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UHEF MISSION STATEMENT

The UniHi Education Foundation was created as a 501(c)3 tax-exempt corporation in 1985. The articles of incorporation specifically state that the Foundation was:

"... established to raise funds for University High School, Los Angeles, California to maintain the high standards of education in the school and the community by supplementing funding which has been substantially reduced since Proposition 13."

From its inception, this was understood as "support for the instructional program." In the past several years the UHEF established categorical line items for specific programs e.g. specific scholarships, speech and debate, performing arts, and the athletic department.

The Foundation has also served as the conduit for alumni communication. This has been given an enormous boost by creation of UHEF.org and the dedicated work of board member Rich Perelman. We do not organize reunions, we facilitate. When requested by confirmed legitimate class reunion organizing committee representative, we provide a list of alumni contacts.

The UHEF Board is proud to support the students and staff at University High School.

WELCOME TO NEW UHEF BOARD MEMBERS FOR 2017-18

Your UHEF Board will be undergoing changes in the next few years. It is with delight we welcome our three new board members who come to us with enthusiasm, knowledge, and practical experience.



Sandee Yamamoto is a current parent of an Uni High sophomore. She has served on parent organizations at various LAUSD schools and considers herself a public education advocate. She has joined the UHEF's efforts to expand its reach to the parents of current students at Uni. She recognizes the importance of "one" community voice to be an effective organization to support all the students and educators of Uni. She has also served as the lead parent coordinator for Uni High Theater.



Jay Manning-Is the parent of a Uni freshman, (Class of 2021), with another student at Emerson, (Uni Class of 2023). Currently serving as president of the Emerson parents organization, (PACE), as well as Chairman of the Emerson Charter board. Newly elected as Chairman of the Uni High School Site Council (SSC). He looks forward to growing UHEF membership among current Uni families, while continuing UHEF outreach to the Uni Alumni family.



A devoted Uni alum, Kathleen Cohen has been the rep for each of her 3 reunions! Cohen is an experience strategist focusing on creatively integrating digital platforms. She has over 20 years merging physical and virtual worlds. Kathleen is a highly creative, business-savvy, big-picture thinker who leads clients into locating, designing, and producing next generation technologies with engaging content for impactful visitor experiences. She sells vision from the cross-section of creative thinking and user engagement. Her past work includes: DreamWorks, IBM Innovation and Disney. Currently Kathleen is working in two focused areas; 1)Augmented Reality(AR) glasses that spatial map safe-guided pathways for the visually impaired and blind. 2) Advancing tech innovation for themed entertainment and sustainable tourism.



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LETTER FROM THE EDITORS

Judy Wolfenstein and Lynne Culp

The UHEF Newsletter was first sent to Foundation members in 1987. Initially it was written by founding President Baret Fink and was an annual update of the support for Uni's instructional program and news about fundraising events. By the mid-90s Baret's daughter Shaney '90 compiled and wrote the "Alumni Updates", memorably noting "it's my favorite part of the newsletter." We concur. The current editors inherited the newsletter in the late 80's.

The basic format of the newsletter has remained unchanged, only added pages. Most recipients appreciate news and the opportunity to renew their affection for Uni. With the advent of the UHEF.org website and the twice-monthly "Warrior and Wildcat Report" updated by Rich Perelman, the Uni community has acquired new means of communication. In fact, more people sent updates to the WWR than we received with membership renewals. For those of you who read the WWR and the newsletter you'll notice duplication.

We expanded the newsletter in the 1990's. We came to the Uni High Education Foundation from slightly different perspectives: Lynne's teaching career began at Uni, and Judy's commitment to supporting quality public education for all students continued long after her children graduated from Uni. This has been a labor of love for public school and springs from the deep conviction that no matter where the student body comes from or what it looks like, the students deserve the same outstanding foundation that all of Uni's graduates have received. We've been part of an effort that —together with your effort— has substantially supported the instructional program at Uni since 1987. That being said, we've decided it was finally time for us to graduate from high school. This is our last issue.

The UHEF Newsletter needs another editor if it is to continue. Help us find someone or someones. When you return your membership, please indicate whether or not you're willing to carry on the tradition. It's a limited time commitment as the newsletter comes out only once a year. We look forward to being flooded by interest from enthusiastic editors and writers.

YOUR DOLLARS IN 2016 – 17 JOAN KLINE REDLICH W'61, TREASURER IVAN FINKLE S'50 CO-PRESIDENT

This past year the UHEF made allocations of \$61,709.00 to support University High School in the following ways:

* continued to underwrite the Theater Arts Program. This coming fall will be Broadway's recent Tony Award Winner, *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* followed in the spring by the perennial favorite *Grease*. \$23,204.00

- * purchased license for Naviance for use in the College/Career Center. \$4267.00
- * updated hardware and software in the College/Career Center. \$12,617.00

* produced and mailed the annual Newsletter to Alumni, parents, and friends throughout the country. \$8421.00

* Completed the project of putting all Annuals on-line in pdf. format, making them readily available. Now available are the annuals from 1924 through 2006. \$3280.00

- * Awarded 4 scholarships to Uni graduates. \$4,000.00
- * Stipend provided for the Uni's volley ball coach \$2000.00

* Maintain the UHEF.org website which contains news about Uni, updates sports news on our athletic teams, and keeps alumni current and produce the bi-weekly Warrior/Wildcat Report. \$3920.00

YOUR dollars make all of this possible. Please continue your generous support.

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK



Eric Davidson, the Principal of University High School.

I've been sitting in the Principal's chair for over 9 years. I have met amazing and supportive alums, curious and enthusiastic students, disciplined and dedicated teachers and a community that knows the value of an excellent education. I have learned history about Angus Cavanaugh, Mel Patton and Craig Dixon. We have made history from sending our first basketball player to the NBA to being honored by the Disney Motif Awards "as one of the top twenty schools in the country to exceptionally expose students to high levels of life changing instruction."

On day one of this experience, I climbed the main staircase and realized the hard work in front of me. At least it wasn't Mount Everest. Now that I am approaching the end of a very satisfying and rewarding career in education and will be retiring in June of 2018. I will miss the hard work but maybe not the long walk up the stairs.

I wonder if we, the University High School community, can continue to raise our expectations for student outcomes. I worry that we will leave some behind. I am curious about what the future will bring. I hope the love and caring this place has for all who walk the halls will span another 100 years.

The University High School Education Foundation has been a vital supporter of the school community and will continue that support into the decades to come. I recall my first meeting. Eloise McGee, former Uni Principal, had me follow her in her car to the meeting in the Coldwater Bank building in Brentwood. I was introduced to an eclectic group of people who had one thing in common – they were all alums of Uni and were members of the board of the Uni Hi Ed Foundation. We collaborated to make the foundation more effective in their support. I am interested in how the relationship will continue to adapt to the new generation of students, staff, and leadership.

This year we will participate in the opening of the Collins & Katz Westside YMCA. It has been ten years in the making. I expect an amazing partnership. Our physical science rooms will be renovated and become spaces that foster curiosity and interest in the sciences. The magnet program will continue to support learning related to Math, Art, Science and Technology. The School of Communication Arts will incorporate the Speech and Debate and Theater programs that receive continued support from the Uni High Ed Foundation. We will also be developing a new School of Health and Fitness that will have a capstone of Sports Medicine.

Most importantly, our students will continue to achieve at levels that are competitive with the other schools in Los Angeles. University High School will always be an amalgam of tradition and innovation. We will always be a step ahead if we turn our gaze on the future.

I am and will always be deeply honored by being able to serve this school and the community. I am grateful that I had this experience and will always hold the spirit of this place in my heart.

For information about time and place of Uni's athletic schedule, consult:

www.uhef.org or www.universitywildcats.org

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Kathleen Cohen'86 delivers a check from her reunion committee to smiling principal Eric Davidson

2016/2017 UNI HIGH REUNIONS

YEAR	CONTACT/LOCATION E-MAIL/VENDOR			
2017 Reunions				
10-07-2017	Class of 1967 50 Year Reunion Hollywood & Highland Center LA Judi Astrachan Doling (judidoling@sbcglobal.netThe Reunion Committee 661-259-5999 or www.reunioncommittee.com			
10-14-2017	Class of Spring 1957 60 Year Reunion Mission Hills Country Club, Rancho Mirage Patty (Kelly) Froehlich (rmgrandy4@hotmail.com)			
12-09-2017	Class of 1997 casual 20 year 7:30 at Cabo Cantina in Brentwood (Limited space. Check Facebook.)Please contact: Annie Tilles Soleymani (annietilles@gmail.com			
2018 Reunions				
3-12-2018	Classes of 1958 Thru 1962 Marina City Tennis Club, Marina del Rey	Info: Mike Levitt W'60 (unihigh reunion2018@gmail.com)		
9-15-2018	Class of 1978 40 Year Reunion Hollywood & Highland Center, LA Irma Macias	The Reunion Committee 661-259-5999 or <u>www.reunioncommittee.com</u>		
10-13-2018	Class of Spring 1968 50 Year Reunion Hollywood & Highland Center, LA Kathie Brown Marion marionmoses@me.com	The Reunion Committee 661-259-5999 or <u>www.reunioncommittee.com</u>		
Date to follow	The Salisians Winter'68 is planning for a 50th. Seeking fellows.	Barbara Wong (wong.barbara16@gmail.com Unihi.W68.Reuinion@gmail.com or www.unihi1968.rocks/		
Date to follow	Class of 1987 planning a 30th later in 2017	www.facebook.com/groups/129073 165787/ Marvina Stephens Miller marvina@centurycommercial.com		

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To \$49

Amy Achison Robert Ades '74 Dennis Aigner '55 Penny Stoner Barnes '68 Robert Bayer S'57 William Beck S'64 Rothvin Bosley S'62 Kathleen Grossman Brannen S'53 Gregory Brenner '86 Janet Siegel Brown '88 Francisco Campos '78 Judy Jones Cardwell '57 Bea J. Carpenter '48 Jovce Shanks Cates W'57 Diane Roseman Cherniss '63 Sara Hirsch Clark '49 Donald H. Clark Jr. '51 Marsha Cohen '56 Ronald Coons S'54 Joe F. Corona W'50 Jane Marie Crail W'45 William Davidson S'55 Stuart A. Davis S'53 Gail Grant Day S'60 JoAnn Derbenti '67 James Doran '86 Robert Draeger W'50 Ronald H. Ehl W'51 Clara Emlen S'54 Robert Field '74 Ivan L. Finkle S'50 Marlene E. Fischer W'57 Joyce Carpo Frazier S'58 Dave Freeman S'55 Ellen Lichtenberg Frost S'57 Catherine L. Koke Gebhart W'54 Mary Bretthauer Gerpheide S'49 S.W. Ginsburg '62 Leonore Koll Hall S'44 Nikki H. Harmon '62 Glenn Hattori '76 John Hellestoe S'58 Annette Lewis Herbst-Orton S'49 Jeanine Wagner Herman S'60 Alan Hostrup '72

2017 UHEF ANNUAL AWARDS

Each year the Uni High Education Foundation happily awards scholarships to graduating seniors. Candidates write essays for the specific awards and recipients are selected by the UHEF board. It is the best part about actively participating with the Foundation. The awards were presented at the annual senior awards ceremony on May 25, 2017.

The \$1,000 Outstanding Community Service Award awarded two full awards. **Alyssa Suzukawa** will be attending UC Berkeley in the Fall. While at Uni her volunteer work was focused every Saturday at the Keiro Intermediate Care facility in downtown LA, a non-profit organization caring for the aging population of Japanese-Americans. There she assisted residents with a wide range activities, including leading a math class twice a month. Residents and their families also shared their stories, including stories about Uni when the Japanese-American community in Sawtelle was thriving to internment at Manzanar. "Those busy Saturdays dedicated to serving my community has made my high school experience all the more worthwhile." **Kate Im**, who will also become a student at UC Berkeley, devoted her time to volunteering with veterans and their families. She became in involved with the Red Cross E-Board and has been focused on raising awareness about the need to respect and appreciate our veterans.

The estate of **Sharon Mednick**, Uni college counselor from 1995-2003, bequeathed \$10,000 to establish a fund to help a student who demonstrates an interest in pursuing a career in education. Thanks to your ongoing support the fund has grown. The 2017 scholarship was awarded to **Daisy Marcial** who has always dreamed of pursuing a career as school counselor. Her two-year participation in the peer-counseling program at Uni helped reinforce that future. She will be attending UC Riverside and intends to major in sociology.

In 2015 the UHEF inaugurated the \$1000 Jack Moscowitz Principal's Award. The award recognizes the student who supports the Uni community. This year, Principal Eric Davidson selected **Gia Gershon Friedberg** as the student who brings the spirit and qualities that are the best of Uni pride.

The **Violeta Ponce Scholarship** remembers the inspiration of the beloved English teacher. Donations from her colleagues and friends funded the first **Violeta Ponce Memorial Scholarship**, to support a student who hopes to pursue a career in education, and the recipient was **Elvia Orozco**.

In 1998 **Thelma Culverson W'56**, established the annual **TLC Award**. It is a full four-year scholarship to UCLA to cover all expenses and is an ideal model for support of high school scholars and Alma Mater. The recipient is selected from Uni's graduating seniors who have been admitted to UCLA. Applicants write an essay and are interviewed by a committee of faculty and administrators at UCLA. This year the award was given to **Maxim Harrell**, making him the nineteenth TLC awardee. Continuing a wonderful and inspiring tradition the presentation was made by previous TLC Award recipient, **Sierra Wiley 2012**. Thelma's continuation of her commitment to supporting both Uni and UCLA is wonderful!

Please donate generously to the foundation and our annual awards funds. You can direct your donation to the scholarship of your choice when you renew your annual membership. You can also donate through the UHEF.org web site. Go to the UHEF.or donation page and make your donation by credit card or PayPal. Please enter the scholarship fund you would like to support in the Comments section. Your ongoing support of the UHEF allows us to continue giving these scholarships.

We are striving to fund other scholarships and can do so with your help. If you have other outstanding teachers or personnel you would like to honor please let us know.

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James C. Miller S'60 Joan LaVoie Olin '45 in memory

of Wave Winters Garvey '45) ♥ Peter '55 & Diane Peck '56

Lawrence Delpino Porter S'50

Soheil Rabbani '86 Heriberto Reynoso '86 Wallace D. Rickards '57 Danielle Rose '82 Marc Rosen W'64 Michael Rothschild '60 Suzanne Rubel '70 Lois Marr Sandall W'41 ♥ Jose '77 & Martha Macias

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Richard Satnick '71

Clella Goodson Schneider '60

Ken N. Schwartz '89 Patricia Schwarz S'69 Jan A Scopatz '75 Karen Stelzer Shechtman

'56 Patricia Ganz Sheehan S'57 Ron Silver '68 Brian Skyers '86 Jeffrey C. Slade S'63 Jack Smith '72 Paul Soroudi '87 John Statham W'68 Ruth Lello Tessier S'53 Gabriel Vega '77 Barbara Hymer Vinson '44 Derek Weisbender '99 Frances Youhill Wittrock W'43

Floyd G. Wood '49 Deseree (Wright) Wynne '86 Adrian Zolkover S'55 Jerry Zucker W'44

UPDATE: YMCA NEARS COMPLETION

As you may have noticed, the southwest corner of Uni campus has been under construction for some time. The building west of the gym represents a joint-use project between Uni and the Collins and Katz Family YMCA.

Ann Samson, the executive director of the Westside Family YMCA, has recently informed UHEF that the construction passed 95 % of its DWP install and has been given the go-ahead to install cabinetry, flooring, and the aquatic center—two swimming pools.



entrance to new gymnasium

In her communication, Ms. Samson praised Principal Davidson and the Uni community for its support in the lengthy process of building not just the structure but "a collaboration for years to come."

Future collaboration planning will involve support from the Y for Uni P.E. and the sports program in the Y's regular gymnasium and two classrooms built by the Y.

Check out the pictures to see the future at work!



entrance on Westgate



two swimming pools in aquatic center

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UNI THEATER LIVES!

On April 18th, 2017: *Shrek the Broadway Musical* opened at the newly refurbished Stivelman Theater to an excited audience of Wildcats, Faculty and future Wildcats, now students at Emerson. It was the 8th production directed by Uni Alum ('76) Ronnie Sperling.

How did we get here? A little recent history of Uni theater is in order.Warriors and Wildcats may remember that the auditorium on the west side of campus was razed after the Sylmar Earthquake of 1971. Stivelman

Theater opened its doors in 1979.A recent refurbishing included new seats, fresh paint, and an improved sound system.

In 2012 University High School lost its Drama Teacher and its spot in the curriculum. With the support of the Uni High Education Foundation and the UCLA Beyond the Bell program, Theatre Professional and Uni Alum, Ronnie Sperling came riding to the rescue. He was among the fortunate students at Uni to learn from Mario Lomeli. Sperling attended California State University, Northridge and is a graduate of the acclaimed Los Angeles Civic Light Opera. His theatrical experience is extensive and includes directing, acting, and teaching throughout Los Angeles. In addition, Sperling has performed in in film, television and commercials. His credits also include writing and producing. Ronnie and classmate Jeff Deckman were among the original writers for the "Mighty Morphin' Power Rangers.

This year, the theater department is planning two Broadway musicals for the spring and fall semesters. The Tony award-winning musical *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* and the crowd-pleasing Broadway classic – *Grease*.



Students Perform in The Fantastics

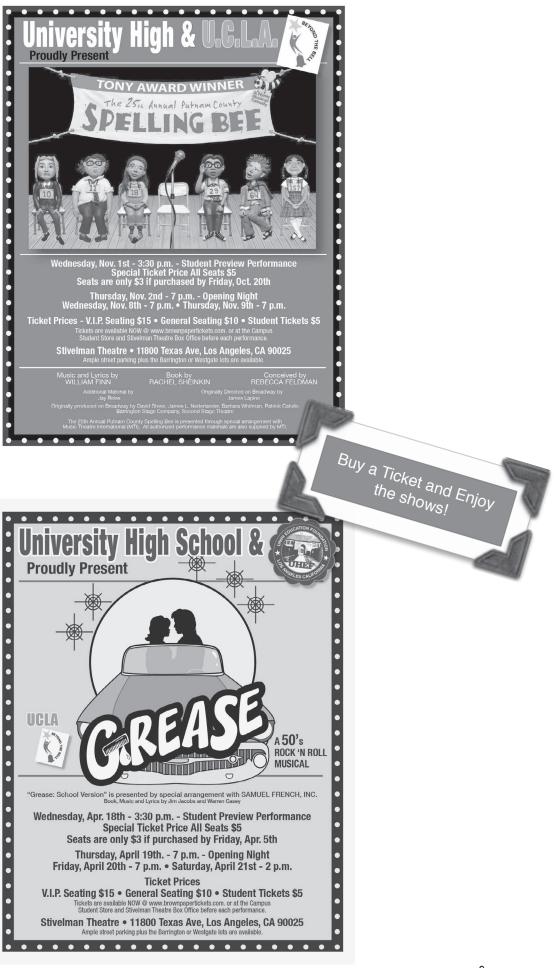


Shrek The Musical

In the theater programs students not only enjoy performing on stage but also the opportunity to learn the behind the curtain the stage crafts of set building, sound, lights, costumes, props, and stage management. By building a cadre of student talent and tech support each show becomes better than the last.

Putting on two musicals year is expensive. The cost of licensing, props, lighting, etc., is not recovered through ticket sales and is a burden on Uni's budget and the Uni Hi Education Foundation's budget as well. If you participated in theater you remember the thrill and excitement of being on stage, the friends you made, and the appreciation of theater you still hold today. Now is your chance to give back. We need help. If you can make a financial donation to the theater program please do so now, and, if you still live in the Los Angeles area, come to our performances.

Lawrence Booth '50 Janice Fendler Bove W'50 William Bredall '76 Barbara Bundy W'65 Scott Butler '86 Lorna Graham Byrne W'62 Cathy Paul & Nathan Canby Imelda Nieto Carey '43 Robert Carrillo S'53 Fay Bris Carston '58 Mike Cockinos '68 Carol Collins '47 Thomas Murray Cook W'35 Ronald Coons S'54 Robert Cowan '69 Thelma L. Culverson W'56 Hal Cunningham '26 Diane Falconer Cunningham '47 Robert H. Dann '55 Bret Davenport '65 Eric Davidson Laurie Shkolnick Denning '76 Marjorie Redman Downie W'49 David Duffy '74 David J. Edelsohn '84 Roger Ehrlich '61 Loyd E. Ellis '40 Daniel Ezralow '74 Bettijune Harthan Fanning S'60 **Constance Miolla Farmer** S'53 David & Maureen Feldman '81 Ivan L. Finkle S'50 B. D. "Buddy" Fischer W'50 Charles D. Fiscus '44 ♥ Rick '76 & Rachel Fishbein '76 Philip Flanders '56 John P. Fleischer S'55 Adrienne Simon Forst S'56 William Freeland W'43 Jeffrey Freiberg W'64 John Gaines '45 Nancy Baron Garcia S'48 Norman Gausman S'55 Gary C. Gausman '77 Bernard M. Geller '66 William Glasser '81 John I. Gordon W'81 Lee Berta Graham W'51 Michael Green '91 Joseph L. Green W'55 Richard L. Greene S'56 Marilyn J. Gunther '52 Robert Hagenbaugh S'39 Virginia Valentine Hall S'56 Susan Harris '76 Scott Harris '74 Mary Sue Andrews Hart W'61 Samuel '61 & Rita (Acquisto)'61 Hathorn Sebastian Hernandez-Romero '07 Carole Chillberg Herrera W'58 Grover Heyler W'44 Len Hill '65 Leland R. Hiney '53



Judith Clayton Hopkins, PhD S'56 Daisuke Horiuchi Stanley R. Howell Sharon Hammock Hughes '63 Joan Benson Hunt S'52 Glynis Inohara '73 Linda Levitt Janger '59 Ronald S. Javor W'63 David Jennings W'43 James Jolly '62 Robert Jones '53 Selma Shanks Kahl '52 Mits Kawagoye W'39 Hope Sterling Kelly S'46 Thomas E. Kendall S'46 John H. Kendall S'48 James P. Kennev S'53 Richard Kettler W'59 Mary Ellen Green Kilsby S'52 Scott Kivel '67 Rudolf Koester W'54 William Krauch W'61 Jeff Kroot '61 Darryl Kulwin W'61 Walter & Silvia La May S'58 ♥ Harold '42 & Thelma (Bruce) '46 Landon Katherine Puckett Layton '55 Craig Leeds '70 Richard E. Leonard W'48 Donald W. Leonard '54 Erik Levin '77 Bruce Levin '65 Leonard Levine '64 Charles Lichter '54 John M. Liebes '48 Donald R. Lindsay W'43 Jeff Lockwood W'63 Thomas Parker Lowe '50 Lavon Buckner Luboviski S'35 Carolvn Sausser Lvnch W'49 Jay & Maria Manning Susan Marinoff Schrag '65 William Martinez '70 Barbara Kohn Matthews W'61 Steven Matusow '65 Robert Mautino '55 Linda Jayne McCausland S'50 Rita G. McDermott '41 Phillippe Meany '53 Sandra Salka Milken '68 Lew (Dave) Miller S'54 Gladys Ratcliff Miller S'41 Cynthia McVey Montgomery '66 David G. Moore '47 Lloyd Morrisett '47 William D. Mosier '70 Pam Osborne Munter '60 Shirley Littrell Myers W'49 Debbie Nardo Leda Lewis Neilson W'57 Daphne Ezralow Noily S'67 Gerrit Ohl S'48

Lynn Roseman Ostrick S'59 David Pascal '76 John G. Peetz '41 Richard Perelman '74 Bruce Perelman '76 Audrey V. Peterson S'47 John L. Petty W'50 Dana Quade '51 Stephen Quick W'62

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Your foundation has a remarkable project you should know about. Last year we announced the digitizing of the entire Uni yearbook publication. That project is now complete. The UCLA Digitization project accomplished this task to yield a beautiful high-resolution version of each book. Find it here:

http://www.uhef.org/unihighyearbooks/

Even if you still have in your possession your beloved annual, this collection will provide hours of wonderful browsing time. Some of you donated yearbooks and some of you donated to help defray the considerable cost for this worthwhile project. The Uni family is grateful for this important, historic archive of our time on campus from its earliest days.





BOOKS BOOKS BOOKS BUY AND HELP!

Last year librarian Tascha Folsoi '86, introduced a way to grow Uni's library collection by creating a "Wish List" on Amazon.com. The list is updated monthly, and selections are based on student and teacher requests. Requests come from class assignments and the interests that students develop while doing research.

Anyone can go to the list to purchase one or more books. Some alumni and friends have bought multiple books. The books are 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 and have them shipped for free directly to school.

There are two ways to get there. Go online to amazon.com. Under "Accounts and Lists," you will find "Find a list or registry." If you type in Tascha Folsoi, under Tascha's name you will see the University High School library list. If you are reading this online, click on link below.

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

Folsoi asks for help if you buy a book: "Please email me your name and grad year along with items purchased, so I can return the tax I.D. number and adjust the list" <u>tascha.folsoi@gmail.com</u>. Your book purchase is a charitable donation! Purchasers of books are permanently recognized with a donor plate on the inside front cover of the book.

Alan Ramo W'67 Joan Kline Redlich W'61 Dale Reicheneder Dwight B. Rinehart '66 Ruth Albert Roberts '64 Brian Roberts '86 Roosevelt Robinson III '74 Gingi Rochelle '86 Richard Rodgers '52 Natalie Fischer Rosentswieg '52 James Rothman '74 Richard Saklad '60

Steve Sawaii '72 Jerelyn Sawyer S'61 Janet Sellman Scarrow S'50 John P. Schaefer S'50 Jeffrey & Reina Schaffer '76 Carolyn Downey Schanberger S'58

Richard '78 & Lori Schwartz '81

Hilda Dulham Serr '35

Shirley Cohen Shapiro '55 Anita Rae Levine Shapiro '58 R. Kent Sheranian '77 Steven D. Sills '65 Nancy Sinatra '57 Joel Singer W'69 Jeffrey C. Slade S'63 Steven Slaff '70 H. Ralph Snyder W'45 Ronald E. Soderling S'52 Gabriel Jerome Solomon '86 Denny E. Spargo '57 John Stahler '56 Philip & Maria Starr Harvey Stein W'61 Jaimie Kanner Stephenson S'66 Carol Zelonka Sullivan '60 Stephen L. Sweetland '60 Marvin E. Tanner S'51 Tad Taube W'49 Alice Telesnitsky '74 Richard M. Tempkin S'72 Ruth Lello Tessier S'53 Gloria Gioga Thomas W'50 Lawrence Tistaert S'59 Brian Tobin '67 Lionel Traubman '57 Elizabeth Traubman Marcus O. Tucker S'52 John Vallance S'62 Carolyn Willis Vena S'56 Calvin R. Vincent '54 Roger A. Wagner S'56 Patricia Cooke Wardell '44 Lynne K. Wehmueller S'83 Mark Weinstein Peggy Sloan Whitmer '53 William Whitney W'41 Kenneth H. Wilcox '48 John H. Wilke '46 Robert J. Williamson S'66 Stephen L. Wishny '58 Judy Wolfenstein Matthew Jon Wong '05 Travers Wood '61 Madge Stein Woods '66 Edwin Y. Yamada S'51 Kevin E. Young '75 Reza Zarinshenas '06 Joseph Zukin '43 James Zukin '66

DUGALD STERMER VAQUEROS W'55 **A REMEMBRANCE**

HTTP://WWW.DUGALDSTERMER.COM

Truly an illustrious artist, Dugald "Duke" Stermer is vividly remembered by his classmate, Ken Chotiner, who brought Stermer's most recent achievement to the editors' attention. On August 11, the U. S. Post Office issued a "forever" postcard featurning Stermer's illustration of a Chilean blue crocus (pictured right).

Stermer's career began with drawings he created for the Chieftain in '54 and '55. His wit and skill with a pen were evident early and remained with him until the end of his life. An obituary in the Dec.7, 2011 New York Times catalogued the wide range of Stermer's artistic ability. In the 60's hired by Ramparts magazine, he gave a distinctive a graphic identity through photography and a look that raised the magazine's profile and expanded its circulation. His typography and that look of



Ramparts influenced Rolling Stone and New York magazine among others.

A powerful anti-draft Ramparts cover created by Stermer led to a grand jury summons that



accused the magazine editors of instigating civil disobedience. Eventually charges were dropped after Stermer's (and other editors') testimony led prosecutors to determine that public relations for the government might suffer from going after editors.

Stermer's portraiture, begun with Ramparts, expanded from the 70's to include magazine covers for Time, The New York Times, and other major publications national and international. He was also enlisted to create graphics for the 1984 Olympics.

Although known initially for his graphic style, mid-career Stermer determined to teach himself 'classical' drawing which in some

ways brought him back



full circle to the drawing that began at Uni and which remained central to his prolific output for the rest of his life.

As many of the web examples of his work show, Stermer's passion for drawing undoubtedly enriched his long career as a teacher begun decades ago at the California College of the Arts in San Francisco. At the time of his death, he held the position of Chairman of the Illustration Department.

From the late 80's, Stermer's focussed more on the natural world

and endangered species within it. His illustrations of creatures, critters, fauna, and flora led to several books and eventually the selection of his work by the U.S. post office for the postcard.

To see more of his exquisite drawing and his early achievement, check out his web page cited above, or google "images" in his name.

ALUMNI NEWS

The news has been compiled by Rich Perlman, Jeff Deckman, Carolyn Lynch and Judy Wolfenstein..

1942 CAVALIERS/MARINES

When **BEVERLY TRINDLE BARBER** downsized her Palm Desert home she discovered 3 Chieftains, '40, '41 and '42. She contacted us last year and donated the yearbooks to Uni for the archives. A great note from **DON CARMICHAEL** (Better known as Rowdy Don – Colonel USA, Retired). "Warriors of the Greatest Generation! "Thought I would check in with all of you remaining. Turned 92 on Feb. 16 and you may wish to check my website: www.3warsoldier.com. I still play a little tennis and enjoy my dear wife of 47 years, plus children. I saw **FREDDIE BARTHOLOMEW** '41 on The Movie Channel – a great movie called "Captain's Courageous" with Spencer Tracy. And **ANNE BAXTER'41** too in the *Razor's Edge*. She was a date of **NORMAN ALLEN**, then the ROTC commander at Uni Hi. **BAXTER, MONETTA DARNELL**, and **RICHARD ANDERSON**, were in several John Wayne movies, all credited in the 1942 graduation book. Those were the days my friends.

In Memoriam: JUNE SNYDER POST, DAVID O. CALDWELL

1943-LANCERS/YANKS

JOE ZUKIN (jzjr@comcast.net) wonders "if any of my classmates are in or near the San Francisco Bay Area." If so, get in touch. **CECELIA ATTIX** had sad news to report. **DAVID O. CALDWELL** '42, a long-time UHEF member, passed away last September. David was a gifted and brilliant man, starting in our mutual grammar school, University Elementary, now known as UCLA Lab School. He received a PhD in Astro Physics and was Professor Emeritus at Stanford. He graduated UniHi in '42 when we were warriors. RIP dear **DAVID CHARLES WYMORE** passed away in October 2015. B.E. Wymore wrote that "he always spoke fondly of his Uni High days." **JOYCE BENJAMIN SHAMBAUGH '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.

In Memoriam: CHARLES E. WYMORE, JOYCE BENJAMIN SHAMBAUGH

1944 CORSAIRS/ARABIANS

RICHARD ANDERSON best known for co-starring simultaneously in television's *The Six Million Dollar Man* and *The Bionic Woman* in the 1970s, passed away on August 31. He began acting in high school and following graduation served in the Army before appearing on the radio and in summer stock. He landed a bit part in an adaptation of John Steinbeck's "The Pearl" (1947) and soon secured the MGM contract. (Mr. Anderson was a prime supporter of Uni car shows/picnics that took place in the 90's and early 2000's.) *In Memoriam:* **PHYLLIS WHITELAW HALL, KATHERINE "KAY" MARTIN-MCCAY, RICHARD ANDERSON**

1945 - COSSACKS/HAWAIIANS

C 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 Chasen's 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 **H. RALPH SNYDER** is living in Santa Monica. He informed us of the passing of his sister **JUNE SNYDER POST, S'42** *In Memoriam:* **TED MOSHER**

1946 - CARIOCAS/CAROUSELS

HOPE STERLING KELLY is living in Santa Barbara and still enjoys ballroom dancing and competing. In the autumn she went on a driving trip through New England to see the gorgeous fall colors. **AJOR-HELLYN (JOREE) JOHNSON** traveled to Italy and New Mexico this past year. While in New Mexico she stayed on the Hopi Reservation. She has 8 great-grand children and is still playing golf.

1947 - CONTINENTALS/KHALIFS

Uni sweethearts **ROGER '47** AND **NANCY '48 KARRENBROCK** continue to expand their family. They wrote "Our two great grandchildren, Tyler and Lucy, now live in our previous home with their parents and

we have moved into an independent living facility. Life is good and we still stay involved with our Los Party Designs, with daughter Sharri in charge.

JERRY MARVIN JR '47, passed away on August 27, at age 87, after a long illness. A graduate of UCLA, he was the basketball coach at Uni's arch rival Palihi for 30 years ('61-'91). His father, Jerry Marvin Sr., was the basketball coach at Uni for over 30 years (40's-60's).

1948 - REVELIERS/TARTANS

BEA CARPENTER is living in San Luis Obispo and wrote "still going strong at 87 years of age. Still love to travel with grandkids and my two children

In Memoriam: ROBERT "BOB" BACON, S'48

1949 - SAIGONS/CENTENNIALS

MARY BUCKMEYER MCGLASSON noted that Elizabeth Taylor, mentioned as an alum, did not actually attend Uni. We heard that she wanted to participate in a graduation and we were it, "The 49ers," in June of 1949. Guess who stole the show? However, we've been able to brag, all these years, that we graduated with her! Does anyone else remember that? **SARA HIRSCH CLARK** is still living a very full and enjoyable life in Los Angeles. "On Monday nightsl feed the homeless at Grace Lutheran Church. I belong to the L.A. Chapter of Brandeis University, am Past President of the Venice-Marina LAX Lions Club, memberships Chairperson of the Venice Historical Society, read to a kindergarten class on Fridays and on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month attend a Cowboy Social Club and charity. Exercise regularly and Love Life." **ANNETTE LEWIS ORTON '49**. See **Faculty Updates** below.

In Memoriam: ELIZABETH "BETTY" QUALEN BACON

1950 JUBILEERS/ALOHANS

JOE F. CORONA W'50, says hello to all his classmates. He is still traveling and married to wife Karen (a SamoHi grad) for 60 years. They are enjoying life and loving Florida weather! **LARRY PORTER** '50 reports that fellow Alohan **BEVERLY (DEVOE) SNELL** (1933-2017) died this past April. **ROGER ERNEST MAUS** '50 (1932-2017), 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*.

In Memoriam: BEVERLY (DEVOE) SNELL, ROGER ERNEST MAUS

1951-SIROCCOS/CELESTIALS

LON B. KIRKGAARD lives in Ojai and is helping grammar school kids in their reading programs. He "sings with the Ventura County Concert Chorus" and participates with the activities of the Odd Fellows lodge. He would love to hear from friends Stanley Kerr S'51 and Michael Jacoby W'51. Lon requested that his generous donation be directed to support the music program. **MARY LOU WICHERSHAM ANGLE** is living in Mesa, Arizona and is president of the Drama Club in their R.V. resort. She enjoys acting the plays produced by the club and shared "I have become a ham in my golden years." *In Memoriam*: **JOHN S.HANNA Jr.**, **ETHEL SHANKS HAYDON '51** on 9/13/16

1952 - MARINERS/PARISIANS

MARILYN GUNTHER S'52, now living in Menifee, CA, sadly reports the passing of two of her classmates. **LUCILE GALE ROSEN** passed away on February 29, 2016. **JOANNE CREEKBAUM WHEELER** passed away on September 14, 2016. **FRED HINES** '52 retired from Lockheed Martin in 1992 after 35 years. He is enjoying traveling and hiking in various locations around the world. He is still playing the French horn he played in the Uni orchestra and plays in several orchestras and bands. He attended his 60th Stanford reunion this past year.

In Memoriam: ROBERT BJORKLUND, SELMA SHANKS-KAHL, LUCILE GALE ROSEN, JOANNE CREEKBAUM WHEELER

1953 - EL'AENS/JAMAICANS

ROGER "TAD" WHEELIS is alive and well and still living in La Conner Washington. "Sorry I missed our 60th class reunion. Go Jamaicans!" **KATHLEEN GROSSMAN BRANNEN** '53 reports that the Revelettes get together every year at her home in the desert over the Halloween weekend to share memories and have fun. Those attending at our most recent get together are **VIVIAN JOHNSTON LOCK**, **JACKIE JOHNSON ANDREWS**, **LEORA FOWLER MORTELERRO**, **SALLY MERRILL**, **GENE GROUNDS**, **KAREN VON BENSCHOTEN LESS**, **LINDA HALLMAN HOSFORD** and **FENTON SMITH MARTIN**. *In Memoriam*: **CAROLE LYNN KENNEY** '53

1954 - FANTASIANS/CAPRIES

Sad news from **ERIN BOOMER** from the Class of '54 . **MARILYN MILLER WILTON** passed away in early January. Marilyn was our class reunion coordinator and hostess for many years. She had been quite ill for the past year. Marilyn was a classmate of many from the days at Palisades Elementary School. In the same week, we also learned of the death of **DICK CROUCH.** Many of you will have your own special memories of Marilyn and Dick. Their families and friends are in our thoughts and prayers. We celebrated 80th birthdays at our get-together in October. And while we all hold the expectation of many more years ahead, we recognize that this will not be a reality for everyone in our class. Please let me know if you hear that a classmate has died so we keep our memorial records up to date.

In Memoriam: LYDDIA "LEE" PTITSIN HOWARD, RICHARD "DICK" CROUCH, MARILYN MILLER WILTON

1955 -VAQUEROS/GRECIANS

KEN CHOTINER shares good news of a late classmate: "A new stamped postal card featuring the art work of designer and illustrator 'DUKE' STERMER was issued by the U.S. Postal Service on August 11. It shows a Chilean blue crocus. DUKE'S characteristic drawings filled the Warrior and the Chieftain during his Uni years. He designed Time Magazine covers, collaborated with Susan Sontag on the first American book of Castro-era Cuban posters, *The Art of Revolution*, and worked on the official medal of the 1984 Los Angeles Olympic Games. He was Chairman of the Illustration Department at the California College of the Arts at the time of his death in 2011." *For more information see the article on page 13. In Memoriam:* DUGALD 'DUKE' STERMER

1956 - POLYNESIANS/CAMBODIANS

CAROLYN WILLIS VENA sent greetings and appreciation for the annual newsletter, along with her annual support. **VIRGINIA VALENTINE HALL** had a great time at the reunion but wrote "it's still hard to believe I graduated over 60 years ago." **KAREN FISKE STELZER SHECHTMAN** is now settled in Florida following retirement 15 years ago from management of an art gallery and design firm.

1957 - IMPERIALS/MANHATTANS

JOHN REYNOLDS VAN ATTA passed on May 16 at age 76. Born in Winchester, Massachusetts, he attended Emerson Junior High School, where he met his eventual wife Pamela Kreis. After finishing at Uni, he graduated from U.C. Santa Barbara in 1962 and then earned a Ph.D. in Biophysics from the University of Michigan. He came back to Los Angeles to join Carnation and then moved to Kenilworth, Illinois to work for Quaker Oats, where he was a member of the executive leadership team and supervised research and development. He retired after eight years in Illinois, and returned to California to Santa Barbara. Passionate about golf, piano playing, and wine making, he was one of five neighbors who created the wine label Los Cinco Locos. Joyce Shanks Cates, reported that her sister **SELMA SHANKS KAHL** '52 died of lung cancer on 10/25/16. She was always proud to have attended University High School and donated generously to UHEF. Her last donation (a replacement check for one of the pieces of mail that the post office had misplaced) was sent only 18 days before her passing. Joyce's also lost her sister **ETHEL SHANKS HAYDON** '51, who died on 9/13/16. She lived her entire life in Pacific Palisades.

1958 - TAHITIANS/VAGABONDS

JOYCE CARPPO FRAZIER '58 reports that after 3 years of retirement she is returning to part-time work in a family therapy private practice. She also volunteers as an office assistant with the Tuolumne County District Attorney's office. **PETER CHOATE** passed on March 31 at his home in Sullivan Canyon. He attended Uni and Stanford, where he was a All-American in golf, competed barefoot at times, set an amateur course record of 66 at Cypress Point and met his wife Patti. Although he briefly considered joining the PGA Tour, he pursued a career in architecture, founding Choate Associates Architects in 1971 and specializing in residential design. Most of Peter's work is located in California, but he also built homes and small hotels for clients in New Mexico, Wyoming, and Maryland. Peter's legacy lives on in the beautiful architecture that he created and left us all to enjoy.

In Memoriam: WENDY JILL SWETOW KAPLAN BROOKS, PETER CHOATE

1959 - CONTINENTALS/CASTILIANS

BARBARA ROISMAN COOPER has donated '56, '57, '58 and '59 Chieftains to the Uni High archive. THANK YOU! Castilian DON CARLOS asked whether or not Uni still has a Student Store and if so you make purchase online or other ways?" Yes, there is a Student Store on campus, but you can only buy items in person, as there are no online sales. But they'll be happy to see you when you visit the campus! In Memoriam: PEGGY GILBERT SANGE passed away at her home in Severna Park Maryland on October 18, 2016.

1960 - ELYSIANS/CARIBBEANS

JACK TUCKER S '60 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 Airport. 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. Poliakitis and Mr. Briscoe among other teachers involved with that great club). JEANINE WAGNER HERMAN '60 celebrated her 50th wedding anniversary June 2016. Both her daughters graduated from Uni too! KIM HERMAN HASSETT '87 is a deputy district attorney for L.A. County and ADRIENNE HERMAN BARR '91 is managing director of Berkadia real estate. GAIL GRANT DAY S '60 asked: "Where are all of the S '60 classmates? Any news about a 60-year reunion in 2020?

1961 - NEW YORKERS/ISLANDERS

The Class of '61 now has an Islander, S'61 Web site up at www.UniHi61.com. This is for the Summer of '61 Class (Islanders) and not the Winter '61 "New Yorkers" (who have a different site!). CAROL MCCONKEY YOUNGER (CarolYounger39@gmail.com) is the person to contact for more information, or to add to the Web site

1963 - SUNDOWNERS/DANAANS

MARC GLUCKSMAN W'63 shared the following: "The email below honors ELINOR TRATTNER BEN MANACHEM (Fairburn/Emerson/Uni W '63) for her selection for the Epilepsy Foundation's 2017 Lifetime Accelerator award. The Epilepsy Foundation's notice of award explained it thus: "The Epilepsy Foundation has selected (ELINOR) for the 2017 Lifetime Accelerator award. The Lifetime Accelerator Award was established in 2012 to honor physicians, scientists, industry leaders, and other individuals who have demonstrated a lifelong commitment to bringing new therapies to people living with epilepsy. Lifetime Accelerator Award recipients are chosen by an independent committee of global thought leaders and clinical investigators in epilepsy and seizure therapy discovery and development. "We cannot think of a more deserving awardee, and we are delighted to share with you that you are the first female recipient of this award. Your work has impacted so many people living with epilepsy, and you are an inspiration to your peers and future generations working in this specialty. On behalf of the Epilepsy Foundation, thank you for all you do!" The award was presented on May 18th at a conference in Miami, Florida. Congratulations **ELINOR**!

1968 SALISIANS/SAROYANS

Penny (Stoner) Barnes '68 (pennykathleen@hotmail.com) sent along a donation to the UHEF (thanks!) and asked: "Are there any plans for a 50th Reunion in 2018?"

In Memoriam DIANE BERKOVER

1969 - TAISHANS/PHAETHEONS

PATRICIA SCHWARZ '69 lives in Mill Valley, CA and shared a long update with us. She credits Arnold Rubinoff, Uni's photography teacher, set her on the road to a life as a professional photographer. Following graduation from Uni she studied at the the San Francisco Art Institute and Rhode Island School of Design, and then went on to a successful career as a medical and scientific photographer and fine art photography. She has stayed in touch with many of her Uni friends. Some of the names she mentions are **DARRYL ANKA, BETTY BOTTLES, BEVERLY BROGER, DEBORAH HOAR, PAULO CARNVALHO, STEPHEN GERTZ, JOHN LOHNES, MIKE ANDERSON, JEFF SOBOL CANDY SAGON** AND **RACHEL POSNER**. You can find Patricia on Facebook.

1970 - SENECANS/HERBERT

TRACIE THAYER IRELAND '70 It is with a sad heart that I must tell you of the passing of my best friend, **PATTY MCMILLAN**, '71. She passed away this past June of Cancer. She was a Bee Cheerleader her Senior year at Uni. She worked for GTE/Verizon for over 30 years and moved back to CA from Texas when she retired. She lived in Palm Desert where she was very active in her Community and with their Golf Club. **J.PETER RICH** '70, adds some information about the "Class of Herbert."

The issue with the Class of 1970 (Herbert) is that a significant percentage would have been in the Class of 1971 but for having to make the decision to go skip a semester or stay back. I and others skipped but then couldn't really bond with over half of my classmates. I am still close friends with **MARK KALMANSOHN** and **JON TEPPER**, and see **BILL KABAKER** and others occasionally. As for me, I went to UCLA undergrad and then Harvard Law School, and have been a partner in the international law firm of McDermott Will & Emery since 1987, practicing health care law (yes, Obamacare now!) since 1978. I was voted by my peers Best Lawyer in Los Angeles for Administrative Law for 2016. U.S. News/Best Lawyers Vi have been married to Elizabeth for 36 years (she looks so young that I tell people I married her in Mississippi) and we have three adult daughters. I work closely with UCLA UniCamp, which for over 80 years has offered summer camping and now academic "STEM" programs for inner city kids, with volunteer UCLA students (donations welcome) and the Cardiovascular Research Foundation. I am also an active USSF and National AYSO soccer referee and coached for nearly 20 years.

1971- GANDALFS

SUSAN DETTMER METSCH '71 has "been trying to connect, but can't find, my best friend, **KATRINA KUIZENGA**, class of 1971." If anyone has a contact, please let the UHEF know. *In Memoriam*: Patty McMillan

1974 - IRWIN

NANCY BARNEY RECK '74, is living in Mill Valley and in September celebrated her 40th wedding anniversary to husband Paul. She added a correction to last year's newsletter. Apparently Mike Mink attended Uni but did not graduate from Uni in '59.

SCOTT HARRIS '74, just celebrated his 38th year working as a technical director for CBS-TV at KCBS/KCAL in Los Angeles. He and wife Anita Brandt Burgoyne (Grant '76) welcomed their first grandchild in February 2017.

1978 – ALOHI HOKU

Uni sweethearts RICHARD '78 AND LORI SMALLEY '80 SCHWARTZ are celebrating their 25th Wedding Anniversary this year.

1977 - ALOHI HOKU

Classmates **JOSE SANTANA** '77 and **MARTHA MACIAS SANTANA** '76 met at age 4 in West Los Angeles. Both attended Brockton Elementary School, Daniel Webster Junior High and while at Uni began dating in 1975. They married in 1977 and bought their home in Mar Vista in 1980, where they still live. On October 15, 2017 they celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary!

1979 - GENESIS

DEB HOWARD '**79** wrote to inform us of the passing of her mom, **LEE PTITSIN '54**. Among the things that Lee kept were a Capries Summer Class of '54 patch and also a ring with an engraved 'Robert' on its face which was from **ROBERT ESSER S' 51**. Anyone know a contact? It would be nice to return it. (*Deb is sending the patch to Uni for the archives. She's helping preserve Uni's history. Thank you!*)

1997

From the WWR this **STEVE SMITH** '97 Update: "Dear Commissioner Goodell. "This is to notify you that as of today, I, Steve Smith Sr., will no longer be antagonizing defensive backs. I am retiring from the National Football League." With that letter, sent January 2, the greatest football player ever to attend University High School ended what could be a Hall of Fame career as an NFL star. Smith graduated from Uni in 1997 as a

standout in both football and track, where he set a still-standing school mark of 38.73 in the 300 m intermediate hurdles.

He went on to Santa Monica College, where his play at wide receiver drew the attention of the University of Utah, then of the Mountain West Conference. He was an all-conference selection as a wide receiver in both 1999 and 2000 and was selected in the third round of the 2001 NFL Draft by the Carolina Panthers. From there, Smith became a star in the NFL. In 16 seasons with the Panthers (2001-13) and Baltimore Ravens (2014-16), he was named to the Pro Bowl five times and was named All-Pro three times. Over his career, he caught 1,031 passes for 14,731 yards and 81 touchdowns receiving, plus another six on kick returns. Now 37, he and wife Angie have four children and the Smiths have devoted significant energies to community service, especially with Samaritan's Feet, a charity which supports the provision of shoes to those in need. Smith told Yahoo! Sports that he understands from personal experience – no doubt from his Uni years and before – the importance of helping others. "To be poor... to be hungry ... to not have much. I know what it's like to be on food stamps. I know about all those things. I can identify with that, because it wasn't too long ago that I was that kid." All this from a 5-foot, 9-inch athlete who was continuously told he was too small to play top-level football. The Disney motto of "If you can dream it, you can do it" applies to Steve Smith, Sr.

2006

NATTY HERNANDEZ shares fond memories of "a special teacher – no, a professor! – at Uni: "Hello! I'd like to congratulate all professors for continuing to contribute to our education. "I am Uni'06! And would especially like to thank professor Claudia Monge! I had a hard time with Geometry and failed it once because I was giving up. I got lucky ended up having to repeat the course for summer school with professor Monge. I started doing well, then began slacking off.' I stopped showing up. A classmate said professor Monge wanted me to come back to class. She would let me catch up with the work. She wasn't upset at me! She reviewed the material that I found difficult and pushed me hard to finish the class and pass it! And I did! "I will never forget that! I will forever be grateful to her! Thank you professor Monge for all that you did and continue to do!"

2011

DAVID NWABA '11 became the first- Uni alum to play in the National Basketball Association He signed a contract for the Lakers in February and played for the Lakers until he was signed by the Chicago Bulls. He was an all-Conference selection at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo after finishing at Uni. "Growing up every year, , it was always my wish to play in the NBA," he told the Los Angeles Times. Nwaba is, of course, part of the first family of Uni athletes. His older sister Barbara '07 is the U.S. Heptathlon champion and competed in the Rio Games, and his younger brother Victor '13 plays NCAA Division II basketball for Academy of Art College in San Francisco

FACULTY UPDATES

Uni was recognized along with LACES and Granada Hills Charter High School at the 2017 Disney Motif Awards ceremony. IN 2014 LACES was ranked as the top LAUSD school. Uni faculty and staff turned out to celebrate as did most of the UHEF board. Everybody got to play dress-up for the honor.

Uni Faculty attends Motif awards in 2017. Uni was the recipient of an award.

FACULTY UPDATES (CONTINUED)

ART SHANE, head of the music and performing arts department from 2000 to 2017 has retired. When Art came to Uni following the retirement of **JOHN MAGRUDER** he kept the music program alive and growing, despite demolition of the music rooms and relocation to 3 different classrooms over eight years. He wrote the grant for establishment of Uni's keyboard lab for piano instruction and secured the grants to create Uni's state-of-the-art digital equipment and music program. We wish him the best in his well-deserved retirement.

ANNETTE LEWIS ORTON Uni'49. joined the Uni High faculty in the science department and was married to the late **LYLE HERBST**, Science Department chairman. She went on to teach at Pali High and retired after teaching chemistry at No. Hollywood High School.

She did her last (33rd) triathlon at age 66, earned her pilot license at age 78, and is flying "right seat" now with her mate and is a member of United Flying Octogenarians. An active No. California area rep,. she is on the national board of directors of World Wide Flying Octogenarians, which has over 1400 members.

ROSS ENGLISH, who taught at Uni from 1956 to1980, passed away in August. In addition to Social Studies, he had charge of the school's audio-visual department and introduced the use of videotape to Uni classrooms in the late 1970s. His teacher's comment in the '70 Chieftain, noted: "We learn from history that we don't learn from history."

Longtime Uni teacher, coach and legend **DUANE LARUE** passed away on May 8 at age 81.Born in Los Angeles in 1935, he graduated from Washington High School and went to Pepperdine College on a football scholarship. He came to Uni for the 1962-63 school year as a physical education teacher and the co-football and coach for gymnastics. His career at Uni included making the gymnastics program one of the best in the City, winning the 1970 All-City team champions hip. He continued at Uni for 32 academic years and finally retired as Physical Education department chairman and Athletic Director at the close of the 1993-94 academic year.

Did you know that during his early years of teaching he was also a part-time scout for the Los Angeles Rams? **LARUE** was popular on campus despite an outwardly gruff demeanor. He demanded effort and excellence at all levels with a sense of humor that endeared him to many. In 1987, he was presented with an Apple Award for teaching excellence by Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley.

COACH LARUE retired to his home in Saugus, but suffered a serious fall from the roof of his house in 2003 and suffered lasting injuries to his memory. **COACH JIM NAKABARA** visited LARUE after the accident. He wrote: "went to visit Coach Duane LaRue today with **BRAD GRUNBERG**, Uni grad of '82. Coach LaRue is doing well. He still remembers me when I was a student of Uni back in the late '60's (that's because I used to cause trouble and he would chase me out of the gym). When I came back to teach and coach at Uni in '76 and he also knew that our girls' basketball team won the Division 3 City Championship in basketball. We had a great visit and he remembers a lot more than I expected. Actually, at the age of 77, he remember facts better than I do about things from long time ago. He's walking okay and refuses to us a cane or walker and mows his lawn in the flat areas. I gave him the 2012 Unihi Education Foundation newsletter, class '72 reunion poster of Coach LaRue, thank you folder signed by several members of the class of '72, and the Girls City Championship Basketball T-shirt. We all had a great time."

ART MAEDA'67 wrote: "Coach LaRue was patient even if you weren't that good of an athlete. We used to call him 'The Machine.' I was on his gymnastics team from 1964-1967. R.I.P. Coach we will remember you."

GARY LYNCH'68 wrote "I played football for Coach LaRue from '65–'67. I wasn't the best player and I can remember several times when he yelled at me to encourage me to do better. I always respected him and he remains one of my favorite memories of Uni."

WAYMAN RICKS'82 added: "I will always remember his enthusiasm when I played football and you would always here his call for the 'Rooter Bus!' Thank you coach LaRue for being a part of my high school experience. My condolences to your family."

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