



Warriors & Wildcats Report

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UHEF 2017 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Apr. 28	1st University High Student Film Festival	Stivelman Theater
Apr. 29	UHEF Takes You to the Movies: "Grease"	Stivelman Theater
Jun. 09	Spring semester ends	Campus

SING ALONG WITH "GREASE" THIS SATURDAY AT THE UNI FILM FESTIVAL!

- ☐ The first-ever Uni film festival program is being held this Friday and Saturday on-campus and we want to see you there!



WE WANT YOU!

University High Education Foundation presents

Join the Fun
and
'Sing-a-Long!

Saturday,
April 29
6pm at
Stivelman
Theatre



GREASE

SING-A-LONG

A Fund-raiser for UNI Theatre

Tickets on sale at...

www.brownpapertickets.com and at the door.
Students & Kids \$10 and Adults \$20

Calling all Pink Ladies, T-Birds
and Beauty School Dropouts, for
a summer night filled with fun,
singing and a little hand-jive!

**Dance
Contest!!**

Popcorn, Candy
and Soda at our
Concessions Stand

Best Costume Prizes for Adults and Kids

The first-ever **UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT FILM FESTIVAL** will take place on Friday (28th), beginning at 4 p.m., showcasing student films from Uni and other high schools, in the Stivelman Theater on campus. Admission is free.

On Saturday (29th), the UHEF presents the sing-along version of the 1978 smash movie "[*Grease*](#)" at the Stivelman Theater, as a ***fund-raiser for Uni Theater Arts***.

The Grease Sing-A-Long version, starring ***Olivia Newton-John*** and ***John Travolta*** has been digitally remastered in this special version, made for audience participation. The film will be shown using a special projector to span a cyclorama screen across the entire theater stage, so you'll essentially be right in the middle of the quad at Rydell High for the entire show!

If you're "Hopelessly Devoted" to Grease, you'll be able to sing along to "You're the One That I Want," "Beauty School Dropout," "Summer Nights" and all of the film's big hits as you experience the friendships, romances and adventures of a group of high school kids in 1950s Los Angeles.

This event features the hit movie complete with song lyrics printed on the screen! You can come as you are, or dress up as characters from the movie, but come ready to clap and sing along to one of the fun movies of all time. There will be a ***costume contest*** for adults and kids, as well as a ***dance contest*** for you to showcase your best moves, emceed by Uni's Director of Theater Arts, ***Ronnie Sperling '76!***

Tickets, which include snacks for the show, are \$20 for adults and \$10 for children (under 18) and students with identification. Tickets are available online through Friday night at:

www.UHEF-presents-Grease.BrownPaperTickets.com

You can, of course, simply rock & roll your way up to the Stivelman Theater ticket window on Saturday, hand over a Jackson and sashay in for the show!

Ample street parking is available in and around Uni. The entrance to the Stivelman Theater is on Texas Avenue between Westgate and Barrington Avenues.

FABULOUS TURN-OUT FOR UNI'S PRODUCTION OF "SHREK THE MUSICAL"

- ▣ Audiences filled the Stivelman Theater last week for the four performances of "Shrek the Musical."

Starring one of the largest casts in Uni history, the special Student program last Wednesday opened to a full house and folks who came on each of the next three days were treated to a rousing show, produced under the direction of Uni alum ***Ronnie Sperling '76!***

"Shrek The Musical" was presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre

International (MTI). The Uni Theater Arts program is supported by UCLA's Beyond the Bell and the Uni Hi Education Foundation. For more on Uni's theatre arts program, check out its Facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/unihightheater/>



ON CAMPUS

▣ Uni sports report:

Follow the Wildcats on Twitter: [@Utownsports](#)

- *Boys/Baseball:*

The baseball team has won three of its last five games to up its record to 9-12 and 5-5 in the Western League. The Wildcats play all of their games on the road due to a lack of a facility on or near the Uni campus, but have league wins over Fairfax, LACES, Venice and Westchester. Uni's MaxPreps schedule and statistics are [here](#).

- *Boys/Tennis:*

The Wildcats are 4-9 overall and 4-6 in the Western League, with wins over Venice. Westchester and two over LACES. For scores and schedule, click [here](#).

- *Boys/Volleyball:*

Uni's volleyball squad has an 20-12-1 record and 5-5 in the Western League, closing the regular season with nine wins in its last 11 games. Next up will be the City playoffs, with seedings to be announced on May 2. Scores and schedule are [here](#).

- *Girls/Softball:*

Uni and head coach **Jason Tillett** have a 6-8 record overall and a 4-6 mark in the Western League, with wins over Fairfax, Westchester (2) and LACES.. For scores and schedules, click [here](#).

- *Track & Field:*

Uni will complete the Western League finals the week of May 11 and qualifiers will compete in the City Prelims at Birmingham High School on May 18 and the City Finals at El Camino College on May 25.

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:

- Sep. 23, 2017: **CLASS OF 1954 (Capris) 63-YEAR REUNION**
At the Saticoy Golf Course Clubhouse, Ventura
Information: **Erin Boomer** (boomererin@gmail.com)
- Oct. 07, 2017: **CLASS OF 1967: 50-YEAR REUNION**
Hollywood & Highland Center, Los Angeles
Information: **Judi Astrachan Doling** (judidoling@sbcglobal.net)
Reservations and tickets: Please contact The Reunion Committee at (661) 259-5999 or visit www.reunioncommittee.com.
- Oct. 13, 2018: **CLASS OF 1968: 50-YEAR REUNION**
Hollywood & Highland Center, Los Angeles
Information: **Kathie Brown Marion** (marionmoses@me.com).
Reservations and tickets: Please contact The Reunion Committee at (661) 259-5999 or visit 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.

- ▣ **Class of 1987:**

A reunion committee is forming for a 30-year celebration later in 2017. Check out the class Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/129073165787/> or contact **Marvina (Stephens) Miller** at marvina@centurycommercial.com.

- ▣ **Class of 1997:**

Kymia Jones '97 (kymiaejones@gmail.com) has already asked "I'm wondering if there is a 20-year reunion planned for the Class of 1997?" Why not contact Kymia and get the party started!

- ▣ ***Classes of 1957-1997-2007, are you holding reunions in 2017?***

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 Connect@UHEF.org
and we'll add it to this list!*

Class of 1987:

- On Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/129073165787/>

Class of 1981:

- On Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/UNI1981Centurians/>

Class of 1977:

- On Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/UniHigh77/>

Classes of 1966: Valcisians & Delphians

- On Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1092330424115492/>
- For questions, please contact Joyce Rangen at joyce.rangen@gmail.com

Classes 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>

Class of Summer 1961: Islanders

- <http://www.unihi61.com>

And Uni's theater-arts program is also on Facebook:

- <https://www.facebook.com/unihightheater/>

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.
- ▣ Contribute to Uni by linking your purchases on Amazon.com or at Ralphs to their contribution programs!

- **Amazon.com:** Your purchases on **Amazon.com** can help Uni! Just go to the UHEF.org "[Donate Now](#)" 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 the school!
- **Ralphs:** Use your **Ralphs Rewards Card**. Via its Community Contribution program, from 1-4% of monthly purchases made by members is sent to Uni, but by designating the school by linking it to your Rewards Card.

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

- ▣ The Foundation, created by committed Uni administrators, alumni and parents in 1985, has raised more than \$1 million 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!](#)

UHEF SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE

- ▣ Did you know that the UHEF – thanks to your donations – supports these annual scholarships for Uni students:
- **Community Service Scholarship:** \$1,000 awarded to a graduating senior who has shown exceptional dedication to community service during their tenure at Uni.
 - **Jack Moskowitz Principal's Award:** Named for one of Uni's most outstanding principals (1984-93), a \$1,000 award to a graduating senior selected by Uni Principal **Eric Davidson** for exceptional achievement and service to the school.
 - **Sharon Mednick Scholarship:** Created in 2004 from a \$10,000 bequest left by Uni counselor Sharon Mednick, this annual \$1,000 scholarship is awarded to a senior interested in a career in education.

In addition, two new scholarships are set to be inaugurated in the coming year with your donations:

- **Coach Richard M. Kampmann Scholarship Fund:** Named for Uni's late, legendary cross country and track & field coach, to be awarded by the Stimming Family in coordination with the UHEF.
- **Violetta Ponce Scholarship:** a new scholarship created by the University High School faculty and staff in memory of the late **Violetta (Ponce) Pacheco**, a Uni English teacher who lost her battle with cancer in May, 2016 at age 40. Contributions to this fund can be made to the UHEF or sent directly to University High School.

To contribute to any of these scholarships, simply go to the [Donate Now](#) section of the UHEF Web site, make your donation and enter the name of the fund you wish to support in the Comments section. Thank you for your generosity.

UNI ALUMNI NOTEBOOK

*Reunion information and updates for the
Classes of 1954-1967-1968-1987-1997:
Check the [Reunions](#) section above!*

▣ We noted these passings:

- **Rodger Ernest Maus** '50 (1932-2017), who passed on March 16. His [obituary](#) noted "In 1953, he joined the Army Reserve, attended Class #20 of NCO School in the 1st Cavalry Division, and proudly served in the Korean War.

"Rodger started his career in the motion picture industry as a mail boy at 20th Century Fox before working his way into the blueprint room under Lyle Wheeler ('Gone with the Wind'). During the 1960s he worked extensively for producer Irwin Allen on his science-fiction series, 'Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea,' 'Lost in Space,' 'The Time Tunnel,' and 'Land of the Giants.' Two of Rodger's most famous creations were the 'Space Pod,' a small scout-craft for 'Lost in Space' (based on the NASA Lunar Module), and the 'Spindrift' for 'Land of the Giants.'

"He also worked as an Art Director on 'M*A*S*H' before becoming a Production Designer in the movies. Rodger worked on ten Blake Edwards films, most notably, '10' and 'Victor/Victoria.' In 2002, he was nominated for Outstanding Art Direction on "The Mists of Avalon." In 1995, Rodger won an Emmy for 'Scarlett' (sequel to 'Gone with the Wind'). And, in 1983, he was nominated for an Oscar for Best Art Direction-Set Decoration on 'Victor/Victoria.'

- **Lawrence "Stowe" Killingworth** ('61?: 1943-2017), who passed on April 7. His [obituary](#) noted that "Stowe always put friendship first, and had many dear and lifelong friends. In 1966, he was drafted into the United States Army. He served as a member of the Army's Special Forces in Vietnam during 1967 where he received the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry for meritorious service during combat in the Mekong Delta.

"After he returned home, he went to work in the family oil and gas business with his father in Kern County. ... Stowe continued his profession as an independent oil and gas producer for the next 20 plus years. He retired in 2000. In 1978, Stowe met the girl of his dreams and love of his life, Susan Morris. They were married in 1980. Married life and family were the most wonderful part of his life. Ashley was born in 1981, Erin in 1983, and Whitney in 1987. ... Stowe lived with his family in Bakersfield until he and Susan moved to Newport Beach full time in 2010."

Our condolences to all of the family and friends of our departed Warriors and Wildcats.

- ▣ **Jack Tucker** S '60 (mrtcpa@gmail.com) sends this update from Clayton, North Carolina:

"My wife (Linda L. Tucker) and I travel a fair amount and, some five years ago, were waiting for our flight out from Dulles in Virginia (Washington D.C.). We had most of a day to 'hang around,' so we went to the Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center of the National Air and Space Museum.

"Wonderful museum! But about a year later – couple of years ago – your article about his history appeared in the newsletter! He graduated just a couple of years after me. I wish I'd known him. I was an airplane 'fanatic' and in the Air Force ROTC at UCLA.

*"Another personal note: Hello to **Kathy Forney** from my Class and our favorite club: the Spanish Club (Ms. Poliakititis and Mr. Briscoe among other teachers involved with that great club). Kathy: I have fond memories. Hope you're well. I know you're a success because you're as smart as they exist. And that one professor who gave you a 'B' in advanced Spanish Literature at UCLA, you, a straight 'A' (totally) student, is unforgivable on his part. He was very political, even in those days."*

- ▣ The massive plaques saluting Coach **Dick Kampmann**, Uni sprinter (and double Olympic gold medalist) **Mel Patton** '43 and the school's first principal, **Angus Cavanaugh**, are mounted outside the north side of the South Gym. If you would like to see them, please note that Uni is a closed school and requires visitors to register. Please arrange your entry by calling Uni – (310) 914-3500 – and ask to schedule a date to come to see the plaques.

A handful (literally) of the souvenir DVDs of the May 15th Kampmann-Patton Honors Luncheon remain available. The full speaking program is included, along with personal messages to Coach K and the Patton family and a short highlights [video](#) of the event. The DVDs are \$20 each and can be ordered by going to the UHEF.org "[Donate Now](#)" page and under the "**Comments**" section, please enter "Kampmann-Patton DVD."

- ▣ We have received a number of inquiries about how one can obtain a copy of an old diploma or a proof of graduation. We have the answers (we think):
- If you graduated within the past 10 years, call the Registrar's Office at Uni directly, and they can help you. Uni's telephone number is (310) 914-3500.
 - If you graduated before 2006, here's the link to the LAUSD Web page which includes instructions on how to obtain your records: <http://achieve.lausd.net/transcripts> . Please read the requirements carefully!

SIXTH PERIOD BELL

- ▣ How much does it cost to run a school like Uni?

According to the LAUSD's 2016-17 School Budget Summary, the operating cost at Uni is \$11.93 million, of which 90% – \$10.75 million – is salary-related for nearly 107 positions, with the rest for equipment, materials and supplies.

Of course, the cost of the grounds and maintenance is not included, as it is accounted for separately within the LAUSD accounting program.

But even so, the annual budget for 2017 is quite a bit more than the original cost to build the school in 1923: a total of \$350,000!

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

Send a note to Connect@UHEF.org !

Be sure to give your full name and Uni graduating class!

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