







Warriors & Wildcats Report

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Happy New Year. It has been an interesting start of the year here at Uni. Our girls and boys soccer <u>AND</u> basketball teams all made it to the playoffs, and our varsity basketball players are headed to the division finals! Read a bit about what is happening at Uni from the Uni Hi Education Foundation, the official alumni support organization for University High School. Your comments and contributions make this report better, so send us a note at <u>Connect@UHEF.org</u> or https://www.facebook.com/UHEFLA/

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UHEF 2019 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Apr. 24Little Shop of Horrors -3:30 p.m. (Student Preview)Stivelman TheaterApr. 25Little Shop of Horrors -7:00 p.m.Stivelman TheaterApr. 26Little Shop of Horrors -7:00 p.m.Stivelman TheaterApr. 27Little Shop of Horrors -12:00 p.m.Stivelman Theater

Tickets on Sale https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/3917386

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS

devoured the hearts of theatre-goers for over 30 years. Howard Ashman and Alan Menken (Disney's The Little Mermaid, Beauty And The Beast, and Aladdin) are the creative geniuses behind what has become one of the most popular shows in the world.

The meek floral assistant Seymour Krelborn stumbles across a new breed of plant he names "Audrey II" - after his coworker crush. This foul-mouthed, R&B-singing carnivore promises unending fame and fortune to the down and out Krelborn as long as he keeps feeding it, BLOOD. Over time, though, Seymour discovers Audrey II's out of this world origins and intent towards global domination!

One of the longest-running Off-Broadway shows, Little Shop Of Horrors the charmingly tongue in cheek comedy has been produced worldwide to incredible success.

Directed by Ronnie Sperling Choreography - Lindsey Lorenz Music Direction - Kahlil Sabbagh Scenic Design - John Ong Costume Design - Suzanne Wakefield Lighting Design - Rob Fritz

WARRIORS AND WILDCATS IN ACTION

Through library donations, UHEF supported the A.P. Research students by purchasing books for the library that would help them to explore areas of interest. They will soon present the results of their yearlong research. AP Research is proud to announce that 4 students have been selected for prestigious scholarships. Carla Ponce and Litzy Bautista have received the Posse Scholarships and will be attending University of Wisconsin, Madison and Hobart, William, and Smith respectively. Vic Brown and Olga Plata are both recipients of the Questbridge Scholarship and will be attending Haverford and Columbia. These scholarships that are designed to bring low income students into private liberal arts colleges to provide students with a different opportunity and to assist these colleges in building a richer, more diverse student body.

Carla Ponce, Posse recipient, is looking forward to attending University of Wisconsin, Madison. Her goal is to major in either finance or statistics, with a minor in music. Carla watched her parents build a small business in Korea Town and decided she wants to learn how business work on a larger scale. While Carla was growing up, her mother signed her up for the Harmony after school program. There, she learned how to play the recorder, and eventually began playing the Viola, which she has played for seven years.

Litzy Bautista has an eye toward politics, so she is hoping to develop those skills there. Litzy began the Girls Build LA program at Uni, and has served as student body president here. It has been a pleasure to serve on councils with her here, and we anticipate that Litzy will continue to make us proud as she makes a wider impact as she ventures out into the world.

Olga Plata, Questbridge recipient, will be majoring in art history and anthropology at Columbia. In addition to receiving the scholarship to Columbia, she was one of fifteen students selected

from a pool one hundred applicants to work as interns at Los Angeles County Museum of Art. While there, she assisted at events and curated and lead her own tour of German Expressionist art for high school students. She presented an art activity where the students looked at color and emotion in German Expressionism. She plans to modify this lesson and present it to special needs students at Uni High after she is done taking all her A.P. tests.

Vic Brown, who refers to themselves with non-gendered pronouns, is also a Questbridge recipient, will be attending Haverford. Vic is interested in education policy studies. They hope to intern and eventually work at a lobbying group at Center for American Progress. In the long run, they have political aspirations, and hope to one day serve as Secretary of Education. Their areas of focus are arts education, and support of public schools and teachers along with increased funding. They also want to address the issue of standardized testing and its overuse as a comparison method, particularly given these tests fail to provide accurate comparisons as the tests are differ. They want to look at student confidence, how supported students feel mentally and physically, and how accomplished they feel —and hopefully integrate the arts and performance as well.

CHECK US OUT AT THE LIBRARY

Since the last report, we have had a new donor, Jeffrey Berchin, Class of 1973 donated to the library. Ruth Roberts '64 continued her generous support of our library with an additional 15 books along with Michael Alcalay, Class of 1980. Ruth's donation of *Photographic: The Life of Graciela Iturbide* will be the inspiration for the Hispanic Heritage program in the fall of 2019. I will focus on her life as a photographer and activist. Classes are invited to the library to celebrate contributions of diverse peoples with a presentation of a featured artists work. I use artists because it is nice to use images to inspire the students' discussions. *Current* parent Lorraine Gaffney, Mother of Eli and Charlotte arranged for the donation of 2018 World Book Encyclopedia from Harvard Westlake's Middle School library. While I was there picking up the books, I looked at their magnificent collection, and I have added some titles to the Amazon wish list.

I too have contributed several books as well, including three copies of Jubilee by Margaret Walker, to support our small book club, and two books on photographer, composer, author, screenwriter, director, and activist Gordon Parks for Black History Month. If you have not read any of his books or seen any of his films or photography, I encourage you to do so. There is a wonderful documentary about him available online called *Half Past Autumn*, co-produced by Denzel Washington, I encourage anyone and everyone to watch it on.

https://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/2907HPM85SFOW/ref=cm sw su w

Uni librarian **Tascha Folsoi** '86 – and a donor herself – notes, "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 <u>tascha.folsoi@gmail.com</u>, 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.

Stephen Adams '60 Michael Alcalav '80 Geraldine Armstrong '59 Marilyn Bendik Sachs W '69 Jeffrey Berchin '73 Monyca Brown '88 Diane Roseman Cherniss '63 Family of Jaeu Choi 2021 Robert Collins '63 Alvaro Cortes '70 Jeff Deckman '76 Ann Farrell '68 Ivan Finkle '50 Barbara Wong Franklin '68 Loretta Gaffney 2022 Sukey (Roth) Garcetti '57 Connor Gilmore 2022 Kelly Gilmore '86 Carl Hagge '53 Natalie Hatch '59 Penny Hussey Hutchinson '57 David Hurwitz '58 Jean Kent '62 Jav Kholos '58

Judy Kleinberg '65

Erik Levin '77 Kav Mader '59 Harold Martin Marvina (Stephens) Miller '87 Bill Parten '41 Rich Perelman '74 Dr. Dawn Harris River '89 Ruth Albert Roberts '64 Roger Schrag '83 Lori and Richard Schwartz, MD Vivienne Sinclair '50 Alex Solodovkinov '58 John Statham W '68 Tracie Thaver 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

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!

Your book is a charitable donation. If you want to be assured of receiving a thank you letter for your donation, please email me, Ms. Folsoi. I enjoy writing the letters as it makes me proud each time I have a chance to acknowledge our wonderful alumni! Also please let me know if I have misspelled your name or have recorded any other information incorrectly." 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/

BASKETBALL AND VOLLEYBALL AND SOCCER, OH MY!

University High Wildcats varsity basketball team has advanced to the Division One City Finals at Los Angeles Southwest College. They will play this Saturday at 3 pm. Led by David Cheatom Jr., Uni has exceeded what everyone outside of Uni thought they would achieve. They were not expected to get out of the second round against Crenshaw. However, our Wildcat's tenacious hustle and defense allowed them to stay in every game, especially the last two games against Crenshaw and Freemont, which were hard-fought, gritty, slow-paced games. David credits Coach Ackerman's motivation and discipline with helping them get this far. We have a great team this year, and we are so proud they have advanced to the Division One Finals. For more sports updates follow the Wildcats on Twitter @UTown Sports or access this link: http://www.maxpreps.com/high-schools/university-wildcats-(los-angeles,ca)/sports.htm

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:

*1952· 1954 · 1956 · 1960· 1968·1979 *

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

○ CLASS OF 1952 ~ MARINERS ○

➤ We are wondering if the Winter Class of 52, Mariners are interested in having a reunion. If so contact Barbara Pearce Feick at bapf@mindspring.com.

○ CLASS OF 1954 ~ CAPRIES ○

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2019 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the WOODLAND HILLS COUNTRY CLUB ➤ Thanks to Chuck Lichter, we have a great venue and location. Very soon, you will receive more details, including menu choices, directions and more. In the meantime, we hope you will be available and able to be there for the celebration of 65 years

○ CLASS OF WINTER 1956 ~ POLYNESIANS ○

➤ From Roger Wagner W'56 Polynesians: "About 30 of us W'56 Polynesians celebrated in June 2018 a mini-reunion at the El Caballero Country Club in Tarzana. The get-together continued on into the evening at Marsha Cohen's home."

∘ CLASS OF 1960 ~ ELYSIANS ∘

- ➤ Bettijune Hartthan Fanning (S'60) has this questions, "At our last reunion Ms. Sullivan was voted the favorite teacher. She taught English. She rode the bus toward Santa Monica. Does anyone know where she went to from Uni?"
- Sandra Bettin is chairing the 60th Reunion for the Elysian class who graduated in June '60. Committee members are; Gail Grant Day who chaired our fabulous 50th Reunion, Don Reiner, Gale Levy Day and Corrinne Glick AKA Corky Frye. We are planning for mid-June 2020. An exact date to be announced. What we need now is a preliminary headcount of those who would like to attend before we can start working with a Reunion Company. Many of us entering as freshmen in Sept. '58 immediately became friends with many upperclassmen including those who graduated in Jan. '59 and in our 3 years at Uni we also became friends with many under classmates as well. If you missed your own reunion, didn't have one or just want to attend ours to see old friends, The Elysian Class will be happy to welcome you to ours. Please contact me: SANDY BETTIN (as most of you knew me) at:sandy@sandrabettin.net

∘ CLASS OF 1968 ∘

➤ Oct 13, 2018 was the Summer Class of 68's 50 year reunion. About 130 people attended and it was a great success. We all had such fun remembering and sharing! We set up an Angel Fund for folks that needed a little extra help with the ticket cost. Our class was very generous and the leftover funds were donated to the Uni High Foundation for the Richard Kampmann Student Athlete Award. The next day, there was a brunch, hosted by Kathie Brown Marion and her husband Larry Moses. More than 50 people attended and we really got a chance to talk one on one to some many classmates that shared so much history. We had so much fun that we are going to do it again in 5 years.

○ *CLASS OF 1979* ○

The class of 1979 will hold their 40-year reunions on August 3, 2019 at the Courtyard by Marriott, Sherman Oaks. The class representative is Susie Brody Kuhlmann.

Contact: www.reunioncommittee.com, or call us at (661) 259-5999

- > Is your class planning a reunion in 2018 or 2019?
 - o Ruth Woldom has asked on behalf of her mother, Lupe (Monjaraz) Woldom, class of

'61, to be notified of any reunion plans for that year. You can reach her at mailto:ruthwoldom@aol.com.

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: Centurians

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

Class of 1977: Alohi Hoku

• On Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/groups/UniHigh77/

Class of 1975: Shangri-La

• On Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/groups/1451301021777342/

Class of 1974: Chenoa

• On Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/groups/322360711223639/

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 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 "<u>Donate Now</u>" page, scroll down and *click on the Amazon logo* to go to Amazon.com and your purchase will be credited toward rebates which go to support 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 <u>Community</u> <u>Contribution page</u> and either **register** or **sign in** (Questions answered <u>here</u>); 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 the Uni Principal 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 scholarships were inaugurated in this 2017-18 academic year with your donations:

- Coach Richard M. Kampmann Scholarship Fund: Named for Uni's late, legendary cross country and track & field coach, awarded by the Stimming Family in coordination with the UHEF.
- *Violetta Ponce 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

- > Stanie M. Benz-Forsman (Cohen) would like to be apprised of any goings-on for S'61. Contact is smforsman@gmail.com.
- > Carol Lynch notified us in early January that Craig Fawcett, S'49 has died.
- ➤ The following piece has a nice bit about the Class of '86. You can see the photos referred to in the piece where it was printed originally: https://www.uhef.org/dont-you-forget-about-usor-the-value-of-public-education-class-of-86/

Please send information about the lives of your friends, along with any old photos you may have. I would love to see alumni writing bios of their peers and even making a voluntary donation to publish them. It would be a fun way to celebrate our amazing alumni and raise money at the same time.

Don't You Forget About Us ...or The Value of Public Education: Class of 1986

A couple of things happened over the Winter break. One, it was announced that the teachers in LAUSD would probably be going on strike, and, two, my friend Kimberly Steinman, Class of '86, posted some pictures of our days at Uni on Facebook. My eye was drawn to the pictures where I saw myself or my friends, people I had known since Emerson—and some I even remember from Westwood Elementary.

I imagined Uni as a giant aquarium, with all of us fish swimming around it. If the aquarist were to plunge his net down into it, and pull some of us out, what would he find? What had we all become? And for me, as an educator and a champion of public education, what impact had the offspring of our Uni ecosystem had on the larger

environment? So I thought I would find out what a few of my fellow Warriors from the Class of '86 have accomplished. What follows is just a tiny fraction of what our hard work, our commitment to society, and our public education yielded from our class alone. So here are a few of the stories to go with the pictures. While some people pictured are not named, I only wrote about people from whom I could obtain permission.

I have some rudimentary understanding of what Dr. Kim Steinmann (pictured above) is doing today professionally. When she's not gardening, beekeeping, creating the most beautiful garden/insect-related stained glass windows, or taking exquisite photos of either one, she is working hard to keep the rest of us safe overseeing Pesticide Use Reporting (PUR) database. This PUR data is used in a variety of programs related to environmental monitoring, human health assessment, protecting worker health and safety, pesticide risk mitigation, pesticide use enforcement, focusing outreach efforts, promoting research, and fostering reduced risk pest management at the California Department of Pesticide Regulation. After all of this, she donates some of her spare time into talking me down from my "we're all being poisoned" ledge. There are folks watching out for our health and safety, and I am grateful she's one of them.

In the picture at the top of this post, I recognize Dalia Dassa, now Dr. Dalia Dassa Kaye, sitting in red. I remember her as a highly intelligent, even-tempered young woman—the exact type of person people would want to have in their nation's corner weighing in on Middle East policy, which is just what she is doing today. In her current position, **Director, Center for Middle East Public Policy; Senior Political Scientist at Rand Corporation**, she focuses on arms proliferation and control, international diplomacy, Iran, Israel, Middle East, and the Persian Gulf Region. As a respected and influential voice shaping the narrative around global security, she has written countless commentaries and made appearances on many shows, where she applies thoughtful and pragmatic analyses regarding our role in the region. You can read more about these contributions to the Middle East dialogue, and her impressive biography on the Rand site can be accessed online.

Just a foot to the right of Dalia, sits Dr. Kerstin Wasson. While Dalia works to resolve global conflicts, Kerstin has been called "a secret weapon" by the National Estuarine Research Reserve Association when they reported that she had won the Environmental Law Institute's Science Research Award at the 2018 National Wetlands Awards in May. They summarized both her work and her spirit here, "If you've been around the NERRS long enough, you know that when Dr. Kerstin Wasson puts her energy behind an idea, something good will happen. Since she joined the Elkhorn Slough Reserve 18 years ago, she has been like a force of nature as she advances wetland science, engages citizens as partners, champions wetland restoration, and leads System-wide initiatives that focus the collective power of Reserve research on critical national problems." A committed researcher and advocate for our estuarine ecosystems, Kerstin is actively involved in research to promote and protect our coastal environment. You can read about her online, and her research lab website is here.

To the right of Kerstin is Kathryn Wright. In the summer of 1985, Kathryn and I were at the latest Brat Pack movie, talking before the show started. A man with long hair and a beard, unusual in 1980's LA, was eavesdropping on our conversation from the row ahead. He was so impressed with Kathryn's insightful banter on music that he turned around,

handed her his card, and told her to call him. The name on the card: Rick Rubin, the now legendary record producer. She never did call, but today she is using her vast musical knowledge as Managing Director of the US-China Music Institute of the Bard College Conservatory of Music. Established in 2017, the program has the mission of promoting the study, performance, and appreciation of music from contemporary China. The program aims to foster goodwill between the U.S. and China through an undergraduate degree program in Chinese instruments, an annual music festival, and seminars and conferences on Chinese music, art, and social development. It is no surprise that Kathryn's interest in culture and music has become part of a global endeavor in cultural exchange and transnational amity.

I sit next to Kathryn. I have been a teacher of both children and adults for over twenty-five years. Now I am teaching one English class at Uni High, running the library, and trying to maintain the alumni newsletter and blog because the alumni have done so much to support our students and the library. I have taught all over Los Angeles, a city where some of the harshest realities of global conflicts, conquests, and homegrown policy converge in our schools.

In front, of me is the blond guy, Clay, who sat behind me in 9th grade English at Emerson. I do remember he had these interesting and genuine observations about people's behavior, and I can see the link between that teenager and the researcher he is today. Dr. Clay Holroyd earned his Ph.D. in neuroscience in 2001, and currently works at the University of Victoria on research that has the potential to help people with a host of neurocognitive disorders including Parkinson's disease, attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) and depression. He and his research partners have been focusing on the role the midcingulate cortex in brain dysfunction. We are lucky to have alumnus, Clay Holroyd, doing this important work as the benefits could touch all of us in the future. You can learn more about his work here.

Above is Dr. Nielufar (Nelly) Varjavand sitting to the left in the grove, enjoying her lunch with a friend. I remember her as an extremely kind, encouraging friend, the kind of person you would want in your corner. Thus, it is not surprising that she occupies various support roles as a professor and physician at Drexel University and The Drexel Center for Women's Health. Her clinical focus includes preventive and general primary care as well as women's health. Dr. Varjavand works bringing physicians up to speed who are re-entering the profession after years of working in other fields or dealing with their own health issues. Programs like this bring doctors whose expertise and experience are needed back into the profession, benefitting countless patients. She has also done work to help resident doctors become more adept at interviewing patients to detect whether or not domestic violence is a cause or contributing factor in patients' health issues. This saves money and lives as doctors trained in detecting domestic violence are less likely to order unneeded tests or squander valuable time with false diagnoses and more likely refer patients to the services that will help them physically and psychologically.

Also at Drexel University, she started a program in 2014 dedicated to the field of global health that teaches the basic core competencies of global health. The <u>site</u> states, "Drexel University College of Medicine supports your pursuit of compassionate care and safe global health learning. We believe that medical education should include learning about one's own community and the global community." It is worth checking out -particularly if

you know a young person interested in pursuing medicine and having a global impact. The support she has provided to the worldwide medical community and to patients is incalculable.

You may remember Jeremy Martin (above) from his cross-country days at Uni. He hasn't run out of steam yet. He still moves fast, as an avid cycler these days, which not only feeds his athleticism but also his mission to solve our most important environmental crisis. Dr. Martin has a Ph.D. in chemistry and a minor in chemical engineering from Caltech. In undergrad at Haverford he majored in both chemistry and English. Given that, I will not attempt to re-write his bio for him, as I am sure he can do it better than me. It reads as follows:

"You can read this and more on the Union for Concerned Scientists website:

As a Senior Scientist in the Union of Concerned Scientists' Clean Vehicles Program, Jeremy Martin evaluates the impact of biofuels and fuel policy. Dr. Martin is the author of more than 15 technical publications and 13 patents on topics ranging from biofuels lifecycle accounting to semiconductor manufacturing and polymer physics. His recent report for UCS, Fueling a Clean Transportation Future: Smart fuel choices for a warming world describes how transportation fuels are changing, and what can be done to reduce emissions from their production. Dr. Martin has testified before Congress and briefed state and federal legislators and regulators on key fuel policies. He has served on several expert panels examining how the fuels industry is changing, and what can be done to move it in a cleaner direction."

I hope that Jeremy will not only be part of our past, but part of a future where our top minds have an opportunity to succeed in addressing climate change and the need for clean energy.

Next to Jeremy is Amy Muraki, who like me is a teacher. I got in touch with her to ask her permission to use this photo. Truth be told, we are both wondering what do we say as stand among these highly accomplished people as humble schoolteachers. So I will say this for her and for me and for all the teachers who made it possible for the aforementioned people to thrive:

After teaching kindergarten for ten years, where she no doubt used her intelligence, artistic, and musical talents to help hundreds of little folks, she began teaching special education at the high school level in Watsonville. Amy doesn't have to tell me what she does because I remember Amy, and I have intimate knowledge of what it means to be in this intimate profession. She is all heart when heart is the only thing that is needed, but she provides structure to the kids who feel amorphous in a world where it seems all their peers are marching ahead in prescribed form. She knows when to be humorous and vivacious, and when to appear opaque and untouchable. She knows how to awaken those who have long-since checked out and how to sooth the angriest who are inching toward explosion. She understands trauma and how to help heal it, and she understands innocence and how to preserve it. She loves and believes in kids who might not believe in themselves. She loves and believes in kids who love nothing better than themselves. She

will learn how to morph from the beautiful young teacher who is the light in the room to the one who is there to witness the brightest shine of the youths today. Whatever it takes to get through to kids, she will find it within herself. And if she comes up empty, she will search it out and have it at the ready for the next kid who needs it.

It's what our teachers did. Our public school teachers. A good many of them gave their best to us and we took it, often without much of a second thought, as it should be. I know that Amy is one of the ones for whom teaching is about love and art, about waking up hoping that it's not an easy day...because by this stage of the game, whatever the next big challenge is, she's got this one.

The students of today are no less than we were. In fact, they are more. It's the way of humanity: we pass down learning and improve upon it in the next generation. The greatest scholars among today's students absolutely exceed the level of work we produced. They have three decades of knowledge to draw upon that we didn't have. Class discussions are more open and encompass more global perspectives as well. Lesbian, gay, and transgender students of today are not just accepted, but they are celebrated and visible. Uni is now a school serving many more low income students than it once did, so we do face different challenges. Proposition Thirteen has proved to be the gift that keeps on taking from the public schools, as we face many other existential threats as education policy visits change on us all. But we stand strong, and we do so in part because of the support we have received from alumni who graduated many decades ago. I hope as we age and see our children graduate from college that we will be able to continue this tradition of support because what we have is well worth saving. I am comparing it to the best of times, and it still shines bright.

- ➤ Victor "Bud" Cain, Class of 1942, was born on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 29, 1923, to James and Hazel Cain in Burlingame, KS. At the age of 5, they moved to Los Angeles, CA where he graduated from University High School. His Dad was a butcher, which is probably why Bud enjoyed a good steak and BBQing so much. Bud served honorably in the Army during WWII as a paratrooper. Dropping the bomb on Japan kept him from parachuting into Tokyo. After the war, he became an auto mechanic, eventually settling in San Jose, CA. He married the love of his life, Peggy Ruth Arnold on September 12, 1948. They enjoyed 58 years of marriage together. Bud retired from Chevrolet as a mechanic on Nov. 1, 1985, but that was just the beginning of an active life. He loved woodworking, photography, coin collecting and had a large shot glass collection of 500 plus. He and Peggy were devoted members of the Mt. Hamilton Grange and traveled a lot with and without their granddaughter, Amanda (Alldrin) Stephens.Bud was preceded in death by his parents, his sister, and his wife Peggy Cain. He is survived by his daughter Vickie (Galen) Alldrin, his granddaughter Amanda (Cody) Stephens, and his great-granddaughter Lunden. Bud crossed over into eternity on Oct. 23, 2018, just shy of his 95th birthday.
- 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

I asked a student to scan a few old Warriors. They are not perfect, but there are a few here from 1972 and 1973. Check them out on the big screen...they will probably be a bit hard to see on a phone. You can click in the middle of them to see a full screen version. Enjoy by accessing the link below:

https://www.flipsnack.com/folsoi/thursday-january-18-1973.html

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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