



Warriors & Wildcats Report

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UHEF 2016 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Mar.	11	Track & Field: Dorsey at Uni 2:3 (first meet on the new track; free admission)		Kampmann Stadium & Patton Track
Apr.	16	Spring Clean-Up Day		<u>Volunteer opportunity</u>
Apr.	26-29	"Disney's High School Musical"	Varies	Stivelman Theater
May	15	Luncheon honoring the naming of Kampmann Stadium and Patton Track	11:30 a.m.	South Gymnasium
May	15	All-Classes Picnic & Car Show	11:00 a.m.	Upper Field
Jun.	10	Graduation Day		Kampmann Stadium

GET READY! THE ALL-CLASSES PICNIC & CAR SHOW COMING MAY 15!

Now that the massive field and track construction project has been completed, Uni's campus will open to visitors for the Uni Hi Education Foundation's All-Classes Picnic and Car Show on Sunday, May 15, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission to the Picnic and Car Show is free.

For those who have not been back to campus, or who have not yet seen the remarkable transformation of the field and track, here's your chance!



Among the activities:

- 11:00: Cars of various vintages will be displayed on the Upper Field (formerly known as the Girl's Field); those wishing to display should coordinate their appearance with *Neal Rein* '66 at <u>sabersafety@yahoo.com</u>.
- 11:30: On the Upper Field:
 - = Concessions will be available, plus music from yesterday and today and information tables from the Uni Hi Education Foundation and others.

In the South Gym:

= Luncheon celebrating the naming of Kampmann Stadium and Patton Track, featuring Coach *Dick Kampmann*, the family of *Mel Patton* '43 and *Craig Dixon* '44, 1948 Olympic bronze medalist, who went to school with both Patton and *Norma Jean Baker* (later Marilyn Monroe)!

This event will be separately ticketed; more information about tickets will be available in the near future. For questions: please contact *Rich Perelman* '74 (*rperelman@perelman-pioneer.com*).

- 1:30: Campus tours, led by current Uni students, will begin from the Upper Field. The Administration Building, Stivelman Theater, Amphitheater, gardens, The Springs and the new athletic facilities will be on the route. The Student Store will be open for anyone wishing to buy Uni-themed merchandise, which also helps fund school programs.
- 2:00: Welcome and State of the School address:

 A short program on the Upper Field, with a welcome and comments on Uniteday by Principal *Eric Davidson*, as well as the Uni Hi Education Foundation.

The program will end by about 3 p.m. Parking will be available on the streets surrounding Uni, but there will also be limited on-campus parking in the small lot off Westgate Avenue and on the two smaller lots on Barrington Avenue just north of Ohio Avenue. The lot at Barrington and Texas will not be available due to other uses that day.

Come and see Uni as it is today! We know you'll enjoy it.

UNI ONLINE YEARBOOK PROJECT: NEXT UP ARE 1950 AND 1965!

▶ Thanks to everyone who has been checking out the first set of yearbooks now posted at the UHEF.org Web site (click *here*). This project is now getting ready for the second set of yearbooks to be posted.

In response to multiple requests, a process for bringing specific yearbooks online quickly has

been created, called "Advanced Publication." For a donation to the UHEF of \$499 (the average cost of digitizing and posting a single yearbook), a specific year can be brought forward in the order and shown online more rapidly than normal.

With scanning of new yearbooks now underway, the next Chieftains to be posted will be 1950 and 1965, thanks to the support of two devoted Uni alumni: **Buddy Fischer** '50 and **Steve Sills** '65.

The Uni yearbooks already posted include 1925-26-27-38-42-66-67. Would you like to be the Class Presenter for any of these years?

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•	1965: Steve Sills	•	1975: Available
•	1966: Available	•	1976: Available
•	1967: Available	•	1977: Available
•	1968: Available	•	1978: Available
•	1969: Available	•	1979: Available

If you would like to be the Class Presenter for any of these years (or others), please <u>click here</u> and in the space for "How are you affiliated with Uni?," please write "Class Presenter 19xx" for the year which you want to support. Class Presenters receive two complimentary downloads of their year and Presenter status on the class page.

When you visit the UHEF.org <u>Yearbooks page</u>, you can click on any of the covers and browse any of the books now online. If you click the "Purchase" button below each cover, you'll be taken to another page with options for:

- (1) Buying a download (PDF) of that yearbook, for \$99, or
- (2) Buying a download (PDF) of that yearbook and adding a Dedication that will be shown on that page indefinitely, for \$149, or
- (3) Buying a download (PDF) of that yearbook and becoming a Presenter of that class yearbook (if available), shown on the top of the page indefinitely, for \$199.

Payments are taken by credit card through PayPal, but you don't have to have a PayPal account to use it.

Questions? Send your inquiries to <u>Connect@UHEF.org</u> and we'll get back to you ASAP!

DISNEY'S "HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL" TICKETS NOW ON SALE ONLINE!

Uni's production of Disney's "High School Musical" is coming to Stivelman Theater on April 26-27-28-29 and tickets are now available online at *BrownPaperTickets.com*.

The high-energy story of rivals trying out for top roles in the school play was the theme of the 2006 Disney Channel Original Movie "High School Musical." A major hit for Disney, it became instantly popular in many forms, including the stage, concerts, ice shows and video games!

Uni's Director of Theater Arts, *Ronnie Sperling* '76 notes that "Disney's 'High School Musical' is our most ambitious production to date. Exciting choreography, a large cast, awesome sets, contemporary costumes, some modern lighting, and a surprise appearance by the Uni High Drumline will combine to make this Disney Channel classic come to life on our Stivelman Theater stage."

The Creative team is led by Sperling and includes choreographer *Lindsey Lorenz* and music director *Kahlil Sabbagh*. The Design team includes sets by *John Ong*, costumes by *Suzanne Scott Wakefield*, and lighting by *Rob Fritz*.

Let's introduce the cast of Uni's edition of "Disney's 'High School Musical:"

- The Jocks:
 - Brian Brass as Troy Bolton, Aaron Samos as Chad Danforth, Mark Burgess as Zeke Baylor, Jalon Moore as Jeff Miller, Charles Adams as Jason Parks.
- The Thespians:

Veraliz Cornett as Sharpay Evans, Ryan McNeil as Ryan Evans, Sarai Benitez as Susan Axelrod, Alex Horton as Mascot James Marlon, Victoria Saxxon as Cyndra O' Neal, Maria Chigo as Meryl Stanislavsky, Brisa Flores as Matilda Dahl.

- The Brainiacs:
 - Alessandra Vela as Gabriella Montez, Alex Strong as Taylor McKessie, Josseline Menjivar as Martha Cox, Alexandria Myrie as Kratnoff, Rose Upton as Agatha.
- The Cheerleaders:
 - Eunice Cruz-Martinez as Ariel, Ginetta Robles as Anna, Cassandra Bridges as Belle, Filsun Ahmed as Jasmine, Mari Johnson as Tiana.
- The Skater Dudes:

Xavier Akanmu as Ripper, Ayanna Jimenez as Mongo, Isabella Rodriguez as Spicoli, Sharon Olisa as Slater.

Other Students and Faculty:
 Luis A. Vasquez as Jack Scott, Helena Cabrera as Kelsi Neilson, Wyatt Daily as Ms.
 Darbus, Alex Wynne as Coach Bolton, and Aanijisah Duru as Ms. Tenny.

Supported by UCLA's Beyond the Bell program for the performing arts, performances are slated for the Stivelman Theater on campus (11800 Texas Avenue, Los Angeles):

(1) April 26	(Tuesday),	at 7:30 p.m.	Adults:	\$10	Students:	\$5
(2) April 27	(Wednesday)	at 3:30 p.m.		\$10		\$5
(3) April 28	(Thursday)	at 7:30 p.m.		\$10		\$5
(4) April 29	(Friday)	at 7:30 p.m.		\$10		\$5

Tickets may be purchased for all shows in advance at \$10 for adults and \$5 for students (with identification) via credit card <u>on this site</u>, or at the Uni Student Store or at the door (cash only). Online purchases carry a 99-cent fee plus a 3.5% charge for credit-card processing.

Parking is available on-campus in the Barrington Avenue or Westgate Avenue lots, not to mention the ample street parking around the Uni campus. The Stivelman Theater entrance is on Texas Avenue.

ON CAMPUS

▶ Congratulations to the newly-reformed Uni Speech & Debate Club for outstanding performances at the Western Bay Forensics League Qualifying Tournament at Torrance High School on February 20. Club sponsor *Jocelyn Tabata* reports:

"Four members of the Uni Speech and Debate Club competed in the tournament, and all progressed into semis and then three into finals!

"The qualifying tournament began with three preliminary rounds. A semi-final round followed, concluding with final rounds. At stake were qualifying spots for the 2016 California State High School Speech Association State Tournament. The top four in each of the events would earn a spot in the state tournament.

"Two of Uni's own, *Aaron Rovinsky* and *Hannah Grace Smith*, earned spots in Impromptu and Oratorical Interpretation, respectively.

"Numerous schools competed, entering only their most competitive members. We are especially proud of Uni's squad, which has experienced much success in its first year of competition and active involvement. While four have competed throughout the year, several others joined weekly club meetings to learn more about the craft. Several new members joined recently, bringing the total of club members to more than 15. Many are freshmen!

"The state tournament is being held in Santa Clara from April 15-17. We look forward to sharing with you the excitement and inspiration of that experience and many others in the months, years to come.

"In the meantime, the squad is interested in learning more about debate, and is preparing for their first debate tournament on April 2-3.

"Thank you so much for making these experiences possible, both for the club's competitors as well as those members gaining their confidence to compete in the future. We are blessed with the support of a wonderful faculty advisor, *Rachel Juarez*, and coach extraordinaire, *Ethan Keogh*. Both have gone above and beyond to help Uni students thrive. And UHEF's support makes all this possible!"

Coach Keogh added that "[d]epending on the event, there were either three or four who qualify from our league to compete at State." The individual results:

- *Pradeep Muthu* competed in Oratorical Interpretation and Impromptu Speaking. He was a semi-finalist in Impromptu Speaking.
- *Ari Zapata* competed in Dramatic Interpretation and was a finalist. He finished sixth overall and is an alternate for State.
- *Aaron Rovinsky* also competed in Oratorical Interpretation and Impromptu Speaking. He was a finalist in Impromptu Speaking, ended up fourth overall, and is going to State as a freshman!
- *Hannah Grace Smith* took seventh overall in Impromptu Speaking and is an alternate for State in that event. She finished fourth overall in Oratorical Interpretation and will be representing Uni at the State Championships.

Added Keogh, "I'm hugely proud of what our team has accomplished in so little time. We look forward to some tough competition at State on the weekend of April 15th. We are very grateful to the school and the Foundation empowering this team to represent Uni at State and beyond."

Fourteen Uni students walked away with prizes in the Westwood Village Rotary Club "Pageant of the Arts" contests held in January.

The "Pageant of the Arts" – in art, dance, music and speech – is a Rotary International District 5280 program for high school students. The Westwood Village Rotary Club competition awarded prizes of \$150 to the winners, \$100 for second and \$50 for third in each category.

The first-place winners in each category will go to the Rotary District 5280 Art Contest at Loyola Marymount University on March 5th to have a chance to win prizes of \$1,000, \$500, and \$250 in each category. District 5280 includes approximately 75 Rotary Clubs on the west side of Los Angeles from Palos Verdes north into the San Fernando Valley.

Uni's competitors were coached by *Lynn Ishii*, Uni's Visual Arts Chair & Budget Committee Chair. Congratulations to Uni's award winners:

• Dance:

1st: Enrique Hernandez (11th grade)

2nd: Alessandra Vela (12th) 3rd: Baile Folklorico (12th)

• Music:

1st: Victoria Saxxon (11)

2nd: Mona Farzan and Alexandra Strong (12)

3rd: tie, Cynthia Jacinto (10) and Kyana Shajari (12)

• Speech:

1st: Hannah Grace Smith (11)

2nd: Hamd Iqbal (11) 3rd: Max Harrell (11)

• Visual Arts:

1st: Alexander Kim (12) 2nd: Salma Abdusamad (11)

3rd: Ashly Vigil (12)

Westwood Village Rotary International Vocational Service Chair Jim Crane noted that "Not all clubs participate, but from the past I would expect to have maybe 25 high schools represented in the Arts contest at the District level on March 5." Good luck to Uni's entrants!

▶ Uni Winter sports report: Follow the Wildcats on Twitter: @Utownsports

• Boys/Basketball 14-18 overall (2-10 Western League)

Uni was seeded 12th in the City's Division I playoffs and defeated no. 5 Grant, 75-71, but then lost a tough match-up with no. 4 Crenshaw on February 20 to finish at 14-18.

Junior point guard *Jude Agbasi* finished the season as Uni's leading scorer at 15.8 points per game (50.0% shooting from the field) and scored 32 points in the season-ending loss to Crenshaw. Agbasi also co-led on the team at 7.5 rebounds a game. Junior guard *Gabe Okmin* finished at 15.0 points per game, the only other Wildcat in double figures. Junior wing *Kevin Javier* also averaged 7.5 rebounds per game.

Uni's 2015-16 schedule:

Nov.	23	Wilson	Won, 62-53	El Monte Tournament
Nov.	25	Hoover	Won, 87-56	El Monte Tournament
Nov.	27	Workman	Won, 68-52	El Monte Tournament
Nov.	28	St. John Bosco	Lost, 68-52	El Monte Tournament
Nov.	30	Crossroads	Lost, 81-74	St. Monica Tournament
Dec.	01	La Salle	Lost, 67-51	St. Monica Tournament
Dec.	02	Santa Monica	Lost, 62-19	St. Monica Tournament
Dec.	03	St. Monica	Won, 51-47	St. Monica Tournament
Dec.	07	New Designs		
		University Park	Won, 100-41	Jim Nakabara Classic @ Un
Dec.	09	Marshall	Won, 60-39	Jim Nakabara Classic @ Un

Dec.	10	Buckley	Won, 54-27	Jim Nakabara Classic @ Uni
Dec.	11	Bernstein	Won, 83-73	Jim Nakabara Classic @ Uni
Jan.	02	Saugus	Lost, 77-64	Clash at the Canyons Showcase
Jan.	04	North Hollywood	Lost,. 65-61	JFK Cougar Classic
Jan.	05	Van Nuys	Won, 82-76	JFK Cougar Classic
Jan.	06	Gardena	Won, 50-48	JFK Cougar Classic
Jan.	07	Verdugo Hills	Won, 68-46	JFK Cougar Classic
Jan.	11	Venice	Lost, 67-42	(Western League Game)
Jan.	13	Palisades	Won, 63-57	(Western League Game)
Jan.	15	@ Fairfax	Lost, 94-57	(Western League Game)
Jan.	18	Trinity Classical Acad.	Lost, 64-63	Dr. M.L. King, Jr. Showcase @ L.A. CES
Jan.	20	@ Westchester	Lost, 93-52	(Western League Game)
Jan.	22	Hamilton	Lost, 65-52	(Western League Game)
Jan.	25	@ L.A. CES	Lost, 57-55	(Western League Game)
Jan.	29	@ Venice	Lost, 64-60	(Western League Game)
Feb.	01	@ Palisades	Lost, 71-69	(Western League Game)
Feb.	03	Fairfax	Lost, 96-53	(Western League Game)
Feb.	05	Westchester	Lost, 43-81	(Western League Game)
Feb.	10	L.A. CES	Won, 81-52	(Western League Game)
Feb.	12	Hamilton	Lost, 78-49	(Western League Game)
(City 1	Divisio	n I Playoffs)		
Feb.	18	@ Grant	Won, 75-71	Play-in game
Feb.	20	@ Crenshaw	Lost, 99-91	Quarterfinals

• Boys/Soccer

5-9-1 overall

(4-7-1 Western League)

The Uni schedule (*=Western League match):

Dec.	02	@ Van Nuys	Lost, 2-1	Jan.	22	Venice	Won, 3-1
Dec.	04	San Pedro	Lost, 1-0	Jan.	25	@ L.A. CES	Lost, 3-2
Dec.	07	Los Angeles	Won, 4-1	Jan.	29	@ Venice	Lost, 1-0
Dec.	09	L.A. CES*	Lost, 2-1	Feb.	03	Palisades	Lost, 6-1
Jan.	11	@ Palisades	Tie, 1-1	Feb.	05	@ Hamilton	Won, 1-0
Jan.	13	Hamilton	Lost, 4-1	Feb.	10	@ Westchester	Won, 2-0
Jan.	15	Westchester	Won, 5-1	Feb.	12	Fairfax	Lost, 2-0
Jan.	20	@ Fairfax	Lost, 3-1				

• Girls/Basketball

12-13 overall

(4-8 Western League)

Twelfth-seeded Uni upset View Park, 43-29, in a City Division II play-in game, but lost at fourth-seeded Narbonne, 35-30, to finish the season at 12-13.

Uni's 2015-16 schedule:

Nov.	23	King/Drew	Won, 48-27	Carson Classic
Nov.	24	Compton	Won, 52-27	Carson Classic
Nov.	27	South Gate	Won, 37-34	Carson Classic
Nov.	28	Carson	Lost, 51-22	Carson Classic
Dec.	14	Taft	Lost, 37-21	
Dec.	18	@Cleveland	Won, 56-30	
Jan.	05	Price	Lost, 36-46	Fairfax City Classic
Jan.	06	Roosevelt	Won, 50-10	Fairfax City Classic
Jan.	07	Middle College	Lost, 57-42	Fairfax City Classic
Jan.	08	Dorsey	Won, 74-21	Fairfax City College
Jan.	11	@ Venice	Lost, 62-57	(Western League Game)
Jan.	13	@ Palisades	Lost, 78-36	(Western League Game)
Jan.	15	Fairfax	Lost, 75-40	(Western League Game)

Jan.	16	Marlborough	Won, 55-13	Dr. M.L. King, Jr. Showcase @ Trade Tech
Jan.	20	Westchester	Lost, 50-41	(Western League Game)
Jan.	22	Hamilton	Won, 42-30	(Western League Game)
Jan.	25	L.A. CES	Won, 35-32	(Western League Game)
Jan.	29	Venice	Won, 50-45	(Western League Game)
Feb.	01	Palisades	Lost, 78-42	(Western League Game)
Feb.	03	@ Fairfax	Lost, 65-37	(Western League Game)
Feb.	05	@ Westchester	Lost, 54-39	(Western League Game)
Feb.	10	@ L.A. CES	Lost, 34-31	(Western League Game)
Feb.	12	Hamilton	Won, 46-32	(Western League Game)
(City Di	vision .	I Playoffs)		
Feb.	17	@ View Park	Won, 43-29	Play-in game
Feb.	19	@ Narbonne	Lost, 35-30	Quarterfinals
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• Girls/Soccer 4-6-4 overall (3-5-3 Western League)

Uni won its opening playoff game, but fell in the quarterfinals of the City Division II playoffs to end the season. The 2015-16 Uni schedule (*=Western League matches):

Dec.	02	Van Nuys	Tie, 2-2	Jan.	29	Venice*	Tie, 0-0
Dec.	09	@ L.A. CES*	Lost, 2-0	Feb.	03	@ Palisades*	Lost, 9-0
Jan.	11	Palisades*	Lost, 8-0	Feb.	05	Hamilton*	Tie, 1-1
Jan.	13	@ Hamilton*	Lost, 2-0	Feb.	10	Westchester*	Won, 4-1
Jan.	15	@ Westchester	Won, 2-1	Feb.	12	@ Fairfax*	Lost, 4-1
Jan.	20	Fairfax*	Won, 4-0	(City I	Divisio	n II playoffs)	
Jan.	22	@ Venice*	Lost, 1-0	Feb.	18	RFK Community	Won, 2-0
Jan.	25	L.A. CES*	Tie, 1-1	Feb.	20	@ South East	Lost, 3-1

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...

- **▶** Upcoming reunions that we know about include:
 - April 16, 2016: CLASSES OF 1966

At the Marina City Club, Marina del Rey

Information: Neal Rein (<u>sabersafety@yahoo.com</u>) and/or Joyce (Gordon) Rangen (<u>joyce.rangen@gmail.com</u>). (Please <u>click here</u> for the event's Facebook page!)

• June 4, 2016: CLASS OF SUMMER 1956 (Cambodians)

At The Beach Club, Santa Monica

Information: Carolyn Willis Vena (<u>carolynpaints@earthlink.net</u>) or (503) 861-2136, or **Joel & Jacki Woolf** (<u>jackiwlax@aol.com</u>) or (310) 536-4000, or **Dick Wollmer** (<u>RichardWollmer@csulb.edu</u>) or (714)

536-7685.

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

At Rancho Park, Los Angeles

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

call (310) 441-0410.

• July 9, 2016: CLASS OF 1976

At the Marina City Club, Marina del Rey

Information: Leslie Messer Ward (lmward421@icloud.com)

Reservations and tickets: The Reunion Committee, at

(661) 259-5999 or www.reunioncommittee.com

• October, 2016 CLASS OF 1986

(Possible dates: October 1, 8 or 15 at a location to be announced)

Information: Check <u>www.unihigh1986reunion.com</u> or contact

Kathleen Cohen (<u>kathleencohen@mac.com</u>) or Beth Goldfarb

(bethgold farb@gmail.com).

Please send details of any and all reunions, meetings or informal get-togethers to <u>Connect@UHEF.org</u> for inclusion in future issues.

▶ Bobbi Goldstein '70 (eceteach 1@sbcglobal.net) asks, "What's happening with the class of 1970? The Summer of 1970 "Herbert" class."

No idea, Bobbi, but we're happy to share updates. It's not too early to start thinking about your 50-year reunion in 2020, is it? By the way, who was "Herbert"?

▶ Don't let what happened to *Patricia Flores* '80 (<u>patricia_l_flores@yahoo.com</u>) happen to you!

"I was extremely saddened when I missed the 2010 celebration for the class of '80! And to find it was held down the street from where I live worsened matters."

☐ Good news for the Class of 1986 from *Kathleen Cohen* (<u>kathleencohen@mac.com</u>) and **Beth** Goldfarb (<u>bethgoldfarb@gmail.com</u>):

"My name is Kathleen Cohen and I am one of the people leading the charge for the Uni High Class of 1986 - 30th year reunion.

"As of right now, Beth Goldfarb and myself will be the point of contacts for you should you need any information from us. Or if anyone asks.

"We are currently looking at three dates: 10/1, 10/8 or 10/15. The 30th reunion for the class of 1986 Web site address is: www.unihigh1986reunion.com.

▶ Classes of 1996 and 2006, are you holding 20 and 10-year reunions in 2016?

Erin Thayer '06 (emthayer 88@gmail.com) is asking about her class: "I am an alumna of Uni

High, class of 2006. I was wondering if there would be a reunion occurring this year, and if so, when and where. I did not see anything mentioned in the 'Reunion' page.

"Any information you have would be greatly appreciated!"

If you're from one of these classes, the Foundation can provide some help in locating classmates, if we have them as part of our database of 14,000+ addresses (online and postal). If you're out there and want to know more, contact UHEF Co-President *Ivan Finkle* '50 via *Connect@UHEF.org* right away!

If your class maintains a Web site or Facebook page, please send the address to <u>Connect@UHEF.org</u> 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 UniHi65@gmail.com

Class of Winter 1961: New Yorkers

• http://www.unihiw61.com

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*.

- 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 <u>register</u> or <u>sign in</u> (Questions answered <u>here</u>); Uni's code for the Ralphs program is <u>93275</u>.
- Your purchases on *Amazon.com* can also help Uni! Just go to the UHEF.org "<u>Donate Now</u>" page, scroll down and *click on the Amazon logo* 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 more than \$900,000 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!*

If you're reading this and didn't get your own copy of the 20-page, 2015 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!

UNI ALUMNI NOTEBOOK

▶ Thekla Haines '41 (<u>sarahlove333@hotmail.com</u>) asks "I am wanting to find information about me when I, Thekla Haines, and my sister, Gloria Haines, went to school here in 1940 and 1941."

We don't have a brief on what was going on at Uni in '40 and '41, but the yearbooks will likely be up later this year and you'll be able to take a trip back in time! If there are other alums from either of these years, you can get in touch with Thekla directly via e-mail!

▶ *Helen Hensley Polichetti* '58 (<u>hpolichetti@aol.com</u>) is fired up about the Uni Yearbook Project, writing:

"Hi, this is an exciting project. Is the year (June) 1958 available? Also do you have the actual book for that year?"

Sorry, no extra 1958 Chieftains lying around at Uni, but if you'd like to see the 1958 yearbook online soon, why not join with some friends and become the Class Presenter (see pp. 3-4)? It's fine to have more than one person as Class Presenter, but once taken, no more Class Presenters will be accepted.

Best remembered as the pilot Steve Elliott on the 1960s sitcom "Petticoat Junction," Uni alumnus *Mike Minor* passed away on January 28, 2016 in New York City, from cancer.

Believed to be a graduate in the Uni Class of 1959, Minor was a trained singer and had two albums released in 1966, but joined the cast of "Petticoat Junction" in the fall for the 1966 season, the fourth of seven in the series. Handsome and commanding at 6-feet, 2-inches, Minor's character was wed to Betty Jo Bradley, played by Linda Kaye Henning, during the next (1967) season. The two began dating during production and were wed in real life in 1968! Minor was an integral part of the show for its final four seasons.

Minor <u>also appeared</u> on many other series in a television career that stretched well into the 1980s, including "The Beverly Hillbillies," "My Three Sons," "CHiPs," "Vega\$" and others. He was also a familiar figure on daytime soap operas such as "Edge of Night," "As the World Turns," "Another World" and "All My Children."

His marriage to Henning was his second and lasted until 1973. He married again in 1981 and is survived by his wife Marilyn, two brothers, two sisters, his son John and three grandchildren. Our condolences to the family and friends of another beloved member of the Uni family.

▶ *Bill Bredall* '76 (*bbredall@aol.com*), an All-City cross-country star at Uni, will be a University of Hawaii football fan this fall:

"I always look forward to these newsletters. My youngest son Johnny, who is a senior at Terra Nova High School in Pacifica, is attending the U of Hawaii this fall. I found it interesting that Eugene Ford from Uni is also attending and is playing football. Perhaps they will be in the freshman dorms together."

Bill: if so, we expect a full report!

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▶ Carol Cherman '66 (Carol.Cherman@CohnReznick.com) asked: "When Uni changed from Warriors to Wildcats, did the name of the yearbook change? If so, what is it called now?"

Good question! Although Uni was forced by L.A. Unified School District edict – along with Birmingham and Gardena High Schools – to change their nickname away from non-Indianthemed names, no such change order was issued for the yearbook. So, as it has been since 1926, the name of Uni's yearbook is still *Chieftain*.

What was the first yearbook name? The 1925 edition was called *La Estella*, or "The Star." You can check it out online in its entirety *here*.

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