



Warriors & Wildcats Report

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UHEF FALL 2017 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Oct.	30-Nov. 3	Spirit Week	Campus
Nov.	01-02	The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee	Stivelman Theater
Nov.	03	Homecoming: Uni vs. Palisades football game	Kampmann Stadium
Nov.	08-09	The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee	Stivelman Theater
Dec.	04-09	Jim Nakabara Basketball Classic	South Gym
Dec.	15	Last day of the Fall Semester	Campus

UNI'S ALMA MATER: HISTORY, CONTROVERSY AND APATHY

We got an enormous amount of response to our question last issue about Uni's school song. We shared a Uni "*Spirit Song*" sheet passed on by UHEF co-President *Ivan Finkle* '50, which includes our alma mater as follows:

Standing high upon the hill-slopes
By Pacific's pounding blue,
Mother of our fondest memories,
Alma Mater! Hail to you!
May we never prove unworthy,
Bow your head, or cause you tears,

Let your radiance shine upon us, Seen through mist of space and years, Let your radiance shine upon us, seen through mist of space and years.

We got more reaction to this than just about anything else we've ever published! Some of the most noteworthy responses:

- "I remember the Alma Mater. I later learned that the music is the German National Anthem. I don't know the name of the composer. I am sure this was our Alma Mater during the War. I have always wondered about the Alma Mater origin. I don't know if it is still the German National Anthem. Years ago I listened to German folk music on the radio, and heard the anthem often."
 - ~ Marv Tanner S '51 (inamarv@msn.com)
- "We were singing the Alma Mater in 1952. We were taught it by the Music Teacher **Edith Provan**. Was a great teacher."
 - ~ Lloyd R. Hurst S '52 (rhurstjr@aol.com)
- Re your question about the Alma Mater, we sang it during my tenure at Uni (Fall '52 thru '55). The tune is 'Austria,' by Haydn,1797, found in most hymnals, and familiar as the German national anthem. I still remember it, though I always thought the line was '...Pacific's bounding blue...,' not 'pounding' blue."
 - ~ *Al Gunby*, S' 55 (gunbyfolks@comcast.net)
- "The 'Alma Mater' and 'On to Victory' were current 1952-1955; I don't know how long before or after those years but we sang them at all games during that period. The tune for the 'Alma Mater' is 'Deutschland Uber Alles,' which was the German National Anthem and as you can imagine there was some controversy about use of that tune, Notwithstanding, it was a good Alma Mater. You can hear the tune here."
 - ~ Jim Kurtz S '55 (betsyjimkurtz@yahoo.com)
- "Greetings, my fellow Warriors/Wildcats. The music was composed by Franz Joseph Haydn in 1797. It was later hijacked by the Nazis, but it's a good tune and deserves to be brought back."
 - ~ Rosine Reynolds S '55 Grecians (rosinelee@sbcglobal.net)
- "The Alma Mater music comes from an old hymn, 'Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah,' written by Welshman William Williams in 1745. It was translated from Welsh into English

in 1771. He was an Anglican priest and died in 1791."
~ Susan (Demerjan) Hansen Van Derripe, S '60 (svanderripe@aol.com)

• "The Alma Mater was still sung regularly at Uni when I was a student. I graduated with the class of 1964. The band played it at graduation each year.

"I have <u>attached</u> a copy of the music from the 1940 Episcopal Hymnal. The last line of music was repeated in order for the words to fit.

The tune was also used as the Austrian National Anthem, and I suspect it may have been discontinued because of the Hitler association. This didn't seem to be a problem at the end of World War II. It seems a shame to let Hitler ruin a perfectly good piece of Haydn." ~ Bill Beck '64 (WmChasBeck@aol.com)

• "My answer is YES. I absolutely knew Uni has an Alma Mater, and we used to sing it when I was at Uni (S '66).

"The first line was slightly different. Instead of 'Standing high upon the hill slopes...,' the version I learned said '...hill side...' The song can be found in church hymn books under the name 'Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken,' and it is noted as an Austrian hymn --- music written by Franz Joseph Haydn.

"It is also known as the <u>German National Anthem</u>. The only consolation I have about that is that Uni came into existence prior to World War II, and hopefully began using the tune before all the heinous activities began. I'm surprised that they didn't find a new tune later on, but apparently they didn't because it was still in use when I was a student."

~ Carol Cherman S '66 (carolcherman@gmail.com)

• "The 'Spirit Song' brings back the memory of standing in the original auditorium at Freshman orientation and singing this for the first time

"The tune is by Wagner (German composer); you were made to stand and raise your right hand and sign this song that had the SAME tune as the German Anthem, sung during WWII by the Nazis! I remember going home and telling my Dad how uncomfortable I was." ~ Rebecca (Piatt) Gonzalez S '66 (kymoca@gmail.com)

- "I was a member of Uni's W'66 class and we stood and sang the alma mater at the conclusion of every football game. I recall the first line as 'Standing high upon the hillside.' The tune was, unfortunately, the same as the German national anthem. Legend had it that a teacher who had fled Germany during the rise of Nazi-ism came out of the classroom building while the students were standing with arms raised in a victory salute singing the alma mater. Supposedly she heard the tune, saw the students with their arms raised and had a breakdown as she flashed back to Nazi Germany. I have no idea if there is any truth to this tale."
 - ~ Diane (Adler) Feldon W '66 (<u>momfeldon@aol.com</u>)

• "In this newsletter you have the song sheet with words to Uni alma mater. I graduated in 1967 and my father(child of survivors) was shocked to hear the song sung to the tune of 'Deutschland Uber Alles' which frequently was played for Hitler.

"Perhaps a bit of info that only an older grad would know!"

- ~ Valerie Neufeld Gebroe '67 (gebroe@gmail.com)
- "Yes that was our Alma Mater while I was at Uni from '67-'70. However we were standing on a hill side instead of a slope. I remember the song very well even the tune, as it was sung at every football game. You mean that they don't sing it any longer? What a shame, school pride."
 - ~ Tracie Thayer Ireland '70 (tracieireland@bellsouth.net)
- "The music for the Alma Mater is the same as the one-time German national anthem, 'Deutschland Uber Alles.' It was rumored to have been adopted in the mid 1930's. My class was still using it. I don't know when it was dropped by Uni. Proud Warrior."
 - ~ Albert Wong '71 (zbilbo9@gmail.com)

The extra-credit award for the most complete response goes to *Marc Rosen* '64:

"With regards to the Unihi Alma Mater, we were quite familiar with the song. It is the music that the went with the lyrics that stopped everyone!

"The Alma Mater was sung to the tune of the Emperor's Hymn by the Austrian composer, Franz Joseph Haydn in 1797. It was meant to be the German version of 'God Save the King' for Emperor Francis II (1768-1835).

"The Emperor's Hymn became the music for the German National Anthem, <u>Das</u>
<u>Deutschlandlied</u>, in 1922. The tune became all too well-known during the Nazi occupation of Germany.

"Today, the first three stanzas are no longer part of the German National Anthem. The original lyrics at the start of the national anthem were as follows: 'Deutschland, Deutschland über alles, über alles in der Welt . . .,' translated: 'Germany, Germany above all, above all in the World . . .'

"Needless to say, the Alma Mater has never had much of a following at Unihi."

~ *Marc Rosen* S '64 Prometheans (<u>mro4go@gmail.com</u>)

Rosen notes that Haydn's music is still used for the German anthem, but that the recognized lyrics start with the third verse, which begins "Unity and justice and freedom / For the German fatherland!"

The Alma Mater is not in use at Uni today; it faded from interest in the mid 1970s and was phased out – as far as can be remembered – by 1975.

"THE 25th ANNUAL PUTNAM COUNTY SPELLING BEE" COMING TO STIVELMAN THEATER IN NOVEMBER

▶ The Fall 2017 Uni theater production of "*The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*" is taking shape, with auditions completed and the initial casting completed.

"We had a very successful turnout for this year's Fall Musical Auditions," noted Uni's Director of Theater Arts, *Ronnie Sperling* '76. "More students show up every year. Please get the word going. This show is going to be a real crowd pleaser."

The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee takes you back to school in a 2004 creation by *William Finn* that won two Tony Awards and played on Broadway for 1,136 performances.

The pressure of the competition and the wild characters such as former spelling bee champion Rona Lisa Peretti, Vice Principal Douglas Patch, "comfort counselor" Mitch Mahoney and the spellers makes for an enchanting ride to the intersection of effort and attraction.

The show is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International and with assistance from UCLA's Beyond the Bell program. The schedule:

• November 1: Wednesday 3:30 p.m. Student Preview Performance (Tickets: \$5, but only \$3 if purchased by October 20)

November 2: Thursday 7:00 p.m. Opening Night
 November 8: Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Second Opening
 November 9: Thursday 7:00 p.m. Closing Night

(VIP tickets: \$15, with front-rowing seating; General Admission: \$10; Student Tickets (with student identification): \$5)

The talented Uni actors who will perform include:

Rona Lisa Peretti /Olive's Mom: Jasmine Mentzer

• Donna Panch /Vice Principal: Rose Upton

• Mitch Mahoney/Olive's Dad: Vic Brown

• Olive Ostrovsky: Maribel Solis

• William Morris Barfée: Kevin Flores-Luna

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• Logainne SchwartzandGrubenierre/Leaf's Mom: Akira Shelton

• Marcy Park: Lucie Hafteck

• Leaf Coneybear /Carl Grubenierre: Allen Tehrani

Charlito "Chip" Tolentino:

Dan Schwartz/Leaf's Dad/Jesus Christ:

Justin Javedanfar
Giovanni Molinaro

Hall Monitors Daisy and Maisy Fishmire: Nuhamin Fekade and Akila McKenzie

Tickets are available online here,



Music and Lyrics by WILLIAM FINN Book by RACHEL SHEINKIN Conceived by REBECCA FELDMAN Additional Material by Jay Reiss Originally Directed on Broadway by James Lapine

Originally produced on Broadway by David Stone, James L. Nederlander, Barbara Whitman, Patrick CatuloBarrington Stage Company, Second Stage Theatre
The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee is presented through special arrangement with
Music Theatre International (MTI). All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI.

NEARLY 230 NEW BOOKS IN THE UNI LIBRARY THANKS TO YOUR DONATIONS!

"I would like to thank everyone who has donated to our library this year. Michael Alcalay generously donated five books in honor of his mother and former teachers Wendy Wilson and Mario Lomeli. We received an additional four books from Barbara Startler from the summer class of 1967, and eight books from Larry (1959) and Jean Tistaert.

"In addition, **Kelly Gilmore**, class of 1986 and **Geraldine Armstrong**, class of 1959, and **Connor Gilmore**, Class of 2022 each donated a book to our library! We are so excited to have donations from three generations of proud alums and future alum, not to mention the double play from 1959! When I attended Uni, I really loved it, but my Uni pride has grown so much as I see what a generous and committed group we are.

"It is my personal opinion that the many alumni who have helped to keep the library going with their generous donations are playing their own role in making Uni a successful school. If you do not see your name mentioned here, please email me at tascha.folsoi@gmail.com, so I can celebrate your contribution here and in the book plates we affix to the books as well as enter your donation in our records."

That's Uni librarian *Tascha Folsoi* '86 extending her thanks to everyone who has donated to the Uni library from a continuously-updated list of books on Amazon.com that is making the school's library not only more vibrant, but more relevant to the student body.

Total donations have reached 229 books from 16 named donors who have contributed so far (plus some who wish to remain anonymous):

Michael Alcalay '80 Geraldine Armstrong '59 Connor Gilmore 2022 Jeff Deckman '76 Ivan Finkle '50 Barbara Wong Franklin '68 Sukey (Roth) Garcetti '57 Kelly Gilmore '86 Carl Hagge '53
Judy Kleinberg '65
Erik Levin '77
Ruth Albert Roberts '64
Roger Schrag '83
Larry '59 and Jean Tistaert
Judy Wolfenstein
Kevin Young '75

You can join the donor list. It's easy!

The program uses Amazon's "Wish List" function. Anyone can go to the list (*here*), purchase one or more books and they will be sent to Uni directly within two business days.

The "University Senior High Library" Wish List enjoys Amazon Prime status thanks to Folsoi, so that you (as the purchaser) <u>do not</u> have to be an Amazon Prime member to buy any of the books!

New books on the list for the Fall 2017 semester include works by noted authors such as *Maya Angelou, Emma Chastian, Blake Nelson, Alicia Keyes, Tupac Shakur* and others.

Folsoi asks for help if you buy a book: "I think it would be better if we also asked people to email me their name and grad year along with items purchased, so I can email them back with the tax I.D. number and also remove the items from the list." You can contact her at tascha.folsoi@gmail.com. Yes, your book purchase is a charitable donation!

All purchasers of books for the library are permanently recognized with a donor plate on the inside front cover of each donated book. Ready to help? Here's the link to the Wish List:

 $\underline{https://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/2907HPM85SFOW/ref=cm_sw_su_w}$



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▶ Uni sports report:

Follow the Wildcats on Twitter: @Utownsports

• Boys/Football:

Uni has lost two in a row after an opening win over Manual Arts. The schedule (* = Western League game):

Aug.	25	Manual Arts	Won	27-10	Kampmann Stadium
Aug.	31	Contreras	Lost	13-20 (OT)	Kampmann Stadium
Sep.	08	San Fernando	Lost	35-3	Kampmann Stadium
Sep.	15	Lincoln		7 p.m.	Kampmann Stadium
Sep.	21	@ Culver City		7 p.m.	
Oct.	06	Fairfax*		7 p.m.	Kampmann Stadium
Oct.	13	@ Westchester*		7 p.m.	
Oct.	20	@ Venice*		7 p.m.	
Oct.	27	@ Hamilton*		3 p.m.	
Nov.	03	Palisades* /Homecoming/		7 p.m.	Kampmann Stadium

The September 15 and 21 games are part of the national <u>Touchdowns Against Cancer</u> fund-raising program to help St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. For Uni's scores, schedule and stats on MaxPreps.com, <u>click here</u>.

• Girls/Tennis:

Uni has been close, but has lost all five of its tennis matches this season, to Culver City (6-1), Crossroads (4-2) and its Western League openers to Westchester and Venice (both 4-3) and Palisades (6-1). For Uni's scores, schedule and stats on *MaxPreps.com*, *click here*.

• Girls/Volleyball:

The Wildcats were 3-6 in the non-conference season and have started 0-2 in Western League play with a losses to Westchester and Venice. For Uni's scores, schedule and stats on *MaxPreps.com*, *click here*.

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 . . .

▶ We are informed of upcoming reunions for these classes:

★ 1954 • 1957 • 1967 • 1968 • 1978 **★**

• Sep. 23, 2017: CLASS OF 1954 (Capris) 63-YEAR REUNION

At the Saticoy Country Club, Ventura

Information: Erin Boomer (boomererin@gmail.com)

(Saturday Reunion Luncheon at Saticoy CC; Friday Night Cocktail

Party and Saturday Evening Dinner at other locations)

Oct. 07, 2017: CLASS OF 1967: 50-YEAR REUNION

Hollywood & Highland Center, Los Angeles

Information: **Judi Astrachan Doling** (<u>judidoling@sbcglobal.net</u>)
Reservations and tickets: Please contact The Reunion Committee at

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

• Oct. 14, 2017: CLASS OF SPRING 1957: 60-YEAR REUNION

Mission Hills Country Club, Rancho Mirage

Information: Patty (Kelly) Froehlich (rmgrandy4@hotmail.com)

• Sep. 15, 2018: CLASS OF 1978: 40-YEAR REUNION

Hollywood & Highland Center, Los Angeles

Information: Irma Macias

Reservations and tickets: Please contact The Reunion Committee at

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

• Oct. 13, 2018: CLASS OF SPRING 1968: 50-YEAR REUNION

Hollywood & Highland Center, Los Angeles

Information: Kathie Brown Marion (<u>marionmoses@me.com</u>).
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 Winter 1968 (Salisians):

Great news from *Barbara Wong* (wong.barbara16@gmail.com):

"The Salisian class of Winter 1968 is in planning process for our 50th Reunion! We are seeking our fellow Salisians. If you are in contact with friends from our graduating class, please let us know! We are looking forward to a celebration September 2018 with more details to follow."

Lots of ways to get in touch: Send Barbara a note at <u>wong.barbara16@gmail.com</u>, or try *Unihi.W68.Reunion@gmail.com*, or go to <u>http://www.unihi1968.rocks/!!</u>

▶ Class of 1987:

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

Class of 1997:

Kymia Jones '97 (<u>kymiaejones@gmail.com</u>) 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!

▶ Class of 2007, are you holding a reunion 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 <u>Connect@UHEF.org</u> 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/

Class of Winter 1968: Salesians

• http://www.unihi1968.rocks/

Classes of 1966: Valcisians & Delphians

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

Classes 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

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 "<u>Donate</u>

<u>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 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 2017-18 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 <u>Donate Now</u> 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 1954-1957-1967-1968-1978-1987-1997: Check the Reunions section above!

One of Hollywood's most respected – and recognized – character actors, was also a Uni alum: *Richard Anderson* '44. He passed away on August 31, at age 91.

<u>He was most popularly known</u> as Oscar Goldman, the government's supervisor of the "Six Million Dollar Man" and "The Bionic Woman" that ran on ABC between 1974 and 1978. But he appeared in dozens of films and as a guest star in many of the dramatic television series of the 1960s, '70s and '80s. *Variety* had a detailed look at his career <u>here</u>.

Born in New Jersey, he got his start in theater arts at Uni. He graduated in 1944 and went into the U.S. Army for two years at the end of World War II before starting his career as an actor. He didn't forget Uni and returned at some of the UHEF car shows in the 1990s. He lived in Beverly Hills until his death and is survived by his three daughters.

- ▶ Sad news of more Warriors we have lost, compiled by *Howard Fine* '74:
 - *Ross English*, who taught at Uni from the fall of 1956 through the spring of 1980, passed away in August. In addition to his efforts in Social Studies, he also had charge of the school's audio-visual department and introduced the significant use of videotape into Uni's classrooms in the late 1970s. In his teacher's comment in the 1970 Chieftain, he noted that "We learn from history that we don't learn from history."
 - <u>Joyce Benjamin Shambaugh</u> '43 passed on August 15, at age 92, at her home in Bermuda Dunes, California. She attended Uni during the World War II years and then went on to Sawyers Business College. She married *Jack Sailer* in 1951 and after his death, married *Philip Shambaugh* in 1981. She leaves two children and a large family of grandchildren, nieces and nephews.
 - Katharine May McKay, born Kay Martin '45 (?) passed away on August 30 at age 90.

Born in West Virginia, she came to Los Angeles as a teenager when her mother (*Maude King Martin*) married restauranteur *Dave Chasen*, the owner of the famous <u>Chasen's</u> on Beverly Boulevard. Kay attended Uni and then UCLA. After a brief first marriage, she later met and married Navy pilot *Tom McKay* in 1962 and they were together until his death in 2000. She is survived by her two children.

- 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.
- 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

Many Uni students were touched by the magic of *Mario Lomeli* (1931-97) during his tenure as Uni's drama teacher, including the current Director of Theater Arts, *Ronnie Sperling* '76. He recently posted this tribute to Lomeli on a Facebook page of a Uni theater arts alum and shared it with us:

"Remember the best way you can keep Mario Lomeli's memory and legacy alive is by supporting our beloved University High Theatre Arts program. We have amazing students at UNI that could thrive even more with all the love and support that each one of you bring.

"Please help us any way you can. Stop by. Share your story (especially if you're in the entertainment business.) Come see the shows. You would be surprised. In the last five years I fought hard to get our Theater remodeled. I got us NEW seats, NEW floors, NEW curtains, NEW paint, NEW cyc, and a NEW sound system. And we're still not done. As some of you know, I am producing Broadway Musicals at UNI that are in the Grand style of our leader... Mr. Lomeli.

"Every time I am lucky enough to get to use some NEW technological advance in theatre ... like moving lights or the latest in projections ... I think, "Wow! Lomeli would of really loved this!" So here it is – your invitation to come back home and be creative with me.

"You all know the kind of help we need. Or if you want, you could simply write a check in care of UNI THEATRE to the University High Education Foundation. That would be a really big deal. Never in a million years would I have believed where my path has taken me but, I feel by my presents, skills, talents and long resume – I'm keeping Mario Lomeli alive for all of us. \P "

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

Send a note to <u>Connect@UHEF.org</u>!
Be sure to give your full name and Uni graduating class!

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