feel like I was making serious strides toward achieving major life goals & opportunities. This year I will be entering my sophomore year of College at the University of San Francisco. I am currently an English major with a concentration in writing. I also intend to take up Spanish as a minor this coming semester.

Teya Sorenson qualified for her ongoing **West Seattle High School Alumni Association Scholarship** for her sophomore year at **Emerson College**. Teya writes; "In the past year, I've studied Writing, Literature and Publishing at Emerson College and published my first short story thanks



Teya Sorenson

to this scholarship. I have also expanded my studies into a double major in film and art history. One day I would like to help people to tell the stories that they want to tell through any medium. I hope to use this experience to work as a literary agent in the publishing and film production world and assist in the development of underrepresented stories.

The WSHS Alumni Association would like to extend Congratulations to the Class of 2023.

As always, 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!

A Thank You Note

By Anna Saboe Hutchinson, Class of 2023

Dear WSHS Alumni Association,

I would like to sincerely thank you for awarding me such a generous scholarship to continue my education at UC Berkeley as a freshman this fall.

Between academics, extracurriculars, and finances, there is no shortage of stressors, so I am incredibly grateful to be a recipient of the association's financial assistance. With your help, I will be able to focus more on my future and exploring all the opportunities that college has to offer. I cannot wait to get started and see where a Cal education will take me.

As of now, I plan to pursue environmental science and make my mark on the world. I consider myself beyond fortunate to have such an involved and supportive alumni network and it's crazy to think that I'm an alumna now as well.

Thank you again,

Anna Saboe Hutchinson

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The 100 Years History of the WSHS Alumni Association

Excerpt from the 1924 "Blue and Gold"



The year 1910 saw six students graduated from West Seattle High School; the year 1924, one hundred and seventy. During the intervening years, classes have increased by leaps and bounds.

Last October, an alumni meeting was called at which officers were elected: Carey Winston, class of '20, president; Arthur Butler, '23, vice president; Helen Moulton, '23, secretary, and Clarence Bath, '20, treasurer.

The Alumni Association held an assembly for the first time in the history of the school, on March 21, 1924. The Seniors, Juniors, Sophomores and Freshmen, who were given the privilege of attending, were able to say "Rah, rah, rah, for the Alumni!"

The program was arranged by Mrs. Catherine Scudder Gray, '12, and presided over by President Carey Winston. Eugene Fiset, '20, Mrs. Catherine Scudder Gray, '12, Lindsay McHarrie, '18; Helen Moulton, '23; Olive Hartung, '19, and Arthur Butler, '23, were the alumni on the program.

A ball given on the 26th of April for the Alumni and Seniors, made the latter realize that graduation does not mean the severing of all ties. The old custom of welcoming graduating seniors will be carried out this year with a party after the exercises on graduation night.

Ellen Schroeder



WSHS ALUMNI CHINOOK LOST LIST-YEARS ENDING IN "5" & "0"

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Lost List For Classes Ending In 5 & 0 (as of 3/18/2024)

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FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME, MAIDEN NAME, MARRIED NAME

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Betty Bates
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Diane Taylor Hayden
Betty Thompson
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Robert D Thrapp
Joy Wells
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Marie Williams
Donald Wood
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1955

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Patrica O'kelley Ericson
Carol Otis Nelson
Lori Patterson Barth
Michael D Pease
Michael Penner
Christina O Penor Murray
Jack Perez
Andy Peters
Scott Peterson
Anne Philaja
Jeff Pickard
Penny Popich
Dan Rafferty
Eleanor Randecker Pease
George Reed
Tom R Rehm
Joseph Reid
Jackie Renn
Patty I Reside Hall
Maureen Richmond
Teresa Riley
Randy Rockwood
Ed Roose
Rod Rossmeier
Lucinda Rossmeier
Kathy C Russell Blair
Mark T Rutter
Helene Savvides
Beth Seim
Deborah Ann Sheldon
Jennifer Silvernale
Pam Smith
Lisa Smith Ambrozic
Matthew Smithberg
Cindy Smolich
Sue Snyder Clark

Cindy Sparks Kelly
John Stephenson
Donna Strom
Larry Sturgeon
Bobby Su
Donald Sutherland
Jeanette Tervo
Tracy Thrasher Bartelson
Marta Tyler
Lawrence G Walker
Robert

1980

Ron Chan
Eric Walter Christensen
Tammie Christian
David Dawson
Jim Egan
Rosalind Erickson
Michael Franks
Michael Garcia
Heiko Gosau
Theresa M Hays
Jarmo Heiskanen
Marilyn Hickman
Craig Hopper
Deborah Kaufman
Min Suk Kim Park
Lisa Lagle
Mark A Mueller
Noreen T Piano
Greggory Rice
Randy Schupe
Denise Sellers
Maurice Smith
Kelly Smith Schultz
Rick Spencer
Karl A Starheim
Robert Steagall
Kevin J Troutd
Duncan White
Steven W Winston
Bonnie L Wolf Larson
Colleen E Zabel Hoist

1985

Eric Bates
Mathew S Campbell
Beth Dodson
Jon Evanger
Sheryl Gahl
Alana Garrett
Terrill L Hall
Laurie A Hines
Karen Hollins Carpenter
Randy A Huertas
Todd Hulsey
Chuong Huynh
Andrea Jackson
Jennifer Larson Seeman
Los Lem
Art T Ma
Sally A Maloney
Mactavish Manson
Shane A Marshall
Paul R Martin
Christina Miller Aguilar
Eddie Mui
Andrzej Nartowski
Chanpheng Nhothsavath
Albert A Patriarca
Kenneth Ray Perry
Candace Preston
Sanjay Raaj
Shawn Dean Rodia
Carol Schimke
Larry Simmons
Morgan A Simonds
Janice So
Scott Squire
Michael Strong
Quang Thai
Kristi Thomas Scocco
Sean Tobin Wilson
Eve Valley Morris
Leif Wahlborg
Tony Weeden
Dianne White
Brenda Wiesner
Gary B Wilcox
Shaun Wiley
Audrey Yoshino
Michelle Zeasman Crosby

1990

Meskela Ahferom
Todd D Bartz
Monica Benshoof
Erin A Brooks
Melissa N Brown
Tyrone A Brown
Nikole L Buck
Eddie G Cantu Jr
Kenneth R Carlson
Christopher D Chopp
Thuy Do
Devin Dorsey
Brenda F Duckworth
Lea J Edwards
Angelique Evans
Eric D Ewalt

Claudia B Fernandez
Zachary J Flanders
Ronald L Flemings
Miskupa M Fuamaila Jr
Jason J Goad
An T Ha
Siv Heggen
Vinod Herkishani
Gabriel J Holmes
Tommy Hu
Hon Hua
Minh T Hua
Sean Hudson
Ngo L Hung
Samay Im
Jennifer C Jenkins
Phoukhai Keovernkhone
Vandalai Keovernkhone
Can D Lam
Toai Le
Ha V Le
Earnest Q Lee
Nika Lim
Hoa C Ly
Liezi Macabata
Irene Macabata
Donald Q Magat
Raymond C Martin
Trevor D Mathias
Glenn Mays
Moritz Moeller-Herrmann
Sidineth Moeun
Scott R Murdoch
Kim M Myers
Lee H Ngo
Katrina L Niece Pryor
Erich R O'brien
Sarah Osekirk
Ruth P Pacheco Smith
Jeffrey L Pickett
Therese Porter
Michael D Presley
Katrina Pryor
John P Redlinger
Krishna A Register Olden
Dion M Renion
Olivia G Reyes
Mario A Reyes
Randy E Richardson
Somsaath Saengkhamyong
Yien S Saeteurn
Chanthoern Sath
Patrick J Seagrave
Kelly Shearer
Leoum Sieng
Vanessa M Smith
Willie L Smith Jr
Sanoeum Souen
Chork Sou
Rhodora Sy
Marc T Takeuchi
Francis T Tantoco
Lakena Tep
Annaliza C Terre
Tran Than
Laronda R Thompson
Vi C Tran
Than V Tran
Roslynn E Trujillo Morrone
Donella L Turner
Demioia D Tyeskey
Danielle M Tyler
Neng Vang
Karen Vicker
Sonny P Wah Ng
Amy S Weisz York
Annastachia S White Frazier
Kori L White
Ryan G Wypych
Miho Sue Yamaguchi
Chao B Yu
Yong Un Yun
Chris Zajackowski

1995

Monique Adams
Malcolm D Adams
James Aldrich
Filpo An Ching
Andrea Bergman
Michael Bingham
Artemeo Burnatay
Chastity Caskey
Kim Chan
Lili Chen
Yuriy Cherenko
Greg Cohea
Mike Dang
Jeremy Evans
Marcus Fair
Jen Gifford
Mekonnen G Hagos
Sara Hall
John Hayden
Frances Hernandez
Huang Hua
Tameisha M Hutton
Kim Huyng
Chan Hyung
Samin Im
Michael Jacobs

Sharon James
Joseph Johnson
Emmanuel Johnson
Kyung-Tae Kang
Jason B Karlstrom
Sophia Khai
Phandin Kim
Yuen Kwong
Satele Laumatafiafia
Heip Le
Michael Lee
Hector Lopez
Man Shan Lui
Redentor Maccabeo
Gabriel Martinez
Lay Ming
Jeffery Negawo
Marrissa Ng
Coi Nguyen
Hoai Nguyen
Tho Nguyen
Trung Nguyen
Trinh Nguyen
Binh Nguyen
Heiko Norden
Dung Pham
Antoinetta M Pool
Leslie A Potts
Huong Quach
Kaohin Sacchao
Mata Satele
Heather Scott
Bernard Short
Josh Smith
Tiffany Smith
Colin Smyth
Delisa So
Michael Soimis
Kianna Steinfort
Tyrone Stevens
Cliffon Stolle
Paula B Sun Tichenor
Malissa Tadique
Jeffrey Taylor
Chan Teav
Rico Thomas
Ha Ton
Ut Tran
Linda Tran
Tina Troung
Jesria S Turmon
Thanh-Binh Van
Thanh-Phuong Van
Quang Vo
Lieu Vu
David Ward
Holly Wary
Jennifer Williams

Bryan Wong
Pros Yin
Elizabeth Young

2000

Teetee Bradford
Tyler Brown
Patrick Dirks
Mesai A Guangul
Kim Bao Ha
Miletetesga Haile
Lala Jase
Chaz L Kearney
Sokha Keo
Eun Kim
Ezra Kortz
Phuong Ly
Shawna Maccollom
Amanda Maese
Nguyen Nguyen
Timothy B Preston
Jhon Rice
Brandi J Sceli Balzarini
Jacob Sheiland
Donna Stuart
Edwin Tong
Bich Tran
Galen Wheless
Nicholas White
James White
Justina White
Tyler N Wong
Jessica Worlie

2005

Tom Aerts
Aretha Ayers
Ashley Blakely
Jana Bonney Grant
Marques Boyd
Alton Brown
Marcus Combs
Molly V Crouch
Juan Diaz
Ming Phue Ding
Elliot Duncan
Brent A Duncan
Evan Edminston
Ryan Fagan
Mychelayne Farias
Hiwot Fentahun
Emily A Griffith
Shawn Harris
Nicholas Hazel
Karrie Hewson
Tia Himmelman Miller
Chelsea Hockenberry
Emily Jacobson

Claire J Jaramillo
Anita Johnson
Shawntae Johnson
Ashley D Jones
Omar Juarez Gutierrez
Soloman Kasim
Thomas R Kegel
Frank Keyser
Ahmed Khatib
Evan Koelling
Danielle Kostresh
Israel Lares-Aldana
Jon Lebaron
William Lee
Joshua Lee
Brian Longden
Robert Lujan
Mohamed-Abdi Mohamed
Sky Mort
Bob Musterman
Luisa Nayeli-Mercado
Amanda Newquist
Chris Newton
Sophie Nguon
Tk T Nguyen
Andrew Norris
Crystal Pena
Pricila Pena-Martinez
Ashley Quande
Xavier Releford
Mohammedin Robale
Haji Robele
Emmanuel Ruiz
Ciara Runnels
Sophia Runnels
Marlene Sachse
Jessica Jo H Scott
Joshua Scott
Timothy Smalls
Kareem A Smith
Stephanie R Sullivan
Vang Thao
Bych Le To
Sauaga Toatasi
Mohamed A Ugas
Kim Vu
Louis Wells
Alexander Winthrop
Yong Yi
L'shanaye Young
Kim Yu

2010

Markeem Adams
Elizabeth Espinosa Sosa
Diana Estrada
Susan Lynn Gutierrez
Charles Johnson

Tailor R Kowis
Francisco Lara-Diaz
Samantha Mashburn
Francisco Matias
Briana L Paige
Brittney Terry Printz

2015

Bona Adam
Shalondre Adams
Jennifer Agni
Ayan Ali
Brandon Allen
Samuel Acosta Ayala
Shadid Baker
Yusuf Bedel
Erika Bond
Kabrea Brooks
Aiken Brown
Terry Bustos
Daniel Cadwell
Madeline Cain
Essence Cassell
Ivan Chacon
Taylor Chapman
Jerry Chelly
Tommy Cheth
Sarah Cooper
Trevor Cram
Ernesto De Jesus
Aisha Diriye
Israel Diviccaro
Cynthia Dodd
Demetria Doty
Sterling Doyle
Maximilien Drot
Mclean Dustin
Youngju Eom
Latosha Evans
Emily Evanson
Savohn Farstad
Francesca Fiumani
Abigail Follensbee
Gavin Garcia-Penor
Asgodom Ghebrehiwet
Martina Giannotti
Alice Giese
Mason Gionet
Zayla Gipson
Brandon Griffin
Nicholas Hamilton
Lauren Harriage
Kaysiana Hazelwood
Salvador Hernandez
Mohamed Hursane
Dakota Kantner
Daniel Kemp
Seohyeon Kim

Yeweon Kim
Alexander Klein
Apisara (Jelly) Krassner
Lena Le
Tiana Lee
Bopha Lim
Hage Lindsey
Elizabeth Lira-Nichols
Nathaniel Livingston
Heidi Lopez
Michael Lu
Madison Lubahn
Olivia Luedtke
Hickyson Macedo
Caelin Mack
Buick Macmamara
Alyssa Magcalas
Ahlyk Marsyl-Newton
Dustin Mcclean
Elizabeth Mendoza
Faisal Mohamed
Fathi Mohamed
Jack Mohr
Andre Moore
Gedi Mubarak
Liam Munson
Julia A Nark
Elizabeth Ngonevolalath
Hien Nguyen
Christopher Nunez-Cubias
Jesus Palomino-Espiritu
Carlos Perez-Aguilar
Avina Phung
Carmen Ramos-Mora
India Marie Reidt
Abigayle Riggins
Greg Rosas
Helen Rubio-Polanco
Maxwell Sadow
Blanka Sanchez
Luis Santiago-Alanis
Joseph Seville
Jacqueline Sifferman
Brian Silva
Kaitlin Skilton
Fabiola Suarez Alanis
Simon Tate
Brian Teso Rueda
Daniel Thomas
Holly Thompson
Juliana Tomei
Elliot Towbridge
Kensley Trac
Danait Tsegay
Brandon Tyler
Gabriella Vanek
Ashley Vennes
Joseph Weaver

Sophia Webb
Kyle Werran-Ochsher
Sydney West
Madeleine Wickham
Kieth Camille Wolf tail-Foote
Jacob Woodbury
Mika Woo-Nelson
Mackenzie Worden
Kevin Wright

2020

Fardowsa M Ahmed
Devon Ray Asmus
Joe Blas Baleto
Jacob Daniel Cash
Kasey Anne Gage
Anthony Aleksander Ginsberg
Denzel Rondale Holiman
Brooke Lynn Jackson
Daykia Anesha Knight
Gabrieall A Larowe
Judah Joseph Meyering
Elle Jeanne Morigi
Emiko Mukai
Quynh-Nhu Vu Nguyen
Josephine Faith Nichols
Svetoslav Nikolaev Nikolov
Morgan C Pelley
Jinwoo Sim
Noppawat Sukhum
Jason William Toft
Holden Reese Wadw

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in "5" and "0"
are heading for
reunion time!
Make it easy on
your reunion
committee by
keeping your
contact information
up to date.**

Reception for Hall of Fame Honorees for 2020-2023

Alumni who were voted into the WSHS Hall of Fame during the Covid pandemic were formally and publicly honored at a reception on June 17, 2023 in the social hall of St John the Baptist Episcopal Church.

Families and friends were invited to (belatedly) celebrate the eight inductees for the years 2020-2023. In attendance were:

- Dennis Madsen**, class of '66, for 2020
- David Townsend**, class of '71, for 2021
- Carol-Ann (Sharp) Thornton**, class of '71, and
- Ralph Braseth, Jr.**, class of '76, for 2022
- Rev Michael "Bruce" Johnson**, class of '55 and
- John Purvis**, class of '55, for 2023
- Christy (Young) Rowe**, class of '72, for 2020 was not able to attend, and
- Dr David Foster**, class of '58, for 2021 had passed away.

Ted Foss, Hall of Fame VP, assisted by Karen Dobbs, Alumni Assoc President, made introductions; each new Hall of Famer spoke briefly, while cake, fruit and beverages were enjoyed by all.

Thanks to Harald Sund and the Rev Elise Johnstone for their technical assistance in running the Hall of Fame video feed during the afternoon.



2022 Hall of Fame honoree Ralph Braseth, Jr ('76) accepts his award



Ted Foss, Hall of Fame VP introduces 2021 honoree David Townsend ('71)



The cake!



Hall of Famers Carol-Ann (Sharp) Thornton (back to camera), Joan Barker ('53), sister of '23 honoree Bruce Johnson ('55), 2021 honoree David Townsend ('71), unknown, and 2023 honoree John Purvis ('55)



Following the Hall of Fame reception, Carol-Ann (Sharp) Thornton was treated to dinner by (left to right): Kerry Korsgaard, Jenni Bodner, Monique Lawson, Aly Hallberg, Karen Dobbs, Joey Richeson, Carol-Ann Thornton, Kathy Blackwell, Tia Hallberg and Marcy Johnson



CLASS ARTICLES

WSHS 1960

By Class Rep Beverly Carlsen Jones

On September 9, 2023 we held a belated 60th reunion (3 years late because of Covid) at the West Seattle Golf Course. If you did not attend you missed a great time. But 50 classmates and 26 guests did not. See who you can identify in the group picture. A few attendees were camera shy and are not in it.



All of the tables had centerpieces of blue and yellow flowers complements of Carolyn Runnings Olson. We started the gathering at 11:00 with appetizers (crackers and cheese) and mingling, reminiscing and renewing friendships. Some met classmates they did not know when attending WSHS. Our reliable class president, Mike Berry, did his usual great job serving as MC for the event. At 12:30 we were served a delicious buffet headlined by prime rib and salmon. After eating, Jon Christoffersen led a door prize drawing. Jim Boltz and Toni Burnham Orose had obtained many items as prizes for the raffle which were on display. If your ticket (which was provided with your name-tag) was drawn you got to select from the display table. Many people went home with new "treasures". Thanks to the Committee for planning "one of the best reunions" (as stated by many attendees).

On a sadder subject, we learned about several of our classmates who have deceased. Following is a list of those who have been reported since last years' Chinook: June Lanpher 12/2022, Linda Torp Deskins 2/21/2023, Irene Garvin Roline 4/21/2023, Sharon Squire Hendricks 1/10/2022, Jack Goodman 12/26/2022, Jerry Dinsmore 2/6/2022, Jack French 4/30/2023, Gary Oakes 12/2/2022, John Silsby 11/4/2017, Doug Clemans 2016, Al Scharer 2013, Dick Reynolds 8/2023, Joe Bookter 11/25/2023. Our condolences to their families and friends. Please notify our class representative, John Zitkovich, if you learn about any deceased classmates.

On a happier note, your Committee is planning some event for a 65th reunion in late summer of 2025. They hope to do most of the communications via email. Several classmates do not have an email address on our database. If you have one and did not receive email information from the committee in the past or have changed your email address, please send your updated information to our class representative, John Zitkovich. Refer to the class representative listing on another page for his email and/or phone number. If you do not have an email or prefer snail mail, please notify John so you can receive future notifications about events.

If you have ideas for future reunions or want to join in on the planning, let John Zitkovich know. Hope you can join in and/or attend the next event in 2025.

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The WSHS Alumni Association has WS yearbooks for sale. The cost is \$30 plus \$5 for shipping. Available years:
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WSHS 1984

Year
40 REUNION
CLASS of 1984
West Seattle High School!

SATURDAY - JUNE 1, 2024
All School Reunion West Seattle High School 4:30pm-6:30pm

Class of '84 Reunion
West Seattle Golf Course
6:00pm - Midnight
DINNER & NO HOST BAR
LIVE MUSIC FROM THE SUDS!

\$50 venue by May 31st
\$60 at the door
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WSHS 1974

By Class Rep Mark Wittman

2024 - 1974 = x

I did the math three times and "x" always equals 50. It's hard to believe, but I guess we better face facts....it's time for our West Seattle High School 50 Year Reunion. Say that out loud and let it soak in. A group of volunteers stepped forward last fall to plan the event for this momentous occasion. In fact, there will be two back-to-back events.

The first event is the actual Class Reunion. The goal was to make the reunion more relaxed than previous reunions. There won't be anything formal. My understanding is it will be a mixer where classmates can visit and get reacquainted with old friends and make new friends. Here are the details:

Friday, May 31, 5PM to 9PM

Whisky West Bar & Grill: 6451 California Avenue SW, Seattle, WA

Fee: \$25 per person (which includes an \$18 food/drink credit per person)

Capacity is limited to the first 150 people to send in their fee.

For more information and availability, contact Wayne Senter @ wsenter@aol.com

The second event is the All School Reunion which is held every year. The class that's celebrating their 50-year reunion (that's us!) are the honored guests at the ceremony. Here's what I know about that:

Saturday, June 1

Information should be plastered all over the pages of this Chinook (details weren't finalized when this article was due in February). It would be nice to have a nice turnout for this event also. There is no cost to attend (that I know of).

That wraps up the 50-year reunion portion of the article.

I haven't seen much news about classmates this past year. One sad note is that Jeff Heald passed away in January from cancer. Jeff leaves behind his wife Donna Taylor Heald (also a '74 classmate), two children and two grandchildren. He also leaves behind his sister Jodi Heald Van Campen (Class of '76) and his brother-in-law, Jack Van Campen (Class of '74).

I don't have any more news for our big milestone year. Hopefully many of you will be able to attend one or both of the two events scheduled. As always, updates are available on Facebook on the "West Seattle High School - Class of 1974" group page or through the alumni association at wshsalumniassociation.org

Happy 50th Everyone!

WSHS 1980

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

Greetings, Class of '80!

We hope you are all doing well, continuing to enjoy post-pandemic life and to resume and grow meaningful, energizing passions and friendships.

We are approaching our 45th class reunion next summer, unbelievable as that seems! Our plan is to organize an event where we can all catch up in a space conducive to visiting, and then move on to an evening featuring music from some of our classmates. If you are interested in helping with either event, please shoot an email to Diane Venti for the earlier event (dianeventi@gmail.com), or myself (temachmiller@gmail.com) for the later one (including musicians who are willing to share your talents).

Stay tuned for details and hope to see you at the all-school reunion and after party the first Saturday in June.

#80IsGreaty!

Terese (Anderson) Machmiller
with Diane (Begunoff) Venti



WSHS 1964

By Class Rep Muriel Verbon Knapp

Our biggest news is that we will be holding a 60th Reunion for the Class of 1964 on Friday, May 31, 2024, at Salty's on Alki (1936 Harbor Avenue SW, Seattle, WA 98116) from 11:00am to 3:00pm. This is the day before the All School Reunion, so we hope this will make it convenient for anyone who was intending to come to the high school on Saturday. Let's make it a really fun time of meeting longtime friends and reacquainting ourselves with some of the classmates we didn't know in high school. Being the first year of the Baby Boomers generation and with a class the size our ours, it was quite impossible to know everyone in it. The reunion will be held in banquet rooms on the lower floor of Salty's. The food there is always good, so you won't be disappointed in the menu selections. The price is \$75 per person and reservations are due no later than May 10th. If you are receiving this Alumni Chinook after May 10th and did not receive the invitation mailed in early March, please get hold of me and we'll get you signed up for the event. Many of our classmates have not had the privilege of living as long as we have, so – if nothing else – celebrate that and delight us with your presence. We care about you! As the years have gone by, I have had a lot enjoyment in getting to know classmates that I did not know in high school. Give yourselves that same pleasure by coming out to our 60th reunion. You'll be glad that you did.

I owe a big thank you to Suzanne Francisco Kramer for hosting me, Stacia Stratton, Doug Mill, David Durkoop (a classmate at Schimitz Park School who graduated from Sealth High School because his family moved), and Catherine Hansen Solemslie for lunch at her home in January so that we could organize this reunion. Glenda Braun (who generously provides the postage for our mailings), Lorraine Toly, Susan Moody Williams, and Dave Little (who was basking in the sun in Kona) would have come except for prior commitments; however, Dave will provide musical entertainment at our reunion, and I know Susan, Glenda, and Lorraine will surely be in attendance at Salty's. Our banking wizard Stacia figured out the financials to make this reunion monetarily viable, so hats off to her! Payments may be sent to me or sent by Zelle to the "1964 Reunion Committee" at U.S. Bank.

Last year at the high school all school reunion, the following classmates were in attendance: Gary Hollands, Lorraine Toly, Susan Moody Williams, Glenda Braun, George Jugum, Bob Allen, David West, Tony Dortero, Dale Rutter, Don Renbarger, James Miller, Roxie Hoffman Wilson, Doug Mill, Sue Francisco Kramer, Diane Walton Brush, Ron Olson, David Little, Maureen Meyers Vanderpas, Judith Thompson

Wilson, Catherine Hansen Solemslie, and me. The conversation was very lively! We received notice that Les Fitch passed away in March of 2023. Returned mail has been received from recent mailings, so these additional classmates are considered "lost." Please let me know if you have current addresses, phone number, or email addresses for any of them: Patsy Elliott Wells, Michael Houchen, Gill McLynne, Roger Nelson, or Patricia Powell. Thanks!

I know there is lots more news to garner from



Dale Rutter, Maureen Meyers Vanderpas, Gary Hollands



Diane Walton Brush, Bob Allen



Lorraine Toly, Muriel Verbon Knapp, Sue Francisco Kramer, Diane Walton Brush, Glenda Braun



Cathy Hansen Solemslie, Judy Thompson Wilson, Susan Moody Williams, Lorraine Toly, Diane Walton Brush



Doug Mill, Roxie Hoffman Wilson, Susan Moody Williams, Don Renbarger



Jay West ('63), Vern Norbert ('63), Dave West, George Jugum, Jim Miller

our classmates, 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, 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! See you at the 60th reunion on May 31st!

WSHS 1957

By Class Reps Gwen (Tatman) Fraser and Beverly McMillin

We hope to have a good showing at the All School Reunion This year. Bring your favorite memory photo to share.

There are no formal reunion plans for 2024. We will be meeting informally later in the year. Please let us know if you want to be contacted about the plans.

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

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WSHS 1959

By Class Rep Lynda Moody Hurst

65 YEARS FOR 1959!!

Many thanks to Deronda Blake Stanley for suggesting how we might celebrate our 65th in a way that could "bring us together"! Forty-nine of you have shared snapshots of your vocations and avocations; your families; your adventures or memories; even surprised us along the way!

A few more are missing from our mailing list. We will miss these classmates who died in 2023: Jerry Weaver, Donna Kvalheim Janaszak, Diane Bostrom Jackson, and Linda Anderson Jordan. If you have information about someone we have not heard about, please let us know!

Every one of your stories makes me proud to be a classmate with you! Each of you has enriched those your lives have touched. These stories are varied and represent well our beloved class of 1959. A BIG THANKS to all who participated! Enjoy and celebrate yourselves and each other!

SANDY CHAMBERLAIN by the Numbers:

0 hospitalizations	6 addresses over the years
1 WSHS reunion	7 figure bank account
2 college degrees	8 Boards served on
3 marriages	9 goals achieved
4 grandchildren	10 dreams to be realized
5 continents travelled	

SUZANNE GEISEL LOMBARD: Greetings my fellow WS Indians! Yes, I have been known to be "politically incorrect," but at this age, I can get by with almost anything. It's been a good life. I have three successful kids, a "late in life" marriage that ended too soon, and the love and support of many friends. Singing and performing in musicals was one of my greatest joys. I've never lost my love for West Seattle and Alki. What a wonderful place to grow up! Deronda and I try to make a pilgrimage back to old haunts every summer. Like I said, life is good.

LYNDA MOODY HURST: '63 Grad UW in Sociology/Business; married Bob (WS '58), to be 60 years in 2024, 2 successful sons, 2 amazing daughters-in-law, 1 beloved grandson, and 1 granddaughter expected in April! 4 years legal secretary, 13 years stay-home mom, 31 years senior pastor's secretary, 45 years ago we built our WS home, retired in 2013; volunteered 30+ years Sunday school teacher (teens) – I learned more than they did, KD sorority alums; lifetime opera subscriber, golfer, annual Maui trips and 2 overseas. Special joys: 2 sisters living nearby, reconnecting with '59 classmates, getting Kermit Zarley into Hall of Fame at our 50th! Resolution: Clean out computer room!

CAROL EASTER HARTWELL: I presently live in DuPont WA. Have lived East Coast, West Coast, and Central US, being a military wife. Am enjoying traveling the world since retiring. My passion is quilting.

DON SLEIGHT: I graduated from the U of W in 1964 with a BSEE. After 2 years at Seattle City Light, I enjoyed 20 years as Plant Electrical Engineer for Bethlehem Steel in West Seattle. Later, I was the Facilities Electrical Engineer for Kenworth Truck company until retirement. With my wife Judy and three children, we spent most winter weekends at Ski Acres, where I was as a member of Ski Patrol for 24 years. Judy and I live in Renton.

KING KELSO: Where did the 65 years go? I'm still spending 2/3's of my time in Bellevue and 1/3 in Palm Springs, Ca. I do gardening in Bellevue and golf in Palm Springs. Family is all good with everyone healthy and enjoying life. No thanks to us for the conditions in the world but let's keep moving and take care of yourself.

MARIA POSTNIKOFF DOWNING: A lifelong 34-year career as an educator, teacher training at the U/W Dept. of Ed and teaching in the secondary classroom in Seattle. Have spent my life in volunteer service, notably college alumnae positions, on the Boards of the PNW Ballet, and UCP of King/Snohomish Counties. Politically conservative, helping run Joel Pritchard's 12 yr campaign w/my husband and continue to support candidates/efforts of my choosing. Lucky to have a daughter and son and as a consequence a loving large family: 6 grandkids; 6 great grandkids. Particularly close to 6'7" Cody at Liberty U majoring in National Security and his sister Kaitlin, 5'9" playing Varsity BB since a freshman at King's. Always reading and most recently Elon Musk's biography. Enjoy taking care of my home and garden. A surprising fact about me: I loved dancing the Charleston into my 40's. Unfortunately caused a dance partner to go to the ER w/a back injury.

DON WOODS: Hi people, I'm currently living in San Miguel de Allende, Guanajuato Mexico. May return to Seattle in March, 2024. Fun facts: I taught English for Academic Purposes for 12 years, specializing in college essay-writing, at Nanjing University and Zhejiang Ocean University; Zhejiang Province, China. Also, one year in Siem Reap, Cambodia, and for a private educational company in Shanghai (2016 -2000) Best vacation: 2 weeks at LazyDaze Resort, Koh Mak island in the Gulf of Thailand (2011) Nice to hear from you! Best always!

JAMES HEYTVELT: After living in West Seattle for most of our lives, my wife and I built our dream home across the water from West Seattle's Lincoln Park. We live now in Harper, Washington and for the past 36 years we looked eastward to Lincoln Park and West Seattle. I spend most of my time volunteering for the community of Harper in various roles such as Kitsap County Parks. I recently received a legacy award for my volunteer work from Kitsap County.

MARILYN KARLENBERG CRAMER: Dallas, Texas. CPA, 2 children, and 4 grandchildren. Currently, my husband and I are retired in Dallas, Texas by way of Washington, Michigan, Oregon, Montana, Massachusetts, Montana (again), Arkansas, Louisiana, and finally Texas!

LARRY FRODSHAM: Greetings. After leaving WSHS I joined the Navy and became an Electronic Technician, with a specialty in Satellite Communications. Wound up as a Technical Instructor at the Navy Advanced Electronic School, in San Diego. Left the Navy and became a Network Operation Tech with GTE, installing communications equipment in five states, which became part of the Internet. Retired in 2010 and live in Lacey, WA.

DAVID LIVINGSTONE: I live in Seattle in the north Ballard/Greenwood district. I'm retired but when I was working, I had a janitorial business, candy vending machines and even worked for the West Seattle Herald newspaper. My wife, Marianne, and I have two children--Dave (wife Erin), and Carlanna, and three grandchildren--Jeremy, David, and Leanne. I am a 20 plus year active member in two Toastmasters clubs.

JIM FOSTER: Hello from Jim Foster--now living in Stanwood, WA, after retiring in 1997 from the U.S. Postal Service (35 years), 28 as a Postal Inspector - used to chase mail thieves and con artists who I used the mail to carry out their illegal schemes. Lived in Las Vegas and Los Angeles early in my career but worked out of the Seattle Office for many years. Also did some post-retirement work for the Gov't. as a private contractor.

JERRY GREEN: lives in Sequim WA with his lovely wife of 61 years, Terri, a WSHS 1962 grad. I love the Olympic Peninsula but would rather live in Montana's open spaces. Dad came from Butte, and our son is planning retirement in the Helena area. Class of '59 was split in our junior year and some of our friends went to Sealth. But we still see some of those still around. Have lost many of our West Seattle buds over the years.

IRMA LEE CRNICH STAPLETON: After I graduated, I worked several jobs in Seattle and Las Vegas – until it became too hot. I returned to Seattle and married Jim Stapleton, a Sealth graduate. By the time you've read this, we will have been married 60 years. We raised our two children on Vashon Island and followed them and two grandchildren back to Seattle. We have travelled extensively in Mexico, Europe and Asia. India was our favorite or at least our most memorable.

VIRGINIA 'GINGER' GLOVER VERTREES: Carl and I celebrated our 60th anniversary in February. We lived in Alaska for six years before moving to Oregon. We have two married daughters and three grandchildren. Carl retired as publisher of the Redmond Spokesman, and I worked as support staff at our community college. We enjoy traveling and cruising. We're still healthy and active. We volunteer at the Deschutes County Fair and have been produce superintendents for 15 years.

TERRY JAHNKE O'BRIEN: I live in Edmonds part of the year and Peoria, Arizona the rest. I have 17 grandchildren which I enjoy spending time with. Golfing is my main interest and try to play year around. I travel as much as I can and try to stay healthy. Life is good!

JACKIE HOOTEN JEWETT: After retirement Bob and I moved to Coeur 'd Alene Idaho to be closer to our daughter and her family. We just celebrated our 63rd wedding anniversary. We have kept busy volunteering with our church. Inspired by the beauty of North Idaho, I was involved in plein-air painting with the Coeur d' Alene Art Association for many years. Today I still enjoy keeping up with some friends from high school.

JAMES YOUNG: From West Seattle to Stanford (BSME) to Rocketdyne in Los Angeles to U of W (MBA) to Weyerhaeuser to Seattle Steam Company (CEO 25 years). Married Ann Kettenring (60 years in 2024). Living in Bellevue WA since 1967. Three children, Diana (Phoenix), Michael (Texas) and Peter (Camas WA). Three grandchildren (all in college). Continue to stay active in my church and Washington Fly Fishing Club.

SHIRLEY JUTTE JACKSON: My husband of 62 years, spent 20 years in the military; we traveled extensively to include living three years in Germany. We have two daughters, both flying for United; they gave us wonderful sons-in-law and three grandchildren. A former high school

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English teacher and life-long learner, I earned a Masters in Special Education/gifted and a Doctorate in Educational Leadership. Living on a golf course in Huntsville, Texas, we spend our time volunteering, golfing, gardening, traveling and reading.

DENNIS HIGMAN: I live on a horse ranch near Sun Valley with my wife of 60 years, Lee. We have 7 grandchildren ages 12-to 30 years. We left Seattle (Bainbridge Island) 30 years ago to ski, rope and ride in Sun Valley and never left. We live at 54 Muldoon Canyon Drive, Blaine County, Bellevue, Idaho 83313. I wrote for Cascades out of college, a phone company publication (featuring Harld Sund photos!), was Director of Advertising for Weyerhaeuser Company and have been a self-employed writer for many years. Our greatest adventures have been kayaking north to Alaska and trekking in Nepal and Bhutan. I have two valuable take-aways from West Seattle, both involve teachers: Gordon Brown who taught me to write and think for myself, and Coach Woody Ullin who gave me a chance to play football when I wasn't very good but made me proud to be an Indian (Wildcat now I guess?)

BONNIE KROOK BAXTER: I moved to Texas last fall to live with my daughter and family. I love to draw, paint, sew and read. My daughter and I plan to become involved in the Texas Hill country art scene. Something that will be of interest to classmates: During my single parent years (1974-1979) I dated a WS teacher from our era, Jack Barros, who taught something like government affairs/current events. That was a fun time in my life!

AL BENDER: CLASS OF 1959 [year of the massive tail fins]

- 1963: Graduated from small college in Midwest (survived bitter winters); I drove west on Route 66 to California in my 1958 Impala.
- 1965: Married Carole Neff; we have 4 children, 11 grandchildren
- 1966: Graduated from Stanford Law School
- Until retirement spent over 36 years as prosecuting attorney, doing justice to all
- A Million Miler, on road and in air; 50 states, 35 countries
- Surprising fact? Transitioned from nerdy right winger to progressive, open-minded man.

GLENNA BENNETT HAGEDORN: Raised in West Seattle including Arbor Heights, went to Denny Jr. High, then WSHS, class of 1959. Active in music, including orchestra, choir, and bands. Married high school sweetheart, Stan Hagedorn, 62 years ago. Have two married children and 5 grandchildren. Moved to Guam for 7 years where I trained more than 4000 people in my own Customer Relations programs to businesses in the hospitality industry and governmental agencies throughout Micronesia. Retired in 2001, and now live on Olympic Peninsula, and spend time RVing and snow-birding in Kona, Hawaii.

STAN HAGEDORN: Raised in Bremerton, Everett and West Seattle. Attended James Madison Jr. High and West Seattle High (class of 59). Served a 4-year machinist apprenticeship at Puget Sound Naval Shipyard then graduated from U of W with a mechanical engineering degree. My career was primarily designing machinery for the fishing industry. Spent 28 years as ski patrolman.

Married Glenna Bennett in 1961, have 2 children and 5 grandchildren. Retired in 2001 and now live on the Olympic Peninsula in Allyn.

LEANN BROST MONG: I moved to Poulsbo, Washington after I graduated from the UW with a teaching degree. I loved teaching fourth grade for 37 years. I also home schooled my 6-year-old grandson during Covid. I was married to my pharmacist husband for 51 years. We enjoyed taking our two daughters and 4 grandkids traveling in our motor home. One of my favorite memories is playing in the UW Band and going to the Rose Bowl.

ROBERT CHAVEY: From northeast Pennsylvania (near Scranton) my home of these last 32 years, comes the guy who has had 6 separate careers (US Army officer, industrial sales engineer, tire industry executive, small business owner, stock broker, real estate agent. Numbers 1,3,5 were successful, 2,4,6, not so much) I like to say it makes me a Jack of All Trades. What I know is: It's been a great adventure; my bride & I are happy.

ROBERT PLATH: Hello to all. 1960 worked in Alaska construction Juneau and Glacier Bay. 1961-66 at Boeing quality control, engineering aid. 1961-66 graduated UW Foster School Business Administration. 1966-1991 Captain Northwest Orient Airlines flying worldwide. 1979 Moved to Florida. Remarried. 4 children, 6 grandchildren. 1970-2023+ Residential construction in Florida and Arizona. 1988 Invented vertical rolling luggage Travelpro Rollaboard. 1990-99 CEO Travelpro Luggage. Sold in 1999. 1999-present: Building single-family homes in North Carolina, Florida, Arizona. Scuba diving, skiing, in the past. Presently golf and some travel. Main love helicopters!

GLORIA DEBRITZ ALLDREDGE: I now live full time in Sun City Palm Desert after being a snowbird for 14 years. I am a retired educator who now volunteers in a kindergarten. Such fun working with the kids on their reading skills. I am married to a wonderful guy named Merle Malland. We are actively involved in our church. I have four children, three who are also WSU grads. Also have five awesome grandchildren!

LARRY NELSON: After graduating from WSHS, I went to Everett Junior College for about a year and then joined the USAF. My tours of duty were Texas, Turkey, and Washington D.C. I married in September 1964 to Sandra Colvin. We had four children and lots of grandchildren, who we absolutely enjoy spending time with together. After my discharge from the Air Force, I attended the University of Maryland. I worked at the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory for the next 47 years. We are living in Millersville, Maryland, retired in 2011 and started touring the county for the next 12 years. I have been able to maintain contact with several of my friends from high school. I always enjoy catching up with what is happening in West Seattle.

RUSSELL BROWN: Married 62 years to Linda and we only argue about how to load the dishwasher. 2 kids, 4 grandkids. 34 years Federal (un) Civil Servant. 21 years Senate staff, 8 years Department of Interior, 5 years Department of Energy. I helped on a lot of really neat stuff: the Lummi aquaculture program; water for the Pine Ridge Reservation; restoration of the Umatilla and Elwha River salmon runs; Boise River Trail in Idaho and Swan Creek Park; salmon run in Tacoma; cleanup of pulp mill waste Willamette river; designation of Wilderness areas and Wild and Scenic rivers eastern States; settlement of the water rights of Southern Colorado Ute Indian Tribe; development of hydro and geothermal power; converting Soviet- era nuclear warheads to power plant fuel; federal dam safety; protection of wild horses and burros on Federal lands. And oh, I forgot to mention, making clay models of the Moon's surface for the Apollo lunar lander flight simulator. Currently I am a mentor for stroke victims at a local rehabilitation center and I still run 5k's for charity. If you live long enough you win your age class. My morning motto, "Pants First Then Shoes."

LOIS BOKN MEHUS: I learned to enjoy writing feature stories from journalism teacher Miss Mootafes. Using my Chinook Press Pass when managing editor, I interviewed and wrote about swimming star Esther Williams. While CWSC's "Campus Crier" editor, I wrote many features, including about Louis Armstrong and Dave Brubeck. I stopped writing features when raising my five children and after I'd retired as a school-teacher. Now I write one for my Ferndale WA Senior Center's Monthly Bulletin.

ROSE JOHNSON: Hey, all you old classmates of WSHS. Although I don't keep in touch with many of you, I still remember many great people from our High School. In Fall of 1959 I did 4 years at UW then taught physical education in Lk. WA School District. Then off to U. of Oregon for a Master's Degree. Worked for the Army in Germany. Back home, married, one daughter. Worked in Alaska for a year. I was an electrologist for 32 years. I started kayaking in 1989. (Love it.) Now back living on my own in Seattle, near family, two delightful, artistic grandchildren.

BOB HARVEY: Baseball my HS fun sport. Retired 2004 WA State Ferry Co at Bainbridge Is. Married Dianne Schwanke, 1960 WS grad, 42 years ago. We have children together and 4 wonderful grandchildren. We live at Lakeland Village, a golfing area near Allyn WA. I enjoy having a garden in the spring, making hanging baskets and maintaining the garden. We enjoy going boating with family on Mason Lake. Enjoy watching kids ski on the wake of the waves- to be young! Travel: local, to Arizona (Snowbirds to Sun City West 2006-16), Las Vegas to see family, Maui Hawaii (our favorite island). I enjoy early coffee at Belfair and Allyn coffee stands--of course, a good donut, too.

MARY LOU HAY JONES: After graduating from WSHS, I attended WSU (Go Cougs) and received my elementary education degree, teaching for 30 years and loving it. I have a son and daughter and four grandchildren which add a lot of sparkle to life. Sammamish has been my home for the last 20 years after raising my children in Bellevue. Lastly, after retiring I have been able to pursue my passion...traveling. And have been fortunate to have many wonderful adventures. Hopefully our class will be able to get together soon.

JUDY BELLINGAR WHEELER: This past year Dave and I moved to Tacoma and are living at the Franke Tobey Jones retirement community in a duplex. They do the maintenance, and we join in the many tours, concerts and classes made available to us. We hope to enjoy many more years of good health and carefree living. We see our two sons and their families often and enjoy spending time with the 4 grandchildren.

SKIP TEBELMAN: Greetings to my 1959 classmates. After 3 years in the army, I attended UW before transferring to SPU and graduating with

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By Class Rep Adelle Hermann Comfort

Opening Poem by Vinette Meduna Tichi

Saw an old person staring at me
I put on my glasses so I could see
What the heck, how can it be
My reflection looking back at me
I looked again checked out my face
Did someone older take my place
I didn't know, I wasn't told
That I would ever look this old
I really thought I was middle age
But years ago, I turned that page
I looked again and then it said
It could be worse, just move ahead
I smiled, thinking that's true, you know
I'll take a walk, get ready to go
I'm not that fast but not that slow
I'll enjoy my age, just let it flow

V-Net age 75



Vinette Meduna Tichi

Musings about our aging by Vinette Meduna Tichi

Greetings, classmates, welcome to 2024! Most of us are 75 years old this year; ¾ of a century. It's hard to believe. When I think of my high school classmates, I still see us as teenagers, young and carefree with our whole lives ahead of us. If you are reading this article, be grateful - you are still here. We have lost many of our friends and classmates over the years.

On a less somber note, I've been thinking a lot of the changes in the world, since we were in high school. I'm reminded of Bob Dylan's song, **"The Times They are a-Changin'"**

Come gather 'round people wherever you roam

And admit that the waters around you have grown

And accept it that soon you'll be drenched to the bone

If your time to you is worth savin'

Then you better start swimmin' or you'll sink like a stone

For the times, they are a-changin'

They certainly have over the years and it's hard to keep up. We have to keep up or we will sink, as well. Now with Artificial Intelligence in the forefront, what could the future possibly be like? While these changes have made our lives easier, I like to look back from where we came. Here are a few that come to mind:

Phones: We use to have one phone connected to the wall, a rotary dial. If we wanted a group conversation, we listened to our neighbors on the "party line". Now we can call, text, take photos, watch movies, anywhere in the world with our smart phones.

Cars: They used to be Chevrolets, Buicks, and Fords. Now we have Toyota, Nissan, Honda, Hyundai, Tesla, etc. Many of us could tell the make of a car in seconds and learned to drive a stick shift. Now the cars drive and park themselves.

Technology: Oh my, that's a big one. Remember going to the library, looking at the Encyclopedia Britannica, at some rare, exotic bird in South America? If you were lucky, you had a set a home. Now, with a tip of the finger, you have access to the world. Many apps keep track of our medical information, banking etc. I always tell Alexa, "Good morning". She is such a good friend. Looking for an address, I just ask Google.

Appliances: Our parents had a refrigerator, washer, and stove. Now we have dishwashers, microwaves, air fryers, and many more. My mother worked nights a lot. We kids were instructed how to put our Swanson's TV dinners in the oven.

Music: Our generation had the best, Beatles, Rolling Stones, Bob Dylan, and Joan Baez. We could actually hear and understand the words.

Another thing, how many of you carried a water bottle with you wherever you went? Did you drink much water? When you went out, did you stop at a coffee shop for a latte? Did we even know what a latte was? These are changes that definitely make our lives more enjoyable.

Hope you have a good year and do something that makes your life enjoyable. As I adapt to "changes" in my life, I also think of "choices". Better choices.... Well, that's a whole new subject, perhaps for next year.

Vinette Meduna Tichi

Hall of Fame!



Tom Collier

The class of 1966 is very fortunate to have had two of our classmates inducted into the WSHS Hall of Fame! Here is an update about how our honorees spent part of 2023! Tom Collier was inducted in 2015 and Dennis Madsen was inducted in 2020.

Submitted by Tom Collier:

Former Professor of Music at the University of Washington School of Music

This past year, I went through the process of winding down my live music performance career while accelerating my output of recordings. In March, 2023, Summit Records released the first of a series of three albums entitled **Boomer Vibes, Volume 1**. Unlike all previous album projects I've recorded over the past forty years, **Boomer Vibes** represents my first recordings of songs I didn't compose. Instead, over the past year, I recorded three albums of songs from the 1960's and 70's that were especially important in my life for one reason or another. This album is also my first "do it yourself" recording in over ten years. I play every instrument on **Boomer Vibes** including vibraphone, electric vibraphone, marimba, piano, synthesizer, drums and percussion.

Boomer Vibes, Volume 1 was selected to appear on the preliminary 2024 GRAMMY ballot for best instrumental album. Unfortunately, I didn't receive enough votes to be included on the final ballot, but I was honored to be noticed by the recording academy. Throughout much of 2023, the album was played on over 150 NPR stations in the U.S., Canada, and Europe and has accumulated over 2500 downloads from various streaming services (not too bad for a jazz album).

Boomer Vibes, Volume 2, was recently released in February following the same "do it yourself" recording format as Volume 1 (and includes my debut on the hammer dulcimer - my late career hobby/musical instrument project).

Boomer Vibes, Volume 3 will be released on Summit Records later in 2024. Summit Records effectively described the three albums in their promotion materials; "Collier presents an accessible, surreal program of familiar tunes from the defined 'baby boomer' generation."

On Sunday, June 11, 2023, I gave my final live performance as a guest artist for the Los Angeles Jazz Society Vibraphone Summit. The program featured vibraphonists from different parts of the United States performing via Zoom as well as on-person from Los Angeles. For my last number, I played my arrangement of a Bob Dylan song, **Just Like a Woman** via Zoom from my home studio in West Seattle. The concert was universally streamed and I was very happy to end the live performance chapter of my music career on a world stage of sorts. You can view that performance online by copying and pasting the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ikwlf7H0Nkw>

(Note from Adelle Hermann Comfort: Tom's performance on this video was by FAR the best!!)

Congratulations to Tom for all of his many accomplishments and grand career!

Submitted by Dennis Madsen:

Former CEO of REI

"Travel and have fun." These were the words my father shared with me late in his life. I already knew how to "have fun" - I was great at keeping my childhood spirit into adulthood and made the mountains and rivers of the Northwest my grown-up playground. And I was so fortunate to be able to complement my favorite outdoor activities with a career at REI.

With Covid behind us and time on my hands, I was ready to heed my father's advice to travel. Exploring other countries and cultures touch-



Blast from the past: Tom with Quincy Jones in 2008 when Tom initiated Jones being honored with an Honorary Doctorate by the UW School of Music!

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es the soul and broadens the mind in ways that no picture, story or online travel blog can do. Swiss Alps, here I come!

We rented AirBnB condos in Bern, Wengen, and Zermatt, Switzerland so we could enjoy tasty cheeses in charming villages and to experience the birthplace of mountaineering. The early ascents of the Eiger, Matterhorn, Jungfrau, and Monch peaks have fascinated me since my youth, and I was finally able to see them through my own eyes.

Thirty years ago, my goal was to climb these legendary mountains. Today, I'm content to hike the base trails and collect wild blueberries in the foothills. The many attempts to summit the Eiger North Face and the White Spider route come to life! I'm in awe of the early mountaineers who accomplished these feats with minimal gear that's a far cry from today's high-tech mountaineering equipment. Hiking with the overpowering vistas of these iconic mountains is augmented by the sound of Swiss alphorns and cowbells and thundering avalanches from above the clouds. It's an absolute sensory wonderland!

My dad was right: Travel while you can! As the years go by, my travel memories will stay with me longer than anything else. In today's world, the logistics of travel are much easier than you think, and yes, the Swiss trains are always exactly on time! Keep traveling and having fun!



Dennis in a perfect Kodak Moment with the Matterhorn in the background! Dennis with Interlaken and Thun in the background Dennis with the north edge of the Eiger in background

All Class Reunion June 3, 2023

They gave us 'old folks' a first-floor room! The picture of us being well behaved is on our Facebook page but we decided to share our goofy photo here! Join us at West Seattle High School Class of 1966 or West Seattle High School Women Class of 1966 on Facebook to follow important dates coming up during this year of 2024!



Being silly! Leland Lien, Doug Schneider, Barbara Bowen Quintana, Ken Stapleton, Adelle Hermann Comfort, Mark Stevens, Diana Rakus, Jerry Hume

Our annual gathering on June 6 for the class of 1966 at The Bridge in West Seattle!

These gatherings started in 2018 to celebrate most of us turning 70, and we've found a way to do it in each successive year since then.



This was a renegade crew that did NOT want to line up in order. So doing our best, here is the squiggly lineup:

From the back L to R: Dave Goodwin, George Jannison, Ken Stapleton, Mark Stevens
Mark Morris, Chris Hoyt, Tom Collier, Doug Stayner, Leland Lien, Greg Guyman, Greg MacPherson, Kevin Mason
Vicky Beall Hall, Susan Armstrong Holmberg, Judy Rein Heard, Delories Johnston Peck, Vinette Meduna Tichi, Jerry Hume
Patty Jacobsen Spangler, Adelle Hermann Comfort, Melodie Vrtnar Rogers, Margaret Wakelee, Sheila Pless, Nancy Noble Hammond, Marsha Kremen (hiding with her hand around Kathy), Kathy Braymer Shepard, Ruthi Sundnes Winter



Tom Collier, Cheryl Collier (spouse), Delories Johnston Peck, Judy Rein Hurd
Note: Delories's husband went home and walked back to The Bridge to bring us a Kimtah! That's devotion!



Chris Hoyt, Doug Stayner, Mark Morris, Dave Goodwin



Greg Guyman, Leland Lien, Kevin Mason, Tom Collier



Linda Stapleton (spouse), Ann Jannison (spouse), George Jannison (Ken Stapleton and Greg MacPherson in background)



From left to right: Vinette Meduna Tichi in background talking with Ruthi Sundnes Winter, Melodie Vrtnar Rogers, Margaret Wakelee, Marsha Kremen, Kathy Braymer Shepard to the side



Greg Guyman and Kevin Mason



Greg MacPherson, Vinette Meduna Tichi, Sheila Pless



Shirely Ash Tupper (who was late for the group photo, so she gets a 'solo')



Vinette Meduna Tichi, Susan Armstrong Holmberg, Mark Stevens, Kevin Mason, Ruthi Sundnes Winter



Patty Jacobsen Spangler, Leland Lien, Adelle Hermann Comfort (Margaret Wakelee and Marsha Kremen in the background)



Cheryl and Tom Collier, George and Ann Jannison, Ken and Linda Stapleton...so wonderful to enjoy the spouses as much as we do our classmates!



Doug Stayner, Mark Morris, Greg MacPherson (standing), Dave Goodwin, Chris Hoyt, Vinette Meduna Tichi, Kathy Braymer Shepard

After enjoying time together with classmates at the All School Reunion and then at The Bridge, Mark Stevens thought to send in this awesome photo and the story behind it!

From Mark:

Recently, Gail and I got together for lunch and catching up with Steve Fisher and his wife Pat, Barry O'Neil and his wife Ann and Mr. Lindquist (Vern) and his wife Jeannie at Steve and Pat's home in Poulsbo where they moved this year.

Steve, Barry and I were good friends during and after our high school years and we used to spend many days each summer water skiing with Vern on Lake Sammamish at his par-



The attached picture of guys shows (left to right) Me, Vern, Barry and Steve. (I'm the one standing on a box!)

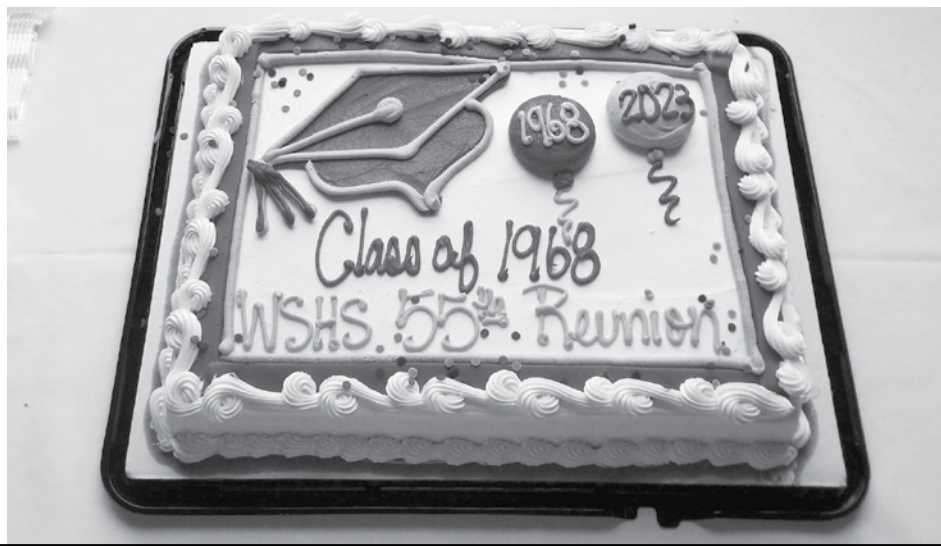
WSHS 1968

By John Herron and Barbara Simmons McClain

On Saturday June 17th 2023 the class of 1968 held their 55th reunion at West Seattle Golf Course banquet room. It was a fun get together of around 50 old classmates. There was a no host bar and appetizers, cake and coffee.

After paying for the event and items purchased for the event there was a little money left over so that was sent to the WSHS Alumni Association from the class of 1968 for the scholarship fund. The amount sent was \$500.00.

It was great to get together and share stories and renew old friendships. Here are a few photos of the event.



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a teaching degree. I taught for 37 years in Shoreline and lived for 45 years in Edmonds. I am now in Puyallup. This surprising family fact was in Ripley's Believe It Or Not: I have 2 sisters, Joanne (class of '55) and Janet (class of '60) and we were all born on June 30th.

DOUGLAS MCKILLIP: I have made my way as an artist/ craftsman. It has taken me to many places. I lived in Maui for 23 years. This is where I met my wife Alani. Together we have traveled to India, Bali, Copan. The past 20 years we have lived on the Coeur d' Alene Indian reservation in Idaho.

BERNIE CARLSEN: Lake Oswego Oregon. I taught science for 42 years all over the world. I met my future wife teaching in Tokyo, followed her teaching in Germany, and married her on her way to the Philippines where our honeymoon lasted 3 years. We settled in Lake Oswego 47 years ago because it is halfway between her home in Salem and mine in West Seattle. A favorite WSHS memory is standing in the main office doorway as Ray Wohlrabe's student teacher and watching the wave raise and lower the floor as the hallway turned black from 60 years of dust during the earthquake of 1965!

RONALD ANDERSON: After graduation I started working for a number of different companies and ended up working for Shell Oil. Married my first wife in '62 and we had two sons. Divorced my first wife and took my two sons and moved to Pasco Washington to continue to work for Shell Oil. In '68 married my second wife, and we were married for 52 years. We had one more son who is now turning 50. I continued to work for Shell Oil until 1975. Went to work for the Franklin County Fire District 3, became Fire Chief in '82, and retired in 2005. As Fire Chief served on the State Fire Chief Board for six years for the establishment of the fire training center in North Bend and served on the committee to establish the mobilization law to allow fire districts to aid and assist other fire districts. My biggest accomplishment was promoting legislation to establish the 911 system for the whole state of Washington. I served on state committee and was a chairman for Eastern Washington campaign. I am semi-retired now and working for a local auto dealer delivering cars and trucks throughout the country.

BUTCH JUTTE: I retired from the Seattle Fire Department (worked there with Jim Woodcock). I have three sons all of whom worked at Boeing. We hunted and fished. I moved to Ennis, Montana (population 800) to get away to the peace and quiet. Now I live in Bonney Lake, WA. Call me if you want at 253-299-1936.

BARBARA FREEMAN KIRK: After earning my chemistry degree from the University of Washington, I joined Stanford Water Quality Control Lab. Married Bob Kirk. We welcomed our daughter Katherine. Teaching chemistry at Yuba County JC and working for Air Quality Control in Lake County were fulfilling chapters for me. Embracing a rich life of travel, hiking, and learning, I've had a full life. My daughter and son-in-law live nearby in Santa Rosa. Meeting my best friend Chuck at Oakmont Gardens brings happiness.

CHARLES J HENDRICKSON: Retired from Boeing 29 years ago as a quality control inspector. My wife Charlotte and I have 3 kids, 4 grandkids and 6 great-grandkids. Live in the mountains and enjoy the great

outdoors, hunting, fishing, gardening, and volunteer work. I like to write western stories and magazine articles, reading, and hobbies like rocks, stamps, coins, fish, chickens, pigeons. I have kept racing pigeons for over 60 years and planted over 400 trees in my lifetime. I also grow cold climate palm trees, cactus, and water lilies.

MARY LOU DUNN PARKS: Married 58 years. 1 son, 1 daughter and 4 grandkids. Was a teacher and then auditor at Boeing. Spent years as a ski instructor and private pilot. Enjoyed supporting our kids' interests in skiing and cross-racing and traveling with daughter while she played on an All-American softball team. Very involved with restoring WWII airplanes, and we owned and traveled the US looking for airplane parts. Still have a Porsche and son races. My granddaughter played ball through college. Still see all my kids often and enjoy life.

LYNETTE SMITH PETRIE: I am a widow with 4 children, 8 grandchildren, and 8 great-grandchildren. I live in an independent living facility in Burien. I lived in West Seattle for 10 years after graduation and then in Kenmore and Edmonds after marriage. I taught school briefly and then was a liaison between high school students at risk and the Northshore School District.

SARA HARPSTER THOMAS: Jim and I live uplake in Chelan Washington in a log cabin on the old homestead that is accessible by boat only. We're there for 6 months and the rest of the year escape the cold and go down south to Arizona in our 17 ft Casita trailer. Grandchildren, swimming laps, line dancing, reading, doing puzzles, sightseeing, eating out, walks etc.

JOE MATTHEWS: I was sent to an English boarding school at Shawnigan Lake, Vancouver Island, from 1951-54. I saw Princess Elizabeth in Victoria 4 months before she became Queen. I worked in life insurance and car sales and got my Master's degree in life insurance from the American College, Bryn Mawr, PA. I have 4 kids and 7 grandkids. I have continued to work into my 70's and 80's, driving shuttle for senior living facilities, Seattle school bus and Access Bus for Metro.

DIANNE HOFF: I am in Federal Way, WA. Got here via 2 years teaching in Gaziantep (Turkey, earthquake center) and several postings with state and federal agencies. I am married to Jim Stiles, a fellow mountaineer. Mountain climbing is a major interest. In 1992 I became the first woman president of the Mountaineers climbing club. I am now fighting Alzheimer's, but am in good health otherwise. Like to hear from friends: dmhoff@summitpyramid.com or 206-304-2497.

DERONDA BLAKE STANLEY: Adding it up; 63 years with 1 husband, Les. 2 children, 1 daughter, 1 son, 3 grandchildren, 2 great-granddaughters. 59 years living in Auburn WA and on Hammersley Inlet in Mason County. 56 years teaching preschool through 2nd grade. 20 years substituting teaching after retirement. 23 years snow-birding winters in Arizona. Favorite travel experience: Costa Rica. Sums up a pretty good life. 1 goal: celebrate our 80th graduation reunion in the year 2039.

I am delighted to let you know that Deronda is willing to come alongside as a joint Class Representative!

Lynda Moody Hurst

WSHS 1967

By Class Rep Helen Verbon Locatelli

Greetings from Maple Valley, home of our now annual class reunion! I am more than happy to host this event every year but am also aware that some other classmate might be chomping at the bit to host it themselves. If so, just let me know and that can certainly be arranged. Plans this year are to host it here on Sunday, August 25th from 1 PM until the cows come home. Despite the fact that my home is located on a lake, and the offer is out there, as of yet no one has bothered to bring their swimsuit. Can't figure that one out. Nonetheless, come on over for a fun afternoon of reminiscing, eating (potluck), seeing folks you may not have seen for a very long time or just relaxing in a pleasant setting. Trust me, it really is a lot of fun and will even be more fun if YOU come. Yes, I'm pointing the finger at YOU.

Those who attended our reunion this past August claimed it was hands down the highlight of their entire year. OK, I admit it. I made that last part up. In attendance were Danny Lilleness (Mary), Dolores Wheelers Latham, Paula Stumph Barlow, Jodeen Boessel Rayson, Margo Scott Roth, Arlene Jackson Coppin, Carol Weiland, Kathy Wahl Reinke (David), Bev Johnson Wilson, Pat Rein Parker (Carl), Pat's sister Judy (class of '66) and Linda Johnson Bird (George). Hey, how about I tell you the names of some who ALMOST made it but then couldn't due to family obligations, illness or travels. Perhaps one of their names will entice you to come: Bob Nessley, Rick Hebron, Sue Supplee, Brenda Cloutier Restad, Gayle West Guthrie, Mike Davenport, Lynn Alishio Salter, Robin Sanislo, Paulette Johnson Kattula, Patti Wunder, Lorraine Lambert Damman, Bea Solberg Knott, Randy Stiles and Janis Winch Clancy. Did that work? Are you enticed to come now? Hope so.

Most of us are turning or have already turned 75 this year. That in itself is a reason to get together, right? Sadly, we lost five dear classmates this past year: Cheryl Meagher James, Bob Hereford, Sharalyn Ferrel, Karlen Nevermann Gunderson and recently Jackie O'Keefe. I know we are all getting older but it's still hard to say goodbye to those we care about so much.

I don't normally write about what classmates are doing in this article but can certainly do that if someone wants to give me their info. It's not that I don't know all sorts of things about all sorts of classmates, it's just that I never asked them if it was OK to share it here. One way to hear their news is to come to our reunions and eliminate the middle man (me).

I can tell you that Bev Johnson Wilson recently moved to Nashville, TN and is still willing to maintain the class website. Not only that but she is planning her visit back here to coordinate with our class reunion in August so she can see you all. Now that's dedication in my book.

In case you've forgotten, WSHS continues to host the all-school reunion the first Saturday of June which is on the 1st this year. The way I see it you have three options; Option 1: attend the all-school reunion on June 1. Option 2: attend our 1967 reunion picnic on August 25th. Option 3: the best option of the three – attend both. Yes, it can be done.

I have been attending the all-school reunions for many years. Way back when there were many times that the only two people who showed up were me and Doug Chamberlain. Not sure why but that's how it was. Last June we had a nice turnout. I swear I wrote down the names of everyone who was there so I could list them in this article but "the dog ate my homework". That excuse would work better if I actually had a dog. I'm sure I'll find the list somewhere in my house but until then you'll just have to assume that people you really, really wanted to see were there.

My mom graduated from WSHS way back in 1924, exactly 100 years ago. Hard to believe. I really loved attending the reunions with her and many others in our Gunderson/Carlsen clan. One year we even had a contest with the Nokes family to see who could encourage the most relatives to attend. Four of my siblings graduated from WSHS – Shirley Widner Davis in 1954, Muriel Verbon Knapp in 1964, Vivian Verbon Gould in 1965 and Leo Verbon in 1968. My husband, John, graduated

from WSHS in 1963 and our daughter Mary graduated in 1991. Ties with our high school are strong for me and will always be. I'll always be a West Seattle Indian and still find myself singing the songs we used to sing at all the ball games. Such great memories.

I was thinking about how there are certainly valid reasons why folks can't attend some of our reunions. On the other hand, I figure I can see family members and travel 363 other days of the year. There are only two days out of the year where I have a good chance to see



Back row: Danny Lilleness, Carol Weiland Harmon, Linda Johnson Bird, Bev Johnson Wilson; Front row: Arlene Jackson Coppin, Helen Verbon Locatelli, Mary Lilleness, Paula Stumph Barlow, Pat Rein Parker, Kathy Wahl Reinke, Dolores Wheelers Latham, Jodeen Boessel Rayson and Margo Scott Roth.



Kathy, Paula, Margo and Jodeen



Kathy, Paula, Danny, Margo and Jodeen



Linda Johnson Bird & George Reed (WSHS grad - not sure of class)



Judy Rein Heard (WSHS '66), Carl Parker (Pat's husband), Pat

fellow classmates I rarely see. This year those two dates are June 1 and August 25. Hopefully you are hearing this info soon enough to arrange your schedules to attend one or both of these reunions. If it's too late this year then keep in mind that we always have our all school on the first Saturday of June and we are pretty much planning on always having our own reunion on the last Sunday of August. Oh dear, now I've made it so that you really can't have any reason to miss out in future years.

I realize reunions aren't for everyone. Believe it or not I'm not trying to guilt anyone into attending. It's just that we do have such a fun time and all who do attend always mention other classmates they would love to see. That person just might be you!

WSHS 1953

By Class Rep Joan Johnson Barker

The Class of 1953 Celebrates 70 Years

Members of the West Seattle High School's class of 1953 met for lunch last June at the Claim Jumper restaurant near Southcenter, to celebrate the 70th anniversary of their graduation from WSHS.

Attending were Donna Bohlin Fellman, Audrey Cox Vogelpohl, David Hill and wife Corinne, Joan Johnson Barker, Phyllis Kautzman Silver, Ken Klatt, Jack and Joann Larson McGee, Joyce Sparling Merriam, Janet Sue Mitchell, Doug Pascoe and wife Joni, Marilyn Sanders Burke, Tom Wallitner, and Rheta Whitman Rutherford, as well as several family members who provided transportation (and also took photos - Thank you very much!). We all enjoyed sharing updated of our lives while we savored Claim Jumper's luncheon offerings. We also received a nice note from our former yell king Randy Williams, who lives in Arizona. He was unable to make it for lunch, but shared fond memories of his years at West Seattle.

We could meet for lunch again this summer, if enough class members are interested. Please let us know if you would like to be a part of this. Contact Joan Johnson Barker, faretuttabarker@icloud.com, (206) 878-4502; or Rheta Whitman Rutherford, 1rrutherford@comcast.net, (206) 715-0114.



WSHS 1971

By Class Rep Jim Biava

Doh! Is it just me or do the years seem to go by faster? Karen says it's time to come up with something for another Alumni Chinook, so here we go.

I see Mark Minckler quite a bit since we live a block apart for over a decade. Mark and his wife, Leslie, have just welcomed their second grandchild into their family and will be heading down to Arizona to spend some time with them.

Our 50th Reunion now just a distant memory was out last "official" reunion. However, in talking with others at our last luncheon, someone brought up just having a very casual get together at a local restaurant or wherever. I'm up for that if there's enough support for it. Let's do this, drop me an email or text me at 206-387-2683 with yea or nay on that idea.

Our WSHS Class of 1971's Casual Luncheons started back in 2018 and now in our 6th year. We meet at Endolyne Joe's near the Fauntleroy Ferry dock. If you haven't joined us yet put it on your calendar. We get 8 to 12 people and all agree it is a fun time. Some of the more recent "regulars" are Karen Dobbs, Marilyn Thurman, Dave and Don Hill, Gordon Modin, Mark Minckler, Gary Gunderson. Occasional appearances by Randy Sleight, David Townsend, Christine Burdine, Martha Rayles, and Steve Graunke. Apologies to anyone I might have missed. The next one is on the last Saturday in June which is June 29th. I send out a reminder via email so if you haven't been getting them then send me a message at jimbiava@protonmail.com.

I am forever grateful for growing up here in West Seattle. Sometimes

when I walk up the steep hills to the Alaska Jct I see ghosts. When I walk past the Sleepers in Seattle, I see the ghost of Wigwam with the clearance items on the little triangle area outside the door. Looking across California Ave I can see Steve Athan's Men's Clothes. Walking north I see more ghosts, more memories of back when I had hair and could move faster, Hay's Meat Market and West Hill Fish with the sawdust on the floor, a little farther north there was the West Seattle Speedway with the slot car tracks. And the "anchor" of the Junction, JC Penny.

Finally, on a more somber note, in 2023 we lost a few more classmates that we know of. If anyone else passed on please let me know. Good memories of each one. Dave Kennedy (3/7/23), Steve Anderson (10/16/23), Laird Knopp (11/2/23) and Rochelle Reed (1/13/24).

Before I know that it will seem like I just finished writing this and Karen will tell me it is time for the 2025 Chinook article. For next year will anyone with something noteworthy please contact me with the info. Till then.....have some fun and hopefully we get a chance to enjoy your company at our next luncheon on Saturday, June 29th!



Carol-Ann (Sharp) Thornton and David Townsend, 1971's Hall of Famers, are congratulated by Karen (Seamens) Dobbs at the Hall of Fame reception

WSHS 1955

By Class Rep Ted Foss

It is so very hard to believe we have been out of high school 69 years!!! Or can you believe that some of us will be 88 years old in 2024? Remember when we turned "16", then "18", then "25"?? Those were special days in our lives, plus getting married, becoming a parent, and grandparent. All of these events are special to each of us and now we are approaching "90" years of age. What happened to those years??

Many wonderful friends have passed away, but we have wonderful memories of those classmates, athletes, neighbors and good friends. Every time I drive on a particular street in West Seattle, I remember who lived in that house as a school friend.

Our classmate Chris King, gave me three sheets of computer paper with names of deceased classmates of ours. What a shock. It seems now there are classmates who need to use crutches, use canes and who no longer drive a car. Did any of us ever think we would be in that situation in later life?

The 2023 West Seattle High School Chinook newspaper had comments from class representative to read and respond. One article was about "1955 Class." Here it is: "1955—There will not be a class reunion in 2023 or 2024, but plan on 2025 for a very special celebration for us." It will be great to celebrate 70 years out of high school!! I wonder how many classmates cut that article out and said "I will be at that reunion to the best of my ability". If each of us eat properly, exercise, drive carefully, look both ways at an intersection, etc, then we may be present at that special reunion. In 2023 there was a discussion between some of our classmates and they agreed to make the 2025 reunion.

In summary, when we graduated in 1955, our class had a total of 560 students. Those names were in the graduation program. Some classmates did not make the graduation due to work, ill, or did not have enough credits, etc.

Since June 1955, 273 classmates have passed away!! Many of them were close friends.

Check the back of the 2023 Chinook newspaper for class of 1955 with the names of classmates who passed away from May 2022 to January 2024.

In closing, please stay healthy, eat properly, exercise and have a positive attitude that "I will make the 70th reunion".

WSHS 1958

By Class Reps Gary Tisdale and Audrey Lowdon Tharp

"Happy Trails to you until we meet again"

The Class of 58 Golf Tournament was held at the Auburn course in August of 2023 under the organization of Gary Tisdale. This was the 22nd year for awarding of the HOEIN TROPHY for low team score and this year the team of Bob Kirchner/Gary Tisdale/Jim White his son Mike had the low team score of two under par. It became apparent though that there needs to be adjustments for players who have a single digit handicap (like having to use the blue tees or only using their putter). Other golfers included Bill & Joyce Kirlin, Grady & Linda Irvin, Steve Martin, Mel Terrana, Terry Soterhou, Lance Christiansen, Tim Joslin, Bob Nuber and Frank Peacocke and friends Jordan & Dave.

We again had lunch at Bogey's Restaurant after golfing. It is yet to be determined as to whether or not we will try to organize again in 2024. The number of players still able to swing a golf club is dwindling. 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.

It was decided to have a 65th reunion lunch in 2023 as opposed to a formal reunion dinner as in the past. We did gather together 45 people for lunch at Bogey's Restaurant at the Golf Course on Saturday. It was catered by Longhorn BBQ. It was a low key gathering and everyone appeared to enjoy visiting. There are no plans at this point to continue with reunion gatherings.

The following have been reported to Audrey Lowdon Tharp as being deceased since the last article in 2023. Victor W Weiger-2007; James L. Nelson-2008; Gary Coulter-2018; Karen Johnson Jhoh & Paige Canfield-2022; Jack Morris, Mike LeMaster, Garry Treadwell, Rodney Mack, George Carlsen, Arvid Jensen in 2023, and Darlene Moore MacDonald.

Audrey will continue to record changes of address, deceased & lost lists, so please contact her with updated information. Thank you!

Gary Tisdale & Audrey Lowdon Tharp, Class Reps.
Audrey at 253 931-1136, sharptharp@comcast.net

WSHS 1976

By Class Rep Megan Sheppard

Hello everyone. Another year has passed. Whew.

Planning for our 50th in 2026 hasn't really kicked into gear, but if you are interested in helping, just let me know.

I run into folks occasionally: Just last week, Scott Davis tap, tap, tapped on my front door. (Not something anyone ELSE should do, but Scotty was on a mission, LOL!) He works for Highline Water and was part of a team trying to find my water shutoff valve. It was a mystery! He said he had recently run into Lester Plankington at a shop in Burien. And I had a great chat with Andy Thompson (and met his daughter) down at The Chelan a couple of months back.

Ted de Vol reports, "I 'retired' to Montana: 75 acres with a wedding barn, restaurant and event center. Building a Motocross facility, and an RV park. Snowmobile grass drags in the summer and maybe a concert or 2. Hate what Washington has become. Absolutely love Montana and the people here. Had the opportunity to save a guy's life who was in -42 weather for 5 hours in January 2024. God is so good!"

Debra Charles: "After 45 years in the floral industry I have retired and closed down my beautiful floral shop in downtown Seattle on 3rd Ave. Still living the fabulous life on Alki Point with two girl kitties, three girl grandbabies and my dear sweet hubby. We are going into the sunset with our fun travels all over the world and working out daily in and out of the blue bottle house garden. Our next chapter includes more flowers and lots of golf trips."

Hope to see you guys at the All-School! Always a nice exchange of memories and fun. Plus I bring my yearbooks so that all can take a peek!

As always, please let me know of any address changes.

I'm paring down my friends list lately. If you've made a personal request to be a FB friend, don't take it personally if you are declined. Just make sure you stay in touch on the class page: "West Seattle High School Class of 1976." Such fun there: music, memories, pop culture and more come under discussion, and occasionally some classic pics from WSHS and Madison days appear.



I helped provide addresses for the Holy Rosary kids so that they could enjoy a reunion at Paul Cesmat's building in North Admiral last summer. Some who attended, left to right: Sheila Almquist, Ralph Braseth, Sue Wallace, Robert Goulet, Patrick Henry, Tom Ryan, Mark James, Paul Cesmat, Kim Poindexter, Coco Douglas, Carolyn Shea, Sheila McCallister and Sue Whitlock.

WSHS 1963

By Class Rep John Norden

Another year has passed bye and I hope that all of you are enjoying family and friends as we celebrate our 61st year reunion. My goal last year was to organize our 60th reunion but I failed in doing so and am hopeful that we can schedule a reunion party this coming summer with the help of some of you that would like to help me make it happen.

My hope is that any of you that would like to help organize the reunion responds to me via email and let me know if you are able to help plan and reach out to our classmates in order to see if the response is enough to make it financially doable. We have monies in our account at Chase Bank that could be used along with what we can generate from each of you that attend. The plan would be to schedule a date in August or September that would be in the afternoon at a venue in or around West Seattle.

My email is john.norden@yahoo.com.

I have been in touch with many of you over the years and hope that each of you can reach out to some of your classmates that you grew up with just to let them know that you care about them and hope that life is good for them.

Any and all responses would be appreciated.

Best to you all,

John Norden

WSHS 1973

50 for 73

By Class Rep Dick Sleight

Our "Blue and Golden" 50th Year Reunion



Back in early 2018, West Seattle High School Hall of Fame inductee and Classical KING 98.1 FM radio host Lisa Bergman raised the question with a few of her friends about looking forward to a Class of '73 50th high school reunion in 2023. What began with that initial prompting led to a six-year process and two very successful reunion events.

A committee was formed that included uniquely gifted classmates. It included an experienced event planner, a small business entrepreneur to serve as treasurer and registrar, a technologist to handle marketing and the web, and a few others. They decided to host a 45th class reunion as

a test drive. With a short window for getting the word out and receiving reservation, the committee was gratified when over eighty classmates and their guests packed one of the banquet rooms at Salty's on Alki on August 25, 2018.

Fast forward four years. It was time to begin planning for, "The Big One." Technology had advanced through the COVID years, and all of our meetings were held via Zoom. Learning from 2018, the reunion committee, expanded by a few more class friends, made wise adjustments to the event and program. The entire lower level of Salty's on Alki was booked to accommodate the expected larger gathering. A plated luncheon was chosen over the earlier buffet. And speeches were limited to the Master of Ceremonies since reunions are about reconnecting and reminiscing.

In light of expected higher expenses and in order to keep the price of the luncheon manageable, an initial fund-raising period was held from November to March. Over a score of classmates, including a few who, sadly, were unable to attend, made generous contributions which guaranteed that the event would finish in the black. Due special thanks were Mark and Sheri Robison who shared their gracious Hawaiian Ho'okipa as both generous spon-



sors and as the hosts for all our liquid refreshments! Following the reunion, our class was able to give donations toward student scholarships to both the West Seattle Alumni Association and the Monogram Club of former West Seattle varsity athletes.

It seemed downright providential when assistance in needed areas was volunteered by fellow classmates. Early in the planning process, we heard from classmate Tom Hewitt who volunteered as our emcee. Tom brought humor and his 33 years of sports broadcasting experience to add his special touch to our luncheon. For 20 of those years Tom had been the radio voice of the Portland State University Vikings. Another classmate, Carolyn McKee, blessed us with her gift with flowers, preparing floral centerpieces for all of our tables. And committee member Rick Rose somehow managed to prepare amazing large nametags with "colorized" photos of



50 Year Reunion for 1973



each classmate taken from the 1973 Kimtah yearbook.

On August 26, 2023, on a sunny yet hazy Saturday in Salty's spacious banquet venue and on their patio across Elliott Bay from downtown Seattle, nearly 140 friends and their guests from the Class of '73 enjoyed a very memorable reunion.

Salty's elegant touches and their talented staff made fish and chips, burgers and fries, and Bucatini Primavera seem like a banquet. A toast to our departed classmates and delicious desserts followed the meal. Someone called for a group photo and we needed three of them to document the Class of '73 on the patio. Fortunately, one of our two co-chairs had been a photographer since our high school days.

All the stress and effort shared by the reunion committee members paid off with a delightful event for all in attendance. Photos and more about our 50th reunion are shared on our class website at WSHS73.org. Will there be future reunions for our class? We kept back a bit in the kitty for future class events. Talk to our class rep at the All School Reunion each June or contact him with your ideas and your interest. Someday we might need to launch that next planning committee.



**Get Ready 1974!
You're Next!**

WSHS 1972

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

Catching Up

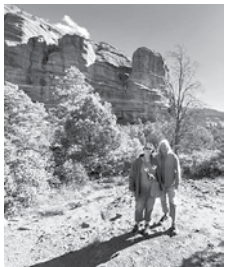


Mike Oveson retired in 2018 from a Sales career and now splits time between Rancho Mirage, CA and Belltown, Seattle, taking cruises and a Norway family reunion.

Marjorie Lyon Spaeth continues to live in Philadelphia with her husband Ted and both are fully enjoying retirement. Margie retired from teaching after 30 years at her last school. They have four grandchildren, two girls and two boys. Their daughter Victoria, her husband Andre and their two girls live a couple of blocks from them and Lizzy, her husband Juan and their two boys live in Chicago. They all spend some time together up in Maine each summer, as well as trips to Chicago and family time in Philadelphia. She sends best wishes to all former classmates and is thankful for those with whom she has stayed connected.



Christy (Young) Rowe and David Rowe, Class of '72



The Rowes are still happily living in the South Sound on the Olympic Peninsula and enjoying the peace, quiet and beauties of nature all around. Dave is busy working on household and artistic woodworking projects in

his shop. Christy is President of the Mason County Master Gardener Foundation for the second year and volunteers at the Food Bank Garden. Their son Garrett (class of '06) had a successful and healthy first year with his transplanted kidney which has given us all reason to be thankful and believe in miracles. We are ever so thankful to his wife for donating a kidney in a paired exchange arrangement. Daughter Lindsey and family moved to Fort Bliss in El Paso Texas. Her husband was recently promoted to Major in the Army. The three grandkids are growing fast - 3, 9 and 11. The Rowes enjoyed trips to Ocean Shores, WA, Sunriver, OR, Atlanta, GA, Southern Pines, NC, El Paso, TX, Palm Springs, CA. Christy and fellow classmate Stephanie Timm had a wonderful 'girl trip' to Sedona, AZ and the Grand Canyon. Looking forward to 2024 trips and continued visits with friends and family.

All School Reunion

Thank you to those 1972 classmates who took the time to attend the WSHS 2023 All School Reunion. Due to Covid restrictions, this was the first All School Reunion since 2019. The turnout was small in comparison to our 50 year reunion, but we filled the classroom!



As each classmate shared a little about themselves we found we have an amazing class full of accomplishments and diverse interests. We are now planning the 2024 All School Reunion for the first Saturday in June. Please try to join us!

Back Row: Eric Steen, Tom Chudecke, Steve Itter, Wendy Wright Hobson, Janet Hadley Saunderson, Kathie Dempsey Itter, Bob Blakely, Sheryl Lee Graddon, Anna Prestegaard Bryant, Beverly Luchsinger Petchonka & Chris Georgas. Front Row: Amelia Wittmier Stevens, Diane Weglin Dempster, Ed Lutz, Patricia Hurd, Bruce Curtiss, Wayne Hussey, Terry Landers & Shannon West. Attending but not pictured were April Gaskell Shook, Diane Anderson Warwick, Brian Hatch, Robert Schmidt, Linda Carlock, Janice Hauptli, Judith Robison and Jackie Herigstad Ericson.



Sharon Hale Kennedy and Gail Paulson Gagner

Sharon Hale Kennedy from Tucson, AZ and **Gail Paulson Gagner** met for lunch in April of 2023 in Rancho Mirage, CA. Sharon's husband Dave (Class of '71) passed away on 3/7/23 from Covid Pneumonia. They had been married for 41 years.

Our Senior Class President, **Elaine Kaloper Montgomery Matheson**, has published a wonderful children's book, "The Barnyard Zoo." It is a story of inclusion with great illustrations that will

delight the youngsters in your life. The book is dedicated to Elaine's mother ("the wise old owl who started it all") and Elaine's 11 grandchildren. It is available at Amazon and Barnes & Noble in hard cover and paperback. Any profits benefit the Sandy Hook Promise Foundation.



Bad Boys and Girl of 1972 gathered in July at Lake Cushman where Ray Haddenham has property.

Pictured: Ray Haddenham, Robert Schmidt, Dick Nessley, Tom Williams, Brad Fletcher, Brian Hatch and Dianna Cowden in front.

Robert Schmidt

This jacket was sold to me by Chris Georgas at Shafran's Men's Shop. Almost threw it out a few times but now it fits again. Might even need a little taking in.



Robert Schmidt in his suit



Donna Warnes Ridley

Remembering

We are sorry to report to following class passings:

Donna Warnes Ridley, January 2024

Paulette Cramer died of cancer on August 19, 2023. She attended West Seattle for her sophomore and junior years and graduated from Queen Anne High School. Her twin sister, Pauline, graduated from our class.

Garth Edward Stacey, April 21, 2023. Garth was at home recovering from a five-way bypass when he unexpectedly passed. His musical celebration of life, hosted by Tim Turner and Brian Partridge was held May 5th 2023 at the Chelan Café in West Seattle. We are all so fortunate to have seen Garth at our 50th reunion doing what he loved, playing the drums with The Tim Turner Band. Garth was responsible for the musical entertainment portion of our reunion. He wanted our reunion to be most memorable, he succeeded! Thank you Garth for all the memories, RIP dear friend.



Garth Edward Stacey

We lost classmate **Julie Irvin Georgetti** on March 5, 2023. The following is from her daughter Amy. "It breaks my heart to write this but my



Julie Irvin Georgetti

beautiful mom Julie died yesterday. I had the privilege of holding her hand the last seven days and witnessed all the love that was showered on her from near and far. My mom was full of sunshine. How lucky Toni and I were to have her as our mom.

We shared our home with foster children, day care kids, exchange students, cousins, friends and dogs. She created the kindest, safest, warmest environment to grow up in. It was the type of home that people just stopped by all the time to visit, exhale and feel loved. She connected with others and helped countless people during their struggles, pain as well as celebrated their triumphs. I have heard countless times "Who am I going to call? She was the only one that really understood." That's the type of person she was, she was the first call for so many people.

She was athletic, found peace in gardening, never missed a sports game I was in, stable, curious, playful, always up for anything, found beauty in nature, music and people. One of her childhood friends said that when you were with Julie, she gave you confidence and you felt like you could do anything.

Julie loved being a grandma and it was a joy to pull into my parents driveway, watch the kids run in and know you were all about to walk in and get nourished in every way.

Count yourself blessed if you had the good fortune to belly laugh with my mom. It was genuine and felt like medicine.

My dad Pat took such good care of her during her cancer. He set the highest bar for showing in action what love looked like. We are thankful to all the people that helped in so many ways by bringing food, helping care for my sister so we could care for my mom, letters and anything we needed.

Keep in touch. If your contact information (mailing address, email and/or cell phone) changes, please email your updated information to Kathie Itter at kathitter@gmail.com. We would also like to invite those of you who are on FaceBook to join our WSHS Class of 1972 FaceBook page. We welcome your stories to keep classmates informed.

Your Class Representatives:

Kathie Dempsey Itter, Gail Paulson Gagner and Christy Young Rowe

WSHS 1962

By Bruce Thomason

2024 marks a banner year for the WSHS class of 1962 as we look forward to celebrating our 62nd anniversary. At this time, we extend our thanks and appreciation to our first and longtime class representative Elsie McCoy. Elsie and husband Bob are thoroughly enjoying their new assisted living home. They take great pride in all their grandchildren and this year to granddaughter Katie Fiso who lead her Garfield teammates to their 4th consecutive state championship. And not to mention but I will, Katie was the tournament MVP and earned a full-ride scholarship to the University of Oregon.

Ginny Montgomery and Ed Ogle followed Elsie's lead and became our new class reps. Eddie has done a masterful job of keeping us apprised of the many classmates that have passed. And what can I say about Ginny that hasn't already been said? A whole lot! Years ago she suffered from stage 4 kidney cancer and her system could not tolerate the chemo and radiation. She basically said to hell with it and took to the power of positive thinking and prayer. The Good Lord answered and she's been cancer free ever since. Ginny, husband Jon and daughter Brandi had their dream home built in Sequim. You may not always find them there as they frequently travel the world, yet still finds time to schedule our annual class lunches.

Sherry Woods Matson and husband Darryl continue to live in beautiful Kenai, Alaska, loving the summers and snow plowing their way through the winters. Grandson Spencer just got accepted and will be attending MIT. Granddaughter Marina will be attending the Sitka Fine Arts Camp. Sherry noted that both kids excel in kindness which is not surprising considering who their grandmother is.

Shirley Ross reminded me that a number of our classmates have been married for 60 years! Another longtime friend reminded me that many of us have known one another since we were in kindergarten.

Barbara Rosendahl spends time living between her beautiful homes here and in Mexico with additional travel plans later this summer. Barbra Munisteri recently moved back from living in Texas for many years. She speaks German, Italian and at last word was looking to join a local orchestra.

When I think of our classmate Jan Espinosa, I immediately associate her with Stephen Crane's novel, The Red Badge of Courage. Jan was diagnosed with glioblastoma, and states she has had a blessed life with the love of family and friends. She has never dwelled on her illness but instead has extensively traveled the world. She looks forward to our annual class lunch.

Jerry Cufley was collaborating with his daughter on writing a book of fiction. I believe it may have something to do with the many years he worked at Mark's Pharmacy in West Seattle. Jerry lived just down the alley from me and everyone knew he was a natural leader way back then as he was the Captain of grade school patrol officers. From grade school through college, he was an honor student and everyone assumed he would he would become a pharmacist, much like our classmates Dennis Smith and Jack Karafa, both now retired. Jerry received an advanced degree in chemistry and followed that with one in medicine. Like many others from our neighborhood, we're still wait-

ing for Jerry to write his own book on how a kid from the wrong side of the tracks would become a highly recognized and honored physician..

When it comes to the old neighborhood gang, I would be remiss if I didn't mention the late Dean Sorenson and Jennifer Miller. And then there was Janice Lindsey, Alan Russell, Brian Paust, Phil Rosengren and Jim Geiser. And last but never least, a skinny little kid by the name of Mike Tando! Mike graduated with us in 1962 and as his family moved a lot, he attended 3 other high schools each of which he also lettered in track. Mike then spent 3 years in the Army where he was trained as a Surgical Technician. He attended the UW for a couple of years and in 1967 joined the Seattle Police Department. He later finished school on the GI Bill at the University of Puget Sound. After a short marriage he married Karen who also worked at the SPD, with her raising his two sons and himself! Mike retired in 1996 and waited until 2007 for Karen to retire. During that time, he was heavily involved in the martial arts, teaching, training, competing and judging. Mike spent many years as a Homicide Detective, and upon Karen's retirement moved to Camano Island. I believe he's on his second home there, has a large piece of property but have no idea what he does with it. Bottom line, Mike is no longer a skinny kid and one you would never mess with as he's an expert in Songham Taekwondo. And yes, Mike is my cousin.

Beth and Scott Davis still live at the beach in Shorewood south of Arbor Heights. Beth is a retired teacher and Scott a retired executive IBM consultant. They are still very involved with White Center Kiwanis and through the Coalition for Drug-free Youth for North Highline.

Brian Paust is a phenomenal bird photographer and a Professor Emeritus in the Fisheries Department for the University of Alaska. Brian explained that all the Emeritus really meant is he's still working and the phone is still ringing. His son Nathaniel is an astrophysicist and his daughter Rebecca a mental health therapist.

As for myself, I continue to have a monthly sushi lunch with classmate Danny Smith. We opt out of the dessert area in favor of a couple of Sapporo's. Danny has had a fantastic career which started as a home remodeler and grew to be one of the all-time best custom home builders. He not only built the homes but designed and did the architectural drawings. Modest by nature and one to never brag, I asked him if he had any photos I could look at. Bottom line he never took any as the only thing important to him was that the customer was pleased.

As we reflect back to last year, we offer our sincerest condolences to the families of classmates that have passed. The list includes Nancy Beaty Robinson, Helen Manning, Forrest Lammiman, Gene Nokes, Patricia Waller Brown, Jim Borrow, Kathy Twohey Marck, Melodie Simmons Havink and the love of Bob McClane, his longtime partner Vicki. Each and every one unique and talented. We are blessed to have had their friendships.

Bruce Thomason

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WSHS 1969

By Class Rep Linda Benjamin Wells

Hello classmates.

Here we are another year has gone by and I hope that this short article finds you, your family and friends well. How are you doing? What have you been up to? Are you still working? If not, what activities, painting, collecting stamps, landscaping, volunteering, traveling are you doing?

Rick and I have been working on some home projects. We are planning an Alaskan Cruise in June with Judy Young Tuccinardi and her husband, Tom.

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.

The offer is still open if anyone 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.

Take care. I look forward to hearing from you.

Your 69 Class Rep, Linda Benjamin Wells

WSHS 1996

By Class Reps Dana (Rambo) Hopkins & Danielle Johnson

Hello, we hope this year's Chinook was a welcome sight in your mailbox, and you're having a great year! Check out our innovative 30th reunion plan over in the "Reunion Reminders" section (no worries, we're still a few years away) and keep up-to-date with our group on Facebook, "WSHS c/o 1996."

Feeling nostalgic, I asked Chat GPT to tell me about some retro trends making a comeback in 2024, and received some surprises: bands like the Backstreet Boys and the Spice Girls are back together, people are dusting off cassette tapes and walkmans (walkmen?), retro tech gadgets (rotary-style phones, typewriters, and analog cameras), creating faux-wood designs (Faux Bois) and classic car restorations (their example was a VW Beetle – slugbug!) are all popular again. I guess I believe it, since the theme for my kids' school fundraiser night is the 90's; they promise it'll be a "totally fly evening!"

Your Class Reps,

Dana (Rambo) Hopkins & Danielle Johnson

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Mark Stevens *continued*

ents' home. As you may remember, Vern taught typing at West Seattle from 1964 thru 68. After that he finished his career at his alma mater, Issaquah High School. Vern and Jeannie bought his parents' home after his dad's passing, did a major remodel and have been living there ever since.

Barry and Ann live in Newport Beach, CA where they have been for many years. Gail and I are the only ones out of the bunch who are still in West Seattle.

The Importance of our Class Representatives

For more than 10 years, Tom Friberg has served as our Class Representative sharing the role with Margaret Wakelee, and with Patty Jacobsen Spangler as our back-up rep for 'crunch' situations. Our thanks to all three of these classmates for keeping us informed by attending the meetings of the WSHS Alumni Association and sharing the latest news about scholarships, recommendations for Hall of Fame, news about All Class Reunions, timing for sending in Association dues, and so much more. **We are known by the Alumni Association to be one of the most active classes!**



Margaret Wakelee
Melodie Vrtnar Rogers

Margaret recently retired from her role: Margaret, we thank you for all of your years of service to our class! You did a great job for us!

Tom needed to seek another co-rep. **Melodie Vrtnar Rogers to the rescue!** As a woman who is a great record keeper of both 'details' and of 'memories', she is so perfect for the role.

Thank you, Melodie, for taking on this role.

You can read the updates from the Alumni meetings on both our Facebook pages. The most recent update was submitted by Tom on 10/19/23.



Tom Friberg
Patty Jacobsen Spangler

Thank you, Tom, for all of your years of service. You have been our primary representative! Don't let this role ever keep you from your travels with your awesome wife Shannon... the images and stories of which are loved and shared by so many! When you 'retire', there is no one who can replace what you have done for our class! And thanks to Patty Jacobsen Spangler for being a ready and willing alternate rep.

July 2 gathering on Alki:

The Alki Café is getting to know the ladies of WSHS Class of 1966!



Marlene Groening, Kathy Welch Engum, Susan Galloway Singleton, Susan Armstrong Holmberg, Diane Glover Pollard, Vicky Beall Hall

**July of 2023 - My Trip to Norway:
Submitted by Ruthi Sundnes Winter**



Ruthi Sundnes Winter

This summer my family traveled to Western Norway to experience the "real" Norway, that is living full time in the beautiful fjord countryside, far away from a city. For the whole month of July, we lived in an old farmhouse where my grandmother was born and next door to the farm where my father was born. My mother came from this area as well. I traveled with my husband, brother (WSHS class of '58) and partner (WSHS class of 59). Living in the countryside allowed us to take long walks into the mountains, and to go on exciting fishing trips on the fjord. We fished with the "Long Line" where we put out 1/2 mile of line with 320 baited hooks one evening and brought the line up the next morning. We caught



Mike and the giant Langle!

a boatload of fish! "Brøsme" and "Lange", which are varieties of fjord fish. The average weight of each fish was 22 pounds and the Lange was about 5 feet long with a sweet, white meat. This was the best fishing trip ever!!

Since both of my parents came from neighboring villages in Western Norway, I had a huge number of relatives and friends to visit. In all we visited 75 cousins. We ate lots of tasty Norwegian food, including delicious baked goods (lefse, krumkake, vaf-ler etc.), and enjoyed the very best hospitality possible!

I felt like that whole fjord area of Norway had wrapped their arms around us. There was so much love! They don't forget their long, lost relatives in America! I encourage you all to get out there and find your relatives around the world and visit them, if you can. They really do want to meet you!



Ruthi and Bonnie



The seter (or soeter) where the summer pasture used to be for the cows & sheep.



Mike and Ruthi



Ruthi in Mike in beautiful western Norway

Another Brownie Reunion: Troop 1496

Friends since Kindergarten at Schmitz Park Elementary and same Brownie Troop! We met 8/7/23 at Whiskey West in West Seattle for 2 hours to catch up on what is new in our lives, and to also reminisce about the past. So fun and such a blessing to be friends for so long! We missed Lynda Kuntz McVay who had to cancel due to her husband's health care. In attendance were from left to right: Kristine Davis (Sanders), Barbara Cooper (Waite), Adelle Hermann (Comfort), 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 Rogers (Vrtnar). If anyone from this troop would like to be included in future summer gatherings (timing is late July/early Aug, please email me at adelle1016@comcast.net).



Left to right: Kristine Davis (Sanders), Barbara Cooper (Waite), Adelle Hermann (Comfort), Barbara Cameron (Bair), Melodie Rogers (Vrtnar)

The incredible life of the MacPherson's Fruit and Produce stand on Beacon Hill

Greg MacPherson

A loving reflection written by Ruthi Sundnes Winter! (Much more personal than all the articles written in various newspapers!)

"After nearly 40 years, classmate Greg MacPherson's Fruit & Produce stand closed in October 2023. Greg worked at the Pike Place Market for 10 years before opening his store on Beacon Hill, in 1984. Greg's stand was an open air, year-round old school produce stand known for its wide selection of fresh fruits and vegetables, which were priced lower than most supermarkets. The shop had a reputation for quality at low prices. This produce stand was a slice of Old Seattle and definitely a favorite shopping spot for many. It was indeed a Gem! The closing of Greg's beloved store marked the end of an era that was a cherished business for four decades. This will be a huge loss to the community. Greg cited financial challenges as the main reason to close including shipping costs and inflation.



MacPherson's Fruit & Produce Stand



Greg MacPherson

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Greg considered his employees family. Employees express their deep appreciation for Greg, his big heart and his caring attitude The closing was announced by huge hand painted signs that had become the hallmark of his store.

Greg is now 75 so it's time to retire! He can now become a fulltime golfer and enjoy his golden years! Greg gets a "GREEN JACKET" (golfing term) for his incredible career! Congratulations Greg!! "

Classmate Kevin Mason:

If any of you follow our Facebook pages or the Port Townsend news or read last year's Chinook article for our class, you know that our crooner and carpenter extraordinaire, Kevin Mason, succeeded in saving the beloved 'Raccoon Lodge' that he built!

From the Peninsula Daily News dated August 29, 2023



Kevin Mason

PORT TOWNSEND — A Port Townsend art piece known as the Raccoon Lodge will be able to stay at its location on Clay Street after the city agreed to accept the art on a loan of two years.

"I'm feeling relieved. It was an awfully long time of being on hold," said Kevin Mason, 75, an artist and retired carpenter who built the piece. "I'm glad to see it done. The city finally decided to let it live."

The lodge is a house-like structure affixed to the stump of what was once the largest Monterey Cypress tree in the state. Mason lives in one of the homes on the property where the tree sits and started the whimsical project as a way of recuperating from chemotherapy treatments.



The Raccoon Lodge

But the tree stump abuts the sidewalk, putting it in the public right-of-way and making the Raccoon Lodge a potential liability for the city, authorities said. City officials told Mason in October the piece would have to come into compliance with city code or be removed.

The issue for the city is that public art pieces must be maintained and insured by either the city or a private organization. The city is unable to ensure art pieces on private property and Mason said his home insurance wouldn't cover a piece that fell within the public right-of-way.

But after an outpouring of public support for the lodge, officials began working with Mason to find a way for the piece to stay — at least for a time.

At its regular meeting Monday night, the Port Townsend City Council voted unanimously to accept the piece as a loan to the city for at least two years, the longest time allowable under city code. At the end of the two years, the piece will either have to come down or be relocated.

"It's amazing how bureaucratic this process can get," said council member Ben Thomas. "I trust that it had to be that way, but it's kind of impressive to see how much work went into this."

Several council members said they appreciated the piece and were happy a resolution could be found. *(end of Peninsula Daily News article)*

You did it, Kevin, with the help of your many friends and the community!

From Kevin:

Life is precious! Showing up is the important thing. Whatever you choose, it's all good. Just show up. I had some wonderful opportunities for travel and experiences and created some music Here are some highlights of my year:

- Valentine's Day show of Vintage Cocktail music Swank.
- Drove to Arizona via Las Vegas; stayed at the Bellagio during a heat wave 116 degrees
- Did a cool outdoor show on the waterfront in Port Townsend with my band for "Concerts on the Dock"
- Met the Bionic Woman, Lindsay Wagner, at the Film Festival
- Did a Cool New Years Eve show of Vintage Cocktail Music and Barbara



Valentine's Day crooning and swooning!

(Waite) Cooper showed up with her husband and friends.

What a fun way to end the year, with Barbara Waite Cooper (along with her husband and other friends) on New Year's Eve! (You can't see it in black and white but the scarves were a matching 'hot pink'!)



Kevin on The Dock



Kevin and Barbara Waite Cooper



Kevin and 'The Bionic Woman', Lindsay Wagner, at the Film Festival

Kevin Mason

Port Townsend, WA, 206-227-7157, <http://CocktailSinger.com>

Per Kathy Braymer Shepard:

the organizer extraordinaire: A new tradition has begun!

Several of us gathered in early December to celebrate the holiday season. This has evolved from the annual trek to Bainbridge Island for Christmas in the Country. And what could be more festive that lots and lots of laughter on Alki? And oh, did we ever laugh! It truly kicked off the season in style. This will now be an annual event for as long as we are able. Keep your eyes posted on our two Facebook pages for the date in 2024.



2nd annual Christmas gathering at the Alki Cafe on 12/6/23 L to R around the table: Kathy Braymer Shepard, Shirley Ash Tupper, Patty Jacobsen Spangler, Susan Armstrong Holmberg, Vicky Beall Hall, Dotty Smith Mahaffey, Ruthi Sundnes Winter, Barbara Bowen Quintana, Linda Rodstol Brice, Vinette Meduna Tichi, Nancy Noble Hammond

Though Colleen Grady could not make it to the Christmas brunch a week earlier, it was great to enjoy this picture of Kathy Braymer Shepard and Colleen that was shared on our class Facebook pages. Looking great you two!



Colleen Grady and Kathy Braymer Shepard

SAVE THE DATE:

Our 60TH Class reunion for the class of 1966 will be on Saturday 6/6/2026! So, mark your calendars. A group of us will work out the details...but it will be inexpensive and casual and we will be looking into the West Seattle Golf Course as our potential location. Look for more upcoming details on our two West Seattle Class of 1966 Facebook pages!

Our classmates who passed away in 2023... gone but never forgotten.

- Terri Ann (Warden) Geary 1/28/23
- David Green 9/28/23
- Bill Sauter 10/24/23



From Adelle Hermann Comfort: Thank you to all of the classmates who were willing to write their stories, or in other ways help me to compile this article. Thank you to our inimitable Kathy Braymer Shepard for always being the guiding light, and spell checker and copy editor!

For those who have not yet joined our Facebook pages, check us out at: West Seattle High School Class of 1966 West Seattle High School Women Class of 1966

WSHS 1965

By Class Reps Patti Cook Woeck and Patty Magnuson

Happy New Year to the class of "65" and your families.

We've made it through another year even through possible challenges. Some have had losses and others special times, weddings, births of grands or great grands. Some surgeries and some deaths of our most special friends. My most heartbreaking was the loss of our dear friend and classmate Vicki Herman Vaux...my sister from another mother. Vicki will be forever missed but now is dancing with her most loved Al Vaux. Happy in love eternally.

Please be safe healthy and strong this year of the Dragon!!! As always we look forward to our Alki time with any who can attend the Spud lunch at the beach. I'm sure there will be info when it's going to happen.

Let this year be your best ever!!!!

Until we meet at a reunion, lunch get together or hopefully NOT a funeral...

BE WELL!!

Patti Cook Woeck



Patty Magnuson celebrates her birthday at Salty's with Greg McPherson ('66)
Photo courtesy of Aly Hallberg

WSHS 1952

Photos Submitted by Class Rep Pauline Couch



Walt and Joyce Moody doing great in La Fayette, Louisiana. He's still sassy and full of puns



Dick Parret and his special lady Carol. Last year they were in Hawaii twice. How wonderful is that?



Jay and Millie Minert



The Coeur D Alene guys, Dave Calvin and Jay Minert at Jay's birthday celebration.



WSHS 1982

By Class Rep Aly Hallberg

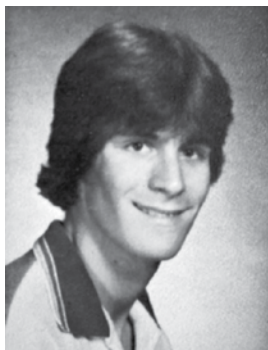
Awesome Crew of '82 often reunites with "mini reunions" after 2022's large 40th celebration

As we prepare our class article we are in the Year of the Dragon, a symbol for many of our classmates born in 1964. We held our collective 60th Birthday Bash at Tim's Tavern in White Center on April 28th.

During our 40th reunion it became clear that in the halls of West Seattle High School, we were not just classmates, we were part of an incredible shared experience throughout our formative years between 1979 to 1982. Amidst the hustle and bustle of teen life, our individual stories unfolded, adding layers of personal drama to our collective narrative. Forty-two years later we recognize that each of us grappled with unique struggles while striving to decipher the complexities of life. For those of you who attended the 40th Reunion or are staying involved by catching up with the Crew at one of the many mini-gatherings, stay involved! For those who have not yet attended one of these gatherings, they are group therapy for the soul. The best way to keep up with the class is on FB, the 40th reunion page, at WSHS Class of '82 40th reunion!,

Here's to the Awesome Crew of '82, forever bound by the indelible marks of West Seattle High School and the timeless connections we've forged. If you are interested in managing the Missing Class Mate list or writing our class article for the 2025 Alumni Chinook please contact alyhallberg@gmail.com. In the meantime check out Tim's Tavern listings and know that anytime a class mate is playing you will find friends from the halls of WSHS cheering them on.

Rob ("Robbie") Gee and Chris Rule were two of our class or "two of the Crew" that passed this year. Their memory shall forever be part of the legacy we carry forward.



Robbie Gee



Chris Rule



WSHS 1978

By Class Reps Denise Dawson Minnerly and Denette Wells

Hello Classmates: We hope that everyone is doing well & enjoying life!

We had a fun 45th Reunion @ The Bridge in June of 2023. It was fantastic to see everyone! It's a great way to stay in contact.

Keep an eye out for information on our 50th! Yes ... the 50th! It will be here before we know it! 2028 is right around the corner! Let's make it our largest gathering yet.

In Memory of the following classmates that sadly passed away in 2023: Susan Mangan, Cecelia Cross Belcross, Pam Kirkland, Kolleen Morrison Hedstrom & Barbara Hepworth.

Another reminder that we have our Class page on Facebook. If you join Facebook, send me a friend request then I can add you to the class page. If you want to check it out just type in West Seattle High School Class of 1978 in the search box. It's been a great place to post what is going on with our class & keep everyone connected in between reunions!

Here are a few photos from our 45th Reunion:

Sincerely,

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Nanette Ginsberg, Corri Frye Richter, Sandy Smith, Pam Law Nissen, Robin White Garcia, Jill Lacher Simmons, Kim Harwood Sagmoen, Theresa Picinich Samek & Michelle Herrera Carr



Danny Harris, John Braseth & Kirk Chapman



Denette Wells and Denise Dawson Minnerly

WSHS 1961

By Gail Gunderson Evans

Hello at long last, special classmates of WSHS class of 1961!

Bev and Elmo Lewis and Gerald Smith are our Class Reps, but I either offered or was asked to submit an article this year,

“Long time, no see”, as the old saying goes. Our move from the family home in 2016 to our new residence on Angle Lake in SeaTac has taken some of my attention away from former endeavors. A thick stack of mail awaits re-telling in what will be a very long class newsletter soon, I hope. Being a caregiver for my hubby of 58 years has taken precedence.

Last September, Bev and Elmo Lewis hosted a smaller class reunion at their lovely custom-built home facing Mt Si in North Bend. There were about 40 there, to be listed in the class letter; one has even since passed. Thanks to Judy Creevey and Linda Abbenhouse (maiden names) for being such willing supporters of all of our events.

For brevity's sake, I will just mention here those classmates who sent me Christmas mail for our next newsletter. I'll hit the highlights only. A card just arrived this weekend, the first in February, from Maggie Maginnis. She and her hubby live in Germany, and as you might remember, they met on her first weekend at WSU, I remember! I was there! I can still see the big bonfire on Greek Row, just like I used to see in old black and white movies of college life. Maggie is one of several dozen who have always kept in close touch. Sue Richardson is another faithful classmate.

I'll look through the cards received just this Christmas, and save more lengthy news for the next Class of 1961 letter (they are often about 20 sides of the paper!).

Bob and Kathy Young keep in close touch and historically, their Christmas greeting is in the form of Kathy's beautiful artwork and a short message. Bob and son David bought a 16-foot fishing boat, a hobby they share together.

Jeri Hatch is another faithful correspondent, and, sadly, became widowed this year. She has long had a hobby of spending time at Washington Memorial Park Cemetery, taking pictures for Find A Grave Online.

Ann Moody also became a widow this year, losing dear hubby and classmate Ron Riedasch. I attended his memorial at Westside Presbyterian, where a significant number of our classmates were members, growing up.

Another lovely artist is Mark Johnson's wife, Linda, who sends her custom Christmas cards each year. Mark, Ron and I grew up together at nearby First Lutheran Church.

Toni Thies keeps in touch at Christmas too. A newsletter with pictures usually accompanies the card. This year she embarked on a trip that had been 3 years in the planning, called “America's Heartland”.

For those of you who are on Facebook, you can see Linda Abbenhouse's wonderful travel pictures and travelogue explanations,

truly extraordinary.

George Goddard treated me to a fun afternoon of “sight-seeing” in Edmonds, where Dick and I first lived as newlyweds and I taught Language Arts at Lynnwood Junior High on 196th in Lynnwood. He has a gorgeous condo overlooking the Sound, which his wife has decorated beautifully. She is an artist too. They have identical twin grandsons, the pride of his life. George and I were in homeroom together all through high school.

Bev and Al Hanson, high school classmates and sweethearts, just like the Lewises and the Youngs, sent me a generous check for our next class newsletter. Many have donated in the last few years, so I need to get my act together!

Sherry Bonzon is in Cle Elum and always has much news. She drives over the Pass for most of our reunions. Like Jeri Hatch, she always includes an encouraging and uplifting spiritual message.

Bev and Elmo wrote “we are just 1 mile off I-90, so come visit when in North Bend”. It's a sincere invitation. They are gracious hosts.

Bob Holert always sends a family picture and usually a letter too, but not this year.

A proud Husky supporter, Judy Creevey, bless her heart, sends a check for our class letters every year. I think when I write our LONG class newsletter, I will dedicate each page to one of our thoughtful contributors.

Adele Drummond is another beautiful artist in our midst. Much of her outreach is through her church. I remember what a gifted seamstress she was in high school, and in particular the white wool straight skirt with the pleats at the back hem, which she made, maybe in Home Ec (I was lucky to crank out a cotton gathered skirt in 7th grade at Madison!).

Denny Kirkland sent a card and a cute message: “Yes, friends and family still call me Denny!” He looks just the same!

Merry Nye (born on Christmas Eve, hence the spelling), actually wrote me in October, but her letter was with my Christmas mail. Her best friend, Sue Bartel, passed away. Some of you may have seen Sue's posts on Facebook.

Sadly, more deaths of classmates to report. It is that stage of life where we will be seeing more loved ones pass away. Meanwhile, we cherish the memories of our childhood years, spent together in Wonderful West Seattle!

Keeping track of current addresses is a huge challenge. Meanwhile, I'll write you all soon.

Gail Gunderson Evans

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Senior Class Poem

The Class of 1924

from the 1924 Blue and Gold

The Senior Class of Twenty-four, that class so tried and true;
Must say “Goodbye,” dear West Side High, for now we're leaving you.
Perhaps we go forth far to roam, to work-or seek for fame;
But where we are, 'tho near or far, our love remains the same.
For looking back we still will see, down through the chain of years:
The four years fair we fashioned there, 'mid smiles and work and tears.
The dear old Study Hall will claim, remembrance all our days;
The State Debates, the stern mandates, the movies, songs and plays.
The pennants we have helped to win, the standards we've held high;
Now Twenty-five must keep alive, for we have said “Goodbye.”
We've said “Goodbye,” old school of ours, kind friend of days of yore;
And smiles are hid, for all must bid, farewell to Twenty-four.

Ethel Knowles

Catching Up With Coach



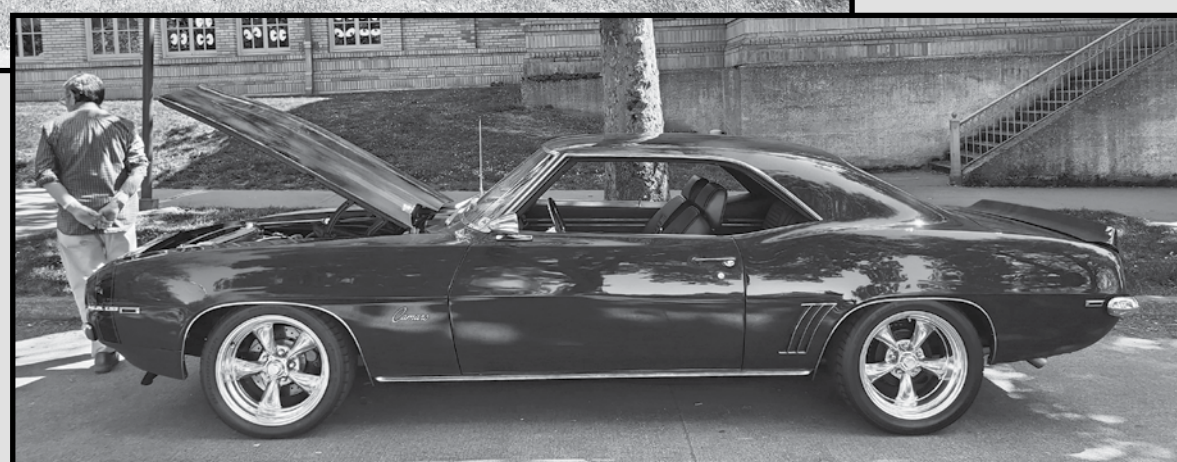
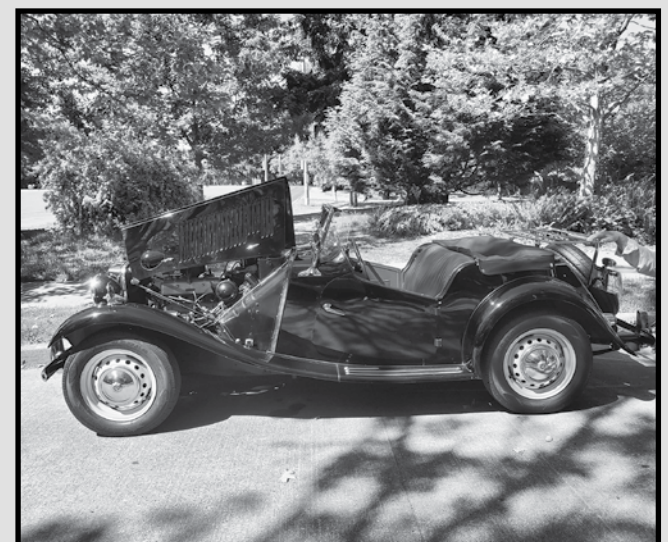
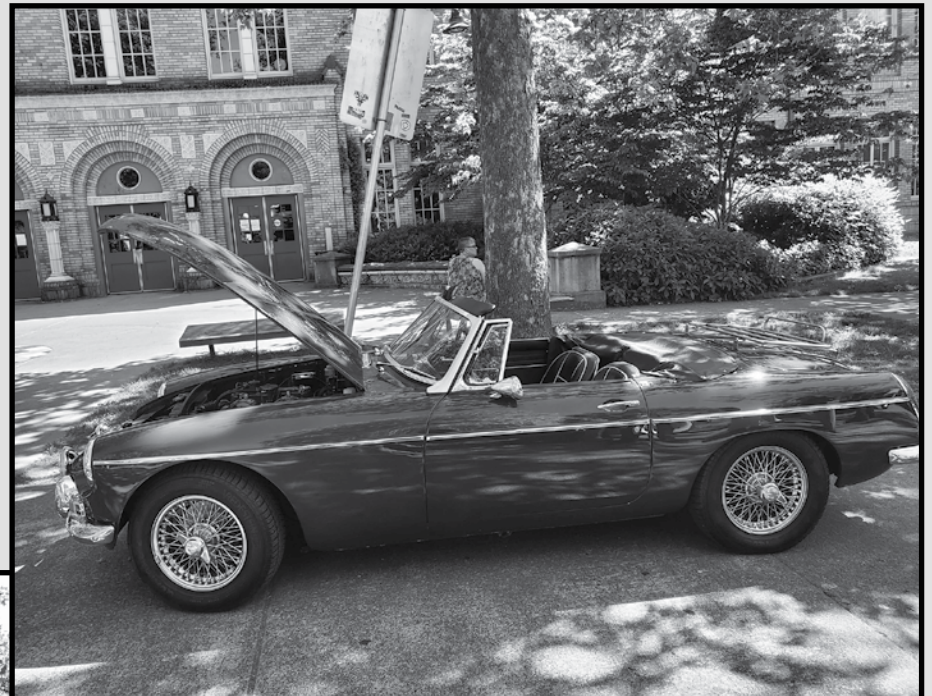
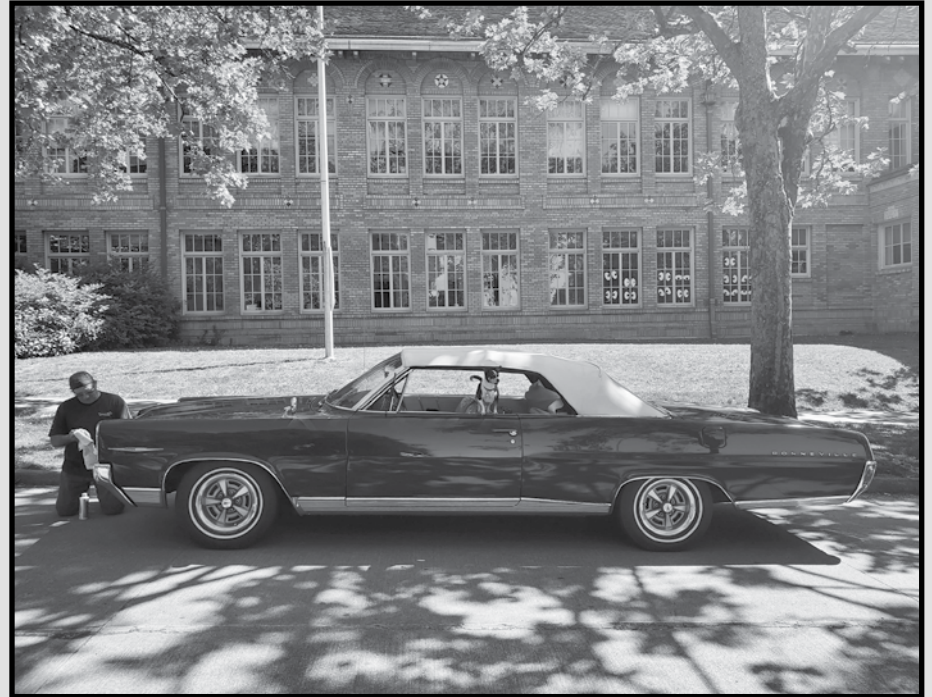
Aly Hallberg poses with her former basketball coach at the West Seattle Baseball Pony Fields. Coach Velko was there on opening day with members of his team to throw out the first pitch of 2013. Aly was said it was great to see him, and to introduce him to her son.


The Annual Classic Car Show

John Zitkovich, Class of 1960

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 to reminisce about "The Good Old Days".

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

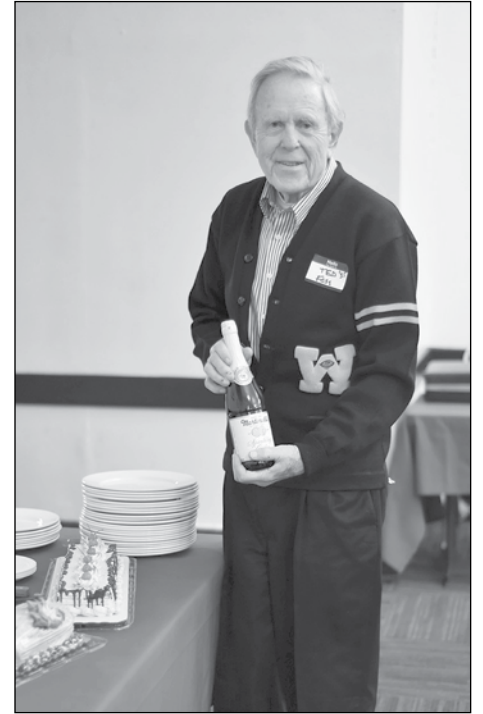




CLUBS

West Seattle Monogram Club

By Ted Foss and Dick Sleight



Club President Ted Foss, Class of '55

Another opportunity for great conversation, good food, and fellowship is the Monogram Club. First established in 1965, former West Seattle Indians (until the first Wildcats can begin joining us in the 2040s) meet four or five times each year. Our remaining lunchtime meetings this year are on June 6th, October 3rd, and December 5th.

Each Monogram Club meeting has a different theme or speaker, and while we love to talk high school, college, and pro sports, the friendly conversations around the tables let us hear about careers, travels, happy memories, and whatever else friends new and old care to share. This past year when we met on December 7th, some shared about their military service, and a few could recall that earlier Sunday that President Roosevelt called, "a day that will live in infamy." Club President (and U.S. Marine Major) Ted Foss, Class of '55 graduate and varsity football letterman, always hosts an enjoyable get-together.



Members of the Monogram Club



Often, we enjoy hearing from the West Seattle High School Athletic Director, and last August we had an amazing two-hours with UW and NFL quarterback Damon Huard.

Sure, he earned his two Super Bowl rings, "holding the clip board for Tom Brady," but what a treat it was for us to hear news and stories from such a well-placed insider.

Visit WSHS73.org/Monogram_Club/ to learn more about the Club and how to RSVP for one of our upcoming luncheons. You will be heartily welcomed.

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



West Seattle Monogram Club Continued

Each June, the Monogram Club invites scholarship winners, scholar-athletes from our school, to join us at the West Seattle Golf Course clubhouse to receive their scholarship certificates and to tell us about their own experiences competing for West Side High.

Here, All Metro gymnast Nancy (Rutherford) Sleight from the 1972 and 1973 teams, welcomes 2023 Monogram Club scholarship winners.



Allison Bennett, Mevina Ott, Nancy Rutherford Sleight, Lola Personett, Kailey Browne and Audrey Baler

And here, Kerry Tupper, varsity baseball letterman from the class of '65, and later a WSHS baseball coach, is joined by a few more of the scholarship awardees.



Axel Johnson, Mason Kallinger, Kerry Tupper and Chase Clifton

At the final club luncheon of the 2022-23 school year, we honored this year's recipients of Monogram Club scholarships. Club members enjoyed hearing from each graduating scholar athlete as club president Ted Foss presented them with their scholarship certificates. Awarding these scholarships is central to the mission of the Monogram Club.

Here are this year's scholarship award winners and the varsity sports in which they participated.

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|---|---|
| Audrey Baler: Volleyball | Mason Kallinger: Football |
| Allison Bennett: Soccer and Track & Field | Ethan Kelley: Cross Country and Track & Field |
| Kailey Browne: Gymnastics | Ryan Moore: Soccer |
| Elliott Burdett: Cross Country and Track & Field | Mevina Ott: Soccer and Track & Field |
| Chase Clifton: Basketball | Lola Personett: Soccer and Tennis |
| Grace Fitterer: Volleyball | Lachlan Swanson: Cross Country, Swimming & Diving, and Track & Field |
| Joud Inaimi: Head manager, Football | |
| Axel Johnson: Football and Track & Field | |



Ethan Kelley, Ted Foss and Elliott Burdett

Fun and Fellowship with Friends New and Old West Seattle High School's All School Reunion

The years between your own class reunions can extend to decades, and some classes meet less frequently than others. But there are regular events when West Seattle graduates can gather and remember the good times. Two such opportunities are the annual All School Reunion held the first Saturday each June at the school, and for varsity athletes who earned their "W" letters at least forty years ago, the Monogram Club welcomes you to our regularly scheduled luncheons at the West Seattle Golf Course clubhouse.

Before summer activities kick into high gear, and recognizing the end of another academic year, the All School Reunion hosted by the West Seattle Alumni Association welcomes back all of us to our alma mater. We may have fond memories of Lafayette, Jefferson, Schmitz Park, Fairmont, Gatewood, Genesee, Alki or another elementary school, and we did a lot of growing up at Madison, but many of us blossomed at West Seattle High School.



At the All School Reunion (ASR), special accommodations are made each June for the class celebrating its 50th year since graduation. And those classes which are most senior are afforded the comfortable (and quieter!) school library in which to meet. No two ASR Saturdays are the same. The Classic Car Show may look familiar, but which classmates you'll meet is always a surprise. And unlike many other class reunions, the ASR is free!



WSHS Student Life: Through the Decades

Track



1934



1974



2004

Cross Country



1964



1974

Football



1934



1954



1974



1994



2004

Gymnastics



1964



1984



2004



1974

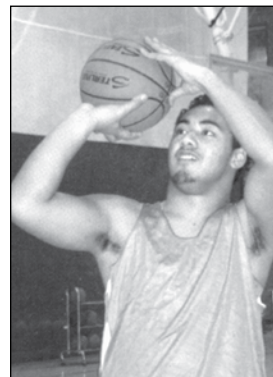
Basketball



1944



1964



2004



2014

Volleyball



1974



1994

Soccer



1984



2004



2014

Golf



1924



1974



1994

Baseball & Softball



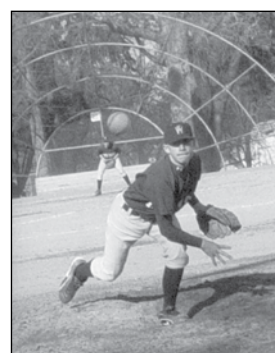
1934 Baseball



1964 Baseball



2004 Softball



2004 Baseball



2014 Baseball

WSHS Student Life: Through the Decades

Music



1924 Orchestra



1934 Orchestra



1954 Band



1964 Choir



1974 Orchestra



1984 Band

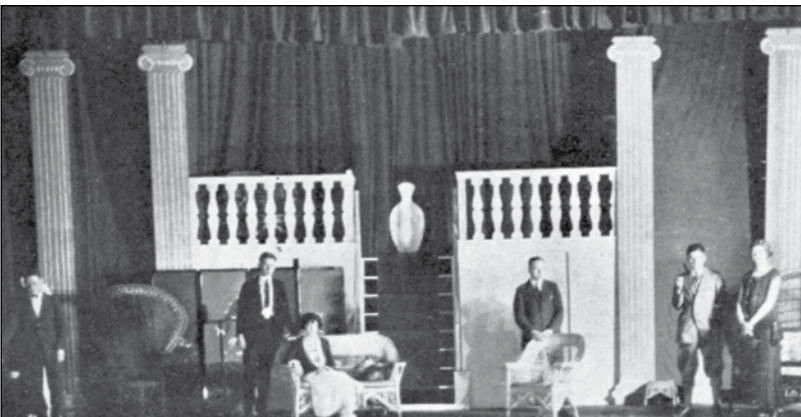


2004 Choir



2014 Band

Drama



1924



1934



1954



1964



1974



2014

Talent Show



1944



1954



1974



2014

WSHS Student Life: Through the Decades

Classes and Clubs



1924 Cherry Tops

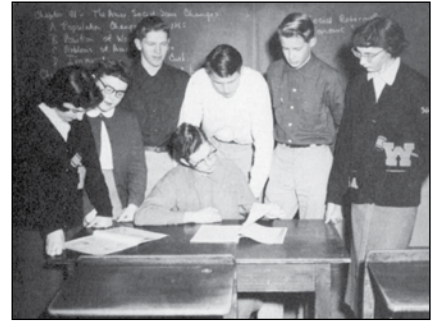


1934 Chinook Staff



Organized in late 1942, the Victory Corps has since become the veritable life organ of West Seattle. This group is responsible for supplying the other divisions with ideas for their groups, and also to bring in suggestions as to other activities the school can partake in to aid the war effort

1944 Victory Corps



1954 Debate



1964 Fencing



1974 IBACO Club



1974 Chess



2014 Key Club

Rooters Club / Cheer



1924 Rooters Club



1974 Cheer



1994 Cheer



2004 Cheer

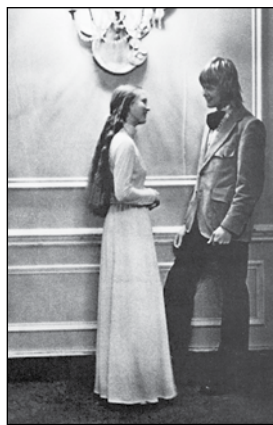
Prom, Tolo and Homecoming Dance



1964



1964



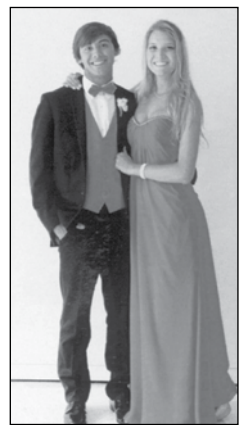
1974



1984



2004



2014

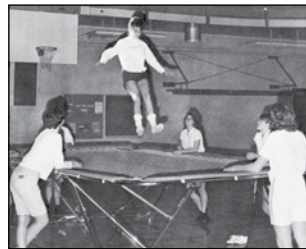
Student Life



1944



1954



1964



1974



1984



1994



2014



2004





OBITUARIES

Lou Whittaker

Class of 1947 and Hall of Fame Winner

Lou Whittaker, member of WSHS class of 1947 and Hall of Fame honoree, a member of the "First Family of Mountaineering" passed away on March 24, 2024 at his home in Ashford, WA. He was 95.

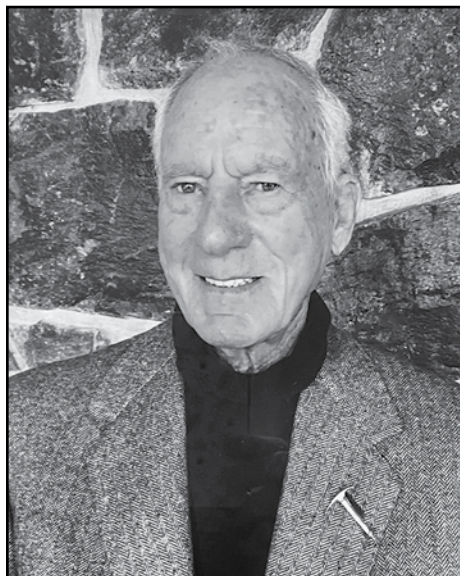
Lou (and his twin brother Jim) attended Fauntleroy Grade school and Madison Junior High. They began climbing mountains at the age of 12, completed their first summit of Mt. Rainier (the first of over 250 times ascending Rainier) at 16, and had climbed all of Washington's major peaks by age 18.

Both Whittaker brothers began to participate in mountain rescue work in 1948, just a year out of high school. In 1981, they led a search team up Rainier after an avalanche swept away 11 climbers. During the Korean War, the brothers were tapped to train an "elite group of soldiers", later named the 10th Mountain Division, in skills needed for alpine wartime missions.

Lou climbed most of the largest, most difficult mountains on earth. Besides Everest, he also ascended K2, Kanchenjunga and Denali, among others. Lou also led the first successful American team to summit the North Col of Mt Everest, in 1984.

In 1969, Lou helped found Rainier Mountaineering, Inc (RMI), a guide service dedicated to leading and training climbers. After 54 years, RMI continues to operate as the leading guide service on Rainier, training several generations of mountaineers and guides. A peak in Chelan County, Washington is named "Big Lou", in his honor.

Lou was famous for telling clients: "Some days you eat the mountain; some days the mountain eats you."



Lou Whittaker
Hall of Fame

*"Some days you eat
the mountain;
some days the
mountain eats you"*

Lois Jane Hastings

Class of 1945 and Hall of Fame Winner 1990



L. Jane Hastings

Less than a month after granting an interview with Karen Dobbs for an Alumni Chinook feature article (see pages 46 & 48) Lois Jane Hastings passed away suddenly in Seattle, after a brief hospitalization.

At the time of the interview, Jane, as she was familiarly known, was scheduled for a series of book signings for her recently-published autobiography. Her death on March 25, 2024, came 2 days before her latest signing event.

Jane Hastings was inducted into the WSHS Hall of Fame in 1990. Jane built her architecture firm, The Hastings Group, boasted an

award-winning portfolio of more than 500 projects, mostly in Seattle and the Pacific Northwest.

She was a leader with the American Institute of Architects locally, nationally and internationally. She was the first woman president of the Seattle chapter, the first woman Chancellor of the College of Fellows and the first person awarded the Northwest and Pacific Region Medal of Honor in 1980.

In 1989, Jane was selected to lead a group of women environmental planners and designers to China.

Jane's architectural influence included the redesign of the UW's Cunningham Hall and the award-winning Flaming Geyser Bridge, on which she collaborated with sculptor George Tsutakawa, as well as numerous homes and other structures over her long career.

Signe Ann Thorsen

Class of 1965



Signe Ann Thorsen

Signe Ann Thorsen died on September 27, 2023, in Steilacoom, Washington, at the age of 76, after almost a four-year battle with ovarian cancer.

Signe was born on January 28, 1947, in West Seattle, to Henry and Betty Thorsen. Her father was himself a graduate of West Seattle High School (class of 1938). Signe's brother, Jim Thorsen, was also a graduate of West Seattle High School (class of 1969).

Upon her graduation from West Seattle High School in 1965, Signe attended the University of Auckland in New Zealand for one year. Upon her return to the United States, Signe attended and graduated

from Western Washington University with Bachelor and Master of Arts degrees in Psychology in 1969 and 1971.

Signe then had a long and distinguished career as a Human Resources Director serving cities and community colleges. This included serving as the Personnel Director for the cities of Merced and Chula Vista, California; the Assistant Chancellor, Human Resources for the San Mateo Community College District; and the Director of Human Resources for Monterey Peninsula College.

Signe, however, was more than her career. Signe loved to create art throughout her life. Signe's interests in art ranged from photography (learning photography from her father) to calligraphy to videography to sketching. Signe won several awards for her calligraphy and photography. Signe was collaborating on her 11th consecutive book of 100 days of sketching with one of her long-time sketching friends when she died. Signe's videography of her travels around the world can still be found on YouTube. And Signe loved learning about Asian cultures. While Signe and Gary lived in the San Francisco Bay Area, Signe studied reading, writing, and speaking Mandarin for over ten years. And on a bi-weekly basis, Signe played Mahjong with friends and exercised using tai chi.

Signe met and married Gary Goelitz in 1984. Together, Signe and Gary traveled the world including ocean cruises from Hong Kong to Athens, Oslo to New York, Lima to London, London to New York, Lisbon to Cape Town, Puerto Rico to Barcelona, and Rio de Janeiro to Santiago; river cruises in China, Portugal, Myanmar, and Germany; walking tours of Tuscany, the Cotswold's, and the Basque Country in Spain; safaris in Kenya, Tanzania, and South Africa; and land tours of Italy, Norway, France, Iceland, Greenland, Scotland, Morocco, New Zealand, Australia, India, and Tahiti. Signe had happy feet.

Signe is as generous in death as she was in life. Signe's estate is funding an endowment at the College of Engineering, University of Washington to provide financial assistance, based upon financial need, to undergraduate students who are pursuing a degree in engineering. Signe's estate will also be funding a renewable scholarship with the West Seattle High School Alumni Association.

Pauline Popplereiter Couch

Co-Class Rep of 1952



Pauline Popplereiter Couch

Pauline Faye Poppelreiter Couch was born April 26, 1934 to Paul and Helen Poppelreiter in Anacortes, Washington. She passed away peacefully April 13, 2024 in the company of family and friends at the hospital in Anacortes. When she was a small child her family moved from Anacortes to the Alki area in Seattle. She loved the beach where she spent much of her time as a child. She graduated from West Seattle High School and the University of Washington. In 1954 she married Jake Ellis Couch, they had two children, Tim and Teri. She taught junior high English at Meany Junior High School in the 1960s.

Jake, Pauline and the family shared many adventures including weekends and holidays at the cabin built by Jake near Crystal Mountain. In 1974 they bought a 50 acre farm near Duvall where they learned to care for farm animals (sheep, cows, chickens and horses) and Pauline developed a love of gardening. They enjoyed traveling, with several trips to Europe, Asia and Mexico. In 2002 Jake and Pauline moved to West Seattle where they enjoyed being closer to old friends. And, in 2018 after Jake's death in 2016, Pauline moved back to the Anacortes area and the beach she loved, purchasing a home on Guemes Island.

Eleanore Virginia "Ellie" Riddell

Class of 1939



Eleanore "Ellie" Comeaux Riddell
February 16, 1921-September 8, 2023

A beloved mother, grandmother and great-grand mother: longtime Anacortes resident Eleanore V. "Ellie" Riddell of Newberg, Ore. Died Sept 8, 2023 at age 102 and 1/2. She passed away at Willamette Valley Medical Center in McMinnville, Ore. as a result of a sudden respiratory ailment.

She was adored by her entire family - to whom she was deeply devoted - and admired by many as a spunky gal who lived life to the fullest. Her Christian faith brought her through many challenges -particularly the loss of four family members (her husband, a son, and a son-in-law and daughter-in-law) in 1981 from a plane crash in Alaska. She maintained an optimistic and energetic attitude toward life despite such an overwhelming tragedy.

Ellie was born Feb. 16, 1921 in Seattle, Wash., to Isaac and Ella (Sully) Comeaux. She grew up in West Seattle, and at the time of her death was likely the oldest living alumnus of West Seattle High School as a member of the Class of 1939.

Ellie graduated from the University of Washington and she became one of the first women engineers at Boeing Aircraft. It was at the university that she met her husband Norm Riddell, who eventually had a dental practice of many years in Juneau, Alaska. She and Norm retired in 1979 to Anacortes, and over the years Ellie lived in both Seattle and Anacortes until she moved to Newberg in 2020 to live with family.

In both Anacortes and Newberg she became a local celebrity of sorts because of the long walks she enjoyed even at her very advanced age. Even until just two months ago, she was walking a full mile nonstop every day at the indoor track in Newberg. Her mind remained sharp to the end and she especially enjoyed following both financial and political news daily.

In addition to her husband Norm, Ellie was preceded in death by son and daughter-in-law, Randy and Judy Riddell; son-in-law Rob Mourant and brothers Justin and Ted Comeaux.

She is survived by son and daughter-in-law Richard and Johanna Riddell of Canning, Nova Scotia, Canada; daughter and son-in-law Sandra and John Fortmeyer of Newberg; six grandchildren - Ryan, David and Megan Fortmeyer, Laura Olson, and Malcolm and Ophelia Riddell; nine great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Joan Muir Batson King

Co-Class Rep of 1952



Joan Muir Batson King
June 25, 1934-January 5, 2024

Joan Muir Batson was born on June 25, 1934 to Phil and Melba (Muir) Batson in Seattle, and passed away peacefully in the company of family and friends on January 5, 2024.

She was proud of her old West Seattle family, who first came to the Alki Beach area in 1919. She grew up in the Admiral district, but spent much of her time with her Grandmother, Martha Muir, who owned restaurants at Alki and later the Junction, one of which was located at the current site of the Great American Diner.

Joan attended Lafayette Elementary, Madison Junior High, and West Seattle High School, from which she graduated

in 1952. Her father, a Civil Defense official at the time, was posted to Washington, DC, so Joan spent her sophomore year attending high school in Alexandria, VA.

After briefly attending the UW, Joan left school to marry Ralph Seamens ('50), and embarked on her true vocation: wife, mother, as well as a vocal and active member of her community. For many years, she was active in the West Seattle Hi-Yu, the West Seattle Art Club, the YWCA, Girl Scouts, and other organizations. Joan belonged to the West Seattle (now Admiral) UCC in West Seattle, and later Bellevue First Congregational Church, where she added her beautiful voice to their choir. Joan proactively raised her three daughters to be strong, independent woman (and college graduates!), and good mothers as well. No one could surpass her in entertaining, whether it was a picnic on the beach or a pull-out-all the-stops family holiday dinner, and doing it with, as many people have observed, so much elegance.

In 1977, Joan married Robert King, sharing a blended family, beautiful homes, and many trips and adventures on their boat, The Sceptre. After Bob's untimely death in 1994, Joan left their house in Bellevue and purchased her own home at Providence Point in Issaquah where she resided until health issues prevailed.

While serving on the planning committee for their 50th high school reunion in 2002, Joan became re-acquainted with Tom Knapp, a fellow classmate from 1952, and they were together, sharing more trips and adventures, until her passing.

DECEASED LIST (as of 3/13/2024)

Faculty

John-Carl Davis
John-Carl passed away February 18, 2023 (WSHS Teacher in the 1980s)

Nancy Ellingham (AKA Van Arsdel & Pennell)
Nancy passed away June 9, 2023 (WSHS Assistant Principal 1988-1995)

Katherine Fovargue Olson
Katherine passed away October 29, 2023 (Madison Jr. High Language Arts Teacher in the 1960s)

Class of 1939

Comeaux, Eleanore "Ellie" Riddell,
Ellie passed away September 8, 2023

Class of 1940

Legg, Wanda Dray
Wanda passed away August 14, 2023

Class of 1941

Peterson, Arvid, D.
Arvid passed away October 27, 2019

Class of 1942

Roberts, Ann Gulbranson
Ann passed away July 26, 2023

Class of 1943

Bell, Jaque Good
Jaque passed away October 7, 2023

Benedict, Charles
Charles passed away July 30, 2023

Moe, Betty McKenzie
Betty passed away in November 2023

Class of 1944

Barr, Peggy Sample
Peggy passed away October 3, 2023

Good, Dan
Dan passed away April 11, 2007

Hart, Margaret Hazeltine
Margaret passed away April 12, 2023

Reiman, Betty Coon
Betty passed away October 24, 2020

Sweazey, Patricia Nelson
Patricia passed away October 28, 2023

Windom, Robert
Robert passed away May 8, 2023

Class of 1945

Benedict, Delbert
Delbert passed away in March 2023

Hastings, L. Jane
Jane passed away September 25, 2022

Sealand, Jeanne Swimme
Jeanne passed away March 25, 2024

Turner, Molly Chase
Molly passed away July 21, 2023

Wise, Elaine Townsend
Elaine passed away December 13, 2023

Class of 1946

Neudorfer, Beverly McCourt
Beverly passed away September 27, 2023

Class of 1947

Babcock, Patricia
Patricia passed away January 25, 2023

Dow, Joan
Joan passed away March 1, 2023

March, Shirley Marcus
Shirley passed away July 4, 2023

Monahan, Joe

Joe passed away in November 2023

Whittaker, Lou
Lou passed away March 24, 2024

Class of 1949

Latta, John
John passed away February 4, 2023

Zoffel, Joan
Joan passed away June 14, 2023

Class of 1950

Acey, David
David passed away April 13, 2021

Alger, Beverly
Beverly passed away 9/26, 2023

Emory, Gayle Shepard
Gayle passed away November 12, 2022

Schwartz, Henry
Henry passed away December 8, 2022

Simundson, Luther
Luther passed away December 11, 2023

Zabel, Marie Johnson
Marie passed away September 27, 2023

Class of 1951

Bruck, Robert
Robert passed away December 11, 2023

Dinkelman, Wayne
Wayne passed away February 22, 2024

Elliston, Roy
Roy passed away May 3, 2023

Gafner, Haines Jr
Haines passed away November 16, 2022

Mann, Huntley Jr
Huntley passed away December 20/23

Shaver, James Sr.

James passed away September 24, 2023

Styrk, Walfrid "Wally"
Wally passed away December 22, 2023

Class of 1952

Batson, Joan King
Joan passed away January 5, 2024

Denos, Thalia
Thalia passed away October 13, 2023

Partee, Duane
Duane passed away February 24, 2023

Poppelreiter, Pauline Couch
Pauline passed away April 13, 2024

Sparks, Bill
Bill passed away February 15, 2022

Winter, Alice Whitmore
Alice passed away June 13, 2022

Class of 1953

Bryce, Annette Miller
Annette passed away July 11, 2023

Buchanan, Leeann Farrell
Leeann passed away January 19, 2024

Butler, Michael
Michael passed away May 10, 2023

McAdams, Janice Johnson
Janice passed away April 7, 2023

Pelletier, Mary Nelson
Mary passed away April 4, 2023

Perkins, Darcia Doxie
Darcia passed away April 10, 2023

Rovig, Claudia
Claudia passed away April 25, 2023

Wallbom, Connie Burke
Connie passed away January 25, 2024

DECEASED LIST Continued

Class of 1954

Bateman, Alice Rasmussen
Alice passed away August 23, 2022

Duncan, Donald
Donald passed away April 19, 2020

Eckberg, Ed
Ed passed away February 26, 2023

Elwood, Robert "Bob"
Bob passed away February 23, 2023

Minnehan, Robert
Robert passed away February 15, 2022

Picknell, Robert
Robert passed away August 8, 2023

Shoemaker, Robert
Robert passed away February 15, 2023

Class of 1955

Anderson, Michael
Michael passed away September 27, 2023

Anderson, Nancy Rackleff
Nancy passed away October 19, 2022

Ayers, George "Dan"
Dan passed away September 7, 2023

Barnes, Myra Kokoszka
Myra passed away August 4, 2022

Bergstrom, James
James passed away December 9, 2022

Campbell, Judy Hancock
Judy passed away May 13, 2022

Devenny, Gordon
Gordon passed away in May 2022

Dowdell, Betty
Betty passed away April 12, 2023

Hagstrom, Carl
Carl passed away February 16, 2023

La Mear, Clifford
Clifford passed away May 14, 2023

McRory, Edwin
Edwin passed away in April 2023

Price, James
James passed away in January 2024

Salstrom, Ruthann Townsend
Ruthann passed away May 4, 2022

Shaw, William
William passed away May 15, 2023

Thatcher, Marilyn McCarrell
Marilyn passed away April 18, 2023

Class of 1956

Anderson, Gerald "Jerry"
Jerry passed away September 26, 2023

Bohn, Dudley
Dudley passed away November 10, 2022

De Matis, Rosalie Cardinal
Rosalie passed away September 27, 2023

Gromer, Audrey Berg
Audrey passed away February 2, 2024

Jackson, Judy Lamont
Judy passed away January 24, 2024

Larson, Howard
Howard passed away January 21, 2023

McGreen, Wally
Wally passed away March 19, 2022

Taylor, Darlene "Camille" Patha
Camille passed away December 19, 2023

Thornquist, Ronald "Moonie"
Moonie passed away September 14, 2023

Umland, Harold
Harold passed away October 31, 2023

Vert, David
David passed away October 13, 2023

Walton, Kathleen Birkland
Kathleen passed away in June 2022

Class of 1957

Connell, Ann Rice
Ann passed away March 17, 2023

Davis, Mary Kramer
Mary passed away June 21, 2022

Ferkingstad, Edwin
Edwin passed away October 22, 2023

Garrison, Tommy Sue Paluch
Tommy passed away March 9, 2023

May, Ron
Ron passed away February 11, 2023

Purvis, Joan Doggett
Joan passed away May 13, 2023

Roskie, Helen Odegard
Helen passed away May 12, 2023

Schmitt, Donald
Donald passed away in 2017

Shulkin, Michael
Michael passed away January 21, 2023

Class of 1958

Canfield, Paige
Paige passed away December 2022

Carlson, George
George passed away November 21, 2023

Dahl, Mary Alice Peterson
Mary passed away in September 2023

Hanrahan, Betty Leckband
Betty passed away July 31, 2023

Howe, Maxine Sprinkle
Maxine passed away in 2019

Jensen, Arvid
Arvid passed away December 25, 2023

Johnson, Karen Jhoh
Karen passed away in 2022

Le Master, Mike
Mike passed away May 23, 2023

Mack, Rodney
Rodney passed away October 31, 2023

Moore, Darlene MacDonald
Darlene passed away January 29, 2024

Morris, Jack
Jack passed away in 2023

Reichle, Larry
Larry passed away November 22, 2023

Stariha, Paul
Paul passed away August 18, 2022

Treadwell, Gary
Gary passed away May 13, 2023

Class of 1959

Anderson, Linda Jordan
Linda passed away November 16, 2023

Bostrom, Diane Jackson
Diane passed away in October 2023

Finnie, Joseph
Joseph passed away December 3, 2022

Hickerson, Claudia Moter
Claudia passed away August 14, 2021

Kvalheim, Donna Janaszak
Donna passed away June 30, 2023

Pelletier, Molly Newman
Molly passed away March 14, 2023

Weaver, Jerry
Jerry passed away in February 2023

Class of 1960

Bookter, Joe
Joe passed away November, 2023

French, Jack
Jack passed away April 30, 2023

Garvin, Margaret "Irene" Roline
Irene passed away April 21, 2023

Helmlinger, Robert
Robert passed away May 6, 2022

Holsman, Keith
Keith passed away April 12, 2023

Kopp, Joyce Logan
Joyce passed away November 29, 2022

Moter, Leo
Leo passed away January 5, 2024

Oakes, Gary
Gary passed away December, 2022

Reynolds, Dick
Dick passed away August, 2023

Class of 1961

Fournier, Alan
Alan passed away April 27, 2023

Hathaway, Margaret "Sue" Liff
Sue passed away March 22, 2023

Marchand, Mary Koenes
Mary passed away April 17, 2022

Nute, Virginia Lemmon
Virginia passed away November 7, 2023

Pickett, Ronald
Ronald passed away May 10, 2023

Class of 1962

Beaty, Nancy Robinson
Nancy passed away August 14, 2023

Lammiman, Forrest
Forrest passed away November 7, 2023

Maning, Helen Almy
Helen passed away November 24, 2023

McPike, Bonnie Kisbye-Ingram
Bonnie passed away February 5, 2024

Nokes, Earl Jr "Gene"
Gene passed away August 17, 2023

Pontius, Robert
Robert passed away November 12, 2022

Walker, Patricia "Patti" Brown
Patti passed away April 21, 2023

Class of 1963

Bigelow, Wes
Wes passed away 5/16/22

Briglio, Charlene McDougall
Charlene passed away February 22, 2023

Folino, Paul (Hall of Fame)
Paul passed away October 14, 2023

Glover, Margie Finnie (Scholarship Committee)
Margie passed away May 5, 2023

McLellan, Janet Cochran
Janet passed away February 19, 2023

Schwanke, Doxie Iverson
Doxie passed away November 29, 2023

Class of 1964

Anderson, John
John passed away February 19, 2023

Fitch, Leslie "Les"
Les passed away 3/13, 2023

McKinnon, Janet Dugan
Janet passed away January 27, 2024

Nelson, James
James passed away June 10, 2023

Class of 1965

Baake, Patricia Smith
Patricia passed away October 4, 2023

Barker, Linda Gosser
Linda passed away in 2023

Dodson, Jay
Jay passed away February 20, 2022

Dortero, Mary Elliott
Mary passed away in October 2022

Grayson, Keith
Keith passed away 3/30, 2023

Hermann, Vicki Vaux
Vicki passed away December 6, 2023

March, Paul
Paul passed away September 7, 2023

Mitchell, Mark
Mark passed away May 19, 2023

Sperry, Shelley Carr
Shelley passed away January 6, 2023

Thorsen, Signe
Signe passed away September 27, 2023

Turner, Ron
Ron passed away June 3, 2023

Class of 1966

Green, David
David passed away in September 2023

Huntley, James
James passed away March 29, 2023

Lezon, John
John passed away July 17, 2022

Sauter, Bill
Bill passed away October 24, 2023

Class of 1967

Ferrel, Sharilyn
Sharilyn passed away July 26, 2023

Hereford, Robert "Bob"
Bob passed away June 9, 2023

Larson, Gail Kent
Gail passed away January 3, 2023

Nevermann, Karlen Gunderson
Karlen passed away November 17, 2023

Class of 1968

Callow, Michael
Michael passed away September 3, 2023

Days, Douglas
Douglas passed away August 7, 2023

Mousset, David
David passed away June 7, 2023

Class of 1969

Davis, Sharon Maurer
Sharon passed away March 3, 2021

Ihrig, Darrallee Pavey
Darrallee passed away December 26, 2023

Class of 1970

Newcomb, Christine "Chris"
Chris passed away November 11, 2022

Class of 1971

Anderson, Steve "Andy"
Andy passed away October 16, 2023

Kennedy, Dave
Dave passed away March 7, 2023

Knopp, Laird
Laird passed away November 2, 2023

Reed, Rochelle
Rochelle passed away January 13, 2024

Class of 1972

Cramer, Paulette Aldrich
Paulette passed away August 19, 2023

Irvin, Julie Georgetti
Julie passed away March 5, 2023

Jones, Guy
Guy passed away September 28, 2018

Stacey, Garth
Garth passed away 4/21, 2023

Warnes, Donna Ridley
Donna passed away in January 2024

Class of 1974

Glasscock, Gary
Gary passed away June 26, 2023

Heald, Jeff
Jeff passed away January 3, 2024

Moore, Barbara Portanova
Barbara passed away May 12, 2023

Spadoni, Elizabeth "Betty"
Betty passed away January 31, 2023

Class of 1975

Hendry, John Paul
John passed away February 3, 2023

Schaefer, Patti Newman
Patti passed away January 16, 2024

Wallace, Michael "Mike"
Mike passed away February 26, 2023

Class of 1976

Vassilatos, Aspasia
Aspasia passed away May 31, 2023

Class of 1977

Nies, Michael "Mike"
Mike passed away August 11, 2023

Class of 1978

Cross, Cecelia Bellcross
Cecelia passed away June 11, 2023

Kirkland, Pam
Pam passed away June 20, 2023

Mangan, Susan
Susan passed away May 5, 2023

Morrison, Kolleen Hedstrom
Kolleen passed away September 18, 2023

Class of 1979

Anderson, Mary Shelton
Mary passed away January 20, 2024

Sheldon, Ronald
Ronald passed away December 22, 2022

Class of 1980

Freeman, Jeff
Jeff passed away March 23, 2023

Padden, Michael
Michael passed away June 28, 2023

Class of 1982

Gee, Robert
Robert passed away January 15, 2024

Rule, Chris
Chris passed away in 2023

Class of 1983

Nickalaski, Royce
Royce passed away December 8, 2022

Smith, Ron
Ron passed away February 29, 2024

Class of 1992

Co, Jocelyn Coo
Jocelyn passed away May 8, 2023

Class of 1993

Anders, Leo Scott
Leo passed away June 9, 2023

Class of 1994

Howard, Heather
Heather passed away August 19, 2023

Sampson, Shawnette
Shawnette passed away November 26, 2022

Terrana, Jill Ferraro
Jill passed away October 4, 2023

Class of 1995

Fazio, Brant
Brant passed away in November 2023

Class of 2003

Tomaselli, Tyler
Tyler passed away February 12, 2023

*"If I had a flower
for every time I thought of you
I could walk through
my garden forever."*

Alfred Tennyson



TRANSITIONS

West Seattle Favorite Things

By Terese (Anderson) Machmiller, Class of 1980



This past year has brought about a few changes for me, and I find many of my current projects have community engagement at their center. And in fact, West Seattle has its own special brand of community engagement - a vibrant and enduring one. Those of us who have been lucky enough to experience West Seattle as a resident can attest to the many overlapping layers of community and history and culture. West Seattle High Alumni members share the commonality of having lived our coming-of-age years in this community, and many of the institutions that were present in my high school days are still thriving today, from Husky Deli to Spud Fish & Chips to Colman Pool.

One current project is nurturing the start of a small vacation rental and art gallery space atop our new garage near the Alaska Junction. Our mission is to connect guests to the many amazing West Seattle people, shops, cafes, galleries, small businesses, community services, parks and beaches that make our peninsula so extraordinary. I started a list to keep track, which I've dubbed MachLoft Favorite Things. (Drop a note to machloft.98116@gmail.com if you'd like to be kept abreast of upcoming MachLoft Guest House & Gallery events.)

Another audience who might enjoy MachLoft Favorite Things, in addition to our guests, is our West Seattle High School alumni members - those receiving travelers into the area, or traveling back to the area for school reunions.

The challenge I'm finding is that this is becoming a seemingly endless list! So I've come to think of it as an ongoing work in progress, and decided to offer to our Chinook readers a glimpse of this ever-growing list, with an invitation to chime in with additions. Those of you who have special spots you'd love to share are invited to pass them to either the Alumni mailbox (wshsaa.98116@gmail.com), or to MachLoft (machloft.98116@gmail.com) to be considered for inclusion. Who knows, maybe we'll add a section to our alumni website (<https://wshsaa.org/>)!

1. **Alhadeff Grill** <https://southseattle.edu/food-dining/alhadeff-grill> <https://www.instagram.com/southseattlecollegeculinary/> Check out this gem of a spot in the heart of South Seattle College, where culinary students will wow you with their inspiration, with menus uniquely designed by the students in line with their curriculum. Call 206.934.6735 or email AlhadeffGrill@seattlecolleges.edu for arrangements.

2. **Alki Arts**: <https://www.alkiarts.com/> Owned and operated by our own Diane (Begunoff) Venti, Class of '80 Rep, this sometimes semi-permanent, sometimes pop-up studio is currently located in the Morgan Junction. In addition to featuring a monthly rotation of talented local artists' works, the calendar contains live music concerts, paint-and-sip workshops, and other events. Topped off with Diane's gregarious hospitality, it's a wonderful spot!

3. **ArtsWest Gallery & Playhouse**: www.artswest.org ArtsWest draws performers nationwide, and provides culturally relevant and thought-provoking material as we all try to make sense of this ever-changing world. I have been a volunteer since its founding in the mid-90's, when the old Meredith's Drug Store was gutted and replaced with this shining, state-of-the-art theater and art gallery space.

4. **Bali's Himalayan** <https://www.balishimalayan.com/> (a pop-up within Alaska Jcn Puerto Villarta), he offers fresh local honeycomb and other unique delicacies. He can also be found at Farmer's Markets and street fairs.

5. **Consignments**. I love the constantly rotating,



one-off finds that lurk in the many consignment shops here on the peninsula. Along California Avenue from north to south, these include Zelda Zonk, Cherry Consignment, Funky Janes, Senior Center Thrift, American Cancer Society Thrift, Antique Mall, and Doll Collection. I've discovered amazing pieces from each of these places.

6. **C&P Coffee House**. <https://candpcoffee.com/> This converted house was slated for demolition to make way for a commercial development project, until a GoFundMe raised enough money for owners to purchase the space. Many indoor and outdoor spaces offer lots of spots to socialize and enjoy coffee, tea, beer and wine. We had a reunion party here a few years back, and the space was amazing, affordable and entailed super easy setup.



7. **Husky Deli**. <https://www.huskydeli.com/> A West Seattle institution since 1932. Jack Miller, current proprietor, is just the latest of a multi-generation family business. They make their ice cream from scratch in their back room! My family is addicted to cappuccino chip, but all flavors rock. Great sandwiches, lovely candy bar, gourmet bits for the cupboard, in a space reminiscent of a Bavarian shop.

8. **Easy Street**. <https://easystreetonline.com/> Be sure to tour the space - start in the CD section (entry closest to corner), head to the back southwest stairway leading to the upper deck containing a vast vintage album collection and newly, a tiny bar and lounge loft. Descend the northern staircase and you're in the cafe and espresso bar portion. Good food, and on decent days the garage door rolls up to better connect you to passersby. Additional outdoor seating allows you to people-watch during the weekly Farmer's Market and annual Hiyu Parade and street fair.



9. **Fleurt Collective**. <https://fleurtcollective.com/> Local young alumni member and entrepreneur Keonii Maneha (West Seattle High Class of 2010) owns and operates this delightful shop alongside her mom Samantha Crowley. Set in a sweet space in the Alaska Junction, they source intriguing and lovely home decor and personal care items. My daughters and I are frequent shoppers, selecting gifts of (and treating ourselves to) lovely bits, from striking clothing pieces to everlasting candles to soaps, lotions and oils, and unique house plants.



West Seattle Favorite Things Continued

10. Marination Ma Kai & Water Taxi. <https://marinationmobile.com/>

Marination is the perfect blend of quick, delicious food and drink on a casual patio, with breathtaking water and city views, and sits right on the way to and from the water taxi which will ferry you to several spots on the downtown waterfront. We love Marination's Mai Kai and Jalapeño Fizz cocktails; fish & chips, street tacos, loco mocos with all the sauces; and their iconic, highly addictive shave ice over ice cream any time of the day! The water taxi transports walk-on passengers to two stops in downtown Seattle, a wonderful way to visit Pike Place Market and surrounding areas without having to drive and park.



11. Panterelli Patisserie. @panterelliwestseattle Award-winning chef Jacques Nawar, owner/operator of the recently closed Pizzeria Credo for the last many years, has opened the country's potentially first shop



specializing in French eclairs and choux. What's a choux, you ask? Drop in, order one and find out! With Jacques' old world charm, french bistro music and vibe and Illy espresso accompanying these gorgeous and delicious concoctions, your senses will be dazzled.



Photos courtesy of Gordon Schwenk

12. **Parks & Beaches.** I include a more detailed run down in my guest book, but for space limitations here, suffice to say you can pack a wonderful day full of park and beach hopping within just a few mile radius. These include Alki, Camp Long, Hiawatha, Jack Block, Me-Kwa-Mooks, Lowman/Lincoln (with the epic Colman Pool), Schmitz and Solstice parks and beaches.



13. **Rainier Hair Studio**, <https://www.rainierhairstudio.com/>, is new to West Seattle in 2022, owned, operated and staffed by West Seattle locals. Located a mile or so south on California Ave in the former long-time Illusions Hair Design space, they are usually available at short notice - convenient for travelers! They offer a sliding price scale to fit your choice of service - a quick trim? Full-on style job? They've got you.

14. **Senior Center of West Seattle**, sc-ws.org, is a well-resourced community gem in a beautiful space in the Alaska Junction. Live entertainment, cafe/diner, computer tech assist, exercise classes and many more offerings provide a welcoming, supportive spot to check out. (Non-seniors and non-members are welcome!)

15. **Spud Fish & Chips.** An Alki Beach institution that I bet resonates in our collective high school memories - all the way back to 1935. In my teens, I worked next door at then Taco Time, and the staff of both restaurants enjoyed trading meals.



Dave's Brainbox - The Story of Dave Ullin

By Bruce Thomason, Class of 1962



Dave Ullin
Class of 1960

Dave's Brainbox is a truly phenomenal story about the late Dave Ullin a 1960 graduate of West Seattle High School. Dave was the son of legendary UW football player and later West Seattle High School football coach Carl "Woody" Ullin. Upon graduation, Dave was in the United States Coast Guard followed by working in Alaska as a logger and troller.

Prior to moving to Bainbridge Island, Dave was often seen either walking up Admiral Way carrying his large canvas tool bag or working in the boatyards on the Duwamish river. He was without doubt, one of the quietest, kindest and strongest men I have ever known.

My friend and author of Dave's Brainbox is Joel Sackett. His advanced studies in photography reads like a who's who in the world of photography. He spent a decade there and worked as an editorial photographer for numerous magazines around the world

and published a number of his own books. He moved to Bainbridge Island with intentions of staying for a year or two at the latest. He definitely must have liked what he saw, as 30 years later he's still there.

Dave's actual Brainbox is a waterproof Pelican-type case slightly larger than the 3' by 5" cards on which Dave would write and rewrite his thoughts on numerous subjects.

Dave passed peacefully on May 13, 2017 at the age of 74.

Dave was known and loved by generations of Bainbridge Island residents. He lived aboard his boat for decades and was a true environmentalist in keeping the waterways pristine. Like his father, he was and still is a legendary figure.

There is so much more to learn about Dave and you may want to consider purchasing a copy of Joel Sackett's book.

In his honor, Eagle Harbor Open Water Marina was renamed Dave Ullin Open Water Marina.

June Preston - Child Star and Opera Singer

By Sabrina Pires (Daughter of June Preston)

June Preston, class of 1947, was a Hollywood child star who went on to become a distinguished opera singer and, at the tender age of 24, toured with The Metropolitan Opera "Stars of the Metropolitan Opera" tour in 1952 in the lead role of "Mimi" in La Bohème opposite Metropolitan star, Jan Peerce as Adolfo. On the same tour she also performed the lead role of "Floria Tosca" in "Tosca", opposite Tenor Walter Fredericks and Salvatore Baccaloni both of the Metropolitan Opera.

JUNE PRESTON: HOLLYWOOD CHILD STAR

Preston was born in Glendale, California. Her film career all started when she was spotted by a studio executive while she paid a visit at the studio lot and upon seeing her, called for an immediate screen test, which resulted in a long-term 7-year contract with RKO Film Studios. So, at the age of 4, June's first role was as Mrs. Blewett's Daughter in the 1934 film "Anne of Green Gables". She went on to do various movies with RKO Film Studio. Preston quickly gained popularity and went on to work under contract with Warner Bros., Paramount Pictures, MGM, 20th Century Fox, and Universal and Republic Pictures in films such as "Christmas In July", "Maytime", "Second Fiddle", "Strawberry Blond", "History Is Made at Night", "Second Chorus", "Thin Ice". She also appeared with W.C. Field in "You Can't Cheat an Honest Man", "Never Give a Sucker an Even Break" and several others including Our Gang Features.

RKO quickly trademarked the June Preston name for 1934 through 1950 and then June signed multiple major merchandising contracts from apparel lines, to accessories like the June Preston doll, toys, paint sets, movie star cut out books and other items bearing her name and likeness.

The E.D. Schulwall Co. made thousands of styles each year bearing June's name including the very popular 1944 debut of the "June Preston Fairy Tale Frocks" lines, "Cinderella" and "Alice and Wonderland" dresses, Loomcraft (now known as Fruit of the Loom) had a long-standing contract for the "Tailored by Loomcraft" June Preston apparel lines. Loomcraft presented annual "Blue Ribbon Awards" for the most outstanding June



June Preston RKO Radio Film Star



Preston advertisement by all department stores nationwide.

June Preston was considered one of the "Big Pay Babes" in Hollywood alongside Shirley Temple, Virginia Weidler or Jane Withers. In 1934 June joined the Meglin Dance Studio and became one of their "Meglin Kiddies", a favorite of owner Neil Albright. Other alums of the Meglin Dance Studio were Judy Garland, Mickey Rooney, Shirley Temple, Jane Withers and Ann Miller.

JUNE PRESTON: OPERA SINGER:

June had always been first and foremost a singer and was born with a beautiful voice. She also had a love for operatic music since her mother had taken her to see the operetta, 'The Merry Widow' and June never looked back. While other kids were playing backstage or on the film set awaiting their scenes, she would be found sitting on a step memorizing an opera score, June had a photographic memory, she could memorize an entire score very quickly, even in other languages. She was a natural.



This is a home built by June's father's company, located in the 2700 block of 38th SW



This is another home built by June's father's company where the family resided, located in the 8200 block of 39th SW



conductor of the Seattle Civic Light Opera Co. and the music professor at Seattle University.

When June's parents gave a reception in their home to honor Maestro Gustavo Stern, conductor of the Seattle Civic Light Orchestra, and professor of music at Seattle University, the Maestro began to play the piano. When he waved and invited everyone to sing, one voice soared above the rest. He stopped and pointed to the very young and embarrassed Miss Preston: "You have a magnificent voice. You must sing". Within a week, Stern began coaching June, he was her mentor from her Junior High years at Madison Middle School, West Seattle High School and her college years at Seattle University and beyond.

While attending Seattle U, June performed with the Seattle Symphony Orchestra at the Seattle Civic Opera, Civic Auditorium, Metropolitan Theater with Stern conducting several operettas featuring Preston in the lead in "The Merry Widow", "Naughty Marietta", "Carmen", "Gondoliers" "New Moon", and "Der Fledermaus". In her senior year, June was offered a contract for a world tour, which started her professional career.

In 1949 Preston began her tour in North and South America performing in top Opera Houses. She performed recitals for Kings, Presidents, and Diplomats. The United States Embassy gave galas in her honor throughout Central and South America.

By 1952, at the tender age of 22 June was offered to join the cast of the Metropolitan Opera on the "Stars of the Metropolitan Opera" tour in the lead role in La Bohème. On a separate tour Preston performed in the lead in "Tosca". June was offered an exclusive contract as the principal soprano for the following opera season at Teatro Colon Buenos Aires Opera Company - she accepted.

Soon another director from the prestigious La Scala saw her performance at Teatro Colon and offered her a contract to perform the follow-



June Preston - Child Star and Opera Singer Continued

Seattle U. Opera Guild To Offer 'Marietta'

JACK MARILLEY JUNE PRESTON

The Seattle University Opera Guild will present Victor Herbert's operetta, "Naughty Marietta," at 8 o'clock Wednesday night, December 8, at the Moore Theatre.

June Preston will play the title role. Co-stars are Jack Marilley, William Kirby, Louis Flynn and Kevin Packard. Others in the cast are Frank Sullivan, Thomas Morris, Maurice Sheridan, Gloria Torial, Mary Lou Orasch, Marjorie Carlisle, Beatrice Orman, Kathleen O'Hogan and James Ryan.

The Rev. Leo Lanphier, S. J., is in charge of the Guild. Gustave Stern is director.

ing opera season at Opera La Scala in Milan. In 1960 Preston returned to the US and made her debut at the St. Louis Symphony Hall as a guest artist under the baton of Leopold Stokowski, as soloist in the thrilling last movement finale of Beethoven's Ninth Symphony.

In 1962, Preston began her European tour debuting at the famous Concertgebouw in Amsterdam, thereafter touring throughout Europe. The majority of Preston's opera career was overseas. Most concerts, programs, reviews, interviews, photos, and bios can be seen on her Pinterest Board: Pinterest, June Preston Opera.

Walter Winchell admired June Preston and followed her career early on. She was mostly performing abroad but Winchell still would find the time to drop a line in his column about her. In one of his write ups in The Times: December 20, 1962 he said, "June Preston, American opera-lark, is getting rave notice in Europe". From an Amsterdam critic: "A smash! Every aria a jewel!"



June Preston's senior picture

While on her European tour, Preston met her future husband at the Théâtre Royal de la Monnaie in Belgium where she was performing a solo recital. Prior to the performance that evening, she arrived with her accompanist for rehearsal, but the page turner did not arrive, then in her words, "A handsome man came up to her and offered to turn the music pages."

This man was Belgian soloist concert violinist Saul Höüben. He was rehearsing earlier that day for an upcoming performance of his own and "came to her rescue". Höüben, was a favorite of Queen Elizabeth of Belgium who had been following his progress since he was a child and later presented him with an award for excellence in 1955. He was considered a child prodigy performing his first concerto at age 4.



June starred in "Naughty Marietta" at age 18

After she finished her European tour, Preston married Saul Höüben and they had one child and this is when June retired from touring. In 1982 Preston's husband, passed away at age 60. Preston never re-married. She performed various concert recitals for benefits and for friends but did not want to return to the opera or touring circuit.

In 1989, Preston was inducted into the WSHS Hall of Fame for her Film and Opera career. In 1994, Preston came out of retirement for a small concert performance in Seattle, WA where it all began, which included an aria by the name of "Lamento" specifically written for her by her longtime friend Writer and Composer Martin Kalmanoff.

On May 11, 1922, June Preston passed away at the age 93 surrounded by her loved ones. She is buried in Forest Lawn Memorial Park-Hollywood Hills in Los Angeles, California and is survived by her daughter, son-in-law, and her sister.



June Preston Radio Theater Buenos Aires

Newspaper: Santander, COL, 4/5/1953
 Photo title: "June Preston a very prominent figure in the North America radio & theater, during a recent appearance at the Nueva Granada radio station-theater in Bogota.
 Article: "June Preston famous soprano, will arrive tomorrow to debut at radio theater of the RCN subsidiary in Santander radio-theater. She performed with great success days ago in Bogota and Cali, where thudnerous applause, being acclaimed with delirium by the audience there..."



June Preston and Jan Peerce of the Metropolitan Opera performing in the opera "La Boheme" at Teatro de Colone in Buenos Aires



“The Woman In The Room”

Continued from back cover

That same sixth grade year, Fauntleroy was so small that there were only enough boys to make up one softball team. An experienced softball player, Jane suggested to their teacher/coach, Mr. Swedine, that if the girls formed a team, they could play each other. The coach agreed, and the girls were able to play several games before the fourth grade teacher, Miss McClaire, found out and filed a complaint.

“My parents were summoned to school to hear about their immoral daughter who played softball with boys.” Mr. and Mrs. Hastings were unconcerned, explaining that Jane had never had anyone but boys to play with.

The transition from Fauntleroy to James Madison Jr High was a confounding experience for Jane, since “the most important rule was to keep the boys and the girls separated.” Boys and girls at Madison were not allowed to use the same staircases, enter the same gymnasium or certain classes. The lunchroom and auditorium were divided into boys’ and girls’ sections.

[Editor’s Note: when I interviewed Jane for this article, she immediately asked me if I had attended Madison (yes, in the mid-1960s), and she wanted to know if the stairways were still segregated by sex when I was a student. I told her not the stairs, but all those other restrictions remained in place, and that my parents remembered the separate staircases...80-some years later, this was still an affront to her!]

Miss Wang, an English teacher at Madison once assigned her class to write a paper on what their life plans were; of course Jane wrote of her goal to become an architect. “I was kept after class and counseled to change my plans because ‘they will never let you become an architect.’” Again, Jane and her parents did not share this view.

I was kept after class and counseled

to change my plans because

‘they will never let you become an architect’

Upon entering West Seattle High School, Jane felt “we had freedom at last! Boys and girls could use any stairway they wanted!”

World War II began opening doors for girls; the (formerly boys only) high school drafting classes began training girls for jobs at Boeing and other industries, since so many men and boys were away at war.

In 1943, Jane was the only girl in Mr. Fred Gorton’s architectural drafting



Jane's senior portrait
class of 1945

class. That year, the girls’ gym teacher approached Mr. Gorton with a problem: the girls’ gym on the second floor had no place for their equipment. Volleyball nets (and their problematic expanding support poles), balls, tumbling mats, etc, had no storage area. She asked Mr. Gorton if a cabinet with doors could be designed and built behind her office. As the only student in the class who had access to the girls’ gym, Mr. Gorton told Jane “Oh, we have the perfect job for you!” Jane measured the space and designed the cabinet.

“Mr. Gorton was the only teacher who saw no reason why I couldn’t become an architect...and he lived to see me licensed as an architect.”

Jane graduated from West Seattle in 1945. Her senior portrait did not appear in the Kimtah, since she was too busy with after-school jobs to turn it in. “Immediately after that photo was taken, I went straight to Rhodes Department store and had all my hair cut off.”

To be able to afford starting architecture school, Jane needed to live at home (and work), so the University of Washington was the logical choice. A degree in architecture was a five year program. The Chair of the UW Architecture Department told Jane that she



Jane and her lifelong friend Gretchen
Schneeberger (Class of 1942)

could not work and attend school at the same time.

“Of course I could. I could not afford the degree any other way. I figured I could graduate in seven years if I worked part-time.”

The only woman in her freshman class of 200, Jane completed her degree in six and a half years, graduating in 1952.

The State of Washington licensed it’s first woman architect in 1923. By 1953, Jane Hastings was number eight. By 1963, there were just ten.

Architecture jobs were not plentiful; the UW classes of 1951 and 1952 were made up of many WW II vets and were the two largest classes the School of Architecture had ever graduated.

Jane had been working for Boeing since 1951. There were so many classmates working in the Plant Facilities Architectural Division “...it was like an extension of school, but with pay.” Later, Jane was transferred to Boeing’s Plant One, the original factory on the lower Duwamish Waterway, at the foot of what old-school West Seattlites call “Boeing Hill”.

While still working for Boeing, Jane and a partner, Anne Warren, opened their own small practice in 1953. One of the first projects she accepted was the expansion of Andy’s Diner, a restaurant on Fourth Avenue South, consisting of several old railroad cars. The job was to create a new kitchen between two of the cars.

“I quickly learned there is little standard about rail cars...One whole side of the car had to be cut away to open it up, requiring a new steel beam the length of the opening to support the roof...”

Owner Andy Nagy became “livid” when a building inspector “red-tagged” the project because the steel beam Andy had purchased was not long enough for the job. When Jane was summoned, she asked why he had bought the undersized beam, he responded “it was cheaper.”



A Horizon House promotional portrait of
Jane and Norm
(courtesy of Horizon House)

In 1969, after a long friendship, Jane married UW architecture professor Norman Johnston. Shortly after their wedding, Norm gave Jane a check, an “allowance” he called it, to spend however she liked. “Since I was ten years old I’d always had jobs and paid for my own expenses! My first allowance, at the age of forty-one, almost brought me to tears.”

Jane and Norm worked, played, traveled extensively and “shared 46 ½ years of a great partnership, in all areas of our lives” until Norm’s passing in March of 2015, at the age of ninety-eight.

Jane’s remarkable career has spanned seven decades, with more than 500 building projects, scores of architects trained and dozens of regional and national honors.

“I look back over a life built on a simple and steadfast decision made by my nine-year-old self...I had experiences she could never have imagined. If I could go back, I would tell her, or anyone: Don’t accept “no”... and I would tell her I would certainly do it all again.”



A sketch of Jane



Jane's official architectural photo
from the Washington State
Department of Architectural
Licensing

Your \$20 Membership to the West Seattle High School Alumni Association helps bring the Alumni Chinook to your doorstep.

Join or renew today

complete the membership form on page 5.

Reunion Reminders

1951—The Class of 1951 will hold a 73rd Year Reunion get-together on Wednesday, June 26th, 2024 at noon at the Claim Jumper restaurant in Tukwila.

We hope to see many of our classmates there!

For more information please contact Jim Monahan at (425) 483-6783 or at

jtmonahan@mac.com

1953—Members of the West Seattle High School's class of 1953 could meet for lunch again this summer, if enough class members are interested. Please let us know if you would like to be a part of this. Contact:

Joan Johnson Barker, faretuttabarker@icloud.com, (206) 878-4502; or

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

1955—There will not be a class reunion in 2023 or 2024, but plan on 2025 for a very special celebration for us. It will be great to celebrate 70 years out of high school!!!

1957—There are no formal reunion plans for 2024. We will be meeting informally later in the year. Please let us know if you want to be contacted about the plans.

Gwen Fraser

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Beverly McMillin

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1958—There are no plans at this point to continue with reunion gatherings.

1960—Your Committee is planning some event for a 65th reunion in late summer of 2025. They hope to do most of the communications via email. Several classmates do not have an email address on our database. If you have one and did not receive email information from the committee in the past or have changed your email address, please send your updated information to our class representative, John Zitcovich. Refer to the class representative listing on another page for his email and/or phone number. If you do not have an email or prefer snail mail, please notify John so you can receive future notifications about events. If you have ideas for future reunions or want to join in on the planning, let John Zitcovich know.

1963—My goal last year was to organize our 60th reunion but I failed in doing so and am hopeful that we can schedule a reunion party this coming summer with the help of some of you that would like to help me make it happen.

My hope is that any of you that would like to help organize the reunion responds to me via email and let me know if you are able to help plan and reach out to our classmates in order to see if the response is enough to make it financially doable. The plan would be to schedule a date in August or September that would be in the afternoon at a venue in or around West Seattle. You can reach me at john.norden@yahoo.com.

1966—Our 60TH Class reunion for the class of 1966 will be on Saturday 6/6/2026! So, mark your calendars. A group of us will work out the details...but it will be inexpensive and casual and we will be looking into the West Seattle Golf Course as our potential location. Look for more upcoming details on our two West Seattle Class of 1966 Facebook pages!

1967—Greetings from Maple Valley, home of our now annual class reunion! Plans this year are to host it here on Sunday, August 25th from 1 PM until the cows come home: 21312 SE 265th St., Maple Valley, 98038

Come on over for a fun afternoon of reminiscing, eating (potluck), seeing folks you may not have seen for a very long time or just relaxing in a pleasant setting. My home is located on a lake, so bring your swimsuit. Trust me, it really is a lot of fun and will even be more fun if YOU come.

Please RSVP to either Danny Lilliness (206.246.2571) or me, Helen Verbon Locatelli (360.509.3464).

1974—It's time for our West Seattle High School 50 Year Reunion. There will be two back-to-back events. The first event is the actual Class Reunion. The goal was to make the reunion more relaxed than previous reunions. There won't be anything formal. My understanding is it will be a mixer where classmates can visit and get reacquainted with old friends and make new friends. Here are the details:

Friday, May 31, 5PM to 9PM
Whisky West Bar & Grill
6451 California Avenue SW, Seattle, WA

Fee: \$25 per person (which includes an \$18 food/drink credit per person)

Capacity is limited to the first 150 people to send in their fee. For more information and availability, contact Wayne Senter at wsenter@aol.com.

The second event is the All School Reunion which is held every year. The class that's celebrating their 50-year reunion (that's us!) are the honored guests at the ceremony on Saturday, June 1.

1976—Planning for our 50th in 2026 hasn't really kicked into gear, but if you are interested in helping, just let me know.

1978—Keep an eye out for information on our 50th! Yes ... the 50th! It will be here before we know it! 2028 is right around the corner! Let's make it our largest gathering yet.

1980—We are approaching our 45th class reunion next summer, unbelievable as that seems! Our plan is to organize an event where we can all catch up in a space conducive to visiting, and then move on to an evening featuring music from some of our classmates.

If you are interested in helping with either event, please shoot an email to Diane Venti for the earlier event (dianeventi@gmail.com), or myself (temachmiller@gmail.com) for the later one (including musicians who are willing to share your talents).

1984—West Seattle High School Class of 1984 - 40th Reunion All School Reunion on June 1st From 5pm -6:30 at School, then afterwards From 6:30-Midnight

class of 84's 40th reunion at: West Seattle Golf Course Banquet Room: 4470 35th Ave SW, Seattle Wa. 98126. Dinner will be served, No Host Bar

One of Seattle Best 80's Bands, The Suds, playing from 8:30 to 11:30, the Cost is \$50

Friday night meetup at the Benbow Tavern in North Admiral from 7-11pm on Friday, May 31st, 2024 at 4210 SW Admiral, Seattle

Please contact Mark Zoffel at below phone # or email for more details.

1995, 1996, 1997—Hello, classmates! Time flies, and we're approaching our 30th graduation anniversaries. The class of 1996 has proposed a joint reunion for '95, '96 & '97. So many relationships were built among our classes, it is fitting we celebrate together! Watch this space for more information and be on the lookout news from us on your preferred social media platform (feel free to reach out directly if you'd like to help with the plan). We're happy you found this note, and wish you all the best!

Your Class Reps,
Lynda Bui ('95), Dana (Rambo) Hopkins & Danielle Johnson ('96) and Kyle Minaglia ('97)

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.



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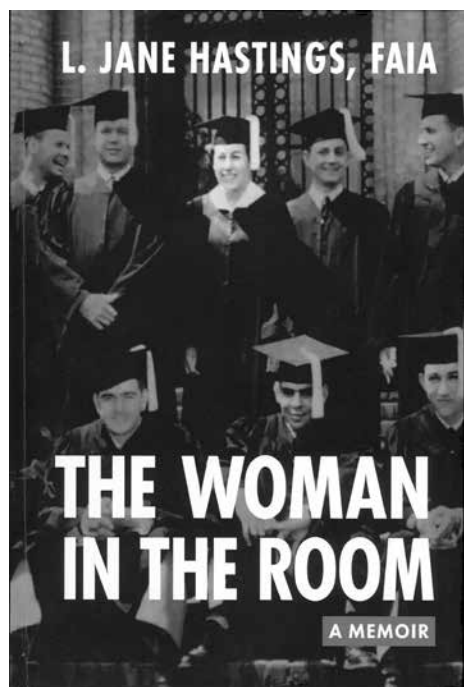
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“The Woman In The Room”

The Autobiography of Lois “Jane” Hastings

By Karen Seamens Dobbs, Class of 1971



When the Womens’ Movement of the 1960s/1970s took hold, Lois Jane Hastings (“Jane”) was already a seasoned expert in breaking the barriers which had traditionally kept women from pursuing certain goals, careers and lifestyles which had exclusively been the domain of men.

“The Woman in the Room”, Jane’s recently published autobiography, takes her from being the only girl among two brothers and six male cousins to the pinnacle of her chosen profession: architecture. She has been, throughout her life, “The Woman in the Room”.

At the age of nine, Jane announced to her parents that she would become an architect, and that was that. In 1937, that goal was considered by most to be unattainable. Except by Jane and her parents.

“When I was very small, visiting my grandparents on Queen Anne Hill in the early 1930s, the...Aurora Bridge was under construction...taller than the Brooklyn Bridge, the newspapers said...I sat on the front porch, transfixed, watching these guys dangling off the skeleton of this bridge. BUILDING it.”

From then on, Jane was fascinated by anything to do with the construction of every garage or doghouse in her Fauntleroy neighborhood. When her parents hired a carpenter to build a garage for the family’s new home on 35th Ave SW, Jane spent every spare moment observing

the project “from the ground up”, helping to carry material and tools or running errands for the workmen.

Jane began her academic career at Fauntleroy Grade School, walking a half-mile through the woods to get there. Her first paying job began in the fourth grade. A neighbor lady took in boarders, including a teacher and the director of the YMCA across the street from school, and hired Jane to help prepare dinner, serve and clean up after. In addition to pay, Jane ate her dinner there as well, “leaving one less mouth to feed at home.”

By sixth grade, Jane had added several school jobs to her resume: assisting the school nurse (who came for a half-day once a month), in the school library, answering the office phone and cashiering in the lunchroom.

The prestigious job of Safety Patrol went only to boys. Two schoolmates so honored at that time were future mountaineers Jim and Lou Whittaker. At Fauntleroy School’s Centennial in 2017, both Whittakers and Jane served on the planning committee and attended the festivities.



Fauntleroy grads: 1945
front: Jane Laurie (1965)
back: Jim and Lou Whittaker (1947)



Jane (front row, second from the right) and her 6th grade class at Fauntleroy School

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WSHS Alumni Association
All School Reunion

Saturday, June 1, 2024

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 50th 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

Did you know...

A recent survey revealed that 40% of alumni were unaware of the annual dues. We kindly request your payment, as it is a worthwhile \$20 investment that sustains our operations and offers various benefits.

You can pay your dues in your reunion classrooms, online using the QR code below, or by contacting our dedicated Alumni Board Members.

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Scan the QR code to pay for **Membership Dues** or **Donations** online.



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