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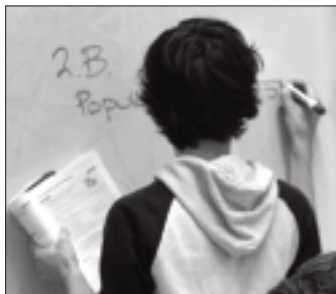
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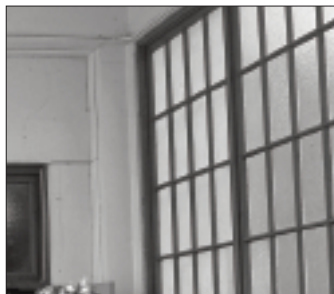


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Phoebe Wong (bottom 6 photos)

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As California languishes among the bottom three states for spending per pupil, Berkeley High School has risen to the ranks of the top 300 high schools nationally! This is a remarkable accomplishment, and reflects well on our administration, teachers and students. Despite the current economic downturn, we are very proud to report that our community has continued to give generously to support school programs. We want to thank you for your continued support. As our state faces a perilous economic crisis, our schools are suffering, and our community can make a drastic difference for our students.

Last year, the Development Group expanded our After School Tutoring program, continued our First Step Scholarship program, and offered classroom grants to all teachers at Berkeley High School and B-Tech. Additionally, we awarded almost seventy grants to teachers, administrators, staff and students who applied to us for funding. Please read on to see the list of all of these projects.

This year, we know that the requests for funds are bound to increase, and the administration will be looking for added support in the face of the continued budget cuts.

As we start our 18th year of fundraising for Berkeley High School, we invite every member of the Berkeley High School community to participate in the Annual Giving Campaign. Your tax-deductible donation makes a tremendous difference for our wonderful, talented students, and shows teachers, staff and students that we really care.

Please join us in giving at whatever level that you can. Thank you for your support!

And don't forget eScrip and paper scrip—**please sign up today!** See page 8 for details.

Sincerely,

*Jennifer Burroughs,
Susan P. Helmrich &
Julie Holcomb*
Co-Presidents, BHSDG



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Projects Funded by Your Support in 2008-2009

ACADEMIC SUPPORT

- Discretionary classroom grants for all teachers, including BTech and Independent Studies
- CPA WriterCoach Connection
- Author assembly—Sharon Draper
- Library funds

SCIENCE

- Supplies/equipment
- AP Environmental Science test preparation/curriculum development

ENGLISH/HISTORY

- AC—Reading/Writing the Short Story author speakers
- AHA U.S. History Harlem Renaissance guest dance teachers
- CAS Social Justice seminar non-fiction books
- CAS Economics teacher training
- Life Academy poets and artists visits

MATH

- ELMO/Multimedia projector
- LCD projector
- Algebra 2/Math Analysis document camera and projector
- Graphing calculators loan program
- Professional development for Math teachers

SPECIAL EDUCATION

- Cooking workshop
- CD players for students with reading disabilities
- Social skills group binders

ATHLETICS

- Freshman football equipment
- Strength and conditioning coach for 3 seasons

STUDENT SUPPORT

- After School Tutoring (School-wide)
- AHA college visits
- Study skills workshops
- Student Learning Center
- AP Exam fee reduction
- IB Exam fee reduction
- The Student Organizer

- Academic Counseling
- Student Health Center
- College and Career Center
 - College application fees
 - 10th grade college tours
 - College counselor travel to eastern colleges
- 1st Step Scholarships
- Vera Casey Center—AmeriCorps intern and food for pregnant and parenting teens
- Front office, Registrar and Counseling office—supplies
- STAR testing incentives
- Life Academy—Mentoring for Academic Success tutoring

PERFORMING AND VISUAL ARTS

- Afro-Haitian dance guest artists
- IB Studio Art—2 computers
- Ceramics—new kiln and repair of an old kiln
- Digital photography classes—digital cameras
- Camera batteries for Photo classes
- Jazz statewide festivals entry fees and lodging
- BHS Chorus—choral director and pianist

BHS FAMILY AND COMMUNITY

- Parent Resource Center
- College Application Handbooks and Information Guides
- PTSA—Parent Education Lecture Series
- PTSA—Summer newsletter/membership envelopes printing costs
- CPA Parent Association meetings—translation and childcare
- CPA Spanish translation of written materials for parents

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

- Quiz Bowl Club national tournament entry fees and lodging
- Best Buddies Club national conference attendance
- Electrical Engineering Club—building autonomous robot
- Mountain Bike Club—racing support gear

TECHNOLOGY

- BIHS—Epson Powerlite projectors for 8 classrooms
- BIHS—printer for Cultural Aesthetics class
- Berkeley High School Mouse Squad—student-run help desk for technology problems

BHSDG Financial Update

In the 2008-2009 school year, the BHSDG received and processed nearly \$580,000 of donations and other revenues, and expended nearly \$424,000 toward the direct support of Berkeley High and its programs. BHSDG received about \$190,000 in unrestricted donations and other revenues. From these unrestricted revenues, BHSDG provided over \$172,000 of new funding for academic, athletic, artistic and club support for school programs. BHSDG's fundraising and administrative expenses were \$27,000 this year, up slightly from the year before. This year BHSDG carried forward approximately \$7,000 as a reserve to cover future needs. BHSDG also received approximately \$400,000 in donations and other revenue earmarked for specific programs and departments. The various programs and departments which receive these funds direct their spending; BHSDG administers these funds as a service to BHS. Berkeley High departments and programs spent approximately \$280,000 of their earmarked funds on a wide range of school equipment purchases and educational enrichment opportunities.

And a wonderful time was had by all...

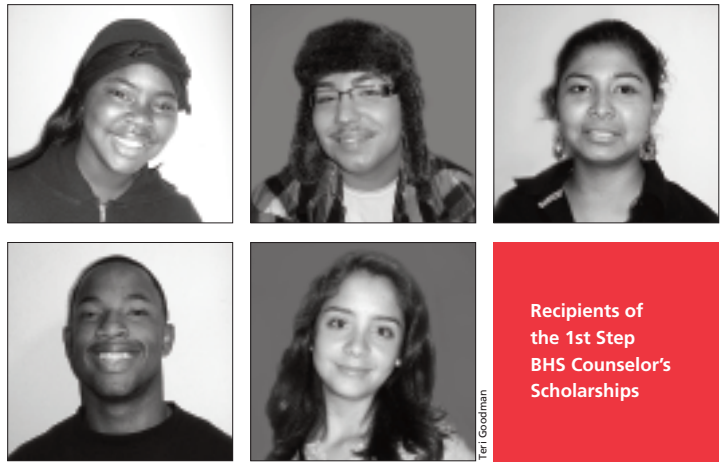
On March 8, the second annual **BHS LIVE! GALA** was held at Berkeley Honda. The event was exponentially greater than last year. An hour into the event we had so many attendees that we had to turn away those without tickets. Additionally, we raised almost twice as much money as last year. We could not have done it without the many, many volunteers who prepped food, solicited restaurants, organized the silent and live auctions and worked at the event—a big thank you to everyone!

The Berkeley community contributed in so many ways: amazing food donated from top Bay Area restaurants, a stand up routine from monologist Josh Kornbluth about his love for math tricks instilled in him by his father, music by the BHS Jazz Combo, a silent auction with an astonishing variety of wonderful items and a live auction with master auctioneer Steve Haworth of Berkeley Honda. But, most importantly, Berkeley High parents, teachers, and Berkeley community members all came together in support of Berkeley High School.

BHS LIVE! is currently the only school wide fundraising event. We have dreams that next year's gala is so big that a larger venue will be needed. We have dreams of doubling or tripling the amount raised by our event this year. We have dreams of being able to increase our support of technology, scholarships, BHS athletics and other important programs which the Development Group helps fund. We can do this with your help! Planning will start for the 2010 event in the fall. We will need people to help with corporate sponsorships, graphics and advertising, food and auction item donations, and much more. Please watch the BHS e-tree for more information.

WE CANNOT DO IT WITHOUT YOU! And a huge thank-you to all of the volunteers who made BHS Live 2009 a success.

Mark your calendars: BHS LIVE! Sunday, March 14, 2010



Recipients of
the 1st Step
BHS Counselor's
Scholarships

1st Step BHS Counselor's Scholarship Fund

BHSDG is proud to be a major supporter of the 1st Step BHS Counselors' Fund. This fund was started six years ago to help students with the greatest financial need to take their first steps getting to college. Many low income students eligible for full financial aid to college are unable to attend because of numerous initial fees, deposits, transportation and other miscellaneous costs that are required before they arrive at school to pick up their first financial aid payment. Last year, the 1st Step Counselor's Scholarship Fund awarded 40 students scholarships of \$600 or more designed specifically to fill this financial gap. Our goal for the coming year is to increase the number of these scholarships. Please give generously to this unique and important fund.

In the Words of the Scholarship Recipients ...

"My family lives day to day, since my father is the only person who works since my mother lost her job, and I know he does not have enough money to pay for my college education. This scholarship will really help me pay for books and transportation expenses, since I will be commuting everyday to San Francisco State."

"I am the first in my generation to graduate from high school and attend college. Both my parents are immigrants to this country who barely speak English. I have struggled to get the help from my parents because of the language barrier. I appreciate the help; my dream is to become a labor and delivery nurse to help mothers and their newborns have a healthy life."

"I grew up in foster care and I am not that close with my family. This will help me a lot to pay for my education."

"I will be the first Latina in my family to attend college. My parents, like many, immigrated from Mexico in search of a better life. My father has epilepsy and is in need of his medication, once he is laid off and is left without insurance it will become really hard for us to pay our expenses. This scholarship will make it a little easier."



Mark Coplan

The second annual Berkeley High Live! Gala was a sold-out event held at Berkeley Honda on March 8, 2009.

Fiscal Year 2008–2009

Thank You ...

To those who have given generously to BHSDG during this past fiscal year. We could not accomplish our goals without your support.

We appreciate every donation and respect our donors. If we've misspelled your name or left you off the list, please let us know. Our mistake was inadvertent and we humbly apologize.

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BHSDG funded AHA college visits. Above, 11th graders visit San Jose State University.

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Freshman football equipment ▲

BHSDG funded new football equipment for the freshman football team.

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BHSDG funded the Vera Casey Center parenting class for pregnant and parenting teens.

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BHSDG funded the Jazz group's visits to state-wide festivals.

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Quiz Bowl Team ▲

BHSDG funded the Quiz Bowl Team's competition at a national tournament.

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After School Tutoring Program

A few years ago, the Berkeley High School Development Group began a schoolwide After School Tutoring program, hiring BHS teachers to tutor students in the subjects they teach. As a result, students from all schools and programs have been able to seek free tutoring after school in almost every subject offered at the high school. Hardworking teachers are reimbursed for their important efforts.

This year the BHSDG expanded the After School Tutoring program to include more teachers, and subjects, as well as Independent Studies and Special Education. Twenty-nine teachers participated, and 20% of the student body took advantage of the program this year!

Teachers had much to report about the program:

"Some of my students improved their grades by 10 to 15%. I was able to build a relationship with more of my students..."

—NAKIA BAIRD, MATH

"(Tutoring) provided relationship building."

—MATT MEYER, ECONOMICS

"(Tutoring) helped them do better in the class and increased their confidence."

—GIDEON GOLDMAN, MATH

"I had three students go from failing to passing."

—KATE TRIMLETT, SCIENCE

"I enjoyed working in a relaxed environment with students—we are all happy and get a lot done."

—EMILY SCHEIDER, MATH

"I am just encouraged by how frequent active attendance can and will improve a student's motivation and participation."

—JOHN VILLAVICENCIO, MATH

"Lots of students formed study groups during the time and worked together across differences in gender, grade level, race, etc."

—JESSICA QUINDEL, MATH

We look forward to funding this successful program again with your help.

Classroom Grants

For the third year in a row, the Development Group was in the fortunate position to be able to offer each teacher at BHS and B-Tech a \$200 grant for classroom supplies. One hundred and forty of approximately two hundred and fifteen teachers participated, and \$25,365 was distributed. Purchases included basic classroom supplies, but some teachers took a creative approach and worked together to purchase a printer to share. Monika Hachiya shared in her thank you note: "It was so nice to be able to buy some dictionaries and the Scrabble game in Spanish. Gracias por su generosidad."



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Science Supplies and Equipment ▲

BHSDG funded supplies and equipment for the science department, as well as AP Environmental Science test preparation/curriculum development.

BHSDG Board Welcomes New Member



Maria Kersey

Donna Collins is one of our newest Board Members and someone who spent her entire K-12 years in the Berkeley Unified School District. She graduated from Berkeley High School in 1980. Donna also was a three-year starter on the BHS Women's Basketball team that won the Tournament of Champions in her senior year. Donna has two sisters who also graduated from Berkeley High School, Leslie Collins-Forestant, class of 1978, and Karen Collins-Harris, class of 1984. Donna holds a B.S. in Business Management from California State Polytechnic University, Pomona and has spent the past 27 years in Southern California. Her parents, Millard and Margie Collins, have been Berkeley residents for over 50 years. A little over a year ago, Donna returned to Berkeley from Southern California after a very successful career of 20+ years in the legal arena, overseeing the office operations of three of the largest law firms in the world. Donna vowed upon her return to the Bay Area that she would dedicate significant time to two things: her parents in their golden years and to the High School she loves. She currently serves as the BHSDG's virtual office manager and was recently co-chair of volunteers for our annual BHS Live! gala. She has also spent countless hours on campus volunteering her time.

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Thank you to these individuals and businesses for donating their time and expertise in support of BHSDG:

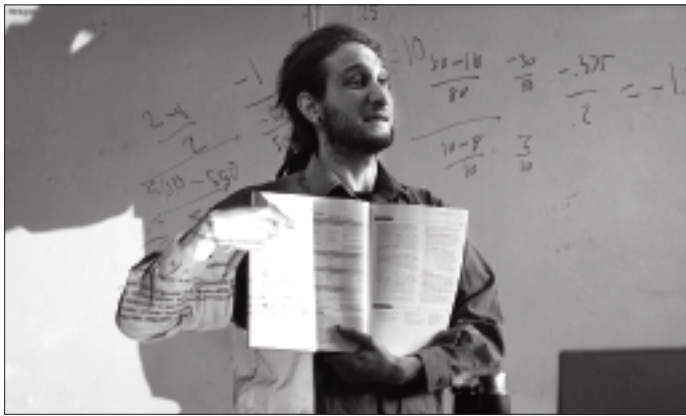
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Classroom Grants ▲

BHSDG funded discretionary classroom grants for all teachers.

The Herb Singer Green Scholars Fund

The Herb Singer Green Scholars Fund was started three years ago in memory of Herb Singer who was the school psychologist for twenty years at BHS and was later the oldest volunteer at BHS. He saw important services that gave students technical and business skills eliminated after Proposition 13. A twelve week curriculum has been developed to teach skills for career building for students, and the students are paid to participate. Students are nominated by teachers, and are then interviewed. Three to six students participate annually. Mentors have been identified in the Green Community—green plumbers, green landscapers, green solar installation—to work with these students. The students then work for 8 weeks during the summer and are paid by the Herb Singer Green Scholars Fund. Clothing, tools, bus money and lunch money are provided for the eight weeks of employment. Four students participating in the program have remained employed in their original placements.

This fund is now under the auspices of the Berkeley Public Education Foundation, and all donations/questions should be directed to BPEF by calling 510.644.6244.

THANK YOU ... to our dedicated departing Board Members who gave generously of their time to the BHSDG:

- Marian Berges
- Malcolm Plant
- Rhonda Grossman
- Charlie Pollack
- William Newton

We will miss them greatly, and we wish them all the very best!

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While credit cards are gladly accepted, please be aware that a portion of each credit card donation (3-5%) goes to pay processing fees. Consider making your donation by check and mailing it in to assure that the full amount of your donation will go towards helping programs at Berkeley High!

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The Berkeley High School Development Group has an eScrip program that brings substantial resources to Berkeley High School. Currently, we have 1,116 members registered who made purchases that brought Berkeley High School \$14,320 over the last school year. This includes 135 new members who joined the program this year. **The eScrip program is a way for you to contribute to Berkeley High School that costs you nothing.** By registering your bank cards and your Safeway card at a secure online location: **www.escrip.com, BHSDG registration number: 137646958** you generate revenue just by shopping at participating merchants. BHSDG earns most of its money through Safeway and Andronico's but other businesses participate as well.

For a complete list of participating businesses and restaurants visit **www.escrip.com**. Please participate in the eScrip program. It's an easy, no-cost way to make a big difference for Berkeley High School! If you have any questions about this program, please contact Ellie Katz at scrip@bhsdg.org or at 510-649-1841. Thanks for your support.

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