# The Ballard High School

# Golden Beaver

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# 2017 Golden Beaver Scholarships To Be Awarded in April by Jack Lawson '52, 2017 Scholarship chair



# The Committee

How it started

John Anderson '46, Dick Mitchell '51, Randy Hathaway '52, Evelyn Sorrentino Balch '56, Laurie Detert Anderson '53 and Jack Lawson '52 will have the privilege of interviewing candidates for our 2017 scholarship awards.

Jack Lawson '52

The Golden Beavers Association was

established in 1987 by the class of 1936 following their 50th class reunion. The first officers were Pres. Don Adams '36, Treasurer Cal Jorgensen '36 and Secretary Burnice Whiteley Anderson '36. The primary focus of the Golden Beavers is to provide scholarships to deserving Ballard high school seniors. Financial support for this is derived from membership dues, memorial contributions, wills and bequests, and donations.

## **Directed scholarships**

We also have some families that provide annual scholarships in memory of others:

## **Roby-Bader**

Janice Blair, Ballard High School PTSA President announced the establishment of a \$500 perpetual Martha Bader scholarship at the senior awards ceremony, May 1992, which came as a complete surprise to Martha Bader. It was presented in appreciation of her commitment and dedication and many hours spent to benefit the Ballard High students. Martha Bader requested that the scholarship be renamed the Roby- Bader scholarship to honor her parents, Richard and Catherine Roby. In addition to the original \$500, the scholarship has been funded by a one-time personal gift from the family. It is to be a non-expendable trust account set up so only the interest is used for the scholarship presented each year.

#### **Bernice Whitley Anderson**

On June 13, 2002, the Golden Beavers received a letter stating, "I wish to initiate an annual scholarship in the name of my mother Bernice Whitley Anderson class of 36." It was signed Richard H Anderson '58. He also stated, "I intend to have my heirs continue this scholarship in my absence or death." Dick passed away in April 2005. He had 30 years of successful teaching in the Federal Way school district. Family member Nancy Ito-DelRe has continued with his request.

### The Detert Family

For the past three years, Laurie Detert Anderson '53 has wanted to do something for her late brother Tom Detert '52. Tom passed away in 2013 as a result of lung cancer. Laurie's dedication and loyalty to Ballard High School combined with her love for her brother led to the establishment of the Detert Family Scholarships.

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# Save the Date!

Ballard High School Golden Beavers 30th Annual Scholarship Luncheon

11:30 A.M., April 29, 2017

Ballard High School Commons

Featured Speaker: State Senator Reuven Carlyle

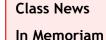
For more information, contact Dick Lee at 206-391-5555 or rjlee@seattleschools.org.

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And Much More

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#### **Golden Beaver Past Presidents**

| Ben Adams '32*<br>Lee Bass '37*<br>Ralph Peterson '32*<br>Robert Tourtillotte '36*<br>Tena Vander Hoek Carver '37<br>Henry T. Simonson '36* | '87-'88<br>'88-'89<br>'89-'90<br>'90-'91<br>'91-'92<br>'92-'93 |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Glen H. Neuman '37*                                                                                                                         | '93-'94                                                        |
| Winifred Early Meier '35*                                                                                                                   | '94-'95                                                        |
| Ellen Rundquist '38*                                                                                                                        | '95-'96                                                        |
| R. Keith Miller '40*                                                                                                                        | '96-'97                                                        |
| Louis V. Larsen '42                                                                                                                         | '97-'98                                                        |
| Dan Hardman '44*                                                                                                                            | '98-'99                                                        |
| Lillian Raker Britain '39*                                                                                                                  | '99-200                                                        |
| Lawrence "Tag" Christiensen '41*                                                                                                            | 2000-20                                                        |
| Toby Perry '47*                                                                                                                             | 2001-20                                                        |
| Fred R. Strom '50                                                                                                                           | 2003-20                                                        |
| Bill A. Burnett* '44                                                                                                                        | 2005-20                                                        |
| Jack R. Lawson '52                                                                                                                          | 2007-20                                                        |
| Carol Ann Aplin Echols '48*                                                                                                                 | 2008-20                                                        |
| Alan R. Hutchison '53                                                                                                                       | 2009-20                                                        |
| Charles "Charlie" J. See '56                                                                                                                | 2011-20                                                        |
| Don Simpson '53                                                                                                                             | 2013-20                                                        |
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# **Principal's Greeting**

by Keven Wynkoop '94, BHS Principal and Golden Beaver Scholarship recipient

To Our Esteemed Golden Beavers,

As the Principal and third generation graduate of Ballard High School, I am so honored to be writing to all of you. Every time I talk to prospective families of Ballard students, I always start by emphasizing the more than 100 years of legacy that makes our High School special. Becoming a Ballard Beaver is not simply about where they are going to attend high school, but it is about honoring the tradition that we hold in our hearts. This year I have had this idea ingrained in my family even more, as I welcomed my oldest son, Nolan, to Ballard as a 9th grader. I am so thrilled that he is getting to share in our shared experience of what it means to be a Ballard Beaver.

Ballard has had another great year academically. Our Music program is the best in the City and our Digital Film program is one of the best in the entire nation. The Ballard Robotics Team recently started competition season and is hoping to earn an invitation to return to the International competition in St Louis, Missouri. The Spring is a fun time at BHS, as our Seniors are hearing back from all of the amazing collegiate institutions that they have applied to, building towards final decisions being made by the end of May. One of my favorite traditions that has started is for Seniors to wear the college gear of the school they will be attending on May 1. It provides a great sense of accomplishment for the Seniors and it gives younger students something to emulate. Our students give us so many reasons to be proud of them.

Our athletic program has been enjoying another banner year in 2016-17. The Fall saw both Cross Country teams place in the top ten in the State and the football team won our annual rivalry game against Roosevelt with a whole new staff of coaches that are also Ballard Alums. In February, we celebrated a State Championship by our amazing cheerleading team. It is their 3rd State Championship in the last 15 years. The Winter also saw wrestlers qualify for State, the Gymnastics team return to State and the Boys Basketball team went on a late run through

## **Financial Statement**

Ballard High School **Golden Beavers Association** P.O. Box 70572 8 Seattle, WA 98127 9 0 January 19, 2017 Custodial accounts \$7,786 17,810 Deferred Income To the Executive Board of Ballard High School Total liabilities 25,596 Golden Beavers Assoc Fund Balances 26,705 General Fund Seattle, Washington Scholarship Fund 450,739 477,444 The accompanying statement of financial 503,039 Total Liabilities and Fund Balances condition-tax basis of Ballard High School Golden Beavers Assoc as of December 31, 2016 and the Ballard High School Golden Beavers Association related statement of revenues, expenses and Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Balances - Tax Basis change in fund balances-cash basis for the six 00 for the 6 months ended December 31, 2016 months then ended have been prepared by Henry 2001 General Scholarship L. Nornberg, CPA. I have prepared such financial 2003 Fund Fund Combined statements in my capacity as treasurer of Ballard \$ 3,029 Revenues \$ 4,646 \$ 7,676 2005 High School Golden Beavers Association. Expenses <u>3,558</u> <u>44,625</u> <u>48,183</u> 2007 Excess (deficit) of Revenues 1,089 (41,596) (40,507) 2008 over Expenses Respectfully submitted, 25,616 2009 Fund Balances, July 1, 2016 <u>492,335</u> <u>517,951</u> 2011 Fund balances, Dec 31, 2016 \$26,705 \$450,739 \$477,444 \_\_\_\_\_ ===== ===== 2013 The Board has elected to omit substantially all of the disclosures Certified Public Accountant 2016 ordinarily included in financial statements prepared in accordance with the tax basis of accounting. If the omitted disclosures were included in the financial statements, they might influence the user's conclusions about the Organization's assets, liabilities, fund balances, revenues and The Ballard High School Golden Beavers Association is



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the ever-challenging Metro League to finish one game away from the State Tournament. I am sure that the Spring will bring even more accomplishments from our talented athletes and coaches. I hope that you can join us at the August Ballard Foundation Golf Tournament and Dinner of Champions, as we couldn't have this level of success without the generous support of alums like you.

This Spring, the Performing Arts Department chose Les Miserables as the Spring Musical. Taking on one of the most well-known and grandest of musicals was a huge task for our students and staff but they have truly risen to the occasion. The talent of the performers on stage, the amazing set that the students built that towers over the stage, the student and teacher created costumes and the lighting and sound effects show what is possible when a group of over 100 talented and dedicated students is led by truly gifted teachers. The talent of our teachers, performers and crew just blows my mind. I hope that you got an opportunity to see the show.

At Ballard, I like to say that "It is always great to be a Beaver" and that could not be more true for our current Seniors. As they are making the important decision as to where they will attend College, it makes such a difference to know that the Beavers that have come before them are there to support their dreams with scholarships. In 1994, I was a recipient of a Golden Beaver Scholarship and that recognition and support meant the world to me and helped me become the educator that I am today. Thank you so much for recognizing this year's Scholarship recipients and I can't wait to introduce them to you.

Sincerely, Keven Wynkoop

| Ballard High School Golden Beavers Association<br>Statement of Financial Condition-Tax Basis<br>December 31, 2016 |            |  |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|--|
| Assets                                                                                                            |            |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents                                                                                         | \$ 503,039 |  |
| Total assets                                                                                                      | \$ 503,039 |  |
| Liabilities and Fund Balances                                                                                     |            |  |
| Liabilities                                                                                                       |            |  |

expenses. Accordingly, these financial statements are not designed for

those who are not informed about such matters.

\*Deceased

a 501 (c) 3 charitable organization.

# President's Message

#### by Evelyn (Sorrentino) Balch '56

**Dear Friends and Members** 

It has been a honor to serve as your president this past year and I am looking forward to another term. It has been a very productive year as we awarded 14 scholarships, and had an art tour and the annual luncheon at the high school.

We will be having an election of officers at our June 8th meeting. If you would like to serve on the Board or have someone vou know would like to, please contact the nominating committee Vice President Dick Lee, Board Vice President Dick Mitchell or Past President Don Simpson (see page 2 for contact information).

I would like to thank Lauri Anderson, Chairman of the luncheon and Jack Lawson, Chairman of the Scholarship Committee, for their commitment and dedication.

We still have a lot of work to do, so if you are interested in joining the Golden Beavers Association, the dues are \$25.00 a year or \$100.00 for a lifetime member. These dues go to help toward the scholarships that are awarded to the graduates of Ballard High. If you've let your membership lapse, we'd love



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to have you back supporting our scholarship recipients. Just send in your envelope today!

# Did You Attend Loyal Heights Elementary?

any of the alumni who have made Mtheir way through Ballard High School started their school careers at Loyal Heights Elementary. If you are one of them, the photo at the top right may look familiar: the building so many of us knew (and at least some of us loved).

Today Loyal Heights is in the process of renovation to create an updated building to serve new generations of students. The picture below is an artist's rendition of the Loyal Heights to be, when the renovations are complete.

Images courtesy of Seattle Public Schools





# **Do You Know These?**

Trivia and not-so-trivial treats from our GB Triviamaster... by Dick Mitchell '51

# **Golden Beaver Scholarships**

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#### **The Process**

Each applicant will have submitted a letter of recommendation from a teacher or employer along with their resume, including school and community activities, work experience, special honors and awards. BHS staff evaluates the applicants and picks those they think would benefit from the scholarships. The Golden Beaver committee then meets with each applicant to discuss their accomplishments and their future. They are scored using grade point, community service, presentation, recommendation letter and the interview. It is a difficult process, since all the applicants are outstanding young men and women. It was difficult to pick out "winners" as all of the applicants are exceptional. It is rewarding to listen to their thoughts and ambitions. Listening to what they have accomplished in such a short time has given this committee a heartwarming feeling about our future with these young adults.

- 1. What is the correct name of the Ballard Locks?
- 2. Who was the Performing Arts Center named 10. What high school in Seattle currently has after and who was he?
- 3. What does PTSA stand for?
- 4. What year did this new BHS open?
- 5. Where was BHS located before it's current location?
- 6. What was the name of the first high school in Ballard?
- 7. Where was it located?
- 8. What year did BHS win the state Football Championship?

- 9. What high school did our current principal graduate from?
- the largest number of students?
- 11.What are the names of the now closed north end high schools that now have students attending BHS?
- 12. What is the name of the former grade school that now houses the Nordic Heritage Museum?
- 13. What is the name of the BHS grad who was an astronaut and whose picture is on the BHS Wall of Recognition?

(You'll find the answers on p. 12.)

From 1988 to, and including, 2016, Ballard High School students received 265 **Golden Beavers Scholarships** for a total of \$547,692.07.

# Jason Thurston Brings Excitement to ASB as New Activity Director and Athletic Coordinator

From The Talisman, the student news site of Ballard High School, used by permission

by Olivia Burdick, Staff Reporter published February 2, 2017

Agap in the administrative staff opened up when former Vice Principal Dr. Casey relocated as the new principal of The Center School in September. The new activity director and athletic coordinator position was recently filled by Jason Thurston.

He replaced Carrie Burr, who is now the assistant principal. As soon as Burr took over the VP spot, Thurston (who prefers be called "coach") applied for the position and was drawn to Ballard due to his affinity for Seattle.

Although Thurston was on board with living and teaching in the Seattle area, his wife was not in agreement.

"My wife's a native Texan, so getting her to move was hard," Thurston said. The couple visited Portland, Ore. a few times and she thought it was nice but when they visited Seattle she decided she could live here.

Before he moved to Texas he lived in New York and then Florida. For college he moved to Texas, where he attended Texas A&M.

After college, he coached wrestling outside of Houston for four years and then moved to Dallas where he coached for nine.

In Texas, there was no job like the AD/ AC position so Thurston doesn't have specific expertise as AD/AC. However, he still has knowledge of what it's like to run large programs. In Texas he ran and coached a large wrestling program that operated on and off the mat.

Vice Principal Carrie Burr believes that he's qualified for the strenuous position. Other than Ballard, Ingraham High School is the only



New Activity Director and Athletic Coordinator "Coach" Jason Thurston sits confidently at his desk, only a week after his first official day at Ballard. The walls and desks of his office are plastered with smiling faces and memories of his three kids: Tyler, McKayla, Gabriel and his wife Alexis. Miles Whitworth, photographer

other school in the Seattle School District that has one person running both athletics and activities. The position is normally held by two separate people. "I've done ASB for nine years and even now I'm still finding things that I'm learning. I want to invest in someone who's going to stay, so we're trying to make the position more sustainable. It's like my life, you know," Burr said, "so how do you not make it your life."

The AD/AC is the job that organizes all athletic programs and school wide activities from a winter musical performance to football games.

"He doesn't have too much experience with ASB, but he taught a leadership class and both the interview committee and I liked his leadership," Burr says. "He did more than just coach. I think he'll be great."

The ASB family is also excited. "He seems cool, seems like a chill guy. He has some kind of southern mantra to him. I think it'll be a good fit," Junior Class President Beck Svaren said.

Furthermore, ASB is eager for what his openmindedness and what he will bring to the ASB family. "My first impression of him was that he's a really nice guy who really does care about what ASB stands for and being involved in school. He seems like he's going to be very open minded in leading us, because he knows we have a tradition to the way that we do things," Communications Director Trinity Cho said.

"I really really like Mr. Thurston. He has been a great new edition to the ASB family. He has a lot of experience being a coach, a teacher and being involved with students' whole lives." said ASB Treasurer Sophia Konugres.

Thurston is already stepping up to the plate and taking on challenge after challenge in his new position. Ballard is lucky to have such a kind, caring, family centered man taking on the monumental, two-man job.

# Ballard Cheerleading Takes Home the Gold at State Competition

From The Talisman, the student news site of Ballard High School, used by permission

by Melina Monlux, News Editor published February 15, 2017

Ballard cheerleading has a long history of going to state. But the first place trophy has eluded them for over 10 years, since their last victory in 2006.

This year, the team was able to change that. The girls delivered a stellar performance at state, where they scored an 84. This proved to be 11 points more than they needed to take home the state championship. "I knew that we had hit our routine when we got off, and we all felt really good about it," senior captain Maia Purdy said. "When second place was awarded and we still hadn't been called yet, I think we kind of knew." The dedication and heart the girls had this season truly showed after Ballard was called for first place, and both players and coaches alike erupted in screams and cheers. "I don't want to say it was shocking, because we really were prepared, but having worked for it all season, it was almost surreal to see our goal accomplished," Purdy said. For many of the girls, this accomplishment came just in time to finish off highschool cheerleading with the highest level of success. There was certainly a lot on the line, but the seniors felt the pressure the most.

"Knowing that this was our last year made us work that much harder," Purdy said. "We knew how much we wanted to win, and the underclassmen saw that too and stepped up for our sake."

The girls returned to Ballard state champs and were given a "clap up" to celebrate, where the students congregated in the hallways and



The cheer team returned as state champs and were given a "clap up" to celebrate, where

applauded as the team paraded by. While they are enjoying the success for a while, they will continue to cheer at basketball games, and have one more practice left.

Although the team was competitive all season, they put in extra effort to prepare for state.

"We had practices before and after school," Purdy said. "Our coaches were great motivators. They knew that we wanted to win, and tried to push us, but also stayed supportive and reminded us what we wanted."

Leading up to the state competition, Ballard was ranked first in their division after the final regular season competition, where they scored an 81.5 out of 100, 1.5 points higher than the second place team, North Central High School.

Regardless of this position and their hours spent in preparation, the girls knew that winning was no guarantee. the students congregated in the hallways and applauded as the team paraded by. Miles Whitworth, photographer

"Our division is really tough, there are so many good teams. At the end of the day, not everyone can win," Purdy said.

Still, the girls had faith in themselves and their abilities.

"We all have a lot of trust in each other, and that really shows on the mat," Purdy said. "We have been working really hard, and won our last competition, which definitely helped to give us confidence going into state."

Next year, the girls will be working to defend their title, but for those who are graduating, the victory couldn't be better timed.

"I am really happy it happened my senior year," Purdy said. "Being a state champion is a highlight of highschool, and it feels really good to go out with a bang." Golden Beaver

# Class News



Class Secretary: Cherie Patterson

See p. 12 for reunion information.

# Class of '66

Class Secretary: Bonnie Langsea blangsea@comcast.net

# Class of '65

Class Secretary: Keith Hamack hamacks@msn.com

# Class of '64

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# Class of '63

Class Secretary: Art Olsen artolsen63@gmail.com

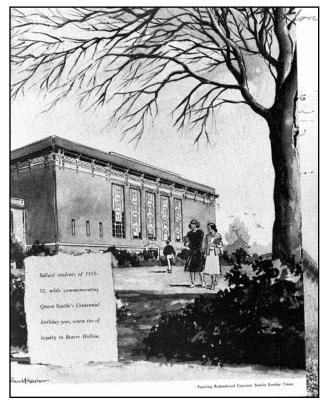
# Class of '62 55th Reunion

Class Secretary: Blair Leckie cblairl@yahoo.com

The Class of 62 is having its 55th year reunion on Saturday, September 30, 2017. Time: 11:30 - 3:30 PM OR 12:00 - 4:00 PM Place: Ballard Elks on Shilshole Contact: Blair Leckie at cblairl@yahoo.com.

# Class of '61

Class Secretary: Ken Bartlett bartlettdesigns@comcast.net



# Class of '60

Class Secretary: Ingvar Carlson (206)434-9482)/ ingvarswedecarlson@yahoo.com

Save the Date: Wednesday, August 23, 2017, for the Ballard Class of 1960 75th Birthday Celebration.

We're having a lunchtime gathering at The Canal Restaurant in Ballard, \$30 per person.

Full information and registration materials will be included in a mailing to your home, scheduled for May. Watch for your mail in May.

Have you had a change of address since our last event in 2015? If so, please send your new information to our class email address, Ballardhigh1960@aol.com

We look forward to seeing you on August 23. Planning committee members: Steve Anderson, Pat Nilsen Bakke, Vern Dwight, Joan Erickson Evans, Julie Janssen Frazier, Suzie Jones Gallagher, Dean Gray, Bill Hansen, Carol McLean Jackson, Jon Ness, Mike Ness, Jeanne Jacobsen Puckett, Margot Waale Ray, Marilyn Ankrum Simonsen, Marcia Otnes Wold, Jan Hobbs Williams.

# Class of '59

Class Secretary: TBD

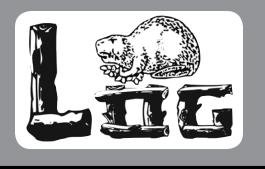
Don't miss the Class of 1958 and 1959 Combined Reunion (58th & 59th), coming on Saturday September 23, 2017, from 12:00 -4:00 PM at the Ballard Elks

Contact Judy Olson Rikansrud at judyquilt@ comcast.net or 206-549-1197 for more information.

# Class of '58

Class Secretary: Judy Olson Rikansrud 206-542-1898/judyquilt@comcast.net Additional Class Representative: Norma Joy

Don't miss the Class of 1958 and 1959 Combined Reunion (58th & 59th), coming on Saturday September 23, 2017, from 12:00 4:00 PM at the Ballard Elks. Contact Judy Olson Rikansrud at judyquilt@ comcast.net or 206-549-1197 for more information. John Epler writes: My wife Jean and I took a great two-week trip earlier this winter to the Dominican Republic - a Caribbean country that I spent two years in the Peace Corps and have returned twice to help with their recovery after devastating hurricanes. The DR shares an island with Haiti. The Dominican side, while saddled with significant poverty, is a developing country of 10 million, including a small but growing middle class. The people are wonderful, hard-working and fantastic baseball fans. The culture, food and beaches are incredible. The primary reason for the trip was to visit the sites of projects undertaken by the Community Challenge Fund. Believing that we all were put on earth to do more than work,



have fun and watch grandchildren grow and that we could follow a dream to make an impact on poverty, Jean and I founded the Fund in 2004 and still manage it. So far more the more than 100 projects have benefitted over 30,000 people, including community potable water projects, cement floors in homes, libraries, latrines and literacy centers. The Fund makes grants to buy construction materials, the community supplies all the labor and Peace Corps Volunteers help coordinate the project. Dominicans are very gracious and appreciative, and made our visit to their homes a very rewarding experience.

Stuff - I still get together with Mike Drew, Bob Clampett, Doug Angell, and Mike Bobin for poker and an annual Seafair Hydroplane party. Bob recently co-authored a novel, Prelude. We are loving it that our daughter's family with two children moved from St Louis to Seattle (actually near Ballard High) last year, giving us plenty of grandparent time.

Judy just received a phone call from John Freeman, a classmate who we had listed as deceased. He is INDEED alive and well. He had some major heart problems after our 50th reunion and has been off the radar for a while. God willing, he plans on joining us for our 60th reunion next year. I've updated his contact information so we can send him information as we get it. WELCOME BACK to the living John!!

We have had some recent passings: Ken Martin, Judy Torget Craig, Charles Anderson and Michael Olmer (actually 2009).

A message from Judy Torget Craig's husband Pete to our Ballard community:

To all of Judy's Dear Friends Judy passed away peacefully Thursday afternoon, January 26th . At her side was her daughter Julie and husband John, son Michael and wife Heather and their sons Austin & Bradin, and Judy's sister Lynne. They have been so close and comforting to me.

If I started to name her friends, I am sure I would miss someone, so thank you ALL for your prayers, love & support . As everyone knows she loved you all as shown through with her bubbly personality. After moving to Bend, she continued her relationships with all her childhood friends starting at age 5 from Ballard, WA, her Western 5 group & all her Seattle friends. And developed even more friendships in the 20 years in Bend.

Love Pete, Julie, Mike & our entire family A message from Orv Wick:

The major milestone of last year was the celebration of our 50th wedding anniversary. We embarked on two trips to note this milestone - the first was a European river cruise from Vienna, Austria to Basel, Switzerland, which included visiting a number of towns and cities along the Danube, Main, and Rhine rivers. Both of us had a great time touring, soaking in the culture and history, and sampling the local wines along the route.

Our second anniversary trip was a round trip cruise from Seattle to Alaska, in this case accompanied by our five immediate family members, Kurt, Ken & Ginger, and grandsons Aiden and Porter. Here in Colorado, we are blessed to have our family nearby. Sons Kurt

# Golden Beaver Class News

and Ken are doing well professionally, and our grandsons, now 14 and 13, seem to go through "growth spurts" every time we see them!

Below is a photo of Nia and I looking very much like the typical tourists that we were while on our river cruise. Note all the gray hair!



From Sharon Schmidt Gibson: We are loving living by the beach enjoying our lovely condo here in Oceanside. We watch awesome sunsets and are able to walk to our Oceanside Pier, marina, train station, shops, restaurants, shows, Farmers Market, Sunset Market and other great events at the Pier. We also just joined the Oceanside Yacht Club as associate members (no boat) as they have celebrations for all seasons & occasions We are really enjoying our new friends and neighbors. This year, in May/June we traveled to our grandson, Jeremy, for his graduation in Paris. We celebrated with the family and explored this beautiful, renowned city with all of them. Then we flew Corsica for more fun with family for 5 days. The last leg of our European adventure began in Copenhagen, another awesome city, to join our friends, Jan & Duane, on a 11 day cruise in the Baltic Sea. It was a beautiful trip getting a taste of century old magnificent cities of the world like Oslo, Berlin, Tallinn, St. Petersburg, Helsinki and Stockholm in that order. Since Sharon's grandparents were born in Stockholm, this was especially important for her. This fall we had another great trip to Cabo Mexico where we spent one week with Marc and Veronica at the Grand Mayan resort. Sharon had the privilege of going to La Paz with our granddaughter, Alexandra, to participate in an Island Tour swimming with sea lions and whale sharks that have a positive impact on the local environment and biodiversity. Chuck got to be in a golf competition at the Diamante Resort, a Tiger woods development where we own a timeshare. Chuck also added to his bucket list of getting his first hole in one at our local golf course. We are so blessed and grateful to have such good health and lifestyle to enjoy



Sharon Gibson & Chuck Photos from the Oct 2016 reunion:



Cam and Alicia Craig



Mike Drew and Bob Clampett

our life together. Sending blessings to you all of love, joy, abundance, and peace in this Holiday Season and New Year of 2017!

# Class of '57 60th Reunion

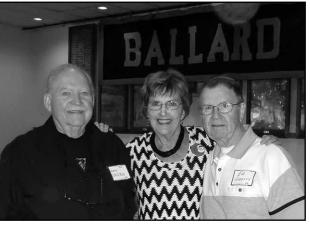
Class Secretary: Needed Additional Class Representative: Norm Werner



Seafood Tray from Ocean Beauty Seafoods



Left to right - Charles See, Carleen See, Ed Lagerquist, Erlene Barnes Courtney, Sandy Brown Hertz, David Hertz, and our '56 classmates married 61 years, Gretchen Fleming & Ron Smith



Don Olsby, Erlene Barnes, and Ed Gregory



Deadline for submissions for the Fall 2017 Issue of the Golden Beaver Log August 18, 2017

#### Are you changing your address?

The Golden Beavers want to know! Tell your class secretary today.

# Class of '56

Class Secretary: Sandy Brown Hertz slhertz@comcast.net

Additional Class Representatives: Evelyn Sorrentino and Charles J. See

#### Hi to the Class of 1956.

September 20, 2016, 124 classmates and many with their mates attended our 60th year reunion at the Ballard Elks Lodge on beautiful Shilshole Bay. Much credit has to go to Don Olsby for obtaining the lodge room and locating many classmates who never been or those who only attended a couple of previous reunions convincing them to come and enjoy the afternoon of fellowship. Thanks Don, Job well done. Following are pictures of some of the classmates and a tray of seafood donated to the class of 1956 by Ocean Beauty Seafoods.



#### Erlene Barnes Courtney & Ed Lagerquist

It appears that several class members are in the traveling mode at this time and perhaps we will hear more from them and their adventures in the next edition of the Log.

At the time of the deadline for this edition of the Log our class secretary, Sandy Brown Hertz and her husband David are on a trip which includes Singapore, Indonesia, Cambodia, Vietnam and Thailand and then on to Hong Kong for the flight back home. Earlene Barnes Courtney is on her way to spend a couple of months with her daughter in Mesa, Arizona. Any others who recently had some traveling adventures please submit them, we want to hear from everyone wherever you are. Again, the plea goes out to all classmates to submit newsworthy articles about you, adventures, awards or points of interest you

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come upon to our class secretary for future editions of the Log.

Submitted by: Charlie See

# Class of '55

Class Secretary: TBD

Additional Class Representatives: Donald Hoem and Elizabeth Sorrentino Johnson

The class of 55 holds a women's luncheon the first Saturday of each month at 11:30. The location changes, so call Barb Lippmann Krull at 425-226-3595 or Katherine Leetsch McKinnon at 206-282-3380 for information.

# Class of '54

Class Secretary: Jon A. Setter 206-523-9276/ jongoldenbeaversLog@earthlink.net

Gail Franklin Schroder passed away this year.

# Class of '53

Class Secretary: Lauretta "Laurie" Detert Anderson

206-621-4855/raalea@gmail.com

Additional Class Representatives: Alan R. Hutchison, Donald H. Simpson, and Jan Erk Severson

Once again, the Class of '53 celebrated its annual reunion at Broadmoor Golf Club, enjoying friendship and wonderful food. It is always so special when Coach Norm Goldstein and his bride, Dorothy, join us - thanks to Trudy Oliver Madsen who is the "driver" for this wonderful couple. It is always a wonderful time for us, getting together once a year to see classmates from near and far (thanks to Ron Fowler and his bride, Rita, for coming all the way from Florida to be with us). A few pictures of the happy group are included. Plan on another reunion in the fall... we'll count on all of you to attend!

But, of course, with happiness we know that often times sadness will follow. That is why it is always difficult to inform you of the passing of classmates since our last report in the Beaver Log... Classmate Janet Erk Severson's stepbrother. Louis J. (Casey) Stengel... better known to us as Mickey... passed away March 31, 2015, in Newport Beach, CA. Micky is survived by his widow, Velma, and their daughter, Keely. Micky lived his dream proudly by serving his Country from 1952 to 1972. His first 4 years was in the Navy where he was in



Jerry Sibley McCann, Peggy Beeson Yeakel and Jan Erk Severson live it up at '53 reunion!



Coach and teacher Norm Goldstein and his lovely wife Dorothy are with us every year!

the Korean War. The following 16 years he was in the U.S.A.F. and was a Gunner on the B-52 serving in the Vietnam War.

Classmate Gretchen Stroh Scheumann lost her brother-in-law Doug Scheumann, a Ballard grad, on November 15, 2016. Doug excelled in whatever he did, and was one of the first students at the University of Washington to receive a dual undergraduate degree in Mechanical Engineering and Business. Doug served four years as a Cadet in UW's Navy ROTC Program, was commissioned as a LTJG and was deployed to the far east as an Intelligence Officer aboard the minesweeper USS Esteem during the US building up to the Vietnam war. Doug was always an active supporter of the Ballard High School Foundation. He will be missed.

To my classmates, I would like to ask a favor of you: If you know anyone from any Ballard High School class of the 60s, please, please impress on them to "step up and volunteer" to become a supporter of ours! We are not getting the classes of the 60s to join with us; why not? We need to have this wonderful organization, which does such wonderful things... i.e., the Golden Beaver scholarships... remain a vibrant organization. Without the classes of the 60s, we may find ourselves "up a creek without a Beaver." Please help! read at the reunion. (a suggestion from Pep Putnam).

As I age and male menopause has struck, I sold my Harley Davidson and purchased another set of wheels. This is what caught my fancy.



The Ballard guys lunch is still meeting on the second Wednesday of the month at Shay's restaurant on Aurora Ave and 157th around noon.

# Class of '51

Class Secretary: Richard "Dick" Mitchell 206-784-4484/rjdickm2@aol.com Additional Class Representatives: Arlene Charles Morrison, 360-652-9651, and Dorothy Simpier Wood, 206-362-0541

The class of '51 has two recent deaths to report: Vaughn McClure and Dennis Bedier. We are looking for and requesting that classmates send us information on themselves and friends along with pictures of their current activities. Thanks Dick, Arlene and Dottie.

# Class of '50

Class Secretary: Additional Class Representatives: Gloria Sorrentino Hablewitz, and Fred Strom

# Class of '49

Class Secretary: Anna K. Scheving Freyberg 206-783-6949/freybjw@aol.com

# Class of '48



Laurie Detert Anderson, Mary Lou Morrison Strandoo and Peggy Beeson Yeakel love the Broadmoor Golf Club reunion location

# Class of '52 65th Reunion

Class Secretary: Jack Lawson 206-364-3432/ jrlawson\_sr@yahoo.com

A reminder of our 65th class reunion which will be at Ray's Boathouse on Wednesday September 13th 2017. If you are unable to make it, how about sending me a letter to Class Secretary: Mildred (Millie) Sather

206-364-4195/milliesather@gmail.com Additional Class Representative: Myla Janes Belston

Last fall I wrote that Beverly Bruce Carlson was planning to move permanently back to Seattle and she did! She has moved into The Brookside, 800 4th Ave. North, Unit 30, Seattle 98109. She is happy to be "home." Hopefully, Bev will be able to attend the luncheon in April.

I called Doris Sater Hovik recently when I heard she had broken her shoulder bone. Her children have been a great help cooking, cleaning, etc. On a lighter note, she told me she has 14 great grandchildren with another coming soon.

Sadly, Beverly Smith Long died January 7, 2017 in Seattle. She worked many Golden Beaver luncheons, organizing the tables by

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classes and decorating them. In the 70s she bought a 1909 seven unit apartment building on Queen Anne. Bev created beautiful homes for her tenants who often became great friends. A Celebration of Life was held February 4th at Ivar's Salmon House. Myla Janes Belston and I were among the many friends and relatives attending.

Another classmate, Robert Daniel Hayes, passed away February 16, 2016. I neglected to report his death in the previous Golden Beaver Log. He spent his working years in the petroleum industry - Arco, Western Farmers and Cenex. Bob built the family home on Lake Serene in the early 60's and lived on the lake the remainder of his life. He was preceded in death by his wife, Coral, but leaves behind his son, Kevin, and his daughter, Kerri.

Again, I ask you to write, email or phone me if you have any news about our classmates.

# Class of '47 70th Reunion

Class Secretary: Delores Strom Ockenden 206-362-4931

Additional Class Representative: Ruth Nelson Turner

# Class of '46

Class Secretary: Tootie Zeckser Olson 206-364-3895

# Class of '45

Class Secretary: Louise Sorenson Youngs 425-746-3592

Additional Class Representatives: Jack Snell, Miriam Barth-Hyde, and Lloyd Trafton

Inquiries and News may be sent to Lloyd Trafton, Class Editor, traftonlf@comcast.net

# Class of '44

Class Secretary: Karin Gorud Scovill 206-363-0451/karsco13@outlook.com Additional Class Representative: Elaine Johnston Schreiner

It's mid February as we start gathering information for the Spring edition of the "Golden Beaver Log". I celebrated my big 90 in December. This seemed like the time to consider moving to a retirement home. My two daughters and I visited a few and got the impression that there could be a long wait time to get what I wanted. We decided Ida Culver House Broadview was the place and the apartment style I wanted was available, but it was much sooner than I'd hoped. I've been a procrastinator of getting my life in order. You know all we hear about downsizing, organizing the papers we need and just going through things. I had done very little of this type of preparation. It is coming home to haunt me now. With the help of my kids, it will get done.

Please note my new phone number and email address. Send me news to share. In case you haven't started, downsize/organize.

# Class of '43

Class Secretary: Lorraine Jacobson Early 206-363-7781

Additional Class Representatives: Pat Ward Ross, and John Wick

# Class of '42 75th Reunion

Class Secretary: Henning Knudson, 206-782-1996 Additional Class Representatives: Louis V. Larsen, and Barbara Jane Christie

# Class of '41

Class Secretary: Alice Svenslid Sagstad 206-783-2552

Additional Class Representative: J. Helen Donald Argen

# Class of '40

Class Secretary: Doris Hawthorne Crowley 206-284-3821

Additional Class Representative: Madeleine Quirk Grandy

# Class of '39

Class Secretary: June Backlund Holden 206-362-2145/june@ncplus.net Additional Class Representative: Betty Purves Bostrom

# Class of '38

Class Secretary: Charles "Chuck" Harlow 206-284-2742

Additional Class Representative: Corrine Hendrickson Williams

From Mike Anderson: My Aunt "Winifred E Johnson" passed away in Eugene Oregon on Oct 23, 2016. She was 95 years old. She graduated from Ballard High School in 1938 as Winifred E Anderson.

Her obit can be found on the Eugene Register Guard web site "obit" section at www.registerguard.com

Winnie never had any children, so her nieces and nephews were her children. I am one of her nephews.

# Class of '37 80th Reunion

Class Secretary: Audrey Jarvis Walloch 425-512-8796 Additional Class Representative: KVern Nordstrand

# Class of '36

Class Secretary: Caroline Heck Haga, 425-488-8340

# Class of '33

Class Secretary: Margie Nelson Conover 206-362-5629

Additional Class Representative: Katherine Blomeke Herndon

We have been your corresponders for a l-on-g time. Margie was a great letter writer and kept in touch with our-of-towners.

Both of us are now 101 years old and still on the go! Kate moved into the Landmark 8-1/2 years ago. The area is familiar (built on the Wilson Ford Property). However, Ballard has been displaced by cranes, condos, trucks, and coffee houses. The Landmark is peppered with Ballard graduates; a few are Bob Brown, Bill and Alicia Chandler, Alice Rooney, and Teckla A. Brough. Our receptionist is a recent grad, Dominique Hellard.

This is our swan song communique and we wish you all the best.

# In Memoriam

Acknowledging those whose loss has been reported to us since last fall. (Aug 10 2016 - March 2017)

Andersen, Harold Arthur '54 Anderson, Charles E '58 Bedier, Bedier '51 Bjorkstam, John Ludvig '44 \* Black, William M "40 Borgman, Sandra Hurd '59 Brastad, Jack P '56 Brown, MD, Charles Keeler '42 Brumpton, Rodney William '62 Chapman, Evelyn Johnson '53 Chapman, Joey '64 Christianson, Craig A. '65 Clogston, Thomas Leslie '51 Craft, David J '60 Craig, Judy Torget '58 Crooks, John W '47 DeLong, Carol Harriet Neuser '42 Dittman, Robert Alan '52 Erickson, Alan Carl Ferrell, Diane Herman '45\*

Fredell, Richard '46 Halbakken, Warren '60 Harrison, Leroy "Max" '42 Hawley, Dwight "Bud" '42 Johnson, Winifred E Anderson '38 \* Keller, Lois Olason '48 Kimbrough, Robert Doyle '62 Larson, June Greenwood '42 LaVille, Joanne Aileen Gustafson '54 Lehmann, Spencer '63 Lewis, Dick '62 Long, Beverly Ann Smith '48 \* Malmgren, Nancy Hofgren '47\* Manus, David G '62 Martin, Kenneth '58 Martinsen, John Harold '44 Mayer, Rudolph "Rudy" Martinsen, John Howard '44 McCann, Betty Young '42 McClure, Howard Vaughn "Mac" '51

Naehter, Mary Jane Winsor '37 \* Nelson, Robert L '61 Nielsen, Janette Arlene Clouse '56 Obrastoff, Mary Jane Olson '59 Olmer, Michael '58 Olson, Nils "Bob" Robert '46 \* Patterson, Rose Marie Robertson '40 Pedersen, Einar H. '57 \* Pedersen, James '59 Peterson, James '52 Ratcliffe, Eric '38\* Russell, Donald George '48 Safstrom, Harriet Maria Rutstrom '37 Scheumann, Douglas R '54 \* Siddons, Christine Anita Michel '46 \* Simmons, Grace Irene Skartland '47 Steele, Gerald K. "Jerry" '56 Swanson, Alice E, '35 Swegel, Grace '45 Thompson, Harvey Elbert '45

Thurton, Edith Florence Nicholson '54 Tregoning, John Richard (Dick) '37 \* Van Mason, Edward '39 \* Vaninwegan, Robert Lewis '44 Vann, Matthew '63 Velas, George '40 \* Waddington, Carol Francis Cook '45 Wejak, John '64 Williams, Rachel Daniels '35 \* Wilson, Roy Mark '43 Yockey, Roy Otis '34

\*Golden Beaver Member



# **Basketball Programs Take Home Hardware**

# Girls win California tournament and boys win in Victoria

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by Melina Monlux, Staff Reporter published January 23, 2017

#### GIRLS

Over the break, the girls basketball team traveled to California to compete against schools from across the country in the Surf N' Slam tournament in San Diego.

"We discussed some goals for the tournament a little before we left. We wanted to play our best, obviously, but we also wanted to focus on team bonding and really putting in effort to get to know people we weren't as close with," junior Trinity Cho said.

The program had participated in this tournament once before under the current coaching staff four years ago, but this year, the girls experienced far more success.

"We ended up winning all our games, so we won our division for the whole tournament, which was just a really fun moment that gave us something to be proud of for the rest of the season," Cho said.

The ladies played three games to clinch the title, starting with a matchup to open the tournament against a team from Hanover, VT.

"We were playing against teams we didn't really know much about, which was a bit unusual for us. We normally scout the teams really well before we play them," sophomore Kate Rutledge said.

It may have shown a bit in the first game, which was close.

"To be honest, I don't think we played our best in the first game. It was really close, and we only ended up winning by five," Cho said.

The girls learned from their mistake in the first game and kicked it up a gear for the second.

"We came out with so much energy for the second game, and our defense was really strong[...] it felt really good to win that one, because last year we had a ton of games where we were in those same situations and lost. I think [Coach] Tom and [Coach] Sara were really proud of us for being able to push through like that," Cho said.

After the second game, the team advanced to the finals, and came away victorious. Much of that success, according to players and coaches alike, came as a result of a stellar performance from sophomore Kate Rutledge, who ended up being MVP of the tournament.

"Kate played very well the whole tournament. She scored double digits throughout, and was very consistent. In our first game especially, I don't think we would have won if it wasn't for her," Cho said. Rutledge received the award unexpectedly during the ceremony, after the team received the plaque for their victory. "Getting MVP felt really good, because I wasn't expecting it at all. I was happy about it, but I was more proud of our team for winning," Rutledge said.

In addition to all the success on the court, the team also accomplished their goal of bonding through team activities such as going to the beach, the San Diego Zoo and Knott's Berry Farm.

"I think we will definitely take what we learned in California home. We learned how to play more as a team, through getting to know each other better. I'm expecting to see much more unity on the court in the coming games," Rutledge said.

#### BOYS



The boys basketball team celebrates their championship victory at the UVic Alumni Invitational tournament in Victoria, BC. Christian J. Stewart, photographer

The boys basketball team crossed the border this break to participate in the UVic Alumni Invitational in Victoria, BC. They went into the tournament with a competitive mindset, which led them to the first place trophy.

"We just really wanted to win, because we play in the Metro League, and we face a lot of really hard teams...so it was cool to be able to prove that we are a good team and are worthy of playing in that league," senior captain Simon Czyzewski said.

But playing in a different country brought its own challenges, and the boys had to readjust quickly.

"For most of us, it was our first time going to Canada. It was a pretty unique experience getting to play a worldwide sport in a different country than the United States. They have very similar rules but some of them are different, so we kind of had to relearn some of the rules of basketball and adapt to their style of play," Czyzewski said.

Some of these variations included a limit of three people to rebound on free throws and goaltending rules that enable players to hit away the ball if it rests on the rim for a designated amount of time. There are no fivesecond calls, the key is much larger and the



Girls' Basketball Coach Sara Wetstone



Boys' Basketball Coach Mike Bloom

three-point line was college. The time is also different, with four 10-minute quarters making for 40-minute games as opposed to 32-minute games.

The boys team was able to focus in nonetheless, and win three games for the tournament title.

"We played really good team basketball while we were there. Our guards Fresh and Shay did a good job of getting it moving and sharing it. Val and Thomas had really good games inside," Czyzewski said.

This success can also be attributed to good execution.

"All of our sets were working for us and that's why we were able to score so easily, because we just followed the plays and were able to get good shots. We also started to pressure full court which helped us because we jumped the teams and...got a lot of fast break layups," Czyzewski said.

Although the team was able to win by a significant margin in all three games (defeating Lambrick Park by 21, Walnut Grove by 14 and Harry Ainlay by 28), the second game against Walnut Grove proved to be a challenge.

"They were continuing an undefeated season, and were the number one team in their province in Western Canada. They had two 6'8"/6'9" guys that we had to really box out and we were struggling in the first half because they were just getting rebounds and putting back shots," Czyzewski said.

The game was tight the majority of the time, until Ballard was able to pull ahead with a 13-0 run in the beginning of the fourth quarter.

"They were getting really frustrated, because they weren't used to losing, and started getting mad at each other and playing selfish, and we were able to take advantage of that," Czyzewski said.

The boys then moved on to their final game against Harry Ainlay, who they defeated 87-59.

Senior captains Simon Czyzewski and Valentin Boyanov made the UVic all tournament team, and senior captain Shay Curcuruto was named the tournament's most outstanding player. The team is looking forward to finishing strong the remainder of the season.

## Coming to the Annual Scholarship Luncheon?

# Don't miss this unique opportunity to experience the Orre Nobles Art Collection.

A special guided tour of Ballard's unique art collection with nationally known independent art critic and curator Matthew Kangas '67 will start at 10 a.m., before the Golden Beaver Scholarship Luncheon at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, April 29.

> Make your reservations now by emailing mkangas@earthlink.net.

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# The Magician Reveals His Secrets

# Student helps start magic club

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by Piper Sloan, Cub Reporter published February 15, 2017

H is head and neck are hunched as he sits, bending over his desk, his hand and wrist shaking with intensity as he scrambles to finish.

Short, static motions.

A sigh, a mutter, his head and neck sink down slightly before he looks up into the ceiling, defeat in his eyes. He has made a mistake and he knows it.

But he continues, he understands perseverance. Simple, straight, movements as he tries to cover up his mistake. Despite what people think about this honors student, this is not where he belongs.

Freshman Max Voronin wasn't meant for static, unchanging motions of frantic pencils on paper. He was meant for flourishes, the flash of lights, the smooth, natural, exaggerated movements of circus and magic.

"I practically did [magic] when I was born," Voronin said.

Voronin's has been performing all his life. With a family comprised of magicians and contortionists, his life has never lacked excitement. He strives to spread that excitement to those around him.

This year [freshman] Voronin and his friend Neo Kita, started a magic club together in hopes that they would be able to share their experiences.

"The reactions after I finish a trick makes me really happy, because not only did it make them happy, it made me happy that I was able to accomplish it," Voronin said. "That's why I actually started magic club, because I wanted people to experience what Neo and I experience." "It's really fun and it's a great thing to learn," Voronin said. "It's a piece of work... you just have to keep going and keep trying and you'll get there."

"He's very dramatic in a sense," Kita said, "theatrical would be the word."

Its no wonder Voronin acts theatrical. Currently he is involved in Cirrus Circus, an intense circus training program for teens. According to sancaseattle.org, it is for teens 12-18 years old, those who make it past the audition get to participate in a variety of activities, including acrobats, aerial, juggling, tightwire, unicycling and more.

"He's a great magician," freshman and member of magic club Lauren DuPuis said. "He's a really good teacher, but still a student himself."

They display these skills at year round performances as part of SANCA (The School of Acrobatics and New Circus Arts) shows. People have performed at the London International Youth Circus Festival, at No Fit State in Cardiff, Wales and Island Circus in Sylt, Germany.

"I've performed in Argentina with my dad," Voronin said. "I'm right now doing Cirrus Circus. I've done Moisture Festival and Moscow. I've travelled a bit and performed."

Voronin also does performances with his dad in the summer as part of Teatro Zinzanni, a circus and dinner theatre. He performs alongside some of the most famous magicians, acrobats, trapeze artists and contortionists. There he does a magic act with his dad known as the "Newspaper Act", a comedic play on the student becoming the master.

For now Voronin is sticking to sharing magic with the people in school and in Magic Club, hoping to spread the joy and sense of satisfaction he feels when he performs a trick.



Freshman Max Voronin and his friend Neo Kita, started a magic club together in hopes that they would be able to share their experiences. Piper Sloan, photographer

A deck of cards in hand, his eyes are focused and the motions come to him as easily as breathing comes to others. The people around him stand awkward and uncomfortable holding back laughter, trying to remain focused and thinking on to the next step.

Not him.

Prepared and focused he takes a stand and leads by example.

His back is straight, his shoulders loose as he performs his trick. His fingers move in elongated and fluid motions.

No rush, no stress. There is no stumbling on words, no sighs of defeat; focused and ready he puts on a show. A flourish, and a smile, and the audience is amazed.

# **Engineer on the Rise:** Student determined in reaching his goals

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by Samantha Swainson, Staff Reporter published February 15, 2017



screwdriver in hand. Tall with sandy brown hair and green eyes, freshman Evan Meyer works on his latest project.

The clink of metal sounds, a tool falling to the table.

social and practical knowledge to construct for the public. There are multiple branches of engineering including chemical, mechanical, civil and electrical engineering.

A quiet "ouch" is muttered when a hand slips on the table.

Despite his years of practice, the hopeful engineer admits he's new to the art, confessing that he needs to know more before taking the next step in the learning process. "Right now I don't really have enough knowledge," Meyer said. "[I need to] know how to be able to make things without breaking them."

It started in 6th grade with a small lightfollowing robot. With help from his father, a carpenter, along with the internet and necessity or want, Meyer's creations have slowly progressed to hand-carved swords and automatic doors. Inspiration never seems far from Meyer.

A drill echoes through the room.

#### Evan Meyer

Though inspiration comes easily, engineering isn't as simple as slapping together a couple of parts. It's an art requiring mathematical and scientific knowledge to build something. Samantha Swainson, photographer

Afigure stands in front of a long blue table Afittered with various tools and wires. The fast undertones of Macklemore fill the long space. The figure moves into the light, Though inspiration comes easily, engineering isn't as simple as slapping together a couple of parts. It's an art requiring mathematical and scientific knowledge to build something. Professional engineering also uses economic, Again, the sounds of the drill fill the room. Meyer shared his numerous attempts,

successes and even failures. "I tried to build a drone, but when I plugged it in it melted." With a wave of his hands, Meyer then went on to explain why. "It probably short circuited."

The modern world is full of engineering mistakes even by professionals: the Kansai International Airport in Japan was built on a manmade island with a reputation for sinking and a skyscraper built in New York in 1977 had the first nine stories on stilts.

Metals clink together once more.

Finally a smile graces Meyer's face as he holds his long board to the light and glows with a sense of accomplishment. What seems to be a small feat to one, is great to another. The new tracts of his long board are added, and now it's on to the next project.

# Where are they now?

# CLASS OF 2016

#### Washington

**Central Washington University** Cornish College of the Arts Eastern Washington University Evergreen State College (3) Gonzaga University (5) Green River College North Seattle College (3) **Olympic College** Pacific Lutheran University (4) Seattle Central College (4) Seattle Maritime Academy Seattle Pacific University Seattle University (3) Shoreline Community College ((9) University of Puget Sound University of Washington (28) University of Washington Bothell Washington State University (12) Western Washington University (13)

Arizona Arizona State University Scottsdale Community College

#### California

California State University Maritime Academy (2) California Polytechnic State University (4) Chapman University (2) Loyola Marymount University San Diego State University Santa Barbara City College Scripps College University of Redlands University of San Diego

## Colorado

Colorado State University (4) Northeastern Junior College University of Northern Colorado

Florida

Minnesota Carleton College Hamline University

Montana Montana State University

Nebraska University of Nebraska - Lincoln

New Mexico Santa Fe University of Art and Design (2)

**New York** Colgate University New York University The New York Conservatory for Dramatic Arts

**Pennsylvania** Point Park University University of Pittsburgh

**Ohio** Case Western Reserve University Oberlin College

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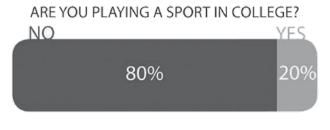
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British Columbia, Canada University of British Columbia University of Victoria

**Different Paths (9)** 

Data collected from a survey of 168 seniors. Original graphic designed by Jaya Flanary and Tess Harstrick. Reprinted and summarized from the Senior Locator published in The Talisman, June 14, 2016.



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Idaho Boise State University (2) Idaho State University

#### Illinois

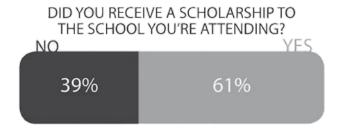
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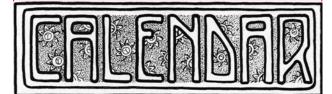
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Virginia Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University 24% 76%



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# WHERE WILL YOU BE LIVING NEXT YEAR?



# Dates to Remember

# 30th Annual Golden Beaver Scholarship Luncheon

11:30 A.M., Saturday, April 29, 2017 Ballard High School, 1418 NW 65th Street, Seattle WA 98115

Deadline, Fall Issue, Golden Beaver Log August 18, 2017

# Golden Beavers Board of Directors and Class Representatives Meetings

All meetings take place at 10:00 A.M., at the Nordic Heritage Museum, 3014 NW 67th St, Seattle, WA

> Thursday, June 8, 2017 Thursday, September 14, 2017 Thursday, December 15, 2017 Thursday, March 8, 2018

# **Class Reunions**

See Class Notes for Details or visit http://www.bhsfoundation.com/index.php/ stay-connected/reunions

Class of '77 (40th) June 24, 2017; 6:00 pm to 12:00 am Ballard Elks Lodge Cost: \$75 per person More info: https://www.facebook.com/ groups/243432652380476/

Class of '67 (50th) September 9, 2017; 6:00 PM - 11:00 PM, Nile Shrine Golf Center Dinner Buffet; No-Host Bar see www.reunionswithclass.com for details

Class of '62 (55th) Information: TBD; Coordination with "Reunions with Class"

Class of '60 (75th Birthday Party) Midweek, lunchtime, in August 2017 Exact time and date TBD At The Canal Restaurant in Ballard Buffet Lunch with birthday cake for dessert Complimentary coffee and tea; no host bar Current price estimate - \$25-\$30 Emphasis on mingling - no program Contact: Carol McLean Jackson (caroldjackson@hotmail.com ) or Jan Hobbs Williams (janthegran@gmail.com)

# The Day I Met King Hussein

by Robert Boraker '53

had some interesting experiences during my career as a journalist. After I arrived in England in 1960, I joined the European-Atlantic Group. The members included nobility, politicians and statesmen. The organization sponsored dinners in London where world leaders gave speeches and answered questions from the audience, "off the record." Although they could not be quoted, the discussions provided good background information about the thinking of those who participated.

When the European-Atlantic Group arranged to have King Hussein of Jordan as a guest speaker in the Committee Room at the House of Commons, I applied for a ticket to attend. Unfortunately, there wasn't room for everyone who applied and I could only attend the banquet afterward at the St. Ermins Hotel near the Parliament Building. As a coincidence, that hotel happened to be the one my wife and I stayed at for two nights on our honeymoon.

I arrived early at the hotel and proceeded to the dining hall to wait for others who had

gone to the House of Commons. The guests soon started to arrive including King Hussein and Queen Noor. This was my opportunity to introduce myself before the crowd arrived. The King and Queen were very cordial and friendly.

In our brief conversation I mentioned that I worked for Ambassador College and knew of the work the Ambassador Foundation was doing in Jordan. It was supporting both the Bunyat Special Education Center for the Mentally Handicapped and the Al Hussein School for the Physically Handicapped. Ambassador students were working as teachers and helpers. Since a member of the Jordanian Royal Family, Princess Majdah was a patron, Queen Noor was aware of the work that was being done. She kindly invited me to visit Jordan whenever I could.

The speech King Hussein gave at the House of Commons went down well. From what I heard, Queen Noor, an American, also spoke there and many were impressed by what she said. Sadly, King Hussein died in 1999. He was a great leader who devoted his life serving the people of Jordan.

# The Ballard High School Golden Beavers Association

The Golden Beavers Association is Ballard High School's only alumni association. It serves to keep alive the spirit and traditions of Ballard High School. It publishes this newsletter twice each year to keep members informed and engaged. At its annual spring luncheon, the student scholarship recipients are welcomed and introduced to the assembled members.

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#### Trivia Answers

(see p. 3 for questions)

- 1. Hiram Chittenden Locks
- 2. Earl Kelly, retired teacher at BHS
- 3. Parents Teachers Students Association
- 4. 1999
- 5. Downtown Ballard across from Swedish/Ballard Hospital
- 6. Central School
- 7. Same as #5
- 8. 1951
- 9. Ballard High School '94 10.BHS
- 11.Lincoln and Queen Anne

12.Webster

13. John Creighton '61