

President's Report

Greater Funding Success & Student Achievement

Warm greetings to all of our wonderful members! I am extremely pleased to report that we've had yet another fabulous year supporting Willow Glen Schools. The Foundation has raised over \$70,000 so far, a 40% increase over last year's record level!

Kim Guptill
President, Willow Glen Middle School
and High School Foundation

Organization Notes

2 New Principals. We kicked off the year by welcoming two new Principals: Erin Green at the Middle School, and Shannon McGee at the High School. We are incredibly lucky to have them! They are both extremely energetic, entirely devoted to the kids, and excellent advocates for the schools.

New Foundation Treasurer Dave Davis. Dave is a partner at Johanson & Yau Accountancy, and an active member of Rotary. He brings many years of excellent experience in non-profit accounting to the position.

Music Boosters Changes To Performing Arts Boosters (PAB). PAB more accurately reflects all the programs they support. Darla Arndt chairs this amazingly successful Foundation Branch. Kathy Hopp superbly represents PAB on the Foundation Board, read her report inside.

Fundraising Highlights

6th Annual Wine Tasting & Auction at the Garden Theater. Another great success: we raised over \$27,000 – a new record. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year, and deep thanks go to David Heiman, Event Chair, and Barbara Bremner, Auction Chair. Special thanks to Robin Denton for handling ticket sales with such a smooth touch.

New Alumni Fund. One of our members, Nancy Gum, a local orthodontist, donated a patient's fee to establish a new "Alumni Fund." We plan to build on this endowment through outreach to alumni and "honorary alumni". The kickoff will be an All Class Reunion Picnic, slated for September 7. Mark your calendars for a fun day to renew old friendships, dance to some great music, and support the schools.

Watch Your Mailbox. School parents, alumni, and Foundation supporters will be getting a Call-to-Action letter in June. Please do give generously, as I know you always do.

Funding Focus

Allocations. This year, both schools chose to focus on technology, and we've been pleased to support their joint requests. Victoria Ladd, our excellent Allocations Chair, reports on these and other allocations in her report on the cover. We end the year again with one of my favorite activities: awarding scholarships to deserving Seniors. This year, we funded five \$2000 scholarships, up from \$1000 in past years.

A Few Goodbyes

We say goodbye to Beth Martinez, who has served as Public Relations Chair for – well, forever. She is responsible for the great press coverage we've received over the years, for designing and creating our promotional materials, overhauling our website, and even managing the Wine Tasting ticket process for several years—a huge job. She has done a superb job of raising the visibility of the Foundation, and we bow to her amazing dedication and hard work.

We also bid adieu to Carol Myers, who has served as Vice President for the 3+ years. Thank you, Carol, for your long-standing and passionate support of all things Willow Glen.

After four perfectly wonderful years, it is time for me to turn the reins over to a fabulous new President: Maria Fox. Maria is the outgoing Middle School PTA President, and has done an outstanding job leading the PTA to new heights of fundraising and student advocacy. She will have as her right-hand Barbara Bremner, as VP, whose creativity and organizational skills are now legendary at the Foundation.

It has been a true pleasure and a distinct privilege to serve as Foundation President. I thank everyone for their marvelous support over the years. You are in excellent hands.

In closing, I encourage you to attend a Foundation meeting — the first Wednesday of the month, 7:00 -9:00 PM in the Media Center — and to join us on the Board. We're looking for a Fundraising Chair and a Membership Chair for next year. Join us as we continue this important work!



WGHS's Leader of the Pack:

Nicole Sommers, Emma Hopp,
and Kalen Bigger charmed the audience
with a rendition of "Baby I Love
You" by the Ronettes.

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WGHS's Advanced Treble Clef
Choir at the Willow Glen Christmas
Tree Lighting



SAVE THE DATE!

Sept. 7, '08 – Alumni Class Reunion Picnic

Nov. 2, '08 – Wine Tasting

Jan. 31, '09 – PAB Boosters 3rd Annual Crab Feast

Late Spring '09 – WGHS Career Day

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Congresswoman Lofgren and Councilmember Oliverio in front of eager WG high school students at Career Day '07, made possible by contributors like you!

07/08 Allocations Report

Investing in Technology to Enhance Education

What would help you better inspire students? That's the question the Foundation asks the teachers and staff of Willow Glen Middle and High Schools.

We're proud to raise money each year to help dedicated staff bring the best resources directly to our students. The Foundation has allocated over \$300,000 to student-oriented programs during its eight years.

Here's a quick look at a few Foundation allocations this year:

Interwrite Smart Pads – Each middle and high school math teacher is using this Bluetooth™ wireless pad to teach interactive lessons from anywhere in the classroom. "The tool enables teachers to improve instruction in at least three ways. First, it creates a clearer presentation. Lessons are presented quickly and accurately," explained Patrick Hanks, WGMS Math Department Chair. "Second, it provides the ability to instantaneously check for student understanding. Individual student answers can be projected for all to see, motivating students to do their best. Finally, students achieve greater understanding by breaking procedures into small understandable steps."

Leadership Camp Fees for Student Leaders – Middle and high school student leaders attended a student-run camp. Leadership Advisor Melissa Foster said participation in leadership camp helps "promote leadership capacity in young people who are elected to leadership positions with an eye to educating them to lead their peers in the on-going academic and co-curricular activities."

1/2 Entry Fee for the Robotics Club's First Competition – The High School Robotics Club and its Boosters are thriving. They've been busy securing corporate grants including ones from Google, BAE, and Lockheed Martin.

High Quality Dissections – 7th grade Science teachers received funding for science specimens. These specimens provide enrichment during study of animation classification through a hands-on understanding of reproductive, digestive, and nervous systems. "Our school is the only one to offer such high quality dissections that prepare students for high school and college-level science classes," agreed Middle School Science Teachers Glenda Yap and Samta Nema.



SUPERIOR PROGRAMS AND ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE IN WILLOW GLEN

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Performing Arts Boosters' Report

Allocated \$15K to Support 300+ Student Performers



WGMS Production of HONK, Jr. TOP – Mama duck (Katie TenBoer) lists the barn yard rules to recently hatched ducklings (Sara vonDohren, Jane Markham, Melissa Giddens, Julianna Tovar). **RIGHT** – Feline predator (Amanda Hetteema) brags about “having” the ugly duck for lunch.



2007-8 Performances

WG Founders Day Parade
Back-to-School Night
Football/Basketball Games
Foundation Wine Tasting
Homecoming Parade/Game
The Ainsley House
Christmas in the Park
Caroling on the Avenue
Service Club Events
WG Christmas Tree Lighting
Holiday Concerts

Plays/Musicals/Shows

HONK Jr!
Leader of the Pack
Battle of the Bands
The Worst High School Play in the World

— Kathy Hopp
PAB Representative,
Willow Glen Middle School
and High School Foundation

07/08 Allocations Included:

Travel to Festivals – PAB helped send the Middle and High School Band and Choir to a number of festivals including those in LA, SF, and throughout the Caribbean.

Fall Play – PAB helped with expenses for the Middle and High School’s joint effort “The Worst High School Play in the World.”

Spring Musical – PAB helped with expenses for the Middle School’s Spring musical, “Honk Jr.”.

Casual Band Uniforms – PAB helped pay for shirts for more casual band performances.

‘08 Foundation \$2000 Scholarship Recipients
Helping Motivated Students Pay For College



Cynthia Duran
Business
San Jose State University



Maria Florissa Sy
Nutritional Sciences
San Jose State University



Tania Rodriguez
Psychology
Azusa Pacific University



Erica Vilay
English
UC Berkeley



Sylvia Pacheco
Psychology
San Jose State University

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Class of ‘08 Is Headed to College

Universities of California
Berkeley, Davis, Irvine, Riverside, Los Angeles, San Diego, Santa Cruz, Santa Barbara, Merced

California State Universities
Fresno, Fullerton, Stanislas, Channel Islands, San Diego, San Jose, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, Cal Poly Pomona, Sacramento, San Diego, Sonoma, East Bay, San Francisco, Long Beach, Los Angeles, Monterey Bay, Chico San Marcos

Private Colleges-California
Occidental College
Azusa Pacific University
Santa Clara University
University of the Pacific
University of San Francisco
University of Southern California
St. Mary’s College of California
National Hispanic University

Community/Vocational
West Valley Community College
San Jose City College
Evergreen Community College
DeAnza Community College
Mission College
Foothill College
Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising
Academy of Art

Out-of-State Universities
University of Pennsylvania
University of Oregon
Washington State University
Marist College
Arizona State University
New York University
Lewis and Clark College
University of Puget Sound
Seattle University
Gozaga University
Oregon State University
University of Arizona
Seattle Pacific University
Colorado College
University of Colorado, Boulder
Syracuse University
Northern Arizona University



Supporting Academic Achievement For All

Meet Celia Sartor, HOSTS Mentor

“I took the plunge to work with high school students. I am so glad I did. I look forward to continue as a mentor during my retirement”.

Celia Sartor, HOSTS Mentor, WGHS

About My Students:

“I have mentored two students; both have been polite and appreciative young men. They come from families who value education and want to see their sons succeed. They are not afraid to learn something new or to ask questions.”

Why It Matters:

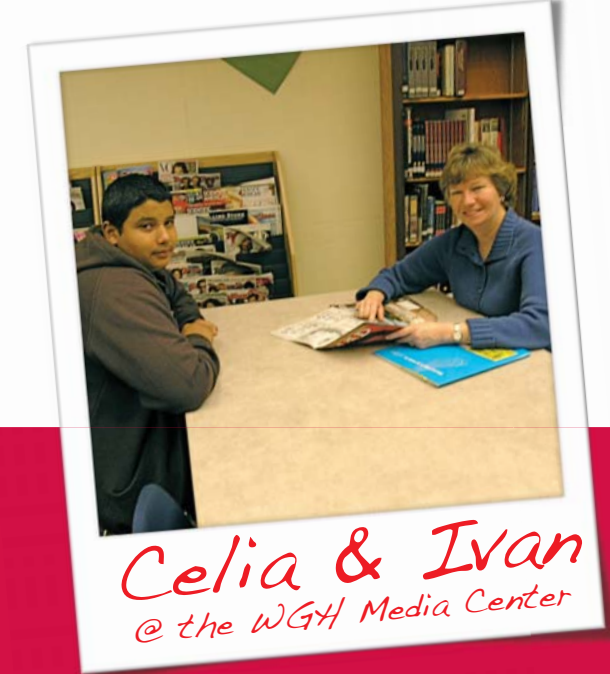
“Helping these students improve their reading and writing means they can catch up and keep up with other determined students in their classes.”

About HOSTS:

HOSTS mentors are everyday people who spend one hour, once a week to accelerate the learning of one high school student. The program, Helping One Student To Succeed (HOSTS), targets motivated students who need help in language arts. By the end of the '07 school year, 70% of students improved their reading level by at least one year (e.g., going from 7th to 8th grade level); several of the students' reading levels increased by two grade levels. The Willow Glen Foundation supports the HOSTS program by recruiting and providing volunteers.

Learn about becoming a HOSTS mentor.

A high school student is waiting for you!
Contact Debbie Bishop at (408) 266-1351
or by email wghsvolunteer@sbcglobal.net.



WGMS Robotics Team
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