

THE DRAGON PRIDE

Welcome to the February 2009 edition of the Sac High Alumni Dragon Pride e-Newsletter. For previous editions of the Dragon Pride, please visit www.sachighalumni.org.

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Events

Sac High Crab All Sports Crab Feed

The Sac High Boosters are hosting an all you can eat crab, salad, pasta & bread buffet on Saturday, February 28 from 3-7pm in the Sac High Commons. Tickets are \$35 per person in advance or \$40 at the door and will include entry for raffle prizes. Proceeds from the event will benefit Sac High athletics. For more details or to purchase tickets contact Michele Woodson at (916) 813-1850 or Coach Gatling at (916) 275-9570. Tickets can also be purchased at underground books located on the corner of 35th Street/Broadway.

Dragon Signs Football Scholarship



Sac High's Kei'Vaughn Barrett signs with Sac State.

Before an audience of more than 100 students, family and friends, Sac High senior Kei'Vaughn Barrett ceremonially signed his letter of intent for California State University Sacramento where

he will attend next fall on a full football scholarship. Scouted by several colleges, Barrett, a 6-4, 289-pound DL/OL, has been a mainstay on both lines of scrimmage during the last several years and helped the Dragons make their first playoff appearance in more than a decade during the 2007-08 season. Although the Dragons fell short of the playoffs this year, Barrett proved to be a leader on the field with 38 tackles for loss and 9 QB sacks. While maintaining a strong GPA, Barrett's leadership was also evident off the field as he assisted his team through the tragic loss of a fellow teammate early in the season. Although school records are not accessible, it is confirmed that Barrett is the first Sac High Dragon to attend a Division I school on a football scholarship in more than five years.

Sac High Open Houses

Sac High is now enrolling for the 2009-2010 school year. All students in grades 9-12 from all school districts are welcome and encouraged to attend one of the upcoming open houses to ask questions, meet current students and teachers, and tour the campus:

Saturday, March 7, 2009 (12-2pm)

Saturday, April 4, 2009 (12-2pm)

Saturday, May 9, 2009 (12-2pm)

Saturday, June 6, 2009 (12-2pm)

Saturday, July 11, 2009 (12-2pm)

For more information visit www.sachigh.org

News

Dates confirmed for Class of 1969 Reunion

The Sac High Class of 1969 is pleased to announce the dates for their upcoming reunion on Friday, July 24, 2009 at the Croatian American Cultural Center in Sacramento. The event that starts at 7pm will include an open bar, appetizers, dinner, dancing and of course visiting with old and new friends. For tickets and information contact Gilbert Ayala at Gilbertayala@hotmail.com or call (916) 685-2865.

News 10 Journalist Program

Dale Means' Visual Communications class at Sac High was recently awarded a grant by the SECC (Sacramento Educational Cable Consortium) and KXTV News 10 for their Digital Journalist program. Through this grant, students can check out video equipment and produce content that may be submitted to the 2009 SEVA Contest (Sacramento Educational Video Awards) in May. This brings an additional voice to the community while empowering students to express their individuality through media. Visit www.sachigh.org/news.htm to view some of the impressive videos produced by Sac High students.

Sacramento Kings Challenge

Students from Sac High are participating in an engineering competition to develop a device that will enhance the "fan experience" at Sacramento Kings games. Sac High is one of seven schools participating in the event sponsored by Intel. Each team has created a device using their engineering and mathematical skills, which can be used by the Kings mascot Slamson. After many hours of brainstorming, researching, and putting together this project with the help of engineers Randy Harris (from UC Davis) and Guy Grearing (from Rancho Cordova) students from Sac High produced an electronically controlled drum for the competition. Click [here](#) to see their project and video of the students explaining how it works. Be sure to cast your vote!

Reunion Organizers

Want to organize your class reunion but not sure where to start? Class reunions are typically organized by the class president or student government members from your senior year. However, reunions or get-togethers can also be organized by any interested classmates who are tired of waiting for others to put something together. Start by putting the word out. Include an interest email in the Dragon Pride newsletter by contacting the Sac High Alumni Relations Coordinator. Once a date has been solidified, send it to the Alumni Coordinator to post to the Sac High Alumni website.

Consider using Class Encounters to help you track down fellow classmates and organize the event. Class Encounters has been organizing class reunions for years in the Sacramento area including several for Sac High. Visit www.classencounters.com for more information.



Sac High student meets with Wells Fargo mentor.

Wells Fargo Partnership in Action

Four years ago Wells Fargo launched its Mentorship Partnership program at Sac High's School of Business and Communications. The program started with twenty-four mentors and mentees and in a few years has grown to sixty-two mentors and mentees. Wells Fargo team members help their student partners reach their academic and career goals by offering an understanding ear and thoughtful guidance that comes from years of business and life experience. The mentors and students meet once every three to four weeks after school for an hour, totaling nine meetings a year. At each meeting, Wells Fargo provides pizza and games for the students and mentors. For many of the students, the meetings give them an opportunity to talk to another adult besides a parent or teacher about life. As one student said, "I really just have learned how to talk to people."

College Update from the Class of '08

With the highest percentage of students being accepted into a 4-year college, the Class of '08 has already begun the next phase of their life. We will share some of their stories as they embark on new adventures.

From: Marc Romo

To: St. HOPE Staff

Date: January 1, 2009

Hello everyone... it's Marc Romo! Just checking in to let you know I am attending the University of California Riverside as a pre-business major. Going into college as the first in my family I did not know what to expect. My first few days were shocking because of the freedom and accountability of me attending classes, keeping up with homework, and maintain a social life all on my own. However, with the support from my fellow dragon and roommate James Garrett

I've been able to stay focused and goal driven. In December I completed my first quarter of college and attained a 3.2 gpa! Hope all is well at Sac High and St. HOPE!

Marc Romo
UC Riverside

Class Reunions

Upcoming Reunions

Class of 1959

Date: Friday, October 2, 2009
Location: Embassy Suites Sacramento - Riverfront Promenade
Contact: Martin Mortensen mmortensen@suddenlink.net

Class of 1960

Date: September 24-26, 2010
Location: TBD
Contact: Donal Smith sachighclass1960@sachigh1960.org

Class of 1969

Date: Friday, July 24, 2009 from 7-12pm (Doors open at 6:30pm)
Location: Croatian American Cultural Center (3730 Auburn Blvd., Sacramento, CA)
Cost: \$60
Contact: Gilbert Ayala Gilbertayala@hotmail.com or (916) 685-2865
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Recent Reunions

Class of 1973

Date: November 8, 2008
Location: Elks Lodge (6446 Riverside Blvd., Sacramento, CA)
Contact: Linda Patton-Finch (916) 654-8701

Class of 1998

Date: November 29, 2008
Location: Cattlemens Restaurant (12409 Folsom Blvd., Rancho Cordova, CA)
Contact: Talaina Brown talaina@bellsouth.net or 678-760-6638

Sac High In the News

Recent Headlines

January 9, 2009

Sac High girls knock off Grant

The Sacramento Bee

<http://www.sacbee.com/sports/story/1528581.html>

January 11, 2009
Tapley, Abraham help lead Sacramento past Skyline
The Sacramento Bee
<http://www.sacbee.com/preps/story/1532908.html>

January 15, 2009
Area boys nominated for McDonald's game
The Sacramento Bee
<http://www.sacbee.com/sports/story/1543675.html>

January 20, 2009
Dragons, Huskies put on entertaining Hoops Classic Finale
Sac Bee Blog
<http://www.sacbee.com/static/weblogs/preps/archives/018722.html>

January 22, 2009
Class Act: Top Five Juniors
The Sacramento Bee
<http://www.sacbee.com/preps/story/1563696.html>

Go Dragons!

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