



The
Fall
2024

The Alumni Post

FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Letter from the President

Pam Knuth '75

FHSAA is a non-profit organization that formed to “engage in activities which advance educational opportunities for the students of Franklin High School and which prepares them to be contributing and responsible members of society”. To this end, “IF IT’S FOR FRANKLIN, WE’RE ALL FOR IT”. (A saying coined in 1937-38)

The Alumni Association is coming up on 20 years as an organization. For the past 19 years the membership dues have been \$15.00, never once increased. However, the cost of publishing and postage of the Alumni Post has more than doubled. The board has discussed increasing the dues in the past but held firm at \$15.00.

The time has come to make the annual membership dues \$20.00. You will see this reflected in the membership form enclosed

in this edition of the Alumni Post.

Currently our paid membership is at 485, thank you! About 9 years ago, we had over 800 paid members. We would sure like to get those numbers back to that level. Membership dues are our single funding for the Alumni Post. Which currently costs about \$10,000 per issue. Please consider sending in your \$20.00 so we can continue to fund the Post!!!

We publish the Alumni Post 2 times a year, Spring and Fall. We know that this endeavor is welcomed by the alumni who receive it. It is currently mailed out to over 12,000 alums and we receive wonderful comments from our readers!

The donations you send are allocated to support the students, staff and programs at Franklin. Please see the article from Steve Matthews, FHSAA Treasurer. YOU are amazing with your generous donations!

In this edition, you will find an article

and pictures from our Annual Membership Luncheon. Paid members receive an invitation to attend our luncheon in May each year. This past May we held the luncheon at Franklin and honored our “Order of the Kite” recipients!

The annual Alumni Picnic at Oaks Park is always a hit, and this year was no exception. The weather was perfect, the attendance was awesome, and a great time had by all!

As a member of the Class of 1975, I am shouting out about our 50th reunion. August 9, 2025, Colwood Golf Center!!! More to come...

Just an FYI, the Alumni Board is considering a 20-year celebration of the Association in the spring, what do you think?

Enjoy, Pam

Alumni Grants and Donations Help Support School Programs Amid PPS Budget Cuts

By Steve Matthews, '70 FHSAA Treasurer

With Portland Public Schools slated to cut \$30 million dollars from their 24-25 budget, the Alumni Association was able to fill is some of the lost funding that would have directly impacted Franklin High School.

Donations from you provided funding to teachers and for support of their classrooms, as well as monies to support a variety of school programs. Many of these programs are essential to the success of Franklin students.

As a result of your donations, we were able to provide Franklin High School with over \$28 thousand dollars to support teachers and programs.

In addition, this year, we partnered with another 501 c3 organization, the Franklin Endowment, whose mission is to also support teachers and programs at Franklin High School. Because of this coordinated effort, we were able to provide more funding with maximum benefit to many of the programs and teacher grant requests. This partnership provided Franklin High School with funds totaling over \$40,000.

Your specified donations, we received throughout the year, provided funding to your favorite programs in the amounts listed below:

SCHOOL DONATIONS BREAKDOWN	
Academics-General	\$ 5,107.52
Student Government	\$ 60.00
Library	\$ 555.00
SUN Program	\$ 500.00
School Newspaper	\$ 25.00
Arts-General	\$ 1,460.00
Drama	\$ 510.77
Dance	\$ 50.00
Athletics-General	\$ 2,690.00
Swimming	\$ 600.00
May Fete/Rose Festival	\$ 320.00
Music-Band	\$ 2,700.76
Music-Vocal	\$ 1,565.77
Student Assist (SAFE/DOME)	\$ 2,093.02
TOTAL	\$18,237.84

These funds have been placed in the corresponding student body accounts and will be used only for these programs.

In addition to specific school programs, teachers applied for grants to fund needs for their classrooms. These requests included equipment and supplies for programs such as AVID, Special Education, Science, Athletics, General and Performing Arts, Advanced Placement, and General Classrooms.

A breakdown of the items requested are shown below:

Franklin Administration, teachers and staff have expressed their gratitude for the support they receive from the Alumni Association. Due to district budget cuts, the funds provided this year are essential in providing the resources necessary to maintain leading edge programs at Franklin High School.

FHSAA ALUMNI and FRANKLIN ENDOWMENT GRANT REQUESTS					
Date	Department	Amount	Purpose	AMOUNT	
				FHSAA	Endowment
3/7/2024	Social Studies	\$ 533.84	APUSH Test Plaques		\$ 533.84
6/3/2024	Coffee Cart	\$ 750.00	Cart Supplies	\$ 750.00	
6/3/2024	Science	\$ 299.00	Electric Pump	\$ 299.00	
6/3/2024	Art	\$ 500.00	School Art Supplies		\$ 500.00
6/3/2024	Eng/ESL	\$ 750.00	School Art Supplies	\$ 750.00	
5/31/2024	Science	\$ 300.00	Compost	\$ 300.00	
5/31/2024	Science	\$ 500.00	Plants-Outdoor classroom	\$ 500.00	
6/1/2024	Science	\$ 750.00	Lab supplies		\$ 750.00
6/1/2024	Science	\$ 1,800.00	Lab supplies		\$ 1,800.00
6/3/2024	AVID	\$ 600.00	Essential supplies	\$ 600.00	
6/3/2024	Education	\$ 200.00	I day Student Training	\$ 200.00	
6/3/2024	Choir	\$ 760.00	Music sheets		\$ 760.00
6/3/2024	German	\$ 326.00	Classroom materials	\$ 326.00	
6/3/2024	Climate	\$ 140.00	Speaker	\$ 140.00	
5/24/2024	AP	\$ 4,882.80	AP Books		\$ 4,882.80
5/28/2024	AP	\$ 1,465.00	AP Books		\$ 1,465.00
6/2/2024	Mock Trial	\$ 700.00	Yale on-line Tournament		\$ 700.00
6/3/2024	Health	\$ 294.00	Yoga Mats-Mindfulness	\$ 294.00	
5/29/2024	Athletics	\$ 750.00	Tournament Fees		\$ 750.00
5/29/2024	Athletics	\$ 750.00	Spring Sports Supplies		\$ 750.00
6/3/2024	Perf. Arts	\$ 1,060.00	Body Mics	\$ 1,060.00	
5/30/2024	Art Photo	\$ 599.00	Camera	\$ 599.00	
5/24/2024	Library	\$ 3,750.00	Digitize Almanacs	\$ 3,000.00	
5/28/2024	NHS	\$ 500.00	Supplies	\$ 500.00	
6/3/2024	Science	\$ 230.00	Headphones	\$ 230.00	
6/3/2024	Science	\$ 701.55	Generator	\$ 701.55	
TOTAL				\$ 10,249.55	\$ 12,891.64

Franklin Alumni Class Challenge

In the 2023 Fall edition of FHSAA Post we proposed a “Class Challenge” to all graduating classes of Franklin High School. We asked each class to donate to the association, and the class that donated the most money would win a special invitation to the Tail Gate Party at Franklin High School Football game on September 13, 2024. The participating members of the winning class will receive free entry to the game and be seated in the special VIP Alumni Section of the stands. The Alumni section is equipped with soft padded seats for maximum comfort.

Thank you to all those who participated. The winning class was 1956!

CLASS CHALLENGE

YEAR	AMOUNT
1950	\$20.00
1952	\$1,500.00
1955	\$ 10.00
1956	\$2,200.00
1957	\$ 10.00
1959	\$ 115.00
1961	\$ 50.00
1962	\$ 49.00
1964	\$ 150.00
1965	\$ 200.00
1967	\$ 200.00
1971	\$ 25.00
2009	\$30.00
TOTAL	\$4,559.00

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Order of the Kite recipients honored at annual luncheon

The Annual Alumni Association Luncheon was held on May 18, 2024, at Franklin High School. A Social Hour and a tour of the school were provided. The luncheon was hosted by the Culinary Students of Franklin.

The FHS Choir members presented a welcoming performance as well.

Our President Pam Knuth welcomed everyone for coming. There were many people that have attended in the past that were present, but also a lot of new faces came to enjoy this special event.

Our Keynote Speaker – Steve Matthews – Alumni Treasurer, gave his annual “State of Our Finances” speech, which is always interesting to understand how the finances work for our organization.

The Alumni Association implemented the distinguished Order of the Kite program in 2011 to recognize special achievements of our graduates in their personal and professional lives.

- This year’s recipients were:
- Philip Lang 1947 for his Public Service
 - Donna Roisom 1974 – National Tennis Coach of the Year 2024
 - Amanda (Mandy) Vance 2004 – Oregon Teacher of the Year 2024

We have some pretty awesome graduates from Franklin High School. If you know of an alumnus that is deserving of this recognition, you are welcome to complete an Order of the Kite nomination form. The forms are located on our website www.franklinhighjalumni.org or call 503-972-3396 and someone from the Alumni Board will send you one.

Remember only paid members receive the invitations to come to the luncheon so please join the alumni association and come to the annual luncheon next May 2025!

Ann Heim Biggs



Mandy Vance 2024 Order of the Kite Recipient

Dr. Mandy Vance graduated in 1974 from Franklin. She graduated from Corban University, earning a BS in Social Studies, and other honors for her leadership and athletic achievements. Her global volunteer work and overseas teaching experiences led her to pursue a Master’s of Science degree in ESL. She has taught in the Oregon Trail School District for the past 15 years. Known for her adaptability and determination to reach all students, she is currently on special assignment at Cedar Ridge Middle School in Sandy, Oregon where she is designing and teaching creative science, athletic leadership and academic success courses. Vance earned her Doctorate in Education from Concordia University. Mandy empowers

students to be positive leaders in her classes, clubs, on her athletic teams, and in the community at large. With her relational and service-minded mentality, she works to ensure that any space she creates is inclusive, engaging, transformative and brings all people together as the best



versions of themselves. “Teachers like Mandy are so important to making sure that every child has a safe place to receive a high-quality public education. Her commitment to volunteerism and empowering students is incredible, and I’m thrilled to see her efforts to go above and

beyond for her students being honored,” said Governor Tina Kotek. “Mandy Vance is an educator who has consistently demonstrated care for students in significant ways,” said Dr. Charlene Williams, Director of the Oregon Department of Education. “This is a teacher who both empowers students and holds them accountable, who sees the unique identity of every scholar and helps them to see themselves and all they have to offer, and who will meet every student where they’re at and then challenge them to do more than they ever thought they were capable of.”

In an exciting surprise announcement on Thursday, October 5, 2023, Mandy was named Oregon’s 2023-24 Teacher of the Year! The Oregon Teacher of the Year is selected after an extensive application

process. Nominees from schools throughout Oregon submitted packets of information including testimonials and letters of support from administrators, students and colleagues. From the written material, applicants were assessed on leadership, instructional expertise, community involvement, understanding of educational issues, professional development and vision. As the 2023-24 Oregon Teacher of the Year, Mandy also serves as a spokesperson and representative for all Oregon teachers. As a result of Mandy’s achievements, she and her family were invited to Washington D.C.

Mandy was invited to attend the first ever Teachers of the Year State Dinner hosted by First Lady Jill Biden. “As a relational educator, I know much of my success in the classroom ake the time to get to know each of my students. While this is extremely important, I am just one cog in the wheel of academic success. Alone we can only do so much, but when we know our students’ stories, are each willing to contribute our own gifts and expertise, and operate with gritty determination to discover what works for each student, this is when they are able to succeed in our schools.” - Mandy Vance

Donna Roisom 2024 Order of the Kite Recipient

Donna Roisom, Class of 1973, was a standout athlete in her youth, playing volleyball, basketball and tennis at Franklin High School before competing in tennis at Lewis & Clark College and eventually becoming the 13th recipient of the Lewis & Clark Hall of Fame Lifetime Achievement and Leadership Award. As a Lewis and Clark Pioneer Athlete, Donna Roisom was undefeated in tennis playing Number 1 singles and finished first in NCWSA. Roisom was a member of the Championship Team, the All-Star Tennis Team, the women’s basketball All Star Honorable Mention Team and Championship Team. Her collective sports experiences resulted in 10 letters during her College tenure. Upon graduating, Roisom has received the District Coach of the Year for Girls in 1997, and for Boys in 1998, 1999, 2002, and 2005. She also received State Coach of the Year for Boys in 2002 and for Girls in 2018; she also received Sectional Coach of the Year for Boys in 2002 and for Girls in 2018. She taught grade school and high school for 36 years teaching health and PE, being athletic director



and coaching volleyball, basketball and tennis. She taught at St. Mary’s Academy, Catlin Gabel School and Valley Catholic High School before moving to Grant High. She is a Charbonneau tennis and pickle ball pro. She was shocked when she found out she was named the National Tennis Coach of the Year by the Coaches Association of the National Federation of State High School Associations. “I was like ‘What?’ I read it three-to-four times. I always heard about it and never thought about it. I was really quite honored to have such an award”, “I called my Franklin coach, told her I received it because of her influence in my life. “My emphasis on lifelong learning situations for kids is to learn teamwork, sportsmanship, etiquette, how to work with others, to be the best player and person they can be. Don’t measure yourself up to someone else; just work on your own individual skills,” she said. Donna’s mother, uncle and cousins went to Franklin also. Her mother, June Green, was May Fete Queen in 1943?????

Phillip D Lang 2024 Order of the Kite Recipient

Philip David Lang graduated from Franklin High School in 1947. Upon his graduation from Lewis and Clark College in 1953. Northwest College of Law, Portland, Oregon 1955-56. Phil served 3 years in the US Air Force (Intelligence Specialist) 1947-50 and did a stint as a Trooper in the Oregon State Police. Phil’s public service includes two years as a member of Portland Mayor Terry Schrunk’s executive staff. He was elected to the House of Representatives in 1960, serving as Speaker of the House from 1975-1979. The Capitol wings were built during his tenure as Speaker and in 1997 he was honored by the naming of the House Office wing as the “Phil Lang Memorial Wing”. He served as Chairman of the Oregon Liquor Control Commission from 1998–2011. Phil enjoyed a 35-year career with North Pacific/Oregon Auto Insurance Company and retired in 1994 as Senior Vice President. Political Activity and Community Service: Elected State Representative, Oregon Legislative Assembly, 1960 Re-elected State Representative 1962, ‘64, ‘66, ‘68, ‘70, ‘72, ‘74, ‘76 Speaker of the House 1975-1979 Member, Govenor’s Date System Committee 1969-71 Member, Governor’s Intergovernmental Information Systems Commission 1971 -



73 Member, Oregon Law Enforcement Council 1973-75 Chairman, Task Force on Need & Coordination of Education in Oregon 1983 Chairman, Oregon Liquor Control Commission 1998-2011 Member, National Alcohol Beverage Control Association Board of Directors 2000 - 2011 Chairman NABCA Board of Directors 2006-07 Honors: 1967 “Citizen of the Year” Award, Oregon Life Underwriters Association 1971 Special Award of “Outstanding Public Service”, National Electronics Association 1973 Lewis & Clark College “Trustees’ Commendation” for outstanding service to Higher Education in Oregon

FHSAA Oaks Park Picnic July 2024

April (Whitley '67) Avery

Greetings Franklin High School Classmates. Thank you for another great picnic experience at Oaks Park in July! This year’s annual all-class picnic tops them all, and if you were there, you might agree. Oaks Park remains one of my favorite places. We were able to reserve the same location as we’ve held since the uplifting of Ban-Covid, in 2022. Our corner of the park is next to the far south parking lot, along the “little train” track, with the restrooms very near. In the background, we see the pink roller coaster. A great space, and fun time together in a familiar place on the Willamette River.

So what made it a fun time, you might ask? THE PEOPLE! All You People! It seemed as if more people than ever were in attendance, and happy to be there!

My job was to register the folks who did not pre-pay. I thank you for your patience, having to wait in line, and the time you took to write out the registration form we need from each person who attends. You had to sign the page because we use it for contact information and data updates. We hope you realize this is basically the only way we have of knowing how to contact you, so you can continue to receive the news-letters, membership information, invitations to upcoming events, updates, and general information that affects our purpose as the Alumni Association. Our motto: “If it’s for Franklin, we’re all for it!” I now think of myself as Franklin Quaker Lightning.

Another reason I like this kind of event, we bring our own food and non-alcoholic drink. Situations change, we adapt. Several years ago, things got more complicated....first, with management changes, then covid, and then increasing costs. Thus, we decided a couple years ago, to make it a no-host picnic lunch: you bring your own, or purchase food from the park vendors.

At least two classes, 1961 and 1969, used this picnic as double fun, making the picnic also the location of their “class reunion”.

I enjoyed talking to any and all. It does not matter if we were not at FHS at the same time, it’s the connection and reconnections that keep us going. And this year, it seems there were quite a few “newcomers”. Was this your first year? Or, returning after not attending? Be interesting to note - but I’m not about to try to figure it out, because I just had a great time! People I’d not seen before, some I recognized and remember from previous picnics, and even one of my classmates from 1967 - Mike Else. I’m sending special invisible invitations to others from our class...to keep in touch, if you like, doesn’t have to be a picnic or organized affair. We really did learn to care about each other, and I appreciate that we do.

I reconnected with a classmate I also knew from Laurelwood Methodist Church, who was in class of 1968. Welcome Leslie Skaggs Hartley.

Now, what about the Free Raffle Ticket ? With surprise gift certificates for close to 2 dozen people. Thanks to Phil Schnabel whose very adequate voice and presence kept us moving through the drawings! Special thanks to Linda Carpenter who with a few others, managed the gift certificates, tickets, and drawings.

Always, I am grateful to Pam and the rest of the board of directors. I’m no longer in office, but will stay on the board as long as I am able. There is such a great feeling to be part of the FHS Community. Thank you, Bless you, I love you!

I believe by now, most of us realize the Alumni Association is not a carry-over from high-school days. We’re not trying to hold on to the past, or boast the same attitudes we once had. The world is changing, we are changing! And, life on Planet Earth is quite different than before cell phones, internet, and global news.

The few photos I did take, were of the whole group, and no one was aware, so no one was posing. I just wanted to show how many of us filled our little corner of the park.

Plus, a new rope-and-post fence attracted my attention. The posts connected with a single rope, tied in a different kind of way than I have seen before. Knot-tying is symbolic to me, for the many times I’ve felt “all tied up” and need to find a way to un-wind myself, to re-establish balance, and clear my head of the jungle of noises. I appreciate breathing, slowing myself to find a new perspective to things that can tie me up in knots! Anyway, this fence is new, and the park areas were cleaned up nicely, with tree branches already cleared away for us.

Thank you again, for making this a very enjoyable picnic experience at Oaks.
Final Words I share with you, in form of an alphabet poem:
Appreciation, Blessed Community, Delightful Excitement, Friendships; Gratitude,
Healthy Intentional Joviality;
Kindness, Love, Merriment, Nourishment;
Obvious Pleasure, Quick Revealing Smiles, Timeless Universal Views;
Wise eXamples, Your Zion!





Franklin High Alumni Association Membership Form
Dues: _____ New Membership \$20.00 _____ Renewal \$20.00
Thank you for your support of the Franklin High Alumni Association
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Name _____
Maiden Name _____ Graduation Year _____
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_____ Mail my Alumni Post

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Please make your check out to FHS Alumni Association
_____ Alumni Association _____ Alumni Post Newsletter _____ Art Programs
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_____ SAFE Fund-Class of '67 and "Dome" Class of '65' Student Services
_____ Athletic Programs
_____ Other: _____

_____ I want to earmark my donation in memory of a classmate(s) listed below:
_____ Grad. Year: _____

Comments: _____

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_____ I am interested in becoming a FHSAA Board Member
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Order of the Kite Recipients – History - Inaugural Year 2011		
May 2011	Douglas Engelbart – 1942 – Inventor of the computer mouse Johnnie Ray – 1947 – pop singer Claire (Snyder) Phillips – (I can’t find her grad year, probably late 1930’s) - An American spy and World War II hero	May 2019
May 2012	Lucille (Cole) Davis – 1950 – Contributions to the Alumni Association Carl Diez – 1938 – Tuskegee Airman John Hilsenteger – 1957 – Dedication to FHS and his accomplishments as a Sports Writer	May 2020 May 2021
May 2013	Howard (Hobby) Hobson – 1922 – Contributions to Basketball at the University of Oregon Pam Knuth – 1975 – Contributions to the Alumni Association Justice Jack Landau – 1971 – Presiding Judge on the Oregon Court of Appeals	
June 2014	James Aalberg – 1967 – Donations and support of the Alumni Association Joyce Stroud Gago – 1954 – Contributions to the Alumni Association	
May 2015	Darlene Snodgrass Cain – 1954 – Lifetime commitment to of mission of the American Diabetes Association Judson Taylor – 1956 – Service to the educational field and serving as president emeritus of State University of New York, Cortland Ken Thrasher – 1967 – Support of FHS and ongoing philanthropic activities in our community	June 2022
May 2016	Dave Evans – 1955 – Commitment to FHSAA for 11 years Mal Watt - 1950 - Commitment to FHSAA for 11 years Vi Watt – Lincoln High School – FHSAA Advisor and Commitment to FHSAA for 11 years	May 2023
May 2017	No awards given	May 2024
May 2018	Garry Lee – 1965 – Commitment to FHSAA as Vice President and President for 5 years	

Judy McAllister Orem – 1962 – Dedication to FHSAA and maintenance of the data base		
April Whitley Avery – 1967 – Tireless efforts in support of FHSAA Daniel Weeks – 1962 – Service to the United States as a member of the US Army, Navy and Marine Corps with Special Honor helping detain John Hinckley in the assassination attempt of President Regan		
No awards given - Pandemic		
Ann Heim Biggs – 1968 – Tireless efforts in support of FHSAA Carol Summerhalder Blair – 1954 – The glue that keeps the “Alumni Post” going Stu Johnson – 1952 – Service to FHSAA as a member, Vice President and President Mark Lindley – 1975 – Attorney supporting FHSAA Steve Matthews – 1970 – Alumni Board Treasurer Scott Santangelo – 1979 – His amazing commitment to Franklin as the Athletic Director for 23 years		
Bob Earnest – 1965 – Dedication to many organizations including FHSAA Christine Meadows – 1975 – Director of Opera and Vocal Area Coordinator at PSU Rhonda Meadows – 1976 – Founder of Bridge Meadows and Project Lemonade Corene (Ackerly) Serres – 1952 Commitment to forming FHSAA and Database Secretary		
Bill Gander – 1966 – Financial support to FHSAA George Hoyt – 1954 – Philanthropic activities in our community Don Clark – 1951 – Public Service Cindy McShatko Roberts – 1976 – Philanthropic activities in our community		
Philip Lang – 1947 – Service to the State of Oregon as a member of the House Representatives from 1961-1979 Donna Roisom – 1974 – National Tennis Coach of the Year 2024 Amanda (Mandy) Vance – 2004 – Oregon Teacher of the Year 2024		



FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

“Order of the Kite” Nomination Form

Nominee:	_____	Grad. Year	_____
Address:	_____		
Phone:	_____	E-mail	_____
Nominee’s occupation/profession:	_____		
Reason for nomination:	_____		

Please add a page as needed.

Nominator:	_____	Grad. Year	_____
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Phone:	_____	E-mail:	_____

References other than Nominator, who are familiar with Nominee’s qualifications.

Name:	_____
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Please mail the completed Nomination Form to the following address, along with any supporting documentation you believe the Selection Committee should see:

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Attn: Order of the Kite Selection Committee

Reader Comments

**February 26, 2024 -
August 14, 2024**

I truly hope the current generation is educated in the background of FHS and retains its name and statue. A number of successful people are post-graduates of FHS. My mother was in the first graduating class; my father was also in that class until his family withdrew him to plant crops on his uncle's farm....(wartime). My sister was one of the youngest graduates (age 14), received a 4-yr scholarship to L&C College, and led the FHS orchestra in their final performance at graduation. I graduated in 1957, and received advanced degrees from PSU, U of O, and others; taught in public education for 25 years, and served in the USCG Auxiliary for 48 years, having served on all 4 levels. I have appreciated the education received at FHS from an excellent professional staff. – LeOra M. (Peake) Johnson

Thank you Joyce and FHS volunteers – Cheryl Croft Bennett~64

Thank you for keeping the Alumni paper going – Chris Dickson Gleason'68

Thanks for all you do. – Karen Kolb Rudin'62

Thanks for all you do – Connie Felmley Ottoboni'48

Still up right at 88 – Ralston Jones'55

I loved the Art Program at Franklin – Patricia Dixon Elliott'47

Enjoy reading what is happening at Franklin High School. I will always consider a Quaker Alumni, no matter the name change recently. – Ron Adams'64

Great Paper – Sharon Feammelli Gunderson'57

Thanks for all your work! – Ken Thrasher'67

Too bad today's generation can't experience life at Franklin in 1972 without the internet, simply, the BEST! – John George'72

Thank you for all that you have done - Christina McC Lennon Kapsa'61

I enjoy the Alumni Post. Keep it coming~ - Denny Hays'65

Thankyou for the energy you put into doing all this for us. Still gotta love Franklin. – Joy Stalzer & Val Dutson'56

Thank you all for your hard work. – Charlotte Taylor Andrews'60

Our Class was 50th & 100th Anniversary of school opening – Marvin Mirich'64

Our thanks to Pam Knuth and the Board Members. – John'60 & Judy Pollard Reichlein'59

Thank you for such a wonderful Alumni Post! I love reading it and seeing all that you do! Had a great time at the FHS Alumni Picnic. It was Perfect! So fun! – Sandra McClane Schwab'68

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we're all for it!**

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MEAN GIRLS

The fall musical this year is Mean Girls by Tina Fey.

Performance Dates:

Nov 8th & 9th at 7:00pm
Nov 10th at 2:00pm
Nov 14th, 15th and 16th at 7:00pm

**Tickets are \$16 dollars for
adults and \$10 for Students
and Senior Citizens**

Tickets will be available at the end of September!

Reunion Corner

Save the Date:

**CLASS OF '75
50 year reunion
Saturday,
August 9, 2025
Colwood Golf
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More to come!



**Class of 1973
50-Year Reunion**

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LeRoy and Margaret Lindsley Johnson`52
Michael Johnson`67
Christina McLennon Kapsa`61
Ed Kushner`60
Ernest (Buzz) Lindahl`61
Ruth Lewis Logsdon`60
Emma Page Peterson`57
Lois Keller Phillips`53 and Greg Phillips`53
John`60 & Judy Pollard Reichlein`59
Roberta (Joyce) Russell Swall`49
Ronald Timpe`57

Alumni Association

Carolyn Allison Baker`56
Marlene Wallace Behrend`61
Steve Bennett`55
Carol Summerhalder Blair`54
Leo Bottaini`48
Janis Loofbourrow Drammer`51
Gerry Egland`48
Daniel Foeller`68
Robert Ford`63
Bill Gander`66
James Godfrey`63
Gene Goosman`64
Sam Hanna`66
Dennis G Hays`65
Christina McLennon Kapsa`61
Ralph Kernan`57
JoAnn Ngan Lee`75
Joan Burnett Lent`51
Marilyn “Merri” Martin`71
Kathleen McCann`65
Judy McClane`75
Lendamai Nelson Poole`59
Judy Weinandt Taylor`64
Dan Wolford`64

Alumni Post Newsletter

Charlotte Taylor Andrews`60
Bill Gander`66
Chris Dickson Gleason`68
James Godfrey`63
Stephen (Steve) Jackson`69
Linda Mills Little`72
Lendamai Nelson Poole`59
Del (Colleen Spencer Delmay) Thomas`56
Beverly Ann Brickwedel White`56

Art Programs

Joyce Adams Abraham`61
Kristine Hoss Bailey`64
Steve Bennett`55
Gerald (Jerry) Briggs`56
David Budahl`76
Patricia Dixon Elliott`47
Sandra Breithaupt Geiseman`55
James Godfrey`63
Suzanne Howard`55
Debra Willard Landers`76
Connie R Felmley Ottoboni`48
Diane Reichlein Schlack`61

Athletic Programs

Kristine Hoss Bailey`64
Craig Bakken`59
Leo Bottaini`48
Gerald (Jerry) Briggs`56
John George`72
James Godfrey`63
Bill Hoover`56
Jerry Jarboe`68
Leann Cahill Kjemhus`80

Eldon Lahti`58
Marilyn “Merri” Martin`71
Gilbert Miller`59
Laura Pliska`60 (aka Flicka)

At Risk Kids

Joy Stalzer Dutson`56 and Val Dutson`56
Larry Nelson`68

Class of `65 Emergency Medical & Dental Fund

Journalism Department/School Newspaper
Kathy King`80

May Fete/Rose Festival

Steve Kolb`64
Gail Weyand Tester`63

Membership Luncheon

Cheryl Croft Bennett`64
Leo Bottaini`48
David Decker`65
Willie Grace`67
Nancy Grover`49
Ralston (Rollie) Jones`55
Ronald McGraw`55
Marsh & Fran Remillard`52
Steve Savage`66
Robin Simons`92
Janette Entrikin Sprando`51
Sandra Caton Tannler`55

Music Programs

Steven Baer`66
Leo Bottaini`48
Marci Rydman Egbert`64
Ruth Sommers Fay`59
Eileen Konetsky Fiegenbaum`70
Denny Hagan`59
John Hyder`46
Bonne Livesay Karim`65
Debra Willard Landers`76
Robert McClanathan`53
Noel Nelson`51
Roger Newell`61
Donald Olney`55
Nancy Kuhnhausen Rodgers`64
Beverly Biggar Russell`60
Nikki Grisanti Seabloom`64
James M Smith`59
Ruth Payne Takahashi`68
Robert Walsh`56

2024 Picnic Donations

April Whitley Avery`67
Carol Summerhalder Blair`54
Sandra Wickham`Foltz`71
Gary Hagan`62
Donna Cross Heyting`69
Jon & Joan Baird Jarboe`51
Shirley J Koesster`53
Janet Soles Leichner`61
Phil Schnabel`56
Janette Entrikin Sprando`51
Bill Sundin`62
Donna Heumann Sunseri`69
Susan Penrod Warneke`69
Greg Westphal`81
John Winquist`66

Band

Linda Richardson Dietz`58

Erin Morris Swim Team

Tim & Patty Schwab Zimmerman`74

Guidance Counselors Resources Library

Karen Kolb Rudin`62

S.A.F.E class of 1967 and “Dome” Class of `65

Nicolette (Nickie) Smith Bradford`67
Sally Green Braich`62
Trudy Trout Lanning`65
Phyllis Nylander McGarry`67
John`60 & Judy Pollard Reichlein`59
Debra Deems Tessier`65
KenThrasher`67

Student Government

Terry VanTroyer-Hicks Hashemi`70

SUN Program

Tim & Patty Schwab Zimmerman`74

Theater Program

Judy Hyatt Bacon`56
Craig Hull`55

1940’s

Gerry Wachob Brosy`47

1950’s

Betty Hinman Banford`56
Margaret Bloomgarden`52
Alice Cashman Burkleaux`54
Christine Ball Hoey`57
Ralston S Jones`55
John Lahti`59
Jo Bingham Ouseley`51
Marilyn Mackin Wiltz`56

1960’s

Ron Adams`64
Dennis Allen`61
Gene Goosman`64
Jorja Guthrie Heni`67koff`64
Gary Tash`65

1970’s

Randy Cieloha`73
Don Densem`76 and Deborah Densem Westfall`70
Mark Sprando`74

1990’s

Damiana Stark-Benz King`98

\$200.00 and Over

April Whitley Avery`67
David Budahl`76
Randy Cieloha`73
Don Densem`76 and Deborah Densem Westfall`70
Eldon Lahti`58
John Lahti`59
Debra Willard Landers`76
Robert McClanathan`53
Emma Page Peterson`57
Lendamai Nelson Poole`59
Nancy Kuhnhausen Rodgers`64
Steve Savage`66
James M Smith`59

\$300.00 and Over

Sam Hanna`66
Emma Page Peterson`57

\$400.00 and Over
Leo Bottaini`48

\$500.00 and Over

Gilbert Miller`59

\$1,000.00 and Over

Kristine Hoss Bailey`64
Bill Gander`66
Ken Thrasher`67
Tim & Patty Schwab Zimmerman`74

In Memory Of

Class of `98 from Damiana Stark-Benz King`98
Josephine Feammelli Boyer`52 and Rose Ann Kowalchuk Rogers`60 from Sharon Feammelli Gunderson`57
Marilyn Brown`56 from Judy Hyatt Bacon`56
Becky Burk`80 from Leann Cahill Kjemhus`80
Jack Densem`49 from Don Densem`76 and Deborah Densem Westfall`70
Lewis Derthick`47 from Ralph Kernan`57
Larry Elder`64, Don Green`65 and Dan Wilson`65 from Dennis Hays`65
Richard Gage`65 from Gene Goosman`64
Fred & Linda Gehring`56 from Bill Hoover`56
Gil Hargreaves`67 and Kevin Kolb`66 from Jerry Jarboe`68
Shirley Tenerelli Hill`63 from Gail Weyand Tester`63
Fred & Linda Howard Gehring`56 from Betty Hinman Banford`56
George Hoss`59 and Nancy Eaton Kelley`64 from Kristine Hoss Bailey`64
George Hoyt`54 and Sanford Milkes`53 from Carol Summerhalder Blair`54
Cecil Ira`59 from John Lahti`59
Kathy McNerney Kolb`65 from Steve Kolb`64
Kevin Kolb`66 from Karen Kolb Rudin`62
Cecil Mahoney`52, Dave Black`52, Pat Black`55, Del Forsloff`53, Roger Hull`54, Mickey Pugh`55, Don Schdenheit`55, Bill Doris`55, Dave Ogdahl`55 and Judy Saylor`56 from Craig Hull`55
Gail Martin and Rosemary Drake Martin, mother of 3 Franklin Graduates from Merri Martin`71 and Tom Martin`76
Bruce Miller`66 and Joe Goodale`66 from Bill Gander`66
Jerrine Felmley Morelock`50 from Connie Felmley Ottoboni`48
Dr. Tom Nakata`64, Edward Morgan`61, Linda Tash`61 and Val Thompson`64 from Gary Tash`65
Dennis Obrecht`63 from Daren Obrecht (son) from Marci Rydman Egbert`64
Judy Sayler Olmer`56 from Marilyn Mackin Wiltz`56
Sandra Brown Pickman`61, Robert Battermann`61, Sharon Beccarin Detweiler`61, Gail Schnabel Neihl`61 from Diane Reichlein Schlack`61
Dana Small – Teacher from Jorja Guthrie Henikoff`64
Bill Stalzer`63 from Joy Stalzer Dutson`56 and Val Dutson`56
Shirley Stariha`65 from Kathleen McCann`65
Dell Stevens and Green Family from Sally Green Braich`62
Geri Shirley Stilwell`51 from Janis Loofbourrow Drammer`51
Gene Van Troyer`69, Bonnie Lang Clark`69 and Beckie Lang`70 from Terry Van Troyer-Hicks Hashemi`70
Chris Walsh`67 from Phyllis Nylander McGarry`67
Gail Raporth Walsh`58 from Robert Walsh`56
Miss Beverly Waverly (Home Ec Teacher`52-53) from Lois Keller Phillips`53 and Greg Phillips`53