



President's Message

In our last newsletter, I had the pleasure of reporting on the April 1st groundbreaking ceremony for East's new building. In the more than six months that have passed since groundbreaking, the team lead by H.W. Houston Construction has transformed former sports fields into a constantly changing field of future dreams. Ground preparation, foundations and some floors, and underground utility installations are in the process of being completed and the first brick walls are popping where the gyms and locker rooms will be located. Work appears to be on schedule for a late 2022 completion of the new building, preparation for opening the building during the spring of 2023, and students beginning classes at the start of the 2023-2024 school year. Upon completion, we will have a stunning, state-of-the art learning environment that will attract students not only from the Eastside, but from throughout Pueblo County. I invite everyone with a continued interest in East to visit the District 60 Bond Program/High School Design Advisory Group website (www.pueblod60.org/page/3194) where you can examine various building design documents for the new high schools at both East and Centennial. A web camera (<https://app.oxblue.com/open/hwhouston/neweasthighschool>) shows daily construction progress.

The progress being made with the new construction does not come without some pain. The fall sports, girls' softball and boys' soccer and football, have been displaced. Similar disruptions will impact spring sports. It's hard to practice and play while dodging cement mixers and front-end loaders! Longer term, some pain will be felt through the loss of comfort found while walking through familiar hallways or missing a favorite seat in the auditorium. Of particular loss to the Alumni Foundation will be the loss of the Heritage Hall. The Heritage Hall, built entirely through donations from generous alumni and dedicated just twelve years ago, will disappear once the new school is completed, and the existing building is torn down to make way for new athletic fields. It appears that deep center field in the new baseball field will sit where the Heritage Hall is now located.

Built as a place to house memorabilia, artifacts, and photos that capture East's history and a way to bind current East students with those that have gone before them, members of the Alumni Foundation, East administration, and community members consistently appealed to D60 Administration and Board Members during Design Advisory Group and Stakeholder meetings, at School Board Meetings, and through personal contact to save the Heritage Hall or, at least, commit to a similar amount of space in the new building. Despite our efforts, I am disappointed to report that we

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Mission Statement

Provide a
means for
East High School
Alumni
to assure the school
continues to be a
vital force in the community!

Goals

- Perpetuate the EHS traditions of pride and excellence
- Recognize excellence in student extracurricular activities and alumni achievement
- Provide scholarship support for graduating seniors
- Enhance the image of EHS in the community
- Maintain and preserve a collection of EHS memorabilia in the Heritage Hall
- Raise funds to support the school's programs and activities

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Principal's Message

As the weather begins to get colder, I am glad to greet our Eagle Alumni and families, wishing you all a very happy Fall. We are in full swing here at East High School with two months down and looking forward to keeping a full student body for the rest of the 2021-2022 school year. We may be wearing masks during class and at all indoor functions, but the excitement of experiencing all that high school has to offer is evident and contagious. Classrooms are full and events have been well attended as we have returned to life as close to normal as we can here at The Eagle Empire.



We started off the year with a special "Re-Orientation" for students. Our Freshmen usually get their traditional welcome, so that was generally the same. Our Sophomores, however, missed out on that opportunity last year, so we made up for that. In fact, we felt our entire student body needed a thorough welcome back event and our Alumni graciously supported our efforts in many ways. Our Eagles attended classes and games as normal for two weeks. Masks then returned to our school lives with the uptick in cases. I am happy to report, though, that positive cases within our school building have remained low and quarantines have been minimal.

Our traditions and festivities have made a triumphant return. I cannot recall a more captive student body enjoying a homecoming royalty assembly than just a few weeks ago. It was the first assembly in our building in nearly two years, and our Eagles reveled in being a part of the pageantry. Our Homecoming Dance was held outdoors at CSU-P's fountain to allow a maskless experience for our attendees. With nearly 700 on the dance floor or inside the gates, it was easily the most well attended dance in over a decade. They are ready! After missing out on a year and more, our students are taking advantage of their opportunities. Our staff is stepping up to the challenge of continuing to build strong and positive relationships while catching these young minds up in their studies.

Large block walls are obstructing our view from the building to what used to be the fields. That means the new East High School has begun to take shape! At the time of this writing, our main and auxiliary gyms are forming, and the academic wing has a foundation. I encourage you to take some time to examine the renderings on the district website. The new, state of the art East High is sure to be a proud landmark in Belmont for a very long time. As of now, we are on schedule to move into the new facility for the 2023-2024 school year. Anticipation is growing with each phase of the construction process. Please stop by to check out the progress if you are in the area!

We are not out of the woods yet, but it feels wonderful to have students in the building full time once again. The heart-beat of East High School has returned and the passion for The Pride of The East Side continues to grow with more new connections being formed and fostered. With "normal" becoming more and more of a reality, we are reminded once again that it is a GREAT day to be an Eagle.

Andy Clementi
East HS Principal

will not see a new Heritage Hall incorporated into the new building. We will, however, have use of some space in a 600 sq. ft. community room. Other treasures from East's past will be placed in display cases, mounted on walls, and shown in video displays planned throughout the new building. The architects have identified a potential future location of a Heritage Hall, and as time and donations allow, we will explore the possibility of building a new Hall.

To help raise awareness for the loss of the East Heritage Hall and the Centennial Museum, Veteran's Wall, and Courtyard, the East Alumni Foundation participated in a Veterans Motorcycle "Save Our Heritage" Rally on September 25. The Rally, organized by the Centennial Alumni Foundation, included stops at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial on Elizabeth St., Imperial Gardens, East, and Centennial. The potential loss of military and veterans' heritage prompted the event. Speakers included Centennial Alumni Foundation President Mike Sexton, Centennial graduate and Medal of Honor recipient Drew Dix, and East Alumni Foundation President Gene Wilcoxson (pictured right). While not a financial success, the Save Our Heritage rally brought to



the community an increased awareness in the loss of the East Heritage Hall and related structures at Centennial.

Always present in the community helping preserve the traditions of East, the Alumni Foundation recently sponsored a hotdog tailgate party for East's Homecoming football game against the Pueblo West Cyclones at the CSU-P Thunderbowl. Every year, the ROTC stu-



dents and members of the band seem to be first in line for hotdogs, chips, and a drink. Other East students and their families, friends of East, and Alumni get what's left over. Pictured below, waiting impatiently for their hotdog, are Jeff Falletta ('88) and Aaron Suazo ('81).

Gene Wilcoxson

Class of 1969 – Foundation President

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WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

The Garcia Family



The Garcias – left to right: Michelle, Frank, and Christie.

Graduating in 1965 from East High School, **Frank Garcia** attended Southern Colorado State College (SCSC). He worked in the grocery business, Arapaho Stores, Inc. for 20 years. He also worked for Prudential Insurance Company for 32 years until he retired in 2013. Frank was an active member of the Optimist Club of Pueblo and served as President. Frank married Lucy Murillo and raised two daughters, Michelle and Christie, both of whom graduated from East High School. His wife, Lucy graduated from South High School in 1964 and also attended Southern Colorado State College (SCSC). She was a teacher for Pueblo School District 60. Lucy taught Foreign Languages at Pitts Middle School and at East High School. She retired from East High School after a 30-year career in education. Frank and Lucy have two granddaughters, Megan and Morgan McIver. Frank and Lucy enjoy spending time with their family and traveling. They have traveled to Spain, France, Italy, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Costa Rica, the Mediterranean, and the Caribbean to name a few places.

Michelle, who graduated in 1985, attended the University of Southern Colorado (USC) graduating in 1989 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Social Work and a minor in Psychology. Michelle moved to Phoenix, AZ after graduating from USC where she was a school counselor at the Phoenix Job Corps Center. Michelle married Mike McIver, also a 1985 East High graduate and USC student. Michelle and Mike moved to Denver in 1991 where they raised Megan and Morgan. Megan graduated in 2014 from the University of Denver (DU) with a Bachelor of Arts degree in International Business with minors in Marketing and Spanish. Morgan graduated in 2021 from the University of Colorado-Boulder (CU) with a Bachelor of Science degree in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology with minors in Business and Spanish. Both daughters currently reside in Denver. Michelle has continued her career working with youth and is currently employed by Douglas County School District. Mike has had a successful career in technology - having owned and sold his own business. He is currently working with GN Audio. Michelle and Mike reside in Highlands Ranch, CO and love spending time with family, being in the outdoors, traveling and playing golf.

Graduating in 1992 from East, **Christie** attended the University of Colorado in Denver (CU Denver). She married Harvey Wilford and currently resides in Denver. Christie is an Administrative Manager for Daltile Stone where she has been employed for 19 years. Christie and Harvey are Host Home providers for two gentlemen with disabilities. They also have built two spec homes in Pueblo West. Christie and Harvey enjoy traveling and have visited many places in the US and Canada. Christie also traveled to Europe and Mexico. Christie and Harvey enjoy their pet dog Yoda, playing pool, entertaining friends, and cooking.

Golden Eagle, Activities, and Athletic Halls of Fame

Stating the obvious, the past eighteen months have been a challenge for all of us. COVID, which resulted in a combination of school closures, hybrid learning models, mask mandates, and social distancing requirements, caused a cancellation of the 2020 and 2021 Golden Eagle Hall of Fame, the 2020 Activities Hall of Fame, and the 2021 Athletics Hall of Fame ceremonies. Now, with a bit of luck and East perseverance, Hall of Fame recognition ceremonies will resume in 2022.

Golden Eagle Hall of Fame

Plans are being developed to hold the 2022 Golden Eagle Hall of Fame induction for Eagles and friends of East selected in 2020 and 2021 on Thursday, April 21 at 10:13 a.m. Being recognized will be 2020 inductees, **Ken Montera**, East '75; **Troy Davenport**, East '83; and **Gretchen Rode**, recognized for Service to East. In a first for the Golden Eagle Hall of Fame, East will also recognize 2021 inductees during the same ceremony – **Mark Bean**, East '66; **Walt Bassett, Jr.**, East '75; **Dr. Kim Radway**, East '92; and **Aaron and Annette Suazo**, both East '81, for Service to East. The induction ceremony will be followed by a reception in the Media Center and an informal dinner the evening of the 21st. Details regarding the location and cost of the dinner have not been finalized. Please check with East High in early April for more information.

Golden Eagle Hall of Fame Nominations

In another first for the Alumni Foundation, we will not recognize a 2022 Golden Eagle Hall of Fame class. The decision not to recognize a new class was made mutually by East High administration and the Alumni Foundation and is due primarily to the time constraints placed on the school, teachers, and students during the spring. With other school and Alumni activities already scheduled, we do not feel that we can take more time away from the student's education.

Please, if you planned to nominate a classmate or contributor of Service to the School, submit their nomination now. Nomination forms can be found on under the Hall of Fame tab on the Alumni Foundation website (www.puebloeastfoundation.org). We will hold nominations for consideration as members of the Golden Eagle Hall of Fame, Class of 2023.

Athletics Hall of Fame

During normal times, an induction ceremony for the Athletics Hall of Fame would have occurred this past spring. This ceremony, too, was placed on hold due to COVID. We are now planning to hold a ceremony on Thursday, May 12 at 10:13 a.m. Although the Athletics Hall of Fame ceremony typically takes place in odd numbered years, the decision to hold the ceremony in 2022 is due in part to our planned recognition of the 2021 Colorado State Championship **Unified Bowling Team** (see *Another State Championship Team*). While we endeavor to recognize state championship teams immediately following their state competition, this could not occur due to COVID. We will recognize this team while many team members are still attending East this school year.

In addition to the Unified Bowling Team, the following will be recognized during the Athletics Hall of Fame ceremony: **Daniel Doyle**, '99, spirit; **Katie Eickelman**, '08, multi-sport athlete, **Jordan Ward**, '09, football; **Jacob Robles**, '15, wrestling; **Bruno DeRose**, '15, football; **Daniel Martin**, '15, football; **Kaitlyn Camacho Orona**, '14, softball; and **Alexa Sandoval**, '11, multi-sport athlete.

Activities Hall of Fame

The Activities Hall of Fame recognizes student achievement and faculty excellence in a variety of CHSAA evening including vocal and instrumental music, speech and debate, DECA, FBLA, FCCLA, and MESA. Another recent victim of COVID was the spring 2020 Activities Hall of Fame induction ceremony honoring **Maxine DiMarco** ('12), **Paulina Morales** ('13), **Nicole Seip** ('13), **Je Hwang Yoo** ('13), **Sarah Wood Zaayman** ('13), **Jon Hannan** ('14), **Vianne Saphara** ('14), and **Ryan Walter** ('14). To avoid scheduling and classroom instruction conflicts, the induction ceremony for these distinguished East alums is now planned for Thursday, October 13, 2022. The ceremony will also recognize Class of 2022 Activities Hall of Fame members.

Activities Hall of Fame Nominations

The East Alumni Foundation is accepting nominations for its Activities Hall of Fame through January 15, 2022. The Activities Hall of Fame was established to preserve the extra-curricular activity history of East and recognize students who have achieved all-state or higher status, or placed at the state level or higher in the activities listed above. Faculty members who have achieved similar recognition and have been retired for at least five years are also eligible for membership in the Activities Hall of Fame. If you have a friend or relative who graduated from East, or taught at East, that received this recognition, we would like to know so that we may consider them for inclusion in the Activities Hall of Fame. Nomination forms can be found at puebloeastfoundation.org/forms/activities-hof.pdf.

2021 Senior Scholarships

For the 18th consecutive year, the Alumni Foundation recognized excellence in academics, school and community sponsored activities, and athletic endeavors by awarding scholarships totaling \$14,000 to six graduating seniors from the Class of 2021.

The family of Tom Sorensen, who attended East High School in the early 1960s, continues to provide a scholarship in Tom's memory. 2021 was the sixth consecutive year Tom's family has recognized student achievement. Other donations specifically directed to student scholarships were provided by the East High School Class of 1978 in the amount of \$2000 and Jeff and Paula Chostner who, once again, funded the Tuffy Eagle/Alumni Foundation \$1000 scholarship. In addition to these donations, the family and friends Sandy Harbert and John Caligaris, both East alumni, inaugural members of the Alumni Foundation and Board of Directors, and members of the Golden Eagle Hall of Fame donated nearly \$3,500 toward scholarships following their passing in 2019. Last, and certainly not least, \$500 was donated by the 2020 We Stand Together for Graduation Committee (parents and friends from throughout Pueblo School District 60) in memory of Avery Roman, a 2020 Central High graduate who passed away in early 2021. Thank you to these donors and the many other East alumni, family, and friends who contributed financially to help make these scholarships available to graduating East seniors.

This year, the **Sorensen Scholarship** was received by **Brendon Bernal**. Brendon, ranked in the top ten of his class, will attend Colorado State University – Pueblo (CSU-P) where he will study engineering and, together with studies in business, eventually take “complex problems of today's issues” and find solutions “through math, science, and technology.”

The **Tuffy Eagle scholarship** and an **Alumni Foundation scholarship** were awarded to **Diedre Lucero**. Diedre, a first-generation college student, plans to study nursing at Pueblo Community College. She received her CNA certification prior to graduating from East.

Jaxon Herring, a three-sport varsity athlete and academic honors student, received the **John Caligaris Memorial Scholarship**. Jaxon will attend the William Penn University in Oskaloosa, Iowa, where he has signed to play basketball. Although he has not selected a major, he hopes to pursue a career in sports medicine and give back to student athletes.

Receiving the **Sandy Harbert Memorial Scholarship** was **Demi Lane**. Demi, major undecided, will attend CSU-P and plans to be part of university's dance team. During her time at East, Demi was heavily involved in school and community volunteer activities and helped with the 2019 school bond program. Dance, either coaching or teaching, will be a part of Demi's future.

The **Class of 1978 scholarship** was awarded to **Erika Jinez**. Erika is another standout athlete and scholar. While she has not decided on where she will attend college, she plans to study nursing and eventually become a neonatal nurse practitioner. Erika is dedicated to serving and working in the local community.

A second **Alumni Foundation scholarship** was awarded **Kaleigh Duran**. With an unweighted GPA of 4.0 and a four-year varsity softball letter winner, Kaleigh intends to attend the Colorado School of Mines where she will pursue a degree in biochemistry. Her goal is to further research and discover cures for a number of chronic illnesses.

The scholarships awarded this year increases the amount donated through the Alumni Foundation to the college education of East High graduates to more than \$114,000. Through future generous donations of alumni and friends of East to the Alumni Foundation, the Foundation plans to increase both the number and amount of scholarships awarded to graduating seniors. Your donation to the Alumni Foundation will make a difference in the lives of our fellow Eagles and to community they will serve in the future.

Reunions

The Golden Eagle Flyer is another way of letting your classmates about upcoming reunions. If you would like your 2022 reunion advertised in the Alumni Newsletter, please send details of the dates, times, locations, and primary contacts to the Alumni Foundation at info@puebloeastfoundation.org no later than March 15, 2022.

Another State Championship Team

East High School continues to be the school of champions. In late April, the first-ever CHSAA sanctioned Unified Bowling Championship was held in Englewood with East competing against eight other schools. The Eagles led the way for most of the competition and bowled ‘em over to claim Colorado’s inaugural team title.

Unified Sports are dedicated to promoting social inclusion through shared training and competition experiences, joining people with and without intellectual disabilities on the same time. As a CHSAA sanctioned competition, the 3-member Unified Bowling team must feature at least two athletes with an intellectual disability and at least one female. Athletes must remain grade eligible to participate.

East takes immense pride in recognizing the success of the team and will honor these champions by placing a 4’x7’ framed photograph of the team next to other state championship teams high on the wall of the Mel Spence Gym. Pictured below are the championship team members and coaches. Congratulations Bowlers!



Are You On The Move?

Twice a year, the East Alumni Foundation publishes and mails to nearly 1,100 interested alumni and friends of East a copy of the “Golden Eagle Flyer” newsletter. If you are moving to a new address, please let us know so that we can update our alumni database. There are two easy ways to share your change of address. You can update us by completing and returning our donation form (hopefully with a donation to the Foundation) or by sending a short message with your name, new address, and (if applicable) your year of graduation to our email address: info@puebloeastfoundation.org . If you have a family member or friend of East that does not receive our newsletter and would like a copy, please share our email address with them and we’ll add their names to our database and include them in our next newsletter mailing. Finally, because it happens in life, if one of your classmates or friends that received the newsletter previously has passed away, and there is no one with ties to East at their address, please let us know so that we can take their contact information off mailing database.

Tuffy’s Back

The more than 90-year-old Arkansas River levee through downtown Pueblo was replaced several years ago at the direction of the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Lost in the reconstruction of the old levee was a nearly three-mile-long concrete face adorned with murals that had been part of the Pueblo community since the late 1970’s. Disappearing with the mural removal was a familiar face watching over East athletes at Dutch Clark Stadium – Tuffy. A new concrete face along the length of the levee has created a blank canvas that is gradually being adorned with new artwork and Pueblo County high school logos. Tuffy recently returned to the levee courtesy of donations from the East High School Alumni Foundation.



Athletics and Activities Update

Eagle Athletics and Activities finally had a "mostly normal" resumption to their schedules. Our auditorium is bustling with the Drama students working on their December production of "A Christmas Carol." The marching band has made good use of the student parking lot for their upcoming performance of "Nevermore" by Luke McMillian. The theme for the fall athletic teams has been excel through adversity. Aside from navigating through the pandemic, all of our outdoor athletic teams have been displaced throughout the city due to the construction of the new building. The Football team played a very tough non-league schedule but are currently 2-0 in league play. Girls Volleyball has a young team with a lot of heart. The girls are under the direction of Beth Mauro, and expectations are high for this young group of ladies. Boys Golf entered two Seniors, Evan Smith and Adam Romero, into the state tournament with both finishing with their personal best score. Girls Softball fell short at the regional tournament, but before ending their season, they had an outstanding win against #1 ranked South, capturing the treasured Softball Cup which is awarded to the team winning the second interschool game of the season. Cross Country and

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Drama Department

Has Much In Store

The Drama Department has alot in store this year. Among these are the homecoming assembly, October 20th, at 7:30 p.m. Under the direction of Mrs. Roberta Anshing, a cast of 100 people will perform. Rick Watson will be master of ceremonies. Stage band will be introduced along with the theme of the production "Last Night Story". The theme is based on all the traditions which make up school life. It promises to be a very entertaining evening.

November 16 and 17, the drama department plans to put on the stage production, "George Washington Slept Here." The Moushaur-George S. Goffman comedy concerns a story of a New York City family who moves to a broken down farm. With all the mishaps among the family, instead of George Washington having slept in the house, Resound Arnold had. The cast leads are Howard Williams, Wanda Ruzanski, Berni Gonzalez and Rick Watson.

In February, the Winter Sports assembly, is planned. In April another play production is scheduled. The Drama Department also has been working with the All City Drama Club. The drama club has had alot of workshops. These workshops help drama interested students understand the different parts of drama. A festival of Drama is also planned for the spring. This is the great get of drama, wine and fertility. The banquet is for the All City Drama Club.

Utopians Begin Year

Utopians Service Club is an organization to which junior and senior girls may belong. New junior members are selected in the fall at the end of the first dance party by the senior members. The object of the society is to serve the community and the school.

Spanish Club Changes Name

Last year's Spanish Club was recently changed to Los Mexicanos Club, by its members. They didn't exactly like the name Spanish Club because most of them aren't Spanish, but are Mexican American.

The executives started about five weeks ago, with about 55 members in the club. The president of the club is Phil Bustos and the secretary is Velma Romero.

Beware Of Potential Idiots

"Education is not for knowing more," wrote John Ruskin, "but for behaving differently." Obviously, if one doesn't behave properly, he neither can do for himself others he allow others to do.

Therefore, the idiots, those who are antisocial along with those who rely on vandalism and violence for their kicks, must learn the basic lessons of proper behavior.

If by so fundamental lack in brain power, if by some odd turn in their personalities, these people simply cannot understand why they must learn how to behave, corrective steps must follow.

The steps range from outright dismissal to such educational approaches as personal counseling, mental resistance, or psychiatric treatment.

Either that or treat him like an idiot.

Witches Fly At Night

by Celine Vigil

Once there was a little witch named Velinda. She lived in a town where all the witches would get together and gossip about the night of October 31. Every year all the big witches would get together and start making plans of what they were going to do that night. Velinda would sit home and wonder why all the witches got together to talk. She didn't think she'd ever find out, because the witches only allowed the older ones. Velinda considered herself old enough, and wondered why they hadn't asked her to join them.

Gradually, all the year passed, she had forgotten about it. One year, on October 31, all the witches were flying around on their brooms. All of a sudden she heard them calling her to come outside.

When she went outside they asked her to join them. Velinda was so excited she couldn't believe what her own ears were hearing. She couldn't possibly say so after she'd waited so long for this moment.

Before they did anything that night they explained everything to Velinda. They told her that this special night was called Halloween, and that little kids were from their door asking for candy. The reason the witches went to see all the costumes the kids were wearing. They especially liked the one's dressed as witches. After they finished, Velinda was so excited that she was the first one in the town. She ran about all the rest of the witches.

Now that Velinda is considered as one of them, she does every year. Don't be surprised if you see Velinda in the sky on Halloween. Remember she's always about the rest of the witches. Also, don't be frightened, because she's a gr-little witch and she likes those of you who wear witch costumes.



Students Outgrow Halloween

by Dee Ann Davidson

Do you want to be a black cat or a witch this Halloween season. It would be thought that most high school students are no longer very much impressed by the spooky tales of witches and black cats. However, to carry on tradition for the younger child, or maybe our younger brothers and sisters, we may show some false excitement. When the small children come to your door to "trick or treat", be kind and don't scare them too much. Make it a joyous occasion.

Rx For Halloween Ghosts

Boo! Scared? Hopefully, you were a bit frightened, because this is designed to do just that. However, with Halloween ghosts, goblins, and ghouls just around the corner on October 31, these suggestions should help you survive the bewitching hours of terror! Ghosts and witches do not leave tracks. No tracks means nothing to fear. Goblins, ghouls, and such do not eat humans. Consequently, they are not of this earth since they are not for real. The horrendous horror of Halloween can do you no harm if you believe in treats rather than tricks.

Treat away.

Trick Or Treat Becomes Affair

by Bobbi Jones

Witches, goblins, skeletons, ghosts and monsters. How many of you have looked back on Halloween as it was when you were little kids? It was great fun believing in those imaginary creatures, and haunting the neighborhood while searching for those old popular treats. All those were the days, weren't they? But growing older, as we all do, brought on bigger things, like Halloween parties that sort of dulled all thoughts of trick or treats. The costumes were still evident, but the haunting went out came into here.

Now, we have reached another stage, where we are too big for costume parties, so the whole fantasy of Halloween has passed us by.

We are the spectators, on the sidelines watching the younger generation in their temporary but fascinating world of Halloween.

The Eagles' Cry



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Boys Tennis competed well in the league and will be returning key athletes next season. Boys Soccer is now under the helm of alumni Bruce Mahaffey, who has big plans for building the program. All of our student athletes and coaches have been excited to be back in full swing. The Eagle Empire is thriving and will continue to soar!



Halloween

Ghosts Are Strange Creatures

by Ann Payton

Behold the lowly ghost. As you may have noticed, they are a rather strange lot.

I've always wondered how they could do anyone bodily harm if they lack even the ability to run into a wall. As I see it, they couldn't even hurt themselves, let alone someone else. And yet, nothing is more frightening than a ghost.

They float around making freaky noises like a little kid blowing on a pop bottle (the big ghosts get root beer jugs) and making weird faces. Perhaps their shoes are too tight. Then again, if a ghost doesn't have feet he doesn't have shoes, which brings us to the question, how does the ghost motivate himself?

Surely he doesn't just drift about aimlessly in the wind. What if he somehow got in a place where there was no wind? He'd be stuck there forever and then some because ghosts don't die. How awful, just to float there forever. He'd be so bored, he'd go bananas. He wouldn't even have any thumbs to twiddle.

If he got lucky, maybe somebody would come along and he could blow on his pop bottle (or whatever) and watch them turn green. They probably wouldn't stay too long, and after he got through patting himself on the back (fiscially he'd be right back where he started from,

On the other hand, if the ghost did have some sort of motivation, say something like the squid uses, only without the water, he could get around quite nicely. This is what they seem to do. They seem to get around quite well in their ghostly doings.

When you become bored with that subject (like five minutes ago) contemplate this, are ghosts really invisible or are they white? Maybe they change back and forth. If they can change back and forth, where does the color go when they become invisible?

I'm not even going to attempt that one, but all in all, (catch this pearl of wisdom here), ghosts are not nearly as strange as bananas.

Halloween

You Are Never Too Old To Trick Or Treat

Halloween to little children, means to go out with their little friends and have fun getting candy. Also checking what the costumes are like. But to a little boy who is eleven years old doesn't think of Halloween as fun anymore. He said when he was smaller he did. His name is Tommy King. He really isn't too old for Halloween as he says he is, it's just that his friends think it's "kid stuff." Well he still is a kid.

On Halloween Tom and his friends go out and snatch bags. To them it's fun, out on the night of Halloween while they were snatching bags they busted them: Tom hadn't taken any. But since he was with them he also got into trouble. His parents didn't hit him since he didn't take anything, but they sure did scold him. They explained to him that he was never too old for "trick-or-treats."

Well he sure learned his lesson. Now he's twelve and he's going out for Halloween with other friends. He says he likes it much better.

Remember you never are too old.



Togetherness On Halloween

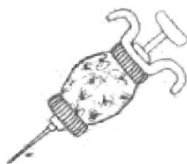
by Sharon Laster

All of a sudden, out of all stillness, the doorbell rings. As you slowly open the door you see a little child's shining, joyful face all a smile. She looks at you forgetting all the fears of this special spooky night.

She holds out her old worn out bag, along with her tinkling little voice, which you can nearly hear saying, "trick-or-treat!" You drop a piece of candy into her bag, but as she looks up at you with those big brown eyes, you can't resist sneaking in a few extra pieces.

As she turns and stumbles down the steps, she suddenly remembers what her mother told her, and turns reluctantly mumbling "thank you."

She runs out to her mother, who is waiting patiently at the end of the sidewalk for her. Very excited, she opens her bag to show her mother what she got. Her mother smiles, then takes her hand and they begin walking off slowly. This time together.



Will Halloween Be A Holi-day Or Tragi-day?

by Steve Craddock

It seems that Halloween has been going downhill in the past few years. Only a few Halloweeners ago you could bite into an apple someone had given you without inspecting it with a magnifying glass first. Some of last year's trick-or-treaters took down addresses and what the people gave them.

Back in the "Good Old Days," if someone gave a kid a rotten apple he'd tell his friends and the group would go turn over his out-house. Now the kids get eggs and toilet paper to thoroughly decorate the guy's car and home, razor blades to cut his vinyl top. The victim turns out to be the wrong one. The most common excuses are, oh well, it was fun anyway or I couldn't stand that old dude, it serves him right.

What about the guy who gets L.S.D. or another similar drug in his treat? Why should he have to pay for someone's sick idea of a joke? Some children go on a lifetime trip. Others go on a one-way ticket. The lucky ones just get a short one to the hospital for a couple days of observation. If something like this happened to you though, would you ever trust anyone again? Think of going over to your friend's house and he hands you something to eat. You look at the food but can't quite bring yourself to eat it. The guy thinks your crazy or something and when you leave you know you'll probably be thought of as weird by that person, sound far-fetched? Ask some of last year's victims about it.

If everyone knew the effects on a person a year after the incident, maybe they wouldn't laugh at someone getting something more than they bargained for this year.

Halloween Is Joyous Occasion

by Larry Simon

The blackness of the sky blanketed the earth. The cool wind whispered in the trees, which were now bare of the yellow and red leaves which had been there only a few weeks before.

Even though you were walking light footed, the rustle of dead leaves beneath your feet made you very self conscious. A quick glance at the moon revealed it to be full, but slightly dimmed by cloud cover.

A weird noise, a movement behind a bush and you were off running! Your heart pounded harder and harder as you can faster and faster! There were houses only a few hundred yards off. You stumbled over a broken off tree limb but were running harder than ever a few seconds later.

You must reach the houses. . . As you came upon the houses, sweaty and shaking, you heard a joyous yell of children up the street. Trick or treat.



PUEBLO EAST HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI 2021 DONATION DRIVE

Established nearly twenty years ago, the East High Alumni Foundation established as its Mission to:

- Maintain and Perpetuate the East High School Tradition
- Raise funds to Support Programs at East High School
- Enhance the Educational Experience for East High School Students
- Support the Mission of East High School

Throughout the years of our existence, the Foundation believes that it has been responsible stewards of the contributions you, our generous Alumni, Faculty and Staff, and Friends of East, have entrusted to us as we endeavored to meet this mission. To name just a few of our activities, your donations have allowed the Foundation to build and operate its Heritage Hall with an initial cost of more than \$250,000, provide nearly \$115,000 in scholarships to graduating seniors, honor past students and friends of East through the Golden Eagle, Activities, and Athletic Halls of Fame, donate computers and software to the Media Center, publish the semi-annual Golden Eagle Flyer newsletter, and, most recently, lead the community effort to pass the 2019 District 60 Bond Campaign which saved our beloved Eastside from the loss of one of its treasures, East High School.

With a new building on the horizon, we want to focus our fundraising efforts in three key areas:

1. Funding for student scholarships
2. Support academics, activities, and athletics
3. Begin a capital campaign to replace the Heritage Hall

Student scholarships will continue to be a priority for the Foundation and a capital campaign to replace the Heritage Hall will be a long-term effort with new construction costs expected to exceed \$500,000. If you have the financial ability to fund a new Heritage Hall, we would be excited to talk to you!

Regarding our on-going support of academics, activities, and athletics, the Alumni Foundation Board is requesting your assistance in meeting program requests from East faculty in preparation for the move into the new building. As mentioned in previous editions of the Golden Eagle Flyer, we do not anticipate all classroom and program needs for the new East will be met by bond financing alone. For this reason, we are asking you to consider making a special donation that supports a specific subject area, activity, or athletic need. While the new building will be equipped with new state-of-the-art furniture and fixtures, much of what is currently used daily in the classrooms, for after-school activities, or in the gyms and sports fields will be carried from the old building into the new one. Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could replace much of the old equipment with new?

We have asked East's faculty to provide a wish list (see partial list below) of new equipment to support their programs. Can you support their request?

- Video screen for the CHSAA competition gym – funded!
- American flags for each classroom
- Exceptional Student Services (ESS), which supports the needs of disabled students, with Bocce Ball courts and equipment, a corn hole court, picnic tables, community garden/area, flexible seating options including exercise ball chairs, wobble stools, lap and standing desks, two-way radios for ESS staff
- Makerspace equipment for science and technology classes and activities that includes vinyl cutters, 3D printers, CNC machines, laser cutters, robotics equipment, sewing machine, powered saws, drills/drill press/sanders, hand tools, paper cutters (\$300), utility carts, document cameras and visual presenters (\$550), LEGOs, mobile standing desk, rolling and adjustable computer carts, certificate frames, etc.
- SLR detachable lens camera kits (\$2,500), 5-inch reflector telescope and graphics computer (\$1,500), digital microscope, heavy-duty icemaker and water deionizer for science experiments, aquaponics/hydroponics kit
- Computing equipment for e-Sports club (\$4,200)
- Gaming projectors (\$7,000)

For many years, our financial goal was to annually generate \$20,000 in donations from at least 100 donors. We are now challenging each graduating class to donate a minimum of \$1000 to provide new equipment for school programs before the new building opens in the fall of 2023. Would you consider making your 2021 donation to your graduating class now? If you aren't an East graduate, we will include your donation in our general Foundation fund. Until we open the new building, we will track each graduating classes donation(s) and report progress toward the class goal in the Golden Eagle Flyer, the Alumni Foundation website, and Alumni Foundation Facebook page.

Thank you! We look forward to hearing from you soon!

Respectfully,
East High School Alumni Foundation Board of Directors

Donation Form

I would like to donate to the East High School Alumni Foundation

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