

Cardinal Chatter



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Educational Foundation

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Principal's Message

Happy 2014 WHS Alumni!

Thank you Alumni for your support! You make an enormous difference in individual student lives through the generous college scholarship money that supports 13 well deserving seniors each year, and for the support which decreases the cost of AP tests for close to 400 students! WHS students have also benefited this year from your monetary contributions that supported Associated Student Body leadership training, drama productions, Cardinal Brigade, WHS athletic teams, and our C.A.P.P. (Cardinal Advanced Placement) programs. We are blessed to have alumni who remember fondly their time at WHS and who support the WHS legacy of success!

Whittier High School has again scored in the top 6,000 high schools in the nation as identified by US Newsweek for the success of our Advanced Placement program that serves over 40% of our students. We have scored above all other schools in our district!

We are also excited to report that we have been recognized as a PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention Support) model school. WHS promotes the values of being "Cardinals with C.L.A.S.S.": Citizenship, Leadership, Achievement, Self-Respect, and Service to our Community. Being a "model program" means that we are recognized for our school-wide campaign and the improvement of school discipline data, as well as the positive school climate and culture that is evident in our notable school spirit. It also means we are visited by other schools because of our success. Our students are proud of being part of the "Cardinal Cage" that fills the stands at every athletic competition. We also have the most students who attend school dances, Sadie's, seasonal celebrations, Night Rally's, plays and musicals; Whittier High School is our students "home away from home".

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2014 Hall of Fame Honorees

The annual Hall of Fame gives the Alumni Association the opportunity to honor former students of Whittier High School who have been exceptional: who have accomplished much, and have through their dedication inspired and contributed to their fellow man and communities. It is our pleasure to introduce the honorees of 2014.

Glenn Allison, class of 1948

While in high school, you could find Glenn either swimming or bowling at the Hadley Bowl. He started bowling when he was eleven years old and hasn't stopped. Because he was the first to ever bowl three consecutive perfect games in sanctioned competition, he is known internationally as Mr. "900". His love of bowling has brought him international fame but knowing the positive qualities bowling encourages, he has spent his life passing on this love and skill by teaching the skill to youngsters.

Carol Jean Bennett, class of 1972

Carol was named "Most Artistic of the Senior Class", won 1st place in the WHS Art Show and used those talents to become an internationally known artist. She has completed large major works of art in public places, including the Honolulu Airport and the Kauai Judicial Building. In addition, she has spent 20 years donating her talents to Children's theater and Island school drama classes.

Clark Brundin, class of 1948

For Clark, Cal Tech and four years in the US Navy followed Whittier High School – then an engineering degree at UC Berkeley. After going to Oxford, England as a junior lecturer, he earned his PhD in aeronautical sciences at UC Berkeley. By 1963 he was married to an English girl and teaching at Oxford. He spent 7 years as the Chancellor of the University of Warwick and was the founding dean of the business school in Oxford. In retirement he is active in charity work and spent 8 years as a city councilor for Oxford.

Lori Eshilian, class of 1972

A student of distinction, song leader, member of the homecoming court, active in ASB and Miss Teen, 1969 were just some of the activities that kept Lori busy while at Whittier High School. Education was her calling and after Whittier College and Cal State University LA, and before being an award winning principal of Whittier High, Lori distinguished herself as a special education teacher. Receiving numerous awards in the development of inclusive programs, Lori has co-authored chapters in Special Education text books and presented at numerous state and national conferences addressing support services for students with special needs.

Alfred J. Gobar, class of 1949

Always working while in school: farm laborer, oil drilling roughneck, car wash attendant, appliance and TV repairman and sometimes boxer, Al still found time to be a student. He received his B. A. and M. A. from Whittier College, His PhD in Economics from USC and a Whittier College Honorary Doctorate from Whittier College. His knowledge of economic development, real estate and home building has brought him national and international recognition and he is an active financial supporter of various civic and charitable groups.

William House, M.D., class of 1941 – in memorium

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Dr. House is known as the “Father of Neurotology” based on his pioneering development in the removal of acoustic tumors and the management of patients with disabling vertigo. He is noted by the American Academy of Otolaryngology to have developed more new concepts in otology than any other person in history – most famously pioneering the Cochlear Implant. His dedicated work made simple low-cost cochlear implants available to the general population in third world countries.

Carol Tenopir, class of 1970

Life member of CIF and member of the drill team while at Whittier High School,, Carol graduated from Whittier College with honors and received her Ph.D. from the University of Illinois. She is presently a Chancellor’s Professor in the School of Information Sciences and director of the Center for Information and Communication Studies at the University of Tennessee. As a specialist in informational science she has given lectures and speeches in over 30 foreign countries. Her professional activities include the U.S. House of Representative Roundtable of Access to Research and she has received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the International Information Industry.

You still have the opportunity to be a sponsor!

Title Sponsor – “Presented by...” \$3,000

Name on the cover of printed program and all press releases for the event.
Full page ad in Program
Name on website and Facebook
Six seats at selected table

Dinner Sponsor - \$2,500

Name listed on registration table and Full page ad in the printed program
Name on website and Facebook
Four seats at selected table

Scholars Host - \$2,000 (defrays cost of recipients and their family)

Name listed on registration table and in the printed program
Name on website and Facebook
Two seats at selected table

Scholarship Sponsor - \$1500 (covers cost of scholarship, plaque and dinner)

Name in printed program and on website
Naming rights for one year on one alumni scholarship
Reduced rate for up to four seats (\$50 each)

Principal’s Academic Leadership - \$1,000

Name in printed program, on website, and all future newsletters
Life membership for Alumni Association

Staff Host - \$850 (defrays cost of staff table and staff award)

Name in printed program and on website

Award Sponsor – \$800 (defrays cost of plaques for student scholars)

Name in printed program and on website

**WHITTIER HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
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Fifteenth Annual Hall of Fame Dinner – April 27, 2014
Radisson Hotel, Whittier – 5:00 pm
Reservation Deadline _ April 13, 2014

Yes, I will be there! Class Year _____ Number of Guests _____

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Please list the names of guests below, along with WHS Class Year.

Number attending: _____ @ \$75 per person = \$ _____

I would like to sponsor a Scholarship Recipient and their parents Number attending: 3 @ \$75 per person = \$ 225

Reserved Seating Table of 10 @ \$75 per person = \$ 750

VIP Table seating 10 = \$ 850

No, I cannot attend, enclosed is a tax-deductible donation to WHSAAEF in the amount of \$ _____

Grand Total Amount Enclosed Payable to WHSAAEF \$ _____

Please send the completed form and check to:
WHSAAEF, PO Box 65, Whittier, CA 90608-0065
or
Use Paypal by logging on to
www.whittierhighalumni.org

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HALL OF FAME NOMINATION

The nominee must have graduated from Whittier High School 20 years prior to nomination or been employed at Whittier High School. In addition to achieve a positive record at WHS, the nominee must have distinguished him/herself professionally, in community service, through volunteer work, or other endeavors that have resulted in international, national, state or local impact.

Name of Nominee _____ Class Year _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

WHS Honors/Awards/Distinctions _____

College/University/Military Service _____

Degrees Earned _____

Career/Professional Information _____

Communty/Service/Volunteer Work _____

Why are you nominating this person ?

Person Submitting Nomination: Name _____ Class Year _____

Address/Phone _____

Email _____ Date Submitted _____

Does the nominee know about this nomination: Yes _____ No _____

Are you sending supporting data, documents, photos? Yes _____ No _____

**Nominations for the 2015 Hall of Fame must be submitted by April 27, 2014. Send completed form to:
WHSAAEF, PO Box 65, Whittier, CA 90608-0065
or
bring it to the Hall of Fame Dinner.**

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ADVANCED PLACEMENT TESTING

It is not unusual, in this day and age when it is difficult to be admitted to colleges and universities, that students take College Placement courses that enhance their opportunity to reach their educational goals. To ensure that the classes count for college credit, they take an Advanced Placement Test. If they receive a passing grade, they receive college credit. School officials are in agreement that taking the exam is an advantage for college preparation. At Whittier High every student in an advanced placement class qualifies to take the exam (in opposition to only the top student) and pays \$20 towards the \$89 cost. In 2013 238 students took 698 exams and this year the numbers will increase. Your board has supported this project for several years and will again in 2014.

ACCOUNTING

We may be non-profit but the government is very particular about the tax records that we keep. Kudos to Jere E. McDonald for his volunteer efforts to keep us on the up and up. Jere is not a Whittier High grad but a believer in What we are doing and we appreciate his help very much.

NEW WHSAAEF PRESIDENT

Karen Boulter, a graduate of Whittier High in 1971, was part of the Marching Band when it traveled to Washington D.C. to march in President Nixon's Inaugural parade. Today, 43 years later, she leads your board as it recognizes and assists the needs of the today's Cardinals. Born in she spent 15 years in Hawaii and enjoys the aloha groups when they visit the Shannon Center. Always interested in education, she has taught Dental Assisting and is now the manager of the Wardman House of Whittier College, seeing to all the details necessary to coordinate the home's activities for the school and president.

REUNION INFORMATION

Visit the WHS website www.wuhsd.org/whs and to the Alumni Tab for the most up to date info. Or contact Janice Lanham Zolnekoff (class of '70) at the school (562) 698-8121 x2010 or email Janice.zolnedoff@wuhsd.org.

1948 – A reunion brunch will be held at 10am on **Sunday, April 27, 2014**, the day on which classmates Clark Brundin and Glenn Allison will be inducted into the Hall of Fame. Class contacts: Marj Johana Moon at johanamoong@gmail.com and (808) 214-0316 or Dick Lantz at sailrlantz@sbcglobal.net and (619) 442-5846.

1954 – Contact Pat Brown Engelage (562) 698-5649, Pat Rogers Hall (951) 599-4687, or Norm Berniere (562) 943-1938. 60 year reunion planned for Saturday, August 16, 2014 at the Friendly Hills Country Club. More info to come.

1959 – 55 year reunion is October 3-4, 2014. Contact Richard Grubbs (714) 357-6095 richard92352@gmail.com or Guy Talbot egtalbott@verizon.net or (714) 848-9618. Click on the class website <http://whitterhigh59.com> to see details.

1964 – 50 years reunion will be October 17-19 at the Whittier Radisson Hotel. Contact Mary Westphal (951) 788-1968 mwestsbta@aol.com, Melodee Williams Zamudio mczeduc@gmail.com, or Nancy Weeks Lewis (847) 372-0417 nancylewis7674@aol.com.

1974 – 40th reunion planned for Saturday, May 17, 2014 at the Whittier Radisson Hotel. Make your reservations now at <http://www.greatreunions.com>. Contact Rick Larson (619) 203-5869 fil3255@aol.com, Steven Gale sbjale@aol.com, Julie Adams Zivnak (909) 622-0614 or Cynthis Breaux cbreaux@calpoly.edu.

1984 – 30th reunion will be at the Whittier Radisson Hotel on Saturday, July 26, 2014. Contact Patty Sanchez Thomas (702) 255-6955 pattiithomas@cox.net or Facebook WHS c/o 84 reunion.

1994 – Planned for Saturday, August 2, 2014. Contact Francine Lopez Garcia francinee1@yahoo.com or Laura Camacho lauravcamacho@yahoo.com. (562) 656-9608.

2004 – Are you ready for your 10 year high school reunion? Contact Senior Class President Jennifer Alvarez on facebook (jennifer alvarez 716195) or jenniferalvar@gmail.com.

The Class of 1961, at their 50th reunion, donated \$250 to the Auditorium Fund and \$250 to the Organ Fund. Somehow the Class of 1951 was credited and we apologize.

SENIOR PROJECTS

In order to graduate, every Senior in the District is required to plan, execute and present a personal project to his class and to judges in the community. These projects range in subject matter, depending on the interests of the student. It could be a study on the dangers of smoking, how to rehab a '71 Pontiac, or design a computer game. Each is unique and requires interfacing with members in the community and hours of preparation. Whittier High's Senior projects were completed and judged in January and were found to be interesting and creative. If you would like to be a judge in this rewarding experience next year please let Janice Zolnekoff know so she can tell the sponsoring teacher. You can reach Janice at JaniceZolnekoff@wuhsd.k12.c.us

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE continued

WHS is actively preparing for the new Common Core testing and for the increased state funding for education. We know we will be successful in developing our students as Critical Thinkers, Creative Problem Solvers, Collaborative Learners, and Effective Communicators. However, 85% of our students come from low socio-economic families; even with the increased state funding there are many things we need to do to support our student achievement. It is only through the amazing generosity of our alumni that we have been able to thrive as a school and support our students!

Thank you Alumni – always, always love Whittier High!

Sincerely,

Lori (Peel) Eshilian – WHS Alum “72

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MEMBERSHIP FEE

The WHS Alumni Association offsets the cost of the *Cardinal Chatter* with a \$10.00 membership fee. We appreciate your support of Whittier High by continuing to send your membership fee in the donation envelope that is included with this Chatter or pay by credit card by visiting our website at www.whittierhighalumni.org and click on the donations tab.

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If you would like to submit something for the next issue,
please send it by April 30, 2014

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