

*Highland Park High School
Alumni Association*

Alumni News

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HIGHLAND PARK HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI

Mission Statement:

To assist the administration
of Highland Park in
creating and maintaining a
positive image of the school.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Hall of Fame / Wall of Honor Alumni Banquet



Saturday, October 11, 2014

4:00 p.m. Hall of Fame / Wall of Honor Induction Ceremony

5:30 p.m. Alumni banquet

The Alumni Association will host the annual Hall of Fame / Wall of Honor Induction Ceremony at 4:00 p.m. in the school library followed by the annual banquet in the cafeteria at 5:30 p.m.

Inductees: Hall of Fame

Chuck Lower

Wall of Honor

Herman Bringle and Dennis Wakes

Remember to bring your own dinnerware—plates, silverware

If your last name begins A—M bring a side dish or dessert N—Z bring a meat dish

Scots go the Scotland—Take II

Seven Highland Park students had an amazing time exploring the UK theatre scene for two weeks this past August! As part of the American High School Theatre Festival, the Scots Theatre troupe visited London for two days and saw a show, toured the rebuilt Globe Theatre and wandered around England's capital. Then it was on to Edinburgh via chartered train where they performed four times for the Fringe Festival's adoring audiences. During their ten days in Scotland they toured castles, took in shows and attended the world famous Military Tattoo on the Royal Esplanade of Edinburgh Castle.



Selected as 1 of 46 schools out of nearly 2,500 nominees across the U.S. and Canada, Scots Theatre not only enjoyed a warm welcome from audiences and fellow schools, but was selected as the theatre company "with The Biggest Hearts" due to troupe members' enthusiastic support of other programs and the nature of their show.

Their production, "Play It 'Til We Get It Right," was written by Topeka native Darren Canady, and featured cast members Cynthia Gross, Corey Jackson, Heather King, Korynne McWilliams, Nathaniel Muriithi, Elijah Reed, and Liz Thompson.

Pictures and other remembrances can be found on their Facebook page:

Send the Scots 2 Scotland-Take II.

Reunions for 2014

Class of 1984

Highland Park High School class of 1984 celebrated its 30th reunion on Friday, June 13, 2014 with a meet and Greet at the Celtic Fox. On Saturday, there was a class tour at the high school followed by a evening social entitled an 80s get together inviting all 80s classmates at the Celtic Fox.

Class of 1974

Highland Park High School class of 1974 celebrated its 40th reunion with a Meet and Greet on Friday, August 9 at Reeds. About 100 alumni were in attendance.

Class of 1964

Highland Park High School class of 1964 celebrated its 50th reunion. Events included a Meet and Greet on Friday, September 12 from 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm at the Lake Shawnee Garden House. Followed by a tour of the High School on Saturday at 11:00 am. A group was taken before dinner and short memorial service for departed classmates. A Dinner and Dance was held at the **Topeka Capital Plaza Hotel** in the Shawnee Ball Room with dinner starting at 5:30pm. Music will be provided by **The Heartstrings Band**. Information: www.hphs-1964.com

Class of 1969

Highland Park High School class of 1969 held its 45th reunion on July 18-19. On Friday evening, classmates met for an icebreaker at Reed's Lakeside Bar & Grill. They enjoyed good food and drinks while sharing high school memories and catching up on current times. The following Saturday evening, the group enjoyed delicious food, music, and dancing at The American Legion Post 1. The evening meal was provided by Black Dog Barbecue and classmates danced to music performed by The Phaders. The class plans to have a birthday celebration in the fall of 2016, the year most classmates will turn 65. Information: Cindy Purdy Boyles, boyles@usd345.com

2013 Scholarship Recipients

The Alumni Association Awarded 2 scholarship Recipients —

Highland Park Alumni Scholarship



Victor Ortega

\$500.00

Victor earned a cumulative GPA of 3.87. He was ranked number 8 out of 185 students. He has received several awards and recognized as a member of the National Honor Society, Advancement Via Individual Determination and served as the student body president. While completing advanced placement and honor classes, Victor has already completed several hours of college courses and received the presidential scholarship. Victor was active in soccer, football, and baseball while attending several leadership symposiums and conferences and volunteering in several fundraiser walks/runs. Victor will attend Allen County Community College and play soccer. He plans to transfer to Kansas University and complete his bachelor's degree in Pre-Law. His ultimate goal is to graduate from law school and become an immigration lawyer.

Miranda Deeds-Rookstool

\$300.00

Miranda is being awarded a \$300 scholarship for her outstanding qualifications as a student and representative of Highland Park High School. She has been active in the school by participating in choir and assisting with the wrestling program. She volunteers for the Topeka Road Runners Hockey team. She has served on the Kansas SADD student leadership council, as well as Highland Park's SADD chapter serving as president. She has volunteered at William Elementary school for 10 years. Her interests are computer and anything technical. She plans to attend Washburn University in the fall. Her interest is in athletic training and nursing. She has enjoyed helping others and was able to assist the trainer for the hockey team and enjoyed that one-on-one interaction.

Fine Arts Scholarship—

Robin Schultz Fine Arts Scholarship (Awarded by Gary & Robin Schultz)

\$1,000.00

Recipient—no applications received

Hall of Fame Nominations

There are so many great Highland Park alumni that contribute to the school or who may have received general notoriety either locally, regionally or nationally. We want to know about them—nominate them today. The committee encourages you to take a few minutes and complete the enclosed application and nominate that individual who is deserving and should not go unrecognized. The form is available on the website at www.hphsalumni.com as well. There are so many outstanding graduates and staff members who are deserving. It is impossible for the Committee and Alumni Board to know who among our graduates has excelled since their graduation.



Sports Wall of Honor Nominations

Do you remember an outstanding athlete or team that you believe should be recognized for their outstanding attributes or success while attending HPHS?

Nomination forms must be received by December 31 for consideration in 2015. Nominations are welcomed anytime and will be carried over to the next year if not selected.

Detach and return

Alumni Membership Application

Dues: \$8.00 Annual memberships are effective July 1 through June 30.

Lifetime membership (one-time fee): Age 18-40 \$ 65.00 Age 41-60 \$50.00
Age 61-70 \$ 40.00 Age 71 + \$ 25.00

Name _____ Maiden Name _____

Street Address _____ Apt # _____

City, State, Zip _____

Email address: _____ (newsletter submitted electronically)

New Member _____ Renewal _____ Year Graduated _____ Age of Member _____

Amount submitted for membership \$ _____ For scholarship \$ _____

Amount submitted for "special requests" \$ _____

Return to HPHS Alumni Association, 2424 SE California, Topeka KS 66605

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We Want to Hear From You!

Need to update your information? Scheduling a Reunion? Let's us know about it. We would enjoy sharing your information with fellow alumni as well as maintaining our database.

Name _____ Year Graduated _____

Address _____ Home Phone_(____)_____

City, State, Zip _____ Work/Cell Phone_(____)_____

Email Address _____

Current Occupation/Company _____

News of Interest to other Alumni _____

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