

THE DRAGON PRIDE

Welcome to the June 2007 edition of the Sac High Alumni Dragon Pride e-Newsletter. For previous editions of the Dragon Pride, please visit www.sachighalumni.org

This month you will find information on:

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Events

Graduating Class of 2007

On June 2, more than 250 Sac High seniors attended their graduation ceremony at the Sacramento Memorial Auditorium. During the emotional and reflective ceremony, students shared stories of what it meant to be a Sac High Dragon, with many speaking of deeply rooted school pride, and others conveying the impact their principals and teachers had on their success. These seniors also spoke of high expectations, moving on to college and dreams of becoming great leaders. Comprising the first graduating class of students to attend Sac High all four years since its reinvention as a charter school, the seniors reflected on how much they have grown as a result of attending the new Sac High. Most importantly, however, the underlying theme was how these students were proud to be Sac High Dragons.

Kim Washington, the Class of 2007's Valedictorian, said it best. "Right now, you're witnessing the dawn of a new era at Sac High - the "St. HOPE Era". My graduating peers and I have persevered in an environment plagued by nay Sayers who said Sac High was destined to fail. Well, I've never been one to say, 'I told you so,' but look around. The class of 2007 commands our just praise. Not only have we silenced our nay Sayers, we have set a precedent for graduating seniors of the future. We have raised the bar. We are the finished product of a school that was once drowning in turmoil, but that is now a household name for success. Our teachers believe in us. We believe in our teachers. Our classrooms now more appropriately reflect an attitude of academic superiority. And now, 80% of us are headed to a 4-year college or university".



Sac High Golf Tournament

A golf tournament sponsored by the Sac High Boosters will take place this Saturday, June 16 at the Cavanaugh Golf Course in Sacramento. The scramble tournament starts at 3pm. The \$31 per person entry fee includes the green fee and a golf cart.

The tournament will also honor the 10-year service of Varsity Girls basketball coach John Langston. During his tenure the Sacramento High School Girl's basketball team made several outstanding accomplishments both on and off the court. In addition to securing the league championship for the third year in a row, the Lady Dragons attained a #1 ranking in the Max Prep publication for the San Joaquin Valley Section, won the Lodi Tournament, and finished second at the Nike North West Invitational. Sac High will certainly miss such a dedicated Coach, but congratulates Coach Langston on his new promotion.

For more information about the tournament, or to sign-up, contact Leroy Harris at (916) 747-2289 or Foxxtrapp@comcast.net.

Alumni News

Sac High Renovations Continue

As the 2006-2007 school year wound down earlier this month, bulldozers and dozens of construction workers could still be seen renovating the campus as part of a more than \$14 million modernization project. Sac High is the last of several Sacramento City Unified School Districts schools to have benefited from a bond measure passed several years ago to improve and update local schools. The upgrades are primarily focused on improving Life Safety and making the school buildings ADA compliant. At Sac High, construction began on the East Wing earlier this school year and is expected to continue for the next several months. Additional modifications to the inner commons have also begun with plans to start on the West Wing in December 2007. Classes from each wing are temporarily being housed in the new portables that were erected on the tennis courts.



Year Books and Sac High Merchandise

Sac High yearbooks can now be purchased online by visiting the Sac High Team Store online at <http://www.sachigh.org/store.htm>. New merchandise is also available, including Sac High stadium seat cushions. There's no better way to prove you're a Dragon than through Sac High memorabilia!

2007-2008 Enrollment

Enrollment has already begun for the 2007-2008 school year. With nearly 300 new students already enrolled, there could potentially be a waiting list for incoming freshman. As a charter school, Sac High has been divided into four small schools each with a different theme: School of the Arts; School of Business and Communications; School of Law and Public Service; and, School of Math, Engineering and Health Sciences. Upon entering Sac High, students have the opportunity to choose which school they would like to attend based upon their individual interests. The small school structure allows for students to build close relationships with their peers, teachers and faculty.

Sac High alumni with high school age students are strongly encouraged to tour the campus or schedule a student shadow visit. For more information, or to apply, contact (916) 649-7900 or email dcarrillo@sthopepublicschools.org.

Class of 1940 Donation

Sac High would like to thank the Class of 1940 for their generous contribution of \$300. Members from the class decided to donate general funds to Sac High after their successful reunion that took place in April. The donation has not yet been allocated, but will go toward a specific fund such as scholarships, fountain renovation or the school library.

To make an individual donation or class donation, please contact info@sachigh.org or visit <http://www.active.com/donate/sthope>.

Class Reunions

Class of 1957

Date: September 22, 2007
Time: 5:30pm
Location: Hilton Hotel, Sacramento
Contact: Betty Phillips – (916) 482-3514
Jim Rauzy – Krauzy3903@aol.com

Class of 1962

In beginning planning stages
Contact: Steve Kawai – hwsawai@yahoo.com

Class of 1967

Date: August 25, 2007
Contact: Kathy Walker Quinn – (916) 631-9220
Kathy Dunbar Lake – (916) 704-5849
Darlene Evans Lewis – darlenel@frontiernet.net

Class of 1972

Date: September 21-22, 2007
Location: Bonn Lair Pub (Mixer on Friday)

Sacramento Yacht Club (Dinner and Dancing on Saturday)
Contact: John Andrade - jandrade@calweb.com
Kay Lou Polkinhorn - kpolking@pacbell.net

Class of 1987

Date: In planning stages

Contact: Yun Embly yun.embly@hotmail.com to assist with coordination

Class of 1997

In beginning planning stages

Contact: [Class Encounters](#)

Sac High in the News

May 4, 2007

Sacramento Business Journal

School district extends Oak Park school charter

<http://sacramento.bizjournals.com/sacramento/stories/2007/04/30/daily52.html>

May 16, 2007

Merced Sun Star

Baugh is U-19 finalist

<http://www.sacbee.com/preps/story/188897.html>

June 2, 2003

KCRA Ch. 3 (Video)

More Sacramento High Grads Going To College

<http://www.kcra.com/video/13440396/index.html>

Go Dragons!

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