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Two Quakers Inducted into the SPS Athletic Hall of Fame

March 7 two Franklin alumni were inducted into the Seattle Public Schools (SPS) Athletic Hall of Fame. Rick Noji, '85 (left above) and Aaron Brooks, '02 (right above) were among the 12 high school athletes who were honored.

Rick qualified for the US Olympic Track and Field at 16 as a junior at Franklin. He competed for the University of Washington Track and Field team and was a six-time All-American. He won a Pac-10 title and holds the University of Washington high jump record at 7' 6". He was inducted into the Husky Hall of Fame in 1999 and into the WIAA Hall of Fame in 2010. Rick competed in three World Championships (1991, 1993 and 1995) and four U.S. Olympic Trials (1984, 1988, 1992 and 1996).

Aaron was named to McDonald's All American Basketball Team as a senior at Franklin. He played point guard at the University of Oregon and was one of ten players named to the Wooden All-American Team; he was also All-Pac-10 First Team. He played for the Houston Rockets and was named NBA Most Improved Player in 2010. During the 2011 NBA lockout he signed to play for the Guangdong Southern Tigers. He returned to the United States in 2012 is currently playing for the Minnesota Timberwolves.

Eight Quakers had been previously inducted. Fred Hutchinson '38, Ron Santo '58, Rhonda Smith Banchero '91 and Jason Terry '95 were inducted in 2017. Bill Wright '54, Terry Metcalf '69, Mario Bailey '88, and Corey Dillon '93 joined the ranks last year.

The SPS Athletic Hall of Fame was established in 2017. To be eligible for nomination candidates must have graduated at least 10 years ago, must have lettered in at least one sport twice or two sports at least once during his/her high school athletic career, have exemplified sportsmanship, leadership, citizenship and teamwork; and have been selected as an All-City, All-State performer, State Champion, All-American, National Champion or has made a significant athletic contribution to high school, college or professional athletics competition.

In 2020 the Athletic Hall of Fame will review nominations for teams and for coaches. Applications are available on their website www.spsathletichalloffame.org

2019 Hall of Fame Celebration May 4

Join us as we celebrate the induction of five new members into the Franklin Hall of Fame. We'll *celebrate* Franklin's legacy and raise funds for our programs.

Peruse the Hall of Fame display in the main hall – a great way to appreciate the impact Franklin alumni have had on the world.

Find your tile—a printed guide will help you locate it.

Make this an opportunity to have your own mini-reunion.

Join the
Franklin Hall of Fame
Celebration

Saturday May 4 5:30-9 pm Fabulous Buffet

Franklin High School 3013 S Mount Baker Blvd

Price is \$50.

Make your reservations online at www. franklinalumni.net, click on the EVENTS tab, or mail in the form on page 15

The book FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL: 100 YEARS will be available for \$10

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A Note from the Board President

Welcome to the spring edition of the Quaker Times! It's a privilege to serve as president of the Franklin Alumni Association & Foundation. I joined the board of the alumni association in 2012, the same year as the 100th anniversary of our beloved alma mater. I was looking for a way to give back to the place that played such an integral role in my adolescence, and it's been a gratifying labor of love ever since.

It started in 1995 as a senior humanities project for Regan Anderson, Jennifer Bosworth, Maggie Morris Keller and Sarah Morningstar who created a database of Franklin alumni. The database eventually blossomed into what is now the Franklin Alumni Association & Foundation, a nonprofit organization dedicated to keeping alumni connected to one another and to Franklin High School. Let's take a moment to appreciate how the seeds planted decades ago by high school seniors yielded an organization with longevity and significant impact on the Franklin community. Here's to the brilliance and promise of our young people!

While we continue to provide grants to teachers and staff, scholarships to graduating seniors and support to the athletic department, this spring, we celebrate two great successes:

2019 marks the 25th anniversary of the Franklin Alumni Association & Foundation. As we reflect on this important milestone, I am reminded of our board's responsibility as stewards of this organization.

Franklin has no shortage of distinguished graduates. On May 4, we will celebrate five of our illustrious alumni as the newest inductees into our Hall of Fame. Be sure to read about them on page 8 of this newsletter and then make plans to joins us in the Commons at Franklin High School to celebrate their induction. We'd love to see you!

We'll be celebrating both our 25th anniversary and the 2019 Hall of Fame inductees with a fantastic fundraising dinner on May 4. Money raised from the event will allow us to continue our ongoing financial support of Franklin programs.

As we look to the future of the Franklin Alumni Association & Foundation, we are in an exciting state of transition and possibility, which brings us opportunities to:

- Create more events for alumni to gather, socialize and reconnect with one another.
 Our first effort in support of this opportunity was "Alumni Night" at a recent Franklin boys varsity basketball game -vs-Rainier Beach. See page 12 to read about the fun that was had by the alumni who attended.
- Keep alumni from all generations informed and engaged. Some alumni prefer communication via U.S. mail, some prefer communication via email, while others prefer to stay informed through social media.

We'd like to hear where you're at and offer events/programming that interest you and your classmates. Have ideas or feedback you'd like to share? We want to hear from you. Ultimately, an informed and engaged alumni community will invest in and be a part of the Alumni Association. We welcome your presence and participation with open arms.

A very special thank you to Sara Thompson, our immediate past president and current secretary who has served on the board of the alumni association for 20 years. Sara has truly been the "keeper of the flame," with institutional knowledge and countless hours spent doing the work of the alumni association. I am deeply grateful for her support and love for Franklin.

Lastly, thank you for the opportunity to serve. I'm looking forward to connecting with you and working on your behalf to stay connected to Franklin and to each other. Go Quakers!

With gratitude,

Tai Mattox Velasquez '92

President, Franklin Alumni Association & Foundation

Keep the *Quaker Times* Coming

Sara Thompson '68, who has served as our editor, plans to step back. We would love to keep the *Quaker Times* going, though the format and content may need to change with the times.

At this time, we plan to publish and mail each spring. We also have the capacity to make the newsletter entirely electronic.

But if we are to continue, we need your help.

If you like people, enjoy telling the Franklin story, or if you are an editor at heart, let us know. Or if you have experience with InDesign, we can use your skill.

And let us know what you most value about the newsletter—what you tell us will guide our next steps. Call or email. 206 930-6723 or FAAandF@gmail.com

About your address label

At the upper left is your year of graduation and at the upper right is your membership status—a lifetime membership or when your membership expires or expired.

Thank you for your support, and don't hesitate to send an additional donation!

Quaker Calendar

May 4 Hall of Fame Celebration
May 23 Class of 59 Reunion
June 6 Bel Canto Picnic
June 17 Graduation
June 20 FAA&F Annual Meeting
June 27 Last day of school
Aug TBA 1983 Quaker Day in the Park
Aug 17, 18 Class of 79 Reunion
Sept 5 Franklin Golf Tournament
Sept 12 Classes of 1955-64 picnic
Oct TBA Class of 99 Reunion
Oct 26 Class of 69 Reunion

Update from Franklin's Principal

It is my pleasure to write my first ever (interim) principal update. As you may have heard, Dr. Jennifer Wiley, FHS principal for the past 16 years has taken a medical leave for the remainder of the school year. I want to assure you that she is in good care while taking some time to tend to her medical needs. In the meantime, I have been appointed interim principal after serving for the past 3 years as an assistant principal at Franklin. It is an exciting time at Franklin, and we will continue to do the good work that Franklin has been doing for over 100 years.

There are a couple of big things happening that I think you'll want to know about. First, our school community is embarking on a yearlong, collaborative process to investigate and possibly restructure our instructional academy model. Currently, during the course registration process, 10th grade students select one of four academies; The Academy of Finance (AOF), the Public Service Academy (PSA), The Arts and Humanities Academy or the Construction-Related Engineering, Architectural and Technical Experience (CREATE). Our thoughtful process is being overseen by a team of staff and students and involves first examining our current reality. We will then look to the greater staff and student body to generate proposals for how to possibly change and/or improve our instructional model. Our goal is to have our plan in place for the student course registration process this time next year.

Secondly, we are gearing up for Phase 1 of our exterior window and door replacement project this summer. All exterior windows and doors will be replaced over the next two summers with new, energy efficient and architecturally accurate windows and doors. As the building has landmark status, the school district, architects and contractors are paying close attention to maintaining the regal aesthetic the Franklin building is known for. Half of the building will receive new windows during Phase 1 this summer. Next summer dur-



ing Phase 2, the remaining windows and all exterior doors will be replaced. This will significantly improve our classroom environments, making them more comfortable for students and staff. And, as research has shown, a comfortable teaching and learning environment is essential to academic growth and achievement.

As a Franklin alum myself ('97) I am extremely proud to lead this community. The Quaker spirit runs strong in my veins and I am deeply committed to ensuring that the Franklin legacy in all its forms, continues to substantially impact not only south Seattle but the world. I want you all to know that our community is strong. The energy in the building is positive and we are healthy in our minds, bodies and Quaker spirit. Our students continue to set and raise the bar. We continue to believe in them. They demonstrate what we know; they are passionate, and they have great ideas. In truth, the best ideas come from the hearts and minds of our young people. When given the opportunity, they show us time and time again, in so many ways, how tomorrow must be better than today. That's how Franklin has always been. That's how Franklin always will be. Take care Quakers.

Drew O'Connell '97

Franklin High School – Interim Principal amoconnell@seattleschools.org

Reunions from Last Year



Classmates enjoy the picnic



Bonnie Lanman Tinker and Buzz Crites



Jeff Garfield, Lynda Daley Olerud and Wanda Garfield catch up

50s Picnic 2018: Another Great Success

BONNIE TINKER

The 19th Annual Franklin Picnic for classes 1950-1964 was held on September 20, 2018 at Gene Coulon Park. The weather was sunny and warm, and we lucked out without even a drop of rain. This annual picnic is all about connection, and valuing time together. Everyone wanted to be with their classmates and neighborhood friends again, and to cherish old memories. Many stories of the great times growing up in the Franklin area were shared. Rainier Stadium, Seward Park loop(submarine races), Seafair, Dags, John Muir,

Whitworth schools, Mt Baker beach, Memorial stadium games, on and on! Coach Lanman's daughter Bonnie Lanman Tinker of Sequim, brought her father's 1955 FHS letterman's sweater to the picnic. "I knew dad would be proud to give it to Buzz Crites, after all, Franklin High School IS family". Coach Lanman's memory continues to be forefront in the minds of his students. His notorious voice "I don't hear you" at pep assemblies had the entire gym rocking, and the lights swinging! His coaching record had the hallway trophy case full. He genuinely loved what he was doing, and loved the students at FHS. "He was an amazing person. To him, "every day was a sunny day, even if it was raining!"

Bruce Biesold brought his famous homemade brownies that are loved by all, Larry Mayer prepared his delicious chili, and a wonderful lunch was enjoyed. A huge thank you to Kittie Eddy and the picnic committee for a fabulous and much appreciated picnic. Plans are now underway for our 20th Annual Picnic to be held on Thursday, September 12, 2019 again at Gene Coulon Park in Renton.

Good weather, good friends, good memories, make the picnic a wonderful time to continue our Franklin family picnic tradition. "Every day is a sunny day, even if it's raining." A great motto for our upcoming picnics.



53 Merilou Panzica McNew, Judy Benson Harlick



53 Carol & Bill Barrow



53 Louis DeLaurenti, Jim and Paula Corner, Gary Vander Sanden

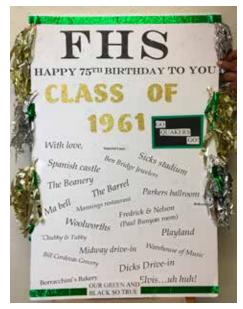
Class of 1953 Celebrates 65 Years

CAROLYN THURLOW BURKE

The Franklin High School class of '53 met at Yankee Grill at the Renton Red Lion Hotel on Friday Sept 7 for our 65th Reunion. We ordered off of the menu and the food was excellent and well displayed. There were 29 in attendance and enjoyed being there. So good to see those from near and far that had come from a great

distance. Everyone was able to tell what they had been occupied with since last together. It may be possible to meet again for the 66th next year, but not sure at this time. Impromptu pictures were taken by yours truly but forgot to get into any of them myself until later.

We enjoyed a good time together reminiscing about our high school days.



Class of 61 Celebrates 75 Years of Living

LINDA MOORE FREDERICKSON
Our birthday luncheon last September was a BIG
success. A great time was had by all with over 75
classmates in attendance.

As the doors opened, the song Louie, Louie was played, welcoming the class of 1961 to Bahama Breeze. Most of the afternoon was spent visiting, listening to music, lots of hugs and catching up with news on each other's lives.

Our Master of Ceremony, Albert Cohen, shared and took us down memory lane as we revisited our wonderful year and the fun times we had at Franklin.

We had cake, sang Happy Birthday and ended with singing our FHS Fight Song together.

If a door prize was to be handed out, it would go to all of our classmates who came and supported this class event. Thank you everyone for coming.

A big thank you goes out to our Faithful Birthday Team: Albert Cohen, Colleen Day, Carole Good, Diane Lindsley, Sheila Lindsley, Shirley Melville, Linda Moore, Carlotta Weber and Kenny Wakazuru.



68 Franklin's winning basketball team



above: 68 Mercer classmates below: 68 Sharples classmates



Class of 68 Celebrates 50th in Style

RIC RIVERA

The Class of 68 joined to celebrate our 50th reunion Aug 24-25.

Festivities began on Friday evening with a heart attack risk-inducing (at least for those playing) basketball game at the Franklin gym, pitting Bulldogs against Quakers. Franklin won, 52-45 (or 55-51 depending on who you talk to). The crowd then gathered at classmate Marcia Ray King's to feast and reminisce.

On Saturday nearly 200 classmates celebrated at The Canal. Steve Condiotty emceed, and classmates Gary Locke, Tracy Dahlby, Charles Oliver, Jeanette Lucrisia Barnhill, Shirley Kieser and David Azose inspired everyone with memories and thoughts about our time at Franklin. Journalism teacher Barbara Nilson shared words with the crowd. She was introduced by Sam Amira who made sure she had transportation to the reunion.

Thanks to the entire planning committee – Lance Akutsu, Donna Amira, Sam Amira, Albert Angel, David Azose, Terry Bishop, Wayne Cofer,

Dale Cohen, Doreen Cohen Alahdeff, Steve Condiotty, Tracy Dahlby, Teri Escobar, Yaela Ettlinger, Virginia Descargar Alfonzo, Phil Goodall, Janine Guttman Rosenbaum, Mark Hale, Debbie Kashino, Julia Laranang, Valerie Maekawa Jackson, Charles Oliver, Albert Ovadia, Nancy Raetzloff Groth, Marcia Ray King, Ric Rivera, Alan Schocken, Eileen Tracy Anderson, and Tim Tsubahara. For Friday a special note of gratitude to Charles Oliver for spearheading the basketball game, and to Marcia for hosting the after-game party.

The event was such a hit that we decided not to wait another 10 years. We'll meet for a joint happy 70th birthday party in August 2020, most likely a picnic at Seward Park or Gene Coulon Park in Renton.

Details will be posted on the class Facebook page: Franklin High School Quakers Class of 68 50th Reunion Seattle or the class website: http://www.franklin68.com/. Anyone who wants to help should contact David Azose at dazose@ azose.com



Group Pic Class of 78

Super Great Class of 78 Reunion

Sheila Locke

Our reunion was a hit. We joined together Aug 24 at the Jefferson Park Golf Clubhouse. More than 100 attended! Thanks to ALL of our classmates, spouses, and significant others who made the night memorable. Lots of smiles all night throughout the room! Please share your pictures here so we can all share together! Here's your EARLY notice. We are joining with CLEVELAND HS, for the next gig, our 45th Class (es), reunion, in 2023. It'll come up fast. Mark your calendars!



Class of 78 Happy to reunite

Class of 98 Reunites Family Style

The Class of 1998 20-year reunion was a well-attended and quite memorable. Thanks to the committee members and everyone who took the time to join us through the entire weekend which included a night out for the adults and a family day. All the Quakers are doing well and flourishing.





Bel Cantos Make Summer Picnic an Annual Event

The second Bel Canto Summer Picnic was held at Seward Park upper loop June 16. It was a gorgeous day and the location brought back many memories. Steve Ticeson brought his adorable grandchildren, and Ian Cox flew in from Melbourne Australia. Everyone brought great food, and we proceeded to dance, sing, and remember all the wonderful experiences we shared as Bel Cantos.

We will be having annual picnics. PLEASE JOIN US FOR BEL CANTO PICNIC 2019 at Seward Park, Shelter #3. June 8, 2019 starting at noon, potluck. RSVP (425) 291-7249. Hope to see you there!



Class of 67 Picnic: On the Way to an Annual Tradition

The class of 67 had a great turnout for its picnic in August. Plans are in the works for another one this summer. Updates will be sent as soon as details are finalized. We'll post updates on the class Facebook Page – Franklin High School Seattle WA Class of 67



Reunions Coming Up

Franklin Annual Picnic Meets for 20th Year

The Annual Picnic including Quakers from 1955 through 1964 will celebrate two decades of gathering, reconnecting and catching up.

Thursday September 12, 2019

Lunch served at noon Gene Coulon Park 1201 Lake Washington Blvd N, Renton, WA Shelters #1 and #2

The park was named after Gene Coulon, FHS class of 1935. It is located at the south end of Lake Washington. From 405 take exit 5 and follow signs. Arrive early for the best parking and to help with set up! And remember that the park does not allow pets or alcohol.

Donations cover the fees for the park rental and the cost of lunch. There will be a donation jar at check in. Because those attending make adequate donations, the committee is able provide the lunch for everyone.

The class of '64 is helping the original committee this year, so this annual event can continue.

Please let friends from the classes of '55 through '64 know about this year's date.

We look forward to seeing you at the picnic, proudly wearing your Quaker green and black. We ARE the Quakers, the mighty mighty Quakers!!

"Every day is a sunny day even if it's raining."

Fabulous Class of 59 Plans 60th Reunion

The class of 59 will reunite over a buffet luncheon

Thursday, May 23, 2019

Museum of Flight 9404 E. Marginal Way South Seattle, WA 98108

Seattle, WA 98108
\$42/person includes museum admission
Luncheon doors open at 11:30
RSVP by April 15, 2019 DandAct@comcast.net
Checks should be made out to "Franklin HS
1959 Reunion" and mailed to Ann Casey Trepus,
29625 40th PI S., Auburn, WA 98001
Updated contact information is appreciated.
Please share this information with other Franklin
'59 grads. We also have a Facebook page!
"Fabulous Class of '59 Franklin High School"

Class of 79 Plans 40th Reunion

40-YEAR REUNION DINNER

Saturday, Aug 17, 2019

5:30-11 PM

The Eden 1950 1st Ave S, Seattle 98134 \$95/person includes dinner, raffle and entertainment by Kalimba - the spirit of Earth Wind & Fire

FAMILY PICNIC
WITH CLEVELAND HIGH SCHOOL

Sunday, August 18, 2019

Site: to be determined Contact: Nina (Egashira) Fujimura, email ninamegashira@yahoo.com or call (206)300-0493

Facebook page: Franklin High School Class of 1979 - Seattle WA

Class of '99 Readies for 20th Reunion

The Class of 1999 Reunion Committee has begun the initial planning for our 20-year reunion, tentatively set for the Fall of 2019 (likely a Saturday and Sunday 2-part event in October).

Please send us a message at fhs99quakers@gmail.com to make sure we have your current contact info and to join our contact list for updates. New committee members are also welcome at this time, so please let us know ASAP if you would like to get involved!

2019 Quaker Day in the Park

The Class of 1983 will again be hosting 2019 Quaker Day in the Park. As always we're open to everyone, friends, family... even Bulldogs. Bring your picnic basket with something to share, show off those cooking skills or your favorite dish. Grills, cooking supplies, and drinks will be provided. Everyone had a great evening at The Bluwater last year, and we'll probably be doing something like that again this year. Always open to ideas... As of print we hadn't heard back from Seattle Parks about our venue and shelter. The second or third Saturday in August, is most likely. We'll be updating to our Facebook Event Page as soon as we have any word from them, www.facebook. com/events/2384766288203237/ Looking forward to Summer



Music at Franklin Through the Decades This article is taken from the book Franklin

This article is taken from the book Franklin High School: One Hundred Years, compiled by Sara Thompson at the time of Franklin's centennial in 2012.

Orchestra, band, choir - all have been an important part of the Franklin experience over the past century. Music was first accepted on a credit basis in 1913, and one man served as music teacher for all six Seattle high schools, the first chorus was organized that year. Victor, "Mac" McClelland, who taught at Franklin for more than fifteen years, conducted the first band concert in 1927 and by the 1930s there were more than a dozen musical organizations at Franklin including a symphonic choir. In 1940, Benny Goodman came to direct the band at a special assembly. The band, still under the leadership of Mac McClelland, had grown to 70 members and had gained a national reputation as the first band of that size to convert itself into a dance band.

By the 1960s and 1970s the band and choir dominated the music scene at Franklin. From 1968-70 Chuck Chinn, the music

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Five New Inductees to Franklin Hall of Fame

This year FAA&F is pleased to honor five new members into the Hall of Fame



HERBERT MINORU TSUCHIYA '50

Herb attended the University of Washington School of Pharmacy, graduating in 1955. He owned and operated the Genesee Street Pharmacy for nearly 30 years. He later worked for Columbia Health Center Pharmacy and Rainier Park Medical Clinic. He volunteered for over 15 years at the Rainier Vista Pharmacy.

He and his wife, the late Bertha Lung Tsuchiya, were co-founders of the Walk For Rice, a fundraising event for the Asian Counseling and Referral Services, a social-services resource center and food bank for Asian/Pacific Islanders. He also co-founded the Kin On Health Care Center, the nation's first nursing home operated by the Chinese community to serve non-English speaking Asian people.

He is part of Seattle Breaking the Silence, a stage performance created to raise awareness of the internment camps.

For his devotion to the practice of pharmacy, his community outreach, his efforts to better health care for underserved populations, the University of Washington School of Pharmacy awarded him their 2008 Distinguished Alumnus Award.



CRAIG MACGOWAN '59

Craig is a passionate educator with over 45 years of experience as a Marine Biology teacher. His career focused on developing exciting science field experiences for all students.

He graduated from Western Washington University in 1964 and served in the Peace Corps in Liberia, West Africa from 1965-1967. He obtained his master's in education in 1993.

His teaching career in Seattle Public Schools began at Jane Addams Jr. High in 1967. He taught at Garfield and was Science Department Chair from 1978-1995. While there he worked with a team of teachers to develop a marine biology magnet program that included field opportunities for students in Washington, Florida, Hawaii, Mexico, Australia, Africa, Ecuador, and Papua New Guinea.

He designed and illustrated 44 *Macs Field Guides* – laminated one-pagers with detailed drawings of plants, animals and insects, including common and scientific names sizes, locations and identifying features. Over 1 million have been sold.

He has received many honors and awards including the 1992 Washington State Golden Apple Award in 1992 and the Presidential Award for Excellence in Science and Mathematics Teaching for Washington State in 1990, 1989 and 1987.



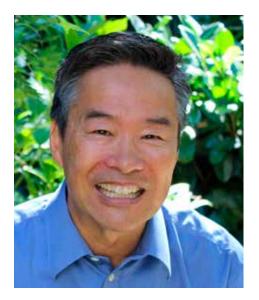
SARA THOMPSON '68

Sara attended Oberlin College and then received her MD from the University of Washington. She was a family doctor at Group Health and joined the Group Health Family Medicine Residency as faculty before becoming its program director. In 2008 she received the Jerome Beekman Physician Leadership Award for her work in re-building the residency program.

When her son and daughter attended Franklin (they graduated in 2003 and 2004) she became active in the Franklin Alumni Association and Foundation. She served as secretary and then president of the board, and during her tenure she established the FAA&F website and current database. She wrote a book, *Franklin High School: 100 Years* to mark Franklin's centennial in 2012. It is available at The Rainier Valley Historical Society and on Amazon.

In retirement she is an active volunteer, working as a reporter and board president for her monthly community newspaper, and serving as board president of The Mustard Seed Project, a non-profit serving seniors on the Key Peninsula in rural South Puget Sound.

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Tom Ikeda '74

Tom is the Executive Director of Densho, a non-profit organization he helped start in 1996. Densho's mission is to inspire action for equity by keeping alive the personal stories of Japanese Americans forcibly removed from their homes and unjustly incarcerated during World War II. Tom has conducted over 250 video oral history interviews with Japanese Americans to examine the personal impact of racial discrimination during a time of fear.

Tom has also created online curriculum exploring racial discrimination and has spoken against the Muslim travel bans and the family detention centers on our southern border.

Prior to working at Densho, Tom was a General Manager at Microsoft Corporation in the Multimedia Publishing Group.

He has received numerous awards for his community and historical contributions, including the Humanities Washington Award for outstanding achievement in the public humanities, the National JACL Japanese American of the Biennium Award, the Microsoft Alumni Integral Fellows Award, the Japanese American National Museum Founder's Award, and the Japanese Foreign Minister's Commendation.



RHONDA SMITH BANCHERO '91

Rhonda was an all-state center as a senior at Franklin and held the record for most rebounds in a state tournament game. At the University of Washington she was selected to the All-Pac-10 first team three times and finished her four years as the all-time top scorer.

She played for the American Basketball League as a founding member of Seattle Reign and was the first player from Washington state to be drafted into the WNBA. She was elected to the Husky Hall of Fame in 2004 and into the Seattle Public Schools Athletic Hall of Fame in 2017.



teacher, gave five students, (Deems Tsutakawa - piano, Leonard Berman - guitar, Garrett Smith - bass, Wayne Rabb - drums, and Ben Hester and James Butler - sax) use of the band room for a credited class on a daily basis, as well as access to the facility in the evenings to rehearse and write music. They played at the school assemblies, dances, & parties doing funky/soulful originals and R & B. This group was the forerunner to the Jazz Lab, and in the early 1970s with funding to purchase better equipment and hire a true band director - James Gardner, the stage was set for national prominence. The Jazz Lab won a national completion in 1974, with one of Franklin's most famous alumni, Kenny G on the sax. James Rasmussen ('74), trumpeter, now leads the Jazz Police and also worked at Franklin as jazz director.

Dr Richard Koehler (at Franklin from 1967-74) directed the Bel Canto Choir and the group travelled extensively, including a trip to Europe. Members of the choir were so affected by that experience that decades later, in 2010, they reconnected and formed a new Bel Canto Performing Arts Society with regular performances.

In 1973 Pat Wright established a gospel choir at Franklin. This would ultimately serve as the origin of the Total Experience Gospel Choir

In the 1990s and 2000s the Jazz Lab and Franklin Band under Robert Pitzer (who taught at Franklin for eighteen years) continued to be successful and well-loved groups, with the band travelling to Ireland and Japan during that time. Band uniforms have had a history as well. In 1974 the band remembers their new uniforms – overalls! And when alumnus Bonnie Riach saw the Franklin band marching in sweats in 1998, she initiated one of the first fund-raising pushes – and new band uniforms were presented the following year. Those new uniforms led to the band's invitation to go to Ireland in 2000.

From that time on, the music scene at Franklin has grown, with a band, jazz band, orchestra, steel drums and choir all learning and performing with great joy.

Franklin's Hall of Fame: A Brief History

Franklin is the oldest high school in Seattle. Franklin opened its doors in 1912, and its history reflects that of Seattle. Learning about the contributions of Franklin graduates is bound to fill a Quaker with pride.

In 1992, as part of its 80th anniversary, Franklin staff and students established the Hall of Fame. They selected alumni and staff who had played inspirational roles at Franklin or who had made important contributions in their fields following graduation. In 1998 the Alumni Association was asked to take over the role of choosing new members and decided to limit selection to those who had graduated from Franklin.

This year, the 25th anniversary of the Franklin Alumni Association, will be the tenth year we have added members to the Hall of Fame.

The past members have contributed in all fields including arts, athletics, science and medicine, community activism, journalism, law, architecture, philanthropy, education, business and academics. You can read more about them on our website.

FAA&F welcomes nominations. Nominees must be Franklin graduates, with a date of graduation at least 15 years prior to nomination. They shall have gained prominence and recognition on a national, state, regional, or local level in his or her chosen field or endeavor. Those fields of endeavor shall include, but not be limited to, business and industry, education, medicine, law, science and research, religion, sports, politics and government, entertainment, international relations, volunteerism, community service or philanthropy.

1992 INDUCTION

WILLIAM HUTCHISON '26

JIM ELLIS '39

BRIDGE BROTHERS

HERB '42 AND ROBERT '48

JOHN ELLIS '46

OL MITCHELL '53

CHERYL CHOW 64

FRANKLIN RAINES '67

STEPHANIE STOKES OLIVER '70

KENNY GORELICK '75

MARIO BAILEY '89

LYNN KNELL JONES, TEACHER

RICK NAGEL, TEACHER

ELLA PITRE, FACULTY

1998 INDUCTION

ROYAL BROUGHHAM 1912 BRICE TAYLOR '23 Victor Steinbreuck '28
George Kozmetsky '34
Emmett Watson '37
Fred Hutchinson '37
James McCurdy '41
Martha Wright '41
Marvin "Buzz" Anderson '45
Jean VelDwyk '48
Bill Wright '54
Gary Locke '68
Mark Morris '73

2001 INDUCTION

AL ULBRICKSON SR. '21 JOHN WHITE '32 AL MOEN '34 BONNIE MCDONALD RIACH '48 RON SANTO '58 LEWIS ALBANESE '64 KENNETH ALHADEFF '66 SCOTT OKI '66

2005 INDUCTION

FAYE MONDSCHEIN SARKOWSKY '51 ALAN DENNIS VICKERY '63 GERARD TSUTAKAWA '65

2013 INDUCTION

BILL SPEIDEL '30 LARRY GOSSETT '63 RON CHEW '71

2014 INDUCTION

KATIE HOULAHAN DOLAN '43 FELIX SKOWRONEK '52 TERRY DEENY'58 ALBERT R. COHEN '61 EDWIN LEE '70

SHARON THOMPSON MEHLER '53

PATRICK (PAT) CLIFFORD '55

2015 INDUCTION

Keye Luke '22 Pete Pedersen '38 Barry Savage '54 Gregory Dean '68 Cappy Thompson '70

2016 INDUCTION

AL HOFFMAN '22 KEARNEY BARTON '50 ED ALMQUIST '54 STEVE LOUGHTON '62 LORI TAN CHINN '66

2017 INDUCTION

John Prim 1918 Gordon Bjork '53 Trent Johnson '74 Paola Maranan '80

Losses in the Franklin Family

As we hear of the deaths of fellow Quakers we will let our readers know. Below are losses we have learned about since last spring.

1930s Doris Hemrich Davis '33

SELMA REICHELT CAMPBELL '34

Donald McCoskrie '34
Edna Grace Radonsky Clark
'35
Zoe Smith Yeager '35
William Viele '36
Alan Philips '37
Howard Peterson '38
William Krause '39

1940s

Hugo Oswald '41 Mitzi Gutheil Ellis '44 Betty Shirley Streck '44 Donald Covey '46 Doris Stearns Ellis '46 Conrad Nelson '47 Gerald Hjert '48 Harry Schaber '48 Earl Umbinetti '48 Lois Anderson Umbinetti '48 Doretta Lee Gardner '49 Robert McKee '49

1950s

RICHARD CHEEK '50

JAMES FEELY '50

LOUVERN LAUTSCHLAGER '50
PHYLLIS DRAKE ZIMMERMAN
'50

ROBERT EGTS '52
GWEN BILDEN KING '52

CAROLE L BOLLINGER STALCUP

'52

CHARLES DIDEON '55 ROSCOE DIMOCK '55 JACK HUTHMACHER '55 Maureen Hufford Schreiber '55 GERALD L. KENNEY (JERRY) '55 Marjorie Knutson Spaeth '55 MARGARET MARTIN CURTIS '55 JOYCE ROGERS FEIGHNER '55 MARY SAYLES '55 JAMES SUNDQVIST '55 KERRY PARKER '56 RHODA DALY JENSEN '56 ERCELL CHEHA RAYNACK '56 JUDITH WILDER '56 LEE FRAZIER '57

Robert Tinker '57 Mike Anguili '59 Roberta (Bobby) Field James '59

Glenys Jones Ahlers '62 Theresa Preuhs Moore '63 Esther Chiprut '65 Charlie Morgan '65 Cheryl Carrabba '68 Barbara Jean Davis '68 Don Dinish '68

STAFF

BARBARA TATEL ZWEBNER '68

Gordon Meeske taught at Franklin from 1954-81











2019 Alumni Golf Tournament

September 5 at Jefferson Park Golf course

Time to forget about the inclement weather we have had the past few months and "SAVE THE DATE" of September 5, 2019 and set your sights on a warm breezy day for our upcoming annual FHS Alumni & Friends Golf Tournament to be held again at Jefferson Park on Beacon Hill.

Come on out and see classmates from the past, have some fun & friendly competition, enjoy a great buffet and beverages, and have a chance to win some great prizes!

The tournament is open to all Franklin alumni and their guests. It will begin at 9:00 am sharp with a shotgun start. The format will remain as a four-person scramble and, if you are not able to gather a four-person team, we can easily assist to complete your team.

Registration forms and important information will be sent out via email or US mail in mid-June, which will give you ample time to assemble a team of old school friends, relatives and neighbors for a great outing!

The fee will remain at \$125 which includes: Green fees, a mulligan, power cart, competition prizes, and a BBQ lunch—including adult beverages. Net proceeds from the tournament are earmarked for the FHS Athletic Department.

Last year we had 28 foursomes – 112 players, including 14 women players (an all-time record number), and we aim to top those numbers in 2019.

Please help by passing the word and by "Saving the Date"! We also had 14 generous Hole Sponsors (\$150 per hole) last year, 12 of them being fellow Quakers, and we again thank them for their ongoing support! We are always soliciting additional Hole Sponsors and Raffle Prizes—hit me back if you are able to participate in any manner.

If you are NOT on our mailing or email list, please send an email to bobchatalas@gmail.com and I will set you up.

Looking forward to seeing my fellow Quakers in September for a fun outing – and remember, GUESTS are very welcome!

Bob Chatalas '65

206-915-9688 bobchatalas@gmail.com



Boys Basketball Alumni Night

On January 29, over 50 alumni gathered to socialize, have a blast with one another and support Franklin athletics. The Franklin Alumni Association & Foundation held our first ever "Alumni Night" at a Franklin varsity boys basketball game. Special alumni tickets came with perks.

- · Game ticket
- VIP alumni entrance to game
- VIP alumni seating at game
- Franklin swag
- Complimentary entry to pre-game reception at BluWater Bistro
- Light appetizers at pregame reception at BluWater Bistro
- One drink ticket at pregame reception at BluWater Bistro
- One-way transportation from BluWater to Franklin
- VIP alumni parking at Franklin

The evening started with a pre-game reception at BluWa-

ter Bistro, courtesy of owner Zach Fleet '85. Classmates reconnected with each other over delicious food and beverages, reminiscing on old times and creating new memories. At the game, we were treated to a VIP entrance and greeted by cheerful Franklin students whogave us green and black pompoms and Franklin lanyards. Prime seats at center court were reserved exclusively for alumni and we were acknowledged several times throughout the game by the announcer.

Franklin played Rainier Beach that night and, while the Quakers didn't pull out the victory, a great time was had by all. Alumni from the 1950's through the 2000's came together to cheer on the varsity boys basketball team and reconnect with our alma mater. Special thanks to assistant principals Annie Patu (Franklin alum) and Jeff Lam for working with us to orchestrate this event. The night was a success and we look forward to doing it again next year!



A Quaker Gives Back

Maureen Wo-Eng Watanabe

Franklin alum Maureen Wo-Eng Watanabe '97 recently celebrated her tenth year working for the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. To commemorate her decade of service, the Gates Foundation donated \$10,000 to the nonprofit of her choice.

Maureen chose the Franklin Alumni Association & Foundation! She designated this generous donation for scholarships for graduating seniors at Franklin to be distributed this spring.

A first-generation college graduate with parents who immigrated from Burma (now Myanmar), Maureen shared that her parents instilled in her the importance of education. "College is your ticket. She is paying it forward with scholarships for deserving Franklin seniors seeking to further their education.

We are grateful to the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation for their deep generosity, and to Maureen for selecting the Franklin Alumni Association & Foundation as the beneficiary of this wonderful gift!



Playing with Franklin Jazz Lab at Disneyland 2001

Franklin Grad to Adapt Novel to Music

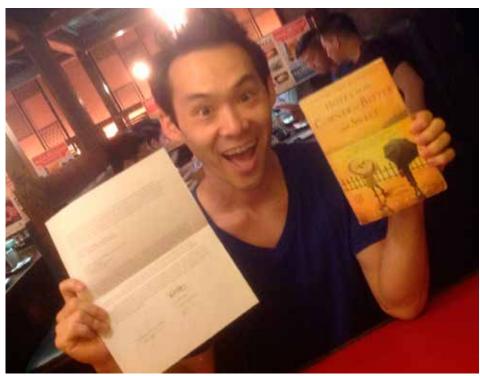
Paul Fujimoto '01, moved to New York as a "cocky 19-year old" to pursue a dream as a musician and actor. And now, nearly two decades later, he is a composer with a project that brings him back to his Seattle roots. He and Lainie Sakakura, a Broadway director, writer and choreographer, are working on a musical adaptation of Jamie Ford's novel *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet*.

The novel, published a decade ago, tells the story of two young people, Chinese American Henry Lee and Japanese American Keiko Okabe, who live on opposite sides of Seattle's Chinatown/International District and befriend each other shortly before Keiko's family is interned at Minidoka. Fujimoto's mother read it and suggested it would be a great vehicle for a musical adaptation. He initially shrugged it off, but then he read it. "It's a tender story of young love told through this dark time," said Fujimoto. Henry has a friendship with a saxophonist. "Honestly, what I liked about it was that it was set in Seattle and half of it is set in the 1940s," Fujimoto said. "And I'm a jazz guy."

At Franklin Fujimoto focused on drama and music. He fondly remembers the F.A.M.E. performances directed by drama teacher Mary Smith, and he was a skilled trumpet player in the Franklin Jazz Lab under the direction of Robert Pitzer. When he graduated, he wasn't sure which of his passions he wanted to follow, and he spent a year at the University of Washington studying drama. After a year, though, he got restless and moved to New York to follow his dream.

Franklin, Fujimoto said, prepared him for the move. "Franklin was such a diverse place. New York was not a culture shock for me."

In New York he trained at BMI Musical Theater Workshop. It's a place where productions including Little Shop of Horrors and Avenue Q had their origins, and once there, he said, "A light bulb went off – I could combine my love of music and theater." He also decided that as a performer he was "not at a New York level," and he lost his desire to be onstage. But he loved watching a show develop from the backstage and he began to focus on composition. "Live performance is



Contract signed!

ephemeral. When you write a piece, it is captured on page and has a permanence."

Fujimoto has worked on three shows prior to this project and his songs have been recorded by Tony winners Karen Ziemba and Gavin Creel, and Tony nominees Lauren Worsham and John Tartaglia.

He has had many jobs to help pay the rent, noting that getting paid for compositions happens once the work is completed.

The process of making a musical from a book is complex. First, he and Sakakura wrote a synopsis and several songs to present to Ford. As a result, they were granted a three-year option (exclusive rights to the adaptation) in the fall of 2016. Last year they presented a 29-hour AEA (Actor's Equity Association) reading – a live performance without staging and with rehearsal time limited to 29 hours in a rented space in Manhattan. Ford attended, along with a number of producers. Fujimoto said it was well-received and they were granted a three-year extension of their option.

A board member from 5th Avenue Music Theater heard about the project, met with them over coffee and forwarded her interest in the project to Artistic Director Bill Berry. He, too, was enthusiastic. "Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet is one of my favorite books. It's an important and beau-

tiful story," he said.

Ford is a friend of one of the staff at 5th Avenue and had told them about the option for a musical adaptation. Producing a musical about a story that takes place in Seattle is an ideal opportunity for 5th Avenue, and when Berry got the board member's update about six months ago, he took it as a sign to reach out to Fujimoto and Sakakura. 5th Avenue is coordinating with them to schedule a Seattle reading. Exactly what happens after the reading is yet to be determined.

"It is in the early days and hard to know exactly what the collaboration will look like. It takes a long time to fully develop a musical and our main goal is to find ways to support the writers. My dream is to produce Corner of Bitter and Sweet, but if it turns out that the musical is produced somewhere else that is still a success," said Berry.

The Corner of Bitter and Sweet project has had some connections that make this project feel made-to-be Fujimoto said. "Jaimie is a musical fan to start with. I grew up in the neighborhood near where the story takes place. I worked at Budd's Jazz Records, featured in the book. My grandfather was held at Minidoka where Keiko's family is sent. And Jamie's father went to Franklin. And I like that 5th Avenue, a Seattle company, will develop the project."

Franklin Scholars Awarded

Fifteen Franklin seniors, most of them the first in their families to attend college, were awarded \$24,000 in scholarships at the Senior Awards Assembly last June. Five programs were represented:

Franklin Scholarship. Initially established by the Class of 1935, this scholarship is awarded based on financial need, academic readiness and community service. The FAA&F Scholarship Committee reviews applications and makes recommendations.

Edwin M Lee Leadership Scholarship. This scholarship was established in 2018 by the family Ed Lee, '70, a civil rights advocate who served as Mayor of San Francisco until his untimely death in 2017. The Lee family reviews applications and selects recipients.

Swarts Science Scholarship. The Swarts Science Scholarship was established in 2017 by the family of longtime Franklin science teacher Richard Swarts. It can be renewed annually for the full four years of your college education. The Franklin Science Department reviews and selects recipients.

Roy Nakagawa Achieve to Succeed Scholarship. The family of Roy Nakagawa '35 established this scholarship in his memory in 2015. Roy was the captain of the football team. The FAA&F Scholarship Committee reviews and selects recipients.

Gilman Scholarship. Robert "Bud" Gilman '35 was a jazz pianistan middle school counselor. His sister Bonnie Rattner '53 established the Gilman Scholarship fund in 2008. It is awarded to students who plan to major or minor in music.

2018 awards:

Franklin Scholarship, \$2000

Musa Ali Cal State University Dominguez Hills Sara Benia Azusa Pacific University Thomas Chardai UW Bothell Blin Hailermariam UW Bothell

Ty Lu Mia Murray The New School Peixian Rong UW Vera Savannah The Evergreen State College Avantu Tolessa UW Bothell

Ed Lee Scholarship \$1000

Michele Ma UW Seattle Nghi Quan UW Seattle Callie Chinn UW Bothell

Swarts Science Scholarship \$1000

2018 awards Sheina Ha UW Maria Gloria UW

2017 awardees received their second year of funding, independent of the awards assembly.

Jasmine Woon UW

Christine Ha UW

Roy Nakagawa Scholarship \$1000

Peter Nguyen Seattle Central College

There were no Gilman Scholarships awarded in 2018.

Franklin Programs Funded

For over two decades the Franklin Alumni Association and Foundation (FAA&F) has supported programs to enhance the educational experience of Franklin students. This year was no exception.

Awards in 2019 will make it possible to begin a variety of new programs at Franklin and to continue some existing ones. The grants represent a wide range of needs and will support the staff and student body at Franklin in many ways. This year, all but one of the 13 grant requests made were able to be funded. The number of students who will benefit from these programs varies, ranging from 12 students for the student-managed coffee cart to up to 1,600 students for the 50/50 ticket funding. Half of the remaining programs will benefit 100-700 students.

Awards will support the following programs:

Student lunches for Saturday school, which will provide a meal for each of 700+ students who participate in Saturday school to receive extra academic support

- Stipend for an XBOT assistant coach, for Franklin's award-winning robotics program
- Travel for drama and band students and band fee for California competition
- Field trips to Olympia, Seattle Central Community College, and Wing Luke Museum
- 50/50 funding of tickets to cultural events, for teachers to take students to attend plays, museums, and lectures at a discount
- Funding for a Distinct/SM4 student-managed coffee cart for staff, which will provide support with workplace/job training skills for students with Severe Impacted Disabilities
- Funding for the IGNITE program, which supports the study of math and engineering for girls
- Purchasing of a set of world atlases to support Franklin's social studies department and students taking AP courses in World History, European History, or Human Geography
- Purchasing of a set of Monopoly games to support Franklin's Academy
 of Finance students (personal finance, economics, entrepreneurship
 and business in a global economy) to purchase, budget, and analyze
 financial transactions as well as practice overall banking

Franklin staff submitted requests in November to the school's Instructional Council. The Council reviewed the requests and made recommendations to the FAA&F board based on impact and need. grants totaling \$15,000 were approved by the FAA&F at its January meeting.

Between 1996 and 2012 we raised and distributed approximately \$300,000 in grants. In 2013 the board decided that the most effective way to support the educational experience at Franklin was to make a predictable allocation available to the Franklin staff each year. \$13,500 is donated to the athletics program to assure that each team has adequate uniforms and equipment. \$5,000 is donated to the Writers in the Schools program, which brings guest writers to schools. The remainder, \$15,000 this year, is part of the grants program.

Make my reservation for the 2019 Hall of Fame

Join the Hall of Fame Celebration Saturday May 4 from 5:30-9 pm at Franklin High School

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2019 Hall of Fame & Franklin Alumni Association's 25th Anniversary

Saturday May 4
5:30-9 pm
Franklin High School
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Fabulous Buffet

Welcome these new members into the Hall of Fame

- **Herbert Minoru Tsuchiya '50** Pharmacist and community activist focused on bettering health care for underserved populations
- Craig MacGowan '59 Award-winning innovator in science education
 - Sara Thompson '68 Physician, volunteer and steward of FAA&F
- Tom Ikeda '74 Founding executive director of Densho, a non-profit that inspires action for
 equity by keeping alive the personal stories of Japanese Americans interned during WWII
 - Rhonda Smith Banchero '91 Outstanding athlete and trailblazer in professional women's basketball

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