



Warriors & Wildcats Report

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▣ Is summer really over? Back to school already? Really?

The answer for Los Angeles Unified School District students is **YES**. The 2015-16 school term begins on August 18 and so we are back for a new year of the Uni Hi Education Foundation *Warriors & Wildcats Report*.

There is a lot to look forward to at Uni this year:

- Facilities are improving, notably the magnificent new football field and all-weather running track, allowing Uni to host home football games and track meets.
- The drama program, already a star on campus, will be helped with renovations to the Stivelman Theater.
- New, technically-updated classrooms are being added, allowing college-style teaching presentations and direct-to-student transfer of class notes.
- Advanced Placement programs and cutting-edge college-credit programs are continuing to expand, including in the acclaimed Digital Media Magnet program, where students are learning to write code and develop applications for college credit.
- The new Collins & Katz Family YMCA is beginning to rise out of the ground at the corner of Westgate and Ohio Avenues. When completed next year, it will provide state-of-the-art fitness, swimming and locker facilities for Uni students as well as for the Westside community.

One critical area where Uni is underserved is alumni involvement. Nearly every issue of this twice-a-month report recounts successes of Uni graduates. Having the brilliant **Steve Udvar-Hazy '65** address the Class of 2015 at commencement last June was an important step forward. Now we need **your** help as well.

You can individually [*donate*](#), of course: it's easy to go via PayPal on the UHEF Web site. But that's only the beginning. Consider:

- Can you, in concert with your classmates, help fund a computer-aided classroom?
- Do you help your university recruit students? Can you help bring your university and Uni closer together?
- Can you put together a group to attend a Uni theater performance?
- Do you, or someone you know, have access to facilities or service bureaus which would allow the digitizing of Uni yearbooks, to be posted online for everyone to use?
- Can you help bring programs to campus which can give Uni students an edge in the ultra-competitive job market of today?

I created the *Warriors & Wildcats Report* to share the Uni experience of yesterday and today to help forge a brighter tomorrow. Together, we can help the Uni classes of 2016 and beyond reach their potential to make Los Angeles a better place for everyone.

With thanks in advance for your support.



Rich Perelman '74
Editor

**"YOU'RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN"
COMING TO UNI ON DECEMBER 3-4-5**

- ▣ Two beloved musicals are on tap for Uni's Theater Arts program this year, starting with "You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown" set for four performances over three days in December: Thursday, Friday and Saturday, December 3-4-5.

"Great songs, huge laughs and memorable characters will make this a show that audiences of any age are going to fall in love with," enthuses Uni Theatre Arts director **Ronnie Sperling '76**, coming off a marvelous spring production of "Into the Woods."

Sperling has already announced the spring show, coming April 27-30 with five performances over four days, "Disney's High School Musical." Says Sperling: "It's your favorite film . . . live on stage!"

All performances will be held at Uni's intimate Stivelman Theater on campus; stay tuned for ticket information, but mark your calendars now.

UNI GRADS ON THEIR WAY TO COLLEGES ACROSS THE NATION

- ▣ Uni grads are moving into college dormitories across the country in the coming weeks, with 45 attending a University of California campus and 50 more in the California State University system.

Special congratulations to **Monte Ho**, admitted to the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York, and to **Pablo Lopez**, who enlisted in the United States Marine Corps.

The following list are only highlights of the college-choice roster printed in the [Senior Edition](#) of *The Wildcat*, Uni's student newspaper:

Alabama A&M (1)	San Diego State (1)
Boise State University (1)	San Francisco State (5)
Cal State Bakersfield (1)	San Jose State (4)
Cal State Channel Islands (2)	Simpson University (1)
Cal State Dominguez Hills (3)	Sonora State (2)
Cal State East Bay (1)	Southern Utah University (1)
Cal State Los Angeles (4)	Tuskegee University (2)
Cal State Northridge (20)	United States Military Academy (1)
Cal Poly Pomona (4)	University of California, Berkeley (4)
Cal Poly (San Luis Obispo) (2)	University of California, Davis (2)
Clark Atlanta University (1)	University of California, Irvine (11)
Dillard University (1)	University of California, Los Angeles (4)
Florida Gulf Coast University (1)	University of California, Merced (6)
Langston University (1)	University of California, Riverside (6)
Lewis & Clark University (1)	University of California, San Diego (5)
Long Beach State (5)	University of California, Santa Barbara (6)
Loyola Marymount (1)	University of California, Santa Cruz (1)
Mills College (1)	University of Nevada, Las Vegas (1)
Mt. St. Mary's (2)	University of Oregon (1)
New England Conservatory of Music (1)	University of Pennsylvania (1)
St. John's University (1)	University of Southern California (1)
Sacramento State (2)	

ON CAMPUS

- ▣ Uni Fall sports report: *Follow the Wildcats on Twitter: [@Utownsports](#)*
- Boys/Football 0-0 overall

Uni's football program, which has made such significant strides under coach **Lee Lowe**, will miss the City playoffs in 2015 after being penalized for having an ineligible player participate in the 2013 and 2014 programs.

The Los Angeles City Section Athletics Office determined that a Uni assistant coach (since released) knew that the player (who has not been identified publicly) was not eligible to play in either season, but allowed him to be on the team. Because of this, Uni has forfeited all five of its 2013 wins and all six of its 2014 victories, making its official record 0-11 and 0-12 in those two years.

Penalties included the forfeitures, a fine, a ban from the City playoffs for the 2015 season and as an additional penalty, Uni principal **Eric Davidson** has additionally suspended Lowe from coaching the first game of the 2015 and 2016 seasons.

Uni's 2015 schedule:

Sep. 04	at Morningside	7:00 p.m.	
Sep. 11	Banning	7:00 p.m.	<i>First game at renovated Cavanaugh Field!</i>
Sep. 18	Lincoln	7:00 p.m.	
Sep. 25	at Culver City	7:00 p.m.	
Oct. 02	at Oaks Christian	7:00 p.m.	
Oct. 09	at Hamilton	3:00 p.m.	<i>(Western League game)</i>
Oct. 16	Palisades	7:00 p.m.	<i>(Western League game)</i>
Oct. 23	Fairfax	7:00 p.m.	<i>(Western League game)</i>
Oct. 30	at Westchester	7:00 p.m.	<i>(Western League game)</i>
Nov. 06	at Venice	7:00 p.m.	<i>(Western League game)</i>

- Girls/Tennis 0-0 overall

The Wildcats will try to improve on 2014's overall record of 5-7 and 4-7 in the always-difficult Western League.

Uni's 2015 schedule:

(=Western League matches)*

Sep. 03	at S.O. CES	2:30 p.m.	Oct. 12	at Fairfax*	2:30 p.m.
Sep. 17	Fairfax*	2:30 p.m.	Oct. 14	at Westchester*	2:30 p.m.
Sep. 21	Westchester*	2:30 p.m.	Oct. 19	Venice*	2:30 p.m.
Sep. 24	at Venice*	2:30 p.m.	Oct. 21	Palisades*	2:30 p.m.
Sep. 28	at Palisades*	2:30 p.m.	Oct. 26	at Hamilton*	2:30 p.m.
Sep. 30	Hamilton*	2:30 p.m.	Oct. 28	L.A. CES*	2:30 p.m.
Oct. 05	at L.A. CES*	2:30 p.m.			

- Girls/Volleyball 0-0 overall

Uni's girls volleyball team, under the direction of Alyson Randick, will look to rebound from last season's 3-13-1 (2-10 in Western League) record, perhaps with some help from last season's Junior Varsity squad, which had a 7-3 overall mark, including 7-3 in the Western League.

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(=Western League matches)*

Aug. 31	Arleta	4:00 p.m.	Sep. 24	at *Venice	2:30 p.m.
Sep. 17	*Fairfax	2:30 p.m.	Sep. 28	at *Palisades	2:30 p.m.
Sep. 21	*Westchester	2:30 p.m.	Sep. 30	*Hamilton	4:00 p.m.

Oct. 05	at *L.A. CES	2:30 p.m.	Oct. 21	*Palisades	2:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	at *Fairfax	2:30 p.m.	Oct. 26	at *Hamilton	4:00 p.m.
Oct. 14	at *Westchester	2:30 p.m.	Oct. 28	*L.A. CES	2:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	*Venice	2:30 p.m.			

REUNIONS

▣ Upcoming reunions that we know about include:

- October 17, 2015: CLASS OF SUMMER 1954
At the Crowne Plaza Hotel Los Angeles Int'l Airport
*Information: **Carla Sampson Lowe***
(916/965-4825 or carladlowe@aol.com)
- October 17, 2015: CLASS OF SUMMER 1955
At The Olympic Collection Conference Center
*Information: **Dr. Robert E. Garfield*** (310/472-2949 or drrobertgarfield@aol.com), or **Lois B. Golden** (310/472-0198)
(Please [click here](#) for a one-page information sheet)
- April 16, 2016: CLASSES OF 1966
At the Marina City Club (*please note the change of date and venue*)
*Information: **Neal Rein*** (sabersafety@yahoo.com) and/or **Joyce (Gordon) Rangen** (joyce.rangen@gmail.com).
(Please [click here](#) for the event's Facebook page!)
- July 9, 2016: CLASS OF 1976
At the Marina City Club
*Information: **Leslie Messer Ward*** (lmward421@icloud.com)
Reservations and tickets: The Reunion Committee, at
(661) 259-5999 or www.reunioncommittee.com

Please send details of your reunions to Connect@UHEF.org for inclusion in future issues.

UNI HI EDUCATION FOUNDATION NEWS

- ▣ The Uni Hi Education Foundation exists to raise money to support the instructional programming at University High School. A new LAUSD policy allows *on-campus signage* to be available to recognize donations which assist the educational program.

Interested for yourself or your company? Sent us a note and we'll help to get the ball rolling:
Connect@UHEF.org.

- ▣ Visit www.UHEF.org and tell your classmates to sign up for the *Warriors & Wildcats Report* and volunteer for UHEF activities.

The Foundation, now in its 29th year, has raised nearly \$600,000 to support Uni's mission of educational excellence, and to supplement the instructional budget in these lean times. You can donate to the cause by [clicking here!](#)

UNI ALUMNI NOTEBOOK

- ▣ **Roy Prince** '60 (prince@west.net) writes: "I am looking for an old friend Howard Rosenthal, who I believe attended Uni High around 1960. Howard had two brothers, Melvin and Steven. I am hoping you can put me in touch with Howard or one of his brothers. Thanks so much."

Roy, we don't have any direct contact information for the Rosenthals, but we're hoping one of your/their classmates does and can help you directly.

Unfortunately, Uni does not maintain comprehensive, continuing contact information about its alumni or staff.

- ▣ **Adam Nimoy** '74 was featured in the [Los Angeles Times](#) regarding his newest project, a documentary entitled "For the Love of Spock," designed to be the definitive film about the Star Trek character played so memorably by his late father, Leonard Nimoy. It's due out in 2016.
- ▣ Four Uni alums had key roles in the just-completed Special Olympics World Games in Los Angeles:



- **Susan Pollack** '81 served as Senior Vice President/Development and led the fund-raising efforts from individuals and foundations that yielded millions of dollars in funding for the Games Organizing Committee.
- **Glen Ratcliff** '76 was the Transportation Scheduling Manager, responsible for routing the more than 470 buses that carried athletes, families, officials and news media to and from competitions and ceremonies.
- **Rich Perelman** '74 was the Co-Senior Director/Media Operations, responsible for the planning and delivery of support services to the World Games-record 1,728 news media who were credentialed for the nine-day event.

- **Larry Jacobson** '74 took time-out from his comedy-writing career to assist ESPN with its celebrity-spotting program for the Opening Ceremony telecast. Larry was a part of a 10-person team that identified featured athletes and personalities featured on the live broadcast and ensured that both the announcers and the on-screen graphics team who was coming up in the Parade of Athletes.

SIXTH PERIOD BELL

▣ Congratulations to two superb Uni athletes at the start and end of their careers:

- **Barbara Nwaba** '07 became United States national champion in the Heptathlon this year, scoring 6,500 points in late June to defeat three-time national champion and two-time Olympian Sharon Day-Monroe. Nwaba is off to the IAAF World Championships in Beijing to compete against the world's best on August 22-23; she has the fifth-best mark in the world so far this year.

After setting numerous records on the track (then dirt) at Uni, Barbara went on to UC Santa Barbara and when not competing, is an assistant coach at Santa Barbara High School. Her sister Precious starred for Uni in basketball this past year.

Good luck in Beijing!

- **Steve Smith**, a 1997 Uni grad, announced that the 2015 NFL season would be his last.

He'll be remembered as a tenacious ballhawk, a five-time Pro Bowl selection who played with the Carolina Panthers (2001-13) and the Baltimore Ravens (2014-). Despite being only 5-9, he has a career total of 915 receptions for 13,262 yards (more than 7½ miles!) and 81 touchdowns between receiving, rushing and kick returns.

We wish Steve all the best for the coming season and in his retirement; we hope to see him back at Uni one day as well!

Contribute your comments, ideas and news to the *Warriors & Wildcats Report*!

Send a note to Connect@UHEF.org !

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