

KING'S PAGE *Revisited*

Make plans for Homecoming on October 11, 2008

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Autumn 2008

Dear Alumni Generals,

I am excited to write to you at the start of another exciting school year. We are working diligently to live up to the expectations you have of your alma mater and the reputation we have built in the community. Rufus King High School is more than an institution of learning. It is home to the dreams and gateway to the future for our current students and a monument of memories for those that have since left these hallowed halls. This thought makes me proud to tell it to anyone who can hear the call, Go Generals! And, **we are Rufus King!**



This year we will plan commemorative events to recognize the opening of our doors seventy-five years ago. In September 1934, Rufus King became the future and memories for generations of young people. Our planning will result in a kick-off event like no other at the 2009 AlumFest. I am honored to be part of the history we will make -- and remember.

I would like to also take this opportunity to invite you to the homecoming parade and football game (please see information to the right). We certainly hope you will be able to join us to cheer the Generals on to victory.

Again, it is my distinct honor to be the current steward of this fine institution and look forward to meeting you at alumni events in the future.

Sincerely,

Marie Newby-Randle
Principal

The Principal's Desk



Marie Newby-Randle

Join the Parade

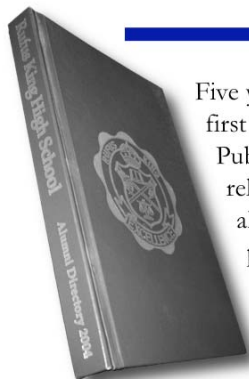
At 10:45 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 11, alumni will gather at McGovern Park's Sherman Blvd. parking lot to march together to Custer Stadium, 5075 N. Sherman Blvd. for the 2007 Homecoming game – King vs. Milwaukee Madison.

Kick off is at noon. Alumni sit in the bleachers at the 50 yard line. If you miss the parade, look for us there. (There is **free admission** for everyone over age 55).

What a way to spend an autumn afternoon...watching kids play football, a championship marching band, and spirited cheerleaders. Last year's victory over Custer (29 to 17) made us especially proud.



WORK BEGINS ON NEW DIRECTORY



Five years after our successful first alumni directory, Harris Publishing is working to release a new edition! Each alum should receive a postcard by November asking him/her to call and verify the directory information.

Please make that call so that the directory will be as accurate as possible. The directory is also updated as Harris Connect receives new information online. Access the directory via www.rufuskingalumni.com (select "directory" from the menu, or click the graphic). If you are not listed, please add your name and email address. The Alumni Association uses the broadcast e-mail service

through the directory to keep alumni up to date on our activities. The Rufus King Web site is also a great way of reading about current Rufus King events and achievements.

For a modest \$9.95 annual fee, Harris Connect offers other services like class notes, message boards, job listings, and so forth are available to users.



Three alumni were honored at AlumFest 2008. All were from classes from the 1940s and all went directly from King to military service as aviation cadets.

Gene Gilbert from the class of June 1944 served in the U.S. Army Air Corps. After his discharge, he graduated from UW-Madison in 1949. He was honored for his distinguished career in finance as a stock broker and investment consultant. His love of gymnastics has bonded him to the Milwaukee Turners and he also volunteers with the Milwaukee Public Museum, Children's Outing Association and the Milwaukee Jewish Federation.

Harold Vanselow graduated in January, 1940. After graduation, he volunteered for the U.S. Navy's V-5 program as an aviation cadet. He served as a pilot on a patrol bomber aircraft, protecting convoys and searching for German submarines in the North Atlantic. After discharge from the Navy, he worked in sales, purchasing, accounting and office management. He served as City Treasurer for the City of Wauwatosa for 21 years, retiring in 1985. In 1987, Harold and his wife Mavis (a King classmate) moved to Lakewood, Wisconsin, where they are active volunteers. He has been instrumental in the building of

always inspired the reunions for her class of June, 1957. The Association will be placing books on her favorite subject, genealogy, in the Rufus King Library in her name. Barb died suddenly on February 2, 2008. We were honored to have her husband John and her children, Mark, Ann, Beth, and John, Jr. with their families at AlumFest.



Photos: (Top Left) Barb Piel Pozorski's Family: Husband John with children Mark; John, Jr.; Beth, and Ann and their families. (Top Right) Edmund A. Mackey with his wife Lu and the families of his children, David, Patty Green, and Lisa Kelly. (Left) Harold Vanselow, Edmund Mackey and Gene Gilbert. (Right) Carol Schaefer Broman commemorates Barb Piel Pozorski.



The **Class of 1988** ended their weekend of celebration at AlumFest. (They may still be there.) In addition, classes from the 90s continued their practice of grilling chicken. Those two classes brought lots of children to the field and added to the excitement of the event.

Nomination forms for next year's distinguished alumni are available at www.rufuskingalumni.com, or contact Carol Schaefer Broman at 262-335-1647.

Edmund Mackey graduated in June 1947 and served in the U.S. Air Force. He was commissioned an officer in 1953 and served as a fighter pilot, flight commander, and instructor pilot while earning a bachelor's degree in military science and engineering. He flew 113 combat missions in North Vietnam, earning many medals including the Distinguished Flying Cross. After his retirement in 1972, he became corporate jet captain, even sharing his cockpit with Jordan's late King Hussein (himself a pilot), who came to call Ed a personal friend. He was honored for his distinguished career in aviation. Ed's children nominated him and they and their families came from Omaha, Nebraska; Reynoldsburg, Ohio; and Baltimore, Maryland to see him receive this honor.

the Lakewood Library, Nicolet Clinic, Lakewood Presbyterian Church, and the Munger Lake Dam. He was honored for his distinguished career in public service.

This year, we inaugurated the Alumni Service Award, awarding our first, posthumously to **Barbara Piel Pozorski**, a charter board member. She worked tirelessly to help reunion planners find classmates and



AlumFest 2007 distinguished alum honoree John Gilbert Leubtow '62, is renown for his glass sculpture. On June 5, a glass fountain was dedicated at Held Properties in Century City, California. The centerpiece of that fountain (pictured here) is a glass sculpture by John Leubtow. The dimensions of the fountain are 11'6" in height, 55' wide and 15' deep. Congratulations!

Make a Difference in the Lives of Young People

Early in 2007, the Rufus King Alumni Association created an endowment fund, managed by the Greater Milwaukee Foundation. The fund was opened with \$6000 from member dues and other gifts and has grown to \$6306 from the earnings of the



GMF. When the fund reaches \$25000, proceeds from will be returned to the alumni association each year to be used for designated projects at the school.

Alumni and friends of Rufus King may make gifts to the fund directly through the Greater Milwaukee Foundation, designating the Rufus King Alumni Association Endowment Fund as recipient. Since the Alumni Association is considered tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization by the Internal Revenue Service, gifts can also

be made directly to the Association for transfer to the Greater Milwaukee Foundation fund. The lawyers at the Greater Milwaukee Foundation are also able to assist donors on how to include the fund in their wills.

The Alumni Association also accepts gifts for designated use by the school. Recently a gift of \$200 was presented to the International Baccalaureate program to purchase calculators to be used for examination purposes. Additionally, our fine arts (music, theatre, visual arts), Forensics (speech, debate), and athletic programs welcome financial support.

If you have any questions about how you can help King and its fine students, contact Carol Schaefer Broman at 262-335-1647 or cbroman@sbcglobal.net.

MPS ALUMNI CHOIR

The MPS Alumni Choir is currently looking for new members interested in singing in a gospel choir. There are no auditions, only a willingness to attend choir practices on a regular basis and enjoy singing with a truly inspired group.

Practices started Monday, September 8, 2008 at **Milwaukee School of the Arts** (formerly West Division) located at **2300 W. Highland Blvd.**, and they run **5-7 p.m.** Park in the west lot on 24th St. and enter through door 3. The choir rehearses in **Room 100**.

For further information, contact Dean Filandrinis, 262-717-0891 or dfilandrinis@wi.rr.com.



Mentoring Program: *Connecting Past to Present*

Our alumni student mentoring program assists current students in planning their careers. The scope of mentoring could include academic, professional, vocational and technical coaching. Interested alumni can contact the mentoring committee at www.rufuskingalumni.com, e-mail Tom McFarlin, tmcfa7241@aol.com or call him at 262-717-9776.

Mission & Background

The Rufus King Alumni Association began at a meeting of alumni organized by former principal Andrew W. Meuler in February, 2003. Its first accomplishment was an alumni picnic AlumFest on Sunday, July 27, 2003 held on the Rufus King athletic field. Annual July AlumFests were also held since 2004. The Association also participates in homecoming activities each fall.

The Board of the Association has defined its mission: to facilitate communication among alumni and to strengthen their connection to Rufus King High School, promoting school spirit, and supporting the excellence of its programs.

JOIN THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION TODAY! There is an application in this newsletter. Your contribution helps the Association in its mission. If you'd like to help in other ways, please contact an Association board member or call **414-267-0940**.

REUNION WATCH

We received the bulletins below by Sept 1. Please contact us if others are planned or give us contact information for your class, so that we can publish the information in the future: Carol Schaefer Broman cbroman@sbcglobal.net or 262-335-1647.

1940 68th Reunion (1938 and 1939 also invited.) Friday, Sept. 19, *Alioto's*, 11 a.m.
Bob (414-351-1963), Ralph (262-628-3362) or Harold (715-276-6509).

1954 - June - 55th Reunion
May 22 - 24, 2009
Radisson North Shore, Glendale Port Washington Rd.
Jerry Clausing, 847-244-2917, ghclausing@yahoo.com

1959 - January - 50th Reunion
September 26, 2009
Sharon Owen Hower, 262-695-8964, Shower2@wi.rr.com

1959 - June - 50th Reunion
July 23-26, 2009
Dean Filandrinis, 262-717-0891, dfilandrinis@wi.rr.com
Marge Peplinski Reisner, 262-895-7791, marsner@aol.com

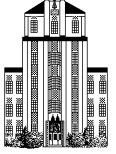
Don't forget AlumFest 2009 on Sunday, July 26!

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Join the Alumni Association



I want to join the Alumni Association, with the rank selected below. I will mail this form with check to:

Rufus King Alumni Association, c/o Rufus King High School, 1801 W. Olive St.; Milwaukee, WI 53209-6898

\$10 Corporal
 \$15 Sergeant
 \$25 Lieutenant
 \$50 Captain
 \$75 Major
 \$100 Colonel
 \$125 General
 \$500 General's General Lifetime Membership

Name – First _____ Last _____

Last name at Graduation _____

Street _____ Apt _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____ Class _____

E-mail _____

2008-2009 Calendar

Board meetings, unless noted

Saturday, Oct. 11 - 10:45 parade

HOMECOMING 2008

Football vs. Madison, Noon

Wednesday, Nov. 19, 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 21 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 18, 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 16, 12 to 3 p.m.

Annual Meeting

Wednesday, June 17, 5:30 p.m.

Sunday, July 26, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

AlumFest 2009

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