



Warriors & Wildcats Report

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Welcome back from spring break! Be sure to check out our boys' volleyball and hear what else is going on 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 Connect@UHEF.org or <https://www.facebook.com/UHEFLA/>

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UHEF 2018 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

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

May 20	<i>Final Parent Tour</i>
Apr-May	<i>AP Testing</i>

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS

A NOTE FROM DIRECTOR, RONNY SPERLING

"On the twenty-third day of the month of September, in an early year of a decade not too long before our own, the human race suddenly encountered a deadly threat to its very existence. And

this terrifying enemy surfaced, as such enemies often do, in the seemingly most innocent and unlikely of places."

The premise of Little Shop of Horrors is so absurd — an evil plant arrives on Earth to demand human blood from an unassuming botanist and take over the planet. The original movie's origins date back to 1960, when super-low-budget director Roger Corman was given access to some sets that were used to shoot another film. Working fast, Corman came up with a horror-comedy idea based on his time hanging out in LA. Most of the actors in the Corman version were stock actors from previous Corman projects, and he had to schedule the shoot quickly in order to avoid changing industry laws that would require him to pay the actors more for their appearances. Jack Nicholson makes a brief appearance.

Skip ahead. Along came the Broadway Musical, the film version of the Broadway Musical, and an animated series.

Recently I was home cleaning out old file cabinets and I came across two scripts from the animated series. I had totally forgotten... I did voice work on the Little Shop of Horrors Cartoon Show!! Well, how do like that! It's wonderful to be back in the plant business.

It's taking over the planet and now our own Theater!!!

Uni High Theatre Arts presents ONE OF THE FUNNIEST SHOWS EVER!

The Broadway Musical Smash... "Little Shop of Horrors"!

April 24th, 25th, 26th, and 27th in Stivelman Theater.

...and whatever you do - DON'T FEED THE PLANTS!!

BOYS VOLLEYBALL MAKES OPEN DIVISION

Volleyball. Need I say more? Both our girls and boys players have made Uni beyond proud, thank in no small part to Coach Randick and Coach Emilio "Memo" Vasquez. Miriam Khorgamfar, who started as an opposite hitter this year, states, "Our coaches are so good. They put so much effort into coaching and caring for every individual. Coach Memo is also really fair and ensures play time for those who really put forth a lot of effort. He is always ready to provide extra practice and encouragement to anyone who wants it."

The girls had a really great run this year, almost making it to the championship when misfortune struck and they lost their team captain, outside hitter senior Paige Wright, to a knee injury. Team members Isabella Burnett and Estrella Garcia-Lewis spoke of the loss, "Paige was always very vocal on the court. She provided a lot of encouragement to both JV and Varsity." Still, they had a great season, and are really proud of their team. As for the boys, let me just say, 31-8.

It's quite a record, and I got a chance to sit down and talk all about it with Varsity outside hitter and junior, Nate Davis. Nate, along with the rest of Uni, is excited that the team got moved up

to Open Division. This is the highest ranked division, so Uni will be playing the best teams from around the state. Currently, they are the only Uni sports team that is in Open Division. They just swept a tournament at Sylmar, making them the first Uni Team in history to do that. He, like the girls, couldn't say enough about the coaching, "Coach Memo brought these players to the level they are today. None of these players had even touched a volleyball previously." The team, led by co-captains Donovan Robinson and Orlando Alvarado, has developed great chemistry over the course of high school. At this point, Uni has the biggest block in the city, and no one can penetrate their defense. We have the highest ranked block, with only one middle blocker from Pali tying us. Donovan Robinson is one of the highest ranked opposite hitters in the state.

Nate really makes clear how much hard work and great coaching has gone into making this happen. "At Pali, a lot of these guys have been playing together for ten years. Many can afford to play clubs sports, but here we are –never even having touched a volleyball until high school. You don't see a lot of teams of color in the same situation doing this well." Nate Davis has now received a scholarship to play club and is really enjoying that opportunity. "Everyone is really motivated to bring in a championship for our coach, who has brought us together and built us up."

We are so proud of all of our athletes at Uni, and we can't celebrate our volleyball players and coaches enough. Go Wildcats!

PATRICE NOTEWARE AND THE CLASS OF '72: PAST, PRESENT, FUTURE

Patrice (Taenaka) Noteware, Class of '72, made her way to Uni for a visit as she prepares for her 50th reunion. She stopped into the library, and I had a chance to interview her about her time at Uni. She is not short on happy memories from her days here "It was a glorious time of life," she recalls.

Patrice was active in campus clubs, serving her Warrior community and taking advantage of the many offerings at Uni. She was elected chairman of the Friendship Board and was Girls' League Vice President. To raise money and school spirit, she had fun selling pickles on the Walkway and Valentine candy-grams. She served on the yearbook committee with Mr. Citrin –who she said did most of the work but gave them all the credit.

As the district moved away from semi-annual promotion to annual promotion, Patrice's class was able to choose either to advance a semester and graduate early or return the following year and take an extra semester. "What's the hurry?" she remembers her mom asking her. So she decided to stay on and was able to complete two semesters of ceramics, pursue painting and drawing, and finish her fourth year of French with Mr. Libenson. She fondly remembers practicing her French with friend Usha Viswanathan ('71) in Mrs. Rennick's home economics bungalow during lunch. She also passed the test to take classes at UCLA and went there to take

Japanese in the afternoons with fellow Warrior, Marianne Yamaguchi. Not surprisingly, she was awarded the Foreign Language department's trophy in her senior year. She more than held her own among the "whiz kids" like Robert Reznick (a fellow recipient of the Bank of America Award), and Lindsay Connor whose quick minds impressed her in Mrs. Jorgenson's AP English class.

Her studies at Uni helped shape her future, as she ultimately majored in linguistics at UCLA, setting her up to attend Cal State Northridge's top ten graduate program in Communicative Disorders. Subsequently, she returned to LAUSD to serve a broader community of students in the city for almost thirty years.

Interestingly, her time at Uni not only prepared her for the future, it also helped her to understand the past. Like many lucky alumni, Patrice took American history with Mr. Berntson in her junior year. Throughout her life, her mother had been complaining about her experiences in Manzanar. As a young person, all of this seemed like so much talk about something that was in the distant past, an experience that would be difficult for any youth to confront as being part of a parent's past. Mr. Berntson's engaging class provided her with an opportunity to do a term paper on a subject of her choosing, so she decided to delve into her mother's experience at Manzanar. Through her research, she began to get a better picture— quite literally through Ansel Adams' photos of the time period— of what her mother's family had faced.

Patrice's mother, Ann Eayo (Tanaka) Taenaka, was the second of four daughters. Before the war, her mother, her mother's older sister Nobu, and her mother's younger sister Atsu, had attended Hollywood High School. Atsu had just been accepted to UCLA when the evacuation orders came and was forced to give up that opportunity and travel instead with her family to Manzanar near the town of Independence, California along Highway 395. Their youngest sister, Miyo Tanaka, was enrolled at Uni at this time. Miyo is listed in our alumni directory as having graduated from Uni with the class of 1945. In actuality, she was denied the opportunity to finish at Uni and instead completed her coursework while she was interned in Manzanar. Her mother was just twenty years old when she arrived there.

The women of the family were separated from their patriarch, Patrice's grandfather, who owned two nurseries in the Los Angeles area before the war. Her grandfather, having served in the Japanese Army as a young man in Japan, was now considered a suspect by the FBI for having fulfilled his duty to his native country decades earlier. With his name on the list of people the FBI considered to be community leaders, he was rounded up along with the other men in the community the night the bombing occurred. Along with those other men in the same situation, he served separately from his family, leaving his wife and his four daughters to run the family business until they too were sent away.

Some members of her family were released earlier than others. After the United States' victory at the Battle of Midway, many young people were permitted to move east. During that period, Atsu, who had been unable to attend UCLA, attended a six-week training and became a hairdresser and helped Nobu attend college where she got her degree in art. Patrice's grandfather was forced to remain interned all the way until the end of the war.

Her family were of determined stock. They returned to Los Angeles only to find themselves at the mercy of yet another shameful government policy, redlining, which made it nearly impossible for people of color to purchase a home. But her family were smart and found a way around this; they bought an empty lot and began building on it themselves. Despite these painful and unjust experiences, they returned from the camps and made prosperous lives for themselves. Patrice's Aunt Miyo had become an excellent seamstress at Manzanar, and in the years going forward was able to design an exquisite wardrobe for her own mother, who was only 4'6" and could not find fashions her size in department stores. Miyo and Atsu are still alive today and in their nineties.

When you talk to Patrice, you feel the inextinguishable can-do attitude that propelled this family forward. She has used this determination both to work hard and enjoy life, and her twenty-two-year-old son reflects her hard work and quest for fun. Prior to graduating from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, he was able to travel to Barcelona to complete his units there and is currently deciding between several acceptance offers to civil engineering programs.

She looks forward to reconnecting to everyone at the reunion in a few years. At Uni, Patrice had her chance to pursue the promise of the American dream, and she remembers fondly all the people who took that journey with her. She has more interesting news about the next chapter of her life, but she is hoping to share that, other latest news, and happy memories at the next reunion. If you are a member of her class and interested in helping her plan for 2022, email Patrice at pntoteware@yahoo.com.

BACK TO SCHOOL, BACK TO THE LIBRARY

We are very excited to have two new donors this quarter, Jeffrey J. Berchin, '73 and Joel Fox, S '64. Ruth Roberts has continued to be an avid and incredibly generous supporter of our library. In addition, mother Corey Carr, whose daughter is in the tenth grade made a very generous donation, which has enabled us to purchase tables to replace the ones we have. Our old tables have been broken and wobbling beyond repair for some time now. This will vastly improve our book speed-dating, where students are given the opportunity to move around the library and spend seven minutes with each "date" or book of their choosing before selecting a "mate". Alumni donations have made it possible for them to do this, and now, thanks to the generosity of parents, they can use the tables in a more steady fashion! There is an updated wish list, so please check it out!

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2907HPM85SFOW?ref=wl_share

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 tascha.folsoi@gmail.com, so I can celebrate your contribution here and in the book plates we affix to the books as well as enter your donation in our records."*

Steven Adams '60
Michael Alcalay '80
Geraldine Armstrong '59
Marilyn Bendik Sachs W '69
Jeffrey J. Berchin, '73
Monyca Brown '88
Corey Carr, 2021
Diane Roseman Cherniss '63
Robert Collins '63
Alvaro Cortes '70
Jeff Deckman '76
Ivan Finkle '50
Joel Fox, S '64
Barbara Wong Franklin '68
Sukey (Roth) Garcetti '57
Connor Gilmore 2022
Kelly Gilmore '86
Carl Hagge '53
Natalie Hatch '59
Penny Hutchinson '57
Jean Kent '62
Jay Kholos '58

Judy Kleinberg '65
Erik Levin '77
Kay Mader '59
Harold Martin
Bill Parten '41
Rich Perelman '74
Dr. Dawn 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 Thayer Ireland '70
Larry '59 and Jean Tistaert
Dale Tyerman '68
Susan (Holyoke) Webb W '58
Les Whittaker W '56
Judy Wolfenstein
Barry K. Woods '67
Josh Woods '89
Kevin Young '75
Joseph Zukin, Jr. '43

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

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Visit us at <https://www.facebook.com/UHEFLA/>

SPORTS UPDATE

Uni sports report:

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SEE ALL THE LATEST SPORTS SCORES ON MAXPREPS:

[https://www.maxpreps.com/high-schools/university-wildcats-\(los-angeles,ca\)/sports.htm](https://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 · 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 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 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?***
 - ◊ *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!

◊ **CLASS OF 1999** ◊

Shahram Davatgar (sdavatgar@) would like to know if anything is scheduled for the class of 1999.

- ***Is your class planning a reunion in 2019 or 2020?***

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: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/UNI1981Centurians/>

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 joyce.rangen@gmail.com

Classes of 1965: Artesians & Peleans

- <http://uni65.com> or <https://unihi65.wordpress.com>
- To join the Class Facebook page, send an e-mail to UniHi65@gmail.com

Class of Winter 1961: New Yorkers

- <http://www.unihiw61.com>

Class of Summer 1961: Islanders

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

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

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

UNI HI EDUCATION FOUNDATION NEWS

- I The Uni Hi Education Foundation exists to raise money to support the instructional

programming at University High School. A new LAUSD policy allows *on-campus signage* to be available to recognize donations which assist the educational program.

Interested for yourself or your company? Sent us a note and we'll help to get the ball rolling:
Connect@UHEF.org.

- Contribute to Uni by linking your purchases on Amazon.com or at Ralphs to their contribution programs!
- **Amazon.com:**
Your purchases on **Amazon.com** can help Uni! Just go to the UHEF.org "[Donate Now](#)" page, scroll down and **click on the Amazon logo** to go to Amazon.com and your purchase will be credited toward rebates which go to support the school!
- **Ralphs:**
Use your **Ralphs Rewards Card**. Via its Community Contribution program, from 1-4% of monthly purchases made by members is sent to Uni, but by designating the school by linking it to your Rewards Card.

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

- I 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 [Donate Now](#) section of the UHEF Web site, make your donation and enter the name of the fund you wish to support in the Comments section. Thank you for your generosity.

UNI ALUMNI NOTEBOOK

- "Warren Scoville is disappointed that there seems to be no interest in having a 60th Class Reunion (in 2021), because by yr-2021, there may be about 20% fewer of us able to attend a 60th! In the interim, hope everyone else's 'bucket list' is getting longer-and-longer, as is mine!"

- Hello Erin and all the Capries,
Just opened your email. Yes, Sharon and I are planning to attend the 65th reunion. I'll send the info and a check shortly (if I remember). As always, many thanks to the group that puts this all together so beautifully.

I've attached a letter I received yesterday from Sundance in response to a note I sent earlier to let Bob Redford know about the reunion, as he is not on our list. To my pleasant surprise, his personal assistant, Wendy Hopkins replied with Bob's kind words directed to all of you. If you can't open the attachment, here is the message itself:

"Bob asked me to relay his thanks for sending him the information about the University High School 65th Reunion in September. While he appreciated your thinking of him, he regrets that he is not able to attend due to a prior commitment. Of course, he sends his best to all those attending and wishes you all a wonderful gathering."

Our best to all,
Earl and Sharon Thomas.

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

or a proof of graduation. We have the answers (we think):

- If you graduated within the past 10 years, call the Registrar's Office at Uni directly, and they can help you. Uni's telephone number is (310) 914-3500.
- If you graduated before 2006, here's the link to the LAUSD Web page which includes instructions on how to obtain your records: <http://achieve.lausd.net/transcripts> . Please read the requirements carefully!

SIXTH PERIOD BELL



As an addendum to Patrice (Taenaka) Noteware's mini bio, I bring you this from the yearbook from 1972. These words of South African exchange student, Dee Malcolmess, are true those times as they are to ours.

American Field Service

Since last July I have experienced and accelerated process of growing up due to the new environment I have been subjected to, and the consequent thoughts which have confronted me. My emotions have varied from the happy fantasy of Disneyland to the realistic depression of my own country's problems viewed at a distance, and abo all, alone. What has been really important to me, however, has been the strengthening of my conviction that no matter how ideal a society may seem, no nation is devoid of human conflicts. And this idea has only been confirmed through the generosity of the Americans who have given me the opportunity of not surveying their way of life, but living it.

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