



Sedro-Woolley Alumni and Schools Foundation

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Supporting Our Community Through Education!

Spring/Summer 2015 issue

SPRING PLANT SALE SATURDAY, MAY 2ND!

In spring, Cubs' thoughts turn to geraniums!

On Saturday, May 2nd, we will once again hold our VERY popular plant sale! Featuring geraniums and a few surprises!

So plan to stop in at the little building next to the Sedro-Woolley Community Center on Pacific Street. Sale begins at 9 a.m. and continues until we're sold out, usually around noon. Time to get your hanging baskets and planters filled with our beautiful geraniums. Bring cash – there will also be delicious baked goods for sale and our complimentary coffee will be on.

May 2nd will dawn bright and sunny! Well, anything's possible in the Pacific Northwest. But get this event on your calendar now and come to support scholarships and classroom grants!



SWHS ALL-CLASS PICNIC JULY 18, 2015

The 2015 picnic will be held at Riverfront Park in Sedro-Woolley on **Saturday, July 18th**, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. This is a slight date change from usual; it is our intent to put the picnic back on the second Saturday in July in 2016.

As always, you can make reservations for the picnic and pay your dues using the form inserted. We have discontinued the PayPal option, as it was not meeting our needs. Please pay by check and be sure to include your class year.

In order to keep the All-Class Picnic as our most successful scholarship fundraiser of the year, **we need sponsors for golf carts and the big, common-use tents.** If **YOU** are able to sponsor a cart or a tent, we can work out an opportunity for you. Graduating classes, local businesses, and individuals are welcome to inquire. Please call Barbara Thompson '43 at 360-855-0293 for more information.

Catered once again by alums Mike and Janet Joy of **Joy's Bakery**, the menu features your choice of hamburger OR

chicken entrée (please specify choice with your paid reservation).

The All-Class Picnic is our biggest event of the year – a great time to reconnect with your favorite Cubs and a **fundraiser** for the scholarship and classroom grant programs that make us so proud every year. Please make sure you have a paid reservation and bring a few extra dollars to participate in the fun raffles we have for you.

We usually have about 500 Cubs and friends in attendance at the All-Class Picnic. If your class is hosting their own tent, please contact Barbara Thompson to reserve your spot. Attendees, plan to park in the lower lots and walk up to the picnic area or ride the sponsored golf cart transports.

Coming Class Events

Class of 1959

Lunch gatherings for class of '59 friends; please call **Bonna Harrison Beitler** 360-855-0030 for dates and times.

Class of 1961

Class of 1961 contact **John Keene** jkeene1@msn.com

May 16 – Snow Bird return luncheon

July 3 – Big Lake Fireworks

July 4 – Breakfast, Parade, Eagles Lunch, Party at Classmates Potluck!

July 18th - All Class Picnic

Sept. 19 or 26 - "Snow Bird Send Off" picnic at Robin Taylor's

October 10 or 17 – 55-year reunion planning meeting.

Class of 1971

Coffee hour on the last Tuesday of every month, where we visit and catch up on the latest news. At the Woolley Market.

July is a pot luck. Check our blog site:

www.swhsclassof71.blogspot.com

Class of 1980

Our 35-year reunion will be July 3rd at the Eagles in SW. We'll have an Ice Breaker at Cascade Pizza, probably on the 2nd. We will have a float (trailer with hay bales) in the parade on the 4th and a picnic at Riverfront Park on the 5th. Something for everyone! Classmates should get contact info to Cindy Swift Besel at 208-691-7845. More details as the date gets closer. Watch our Facebook page!

Class of 1995

July 3, 2015. Avalon Golf Course. 6:00 p.m.

Dinner and raffle

\$40/per, \$75/couple

Deadline to reserve: June 1.

Sedrowoolleyclassof95@gmail.com

Or visit the class Facebook page for more information.

S-W ALUMNI AND SCHOOLS FOUNDATION 2015 HARVEST HAPPENING

**Dinner and Auction Fundraising Event
Saturday, October 24, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.**

Eaglemont Golf Course

**Tickets: \$55 if purchased on or before 10/7
\$65 after 10/7**

**If you wish to sponsor a table or a specific part
of the event, please contact the committee.**

Funds raised at this event allow the Sedro-Woolley Alumni and Schools Foundation to fund educational grants for student-related projects and programs within the Sedro-Woolley schools for the next two years. We hope that you will join us in supporting this worthy cause and consider helping us in some way.

Please contact **Kellie Cargile**, **Cindy Brune**, or **Leah Friend** if you are interested in helping or have any questions.

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Ways to Help:

- Attend the event
- Donate to the event
- Donate items for the auction
- Volunteer to help at the event
- Volunteer to help prepare for the event

This event plays an important role in supporting our students. Established in 1998, the Foundation was created to enhance the education for children in our district. Through the generosity of our community and staff, the Foundation has been able to provide funding "above and beyond" what school budgets allow and to date has gifted back over \$250,000!

Recent Grant Awards

Here is a partial list of recent grants. Be sure to ask a teacher about their classroom grant and the impact it has made on student learning!

SWHS Robotics Club
Camp Orkila Scholarships District wide
Credit Retrieval Support at SWHS
Poet in Residence at Samish
Biographies for kids at Lyman
Single cylinder OSL engine for auto shop class at SWHS
Biology Lab improvements at Job Corps
Classroom library support at Clear Lake
Sousaphone at SWHS
Classroom listening library at Central
SPED Classroom iPad at Evergreen

Classroom library books District-wide support
Whiteboards and markers at Samish
Pedal exerciser at Evergreen
Keyboard skins at Clear Lake
Classroom leveled readers at Mary Purcell
Adaptive PE equipment at SWHS
Plastic molecule sets at SWHS
Read Naturally encore at Big Lake
Microscopes at SSHS
Xylophone at Cascade Middle School

S-W ALUMNI AND SCHOOLS FOUNDATION 2015 Scholarship Awards

By Lola Ellestad

Hailey Brashears has a goal of majoring in early childhood education and pursuing education to become a kindergarten teacher. She will receive the Doris Campbell scholarship award and will start her education at Skagit Valley College.

Justin Duranceau will receive the Gary Talbert scholarship award that honors Gary's deceased parents, Shelby and Ruby Talbert. Justin's goal is to become a Game Warden with plans to attend Skagit Valley College to receive an Associate of Science Degree and later he will attend Bellingham Technical College to study the Fisheries and Aquiculture Science Program.

Jacob Farrell plans to attend the Volta Linesman School to become a power linesman. He will receive a Sedro-Woolley Alumni Vocational Scholarship and will start his studies in the fall.

Emily Felton has researched the medical field and found that the study to become a radiology technician stroked her interest. She plans to start her studies at the Bellingham Technical College with the help of the Sedro-Woolley Alumni Vocational Scholarship.

Teddie Hovanec plans to start her studies to become an Electrical Engineer at Whatcom Community College with the help of the Sedro-Woolley Alumni Vocational Scholarship.

Heidi Meyer will receive the Ola Harang Scholarship Award to help her finish her needed classes at the Evergreen Beauty College. The Ola Harang scholarship has been awarded continuously since 1999 to many students.

Sydney Rooks' goal is to become a Naturopathic Doctor. She plans to attend Bastyr University with the help of the Sedro-Woolley Alumni Vocational Scholarship.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST JULY 4TH

By Steve Lidgard

The Sedro-Woolley Alumni & Schools Foundation, a non-profit organization run by community volunteers, is hosting their 8th annual pancake breakfast "Robyn's Pancakes for Kids" on July 4 from 6:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. The suggested donation for this delicious breakfast is \$5 per person and will be held at the Sedro-Woolley Senior Center located at 715 Pacific Ave, Sedro-Woolley. All proceeds raised during the breakfast help to benefit students in the Sedro-Woolley School District through the Foundation's grant program. Over \$200,000 in grants have been given to staff for classroom materials and programs since the Foundation began. The Foundation is "a partnership with our community, making a difference for our children."

SEDRO-WOOLLEY CAM

Sedro-Woolley has a live downtown cam! Check out the happenings any time of the day or night at the City's web site:

www.ci.sedro-woolley.wa.us

Look for Hammer Heritage Square web cam! It's on the clock tower!

SWHS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MERGES WITH SEDRO-WOOLLEY SCHOOLS FOUNDATION EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2015

The Sedro-Woolley High School Alumni Association and Sedro-Woolley Schools Foundation have merged both organizations, effective January 1, 2015.

Each organization's purpose and focus will be maintained in the new structure. The Alumni Association has historically worked to provide vocational scholarships to Sedro-Woolley school graduates. The SW Schools Foundation raises money to fund grants and improve SW schools at the classroom level. The new organization will do both, through a set of permanent committees.

To emphasize that the merged organization funds projects for students of all ages, the words "high school" have been dropped from the new name:

Sedro-Woolley Alumni and Schools Foundation.

The merged organization will continue to publish two newsletters per year and maintain a web site, blog, and Facebook page.

S-W ALUMNI AND SCHOOLS FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Brock Stiles, President
Joe Jones, Vice President #1
Robin Taylor, Vice President #2
Lola Ellestad, Secretary
Katherine Olson, Assistant Secretary
Pam Baird, Treasurer
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Directors serve staggered three-year terms.

FALL-WINTER 2015 NEWSLETTER

You are welcome to provide class news and other tidbits for our Fall/Winter issue! Deadline will be September 15, 2015.

Our intent is to provide as much updated information as possible, but you'll find even more news on our blog, web site, and Facebook page. Submit your class information any time!

This newsletter was compiled and edited by Judy Johnson, class of 1971.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Please renew your membership for 2015, using the form insert and encourage your classmates to do the same!

Thank you to all who faithfully support our organization through memberships and donations to the scholarship programs and classroom grants.

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S-W ALUMNI AND SCHOOLS FOUNDATION REMAINING MEETING DATES FOR 2015

All meetings are held at the Sedro-Woolley School District building on Trail Road at 11:00 a.m. These are the meetings to plan the All-Class picnic, the plant sale, biannual auction, pancake breakfast, and other activities.

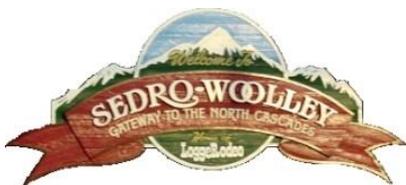
All meetings are set for the third Friday of the month.

May 15, 2015

September 18, 2015

July 17, 2015

November 20, 2015



MEMBERSHIP DUES

Our membership year is the calendar year.
"Annual" memberships are \$10 per year.
Life Memberships are currently \$100.

The membership form is an insert in this newsletter and the form can also be used to make donations to our scholarship fund and to reserve your ticket for the 2015 All-Class Picnic. So easy!

CONTACT US FOR INFORMATION ANY TIME!

Our official e-mail address is:

swhsaa@wavecable.com

Web site: www.swhsaa.com

Blog site: www.swhsalumni.blogspot.com

For more information about the current Sedro-Woolley Schools Foundation, visit the web page at:

<http://www.swsd.k12.wa.us/domain/12>

Facebook: Search for **Sedro-Woolley High School Alumni Assn.** in the Facebook search field and check in with us. We love to hear from you!

The name change will be implemented during 2015 for all Internet pages. Watch for a new look!

SWHSAA COMING EVENT DATES

May 2, 2015 – Annual Geranium Plant Sale!

July 4, 2015 – Pancake Breakfast at Sedro-Woolley Community Center!

July 18, 2015 – Annual All-Class Picnic at Riverfront Park!

October 24, 2015 – Auction at Eaglemont Golf Course!