



Warriors & Wildcats Report

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UHEF SPRING 2018 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Apr. 18-21	<i>"Grease!"</i>	Stivelman Theater
Apr. 25	<u>10th Uni Health, Science & Fitness Fair</u>	East Gym
Jun. 07	<i>Last day of the Spring Semester</i>	Campus

NEW TICKET PRE-SALE RECORD FOR "GREASE," OPENING THIS WEDNESDAY!

- ▣ It's amazing. *Grease!* may not be the greatest musical ever staged, but there is a special magic to this show which makes it a favorite for students, parents, alumni and friends.

With Uni's first show – the Student Preview Performance – coming up on Wednesday, *Grease!* has set a new record for pre-show online sales through the BrownPaperTickets.com portal, outselling every other show offered during the past three years.

You can reserve your tickets now for any of the four shows [here](#):

University High School &

Proudly Present



UCLA



A 50's
ROCK 'N ROLL
MUSICAL

"Grease: School Version" is presented by special arrangement with SAMUEL FRENCH, INC.
Book, Music and Lyrics by Jim Jacobs and Warren Casey

Wednesday, Apr. 18th - 3:30 p.m. - Student Preview Performance

Special Ticket Price All Seats \$5

Seats are only \$3 if purchased by Friday, Apr. 5th

Thursday, April 19th. - 7 p.m. - Opening Night

Friday, April 20th - 7 p.m. • Saturday, April 21st - 2 p.m.

Ticket Prices

V.I.P. Seating \$15 • General Seating \$10 • Student Tickets \$5

Tickets are available NOW @ www.brownpapertickets.com. or at the Campus
Student Store and Stivelman Theatre Box Office before each performance.

Stivelman Theatre • 11800 Texas Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90025

Ample street parking plus the Barrington or Westgate lots are available.

- Apr. 18: 3:30 p.m. Student Preview Performance: all tickets \$5.
- Apr. 19: 7:00 p.m. VIP tickets \$15, General Admission \$10 (Students \$5)
- Apr. 20: 7:00 p.m. VIP tickets \$15, General Admission \$10 (Students \$5)
- Apr. 21: 2:00 p.m. VIP tickets \$15, General Admission \$10 (Students \$5)

Originally written in Chicago in 1971, with specific ethnic references to that city, it is best known from Paramount's [1978 film](#) that starred **John Travolta** and **Olivia Newton-John** as Danny Zuko and Sandy Olsson (Sandy Dumbrowski in the musical) in their senior years at fictional Rydell High School. The Uni cast:

<i>Eugene Florczyk</i> , played by	Allen Tehrani
<i>Miss Lynch</i> :	Akila McKenzie
<i>Patty Simcox</i> :	Heidi Laubach
<i>Danny Zuko</i> :	Justin Javedanfar
<i>Sandy Dumbrowski</i> :	Claire Hafteck
<i>Betty Rizzo</i> :	Jasmine Mentzer
<i>Frenchy</i> :	Roscoe Upton
<i>Marty</i> :	Akira Shelton
<i>Jan</i> :	Maribel Solis
<i>Doody</i> :	Nathan Lam
<i>Kenickie</i> :	Cole Kelley
<i>Sonny LaTierri</i> :	Ethan Serrano
<i>Roger</i> :	Kevin Flores-Luna
<i>Johnny Casino/Teen Angel</i> :	Guillermo Hercules
<i>Vince Fontaine</i> :	Vic Brown
<i>Cha-Cha DiGregorio</i> :	Odina Cabrera
<i>It's Raining on Prom Night Radio Star</i> :	Sarai Benitez
<i>The Pink Ladies</i> :	Jennifer Alvarez, Sarai Benitez, Amber Durham, Nuhamin Fekade, Lucie Hafteck, Stephanie Marroquin, Alexah Moller, Karla Ponce, Monica Solano.
<i>The Burger Palace Boys</i> :	Cristian Benitez, Jorge Manzo, Giovanni Molinaro, Gerson Orellana, Jonathan Orellana.

Uni's Director of Theatre Arts, **Ronnie Sperling** '76 notes that the upcoming production will reflect the [original, edgy musical](#) by **Jim Jacobs** and **Warren Casey**, with a special nod to the film at the end. Sperling himself has a special connection to the show: he played Eugene Florczyk – the class nerd – in a national touring company version during the early 1980s.

It's the third time this show at Uni: first in Spring 1993 – making April the 25-year anniversary of the first campus production – and again in 2009. The show is supported by a grant from the Uni Hi Education Foundation and UCLA's Beyond the Bell program.

Parking is available in and around the Uni campus and there will be concessions available in the lobby for all performances. Get out your bobby sox and see you at Stivelman!

10th UNI HEALTH, SCIENCE & FITNESS FAIR COMING APRIL 25th

- ▣ Uni's annual [*Health, Science & Fitness Fair*](#) is coming up on April 25, with a full array of activities, including educational seminars, information booths and – of course – food prepared by Uni students from **Kerri Eich's** International Foods program.

It's free to attend and coincides with Uni's Open House on that date. The event takes places from 5-7 p.m. at the East Gym (the old Girl's Gym as many remember it). If you'd like to get more involved, there are sponsorship opportunities available – fully tax-deductible – with information available [*here*](#).

There are also free booth spaces available for organizations interested in providing additional information to attendees; for questions, visit the Health Fair Web site [*here*](#).

THANKS FOR VOLUNTEERING! THE UHEF NEEDS A FEW MORE OF YOU!



- ▣ We are most gratified to report the positive response to our request for more participation with the Uni Hi Education Foundation in the last issue. But we're not done yet ... [*we want your help!*](#)

The UHEF is undertaking a significant revision of its governance and operating programs to better attune it to today's fund-raising environment and outreach structure, as Uni changes its status to become an [*Affiliated Charter school*](#) within the Los Angeles Unified School District.

So we need more of [*YOU*](#) to join the Foundation and help support Uni, bring our alumni and friends closer and raise money and provide programs and services which are not available from the District.

The UHEF has special needs to replace some of its retiring Board members, especially:

- ***Corporate Secretary:*** *This includes taking minutes at quarterly meetings and the UHEF annual meeting.*
- ***Corporate Treasurer:*** *The UHEF will welcome a pro bono CPA or accounting firm to handle the Foundation's financial matters, especially the annual tax return and State corporate filings.*

In addition, we're looking for more folks to help with fund-raising – campaign planning, public relations and special events – and help to spread the word about Uni and the quality work it is doing for young people.

The Foundation has raised more than \$1.1 million over its lifetime and has helped create the College and Counseling Center, introduced computer-aided classrooms at Uni, distributed tens of thousands of dollars in scholarships and supported extra-curricular programs in the arts, sports and theater.

Alumni, parents, teachers (and former teachers!) and friends of Uni are all welcome!

Ready to get started? It's easy: call UHEF co-President ***Ivan Finkle*** at (310) 556-1415 or let us know you want to join in with a message at Connect@UHEF.org. It's that simple!

Uni's students – and future students – say “thank you.”

THE TOTAL KEEPS GROWING: 510 BOOKS DONATED TO THE UNI LIBRARY!

- ▣ When the initial call was made for alumni to donate books for the Uni library back in December of 2016, the hope was to get a few new volumes to make the selections more contemporary.

But no one expected that a total of 510 books have been donated so far, and thanks to you, the library makeover is continuing.

Tascha Folsoi '86 is the Uni librarian – and a donor herself – says, “*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.*”

These gifts have been made by a total of 39 donors who have self-identified and many more who wish to remain anonymous. Special thanks to ***Ruth Roberts***, who has personally

donated more than 200 books! We now have donors from the 1940s, '50s, '60s, '70s and '80s:

Steven Adams '60
Michael Alcalay '80
Geraldine Armstrong '59
Diane Roseman Cherniss '63
Robert Collins '63
Alvaro Cortes '70
Jeff Deckman '76
Ivan Finkle '50
Barbara Wong Franklin '68
Sukey (Roth) Garcetti '57
Connor Gilmore 2022
Kelly Gilmore '86
Carl Hagge '53
Natalie Hatch '59
Penny Hutchinson '57
Jean Kent '62
Jay Kholos '58
Judy Kleinberg '65
Erik Levin '77
Kay Mader '59

Harold Martin
Bill Parten '41
Rich Perelman '74
Dr. Dawn River Harris '89
Ruth Albert Roberts '64
Roger Schrag '83
Lori and Richard Schwartz, MD
Vivienne Sinclair '50
John Statham W '68
Tracy Thayer Ireland '70
Larry '59 and *Jean Tistaert*
Dale Tyerman '68
Susan (Holyoke) Webb W '58
Les Whittaker W '56
Judy Wolfenstein
Barry K. Woods '67
Josh Woods '89
Kevin Young '75
Joseph Zukin, Jr. '43

Want to donate? 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) **do not** have to be an Amazon Prime member to buy any of the books!

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:

https://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/2907HPM85SFOW/ref=cm_sw_su_w



Did you know that the UHEF is on Facebook?
Visit us at <https://www.facebook.com/UHEFLA/>



ON CAMPUS

▣ Uni sports report:

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

- *Boys/Baseball:*

These are tough times for the Uni baseball program. Despite the massive upgrades to the school's athletic facilities in recent years, the renovation of what is now Kampmann Stadium eliminated the Uni baseball field and all Wildcat games are played on the road.

Thus far, Uni is 0-8 this season and 0-3 in Western League games. See Uni's scores and statistics on *MaxPreps.com* [here](#).

- *Boys/Golf:*

Coach **Eric Temena's** squad is now 4-1, with wins over Fairfax (252-incomplete) and R.F. Kennedy (243-incomplete). Uni's low scorers were **Lawrence Kim** (+7 vs. Fairfax and +10 vs. RFK) and **Anuv Gupta** (+11 vs. Fairfax and +13 vs. RFK); **Vishal Vinodh** also shot +13 vs. RFK.

- *Boys/Swimming:*

Uni won its opener, 82-59 at Crossroads and has four Western League meets coming up in April. For Uni's scores and statistics on *MaxPreps.com*, click [here](#).

- *Boys/Volleyball:*

Emilio Alvarado's squad is 12-6 overall, 5-2 in the Western League, winning its last six matches in a row over Hamilton, LACES, Windward, Fairfax, Westchester and Venice. See Uni's scores and statistics on *MaxPreps.com* [here](#).

- *Girls/Softball:*

The Wildcats are 5-8 so far this season, starting 5-3 in non-league play, but 0-5 so far in the Western League. Uni's scores and statistics on *MaxPreps.com* are [here](#).

- *Girls/Swimming:*

Uni dropped its opener at Crossroads, 105-53 and has four Western League meets set for the rest of April. For Uni's scores and statistics on *MaxPreps.com*, click [here](#).

- *Track & Field:*

Uni results are posted on Athletic.net [here](#), Marks were posted for the dual meets with Hamilton (April 5) and Venice (April 11), but no team scores were available. The top marks by event:

100 m:	11.44	Jaelon Crutcher	13.44	Skye Harris
200 m:	23.14	Jaelon Crutcher	28.04	Kiane Hawthorne
400 m:	55.14	Noah Nathan	65.54	Ce-arion Turner
800 m:	2:10.2	Aaron Fuentes	2:32.8	Stephanie Cruz Beltran
1,600 m:	4:53.6	Ciro Benitez	(none)	
3,200 m:	11:32.6	Jack Koschecka	(none)	
110 m H:	16.74	Hassan Harris	(none)	
300 m H:	45.94	Hassan Harris & Trevor Kogoonya		
4x100 m:	44.80	(at L.A. City Relays)	51.26	(at L.A. City Relays)
4x400 m:	3:34.56	(at L.A. City Relays)	4:28.59	(at L.A. City Relays)
Shot Put:	34-0	Taishawn Foster	(none)	

No results were reported for the high jump, pole vault, long jump or triple jump.

Uni has dual meets at Kampmann Stadium scheduled vs. Palisades and Fairfax (April 19) and Westchester (April 26).

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 • W '56 • 1968 • 1973 • 1978 ★

- Jun. 30, 2018: **CLASS OF WINTER 1956: 80-YEAR BIRTHDAY PARTY!**
= **NEW!** = El Caballero Country Club, Tarzana
Information: **Ron Cooper** (rjcds22@aol.com) or (323) 798-5454.
- Aug. 25, 2018: **CLASS OF 1973: 45-YEAR REUNION**
Del Rey Yacht Club, Marina del Rey
Information: **Rick Grunauer** (rickgrunauer@gmail.com) or visit <https://www.facebook.com/events/919928974823540/>
- Sep. 15, 2018: **CLASS OF 1978: 40-YEAR REUNION**
Hollywood & Highland Center, Los Angeles
Reservations and tickets: Please contact The Reunion Committee at (661) 259-5999 or visit www.reunioncommittee.com.

- Sep. 29, 2018: **CLASS OF 1954: 64-YEAR REUNION**
= **NEW!** =
The Culver Hotel, Culver City
Information: **Erin Boomer** (boomererin@gmail.com).
- Oct. 13, 2018: **CLASS OF SPRING 1968: 50-YEAR REUNION**
Hollywood & Highland Center, Los Angeles
Information: **Kathie Brown Marion** (marionmoses@me.com) or
Susan Holoff (suzieq6817@aol.com) or **Craig Dick**
(craigdick1@gmail.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 1958 ~ Vagabonds •

- ▣ Inquiries have been received from **Stewart Spivak** (stewart.spivak@gmail.com) and **Dave Hurwitz** (david.hurwitz@gmail.com), who wrote that “There seem to be no plans for a 60th reunion.”

Nooooo! The class with the most famous grad night in Uni history and no 60th reunion? If you’re a Class of ‘58 Vagabond, perhaps you can contact Stewart and Dave and help get the party started! **Jeanie Price Jacques** (jean@jljesq.com) is also asking ...

• Class of Winter 1968 ~ Salisians •

- ▣ 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 wong.barbara16@gmail.com, or try
Unihi.W68.Reunion@gmail.com, or go to <http://www.unihi1968.rocks/> !!

• Class of 1998 •

- ▣ One inquiry so far, from **Pouyan Broukhim** (pouyanrealestate@aol.com). Anyone know of a plan for the 20-year get-together for ‘98?

- ▣ **Is your class planning a reunion in 2018?**

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/>

Class of 1975:

- On Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1451301021777342/>

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 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 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 [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-W '56-1968-1973-1978:
Check the [Reunions](#) section above!*

- ▣ More and more on the famed 1958 grad-night party starring **Frank Sinatra**, **Sammy Davis, Jr.**, **Keely Smith** and others:

- From **Jeanie Price Jacques** (jean@jljesq.com):

"That orchestra was none other than Nelson Riddle! I was there, too, of course, as I was a graduate. Does anyone know if the proposed multi-class reunion happened on March 12, 2018? I've just wandered on to this page for the first time, wondering about a reunion of the class of 1958, and will be soooo disappointed to hear that I missed it!"

The '58-62 reunion did take place in March, but we're still hopeful that a Class of 1958 reunion will take place. If you hear about it, please let us know!

- **Marc Rosen** (mro4go@bellsouth.net) added a comment to last issue's note from **Steve Hanson** (slblanche@gmail.com) about watching the Mormon Temple being built while he was at Emerson Junior High School, with what became the Uni Class of 1958:

"Just an update to Steve Hanson's comment regarding time at Emerson:

The gold character atop the Los Angeles Stake of the LDS (Mormon) Church is Angel Moroni, not Angel Gabriel. Angel Moroni faces toward Salt Lake City, the headquarters of the LDS Church.

"Angel Moroni was the author of the Book of Mormon, who visited Joseph Smith, the founder of the LDS Church, in Vermont, beginning September 21, 1823."

Now you know!

- ▣ 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

- ▣ Uni will graduate its 93rd class in June, but the UHEF was honored with a recent note from a graduate of Uni's 11th graduating class from the spring of 1936!

Art Kvaas (akvaas@verizon.net) wrote in to ask if we had any other '36 grads in our contact database and sadly, he's the only one. He wrote back:

"My own personal list of '36 friends confirms your data, but thanks. Since I will be '100' next Jan. 8 (born 1919), I should not be surprised at my 'Lone Ranger' status.

"Regards to all of you at Uni !

P.S.: I still drive, serve on the Board of Directors of the Santa Barbara Symphony and The American-Scandinavian Foundation and am Co-Chairman of the Santa Barbara County Fish and Wildlife Commission."

All the best, Art, for a great 2018 and on to 100 in 2019!

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

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

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