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Hall of Fame

This May the Mount Baker Community Clubhouse was once again filled with Franklin fans as five alumni were inducted into the Hall of Fame. Quaker pride from six decades was on exhibit as old friends greeted each other and new connections were made.

“I’ve been to reunions, but this is really incredible,” commented one attendee. “It’s amazing to see this many people reflecting so much Franklin history.” Students welcomed alumni and helped to serve. Deems Tsutakawa’72, entertained with his original sound, and student Jillian Vu sang.

Caprice Hollins’83, served as emcee and kept the evening moving, deftly managing the audience with humor and grace. The program included a report of the year’s accomplishments by FAA&F President Sara Thompson’68. Board member Tai Mattox Velasquez’92, made an appeal for financial support.

It was the induction of five Franklin graduates into the Hall of Fame that made the evening a real night to remember.

Bob Nathane’66, presented Keye Luke’22. Keye’s family came from as far away as Los Angeles to accept the award. Bob outlined Keye’s remarkable career which encompassed visual art as well as a storied acting career. Keye’s family gave thanks and the next day presented one of his paintings to the Wing Luke Museum.

Ralph Vacca’53, spoke of Pete Pedersen’38. With fond memories of days when his parents grew and sold vegetables in a field next to the old baseball park – Sick’s Seattle Stadium – (where he collected balls from home runs) and sneaking to the horse races, Ralph’s reminiscences lit up the room with many smiles. John Chatalas accepted the recognition with promises to share it with Pete’s wife in California. She was unable to attend.

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Top: Deems Tsutakawa and Cappy Thompson; Middle: Gregory Dean, Bottom: Barry Savage and family

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A Note from the Board President

This fall marks a new beginning. Our board met for its first retreat in ten years and we emerged energized and ready to move to the next level. Be prepared to hear from us – we want to expand our membership and make sure there are many ways for alumni to be involved.

We were invited back to school for the October 23rd Homecoming Assembly. It capped Spirit Week and all I can say is, "Wow!" The gym was filled with the most enthusiastic, engaged and delightful group of high school students I could imagine.

Kimberly Nichole, '00, returned for a rousing performance, accompanied by talented Franklin singers and dancers. Many of her classmates attended as well, an impromptu class reunion.

Special recognition goes to Bonnie Bosworth, who as a parent convinced four seniors to compile the database that made FAA&F possible. She is now a "Quaker at Heart." Sarah Morningstar, '95 was one of those students, and continues on our board. Jim Hilton, '52, retired from the board last spring. He was the moving force in writing all of our early documents, getting our non-profit status, and he served in every officer role. Jim and Sarah are now officially "Quakers for Life."

What a reminder about why we are here – keeping alumni connected with each other and with Franklin while also funding programs that support these remarkable young adults.

Sara Thompson, '68

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Terry Caditz introduced her father, Barry Savage '54. She spoke of his career as a track coach, inspiring students and winning awards. Barry then accepted, and in his comments he remembered how formative his years were at Franklin, with particular recognition of his biology teacher Victor McClelland and track coach, LT Saalwaechter.

Gregory Dean '68, was not able to attend, but gave his thanks via a short video filmed at the neighborhood fire station with Franklin in the distance. His long career within the Seattle Fire Department culminated in his role as Chief, and just six months after his retirement he accepted the position as Chief in the Washington, DC, department.

Charlie Williams '70, introduced Cappy Thompson '70. He recollected the creativity she showed as a student and then reminded the crowd of her accomplishments and awards over the course of her career as a glass artist. Cappy's words of acceptance were short and sweet.

The evening could not have happened without the help of many. But particular thanks to Deb Burton '67, who catered the evening, and Molly Thompson '72, who worked with the student volunteers and performers, created the table centerpieces and stage managed the evening. Details describing the accomplishments of the 2015 inductees, as well as other members of the Franklin Hall of Fame, are posted on the website:

www.franklinalumni.net.

Duma Maraire, '95: Making an Impact

Dumi Maraire, '95, has a wonderful story to tell. He raps under the handle Drazé, has a song (*It Ain't the Same*) that has received major notice, and was a featured performer at this year's Northwest Folklife Festival. But those details don't begin to tell the whole tale.

Dumi's father and mother established the Zimbabwean marimba tradition in the Northwest more than forty years ago. From the age of five Dumi was on stage with the Sukutai Marimba Ensemble. He mastered the marimba, mbira and drums as they toured national and international venues.

As a teenager, Dumi connected to the urban music of the time – hip hop – and he began rapping in middle school. “But I was really bad,” he recalled. During his freshman year at Franklin he wrote a song that was played on KUBE93, and he kept working hard. “I listened, I studied melody and rhyme, and I wrote. And most importantly I learned to trust myself. By my sophomore year I was good.”

He continued to tour with his family, and after high school he got his AA from Seattle Central. But his own music was his primary focus. He and his brothers formed C.A.V.E. and released an album, and toured extensively for four years. When his good friend and fellow rapper Jay Willis, who suggested Drazé as a professional name, was killed in 1998, Dumi decided to make a go of it as a solo performer. He briefly moved to New York, but “just couldn't be away from my daughter” and returned to Seattle.

In 2014 Dumi wrote *The*



Hood Ain't the Same, a song about gentrification. It became part of a compilation celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the Seattle World's Fair. “It highlights all the areas in the Central District and the South End. And Franklin was in the middle of it all,” he remarked. The song led to many new connections. Macklemore retweeted the song, it was placed in a time capsule at the Museum of History and Industry, and his music since then has been featured on such shows as Fox's *Empire*. Royalty checks remind him that his music is now played around the world.

Dumi's interests expand beyond music. His entrepreneurial spirit revealed itself in high school when he arranged his first big party, handing out fliers at a basketball game and netting several thousand dollars. Years later, when he and a friend (a Garfield graduate) were arguing about which school basketball team would be the best if teams were created of top players from the previous 10-15 years. Why not actually try it out, they thought. And from that came the “Hood

Classic,” a game pitting Franklin and Garfield alumni. They filled the Franklin Gym that summer and continued the tradition for the next seven years.

From the Hood Classic was born BrandKings, a company that offers branding, consulting and event planning. That expertise has allowed Dumi to produce “Through the Eyes of Art” for the past two years, the kick-off event at the EMP for Black History Month. This event, held on the first Saturday in February, is the best-attended Black History event in the state and showcases local artists and performers. Gentrification was the theme in 2014; the Value of Black Life in 2015. He is considering the theme for 2016.

Franklin continues to have an important place in Dumi's heart. He remembers some favorite teachers, Len Kashner for biology, Ron Hailey for history and Rick Nagel for law and society. “We had huge pride – there was something special about our class. Black and Green is who we are,” he said. “My best friends are friends from that time. We broke the basketball ‘curse’ and beat Garfield, and we won back-to-back state championships.”

Never content to rest on his laurels, Dumi has new projects and plans. This fall he will release *Seattle's Own*, a new CD with *The Hood Ain't the Same* and ten new songs. And this fall he heads back to school. He will attend the Seattle School of Theology and Psychology to seek a Master of Arts in Theology and Culture.

No doubt we will be hearing more from this remarkable Franklin graduate.

Principal's Letter

Hello Quakers!

As is always the case there is so much exciting news to talk about as we start the fall of our 104th year of Franklin High School. Before classes begin each fall, we kick off our year through athletics. We are thrilled to announce that a very high percentage of our students participate in athletics due, in large measure, to the contributions of the alumni association who provide uniforms and other supports to ensure there are no barriers preventing student participation. Our cross country team boasts well over 80 students (up from 8 not too many years ago) and we are preparing to send students into state competition. Volleyball and soccer continue to get stronger and stronger winning with a higher frequency each season. Further, football has snapped a frustrating losing streak with a couple of wins on the season and came close to winning several more, many of the games decided within a few points. Of course we are thrilled that our own two-time NFL pro bowl player and Franklin alum, James Hasty has come home to Franklin as our new head coach to put us back on the map in football!

“FHS continues to be the amazing place of intelligence, creativity, service, athleticism and team play, as it has always been.”

In addition to sports, in the classroom and beyond we continue to be a school in demand in Seattle with both healthy test scores and enrollment wait lists. Our teaching staff is among the best that I have encountered. In the news recently you may have seen a feature on King 5 highlighting our nationally renowned XBot team and, just last week, we celebrated homecoming and were blessed to have Kimberly Nichole'00, who was a finalist last season on “The Voice”, join our homecoming festivities and perform with our students and dancers as well as share some of her solo pieces. We are gearing up for our fall blood drive where we will set new records on numbers of donors as we do every year. Last year alone, FHS blood donors were able to save as many 806 lives through our contributions.

FHS continues to be the amazing place of intelligence, creativity, service, athleticism and team play, as it has always been. Further, collectively as a staff and alum association, I think I can safely speak for all, that

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we will ensure that FHS continues to lead the way in demonstrating what a multi-racial, multi-ethnic, and multi-everything society could and should be—a true intelligent, compassionate, inclusive, courageous, democracy. All hail, Franklin High School!

Finally, we initiated some perennial awards at our recent assembly. We fully believe we could not do what we do without the support of our alumni association. Here are our new awards that will be captured in plaques that hang in our hallways, in addition to the plaques awarded to the recipients:

Outstanding Leadership and Service to FHS by Alumni:

Jim Hilton'52, for two decades of service on Alumni Board

Sarah Morningstar'95, for many years of service on the board, service to Seattle Public Schools as a teacher and administrator, and being a co-founding member of the alumni board, as a result of her senior project in 1995.

Franklin Quaker at Heart award goes to **Bonnie Bosworth** whose daughter, Jennifer'95, graduated over 20 years ago from FHS, yet she has stayed on board at FHS, predominantly through service on the alumni board and plays a large role in getting this newsletter out to you!

Thank you to you all!!! Franklin is among one of the greatest places on earth, truly!

In Service, Jennifer

Donnie Chin 1955-2015

Donnie Chin had a lifelong commitment to the International District and was a beloved member of that community. His family founded Sun May, a hand-laundry company that evolved into a jewelry store and then a gift shop. Young Donnie worked at the family store, and grew up surrounded by the stories, struggles, and triumphs of his neighbors. He left Franklin before his scheduled graduation in the early 1970s.

Donnie founded the International District Emergency Center (IDEC), because he felt the police and fire departments were slow to respond. Donnie learned first aid and trained others; he listened to the police radios to be first on the scene. The IDEC became a hang-out, drop-in spot for many young people, and people just trying to learn about the Chinatown/

International District. Over the years, he mentored hundreds of young people about Asian American history, the history of the area, and the importance of community service.

He responded to thousands of emergencies - medical and emotional traumas, fires, shootings, assaults, car accidents, break-ins, water leaks and power outages. The IDEC staffed first aid booths at community events.



On July 23, 2015, Donnie was found with life threatening gunshot wounds at 3am on Eighth Avenue and South Lane. He later died at the hospital. The investigation by the Seattle Police is ongoing, though it is believed he was caught in crossfire when he rushed to help someone in need. Donnie was 59 years old at the time of his death.

Donnie's close friend Dean Wong, a Cleveland graduate, wrote of Donnie at our request.

In the long history of Franklin High school, no Quaker has touched more lives than Donnie G. Chin. Donnie served the community 24/7. He devoted his life to protecting the community as director of the International District Emergency Center (IDEC) for decades. In this time, Donnie and his IDEC volunteers touched the lives of thousands of people.

Donnie built first aid kits using square suitcases that weighed at least 40 pounds. We monitored 911 calls and rushed to the scene of emergencies, carrying these cases. I always lagged behind my stronger Asian brother. For uniforms he chose bright red and yellow jumpsuits. I hated them. We looked like Asian popsicles who needed haircuts.

Donnie knew the elders, many with no families to speak of. He looked out for them while they were alive and when they died alone he was often there for them. Donnie treated the Asian elderly with the utmost respect. I think he regretted never learning Chinese, but he developed a sense for what was being said to him. During these "runs," the seniors looked to him for help in communicating to paramedics. Donnie's sixth sense enabled him to understand.

IDEC volunteers like myself helped operate aid stations at the Chinatown-International District Dragon Festival, Bon Odori, White River Buddhist Church, JamFest and other events. The current youngest member was 15 a few years ago when she stood by Donnie to help a woman who had stepped off a sidewalk and injured herself. The oldest is 70 or so. One is a retired King County Police Officer.

The Seattle Fire Department respected him as did the Seattle Police. Each time a new rookie police officer was assigned to Chinatown, they took time to adjust to his presence. They eventually did. In death, Donnie was honored by the Seattle Police and Seattle Fire Department who finally considered him their equal.

Donnie earned countless awards he was always reluctant to accept. He shied away from the limelight. He was humble and wanted no part of the accolades. A true unsung hero.

Nearly 500 people attended three separate events to honor Donnie's life. People still leave flowers in front of his family store, the Sun May Company, in Canton Alley. The Wing Luke Museum has created a Donnie Chin exhibit in the alley's storefront windows. Visit Donnie's memorial at 5½ Canton Alley.

Franklin HIGH SCHOOL REUNIONS

Franklin High's Greatest Generation Continues to Gather

By Bruce Meyers

We survived another year! Time passes, we age a bit and we still enjoy the summer sunshine at the Eastside Bar and Grill, just south of the University Bridge. This year, our weather was perfect so we all shared a pleasant table on the outside deck. There is always activity watching all the yachts and pleasure craft complete with colorful seaplanes landing and taking off from Lake Union.

Eighteen of us from the classes of 1940 through 1945—the Greatest Generation—shared remembrances of our days in Franklin. We also shared our early days in the service at the start of World War II. Alums gave memories ranging from first going to sea on a variety of ships to our first flights. Most of our experiences were from our days at the U of W. In the small group of 13 alums who served in our Armed Forces, we covered all the services. We had officers, enlisted men, pilots, navigators, aviation cadets, Marines, and Army personnel. Many of our thoughts were with our friends who shared many of our own experiences.

We were very “laidback” and let everyone share

a memory or two. Some in the group had become doctors, lawyers, corporate executives ... real diversity. In my own career, I turned my high school climbing into becoming a climbing ranger at Mt. Rainier, went on to lead a series of commands in the Marine Corps all over the world, then retired to start a career as a trial attorney, later writing four books along the way and finally retiring again as an Associate Dean at a northwest law school.

Our numbers are declining as we age. Our reunions 20 years ago would number 70 to 80 persons. Although much smaller in number now, we are still strong Franklin Alums.

Members who came this year: Bob Benson, Herb Bridge, George Debon (Betty), Ray Gerring (June), Barney Hall, Myron Maxwell (Marion), Bruce Meyers, Barbara Ohnick, Chuck Sanborn, Clair “Mickey” Stewart Moscrip, Len Tran (Doreen) and Chuck Welsh. Whatever you do, wherever you “settle down”, we look forward to hearing of your most recent travels, writing or hobbies. We all hope to see you next year.

Classes of '51 - '52 - '53 Hold a Combined Reunion

By Bob Kuebler

On Thursday, September 17, 2015, the Franklin High School class of 1950 held their 65th reunion. We celebrated at the Inglewood Golf Club in Kenmore with a buffet luncheon. Included with us in our reunion were also the classes of 1951 and 1952.

We heard from Dominick Driano'50, Dick Ramsey'51, and Jim Hilton'52, as they reported on recent class events and brought us up to date. Janice Poska Rochester then spoke to us on current activities at Franklin. To conclude the program, Gloria Gould Money led us all in the Franklin fight song. Bob Kuebler was master of ceremonies and thanked all

the committee members who made the event an outstanding success. A great time was had by all the 123 alums and guests in attendance! We hope to see everyone again at our 70th reunion in 2020!

Serving on the 1950 reunion committee were JoAnn Cerino Cratty, Dominic Driano, Myrna Miller Hackney, Bob Kuebler, Wayne Miser, Dick Money, Gloria Gould Money, Edith Fordon Mosher, Don Tewkesbury, Jim Travis, Herb Tsuchiya and Loren Weigelt. Chairmen of the '51 and '52 committees were Janice Poska Rochester and Jim Hilton respectively.

Class of 53 – Our 62nd Reunion Enjoyed by All in Attendance

By Carolyn Thurlow Burke

Our event was held on September 11th for the fourth time in the Olympic Room of Anthony's Home Port on Shilshole Bay overlooking the beautiful waters of Puget Sound. The day was gorgeous and we could view boats leaving and entering the locks, as well as paddle boarders on the water.

We started with a social hour mingling and becoming reacquainted with old and new friends. An open bar was provided and time passed quickly as people viewed the annuals and other memorabilia. A group picture was taken prior to everyone being seated.

Guests were welcomed to our 62nd reunion by Carolyn Thurlow Burke, Mistress of Ceremonies. Members of the committee were recognized, they were: Jim & Paula Corner, Shirley Dunigan, Lorene Stefano, Judy Benson Harlick, Gary VanderSanden, Michaela Hoppe and Edgar Yang.

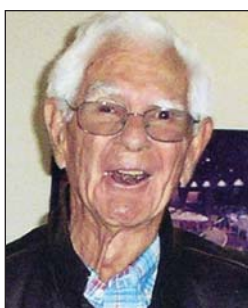
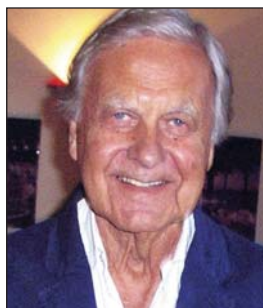
Those deceased this past year include: Dick Leon, Ralph Shape and Barbara Fleming. Guests were asked to register any address changes to help the committee plan for the 65th reunion in 2018.

Grace was said at noon and a delicious lunch followed of shrimp cocktail, Caesar salad, Salmon Duet, Garlic Prawns, Top Sirloin or Vegetarian with roasted potatoes and fresh green beans. Wonderful Burnt Crème or Bailey's Irish Cream Chocolate Mousse followed for dessert.

Guests, while waiting for their entrée, were asked to share if something their father or mother may have said had stuck with them all their life and helped to make them a better person. Several shared that they wanted them to go on to college to assure that they would be able to make a living and leave home. I shared what my father said to me, "There is so much good in the worst of us and so much bad in the best of us, that it hardly behooves any of us to talk about the rest of us." All had a great time and missed those who were unable to come. Our parting message is: "Stay healthy and plan to attend our next reunion in 2018."



Top row: group shot, **2nd row:** Committee members Carolyn Burke, Jim Corner, Gary VanderSanden, Shirley Dunigan & Michaela Hoppe; **3rd row:** Committee member s Judy Benson Harlick & Lorene Stefano, Edgar Yang; **4th row:** Merilou Panzica McNew, Fred Richards, Paul Tanzer; **5th row:** Don Dahlgren, Louie DeLaurenti, Bill Hagen, Merrily Roush Johnson, Larry Schinke



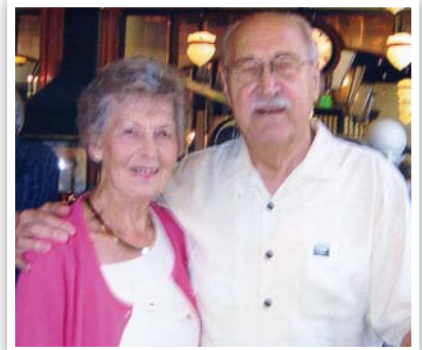
CLASS OF 1955's 60th REUNION



By Marlene Uttenweiler Houtchens

The Class of 1955 held their 60th Reunion Lunch on September 9, 2015 at Tavern Hall in Bellevue Square, WA. Ninety four classmates and guests attended, arriving from Sweden, Virginia, Arizona, California, Oregon and Idaho, plus our Washingtonians. The staff was fabulous, the lunch buffet was outstanding, and everyone seemed to be having a great time.

Some quotes from the attendees, "It was very nice – low key and friendly." "It was nice to talk with classmates from elementary school as well as good old Franklin." "I talked with people whom I have not seen for 60 years."



Pictured clockwise from upper left corner: Barb (Faylor) Swenson & Bob Earl; Sue (Fleming) Bethke & Sue (Clodfelter) Colbeck; Bob & Judy Simson; Gladys (Weston) Parrish & Ginny (Valli) Foody; Phyllis & Al Hechinger; Dale Mohler & Gary Price; June (Morgan) Wallace, Duame (Chuck) Ankeny & Helen (Lahti) Edmonds; Marlene (Uttenweiler) Taylor and Nancy (Kehr) Philen; Bruce and Karen Choe.

Nancy (Kehr) Philen called Marlene on 9/4/15 at 8:30 am to say that her 'smart phone' alarm had gone off to remind her about the Call of 1955's 60 Reunion lunch in Bellevue. "We are leaving Moses Lake now," she said. Nancy and her husband, Dick, arrived at the luncheon before some of the Puget Sound area classmates. Marlene and Nancy have been friends for many years as the picture above shows!

Gals and Guys of 1962 Meet for Annual Luncheon

The Gals (and Guys) of '62 met for their annual luncheon in Renton recently. Judy Collins Seth, our own "Reunion Junkie", pulls us all out of our shells for this annual gathering to share new and old thoughts. Judy started the Round Table reading from notes received from those who could not attend . . .

Robin Leavitt residing happily in Ketchum, Idaho, says she'll make it one of these years but Ketchum is a hard place to leave.

Tina Fisher, residing in Tehachapee, California, usually comes but this year the date conflicted with her first competition on her way to becoming a "fiddler." Yes, she's been taking lessons and this was her first competition.

Mark Williams bypassed us for a trip to London. Imagine! Actually, a family reunion in London and we hope they had a great time.

Alan Eddy and his wife, Kitty, were first time attendees at the luncheon.. They have taken on a huge job – THE FRANKLIN PICNIC for the classes of '55 through '62 at Coulon Park in Renton. This year's picnic, as always, was a resounding success thanks to the Picnic Reunion Committee from the Class of '59, who tutored the new Reunion Committee to make the transition an easy one.

We asked for comments from the group who wanted to share something with those reading the newsletter . . .

Penny Cannon Nicols – *At the 50th reunion, I reunited with my square dancing partner from the 8th and 9th grades – Mark Williams. Don't even remember him from school, but we have had some good visits.*

Shirley Hein Weisman – *My dear friend, Penny Cannon, sent an email to invite me to this luncheon. So, here I am. I have lived in the Renton area since high school. Married for 42 years and have 2 children, 2 step children, and 3 grandsons. Loving life and much to be thankful for each day.*

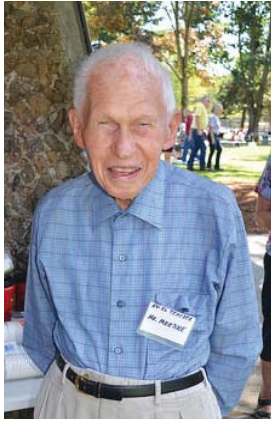
Angela D'Ettore Englehardt – *For the most part, school and I were not a good mix. The one exception was Drama class with Mr. Duran. Math I hated the most. That being said I have spent most of my life in the workplace as an accountant and much to my surprise I love it.*

Larry Arnold – *Recovering nicely from a knee replacement surgery followed one week later by a cardiac arrest that killed me. My wife, Carol, resuscitated me successfully with the help of the King Country paramedics and here I am again.*

Lynette Wilkinson Nye Norton – *Involved for the last 50 years teaching at Terrace View Presbyterian Church and still working with Job's Daughters. Been married to Dennis for 30 years and we enjoy our 3 + 4 children and the 15 grandchildren.*

Judy Collins Seth – *My husband, Nils (Class of '59) and I spend time in Hawaii each year at our condo. A while back we decided we should get to know our Condo neighbors. And you know what – it is amazing how many of the people we have met have some sort of tie to Rainier Valley and/or Franklin High School.*

Louise Kovacich Langmack – *It's "Bucket List" time. If there is something you want to do, don't put it off. The best thing I ever did for myself was to take my Mom, my sister (who was born when I was 21 and married for a year), and my three children on a five week tour of the amusement parks in Northern and Southern California in my Chevy station wagon. Move over Clark Griswold and the Sport Wagon. Best thing I ever did and I love the memories now. (And, the Quaker Times editor loves you, Louise and Judy. Thank you the great wrap up article.)*



16th Annual Franklin High School Picnic – Coulon Park

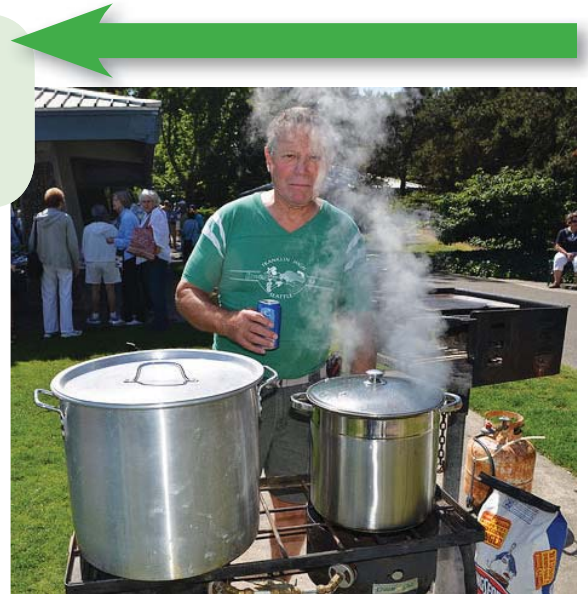
By Kittie Eddy

On July 17, 2015, the 16th Annual Franklin High School Picnic was held at Gene Coulon Memorial Park on the shores of Lake Washington. The picnic was a combination of classes graduating from 1955 through 1962 and was well attended. I wish to take this opportunity to thank all that assisted in making the tradition a huge success – we couldn't have done it without you.

A BIG THANK YOU to the committee: Buzz & Jeannie (Patricelli) Crites, Karen Beach, Stan Nahmias, Diane Gilbert-Pezzela, Anne Rackers Rice Mcfarland, Sue Rice, Tom Riley, Doug Tulip and Kittie & Alan Eddy. A special thanks to volunteers Josie Aspria-Cacchione, Sylvia Sofie-Polet, Jim Billheimer, Roy Lynch and Robinn Lea who pitched in where ever help was needed.

Our hats off to Larry & Betty Mayer who prepared and served their AWARD WINNING CHILI. The chili is a tradition that everyone looks forward to. Robert and Carolyn Trautman collected the leftovers and took them to St. Marks for the men's shelter – the men thought it was Christmas again. We are grateful we could have fun and also help an important local charity.

And last but not least, a thank you to Jeanne Yearian who took photos, which are posted on the Franklin Alumni site – TAKE A PEEK (a few photos attached). You'll



even see Mr. Meeske, who taught at FHS from 1954 thru 1982. Tom Joy from the class of 1955 was a real trend setter – we will all have to wear our name tags on our backs next year, at least we would get our exercise by running around in circles. JoAnne Naganawa certainly had the School Spirit and brought with her a Class of 1960 sign. Team Spirit was shown by Jeffrey Warfield and Alan Eddy, who wore their 1962 vintage green and white t-shirts. Quite a few others wore green. Wilma Smith from the class of 1959 is one of the sweetest ladies you'll ever meet.

We had GREAT weather, GREAT friends and GREAT food. The lunch consisted of potato salad, tortilla pinwheels, hot dogs and chili, fruit salad, fried and baked chicken, cakes, cookies, chips, pop, water and coffee. We always eat at noon, so join us next year for a fun filled afternoon. If anyone would like to volunteer for our next picnic, please contact Kittie Eddy at Lceddy@vircom.net or call 206-399-2905.



FRANKLIN ALUMNI
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Franklin Music Department Gets a New Piccolo

A new piccolo for the Franklin music department comes with a wonderful Quaker story.

When Harry Sankey, '48, died peacefully at home in January, his good friend and classmate Jerry Hjert wanted to honor his memory. They played in the Franklin band together, and Jerry recalled that before he

could afford an instrument of his own, he learned to play the saxophone on an instrument provided by the school. He wanted to be sure that current Franklin students would have access to the same opportunities.

He contacted FAA&F, and after coordinating with Geoff Ogle, head of the music department, his donation was used to purchase a piccolo.

Harry was active at Franklin. In addition to playing tenor saxophone in the Franklin band he served as captain of the track team and president of Boys' Club. His daughter, Beth Kolle, was thrilled with the purchase of the piccolo. She is a musician herself and commented, "My instruments in high school band were flute and piccolo, and I went on to play piccolo for the Husky Marching Band my first year at UW."

In giving thanks for Jerry Hjert's generous donation, Geoff Ogle described the experiences of the music program this year. "We performed symphonies by Beethoven and Mozart, performed a Franklin original musical in our pit for the first time since '91, and recorded original songs that were featured on the school district YouTube channel. We are looking forward to another year of growth and development by adding a section of Recording Arts and continued collaboration with the drama department. We look to our alumni community to support our efforts to tour this year."



See who you can find in these pictures:

1959 – Erling Alexandersen Jr, Laurelie Mingo & Fred Yearian

1960 – Janice Davenport Robinson, Peggy Adams & Arthur Robinson

1961 – Diane Lewis, Gretchen Folsom Caso, Karen Gacek, Becky Marks, Mary Span Angiuli

56-58-59-54 – Jim Sposari, Bruce Biesold, John Polet & Max Cossalter

1957-59 – Margie Harris, Fred Cacchione, Dick Learn

1958 – Al Curtin, Bruce Biesold, Steve Hunt

1962 - Mark Williams, Carol Croger Hart and Judy

1962 – Alan Eddy / Mr. Meske – A great typing teacher

Dave Schultz ('60) and Jerry Warfield ('62)

1955 – Tom Joy / 1962 – Wilma Smith



“Perfection” Describes the Class of 1960’s 55th Reunion

By JoAnne Naganawa



The FHS Class of 1960 celebrated their 55th reunion on August 26, 2015 with a “civilized picnic” in the beautiful banquet room at the Renton Community Center.

The celebration was a casual affair with wonderful picnic foods catered by the Apogee Bar and Grill. Tables were decorated with fun green and white tablecloths and table decorations all made by class/committee member Jeanne Shiota Mori. The wall of floor to ceiling glass doors opened to a large patio overlooking the river. The mirrored walls held notes from members who were unable to attend and other memorabilia brought by attendees. A list of classmates who have passed away was also displayed on the wall.

No formal program was planned and all who attended enjoyed the time dedicated to mingling with old friends and renewing the memories of their young lives in the halls of Franklin High. The setting was perfect and the day warm and beautiful. All attending indicated a desire to have a 60th reunion in 2020; stay tuned and keep reading this newsletter for future notifications.

A special THANK YOU goes to the FHS Class of 1960 Reunion Committee for their tireless efforts creating this perfect event. Without your support, this event would not have come to fruition!



FHS Theater Arts Expresses Thanks for Donations



Sara Call, the Theater Arts director, is pleased to report that donations from two Franklin Alums will help in staging of future performances.

Clinton Prescott, a 1942 alum and past president of the alumni association as well as a member of the board for many years, passed away recently. His daughter, Marley Prescott, generously donated many of his suits and military uniforms to be used in future productions at Franklin.

Judith Powell Mutal, class of 1965, donated some clothing worthy of great costumes, plus some shelving units for storage. As Sara Call said when saying thanks, “I really appreciate their donations and love the alumni continuing affection for Franklin!”

*To find
out what’s
happening at
FRANKLIN HS,
go to the school*

website:
www.franklinhs.seattleschools.org



***The Simpler it is,
the Better it is:***

FHS '80 35th Reunion, 2015

*By Debbie (Eng)
Chan, FHS '80*

Our class had a very wonderful reunion weekend together on Friday, August 14, and Sunday, August 16. (Saturday, August 15, was left open so that classmates could have their own meet-ups that day.) The format was simple and the events were limited, but I'd have to say – it was as special as any other reunion we have had in recent years (and decades), if not more! In fact, as the coordinator for this one – it was one of the easiest reunions to plan! Yes, simple is GOOD. Here is what I mean:

On Friday, we reserved space again (as we did in 2010) at Acme Bowl, in Tukwila, as our Social Night. This night just happened to be a night with a heavy rainstorm (and traffic), as well as it was the night of the Seahawks' first home exhibition game of the season against the Denver Broncos – but no worries! Our gathering was filled with great memories and meeting up with longtime friends as we also enjoyed the backdrop of our favorite team playing amongst all of us "12s" in the house all together again! Or, shall I say, with all of us "Quakers" in the house? ... Yes. just like it should be.

On Sunday, we came back to our own FHS neighborhood's favorite place for our reunion potluck picnic,

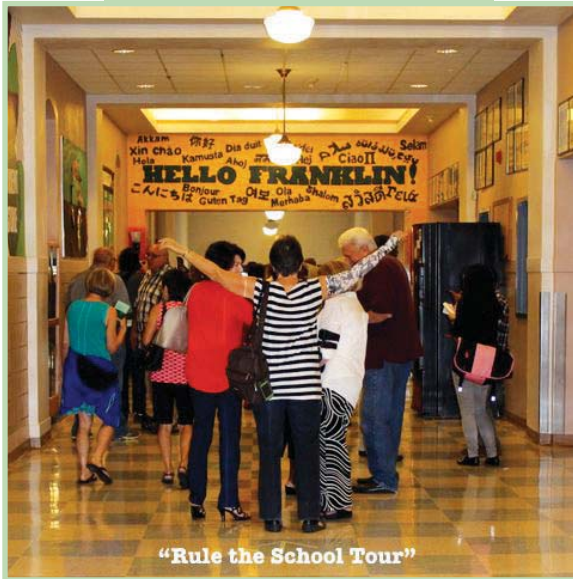


Seward Park. The sun came out in full strength, and all the friends and food we had there was simply amazing! The view from Shelter #1 with Mt. Rainier shining above the blue waters of Lake Washington - was the icing on the cake. We wished this weekend could last longer, but now that we meet every 5 years, this is just a nice and simple PRIMER for the next one to come! Everyone: stay tuned for our 40th reunion!

Do you or a fellow FHS '80 classmate or friend want to know more about our reunions and plans? Please contact Debbie (Eng) Chan with your questions at: debbiechan1@juno.com, 206-524-8767. To see more photos like these shown, go to: https://www.flickr.com/photos/debbie_fhs_chan.



Class of 1965 – 50th Reunion Glendale Golf & Country Club



"Rule the School Tour"

Julie Stephens Karam

The Class of 1965 held its 50th reunion on September 12, 2015. This was my first reunion so I can't compare it to the others. I would not want to. I was so impressed by the attention to detail from the get-on-board yellow school buses to the "Rule the School Tour," followed by a no-host lunch at BluWater Bistro at Leschi.

The book of memories (of which I have read and re-read several times), Sharples pencils, the mugs, DVDs and t-shirts, the music! Oh, the music! What a band! Bob Wikstrom's Big Dog Revue! Thank you! Those oh so great sounds of the night are still lingering! Opening the evening with Pick up the Pieces! How perfect! The memory table to the memorable items on each of the tables including candy cigarettes!

Thank you to each of you on the committee for the time, imagination and effort you put into pulling your vision of an outstanding and long-living memory of our 50th! You did it! And oh so very well!

A special thanks to Paul Rubin for bringing the reunion to my attention. I resisted going until just after the registration deadline. Sitting down to write in the memory book was the first step. And a voice from the past came through on the phone: "Hi, this is Merit. Are you going to the reunion?" I knew then that this was something I needed to do. Along with not wanting to be the last one on the school bus!

Seeing the faces of those who have passed with us throughout the evening touched my heart. They were there! I could feel their presence along with those who were missing.



Marvin Green, Sammy Turner,
Elbert Brooks, Merrill McAdams,
Bob Franklin



Roberta Hayes, Carleen Ilwitz, Cheryl Prpich,
Michelle Krasnowsky, Candy Diederiks, Shirley McCune

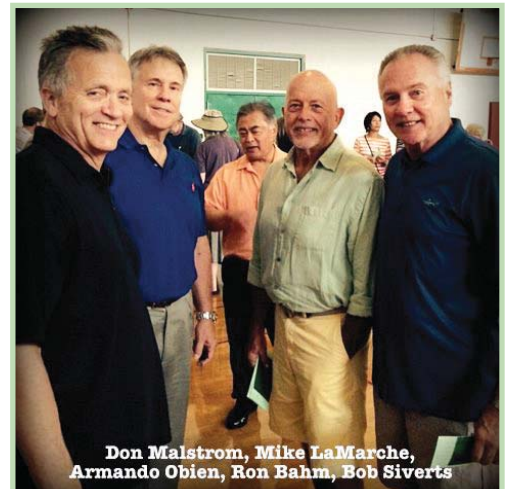


Front: Sue Morhaim, Beth Weiner, Debbie Dunham,
Susan Hasson, Maggie Rudow, Back: Susie Amira,
Aimee Hoy, Lynette Benaltabe, Esther Scharon



New Assistant Principal Andrew O'Connell
leading the "Rule the School Tour"

If I named every detail, this comment of gratitude would run off the page. Thank you all for making such an event shout out with memories. And thanks everyone who attended for coming. You brought the vision of the event to life. Thank you!! Until we meet again, stay well and keep smiling! Happy trails!



Don Malstrom, Mike LaMarche,
Armando Obien, Ron Bahm, Bob Siverts

THERE IS SOMETHING “WILD AND FISHY” ABOUT THE FHS GRADS

Larry Cassidy'57

A strange but important coincidence has occurred with five FHS graduates surrounding the fish and wildlife resources of our great State of Washington.

Here is the story: **Frank Haw**'50, went on to the U of W and started his career working in water resource planning for the Corp of Engineers. Later he went to work for the Washington Department of Fisheries, eventually elevating to Deputy Director and Interim Director of the Agency. Since his retirement he has worked at Northwest Marine Technologies and is presently writing a book on salmon in Puget Sound. Frank helped pass key legislation that resulted in restoration of wild coho and chinook in Puget Sound. His entire career has been involved with the fish resources of our state.

Connie Mahnken'56, went to the U of W and graduated in Oceanography with a PHD in Fisheries. After working within several Federal agencies he spent a career at the NOAA Laboratory on Hood Canal specializing in restoring endangered species of salmon and steelhead throughout our state. After retirement he accepted a position as a member of the Washington Fish and Wildlife Commission where he presently serves. Another FHS grad doing a great job for the fish and wildlife of our state.

Frank Urabeck'56, went on to U of W eventually getting his Masters at the University of Maryland in Civil Engineering. After spending a career with Corp of Engineers working on Salmon and Steelhead conservation in our state he retired and has been a driving force on many fish issues in the Puget Sound area. He has served on several advisory committees for several governors on salmon and steelhead issues. Lately, he has been one of the leaders in preserving the Sockeye run on Lake Washington and its tributaries. Another remarkable career for the fish resources of our state.

Phil Anderson'68, had a twenty-five year career in the charter boat business and at the same time was appointed to the Pacific Fisheries Management Council. In 1994 he went to work for the now merged Fish and Wildlife Agency starting out as special assistant to the director. He was elevated to Deputy Director and has served the last six years as Agency Director. He is currently in the process of retiring. Wow!! Here is another FHS grad that has spent his career working with and for the fish and wildlife of our state.

I, **Larry Cassidy**'57, have had at the pleasure of working with all of these men over their careers, and except for Connie Mahnken, never met them until I got involved in the fish and wildlife resources of our state. Living in Vancouver I have worked for every governor from Dan Evans to Christine Gregoire on fish and wildlife issues. My involvement included positions on: Fish and Wildlife Commission 1973-1985; Northwest Power and Conservation Council 1998-2008; U.S. Commissioner to the Pacific Salmon Treaty 2000-2004; U.S. Commissioner to the North Pacific Anadromous Fish Commission 2000-2004. The last two were presidential appointments. Currently, I am working on conservation issues on the Columbia Basin Fish resources.

*So, there you
have it.
If that isn't
Wild and Fishy,
what is?*



Attn: ALL FRANKLIN ALUMNI ... Anything you need to know?

FIND IT HERE!

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Kimberly Nichole, '00, Strikes a Note

Kimberly Nichole (Kimberly Johnson) '00 is making a splash. Google her and you get 703,000 hits. With a voice described as *"very edgy, blues, rock and roll"* she got a wider audience last spring as a contestant on *The Voice*.

Kimberly grew up in Seattle in the Rainier Valley. She and her sister, who is a year older, both graduated from Franklin. When asked about her music background, Kimberly said, "I grew up singing in church as a little girl and also sang in a Seattle community choir when I was in middle school. There was no choir when I was at Franklin, but I was in FAME (Franklin's drama program) and performed in many musicals directed by Mary Smith. It was an awesome experience – I learned so much from her!"

In remembering Franklin and its impact on her life, Kimberly commented, "I loved my high school journey at Franklin. Some of my best friends I met there and I learned so much being a part of musical theater (FAME) and a part of Dance Posse. I also was in advanced math and language arts. It really assisted me in my college journey and the early stages of my development as a musician/artist."

After graduating from Franklin, Kimberly went to Atlanta to study at Spelman College, a historically black liberal arts school for women. She became the first college-educated person in her family, earning a degree in economics.

She continued to live in Atlanta, working in human resources in the fashion industry. And she sang on the side. Eventually she moved to New York City to work and to pursue a career in music. She performed

at open mic nights and ultimately had a regular spot at "The Box," an exclusive club.

Then came *The Voice*. "One of my best friends was on the show and they were looking for additional singers to add to the casting. She submitted a few videos of me and they flew me to the blind auditions," Kimberly explained.

The Voice is an NBC singing competition that has aired since 2011. Starting with blind auditions, the top twenty performers are chosen. Each singer chooses

from one of four coaches. From that point each singer is judged by the coaches and the audience until the final winner is announced. Fans of Kimberly Nichole were on their seats – known as "The Rock Ballerina" for the custom-made tutus she wore on stage, she wowed the critics and the audiences. The competition took her to the top six.

About her time on the show, she said, "It was a great experience. I learned a lot. It was like boot camp for the mainstream music industry. I met some great people while on the show."

And now? "I'm still writing new music and performing and planning what's next for my career." She has had multiple appearances including in Seattle at the Hard Rock Café, Oct. 24. She will be in Seattle in November for the Runway to Freedom Benefit on Nov. 19 and to sing the national anthem at the Seahawks vs Steelers game Nov. 29.

You can get updates on Kimberly via her website (<http://www.kimberlynichole.com>) and Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/KimberlyNichole>).



Quakers Come Out for a Day

by Chris Mason

Our 2015 Quaker Day in the Park was held on August 16 at Seward Park. Most of the alumni who attended were from the classes of the early and mid-1980's with a few from other classes too. The picnic should probably be re-named 'pot-luck' since everyone usually shares their fabulous creations. Home-made barbeque pork and red velvet birthday cake were two of the favorites this year. We also enjoyed music from the 1970's and 1980's all day and into the evening. (Thanks, Tim!)

As we enjoyed the super music and great company, we decided that planning another get-together sooner rather than later was needed. A block of thirty tickets were purchased for the Kool and the Gang concert at the Washington State Fair in Puyallup for Friday, September 25. (Thanks, Esa!) So Quaker Green and Black headed south to enjoy the show. En Vogue opened the show with a few of their songs and some great covers. Then Kool and the Gang brought everyone to their feet to sing and dance late into the night. Stay tuned – more good times to come.



**Meet the
Kimberly
Nichole,
Singers
and
Dancers**



Franklin High School Class of 1985 30th Reunion

By Kelly R Guy

Graduates from the class of 1985 came together to celebrate their 30th reunion over the week end of August 22. On Saturday, over 75 alumni enjoyed a night of reminiscing, dancing and fun hosted by Leschi Blu Water Bistro topped off by great food and a photo booth!

On Sunday, about 50 classmates and their families came together to barbeque, play games and much more at Seward Park (coincidentally the Afro-Caribbean Festival was happening at the same time –so we had great music!).

After months of planning, the Reunion committee can breathe ☺ Members included: Kate Burdick, Zach Fleet, Valerie Gray, Kelly Guy, Colleen Huff, Clyde Ishii, Aleisha Loring, Jason Loui, Andrea Rose and Yale Wong.



CHECK OUT THIS INTERESTING FACT:

I was poking around on the UW website and found some incredible data! 72 of this year's UW freshmen are from FHS (54 of them are on the Seattle campus)! FHS ranks No. 6 for high schools that send grads to the UW – more than ANY other Seattle Public School. Yep, even more than the purple high school and Bellevue High School. Isn't that incredible!

To find out what's happening at FRANKLIN HS, go to the school website:
www.franklinhs.seattleschools.org



Class of 2005 Reunites!

By Lynda Nguyen

The Class of 2005 gathered to revisit their four years together at Franklin High School and celebrate their progress in the ten years that have passed since we were all together as a group! Over 100 members of our class met at Hales Brewery in Fremont on August 8th, 2015. Attendees enjoyed snacks, drinks and amazing live music in the Palladium Room.

We had a photo booth and set up a table to show off FHS memorabilia. To build excitement leading up to the reunion, we played "Name that Quaker!" by posting yearbook photos from our senior year and hiding the face. It was great to connect with the group in person and outside of Facebook.

We had so much fun, we are already looking forward to 2025!

Class of 1995 - A Reflection

by Sarah Morningstar

I spent a moment talking with classmates last night at my 20 year reunion as we gazed over the city from floor 76 of the Columbia Tower (because that's how we roll). Three of us pointed in different directions as we located our neighborhoods spanning south, west and north. It struck me in that moment how simply unheard of now and how wonderful it was that our worlds, spanning the city, converged on 3013 S Mt. Baker Blvd. We are all better for our diverse and eclectic experience. Franklin is an amazing place to call home and I consider myself very lucky.

Look for the Class of 1995's Reunion Wrap-Up in the Spring Quaker Times!

FRANKLIN 2015 GOLF TOURNAMENT

Jim Follett, Golf Chairman

On September 10, 2015 at Jefferson Park golf course, 81 Franklin high school alumni and guests teed it up for the 34th Annual Franklin High School Golf Tournament. The Scramble event started at 9:00 am under blue skies and a very comfortable 70 degrees.

The winners were:

1st Low Net - Vern Johnson, Jim Follett, Fritz Hossman and Bob Chatalas.

2nd Low Net - Steve Nakamura, Kendal Mar, Dano Lewis and Harold Taniguchi.

3rd Low Net - Mike Perry, Bill Ferrari, Davie Gasca and Joey Gasca.

1st Low Gross - Jay turner, Joe Colello, Harold Masar and Ron McDougall.

2nd Low Gross - Mat Daniels, Scott MacGowan, Damon Leichman and BJ Ong.

3rd Low Gross - Bruce Glant, Michael Alhadeff, Ken Alhadeff and Greg Alex.

Winners of the Women's Low Gross were Charlene Ernst, Nancy Moore, Lynda Olerud and Carol Albo

The closest to the pin on the par 3's were: Hole 3, Scott MacGowan 6' 2", Hole 6, Ron McDougall 13', Hole 10, Steve Duzan 7", Hole 12, Matt Daniel 16'9" and Hole 16, Bruce Glant 3'11".

After the golf, everyone gathered in the new banquet room at Jefferson Park for chicken and ribs along with salad and corn bread. There was a hosted bar for beer and

wine and several raffle prizes.

A special thanks to our hole sponsors: Bill Chatalas, Bill Ferrari, Mike Perry, Gordon Raine, Tom Leavitt, Ken Alhadeff, Gary Schwartz, Merlino Foods, Sysco Foods and the Class of '59. Thank you also to all our volunteers at check-in and on the par 3's.

With the success of this year's tournament and raffle we will be

able to write a check for \$1,500.00 to the Franklin Alumni Association and Foundation for support to the Franklin athletic department.

Come join in next year on the first Thursday after Labor Day, September 8, 2016. Help us build our participation by spreading the word. This tournament is a great time to catch up with old friends and have a wonderful time.



Joe Colello, Harold Masar, Ron McDougall, Jay Turner



Gregory Dean, Frank Forrest, Bill Mangan, Kevin Turner



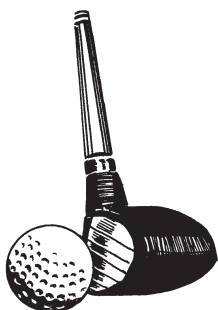
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Ed Almquist, Jim Power, Dick Reiswig, Kermit Rosen



Dave Arnold, Bruno Boin, John Chatalas, Al Link, Richard Vacca





Bob Chatalas, Jim Follett, Fritz Hossman,
Vern Johnson



Pete Acker, Bill Chatalas, Norm Sadis,
Gary Schwartz



Bob Grothen, Paul Rollins, Joe Verner,
Jim Yurina



Steve Duzan, Grant Griffin, Earl Lasher,
Buck Scates



Gerry Gordon, Don Malstrom, Merrill
McAdams, John Tholl



Bill Ferrari, Davie Gasca, Joey Gasca,
Mike Perry



Tony Gamba, Jim Gordon, David Ritter,
Jesse Roberson



Rodney Eng, Dave Hata, Calvin Locke,
Richard Mar



Dano Lewis, Kendall Mar,
Steve Nakamura, Harold Taniguchi



Carol Chase Albo, Nancy Chase Moore,
Lynda Daley Olerud, Charlene Ernst



Steven Anderson, Carl O'Leary,
Bill Jones, Karl Schiersch



Pete Barlow, S. DeWayne Ticeson,
John Murphy, Ron Mamiya



Ron Bahm, Joe Shawcroft,
Bob Siverts, Bill Perry



Ken Alhadeff, Michael Alhadeff,
Gregg Alex, Bruce Glant



B.J. Ong, Scott MacGowan,
Matt Daniels, Damon Leichman

Upcoming Reunions: MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Class of 1956

The Class of 1956 is already looking forward and beginning to plan their 60th reunion in 2016. Those that have helped in the past would love to have anyone that would like to join in to email dave.mullins@comcast.com. The more participation in the planning; the better the outcome. Besides it is a well-known fact that reunion committees end up having a great time throughout the year. We look forward to hearing from you.

Class of 1966

Suzanne Petersen Sanderson

The Class of '66 has great spirit! We've been getting together at Genesee Park every summer since our 40th reunion for a picnic, and we've had holiday parties, "Lovely Ladies Luncheons" and a wonderful 45th Reunion.

We are busily planning our 50 Year Reunion. Save the date, September 17, 2016! But right now, we need your help in tracking down some classmates. If you have any information on the folks listed on page 27 (or if you're one of our lost classmates) please contact us at fhs1966@gmail.com.

Class of 1976

Yes! We are already at work planning our 40th Reunion! If you are part of Franklin's Class of '76 and would like to be kept informed please send an email to the Class of '76 40th Reunion Committee at: FHS76.40threunion@gmail.com. Mark your calendars as we are tentatively planning for August 19, 20 & 21, 2016. Please share with all of your FHS '76 Classmates!

*Go ahead and mark
that calendar NOW!*

Class of 1996

The Class of 1996 is looking for people to help plan their 20th reunion in 2016. If you would like to help form a committee and be in on the ground level planning, please contact Aisha Ellis at: aisha112@msn.com. A twenty-year reunion can be a wonderful time to reconnect with your friends and have a great time.

Class of 2006

Class of 2006 is planning our 10th year reunion set to take place sometime in 2016. Please check out <https://www.facebook.com/groups/FranklinHSClassof2006/> for more information. If you have any questions or want to help please contact Derrick Arciaga at 206-265-2935 or via email d_arciaga88@yahoo.com.

Classes of 1955 - 1963

The picnic will be held Wednesday, August 31st, 2016, at the Renton Community Center, located at 1715 SE Maple Valley Highway, Renton, WA (across the street from Shari's Restaurant).

Please note that we have changed our location. We feel this new site will better accommodate our needs with more parking and tables with chairs for better comfort. Stop by the center to see the site, I think you'll be amazed with this indoor/outdoor concept.

The picnic will start at 11am, with lunch being served at noon.

Donations are appreciated as they help cover the fees for the rental and cost of the lunch.

Doug Tulip is now handling the donations for our upcoming picnic. To donate to the Franklin Picnic, make checks payable to "Doug Tulip" and mail to 15012-132nd Avenue SE, Renton, WA 98056. We look forward to seeing you at the Picnic.

Thanking you in advance, Kittie Eddy (206) 399-2905.

QUAKER SPORTS BOOSTER CLUB: *Ready to Grow!*

The Quaker Sports Booster Club (QSBC) launched last spring when about one hundred alumni celebrated a kick-off at Safeco Field.

"At a minimum we plan to raise the funds our teams need to have basic equipment and uniforms," said Daniel Sessoms, who is chair of the club. "And we hope for much more. The athletics program means so much to students and alumni. Hundreds of students participate, and all of us remember the pride we felt when we had championship teams."

The QSBC needs your help! We are looking for current parents, alumni, and community members who are interested in helping us grow. We need volunteers to help plan and run booster-sponsored events. Do you have expertise in web design? We need a landing place for families and community members to turn to for registration opportunities and information about booster happenings. Are you a graphic designer? We need a



logo for the QSBC. There are many ways to volunteer; please contact us if you are interested!

Special thanks to the generosity of John Ellis'46 and the Mariners, who sponsored our first fundraiser at Safeco Field in 2015. They have agreed to fund another fabulous event at Safeco Field in the spring of 2016. Plan to attend and help to make it an awesome happening.

Are you an excellent event planner?

We need your help! Event planning will begin this winter; stay tuned for more information! If you are interested in joining, please send an email to FAAandF@gmail.com.

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Zach Fleet - Co Chair- zach@fleetlaw.com

Rachel Crick, Assistant to Daniel Sessoms – Rachel@thesessomsgroup.net



Note to Donna Lew: The Value of the *X-Bot Program*

"Hey Donna thank you for inspiring me and other kids like me to be involved in technology. I am currently attending CWU as a minor in computer science. As much as I love technology, I will work hard to change the world for the better. Thanks".

From Amir Ibrahim, 2015 FHS grad

CWU is Central WA University - Go CWU Wildcats!



2015 Franklin High School Varsity Football Team

Franklin Graduates Receive Scholarships from Alumni

Last spring we were thrilled to award scholarships to nine Franklin seniors. We have three scholarship programs and we welcome donations to all of them. Over the past nine years we have helped 53 Franklin students attend college. Franklin's counseling office coordinates communication with students and collects applications to be reviewed by our scholarship committee. Twenty-three outstanding students applied in 2015.

The *Franklin Scholarship Fund* was established by graduates from the class of 1935. FAA&F assumed responsibility when members of that class asked for assistance. Awards are based on need, academic achievement and community service.

The *Roy Nakagawa Achieve to Succeed Scholarship* was established by the Nakagawa family in honor of their father who graduated from Franklin in 1935. Roy was captain of the football team. Though he experienced many hardships in his life, Roy fondly recalled his Franklin experiences up to the time of his death at age 97. One scholarship a year is dedicated to a member of the Franklin football team. An additional scholarship was awarded this first year to another senior athlete with financial need.

The *Gilman Scholarship Fund*, established in 2008 by Bonnie Rattner '55, in honor of her brother Robert "Bud" Gilman '52, who was a middle school counselor and a jazz pianist. Bonnie noted that they both loved music, and we knew that it can be very difficult to make money as a musician and to get assistance to study. She established this scholarship to recognize students choosing a field that gives so much joy to people.

Recipients of the Franklin Scholarships



Leonice Bizimana – Having experienced personal family tragedy in the Congo, Leonice found her way to the United States about two years ago. Her experience motivates her to be a nurse and makes her life's work to help others. She is deeply focused on where her education can take her and in spite of her rigorous studies, Leonice played Varsity Soccer, volunteered at Harborview Medical Center and the Puget

Sound Blood Bank. Leonice will attend Washington State University in Pullman majoring in Nursing.



Amina Ibrahim – Consistently enrolling in the most challenging classes possible, Amina says her grandfather was a tremendous influence on her, always telling her to work hard and encouraging her to seize every opportunity. Over the course of her time at Franklin, Amina immersed herself in activities. She is the founding member of the Feminist Union, was a Mock Trial defense

attorney, summer intern at Perkins Coie law firm, volunteer with Global Visionaries service projects and co-editor of the yearbook—to name a few of her activities. Journalism is a passion. Amina will attend Seattle University.



Dashamena Ebo – Moving from a small town to a more culturally diverse community in Seattle was a life changing experience for Dashamena who is Korean and African American. Dashamena credits her family along with personal drive for her academic achievement. She was president of the Franklin Black Student Union, co-captain of the Varsity Girls' soccer

team, member of the Franklin Honor Society, volunteered with the General Federation of Women and the Rainier Valley Food Bank. Dashamena would like to pursue a career that further improves her community. She will attend the University of Washington.



Farhiye Mahmood – Farhiye emigrated from war torn Somalia with her family in 2008 because her mother wanted a better life for their family. She is the oldest of six children and carries many family responsibilities. Yet, Farhiye has found time to balance her studies along with her involvement with community services. Tutoring young children at the Refugee and

the local community center have inspired Farhiye to give back to the community. She wants to become a social worker and help Somalian immigrants in the United States. Farhiye will attend Bellevue College.



Rohmah Ismael – Rohmah states she is a “proud pursuer; I believe that everything in life needs to be earned by your own strength and with your own two hands, in order to fully understand its true value and worth.” Her ultimate goal is to attend medical school. Recent family economic challenges have altered Rohman’s education plans and she will attend community college prior to transferring to UW to save money. Rohman was president of the Arabic-

Cham Culture and History Club, active member of the Filipino Club, IGNITE (Girls in Technology), and the FHS Gay Straight Alliance. She will attend South Seattle College.

Recipients of the Roy Nagakawa Scholarship

Jamari L. Lewis – Like Roy Nakagawa, Jamari has overcome a number of personal family hardships. Sports have helped to keep his ‘can do’ attitude. Involved in sports since the age of 5, Jamari’s love for sports has been one



of the motivators in his desire to pursue a career in the field. He was a member of the varsity football and basketball teams. His eyes are set on becoming a sports trainer. During his time at Franklin Jamari volunteered over 200 hours of service to the Rainier Vista Boys and Girls Club as a tutor, camp counselor, and peer mentor. Jamari will attend Bellevue College.



Nicole Wong – Nicole was captain of the Cross Country Team during her junior and senior year. The team doubled in size and her coach attributes much of that growth due to her efforts and presence. In both Track and Cross Country, Nicole was the top mile runner on the team. In the classroom she has demonstrated a focused intensity in her studies and participated in

Upward Bound as well as playing a leadership role in the Khmer Mien Lao (KLM) Club. Nicole will attend the University of Washington.

Recipients of the Gilman Scholarship



Kieran Hunter – For as long as Kieran could remember, music has been a part of his life. Growing up in a family of musicians, he and his brothers had to learn to play at least one instrument once they turned seven. Kieran says that music helped break him out of his shell and helped him decide his future. When his family moved to Seattle from a small town in British Columbia and he enrolled at Franklin and joined the band.

Band helped him integrate into a new community and music helped with that transition. Kieran wants to study music education and math to become a teacher like his parents. He will attend Wittenberg University in Springfield, Ohio.



Brennen Thomas – Brennan comes from a musical family. His father is a vocalist, plays piano and organ while his brother plays the drums, piano and organ. In middle school, Brennen was introduced to music production by his brother using a Yamaha keyboard. He got hooked and has graduated to more high tech software to mix and master music. Brennen plans to study music production and technology at the Art Institute in Hollywood.

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Jim and Midge Patten: *Golf and Life*

Midge, '60, and Jim Patten, '58, love all things golf. And not just playing; they actually love the rules! With the golf mania that hit this region when the US Open Golf Championship came to Chambers Bay in June, this is a good time to tell their story.

Jim started playing golf at age eleven when he learned to play at the Jefferson Park Course, where current Franklin students learn to this day. Midge didn't start playing until years later, when Jim suggested she learn to play – with vacations and ultimately retirement in mind.

As she played tournaments she discovered that many people didn't know the rules – and she began to study them in order to protect herself from bad calls when playing with other women in her local golfing club. She said she studied the rules book as though it were an SAT test, and soon was asked to be the club's representative to the Pacific Northwest Golf Association (PNGA).

"That turned out to be a thirty-some year commitment that soon included Jimmie," she said.

It began with volunteering to serve as a rules official for amateur championships, and then to serve as Rules of Golf Chairman for the PNGA. She held that position for twenty-five years.

Golf does have its rules. There are the Rules of Golf and then there are Decisions on the Rules, with many hundreds of pages to understand and remember. Midge attended several workshops, and Jim joined her on the third year. They were tested on their knowledge and ultimately also took an advanced workshop that taught them about tournament work including how to mark and define a course for a championship.

The USGA became aware of their proficiency and for the next twenty years they served. Jim was a member of the USGA Amateur Public Links Championship Committee. Midge joined the USGA Senior Women's Amateur Championship Committee.

"During our time with the USGA, we were asked to work well over 50 National Championships. Most were United States Amateurs Championships, but we worked many US Women's Open Championships."

Midge described what a rules official does: "When we get to a venue we walk the course, taking notes on how it should possibly be marked for out of bounds,



water hazards, and ground under repair. We look for anything we can find that may cause uncertainty in the mind of the player in how to play the course. Then all of the rules officials meet together with the USGA staff and discuss what local rules can be written to allow the championship to proceed with situations that might arise covered by the local rules. Then every rules official is assigned to a group of players in stroke play, and we walk along with them to answer any questions that might come up."

She described her most unusual experience, when working a championship in North Carolina. "Every day I would hear on the radio about needing a bunker rake out on hole number six. All of us officials figured it must be kids stealing them. One day I remembered to look around while my match was on the sixth hole. High up in a tall pine, was a huge eagle's nest, and sticking out of this nest in every possible direction, were bunker rakes! A photographer came out to take pictures of it after I reported it, and later he interviewed me for a magazine. My name and a picture of an eagle's nest made it into a national magazine!"

Both Jim and Midge have received honors for their years of volunteer commitment to golf. In 2000 Midge was recognized with the PNGA Distinguished Service Award. Jim received the WSGA George Holland Volunteer of the Year Award for 2011.

They attended the Chambers Bay tournament and enjoyed every moment without any responsibilities.

Now retired, the Pattens can return to playing golf regularly. When they were working as officials they hardly had time to play during the golf season. And while Midge says her game has declined as she becomes "orthopedically challenged," she still has fun.

Consider a Hall of Fame Nomination

FAA&F welcomes nominations to the Franklin Hall of Fame. The Hall of Fame Committee will review nominations, present recommendations to the Board of Directors, and announce inductees in February. Inductees will be honored at the Annual Meeting and Hall of Fame Celebration May 19, 2016.

Just over fifty alumni have been elected to the Hall of Fame since 1992 when it was established by a group of students and Franklin staff to celebrate Franklin's 75th anniversary. Starting in 2013 FAA&F has hosted a Hall of Fame Celebration each spring inducting new members. Everyone in the Hall of Fame is posted on our website and their pictures are in the main hall at Franklin.

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- Must have graduated from Franklin
- Must have graduated at least 15 years prior to nomination
- May be living or deceased
- 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, volunteerism and international relations
- Shall have conducted his or her life in an honorable manner

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Missing from the Class of 1966: If you know where any of these grads are, please contact us at fhs1966@gmail.com

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