

November 2018

Class of '67

Dear Classmates,

Again I hope this newsletter finds each of you in good health and great spirits. We have much to be thankful for. I'm on my 2nd pacemaker. I got 8 ½ years out of the 1st one. Jane has been cancer free for 3 years. A prayer is offered for each classmate. Let me know about any special prayer requests. This school year is special as we will be turning 70. 70 sounds so old! It is hard to believe. Jane and I are trying to exercise more. She has me going to her yoga class.

We dodged another hurricane. This time it was hurricane Michael. It is hard to believe we had less than an inch of rain. We are very vulnerable, in Charleston many areas flood quite frequently. We raised 3 boys – Matthew, Michael and Mark. We have had hurricane Matthew and Michael. So watch out for hurricane Mark. Michael wife's name is Camille (1969 Hurricane) .

Dr. Sharon Stanislas is the new principal at Central. She most recently was the middle school principal. Before that she was over Central's Guidance Department for many years. She has also taught in Brunswick and Mecklenburg Counties.

I would like to recognize our 2018 scholarship recipient, Sara Wilson. Sara is going to Randolph Macon College majoring in biology. She graduated from Central with a 4.1 GPA. She was raised by a single mom. Our scholarship was awarded in honor of Teacher Tom Palmore. The class of '89 scholarship went to Noah Dunbar. It was given in memory of George Sunbury. The class of '88 did not make an award. The Foundation has now awarded over \$37,000 in scholarships! We have been working with Chris Bailey, a Wealth Manager at Benchmark Community Bank (and a member of the class of '88). We are happy to report we have established an endowment to fund our scholarship. The principle amount is \$28,000. Earnings over this principle will be used to fund our scholarship. In this manner our scholarship will carry on and expand long after we have passed away. The plan is to continue to add to the principle over time which will allow us to increase the amount we award.

It has been a number of years since we had the 5K. We have had excellent participation of class members coming back to join in the event. And we have an excellent group of sponsors (\$2100) and a great group that helped. Our biggest huddle is to get student participation from high school, middle school and the 2 elementary schools. We will review things and keep everyone abreast of plans for this coming year.

Treasurer report from Gene Hart: We have \$4,308 in our checking and \$28,000 in our endowment. We plan to keep around \$5,000 in our checking account to have available to award our scholarship when the market is down. We will also be making further deposits to increase the principle so that we can increase the award amount we provide. The class of '88 has a balance of \$715 and the class of '89 has a balance of \$6,253.

Our fall campaign drive is to raise \$2,000 by the end of the year. Thank you for your participation and support. Send checks to Gene Hart at 2570 Sandy Lane, Victoria, VA 23974. Make checks payable to C of L Alumni Scholarship Foundation. Put for the class '67 scholarship. Venassia Günter continues to spearhead the class of '89 efforts while Scott Wingfield has been the contact for the class of '88. We continue to get questions from other classes about joining the Foundation. Warm wishes for the holiday season ahead and for the coming year.

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