



## Warriors & Wildcats Report

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## **UHEF 2015-16 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Nov.	19	<ul> <li>Career Day</li> <li>Contact Uni Asst. Principal Cynthia Hedrick at cynthia.headrick@lausd.net or (310) 914-3605</li> </ul>	Volunteer opportunity
Dec.	3-5	<ul> <li>"You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown"</li> <li>Tickets available online: <u>click here</u></li> </ul>	Stivelman Theater
Apr.	16	Spring Clean-Up Day	$\underline{Volunteer\ opportunity}$
Apr.	26-29	"Disney's High School Musical"	Stivelman Theater
May	tba	Unveiling of naming plaques for Richard Kampmann Stadium and Mel Patton Track	On campus
May	tba	All-Classes Picnic & Car Show	On campus

# "CAREER DAY" VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO SHARE THEIR EXPERIENCES WITH STUDENTS

- ▶ Uni alumni and friends are being asked to come and share their life experiences with Uni students to help show them the multitude of paths that they can take in their lives.
  - "Career Day" will be held on November 19 at Uni from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. along the following schedule:

• 10:00 a.m.: Meet in the Parent Center

Welcome and Program Overview

• 10:30-11:30 a.m.: Classroom presentations: 2 x 30 minutes

Guests share their careers with two classes

• 11:30 a.m.: Tour of new facilities at Uni

"We'd love to have as many as 40 people come to campus and share their experiences with our students," notes Uni Assistant Principal *Cynthia Headrick*. "These person-to-person sessions help them understand how people who sat in the same classes they did can become a success in life. There is no better lesson that we can teach them, and so we want people to contact us and come to campus on November 19."

Like to help? Please contact Cynthia directly at <u>cynthia.headrick@lausd.net</u> or by telephone at (310) 914-3605.

## "YOU'RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN" READYING FOR SHOWS ON DECEMBER 3-4-5

▶ It's almost time for Uni's fall production of "You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown."

"The performers are making us laugh in rehearsals every day," notes Uni Director of Theatre Arts Ronnie Sperling '76. "Please come out and support the show; a full house means so much to the cast."

The show is set for four performances over three days in December: Thursday, Friday and Saturday, December 3-4-5, supported in part by the UCLA AfterSchool program:

•	Thursday	December 3	7:30 p.m.	Tickets:	\$10 for adults
•	Friday	December 3	3:30 p.m.		(students only)
•	Friday	December 4	7:30 p.m.		\$10 for adults
•	Saturday	December 5	2:00 p.m.		\$10 for adults

The show is being directed by Sperling, with choreography by *Lindsey Lorenz* and musical direction by *David Kamenir*.

Tickets can be purchased *NOW* <u>online</u> at <u>www.BrownPaperTickets.com</u>, or at the Uni Student Store, or at the door. Online purchases allow you to print tickets on your own printer; a small convenience charge of 99 cents plus 3.5% of the sales price is added to your order (\$1.34 for a single \$10 ticket).

### **ON CAMPUS**

**▶** Uni Fall sports report:

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#### Boys/Football

2-8 overall (0-5 Western League)

Uni ended a disappointing 2015 season with a 45-12 loss to Venice in the season finale on November 6. Junior running back *David Severin* led the team with 98 yards rushing in just five attempts (one a 68-yarder) and a touchdown. Senior quarterback *Paul Davis* completed 11 of 16 passes for 170 yards and a touchdown, all caught (!) by star end *Eugene Ford*. Senior linebacker *Gabriel McClain* was stout on defense as usual with 15 tackles, including two for losses. Junior linebacker *Terrell Cox* had 11 tackles, also with two for losses.

For the season, Davis completed 110 of 234 passes (47%) for 1,707 yards, with 14 touchdowns and 15 interceptions. McClain led the team in rushing with 865 yards and six touchdowns, while Severin had 454 yards and two scores. Ford had a wonderful senior season as a receiver, with 68 catches for 1,087 yards and nine touchdowns. McClain was the defensive standout, with 124 total tackles (70 solo) in just nine games, and an impressive 19 tackles for loss.

Uni's football program, which made significant strides under coach *Lee Lowe*, did not participate in the City playoffs in 2015 as part of a penalty for having an ineligible player participate in the 2013 and 2014 seasons.

Lowe resigned as Uni coach on November 10; the *Los Angeles Times* <u>reported</u> that Lowe intends to pursue coaching opportunities at private schools. On its Twitter account, Uni added "We thank him for his dedication to the program." Lowe coached the Wildcats for five seasons.

#### Uni's 2015 schedule:

Sep.	04	Morningside	Lost, 26-49,	but won by forfeit (player ineligible)
Sep.	11	Banning	Lost, 12-35	
Sep.	18	Lincoln	Won, 28-13	
Sep.	25	at Culver City	Lost, 21-34	
Oct.	02	at Oaks Christian	Lost, 8-76	
Oct.	09	at Hamilton	Lost, 16-26	
Oct.	16	Palisades	Lost, 20-51	
Oct.	23	Fairfax	Lost, 19-34	(Homecoming)
Oct.	30	at Westchester	Lost, 21-36	
Nov.	06	at Venice	Lost, 12-45	

#### • Cross Country

(\* = meets at Kenneth Hahn Park)

The Wildcats finished third with 82 points in the boys' Western League finals on November 4, behind Palisades (21) and Venice (42). Uni's top finishers were senior *Erick Hernandez* (17:51.30) in 14th, sophomore *Ruben Perez Morales* (15th, 18:07.90) and junior *Jacob Abraham* (16th, 18:08.90).

Uni finished 10th out of 12 teams in heat two of the City Division I preliminaries at Pierce College and did not advance to the City Finals. The team's top finisher on the 3.0-mile

course was senior *Matthew Freeman*, 39th in 17:55.79. Uni will have one entrant in the City Finals on Nov. 21 in *Robert Gonzalez*, who qualified as an individual in the Junior Varsity race.

The girls finished fourth in the Western League (94 points), behind Palisades (21), Venice (58) and Hamilton (59). Leading the Wildcats was junior *Kaylan Tanner* (15th, 22:14.72), junior *Nancy Gomez* (16th, 22:21.00) and senior *Esmeralda Martinez* (20th, 22:56.69) in the top 20. Neither the team nor any individuals advanced to the City preliminaries.

Sep.	24	5-team Invitational at Peck Park (non-scoring)					
Sep.	26	Bellarm	Bellarmine-Loyola Invitational at Griffith Park:				
		Boys:	20th, 507 points	Girls:	22nd, 623 points		
			(Red Division)		(Red Division)		
Oct.	08*		Uni d. Fairfax, forfeit		Uni d. Fairfax, 15-50		
			Palisades d. Uni, 16-47		Palisades d. Uni, 15-50		
			(Fairfax did not field a full k	oys team)			
Oct.	15*		Uni vs. Arete		Uni vs. Arete		
			Uni vs. Westchester		Uni vs. Westchester		
			(No scores reported	d)			
Oct.	22*		Uni d. Hamilton		Uni d. Hamilton		
			(No scores reported	d)			
Oct.	29*		Uni vs. Venice		Uni vs. Venice		
			(No scores reported	d)			
Nov.	04*		Western League Finals, at I	Elysian Pa	rk (3 miles)		
			Uni 3rd, 82 points		Uni 4th, 94 points		
Nov.	12		City Preliminaries, at	t Pierce Co	ollege		
			Uni 10th in Div. 1, heat 2		Did not qualify		

#### Girls/Golf

Sophomore *Kara Temena* shot an 82 in the L.A. City Golf Championships on November 2, good for fifth place overall. That advanced her to the SoCal Regional Golf Championships, where she finished in a tie for 52nd, with a 78.

#### Girls/Tennis

9-6 overall (8-4 Western League)

The Wildcats were 8-4 in the Western League and were seeded eighth in the City Division II playoffs. Uni beat ninth-seeded Monroe in the first round, 5-2, but was eliminated by top-seeded Bell, 5-2, in the quarterfinals to finish at 9-6 overall.

Uni's 2015 schedule:				(*=Wes	(*=Western League matches)			
Sep.	03	at S.O. CES	Lost, 3-4	Oct.	12	at *Fairfax	Won, 6-1	
Sep.	17	*Fairfax	Won, 6-1	Oct.	14	at *Westchester	Won, 4-3	
Sep.	21	*Westchester	Won, 4-3	$\operatorname{Oct}$	19	*Venice	Lost, 2-5	
Sep.	24	at *Venice	Lost, 3-4.	Oct.	21	*Palisades	Lost, 0-7	
Sep.	28	at *Palisades	Lost, 0-7	Oct.	26	at *Hamilton	Won, forf.	
Sep.	30	*Hamilton	Won, 5-2	Oct.	28	*L.A. CES	Won, 3-2	
Oct.	05	at *L.A. CES	Won, 5-2					

(City Division II playoffs)

Nov.	04	Monroe	Won, 5-2
Nov.	06	Bell	Lost, 2-5

• Girls/Volleyball

6-11-3 overall (5-7 Western League)

The girls volleyball team was seeded 10th (out of 16) in the City Division II playoffs, but lost to seventh-seeded SouthEast, 26-24, 25-21, 17-25 and 25-22 on November 10.

Uni's $2015$ $schedule$ :				(*=Wes	tern L	eague matches)	
Aug.	31	Arleta	Lost, 1-3	Sep.	30	*Hamilton	Lost, 0-3
Sep.	03	at S.O. CES	Lost, 0-3	Oct.	05	at *L.A. CES	Lost, 0-3
Sep.	17	*Fairfax	Won, 3-2	Oct.	12	at *Fairfax	Won, 3-2
Sep.	19	Narbonne	Lost, 0-1	Oct.	14	at *Westchester	Won, 3-1
Sep.	19	Bell	Tied, 1-1	Oct.	19	*Venice	Lost, 0-3
Sep.	19	Fremont	Tied, 1-1	Oct.	21	*Palisades	Lost, 0-3
Sep.	19	East Valley	Won, 2-0	Oct.	26	at *Hamilton	Lost, 0-3
Sep.	19	Bravo	Tied, 1-1	Oct.	28	*L.A. CES	Won, 3-1
Sep.	21	*Westchester	Won, 3-0		(Cit	y Division II playof	fs)
Sep.	24	at *Venice	Lost, 0-3	Nov.	10	SouthEast	Lost, 1-3
Sep.	28	at *Palisades	Lost, 0-3				

## **REUNIONS**

We're asked constantly about whether reunions of specific classes are happening. If they aren't listed below, we don't know about them, but are happy to list the information as soon as supplied to us.

Formal reunions and informal get-togethers get organized because one person decides it should happen and finds other classmates who feel the same way. Just decide that you're going to make it happen...

D Upcoming reunions that we know about include:

• 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 <u>click here</u> for the event's Facebook page!)

• June 25, 2016: CLASS OF WINTER 1961 (*New Yorkers*)

At Rancho Park

Information: **Joan Kline Redlich** (*jred4444@aol.com*) or

call (310) 441-0410.

• 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 any and all reunions, meetings or informal get-togethers to *Connect@UHEF.org* for inclusion in future issues.

▶ *Dr. Robert Garfield* reported on the 60-year reunion of the Class of S '55 – the Grecians:

"On Saturday evening, October 17, sixty-five members of the University High School Class of Summer, 1955 celebrated their 60-year and final official reunion. Some came from as far as North Carolina, Vancouver, Canada, Massachusetts and Connecticut; others from as close as West Los Angeles, Brentwood and Beverly Hills. All had a fabulous and fun time, mostly just trying to recognize each other. All agreed that now we could stop worrying about dying young!

"The event was held at the Olympic Collection Banquet & Conference Center in West L.A. where the food and drink was fit for Grecian kings (and Uni grads).

"The event was organized by Bob Garfield and Lois (Bloch) Golden, with help from Michael Epsteen, Julie (Pressman) Downey, John Fleischer, Larry Fukumoto, Glen Small, Pete (Rodriguez) Rogers, Dave Freeman, Bob Dann and Jim Kurtz. There were several well-wishing classmates that for one reason or another were unable to attend, but wanted to be included if another reunion was anticipated in five or ten years."

Anyone wanting more information can contact Bob Garfield at <u>drrobertgarfield@aol.com</u>.

If your class maintains a Web site or Facebook page, please send the address to Connect@UHEF.org
and we'll add it to this list!

Class of 1965: Artesians & Peleans

- http://uni65.com or https://unihi65.wordpress.com
- To join the Class Facebook page, send an e-mail to <u>UniHi65@gmail.com</u>

Class of Winter 1961: New Yorkers

• http://www.unihiw61.com

## **UNI HI EDUCATION FOUNDATION NEWS**

Lots of e-mail to <u>Connect@UHEF.org</u> about the UHEF Annual Newsletter which goes out to

everyone who is a member of the Foundation. A couple to share:

"My compliments on a wonderfully written, newsy and fun Annual Newsletter. It is the best one I've ever received. I'll send my donation to the Uni Hi Education Foundation through our Fidelity Charitable Trust account. Keep up the great work. Made me proud to be a Uni Hi graduate."

~ Joyce Cooper Foster W '62 (joycelfost@aol.com)

"I was surprised to see my name under the year of 1952. I graduated in summer of 1953. Please make this correction for the next Newsletter. It had also occurred to me that I did not give enough news regarding our living in Lake Havasu City, AZ. When my husband and I came here, he joined the Radio Control Model Airplane Club, the Marine Corp. League, and of course the New Yorkers of Havasu because I was born in New York, New York. We have both been very involved in these organizations and have made many friends. We still have eleven grandchildren and twelve great grandchildren. The latest Gibson [was] born this past January.

"Life here is slow and mellow and great. I was in awe of the pictures of the high school. So many buildings that surround the school now. Love all that has changed to my old high school and miss lots of my school mates. Only hear from Lucretia Jacobellis Chichi, Terry Spiller Stoker and Georgia Parks Reynolds. Would love to be in contact with Barbie Terhune."

~ Constance Miolla Farmer '53 (dpotskie@frontiernet.net)

Sorry about getting your grad year wrong, Constance!

If you're reading this and didn't get your own copy of the 20-page Annual Newsletter, it's easy. Just let the Foundation know where you are! It's easy to join in: everyone who makes a donation of any amount is a full member for a year. Click here now to join us!

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*.

One of the easiest ways to donate to Uni is via the *Ralphs Rewards Card*. As part of its Community Contribution program, from 1-4% of monthly purchases made by members is sent to Uni, but only if you designate the school by linking it to your Rewards Card.

Have your card handy (you'll need the number on the back), go to the Ralphs <u>Community</u> <u>Contribution page</u> and either **register** or **sign in** (Questions answered <u>here</u>); Uni's code for the Ralphs program is **93275**.

▶ Svend (Hayden) Lerche (<u>svendsinn@aol.com</u>) asks: "Where's the Amazon link that's supposed to be on this Web site?"

Good question. We've had some difficulty getting the link right, but it's good now and ready for you to use!. Just go to the UHEF.org "<u>Donate Now</u>" page, scroll down and click on the link to go to Amazon.com and your purchase will be credited toward rebates which go to support Uni!

▶ The Foundation, created by committed Uni administrators, alumni and parents in 1985, 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**

▶ **Don Lebell** '43 (donlebell@gmail.com) sent a very kind note on the Annual Newsletter, but with an additional request:

"I just made a small donation to express applause for what you are doing. I think it is a very worthwhile program.

"New subject: At various times I've tried to find two of my close friends and classmates, **Ralph Adache** and **Bill Fujitsubo**. They would have graduated with me (1943) but for an intervening war. Any suggestions for finding them or their families?"

Unfortunately, Don, neither Uni nor the Foundation has comprehensive records of former Uni students or faculty. But we're hoping one of our readers can help you!

▶ Ronald Chase '58 (ronald.chase@mcgill.ca) sent in a comment on last issue's coverage of the dedication ceremony for the new Kampmann Stadium and Patton Track at Uni:

"Wonderful news, but unfortunate that there was no mention of Jim Pursell, coach of Mel Patton, hugely successful coach of Unihi's track team in the years immediately preceding Dick Kampmann, and a magnificent tutor of youth."

True enough, Ronald. Pursell, who played football at USC from 1921-23 – and played in the first football game held in the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum and in USC's first appearance in the Rose Bowl Game, both in 1923 – <u>died earlier this year</u> at age 103.

Kampmann paid tribute to him in his comments last February, during his 90th birthday salute at Pepperdine University:

"[M]y role model happened to be a fellow who lived to be 104, in Jim Pursell, the former USC and Uni guy. He's been my idol [who] I followed myself [as Uni coach]. And to tell you the kind of person he was, when I was at Dorsey High School, we had a contest against Uni, and they had had a winning streak of, I think it was like 33 or 37 in a row in dual meets, and I took this group of young people, and they had never really won anything, and went over to

University High School and we beat 'em, snapping their thing. And the thing that impressed me most was that after the meet was over, I was talking to Jim Pursell and he said, 'Coach, could I get on the bus and talk to your kids for a few minutes?' And I thought, 'Wow, of course you can.'

"And he proceeded to tell my Dorsey kids what a fantastic job they had done in snapping a seven-year streak of whatever [number] it was. And that to me is, I said [to myself], 'That's the kind of coach I want to be. I want to do that.' And that's what I thought."

Pursell coached both of Uni's Olympic medal winners in the 1948 London Games: Mel Patton in the sprints and Craig Dixon in the hurdles. And his 1944 track & field team won the City championship, which Kampmann matched with his own triumph in 1970.

▶ Charles Fosher '62 (<u>charlesforsher@gmail.com</u>) sent this in; how could we not share it:

"I was of the class of summer, 1962; the Achaeans. It turns out I am a bit of a wordsmith. I have had vignettes and short stories printed in such publications as The Prime Time, a seniors newspaper that comes out monthly up here in rainy Seattle, as well as in two books produced by a lady named Claire Anderson, the first 'The Way We Were: Ballard Seniors' (www.claireanderson.net) and in a second such book pending.

"I have a wildcat story which as far as I can imagine is a true account of growing up in Poughkeepsie, New York about 1951, which you can 'adopt'. I have other such that might make nice filler for the Uni newsletter. I just want the credit for the authorship.

"Memories of growing up in West Los Angeles: the Helms Bakery truck, the Pacific Electric red cars that still operated out of a 1920's version of a subway in downtown Los Angeles and terminated at Cannon Drive in Beverly Hills. Soupy Sales. The monthly air raid siren testing, that always gave my mom, who had been a refugee in London circa 1940, flashbacks.

"A December 7th when some students ran a full-sized Japanese war flag up the flag pole at dawn and glued the ropes; a trout that magically appeared in a stucco-coated springs around lunch time, mid campus; a bunch of us kids storming the Main Building during another lunch period; this was when the students of Palisades High School shared the campus due to a brush fire burning down Palisades High School, as well as Uni taking in all the bad kids that [had] been kicked out of Venice High School, so on yet another lunch period, the Principal and a student locked in a quasi-life-and-death battle on the Girls' Field with a deflated fire hose as the medium; the Barrington Plaza being built a short distance away, and having the appearance, at first, as new classrooms; Pacific Ocean Park, and gossip, that if one were in the Audio Visual classroom at night, one could see a half dozen drive in movies in operation.

"I look forwards to further correspondence."

▶ Sad news from *Nancy Biheller* (nan119@comcast.net) about *Robert Stephens Biheller*:

"Robert was a graduate of Uni Hi. He was always very proud of this fact (as well as he was

proud of being an alumnus of USC). It has taken time to locate information on the various institutions that were important to him. Uni Hi was important and he maintained friendships from this school for most of the rest of his life. I am sorry to say that Robert passed away on March 8th, 2015. On his behalf, I thank you for his memories and the friendships he maintained. He is missed greatly by his family and friends far and near."

A sudden shock to the Classes of 1971-72-73-74 was the untimely passing of *Corey Schlossmann* '73 on October 24, at age 60.

In Hawaii for his daughter's wedding, he perished in an ocean accident the following day on the island of Kauai. Remembered at Uni for his wide-ranging mind, curly blond hair and ready smile, as well as his skill as a varsity basketball player, he was a highly-successful accountant and entrepreneur and was close to many of his Uni friends, in both his business and personal life.

His obituary in the *Los Angeles Times* is <u>here</u>; the online guest book, which includes many tributes from classmates, is <u>here</u>. A memorial will be held at Lake Sherwood Country Club in Westlake on November 18th at 11 a.m.; RSVPs are requested to <u>delgadopaula@att.net</u>

► Kristine Mizutani '91 (ampersandhyphen@yahoo.com) sent in a note after receiving the UHEF Annual Newsletter in the mail recently:

"Thanks so much for keeping the alumni newsletter up-to-date. I love getting them in the mail. I've recently been trying to find my old German language teacher from Uni, Mrs Asta Aristov. I think she moved to the Bay Area. She's probably quite old now - early 90's perhaps? She was my teacher at Uni from '89-91. Any chance you have any contact info for her?"

As noted above, Kristine, neither Uni nor the Foundation have a comprehensive list of Uni alums (students or faculty), so we can't help you directly. But we're hoping one or more of our readers will contact you directly with a lead.

## SIXTH PERIOD BELL

▶ James Armstrong '53 (<u>raminojwa@gmail.com</u>) asked: "I would like to know what the class names were for all classes in the 1950s. Thank you."

Glad you asked, James! We put the question to Uni's ace librarian (and alumna) *Tascha Folsoi* and she was happy to help!

Class:	Winter:	Summer:
1950	Jubilees	Alohans
1951	Siroccas	Celestials
1952	Mariners	Parisians
1953	$\operatorname{eLAyens}$	Jamaicans
1954	Fantasians	Capries
1955	Vaqueros	Grecians

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1956	Polynesians	Cambodians	
1957	Imperials	Manhattans	

Tahitians

Continentals

1958

1959

We've already had requests for class names from the 1940s, so those will be next! Can anyone explain the W '51 name? Siroccas?

Vagabonds

Castillians

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