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Mockup of the commemorative wall: featuring a silver, the 3D-rendered title will include the words 'Eagle Legends,' accompanied by plaques embellished with captivating photos.

2024 NOMINATIONS DUE BY APRIL 15!

EAGLE LEGENDS: NEW CHS HALL OF FAME

Cleveland High School Announces the Eagle Legends Hall of Fame

by Tracy (Case) Arnold '82

Daniel "Jurdy" Jurdy, Cleveland High School Athletic Director, recently approached the Alumni Association and the PTSA to start a Hall of Fame for Cleveland High School.

"We are one of the only Seattle high schools without a hall of fame. CHS is providing the wall in the school's entrance to host our Eagle Legends." ~ Coach Jurdy

The goal is to induct people each year who made a significant impact or provided outstanding contributions to their community, Cleveland High School, or Cleveland High School Alumni

Association. This includes former students (alumnus) who have graduated at least 10 years previously, staff members, coaches, advisors, or volunteers. This can also include a team or group. Details, including detailed criteria, is on the submission form found on the CHS Alumni Association website at <https://clevelandalumsea.org/hall-of-fame-nomination-form/>.

Nominations for this spring's inductees are due by April 15th. The Selections Committee will consist of five members for this year's selection of Hall of Fame (two alumni, two PTSA members, and Jurdy). Final approval will be provided by CHS Principal Jeff Lam.

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CLEVELAND HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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MEMBERSHIP

Anyone who attended Grover Cleveland Junior or Senior High School is a Cleveland High School Alumni Association member.

2024 UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar 2: Annual Meeting 10:30 A.M.
In-person at CHS & via Zoom, see page 14 for details and to RSVP.

Apr 13: Board Meeting (Time TBA),
King County Library, Kent.

May 18: CHS STEM PTSA 2024 Spring Fundraiser, *Centilia Cultural Center at El Centro de la Raza, North Beacon Hill*

May 24: Annual CHS Memorial Forest Day 11:00 A.M. *Issaquah, WA*

Nov 2: CHS Alumni Veterans Breakfast, *Location & Time TBA.*

Tentative 2024: 80th Anniversary Celebration of the CHS Memorial Forest.

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ALUMNI PASSAGES

Please submit death notices and obituaries for Fallen Eagles through the secure form on our website. You may upload a photo, add a bio, and link to the obituary. Submissions will be added to the website and next newsletter.

clevelandalumsea.org/fallen-eagles

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CHS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MISSION STATEMENT

A nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization of Washington State and the United States, this Association was founded for the purposes of: preserving the Cleveland High School Memorial Forest [located at 28322 SE Issaquah-Fall City Road, Fall City, WA] in perpetuity to honor former Cleveland students who gave their lives in service to the United States of America; supporting the educational uses in forestry, ecology, botany and environmental studies of the forest; and supporting and assisting students and staff of Cleveland High School in Seattle, Washington in their educational activities. Any individual who attended Cleveland Junior or Senior High School is a member of the Cleveland High School Alumni Association.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Cleveland High School Alumni,

I am honored to share some of the work at Cleveland High School! The positive atmosphere at Cleveland High School is remarkable, and it is evident that the strong connection between students, staff, and alumni contributes to the vibrant school culture. It is not unusual to see Cleveland alumni around the school and at our many events, pouring their energy and support into our students and staff.

One of our key focuses is student mental health, and I am excited to share that we received a significant grant from the City of Seattle to support this work. We are using these funds to collaborate with many community partners to support our students across a range of needs. We will soon welcome a new on-site therapist to our building and many small group counseling options our students request.

Despite budget challenges across the district, Cleveland is well positioned to continue to support students through a rigorous, college-prep, STEM education within three unique pathways: the School of Biomed Life Sciences, the School of Engineering and Design, and the School of Computer Science. These pathways offer students diverse educational

opportunities, preparing them for future success in their chosen fields.

As we aim for continuous improvement, we also have continuing infrastructure needs. The school's sound systems in the gym and auditorium need replacement, and we are actively seeking the assistance of the broader CHS community to help us ensure that our students continue to go to a school they can take pride in. Additionally, we are working towards clearing a path between the main building and the football field, enhancing accessibility and safety for all.

Finally, I want to thank our Alumni Association for their partnership in establishing a brand new Hall of Fame in our main building. This new display near our main entrance will honor the accomplishments and legacies of Cleveland's distinguished alumni and inspire current students to follow in their footsteps. Thank you for your partnership in bridging Cleveland's rich history with its bright future.

Warm regards,

Jeff Lam, Principal
Cleveland STEM
High School



EAGLE LEGENDS (Continued from page 1)



They will be selecting inductees from a variety of eras, starting when the school opened in 1927 until 2014 for CHS alumni, and up to 2024 for staff, coaches, advisors, and volunteers.

Submit your nominations by filling out the online application at <https://clevelandalumsea.org/chs-eagle-legends-nomination-form/>

Make sure to submit as much information as possible to help the Selections committee (biography, articles, and more). If you prefer a hard copy to fill out and send in, please let us know.

In the future, nominations will be due by January 7th of each year to give the committee plenty of time to review the nominees. Nominations that are submitted and not selected will be put back into the pool for future consideration. You can submit nominations year-round!

If you have any questions, please feel to reach out to the committee via president@clevelandalumsea.org.

SOCIAL WORKERS SUPPORT STUDENT, FAMILIES AND COMMUNITY AT CHS

School social workers—like all members of staff in a public-school setting—have a unique opportunity to provide direct intervention and support to students, families, and our community. It is a privilege to ensure our students and their families are getting their emotional, mental, social, or material needs met. This unique level of support is only made possible and strengthened with the help from the local community, such as through agencies and organizations like the CHS Alumni Association.

This academic year alone, we have worked to support over 80 families within the CHS community.

Specifically, we have provided:

- * **25 families with resources to assist with rent and/or utilities.**
- * **66 families with food and grocery needs**
- * **60 families with clothing needs**
- * **55 winter coats to students**

Additionally, we have served over 500 meals out of our food pantry since the beginning of the 2023–24 school year.

While this is vital to the well-being of students and families, it barely scratches the surface of the work we do to support Cleveland High School students and their families. This work includes providing a safe space for students to process their emotions and struggles when they are in a crisis, helping them formulate a plan for success in school and in life, and connecting them with other mentors and leaders in the community.

We are very proud of the work we have done, and we recognize that there are still countless ways we could be supporting our students and community.

This year, we plan to support students by purchasing yearbooks, cap and gowns, prom tickets, and other school-related costs for students in need so they can fully participate in their high school experiences and community. Thanks to the generous donations of the CHS Alumni Association, we are able

to purchase these items this year. **You can continue to the InvestED Fund through by donating directly to the Cleveland STEM HS InvestEd Fund to support these efforts.**

Suppose you want to donate to the bigger umbrella that can reach the school-related items mentioned previously, along with our other support programs like the Cleveland Food Pantry, Cleveland Closet, and Family Engagement space. In that case, you can donate directly to the **Cleveland Alumni Association's CHS Activity Fund**, where we can receive support for specific projects and needs.

DONATE TO CHS ACTIVITIES ONLINE

<https://clevelandalumsea.org/donations/chs-activities/>

Your help and continued support are essential to the services we as School Social Workers are able to provide Cleveland Families. We never want anyone to fall through the cracks when all they could use is a little support.

Thank you for contributing to the success and well-being of your community.

Amy T. Hashiguchi, MSW (she/her)
School Social Worker
Cleveland STEM High School

CLASS OF 1974 - WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOU!!!

by Nicole R. Washington

We want to celebrate our 50th Class Reunion!

Let us know how you'd like to be involved – Please use the form online here:

<https://clevelandalumsea.org/class-of-1974-alumni-we-want-you/>

Your information will be sent to the Class of 1974 Reunion Committee.

Thank you!
Class of 1974 Reunion Committee
GO EAGLES!!!

ONCE A CHS EAGLE, ALWAYS A MIGHTY EAGLE!

The Cleveland High School Class of 1980 wants to thank everyone who supported the *Classic Retro RED & WHITE Sweatshirt & T-Shirt Fundraiser!*

The proceeds will benefit the following: CHS STEM PTSA helps bridge the gap in supporting students needing special classes, state-wide travel school competitions, participation in sports programs, various school supplies, and other critical needs.

CHS Alumni Association - Construction, installation, and accessories for a new CHS Memorial Forest granite sign at the entrance in honor and celebration of the Forest's 80th Anniversary in 2024.

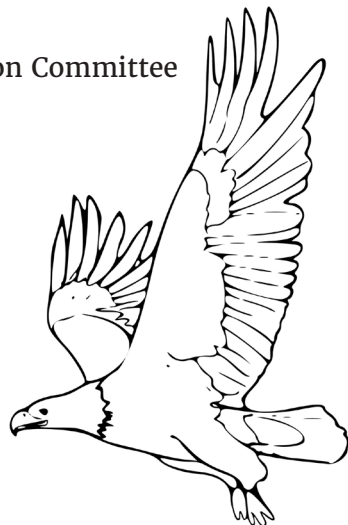
Knowing that our contribution to the CHS STEM PTSA and CHS Memorial Forest makes a difference, we will present each organization with a check for the proceeds in March 2024.

The spirited Class of '80 is a unique class that strongly believes in giving back to our community and paying it forward to the next generation of students to continue the legacy of the Mighty Eagles of Cleveland High School and watch over our CHS Memorial Forest.

It's not just about our time and talents; we also give out of the overflow of our hearts. This Eagles' Spirit allows us to soar high in life!

With much appreciation,
CHS Class of 1980 ~ Reunion Committee

*Showing
Eagle Pride
& Spirit
for Every
Generation!*



CLASS OF 1964 SPECIAL REUNION ANNOUNCEMENT

by Alison Sing '64

For those classmates who might have missed our 50th and 55th Class Reunions, we're excited to offer another chance to reconnect with old friends.



We've extended a warm invitation to the Classes of 1963 and 1965 to join us at this upcoming reunion event. Many of you have friends from both these classes.

Our cherished high school underwent a significant transformation in 2007/08 and is now a state-of-the-art STEM school focused on Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics. This is a unique opportunity to witness the blend of old and new at our Alma Mater. Prepare to be astonished by the remarkable changes that have taken place since our graduation in June of 1964.

Explore our new [MyEvent website](https://myevent.com/eagles1964), where you'll find a wealth of information about past reunions, fallen Eagles, the history of our school, the Cleveland Memorial Forest, as well as the music of the 60's, events, and photos from the nostalgic 50s and 60s. It's a delightful journey through our shared memories and experiences.

Save the Date!

Wednesday, August 14, 2024

11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

at Cleveland High School

<https://myevent.com/eagles1964>

Questions?

Contact us via email to:

eagle1964reunion@gmail.com



A WARM THANK YOU FROM DANA LOUI CLASS OF 2023

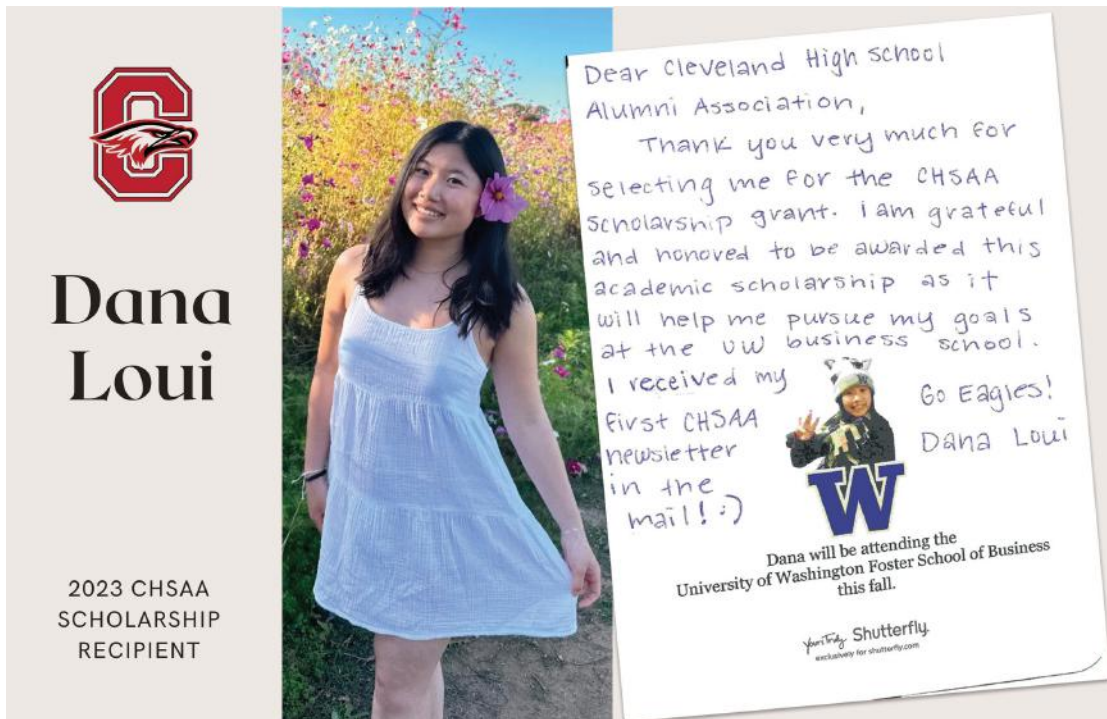
by Tracy (Case) Arnold '82

We received a card from Dana Loui, Class of 2023, thanking the CHS Alumni Association for the scholarship she was granted last year. I met her father, Jason, at the first PTSA meeting this year and the first thing he said to me was how grateful they were for the scholarship and what an amazing thing to do. ~ Tracy Arnold '82

Dear CHS Alumni Association,

Thank you very much for selecting me for the CHSAA Scholarship grant. I am grateful and honored to be awarded this academic scholarship as it will help me pursue my goals at the UW business school. I received my first CHSAA newsletter in the mail!

Go Eagles!
Dana Loui



Annual CHS Scholarships

Every year thanks to the generous donations of our alumni, their families, friends and former staff, the CHS Alumni Association can grant scholarships to Cleveland High School graduates. These graduates apply for a CHS Alumni Association Scholarship to help with the cost of colleges, trade schools and other higher education institutions they are planning to attend after high school.

In 2023, we were able to provide \$10,000 in scholarships, with a plan to provide at least \$20,000 this year to the 2024 CHS graduates.

A special shout out to JoAnn (Victor) Smith, Class of 1956, for her tireless efforts of running the scholarship committee for many years. JoAnn's

dedication to the CHS Alumni Association and the Scholarship Committee has helped many new alumni pursue their dreams and goals. Tracy (Case) Arnold (Class of '82) will be handling the scholarship committee this year, with Meredith (Murray) Blache (Class of '81) taking over next year. JoAnn will continue to be part of the scholarship committee again this year to help mentor the committee members.

If you would like to volunteer to help, be part of the scholarship committee, please contact us at Scholarships@clevelandalumsea.org. The timeline for the committee is April – May and includes reviewing the scholarships submissions. If you have any questions, please reach out to us via email.

CHS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES AND PROJECTS

The CHSAA board has updated the list of active committees and projects and is looking for people to help. Your involvement can be as much as you want it to be!

- * Alumni Relations
- * Membership
- * Scholarships (April – May)
- * The Memorial Forest
- * Newsletter (3 times a year)
- * Fundraising
- * Nominating Elections (Jan – Feb each year)
- * Audit
- * 100th Anniversary – Fall 2027

We also want to bring back the annual CHSAA Golf Tournament! The previous tournaments were a lot of fun (even for us amateur golfers who were surprised not to hit anyone with our drives).

Sign up online to let us know what you are interested in (Contact – The Alumni (clevelandalumsea.org). You can also contact us at president@clevelandalumsea.org if you have any questions and want to know more about the various committees and projects.

CHS PTSA AUCTION – MAY 18

Save the Date for the CHS PTSA Spring Auction

After a 5-year pause, the Cleveland High School PTSA is excited to announce that they are bringing back the annual Cleveland PTSA auction fundraising event! The Spring Auction will be

Saturday, May 18
Centilia Cultural Center
at El Centro de la Raza

More details to follow (watch for updates on the CHS Alumni Association website or on our social media accounts).

If you would like to donate items for the silent auction, volunteer to help with this event or be a sponsor, please visit <https://bit.ly/PTSA-auction> or email the PTSA at chseaglesptsa@gmail.com



2024 MEMORIAL CEREMONY AT THE FOREST: FRIDAY, MAY 26

by John R. Barton '54

Cleveland High School is **the only high school in the universe with a Memorial Forest honoring our World War II heroes**. Every Friday preceding the Memorial Day weekend, the CHS Alumni Association has a ceremony at the CHS Memorial Forest to honor alumni who lost their lives while serving in the US military. Our tradition typically includes guest speakers to tell stories about some of our alumni who have served in the armed forces of the USA. An Honor Guard fires a salute to our fallen heroes, and **Bernie Moskowitz '57** plays Taps. CHS students participate in a flag-folding exercise before it is presented to a survivor of a fallen loved one.

Our granite monument naming our fallen heroes was installed in 2017, thanks to a generous donation from two alumni who wish to remain anonymous. A protective coating was provided by **Frank & Haru Nishimura**. Frank served in the 442nd Regimental Combat Team with good friend **Yoshito Noritake** who is listed on the monument.

Everyone is encouraged to make **“The Trek”** to the Rock. The bronze plaques naming our fallen war heroes are no longer there, but it’s good to see this special place in the forest where our heroes were honored for so many years.

Following the ceremony, refreshments are served to students, CHS staff, and guests. **The CHS Alumni Association pays all expenses. For a day you will LONG remember, join us!**

<https://clevelandalumsea.org/events>

INTRODUCING: THE 2030 PROJECT



THE 2030 PROJECT

A grant started by Alison Sing '64 dedicated to the future development of an on-site learning center.

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A Conversation with Alison W. Sing '64, EAGLE 100s - Special Honors Donor.

by Trena Burns Walker '75, Tracy Case Arnold '82, and Nicole R. Washington '80

As a Cleveland High School graduate of the Class of 1964, **Alison Sing**, along with many of his classmates, knew nothing about the gift from the classes of 1943 and 1944 that purchased the Cleveland Memorial Forest* to honor their former classmates who died while serving in the military during World War II. In 1997, Alison was elected to the Cleveland High School Alumni Association's board. This was the first time he learned about the gift from the Cleveland High School students. (Note: Starting in 1942, the CHS students collected over \$300, including gifts from the graduation classes of 1943 and 1944, to purchase land for a memorial forest).

During his 11-year tenure on the CHS Alumni Association Board, he had the privilege to serve as the vice-president, president, and treasurer. He gives credit to his fellow board members who created a solid foundation for an alumni association that just celebrated our 25th Anniversary in 2022.

We asked Alison why he decided to donate \$15,000 for a Learning Center at the Cleveland High School Memorial Forest (CHSMF) in 2022. He responded:

“The sacrifices of our fellow classmates, no matter what year they attended Cleveland High School, cannot be forgotten. We must always honor their ultimate sacrifice in defending our nation. These young men and women served our nation, and we are the recipient of their sacrifice to defend our nation.”

Thanks to the hard work of the CHS Alumni Association Board in 2021, **the Cleveland High School Memorial Forest is now permanently protected from future intrusion by outside development.** The sale of the development rights to the King County Parks and Recreation will ensure that the Cleveland High School Memorial Forest remains “hallowed ground.”

Alison's recent gracious donation provides only “seed” monies for the future development of a learning center at the Memorial Forest. Cleveland High School was reopened in 2007 as a STEM school devoted to teaching our young students Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM). The Cleveland High School Memorial Forest is an excellent site for

giving our students a living laboratory with purpose and excitement for learning about the biology, botany, ecology, environment, fisheries, forestry, horticulture, scientific studies, and climate change issues that are now emerging challenges facing future generations.

Alison emphasized, “My gift is only a “drop” in a large bucket with the hopes that others who share my beliefs can make the future a better place for our children and their children’s future. The dream can be made into a reality. I see the Cleveland High School Memorial Forest as a living entity that honors CHS Alumni who have given the ultimate sacrifice so that we may have a better life and an opportunity to raise our families. We must continue honoring those who are no longer among us.”

As a member of our alumni community, if you share this belief that we can make an impact, and if you have a background in construction, environmental, forestry, horticulture, or STEM to collaborate, then we want YOU to be a part of our 2030 Project Planning Committee!

There are many wonderful ideas and opportunities to envision for the Memorial Forest, and always stay true to the sacred land. Another way to help continue these efforts at the Memorial Forest is by donating to the various Memorial Forest projects. Remember, it isn’t how much one gives; it is the fact that we share the same belief in investing in our children’s future. Alumni can make a difference.

If you’re interested in serving on this committee, please visit the Contact Us page and sign up to help make this dream a reality. Alison’s final thoughts...

“To all those who served in the United States Army, Air Force, Navy, Marines, Coast Guard, and Merchant Marine, even as a reservist, we are the living tribute that reminds our fellow Americans that the sacrifices of their relatives will never be forgotten.”

We hope this story serves as an inspiration that everyone can make a difference!

*In 1943, the original name was the Cleveland Memorial Forest. In 1997, the name was changed to the Cleveland High School Memorial Forest.



ARCHIVES & MEMORABILIA WANTED

by Tracy (Case) Arnold ‘82

Annuals for the Seattle School District

The Seattle School District Archives is missing just four (4) of the Cleveland High School Aquila annuals (or yearbooks as I called it in high school back in the day). If anyone has a copy of the **1980, 1984, 1988, and 2004** annuals/yearbooks. If you have an extra copy you want to donate, you can bring it to the March 2, 2024, CHS Alumni Association Annual meeting at CHS, or you can send them to:

Seattle Public Schools
Records & Archives Center
Attn: Meaghan Kahlo, Archivist
2445 3rd Ave S, MS 21-345
Seattle, WA 98124

Alumni Memorabilia - “Grover’s Corner”

In addition to the Archives wanting annuals, if you have any **CHS mementos** or items you want to donate to the **Alumni Association**, we would love them! We’re working with the school to obtain a display case (or two) to hold our Eagle memories. The plan is to rotate the display case on a quarterly basis. The items will be in an area visible to students, staff, and visitors to the school (in a locked glass case).

Bring your mementos to the upcoming annual meeting or send the mementos to:

Cleveland High School Alumni Association
(or just put CHSAA)
P.O. Box 94004
Seattle, WA 98124-9404

You can also contact us at membership@clevelandalumsea.org if you have any questions.

CHS MEMORIAL FOREST PROJECT #1

*Improvements to the entrance—funded by donations to the Alumni Association
by John Roger Barton '54 & Tracy (Case) Arnold '82*

As part of the board's 5-Year Strategic Plan, we identified the Forest as one of our priorities. We broke the Memorial Forest goals into four manageable phases over ten years. **Phase 1 (Project #1)** is the entrance of the Memorial Forest. Improvements include, but are not limited to:

1. **Granite entrance sign with lighting.** (This includes preparation of the area.)
2. **New fencing around the entrance.**
3. **A new gate.** We prefer it to be ornamental and electronic. This would entail adding the necessary electrical supply to the front entrance.

We have met with a fencing expert to recommend different options, requirements, and potential costs. We are gathering additional information to take to the Seattle School District and the King County Parks Department to get the okay to proceed.

If you're interested in helping with Memorial Forest Project #1, please reach out! We are always looking for relevant expertise from our alums (e.g., construction management, landscaping, architects, project managers, and more).



Top Right: CHS Memorial Forest gate. Mike Moriarty from Mocon, discussing requirements and options with Bernie Moskowitz '58 and John Barton '54.

Bottom Right: CHS Memorial Forest Gate





West Entry View (Where New Granite Sign Will Be)



Part of Existing Gate (Left / West Side)



Part of Existing Gate (Right / East Side)



View Past gate, Down Driveway

HONORED DEAD

The following text is from Patricia Sullivan Rosenkranz's Book *Honored Dead: The Story of Cleveland High School's World War II Gold Star Men*.

Lawrence K. Harrison Died July 6, 1943

Larry Harrison, Bud Fander and Roger Baker were neighborhood friends the friendship continued during grade school and high school, Larry, the oldest, graduated in 1939 followed by Bud and Roger in 198. After graduation all three joined the U.S. Navy but only Roger Baker survived the war. He has shared information about the duty and deaths as boyhood friends. Lawrence Harrison was Seaman First Class on the USS *Helena*, when he died July 6, 1943. Commissioned on September 18, 1939, this USS *Helena* (CL50) was the second ship named for the city of Helena, Montana. From December 7, 1941, to July 6, 1943, she was engaged in 13 major battles in the Pacific.

On December 7 the *Helena* was moored at the U.S. Naval Station, Dock 1010, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, when the Japanese attack occurred. **Excerpts from a brief report** by the commanding officer, dated December 14, 1941, reveal actions of men during the first encounter with Japanese planes.

Planes were observed over Ford Island at about 0757... of 4,000 feet... C.A. Flood, S.M.ic... has had recent duty on Asiatic Station and identified the character of planes... Officer of the Deck, without delay, turned on the general alarm and passed word..." Japanese Planes bombing Ford Island, Man all battle stations, break out service ammunition"... Helena guns were in action about 0801.

Direct Hit. *One torpedo observed to be fired by a torpedo plane flying low over the southern tip of Ford Island was fired at the Helena at a range of about 500 yards... Our crew were running for their general quarters' stations. This accounted for a large loss of personnel by flash burns from the explosion... No guns were yet in action. The torpedo struck with a violent explosion on the starboard side... Most casualties were caused by flash burns...*

Distinguished Conduct of Personnel... *Every man and office observed... conducted himself in meritorious and exemplary manner. They were cool, de-*

termined... and collectively conducted themselves with no hint of confusion and with no thought of danger to themselves. To point out distinguished conduct would require naming every person observed.

Following this initial attack, the ship was repaired and returned to duty in the Western Pacific where U.S. forces began to regain territories. In August 1942, Marines landed on islands in the Solomons, and by December 9, 1942, Guadalcanal had been captured, giving protection to New Guinea and Australia. However, the Japanese still controlled islands in the Solomons. The New Georgia Group, northwest of Guadalcanal, consisted of many islands. The Japanese had established airfields on New Georgia, the largest island in the group. On July 5, 1943, cruisers and destroyers provided cover and protection when Marine and Army troops landed on New Georgia. An intense struggle for the area began June 29 and continued until U.S. forces gained control of the islands on October 7, 1943. The USS *Helena* was involved in these battles, one of which was the Battle of the Kula Gulf.

On July 6, the Battle of the Kula Gulf was fought when ten Japanese destroyers carrying troops and supplies to Kolombangara, another island in the Solomon group, were met by four destroyers and three cruisers. Commanded by Rear Adm. W.L. Ainsworth, the task forces conducted a nighttime campaign. One Japanese destroyer was sunk and one was grounded, but the United States naval vessel *Helena* was struck and sunk by three Japanese torpedoes. One hundred sixty-eight men were lost. Seven hundred thirty-nine were rescued.

During thirteen major battles, the USS *Helena* earned seven battle stars and was the first cruiser to receive the Navy Unit Commendation. Larry Harrison died before the award was given. He was below deck in the boiler room when the torpedoes struck. One of the one hundred sixty-eight men lost during the Battle of the Kula Gulf, Larry is commemorated on the Tablets of the Missing

or Lost at Sea at the American-Philippine Cemetery, Manila, Philippines.

The following information was received from the National Personnel Records Center:

Lawrence Keith Harrison entered the service December 18, 1941, trained at San Diego until January 20, 1942, when he was assigned to the USS Helena. October 11, 1942: Participated in Night Surface Engagement off Savo Island against Japanese Surface Ships. Your performance of duty was in accordance with highest Naval traditions. October 30, 1942: Participated in Bombardment of Japanese positions on Guadalcanal Island, B.S.I. November 12, 1942: Participated in bombardment of Japanese positions on Guadalcanal Island, B.S.I., during forenoon; and in repelling a Japanese Torpedo Plane attack during the afternoon. November 13, 1942: Participated in Night Surface Engagement off Savo Island against a large force of Japanese Surface Ships. Your performance of duty was in accordance with the highest naval traditions.

DECORATIONS & AWARDS

- * Navy Unit Commendation Medal
- * Purple Heart Medal
- * World War II Victory Medal
- * Honorable Service Lapel Button WWII.

The releasable material did not include the final battle at Kula Gulf. Also the official Finding of Date of Death was listed as August 10, 1945. Fortunately, Ship Logs, Naval records and personal recollections have been available for additional and accurate information.

THANK YOU FOR READING

We'll continue to publish more excerpts a series of Gold Star stories taken from the book *Honored Dead*, in the next Alumni Newsletter.

Source: Sullivan Rosenkranz, Patricia. *Honored Dead: The Story of Cleveland High School's World War II Gold Star Men*. Ocean Park, Washington, us, Lincoln and Allen Co., 2002. pp 33-36.

IN MEMORIAM

*Sadly missed along life's way, quietly remembered every day...
No longer in our life to share, but in our hearts, you're always there.*



Echo Mae (Ellingson) Kime '46

Born in Turtle Lake, North Dakota, to May Harmon and Marcus Oliver Ellingson, Echo was a tiny redhead with fair skin, a strong will, and a dog named June. A precocious reader at a very young age, her mother bought boxes of uncensored garage sale books, providing Echo with a colorful 'early childhood education.' She would later become Seattle's Cleveland High School's valedictorian and the first in her family to attend or graduate college.

She was forever thankful to the high school counselor who dissuaded her from attending beauty school, arranging a 2-year scholarship to the University of Washington instead. Echo eventually graduated from Central Washington State College with a Master's in early childhood education. After a brief stint teaching elementary school, she became a middle school counselor and a career language arts teacher. She clicked with that age group and inspired many.

Along the way, Echo met Marine Corp pilot Merle A. Kime. Love at first sight, they were married within four months and remained so for 46 years until his untimely death in 1996. Merle once described her as "the most beautiful wife...her stunning appearance topped with long flaming Scandinavian red hair drew much attention wherever she went." They

traveled the world together with Merle's work with Boeing and later after retirement. In the months before Echo's passing, she kept at the daily crossword puzzle and read her favorite murder mysteries. She passed peacefully on December 5th in Kirkland, WA, surrounded by family. She was 95.

Echo is survived by Gena and R Steve Sears, Casey and Karen Kime; grandchildren Taylor Sears, Elle and Hannes Kranich, Hannah and Marek Karbarz, Megan and Matt Chastain, and Noah and Takara Kime; three great-grandchildren and her sister Paulette Veona Wanamaker. Echo was preceded in death by her husband, Merle, and her brothers, Robert Ellingson and William Ellingson.

The family wishes to thank all at Willows Senior Care and Complete Home Care for their kind and expert care required during Echo's final years. Memorial donations can be made to the Forgotten Children's Fund.



Yvonne Lorraine O'Brien '47

Yvonne Lorraine O'Brien, daughter of Valentine and Julienne Maes, born November 6, 1928, in Seattle, died October 8, 2023. Growing up on Beacon Hill, she attended St. George Elementary and Cleveland High School. Following graduation,

she worked as a switchboard operator. She met and married Thomas J. O'Brien, and they began raising a family. The children thrived under their nurturing care. Yvonne was a loving and devoted wife and mother. When she had a rare night off, she enjoyed dancing with Tom at the Knights of Columbus and playing bingo with her mother and sisters. After 32 years of marriage, Tom died in 1982.

Yvonne continued to be the cornerstone of the family. At her home, she hosted birthdays and holiday celebrations that included traditional family dishes, joyful laughter, and the voices of children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, creating a glorious raucous. Yvonne lived in her home for sixty-one years before moving to Florence, Seattle, where she found thoughtful caregivers guided by Laurie. Her children continued to visit her every day until she passed. Devoted to her family and cherished pets, she left a legacy of love characterized by unselfishness, hard work, and boundless giving.

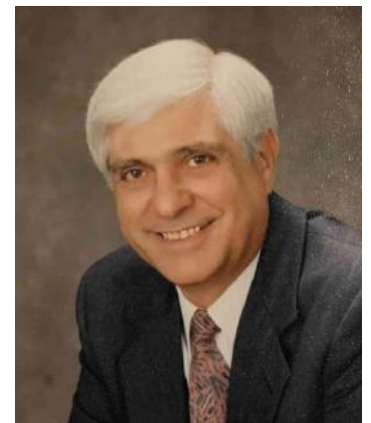


Roger Diemert '49

Roger was born in Fargo, North Dakota, to Robert and Jeanette Diemert. The family moved to Seattle during World War II and settled into the Holly Park Neighborhood. Roger graduated from Cleveland High School in 1949. Shortly after

graduation, he married his wife of 71 years, Ruth Palmer. Roger and Ruth moved to the Lake McDonald area of East Renton in 1955, where they raised their children and currently reside.

Roger worked as a Glazier in the greater Seattle area for most of his life. In 1973, he opened his glass shop, Southeast Glass, which is still in business today, owned and operated by his son Michael. He retired from the glazing business in the late 90's. He will be remembered for his great sense of humor and quick wit and as a man of integrity, selflessness, and kindness. Roger is survived by his wife, Ruth, and their four children: Linda (Stan) Lawson, Arlene (Fred) Patterson, Michael (Joni) Diemert, Neal Diemert, and by his 11 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, his sister Corrinne Palmer, and numerous nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his grandson, Roger Patterson; his siblings, Robert Diemert, Joanne Smeltzer, and James Diemert; and his parents, Robert and Jeanette Diemert.



James Lambo '52

James, lovingly known as Jim, passed away peacefully on October 23 in Renton, Washington, after a long battle with Parkinson's disease. Jim was born in Seattle, Washington. After graduating from Cleveland High School in 1952, where he made lifelong

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friends, he received a BA in Business Administration at Seattle University '56. Jim worked for The Boeing Company for 40 years, where he was a Senior Manager. Jim is survived by his wife Margie '53, of 68 years, daughter Toni '74 (Michael), daughter Sue '75 (Rob), and son Jim '76 (Deb). [YES!!! The entire family graduated from CHS, plus a grandmother.] Together, they have five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.



Ernest Williams '52

August 24, 1933 – April 17, 2023

Ernest "Ernie" Sharp Williams passed away peacefully at his home on April 17th, surrounded by family. Ernie was the son of the late Thomas and Amy Williams and spent his childhood in Macon, Mississippi. In 1944, he and his sister Luella (deceased) and their parents moved to Seattle, Washington, making the Pacific Northwest their permanent home.

Ernie attended the public schools of Seattle, graduating from Grover Cleveland High School in 1952. He met and married his first wife, Evangeline Duncan (deceased), in 1953, and from this union had 5 children – Anthony, Linda, Kimberly, Ernest, and Mark. Later in life, he met and married his second wife, Christine Proctor (deceased), in 1976, and from this union had 1 child, Jennifer, along with 2 stepchildren,

Gregory and Karen. After a brief employment with the Seattle branch of the United States Post Office, Ernie joined the International Longshore & Warehouse Union (ILWU) Local 19 at the Seattle waterfront in 1958. He worked his way through the ranks, starting out as a stevedore before moving on to truck driver, crane operator, and checker positions. Ernie was also a supervisor and trainer. He was highly favored and valued by all who worked with him and had worked on the waterfront for nearly 50 years by his retirement!

Outside of work and family, Ernie was an avid bowler – a member of the first African American bowling league in Seattle called The Gay 40's from 1963-2010 before they later changed the name to McKenzie Valley. He was also a huge sports fan and would watch almost any game, regardless of who was playing, although his favorite teams were the Mariners and Seahawks. Ernie also enjoyed fixing things around the house (including his cars), reading Archie comic books, playing the horses, and playing the slot machines.

Ernie was loved by all who knew him and was always willing to give a helping hand to those in need. He was soft-spoken, and because he was so quiet when he did speak, it was time to listen because, more often than not, words of wisdom would come from our father's mouth. We will dearly miss him and forever have him in our hearts.

Ernie leaves to cherish his memory: son Anthony Williams (Linda), daughter Linda Wells (James), daughter Kimberly Williams, son Ernest Williams, son Mark Williams (Lanita), daughter Lakisha Devine (Steve), daughter Jennifer Williams, daughter Jarrita Carter; stepson Michael Henderson; stepson Gregory Dillingham; stepdaughter Karen

In Loving Memory of Our Beloved Alumni

Taylor; nephew James Glymph (Cristine); grandchildren Kristina Williams, Shurae Williams, Scelina Irving, Ernest Williams Jr. (Tiffany), Antoinette Williams, Mark Williams Jr., Shaniqua Humphrey (Charlie), Tre Williams, Brooklyn Williams, Kendall Dillingham, Chloe Williams, LeSean Perkins (Flanna), James Wells, Constance Wells, Aliyah Carector, Alanna Bates-Carector, Amerie Monson, Adyn Monson, Anaís Monson, Elaia Monson, Elliot Monson; a host of nieces, nephews, great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, cousins, and many friends. He also leaves behind his special companion and caregiver, Audrey Starkey.



Sylvia J. (Ellis) Wilson '52

June 5, 1934 ~ December 8, 2023 (age 89)

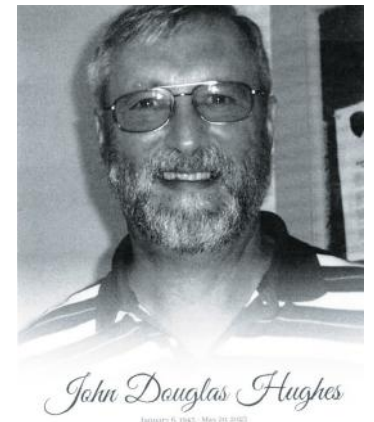
On Dec. 8, 2023, Sylvia Wilson passed away at 89. Born in Seattle, Washington, she lived in many states as the wife of an Air Force veteran. When Roger Wilson retired, they settled in Arizona, where she worked as a secretary in the Tempe School District. Eventually, they fully retired and moved to Green Valley, and after the death of her husband Roger, she moved to Florida to be by her daughter.

She is survived by her three children, Daniel, Leslie, and Gary, their spouses, and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Clinton L. Heacock '53

Clint passed away in January of 2016 due to Parkinson's Disease. He left behind his

wife of 55 years, Laurie, four children, and 12 grandchildren. Clint completed three years in the US Army before returning to Seattle and alternating classes at the U of Washington and Boeing. He retired as a computer programmer with 32 years at Boeing. Clint was never bored with retirement as he learned more computer uses and was willing to teach anyone interested in cribbage. He passed away in Palm Springs, California, as he and his wife enjoyed the snowbird lifestyle for twenty years in that local. His first love was music. He played the saxophone, string bass, and piano. He was part of a church worship team until Parkinson's took his ability to play from him. Clint always had a pun or joke at hand, and his sparkling eyes and "I'll get one over on you smile" are greatly missed to this day.



John Douglas Hughes '63

John Douglas Hughes, class of 1963, died May 20, 2023, at 78. John was born on January 6th, 1945, in Seattle, Washington. He attended local schools, graduating from Cleveland High School in 1963. He joined the Coast and Geodetic Survey and enjoyed his time on the water. John was drafted into the Army and spent one year in Vietnam working on helicopters. A few days after John returned home, he met Terry. John was working and going to school. He and Terry were married on July 3, 1969.

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Making their home on North Hill in Des Moines, Washington, John worked 28 years for the Port of Seattle. John and Terry had three children: Kristi, Aaron, and Matt. Sadly, Aaron died at age two. John spent his spare time coaching the kids' baseball teams and umpiring baseball, which he enjoyed for many years. John was also a golfer, and it was hard to give it up. He loved working with wood and left many treasures for his family to cherish.

John and Terry's social life revolved around their children's sports activities and later following his grandchildren's sports. John and Terry were blessed with seven children and four great-grandchildren. He also leaves behind his brother Larry, class of 1959, and Jan, class of 1961. John loved his family and was loved by his family.

Dennis L. Bullock '64

Denny passed away on January 10, 2024. He is survived by his wife of 25 years, Kathy Bullock; 3 daughters, Tracy (Phil) Montano, Dezi (Ed) Webler, and Colleen Bullock; and four grandchildren. Denny was born July 24, 1946, to Horus and Lois Bullock. He graduated from Cleveland High School and the University of Puget Sound. Denny entered the real estate profession in 1975. He was loved by his agents as he became a Manager and General Manager over the years. He was an incredible mentor to many real estate agents throughout his career. Denny was an avid golfer. He always wanted his children to have great memories, and they did.



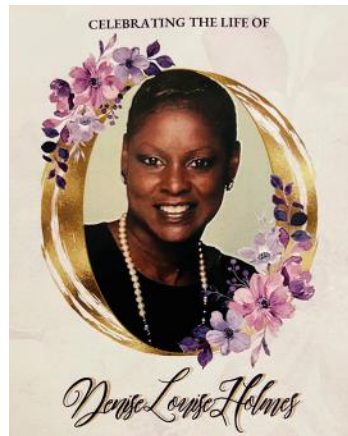
Marlene Hanley '67

Born in Seattle, Marlene graduated from Cleveland High School, class of 1967.

She enjoyed a 43-year career at the Boeing Company, retiring in 2014.

She was passionate about many things, but most importantly, family, gardening, birding, cooking, and the Mariners.

Marlene is survived by her husband, Steve, son, Jeff, and granddaughter, Cassie. All our love always, and rest in peace.



Denise L. (Nichols) Holmes '78

Denise Louise Holmes, 63, of Seattle, WA, passed away peacefully with her family by her side on October 26th, 2023. Denise was born on September 20th, 1960, to Louise (Posley) Nichols and Richard Norwood. After Denise graduated from Cleveland High School in 1978, she ended up working with the Seattle Public School District before her untimely passing. In September 1986, she was

united in Holy Matrimony to Mark Holmes. From this union, they had two children: Cherece and Marcus.

Denise was a devoted wife, mother, and friend to many. She expressed her love in many ways, including her love for arts and crafts in various forms, cooking, shopping, and spending time with those around her.

Denise leaves to mourn and celebrate the memories of her husband, Mark Holmes, and her children, Cherece Holmes and Marcus Holmes. Her siblings: Symantha Cola, Tammy Norwood, Monique Norwood, and Richard (Gene) Norwood. She was preceded in passing by her mother, Louise (Jessie) Nichols, her father Richard Norwood, her sibling, Sheryl Norwood, and California & Yvonne Mondie. She also leaves behind a host of family and friends.



Shirley (Anne) Nielsen Hartley '56

Shirley passed away on December 4, 2023, in SeaTac, Washington. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, daughter, sister, aunt, and friend to all who knew her. Shirley will be remembered for her indomitable spirit, determined nature, and fervent faith. She dedicated her life to serving the Lord with her whole heart and was an inspiration to all who knew her.

Shirley was born on June 20, 1938, in Seattle, Washington, to Henry and Bernice Nielsen. She was the oldest of five children and graduated from Cleveland High School in 1956. After graduation, she worked as

a clerk at Metropolitan Life for several years. On April 5, 1958, Shirley married Don Hartley, her best friend and the love of her life. They met at Ridge Rink in Seattle during a Christian Endeavor youth event. Shirley and Don were blessed with five children: Steve, Trisha, Jon, Dan, and Tommy. Shirley loved being a mother and chose to stay at home to raise her children.

In addition to being a devoted mother, Shirley volunteered countless hours at PTA meetings, Highline Counsel PTSA, and Boulevard Park Presbyterian Church, where she was a member since 1958. Shirley is survived by her husband, Don Hartley, four of her children, Trisha (Brad) Avery, Jon (Elena Romanova) Hartley, Dan (Janell) Hartley, and Tom (Megan) Hartley, her brothers and sisters: Paul (Sharon) Nielsen, Kathy Schaefer, Bob (Linda) Nielsen, Cheryl (Claude) Clark, nieces, nephews, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and many other relatives and friends who loved her dearly.

FALLEN EAGLES

Below is a list of additional Fallen Eagles since the last newsletter in October 2023. Some may have passed earlier but we were not notified until recently. Please let us know if there are any additions or corrections via our online form at clevelandalumsea.org/fallen-eagles

Laura (Lollino) Ferri '47

Kent W. Johnson '55

Rex Martin '57

Douglas Roberts '57

Ross Hori '62

Cordell "Corky" Tip '62

Sherian (Butler) Grimes '64

Larry John Gerber '66

Michael "Michael B." Bas-cincillo '79



2024 EAGLE 100S



SPECIAL HONOR \$10,000+

M.L. SHUKIS '54 \$22,000
For the CHS Memorial Project #1

JOHN R. & MARY LOU (ZARKADES)
BARTON '54 \$20,000
For the CHS Memorial Project #1



PLATINUM EAGLE \$1,000-\$4,999

1963 Vincent Buddy Alit
1980 Steven T. Mikami
1980 Nicole R. Washington



SILVER EAGLE \$200-\$499

1962 John K Keppler
1966 Janice Sao



BRONZE EAGLE \$100-\$199

1959 Donald H Lindberg
1962 Allen Storaasli
1966 Teri (Uchida) Ishihara

DONATIONS UNDER \$100

1958 Margaret (Imus) Kaiser – *In Memory of Valerie Scott*

Aliyanda Harris Cobbinah

2023 EAGLE 100S



SPECIAL HONOR \$10,000+

HAROLD IMUS '42 \$20,000
For Annual Scholarships, &
\$5,000 to CHS Athletics in memory
of Margaret (Goodman) Imus '43

ALISON SING '64 \$15,000
A special donation for The 2030
Project (Learning Center) at the CHS
Memorial Forest



DIAMOND \$5,000-\$9,999

Anita Ingram
*This gift is from the family of Ventris
Ingram '54 from wife Anita, and daugh-
ters Jerri and Kimberly.*

PLATINUM \$1,000-\$4,999

1957 Kenneth Smith
1957 Merlina (Carmignani) Tate
1958 Victor Munsen
1961 Kalman Brauner
1961 Dixon Smith
1973 The Class of 1973
1979 Kenneth Lee
1980 Steven T. Mikami
1982 Tracy Arnold '82 – *In Memory
of Louis Gray Jr. & Brian Carlin*

GOLDEN \$500-\$999

1961 Kalman Brauner
1963 Kerry Knowles
1963 Shirley (Johnson) Johnston
1966 David Nakamura
1967 Marjorie (Kaczor) Alhadeff
1967 MaryAnne Reichle
1971 David James – *In Memory of
Don James brothers Dave "71", Ric
"69" & Mom!*
1973 Allicyn (Hikida) Tasaka – *In
Memory of Randolph (Randy) Hikida
'63*

SILVER \$200-\$499

1944 Mary Karabaich – *In Memory of
Don Duncan '48*
1944 Stanley Ridings
1947/49 L. Dale & Jeanette (George)
Erickson
1949 Geraldine (Bowlin) Elefson
1951 Joan Barker – *In Memory of
John Barker '51*
1954 John R & Mary Lou (Zarkades)
Barton – *In Memory of Teresa
(Vallala) Moberg '54 and Barbara (Bar-
ton) Riber '50*
1954 Dwight Moberg
1955 Elmer Chinn
1956 Della (Gookstetter) McCleary
1956 JoAnn Smith – *In Memory of
Erwin Smith '56*
1957 Judith (McDonnell) Keithley
1957 Jerry Marvelle
1958 Susan Araki Yamamura
1959 Rima Shaffer – *In Memory of
Karen (Schuele) Frank*
1959 James F. Walters
1960/61 Jim & Jolene Landry
1961 Terrance Chinn
1962 Lawrence Bosi
1962 Dale Kodama – *In Memory of
Ross Hori*
1962 James Owens
1962 Allan Schuehle
1963 Robert Babka
1964 Laura (Rice) Jackson
1964 Darlene (Robertson) Galvan –
*In honor of my father, Roy Robertson,
who fought in the Battle of the Bulge*
1965 Douglas R. Verhoef
1965 Diana (Uchida) Coleman
1967 Edmond Eng
1968 Chuck Lindberg
1972 Elizabeth (Kumpf) Pizac
1973 Janne (Miranda) Mak
1974 Patsy Connors – *In Memory of
Julian Pete Lee Aragon*
1974 Jennifer (Ferry) Woods
1974 Steven Byers
1974 David Everitt
1976 Judith (Forthoffer) Butterfield
1998 Paul Wolfe – *In Memory of Bob
Hedgcock*

Townley Anderson
Anonymous – *In Memory of Julia Bren-
ner*
Lairmont Foundation

Thomas McArthur
 Cecilia Moore
 Mrs. Patricia (Subica) Cygan – *Staff Teacher Social Studies Dept Head + Staff Member Scholarship Committee*
 Sam & Sharon Ronnie Roberta (Skerry) Tomkinson
 Amy (Okazaki) Maki

BRONZE \$100-\$199

1930 Valerie Nelson
 1940 Emil (Martincervic) Martin
 1945 Meralyn (Hartmann) Baughman
 1953 Richard Holt
 1953 Anita (Traverson) Sullivan
 1955 Kenneth Phillips
 1955 Richard G. Vandemore
 1955 Sandra Wong
 1957 Terrence Rabbit
 1959 Don Lindberg
 1962 Carolyn (Byrnes) Bosi
 1962 Janice (Hughes) Nelson
 1962 Allen Storaasli
 1962/64 Martha (Hedgcock) Cantwell – *In Memory of Robert Hedgcock*
 1963 James Erickson
 1963 Kay (Bowman) Gordon
 1963 Ronald Reddig
 1964 Toni (Horton) Lamberton
 1965 Joanna (Uchida) Smith
 1965 Class of '65

1965 Donna Lip Yew
 1966 Robert Roseberry
 1967 Barry & Jody (Yoshijima) Uchida
 1967/68 Randy & Mary (Roppo) Brown
 1968 Vicki (English) McFarlane
 1971 Andy Mizuki
 1971 Thomas Yocum
 1972 Elizabeth (Kumpf) Pizac
 1973 Ronald Roletto
 1974 Steve Fontana
 1975 Sheryl Chinn
 1978 Janetta Lee
 1982 James Arnold - *In Memory of Louis Gray, Jr.*
 1982 Jay Shoji
 1989 Sachiko Yari-Doty

Mary Ann (Sitko) Burt
 David & Lynne Nelson
 Mike Nolan
 Virginia "Ginna" Villeneuve – *Staff Language Arts Teacher*
 Ronald "Ron" V. Van Norman – *In Memory of Karen (Scheule) Frank*

UNDER \$100

1945 Carolyn Brewer
 1953 Mary Sue (McCaffree) Schloredt
 1954 Binh Nguyen
 1955 Janie Joanne (Winstead) Roaf

1956 Joanne (Shaner) Carrell
 1957 Duane Tibeau
 1958 Donna (Burke) Sherman
 1958 Pearl DuBry
 1960 Jackie Hoggatt – *In Memory of Gary Epps, a true Cleveland Eagle and one really great guy.*
 1960 Marjeane (Webber) Finger
 1961 Louise (Wasson) Stevens
 1962 John & Jeanne (Deyak) Gordon
 1963 William Branshaw
 1964 Pamela (Robison) Braaten
 1964 Sally (Sullivan) Padilla
 1966 Larry Bullock
 1966 Janice (Dahl) Stepp
 1967 Suzanne (Chin) Maldonado
 1967 Robert Yamagachi
 1969 Sue (Kos) Rutherford – *In Memory of Louis Gray, Jr.*
 1972 Robert Perovich
 1973 Bob Kawamura
 1974 Steve Fontana
 1974 Ruth E. (Klemola) Phillips
 1982 Eric Gilbertsen – *In Memory of Louis Gray, Jr.*
 2019 Andrew Cornel

Linda Collins
 Linda (Anderson) Jzyk
 ReecerMedia, LLC
 Vivian (Toyohara) Katagirl – *Staff 1978-200*

FROM THE TREASURER

Trena Walker '75

We recently have instituted a new bookkeeping system for handling our CHS Alumni Association financials (QuickBooks) and are in the process of moving the data over. QuickBooks will allow us to pull data faster and more efficiently for our newsletters and meetings. Our plan is to have everything loaded prior to the Annual Meeting in March to show a breakdown of the different categories. In the next newsletter, I will provide more information.

The board created and approved a new budget for 2024. In working with Cleveland High School, we are able to establish the school's needs and wants (and the priority of where we should put our alumni donations). We recently received the generous donations of **\$20,000 from John and Mary Lou (Zarkades) Barton** and **\$22,000 from M. L. Shukis** for the **CHSAA Memorial Forest Project #1** (the entrance improvements).

Online donations are highly encouraged but we also will take checks. Make sure to request matching funds from your employers (retirees – check to see if your company matches).



DONATE ONLINE

Make a secure one-time or recurring donation. Select where you want your gift to go. You can even make a donation in memory of a Fallen Eagle. Please visit

ClevelandAlumSea.org/Donate

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OR DONATE BY MAIL

Use the form at the back of this newsletter to mail a contribution by check.

NEW! 2024 DONATION CAMPAIGNS

Thanks to all our alumni and CHSAA friends for your generous gifts.

CHSAA is classified as a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization, so your donations are deductible from your federal income tax. The CHSAA Federal Tax ID number is 91-1708220. This is all you need to make your donation deductible in the eyes of the IRS. You will receive a receipt via mail if paying by check or email if paying online, confirming your contribution.



ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIPS

General fund is for any scholarships (including College or Trade Schools). The Ed Landon fund is used for students obtaining an education degree.



CHS MEMORIAL FOREST

Forest Improvements, Events such as Field Trips and Ceremonies, or a General donation, which would be used at the discretion of the CHSAA Board.



CHS ACTIVITIES

General fund is used at the discretion of the CHSAA Board with input of the CHS Activities Director and CHS Principal. Designate a specific activity from the options provided. Clubs listed at www.clevelandhs.seattleschools.org/student-life/clubs.



CHS ATHLETICS

General fund donations are used at the discretion of the CHSAA Board with the input of the CHS Athletic Director and CHS Boosters. Alternatively, you can designate a specific sports team from the options provided on the form.



CHS GENERAL FUND

The General Fund is used at the discretion of the CHSAA Board. This could include special requests from Cleveland High School, the CHS PTSA, and/or CHS Booster clubs.



CHSAA MAILING FUND

Your contribution helps pay for the production, printing, and delivery of our newsletter, which is usually around 24 pages, and distributed to thousands of Alumni 3 or 4 times a year.

2024 CHSAA ANNUAL MEETING SET FOR MARCH 2

All are welcome to attend! Scan the QR code here to RSVP. (We'll send you the Zoom details via email.)

In-Person or via Zoom Online
Saturday, March 2, 2024

10:30 AM to 12:30 PM

CHS Main Building
Room 1201, 2nd Floor
5511 15th Avenue South
Seattle, WA 98108



AGENDA

- » Welcome
- » Report Out Annual Meeting Minutes (February 2023)
- » 2023 Accomplishments
- » Treasurer's Report
- » CHS Memorial Forest
- » Scholarships
- » 2024 New Business & Objectives
- » Election of Board Members
- » Meeting Adjourned

RSVP LINK: <https://bit.ly/CHSAA2024>

Nicole Washington '80
CHSAA Secretary
chsaaboardsec1980@gmail.com

FEEDBACK & MESSAGES

Since our last newsletter we received some nice feedback and messages we wanted to share it with you! Please forward your messages, suggestions and questions about the website and/or this newsletter to:

news@clevelandalumsea.org



So happy with the new look and ease of reading the newsletter and website. Thanks Marni and all for creating a newsletter to be proud of. Blessings for a beautiful 2024. **Janice (Dahl) Stepp '66**

Thank you to **Dr. Terrance Chinn '61** for his suggestion to enable the prefix "Dr." on all donor accounts. If you are an Eagle with this type of credential you can edit your donor information through the Donor Dashboard, or send an email to webmaster@clevelandalumsea.org and we will do it for you!

Corrections:

- Fallen Eagle **Gary Hitoshi Sakai** is part of the class of 1973 (not 1955)
- **David James** donated \$500 in memory of his brother Don.

My Favorite Teacher

Who was your favorite teacher and why? <https://clevelandalumsea.org/my-favorite-teacher/>

Mr. Brown (Woodshop) was a very patient and fair teacher. I enjoyed his class very much and it may have helped me with skills required for starting my first real job as a Boeing Assembly Mechanic. **Mr. Ishida** (Swim Coach) was a very hard working teacher and coach and was honest with me regarding my performance. He shared insights that stayed with me in helpful ways.
Janetta Lee '78

Coach Johnson - Gym
He was a good person. Took time with everyone as if they were his own kids.
Stephanie Hartfield '79

Mr. Champoux - English
He clearly loved teaching and it showed. He was very dedicated and caring. I always enjoyed class and learned a lot.
~**Julie Alonzo Desimone '72**

Miss White helped me understand science (Biology), which helped me a lot in college science courses. **Mr. Romstead (Health)** gave me lots advice, I became a much better driver because of him. **Mr. Morris** (Health) was a great coach and mentor. **Mr. Fujii** (Art) gave me a ton of advice about life. **Mr. Champoux** if I listened to anyone it was this man! Mr. Champoux helped me in so many ways I use his teaching's in every phase of my life! ~**Larry Jackson '78**

A walk down memory lane

RECOGNIZE ANY OF THESE CHS ALUMNI FROM 1948?

Tracy (Case) Arnold, '82

Email: membership@clevelandalumsea.org

As I dig through my dad's Cleveland High School boxes (as in several boxes), I found this photo from May 6, 1948. My dad (Don "Sad Sack" Case, Class of 1948) was part of the CHS Band (and the original Kings of Swing).

Cleveland Band is where my parents met. My mother, Jackie Miller (Class of 1951), saw my dad and decided she was going to marry him someday. They were married 62 years until his death in 2015.

I still have two names not identified on the photo. Your help in solving this mystery would be greatly appreciated!

On the back of the photo, it says:

May 6, 1948

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| 1. Don Case | 5. Marion Rendale | 9. Bob Peck |
| 2. (no name) | 6. Harvalee Jameson | 10. Fred Johnson |
| 3. Jackie Miller | 7. (no name) | 11. Corrine Demiart (should be Corrinne Diemert) |
| 4. Charlotte Sherry | 8. Richard Ericksen | |



1961 CHS JOURNAL EXCERPTS

Little Bit from the Idiot

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Stevens
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The officers of the Future Business Leaders of America pose for the Journal in front of their organization advertising sign. The officers are, from left to right: Jean Chambliss, secretary; Judy Bostian, vice president; Marion Budinich, president; Carole Campbell, treasurer; and Mark Durfee, reporter.

FBLA Members To Attend Vocational Conference at Seattle U. on March 4

Several Cleveland F.B.L.A. members have made plans to attend the Vocational Institute at Seattle University on March 4. Marion Budinich, president of the Future Business Leaders of America, announced at their meeting on February 16 that members would receive points toward F. B. L. A. advancement for attending this all-day conference which will help them discover more about job opportunities in this area.

Money-Making Plans

F.B.L.A. plans to sponsor either a dime toss booth or a pop corn stand at the annual Cleveland Day carnival in March and to have a car wash project later in the spring.

All "A" Student Is Sunshine Girl

Kathy Novak was presented with the Sunshine Girl at the Franklin game pep assembly and she was very astonished when she was called on stage to receive the honor. Kathy attended Mercer before entering Cleveland this year.

Our February Sunshine Girl takes geometry, biology, clothing, language arts, and Spanish VI. Even though she takes all these subjects, Kathy somehow manages to obtain "A's" in each subject. Because of her high academic standings, Kathy is a member of Torch Club where she is co-chairman of the decorations committee.

Kathy likes school, Chinese food and pizza, bowling, and loves to watch ice-hockey. Her favorite sport is golf which she plays during the summer.

This is F.B.L.A.'s second year at Cleveland. It is a national organization designed to assist students in business careers.

Mrs. Kuykendall Installs Officers

Mrs. Gladys Kuykendall, faculty sponsor of F.B.L.A. at Shoreline High School, assisted the Cleveland chapter with its formal installation of officers on January 18. Gay Goodrich, Shoreline chapter president, told Clevelandites of the activities at her school.

The 1961 officers are Marion Budinich, president; Judy Bostian, vice-president; Jean Chambliss, secretary; Carol Campbell, treasurer; and Mark Durfee, reporter.

Mrs. Harriet Pickett, Cleveland sponsor of the organization, and the new officers recently attended a meeting at Shoreline High School where Mrs. Marge Grennan, a teen-age consultant; and Mr. Paul Smith, an educational recreation supervisor, spoke on "You and Your Personality."



HELP US KEEP OUR MAILING LIST CLEAN!

A recent audit of our mailing list resulted in a discover that multiple issues are being sent to the same address. Regardless of how many Alums reside at the same address, please help us keep our costs down by alerting us to any newsletters that are no longer wanted, or excessive issues not needed.

Need to make a change? Use our online form to notify us of any changes to your address, recipient name, or subscription preferences.

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Dear Cleveland High School Alumni,

The website continues to improve and serve the Alumni community!

Secure Online Donations and Donor Account Management: We understand the importance of a seamless and secure donation process. Our system allows hassle-free online contributions and gives donors a user-friendly account management interface.

<https://clevelandalumsea.org/donate>

Fallen Eagle Tributes: To pay homage to dearly departed alumni, we've introduced an online form that allows you to share details (and photos!) about "Fallen Eagles." This heartfelt tribute ensures their legacy lives on in hearts and shared memories.

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Favorite Teacher Section: We believe that teachers leave an indelible mark on student lives. With our "Favorite Teacher" section, you can cast your vote and share the reasons behind your choice. Let's celebrate those educators who've shaped our journeys.

<https://clevelandalumsea.org/my-favorite-teacher>

Interactive Google Calendar: Stay in the loop with our vibrant alum community by subscribing to our Google Calendar, managed by our secretary, Nicole Washington. This tool ensures you're always up-to-date with the latest alum events and gatherings.

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Newsletter Archives: Relive cherished moments from the past and stay connected with the present. You can also subscribe or manage your current subscription at your convenience.

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Your feedback has been instrumental in shaping these enhancements, and I invite you to continue sharing your thoughts and suggestions via email to

webmaster@clevelandalumsea.org.

Warm regards,

Marni Reecer
Editor and Webmaster

GET INVOLVED

Class Contacts: We would like to establish one or more focal points or contacts for each graduation year at CHS. These focal points would serve to provide information and/or to coordinate class activities such as luncheons, reunions, picnics, outings to CHS sports events, etc., or just keeping classmates in contact with each other. We, on the CHSAA board, could use these focal points to help keep current our alumni database and to help maintain our lists of Fallen Eagles and the mailing list for the Alumni Newsletter. If you are interested please use the form below to indicate you would like to be a contact for your class.

Your involvement can be as much as you want it to be!

CHOOSE YOUR INTEREST

- » Serving on the board
- » Being a Focal Point of Contact for my class
- » Helping with an event, activity, or special project
- » The CHSAA newsletter
- » Some other way

JOIN A COMMITTEE

- » 100th Anniversary - Fall 2027
- » Alumni Relations / Membership
- » Annual Golf Tourney - *Let's bring it back!*
- » Audit
- » Bylaws Review
- » Fundraising
- » Memorial Forest
- » - The 2030 Project (Future development of a Learning Center at the Forest)
- » Newsletter
- » Nominations/Election
- » Social Media
- » Scholarships

Visit clevelandalumsea.com/contact
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CHS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION DONATION FORM

NOTE: This form is for OFFLINE DONATIONS only. We highly encourage you to donate online at clevelandalumsea.org/donate. Please make your check payable to: CHSAA or Cleveland High School Alumni Association. Donations should be mailed to: PO Box 94004, Seattle, WA 98124-9404.

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CHSAA Contact Information

Alumni Website: Check out the latest news: www.clevelandalumsea.org.

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Reunion Planning: Email news@clevelandalumsea.org.

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Please help us keep the database current by sending a post office change of address form or by contacting the membership secretary when you move. To protect your privacy membership list is not distributed to anyone except for activities associated with the Alumni Association.

Volunteer Opportunities:

I would like to help build a strong alumni association. I am interested in the following:

- I can serve on the Board
- I can serve on a committee: Alumni Relations / Membership, Scholarships, Fundraising, The Memorial Forest/2030 Veteran Project, Audit, Newsletter & Website, 100th Anniversary - Fall 2027
- I would like to help out with an event, activity, or a specific project
- I would like to help publish the newsletter
- I would like to help in some other way

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