



Sedro-Woolley Alumni and Schools Foundation

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Supporting Our Community Through Education!

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SWHS ALL-CLASS PICNIC JULY 14, 2018

BIG CHANGES ARE IN STORE FOR THIS YEAR'S PICNIC!

The 20th Annual All-Class Picnic at Riverfront Park is again scheduled for the second Saturday in July, which makes it **July 14** this year. Mark your calendars!

This year, food will available on site for individual purchase. There will be options, depending on the food vendors we are able to secure. You are encouraged to choose your favorite and make the purchase at your convenience, between noon and 2 p.m. It will be helpful for you to bring cash.

These vendors will be local folks who have high quality, popular lunch items for sale in our community. Please support them at the picnic! Watch for our announcement on our Facebook and blog pages which will list the vendors and the delicious menu items they plan to offer.

You are also welcome to bring your own meal.

Admission to the picnic is **\$5** for each attendee, to cover our costs for equipment rental and administrative expenses.

Gates open at noon.

NO ADVANCE RESERVATION IS NECESSARY.

Please pay the \$5 admission as you come into the park and be sure to get a name tag!

There will be helpers to assist those who need help with ordering their lunch and getting seated.

Golf carts will again be available for those who'd like some assistance negotiating the hill to and from the picnic site.

If your class is planning to put up a "class tent" please reserve a space by contacting us at Sedrowoolleyhsalumni.official@gmail.com by July 1. We map out the tent locations in advance to help the Pacific Party Canopies setup crew.

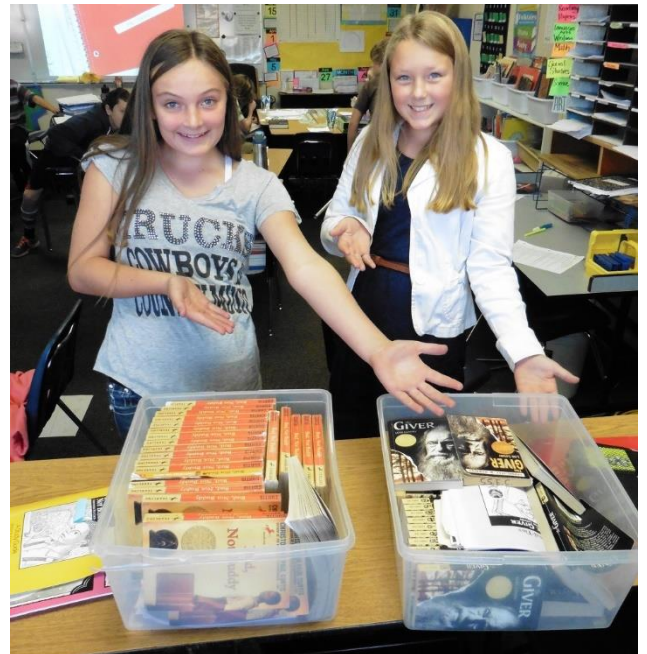
We are grateful to the Sims family for continuing Vern's tradition of providing two 10' x 20' tents for general use. We appreciate their long commitment!

The park shelter will also be available, as usual.

You are invited to bring signage for your class! It's always fun to see who is there.

We look forward to seeing you at this fun, annual event!

We often have 300-500 Cubs and friends in attendance at the **All-Class Picnic!**



Classroom grants provide additional, lesson-specific materials for our CUBS!

The All-Class Picnic is our biggest event of the year – it's 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 bring a few extra dollars to participate in the fun raffles we have for you.

2018 FOUNDATION MEMBERSHIP DUES!

Calendar year 2018 dues are due now! Please use the supplied form and be sure to give us your e'mail address.

Dues are still \$10 per year for annual memberships and \$100 for the popular lifetime membership option.

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

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.

SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

By Lola Ellestad '42, Scholarships co-chair

Five scholarships were awarded by the Class of 1971 and twelve awarded by the Sedro-Woolley Foundation. These students are attending schools in Arizona, California, Oregon and Washington states. Some are pursuing vocational education and some are pursuing college degrees. It is exciting to see the appreciation of the students as we help with their college expenses.

Some of the kids have other scholarships that need to be used before they need our scholarship. They have three years before the scholarship expires. Each scholarship is made possible by YOU when donations, memorials and dues are given to the Sedro-Woolley Alumni and Schools Foundation. If you would like to help the students in the coming years, please join us by forwarding your donations directly to: P.O. Box 509, Sedro-Woolley, WA 98284. The application deadline for the 2018 - 2019 year ends on January 31, 2018.

It will be **GO CUBS** when we start the process again by reviewing next year's applications, make the awards and wish them well as the students start their next adventure in education.

HARVEST HAPPENING BIG SUCCESS FOR CLASSROOM GRANTS

By Kellie Cargile

On October 14 the St. Joseph Center in Mount Vernon transformed into a red, black and white casino themed night during 2017 Harvest Happening Dinner/Auction. This entertaining evening provided mock gaming fun as guests became "high rollers" playing all of the fun casino games from poker to roulette. Guests then enjoyed a sumptuous dinner and proceeded to bid high during the live auction portion of the evening.

During the auction, Bids for Kids raised a record \$20,000 in support of the Foundation's Classroom Grant Program! The evening was a roaring success and netted \$45,000 in support of classroom grants and program support throughout the district. The Foundation extends a big thank you to our sponsors, guests, and staff that worked tirelessly on this wildly fun event.

CLASSROOM GRANTS FUNDED FOR BIENNIUM

By Kellie Cargile

Thanks to the remarkable success of this year's Harvest Happening, the Foundation will provide \$20,000 in classroom grants during this school year.

The first round of grants awarded this past November included classroom novel studies and library books at Central Elementary, water testing equipment and hands on science lab materials at Clear Lake, a document camera for Lyman, and equipment for ag science education at the high school. Other grants provided robotics software at Clear Lake and Code-a-Pillars for our youngest learners at Central.

Including current grants, the Foundation has donated back into classroom over \$312,000! In 2001, The classroom grant program started out modestly giving out \$2,000 that first year and has since grown to now awarding \$20,000 each year! Again, sincere thanks to our event donors, staff, and our community for their support of the Foundation. Your donations enable us to support teachers in the classroom and enhance education in the Sedro-Woolley School District.

CUB FRESHMAN TO ATTEND SUMMER PROGRAM

Katya Matsko, SWHS Freshman, has been accepted to a prestigious Summer Collegiate Program at Stanford University for 2018. In addition, Stanford has awarded the program fee of \$7500 as a scholarship to Katya because of her exceptional qualifications.

This is the first time that a SWHS student has ever been accepted to this program. Katya will study mathematics and has a career plan to study astrophysics.

2018 SEDRO-WOOLLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMUNITY RECOGNITION

By Kellie Cargile

The Sedro-Woolley School District has selected this year's honorees in the 17th Annual District Recognition program. Nominees are individuals outside or within the school district who have rendered outstanding service to the community or demonstrated loyal support and outstanding accomplishments in areas such as community service, academics, performing arts, or athletics.

These exemplary efforts are recognized as going beyond the typical measures of accomplishment and will be publicly honored at a ceremony on April 19 at 7 p.m. in the Sedro-Woolley High School Auditorium. The public is invited to attend.

Congratulations to:

Hall of Fame Athletics – Fred Lennox

Honors SWHS graduates who excelled athletically; an individual who has achieved distinction as a former student-athlete.

Hall of Fame Academics – Dr. James Rogers

To honor SWHS graduates who excelled academically; an individual who has achieved distinction as a former student.

District-Wide Recognition – Judi Sato

Acknowledges a current or former staff member whose exemplary efforts within the school system go beyond typical measures of accomplishment.

Community Recognition – Steve Massey

An individual who has rendered outstanding service to the community or demonstrated loyal support for the Sedro-Woolley School District.

Memorial Recognition – Dr. Paul Johnson

To honor posthumously an individual who has rendered outstanding service to the community or demonstrated loyal support for the Sedro-Woolley School District.



SWHS ALUMNI AND SCHOOLS FOUNDATION COMMUNICATIONS!

Our newsletter is published twice a year, but updated information is always found on our Facebook page.

Class representatives are encouraged to send information about reunions and gatherings so we can share it with CUBS all over the world!

ANNUAL PLANT SALE MAY 5

Our annual plant sale will once again be held at Bingham Park in Sedro-Woolley on Saturday, May 5th. Sale begins at 9 a.m. and there will be a nice assortment of geraniums and tomato plants, plus a few surprises! Please come on out and bring a box if you have one. All your friends will be there!

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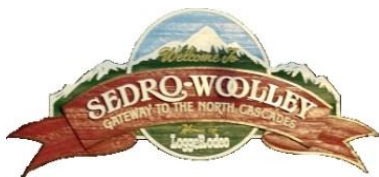
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S-W ALUMNI AND SCHOOLS FOUNDATION REMAINING MEETING DATES FOR 2018

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 odd-numbered months.

May 18, 2018 September 21, 2018
July 20, 2018 November 16, 2018



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. So easy!

CONTACT US FOR INFORMATION ANY TIME!

Our e'mail address:
SedroWoolleyHSAumni.official@gmail.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:
<https://www.facebook.com/SWHSCubs/>

We love to hear from you!

S-W Alumni and Schools Foundation COMING EVENT DATES

**May 5, 2018 – Annual Geranium and Plant Sale!
Bingham Park in Sedro-Woolley!**

**July 4, 2018 – Pancake Breakfast
at Sedro-Woolley Community Center!**

**July 14, 2018 – Annual All-Class Picnic
at Riverfront Park!**

**We invite YOU to volunteer
to help at these events!**