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The mission of the Santa Rosa High School Foundation is to serve as a charitable organization to unite Santa Rosa High School alumni, parents, faculty, staff and interested community members in order to provide financial support for SRHS programs and students, and to preserve and document the history and traditions of SRHS.

A GREAT GIFT'S LONG AND UNUSUAL JOURNEY

By Don Cambou

Although she has become the second largest financial supporter of the Santa Rosa High School Foundation in its 30-year history, we don't know a lot about Lucy Giolitti Holler. She graduated from Santa Rosa High more than 80 years ago, in 1938. And her brother, Ernest, also graduated from SRHS. We know that she must have been a very bright young woman; she won first and second scholastic awards. While at SRHS, she was in the Junior Red Cross, Minerology Club, Chess Club, Girls' Athletic Association, and was vice president of the Archery Club. And we suspect that her experience at SRHS must have been very positive. Why else would she leave close to \$900,000 to her high school of so many years ago?

But Lucy's great gift almost didn't reach the Foundation. She and her husband, Edward J. Holler, created their Holler Trust in 1989. Almost all their estate was designated to go to two beneficiaries: St. Rose Catholic Church in Roseville, CA – their home, and Santa Rosa High. Perhaps the Trust stated "Santa Rosa High School" as a beneficiary because it was filed in January of 1989. The SRHS Foundation was



Lucy Giolitti, 1938 Graduation

incorporated only months before, in September of 1988. In the beginning, your Foundation was small, and could easily have "flown under the radar."

Edward Holler died in 2004, and Lucy Giolitti Holler died in 2011. Yet the SRHS designated trust money came to the Foundation only six months ago. It was a long journey. SRHSF President Mary Beseda states it bluntly, "It blew my mind that it took so many years after Lucy's death until the money finally landed at the Foundation."

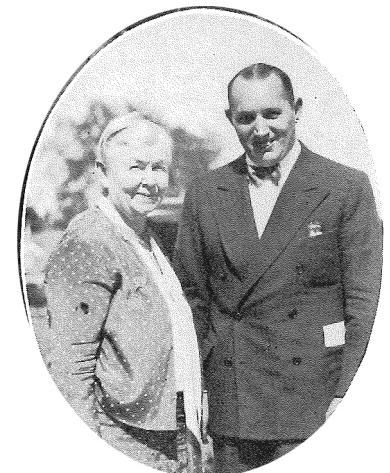
Previous principal Brad Coscarelli first heard about the trust money in 2015. He wasn't sure how the money could be administered, but he knew he had to address the funds to the Santa

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SRHS: HOW AN INFLUENTIAL HIGH SCHOOL BREEDS SUCCESS

By Mike Daniels

Santa Rosa High, its faculty and programs have played a significant role in influencing the lives of its countless graduates. Robert Ripley, one former student, of "Believe It or Not" fame immediately comes to mind. The story of his lifelong relationship—from the early part of the twentieth century until almost mid-century—with teacher Frances O'Meara is well documented.



Robert Ripley visits Frances O'Meara

He never forgot the freedom she gave him to pursue his natural artistic talent. Instead of forcing him to write essays

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year to the members, alumni, and supporters of the SRHS Foundation. Since our last Newsletter I am pleased to announce we added a new Board Member, Kristine Erken. Kristine worked at SRHS as a counselor for five years until transferring to SR Charter School for the Arts this past year. She immediately volunteered her time and expertise to join us on the Foundation Board, and will be on the Scholarship Committee and the Panther Project Fund Committee. She will also be helping with our events throughout the year! We have room for six more Board Members. Interested Alumni, Friends & Supporters should contact us at info@srhsf.org or call the **Pandy Line** at 707-571-7747.



The Polenta Feed Committee with Paulette Gomes at the helm are hard at work requesting donations and organizing this year's Polenta Feed event to ensure the evening will be a success. Tickets this year will go on sale early, January 15, 2019 to Foundation Members, and March 1st to our supporters. Please see page "6" of the newsletter or see us on Facebook or our website, www.srhsf.org for more information. If you are interested in volunteering for the event please contact the **Pandy Line** at 707-571-7747.

Increasing Membership is a high priority for 2019. Membership helps with the Foundation's overhead costs i.e. Newsletter production, Insurance, Accounting & Web Developer to name a few expenses. Our Board Members are all hard working Volunteers! Our Membership Chair Rose Machen Moeller and her Committee are hard at work formulating a strategy on how to reach more alumni and supporters of SRHS. Remember Membership has its privileges.

I want to personally thank everyone for the continued support of the Foundation.

"Once a Panther, Always a Panther"

Mary Orsborn Beseda President

In October and November the Foundation Board with the help of Volunteers, Randy Apel, Todd Beseda, and Joan Boyce prepared three more dinners auctioned off at the Polenta Feed in 2018 and the Golf Tournament this past September. The first dinner was hosted by Alana Kelly '78 with friends from her class of 1978 who also celebrated their 40th reunion this year. Next we were at the home of Kristine Erken our newest Board Member for a Lobster dinner for 16! The last dinner was hosted by Ward Thompson '58 at the home of Ann Porrino '61, former Board Member and current Volunteer. As seen in the pictures everyone had a good time while savoring some amazing food.



Kristine Erken Dinner



Alana Kelly Dinner



Ward Thompson Dinner

Editor:

On behalf of the SRHS Class of 1963 Reunion Committee, I want to thank Mike Daniels, Art Horner, Tony Negri and Will Dunn for their time and effort in conducting the SRHS Reunion Tour on July 14. I have been on several of your tours over the years and always found them informative and fun to reminisce of high school experiences. I also taught at SRHS for eleven years before moving to SRJC for 30 years. Being a SRHS graduate and faculty member makes this school even more dear to my heart. It is great to see the changes that have occurred over the years.

Again, thanks to you all for caring about SRHS and sharing your knowledge with graduates at their reunions.

Sincerely,

Bonnie Panizzera, 1963

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Story ideas are always welcome, as are article submissions. But in the case of article submissions, please contact the Editor, Don Cambou, before writing. Please limit articles to 500 words and letters to 150 words. Please limit Panther Patter submissions to 150 words. All submissions are subject to editing and become the property of the Foundation.

Please submit articles, letters, and Panther Patter short pieces in Microsoft Word, if possible; but we will accept even handwritten materials.

Please submit photos separately from text, but do provide identity of subjects and other relevant material.

Email submissions to doncambou1@gmail.com. Or mail hard copies to PO Box 11006, Santa Rosa, CA 95406-1006.

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POP QUIZ

1. Sing the SRHS Fight Song. (Hint: It starts with "Santa Rosa...")
2. From what University's fight song, now in the Public Domain, did the SRHS Fight Song borrow its melody and multiple lyrics? (Answer to this one at bottom of p. 6)
3. Can you name three of your SRHS teachers who wore glasses?
4. Can you boys name your SRHS Dean of Boys? Can you girls name your SRHS Dean of Girls?

4 correct: You're an Alpha Panther

3 correct: Orange and Black is in your veins

2 or less correct: Go back to school



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Rosa City Schools District. But the School District didn't know what to do with the money, either. There was talk about sending the money to the Sonoma County Office of Education. But that clearly wasn't the intent of the Holler Trust. Finally, the School District decided to have the SRHS Foundation manage the money. It was the right choice. As Doug Pavese, Investment Committee Chairman, states, "The Foundation has consistently managed donated money for SRHS for nearly 30 years." Mary Beseda adds, "The Foundation is excited to assist the School Board with this generous gift that benefits SRHS."

The \$879,000 from the Holler Trust now has been combined within the SRHSF portfolio at Morgan Stanley, our Investment Consultant. The Foundation's Investment Policy Statement provides a procedure for

annually distributing the earnings from the total portfolio to specific scholarships and programs at SRHS. Our current distribution rate is 5% but may be adjusted depending on market conditions. The annual distributions are important to the students and programs at SRHS, yet the preservation of the portfolio value for perpetuity is most important. The Foundation's Investment Committee works closely with our Consultant, Morgan Stanley, in the management of these funds. The Holler Trust should contribute a bit over \$40,000 most years for SRHS student needs. The Foundation will work with Principal Kimberly Clissold to decide how the money should be spent.

So the story of the journey of Mary Giolitti Holler's and Edward J. Holler's Trust designation for Santa Rosa High ends happily. The journey's end marks a new beginning.

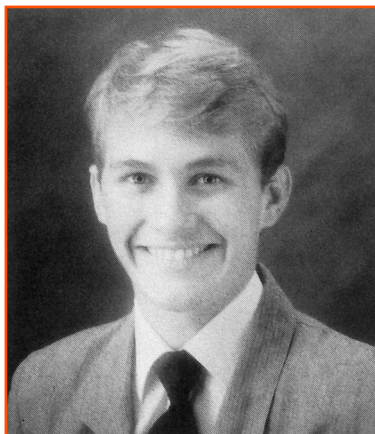
Many, many SRHS students will benefit from the Holler Trust. The SRHS Foundation will continue to be the only organization that manages gift money for the school. Doug Pavese suggests, "If you're considering a donation for Santa Rosa High School's needs through your trust or other vehicle, call Mary Beseda or me at our Pandy line (707-571-7747). We can guide you through the process to ensure the correct destination of the money is to the SRHS Foundation."

The Holler Trust money is a huge gift, surpassed in size only by the Fleck Trust money of over \$2,000,000. That Trust specified that the money be used only for scholarships. But the Foundation appreciates every gift. As Doug Pavese reflects, "I continue to be amazed how many people contribute in a small or large way to the Foundation, because they love this school."

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about the literature under discussion, she encouraged him to submit his drawings that indicated he grasped the lessons. Forced to go to work after his father died and not graduate, Ripley always was grateful for her influence.

Three members of the Class of 1985, now 33-plus years after commencement, tell similar stories of gratitude. David Vann, for one, now a professor of creative writing at University of Warwick in Coventry, England and a writer of nine acclaimed novels, succeeded after suffering the loss of his father while a junior high student. SRHS would help relieve that and influence "the core direction of my life."



David Vann, 1985 Graduation

Unable to discuss the tragedy and haunted by his earlier step-grandparents' murder/suicide, he kept his feelings hidden. A good student by day, nights saw him roaming about neighborhoods.

But a transforming experience for David came when he auditioned for the SRHS drama program—"I told . . . the true story of my father's suicide, after three years of

telling everyone he had died of cancer."

He says further, ". . . what I learned from this class became my writing practice . . . I describe place and characters in conflict and find out each day what will happen on the page, looking for

subconscious transformations, for surprises."

David credits SRHS drama instructor Beth Craven and her use of improvisation and authenticity. As example David remembered "instead of pretending to be sad, we made our voices sound like dry grass."

Enrolling at Stanford, David found he could compete with students from expensive private schools. He says, "I was a bit surprised to realize how rigorous everything at SRHS had been" and "I could compete with any of the students at Stanford."

After his degree at Stanford and graduate school at Cornell, he lectured there and taught at University of San Francisco. Today, in addition to teaching at Warwick, he's also a faculty member at the University of Franche-Compte in France.

David's novels and other writings have been translated into 23 languages. He has toured thirty countries to promote his books and to talk about his influences. Bright Air Back, his most recent novel, was preceded by Caribou Island and Legend of a Suicide in addition to six other titles.

Awarded 14 prizes for his writing, David also has received a number of fellowships, including Guggenheim, Wallace Stegner and National Endowment for the Arts.

David today expresses gratitude to the drama programs and "the other faculty at SRHS and my fellow students . . . for shaping my life in a more positive way than I ever could have planned or even hoped for."

Although she didn't graduate, transferring to a preparatory program instead, Elis (Beth) Imboden is a '85 Panther because of her experiences with the SRHS drama program and instructor Craven. Coming to Mendocino Avenue, Elis had developed acting skills through community theater and junior high classes, she felt the SRHS program was "like private actor training—professional and focused."

She also credits exposure to the larger world of theater as a result of the program's trips to the renowned Ashland Shakespeare Festival (Don Juan in Hell, Hamlet, Man and Superman) and to screenings of films like Andre Gregory's "My Dinner with Andre." She also lauds exposure to "paratheatrical" explorations of Jerzy Grotowski.

With this background, Elis enrolled in drama at San Francisco State

University, where she earned her BA, Magna Cum Laude and followed it with an MFA at the American Conservatory Theater where she appeared in productions and in the San Jose Repertory Theater.

Today she is the Director of Operations for the Interdisciplinary Art Department at Stanford University in a new building she helped design. In this position she oversees all operational, financial and administrative functions for the department, which offers concentration in art history, art practice, film studies, film making and design. She maintains fond memories of the SRHS drama program and its influences.

Tim Crawford never forgot the assignment created by teachers Mike Daniels and Nick Tipon that spun off from his English class' reading of Orwell's 1984. It was to imagine oneself 20 years in the future and to write a resume and application letter for a job with the Central Intelligence agency—after studying Orwell's consideration of the underground Brotherhood, the thought police and power politics.

The memory lay mostly dormant during his undergraduate years at San Diego State but a course there in Latin American politics rekindled the ideas from the class on 1984 and the provocative assignment that went with it. That led to his growth of interest in the topics of politics and international relations.

Thinking "it might be cool . . . to read and write and talk about politics for a living" and motivated further by interest in the end of the Cold War and the onset of the Gulf War, he earned an MA at University of San Diego, served an internship with then State Senator Pete Wilson and completed his PhD at Columbia. He also served as a lecturer there and at San Francisco State.

After post-doctoral work in Washington, DC, Tim in 2003 was offered a teaching position at Boston College, where he is currently an assistant professor, teaching courses in international security, the causes of war, the United Nations, international intelligence and others.

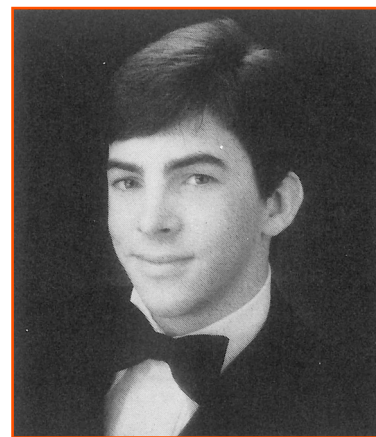
Tim's been awarded fellowships at Princeton and Harvard, received a number of awards and grants. He's authored books and articles in his areas of expertise. Currently he's studying the "strategy and politics of the dividing alliances in the first and second world wars." To look at his curriculum vitae is to be greatly impressed with the depth and breadth of his interests and accomplishments.

And it all started at SRHS with the reading of a novel and its accompanying assignment. Tim, who still considers Santa Rosa "my hometown," says, "I get some vicarious satisfaction and a connection back to the imagined future of my 17-year-old self."

Certainly his former instructors and those of so many alums share that feeling, just another example of why SRHS has been and is the "flagship" of high schools.



Elis (Beth) Imboden at Stanford



Tim Crawford, 1985 Graduation

ANNUAL POLENTA FEED – FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 2019

It's almost time again for the Annual SRHS Foundation Polenta Feed, to be held on Friday, April 26, 2019 at the Santa Rosa Vet's Building. The social hour begins at 5:30 pm with dinner at 7:00 pm. Tickets are \$35.00 per person, adults only.

Tickets go on sale beginning January 15th and are available **for Foundation members only until March 1st**. After March 1st tickets will be available to all supporters of SRHS. We will stop selling tickets on April 19, 2019. Tickets are ordered by calling the **Pandy Line at 571-7747**. Leave your name and phone number and your call will be returned by the following day. Tickets sell quickly so mark your calendar now to make that call right after January 15th.

Join the fun with other alumni and supporters of SRHS. You won't want to miss this fantastic event!



“Once a Panther, Always a Panther!”



ALUMNI STEP UP TO COVER UP

The SRHS Foundation, now in its 30th year, enjoys a record of financially helping SRHS in a number of ways, most often to enhance classroom learning. Its mission statement makes that clear.

Sometimes, however, a need arises beyond the Foundation's ability to help. Last year's wildfires and other factors have conspired to result in such a need—displaced because of the fires and homeless for other reasons, a number of suffering SRHS students are often forced to sleep in cars, suffering because of the season's cold temperatures.

Aware of this need, seven SRHS alumni stepped up to help. Pooling their funds, Mike Grace '65, Josh Grace '89, Mike Daniels '59, Don Cambou '64, Ron Falco '65, Dave Hunt '66 and Billy Friedman '66, worked with J.C. Penney's to purchase 50 warmth-giving, fleece-lined blankets for those needy students. Because of their efforts, the students are warmer and certainly understand SRHS cares in ways beyond classroom learning.

Want to help? You can. Contact Lynette Casey in the SRHS Health Tech office **707-890-3850 x52136**. Many needs remain unfulfilled.

Answer to POP QUIZ: “On, Wisconsin,” the University of Wisconsin.

HAVE YOU INCLUDED THE FOUNDATION IN YOUR ESTATE PLAN?

CONTRIBUTIONS & MEMBERSHIP NEWS

by Rose Machen Moeller '68

The SRHSF welcomes five new members, and appreciates 80 renewals, bringing our current membership to 962. There were six new lifetime members. Members and non-member donors made contributions totaling \$898.40. The Foundation thanks them for their support. All monies benefit the students directly and provides many opportunities that would not be possible without them.

The following members and friends contributed additional funds over and above their membership fees:

LIFETIME MEMBERS

Cathy/Thomas Ahlborn "Parents"
Bob Bertolini '63
Kathleen Brady '85
Art Gambini '68
John Goodman '68
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MEMORIAL & SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

You may send the SRHSF a Contribution in the name of a deceased Panther, or in the name of a specific living person, department, group need, or scholarship fund.

AG SCHOLARSHIP

Carolyn Anderson, Friend

AL COHEN '49

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IN MEMORY OF MY BELOVED MOM

Kathleen Smith '67

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Augusta "Gus" Pina 61

Patricia Prickett Waldow '53
Dorothy Regina Peracca '38
George (Mick) Ridolfi '55
Oma Lee Robinson Sawyer '48
Jacqueline Teel Ulrich '43
Winona "Nonie" Wilson Avila '54
Roy Wilson '57

**GIVING THROUGH THE
SRHS FOUNDATION**

- 1) Establish an Unrestricted Fund (in your name or anonymously) with a gift of \$10,000 or more
- 2) Establish a Restricted Scholarship Fund with a gift of \$10,000 or more
- 3) Include a bequest or Planned Gift in your estate plan
- 4) A Restricted cash gift of any amount that can be directed to a specific program or department or an unrestricted amount that can be channeled to a current-need program by the Board
- 5) Become a ONE THOUSAND PANTHER donor

A wide variety of gifts are accepted including:

- Cash bequests
- Publicly traded securities (stocks or bonds)
- IRAs or life insurance policies with the Foundation named as beneficiary
- Remainder of a Charitable Trust

The Santa Rosa High School Foundation is organized as a 501c3 corporation with a tax ID number of 68-0195375. For further information, you can contact SRHS Foundation, P.O. Box 11006, Santa Rosa, CA 95406, email donations@srhsf.org or call the Pandy Line at **707-571-7747**.

Please always speak with your tax advisor when considering making a charitable contribution.

A STAR, A FIELD, AND A NEW LIFE

A PAC Sports Story

By Don Cambou

Almost exactly a hundred years ago, a young man and his family from Superior, Wisconsin resettled in Santa Rosa. The next school year, the big and strong teenager attended SRHS, the only high school in town, and played football. And, oh, could

SRHS football field in honor of the golden boy, Ernie Nevers.

It wasn't much of a football field. It was nearly without grass. A dry, dusty, concrete hard patch of rocky soil that became a mud pit when the rains arrived. That changed in 1929. Nevers Field got its turf, as well as a cinder track circling it, and bleachers. From that time until the early 50s, Nevers Field saw many football games, track meets, and student and county activities. But because of the age and capacity of the bleachers,

construction began in 2003. Most of it was completed in 2004. The revived Nevers Field boasts a graded field with state-of-the-art artificial turf, a magnificent all weather rubberized track, large, permanent, aluminum grandstands, new bathrooms, and a new snack bar. Soon, the field also acquired state-of-the-art lights, thanks in part to your SRHS Foundation. Today Nevers Field hosts all of SRHS's home football games and many prestigious post season games. Girls' soccer calls the fine artificial turf home. The track facility has three caged discus rings and three concrete shot put areas, all partially funded by the SRHS Foundation. It is now the best track and field venue in the tri county area. Today, SRHS graduations take place here, too. And under the electronic scoreboard is a Foundation funded plaque. It's dedicated to arguably the best athlete ever to play at SRHS: Ernie Nevers.



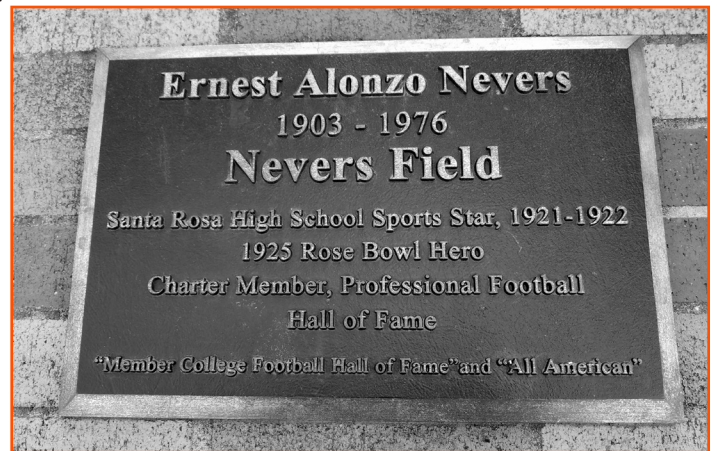
he play football. In that fall of 1919, Ernie Nevers scored 108 of SRHS's 170 points; and that didn't include his passing touchdowns.

By 1925, Nevers was a college football All American. At Stanford, he lettered in football, basketball, baseball, and track and field. He would go on to play in the new National Football League with the Duluth Eskimos and the Chicago Cardinals. In one game, he scored 40 points – that's still the NFL's oldest record. He was one of the first players to be inducted into the NFL's Hall of Fame.

SRHS had its own drama in 1925. Its students were completing their first full year at the newly minted Mendocino Avenue campus. (The Humboldt Street campus had been consumed by fire in 1921.) And the Board of Education named the new

SRHS football moved its games to SRJC's superior Bailey Field and more than ample grandstands. Nevers Field began a half century long decline toward irrelevance. It was still a track and field venue, but the track had fallen into disrepair and runners would have to dodge puddles after a rain. And its facilities were too small to host large meets. The football field, which was still used as a practice field, became lumpy and dangerous. Most non-football playing, non-track students from the mid-50s to 2000 knew little about Nevers Field, and less about the man whose name it bore.

A late '90's bond issue provided \$2,000,000 to lift the field into a first class facility. The physical



Want to help PAC, the Panther Athletic Club? Donations can be directed to a specific sport or for general use. For more information call Marlene Callen at (707) 338-1486 or donate your directed gift through the SRHS Foundation @ www.srhsf.org.





Santa Rosa High School Foundation
 "Once A Panther, Always A Panther"
ONE THOUSAND PANTHERS

Thank you for your generous support in 2017-18

We are looking forward to supporting SRHS students through our funding process which insures monies for enhancements for students attending Santa Rosa High School.

Our comprehensive list of donors includes many alumni and supporters willing to contribute to SRHS through their donations.

We look forward to your involvement with the SRHS Foundation

Please visit us online and learn about our consistent and valued support of SRHS since 1988!!

FRONT SIGN PLAQUES

Ten plaques to be mounted on the back side of the SRHS sign along Mendocino Avenue were made available - there are 3 remaining at a cost of \$5,000 each

A HUGE thank you to the first SRHS sign plaque purchasers:
Scott, Todd & Mary Beseda

John Bribiescas

Connie Coddling

Charles A. Lahm

Doug Pavese

Ann Hutchinson Porrino

Ward & Pat Thompson

All proceeds allocated to the SRHS Foundation Endowment Fund. Please see the SRHS Foundation website for details and to purchase.

2018-2019 Donations to Date

Linda Hilliard 1968 & Jim Andersen

Carolyn Anderson

Judy Kellar Fox 1965 * * *

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David J. Lemus 1974

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Kathleen Smith 1967 in memory of my beloved mom, Arline Miller 1941

Pam Grace 1959 & Bob Stone 1954

Lynn & Brad Valentine

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Gary Rasche Memorial

Ruth Foster, Debbie Martini

* indicates multiple donations.

A Campaign in progress to enrich the SRHSF Endowment Fund

by utilizing \$1,000 donations by 1000 Panther supporters to reach a goal of \$1 million

Proceeds are allocated to student needs at SRHS through the Panther Project Fund of the SRHS Foundation

Currently - we have a total of 236 donors (many with multiple donations) totaling over \$386,500

Call the Pandey Line (707-571-7747) or visit us online at www.SRHSF.org for assistance.

Donations by cash, check, credit card are accepted from individuals and groups (pooled), pledges over 2, 4, and 5 years, employer matching funds, and marketable securities. CALL US!



By: Pandy
WINTER '19

Santa Rosa High School's **FFA Agriculture Issues Team** won the Bronze Division at the National FFA Convention in Indiana. The team practiced for months after winning the FFA State Championship. Their presentation

looked at many sides of the controlled burning issue. **Teacher/Advisor Jordan Albiani** said the team "did an absolutely fantastic job competing at the national contest."



SRHS FFA Bronze Division Winners

Way to go SRHS FFA!... **Jana English Roche '86** recently won first place in the Natural Olympia Pro Figure Masters Division, a bodybuilding competition... **Rex Evich 2018** spent his first semester before college working crush at Simi Winery. His mom, **Lisa Keller Evich '85**, is one of the Wine Makers there... **Dave Barry, Class of '84** and **Larry Broderick, class of '84** both offer nature walks that revolve around birds... Dave is a Certified CA Naturalist and founder of "Wild By Nature Walks & Talks with Dave Barry." Larry is the founder of the West County HawkWatch Raptor Research Group.

MUSEUM NEWS. The SRHS museum recently received a number of yearbooks from the 1960s from the family of **Dennis Duey '64**. Included in the donation is a scrapbook full of laudatory messages to his dad **Fred Duey** upon his retirement as SRHS principal in 1970. Serving as principal for 24 years, longer than any other, Duey's four sons graduated from SRHS: Art '52, Kent '53, Lee '59 and of course Dennis... **Pat Prickett '53** recently passed away but left the museum quite a stack of memorabilia, including clippings from the Press Democrat of the time period, a program for the 1952 Fashion and tea show, graduation and reunion programs and period editions of the Santa Rosan. Pat's dad **Harold Prickett**, of Prickett's

Nursery fame, graduated in '29, brother **Mick** in '56 and brother **Jerry** in '58 . . .

SRHS has two grads who are Women's NCAA basketball standouts. One, **Morgan Bertsch 2014**, is a bonafide superstar. She's a 6'4" senior at UC Davis who set the Davis women's basketball scoring record (1,712) in a game against University of Pacific on Nov. 11 and hasn't looked back. The other, **Emily Codding 2017**, is a rising star. She's a 6' sophomore at St. Mary's College. Emily had a career night recently



Morgan Bertsch



Emily Codding

in a game against Washington State. She went 7 for 7 from the field while scoring 17 points, and gathering six rebounds and four assists. Then she topped that against U.C. Berkeley less than a month later with a 26 point outing. What could be better for Panther sports fans? How about a matchup of their two teams. That happened on Dec. 17, 2018. The St. Mary's Gaels vs. the U.C. Davis Aggies. It was a nail biter with a buzzer beating finish. A turn around jump shot from just inside the free throw line with 9/10s of a second left gave the game to the Aggies, 76 to 74. The shooter? Morgan Bertsch.



Morgan Bertsch



Emily Codding



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