

## Class of 1970

WALLA WALLA

HIGH SCHOOL

Dear Classmate,

It seems only a few short years ago that we held our 10 year reunion, yet unbelievably we now approach our 50th! Our experience at high school helped to shape who we are today and as former classmates we share a timeless bond.

Please come and help renew that bond by sharing fun, laughter, and reminiscences with the Wa-Hi Class of 1970.

Please consider this letter your invitation to the class reunion. Plans are still in the works but what we have scheduled is as follows:

- Friday, Aug. 28th at 5:00 pm, no-host mixer at the Veteran's Memorial Golf course, 19th Hole.
  (201 Rees Ave.)
- Saturday, Aug. 29th golf for those that are interested at Veterans Memorial Golf Course, Cost \$70.per couple w/cart. No Pre-Pay.
- Saturday, Aug. 29th at WW Country Club, no-host social hour 5:00 pm. Buffet will be served at 6:00. Cost with Buffet \$50.00 per person. Evening after 7:00 (no Buffet) \$10.00 each. Group pictures are planned for 7:15.

(1390 Country Club Rd)

Keep in touch at: wahiclassof70@gmail.com or

Facebook Us at: wa-hi class of 70 Registration and fees due August 1st.

Complete the following and mail along with check or money order payable to:

Class of 70 Reunion 2011 Gemstone St. Walla Walla, Wash. 99362

## Hotel/motel reservations

https://reservationcounter.hotelplan ner.com/eventpage5720695

Please book early, that is a busy weekend in Walla Walla.

Thank you for your efforts in making this 50Th class reunion the best. Do not hesitate to contact us with questions and pass the word on to other classmates. We would love to hear from everyone whether or not you plan to attend. We would also like to get everyone's correct address and email.

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Name	Mo	aiden name	
Address	City	State	ZIP
Email			
Plan to attend with Buffet: Yes No Number attending			
Plan to attend after Buffet	only: Yes No	D Number attending _	
Plan to Golf: Yes No	Number Golfi	ing (no pre-pay)	
		1	Total \$ Enclosed

Doug, Thank you for your interest in sharing information about the Walla Walla Public High Schools Scholarship Fund (WWPHS-SF) with your WA-Hi Classmates who graduated in 1970. While volunteering for other school district and high school service, I noticed that there are a great number of quality students at WA-Hi, who have great sense of purpose in life, who have great class room skills, who have high goals in this great game of life, but who are obviously from families with very limited resources (Listening to senior presentations is a good way to pick up on this.)

My realization of this was right prior to our WA-HI Class of 1962 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion, in 2012. I came up with the idea of a Class Project, of starting a scholarship fund which anyone could give to at any time, down through the generations, focusing on at least one hundred former students, each year giving at least their graduation year in dollars and cents; such as \$19.70. Some give their graduatic year monthly, some annually, and on up like 25,50, 100,several hundred, or thousands. All funds go directly to the Foundation. No funds are used for promotion.

We have a 1962 Classmate who has been matching total reunion gifts, such as \$1,970.00, to that amount, if the class raises that much or more.. He said that he would match your class gift 2 to 1, if you raise at least \$1,970.00. This makes it fun. Your class could be effectively raising nearly \$6,000.00 for scholarship with a little hope and encouragement. Many classes have met the match in the last eight years. One person sent in a check for \$1,947.00, and his class received a match in same amount.

All tax deductible gifts go to the Blue Mountain Community Foundation which manages receipts, investments, scholarship applications, and payment directly to the college, once the student is enrolled and has a student I D number.

The Foundation charges approximately 1.3 % of fund value for management of scholarship funds. The management fee decreases as the value of the fund increases. There is also the shared cost of about 0.135 for professional

Investment advisory services. I believe that the Blue Mountain Community Foundation now manages nearly fifty million dollars' worth of funds held to support charitable community service in the Blue Mountain region.

The Foundation has an investments committee, and a scholarship committee to assist in managing the needs of this fund. The only qualifications set in writing are that the recipients of this fund be of need, and have shown at least an average ability to succeed. (Approximately \$14,000.00 has been awarded to date and the amount to be awarded is currently about 4.5 % of the amount in the fund on June 1, of the year prior to the next year high school graduation..)

Support for The Walla Walla Public High School Scholarship Fund may be made to The Blue Mountain Community Foundation, P O Box 603, Walla Walla WA 99362 (509 529-4371) or online at <a href="bluemountaincommunityfoundation.org">bluemountaincommunityfoundation.org</a> Hit "Give now", and scroll down to Walla Walla Public High Schools Scholarship Fund.

Checks must be noted with Graduating Class Year in order for class to get credit for matching funds. Enter class year along with name for online gifts.

Gifts of tribute may also be made (Memorials, Birthdays, Anniversaries and more, and the Foundation will ser acknowledgement to designated party.)

Truly, every gift of any size is appreciated. I never imagined \$135,000 in eight years, and I look forward to 150 thousand or more in 10 years. The largest gifts each year

are usually from 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion gifts, and matching funds.

The community and alums have been very supportive of this fund, and we welcome support from your class. Please feel free to contact me or the Foundation with any questions or comments.

Many Thanks, Jerry Zahl, Class of 1962, Fund Chair, 509 522 0259

## "Graduate of Distinction" Award

Doug, If you have worthy candidates in your class, who might be considered for the Walla Walla Public Schools "Graduate of Distinction" award; you might bring that up with the reunion committee. The awards are usually given at the June School Board meeting.

Application cut off dates may be fairly soon; but there is always next year. It is always nice to recognize those who deserve it. Thanks, jz