

# RICHMOND HIGH ALUMNI NEWSLETTER 2010

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## Principal's Message

*"Once a Colt, Always a Colt"*

This is the motto of Richmond Secondary School and of the Alumni Association. We hear it in the halls of our school. It is printed on our publications. Our grads comment that this motto explains why they come back to watch games, visit staff, attend performances or special events or volunteer at the school. It is what alumni tell us when they come back to look at their grad photos on the walls

So what does this mean? At Richmond High we are successful in having students make a strong connection to their school. They get involved! They create memories and a history that will connect them to Richmond High forever. We continuously try to maintain our positive profile by honouring our past, celebrating our present and looking forward to our future.

In many ways, you as Alumni have set the standards and the expectations for current and future generations of Colts to live up to. It is through your efforts; creating spirit and a special culture when you roamed the halls of Richmond Secondary, by continuing to support the efforts of future graduates that the current generation of Colts can look to learn from your example and to leave their own unique mark on the school and its future.

At Richmond Secondary we work hard and we play hard; combining diligence in our pursuit of academic excellence with an extraordinary commitment to extra-curricular activities and to humanitarian and service initiatives which contribute to both the local and global community and so that we can look back and

take pride in the fact that we always strived to do our best.

The Alumni have played a vital role in setting the standards and the expectations for current and future generations of Colts. You have continued to support us with your generous contributions of time and resources. It means a lot to our staff and students when you come to our school events to keep the connection strong. We truly appreciate everything you do to continue to make Richmond Secondary an excellent place to work, learn and grow.

We appreciate the thoughtful leadership of the Alumni Board of Directors and their efforts to equitably distribute funds which support various projects at the school. Every step of the way you have walked with us. It is through your efforts, through the culture that you have created and by your continued support of the efforts of future graduates that the legacy continues to grow and the "Colt Connection" has remained strong.

The name "The Richmond Colts" is familiar to almost everyone in the Lower Mainland. Ask someone about Richmond High and they will speak about people, tradition, history and legacy. The stewardship for these elements lies with the Alumni Association and you have done an outstanding job of keeping people connected and proud of their school.

Thank you for continuing to make Richmond such a great school and for remembering that:

**"Once a Colt, Always a Colt"!**



*Jim McLeod*

## President's Message

We are celebrating our 20<sup>th</sup> Year.

I can remember when I first became involved with the RSS Alumni, it was all because I saw a picture in the paper with Don Harwood, Don Nixdorf and others. I thought I would drop by and check things out and see just what was going on. My youngest son was 4 years old – and yes that was 20 years ago. We have accomplished a lot over the past 20 years and I would like to "THANK" all of the Directors past and present for their continued support in making this a very successful Alumni. In looking back we have raised and donated over **\$400,000.00** to Richmond High. We support all aspects of the school as well as scholarships. This past year, our Special Recognition was presented to Jeff Lochbaum. – Class of 1971. Jeff graduated and then returned to RSS as a teacher during which time he has made many contributions to the school not only as a teacher but as a coach.

*Respectfully,*

*Beth McKenzie*

*"We look forward to seeing you at the AGM"*

## Scholarships

### Valedictory 2009

Scholarship recipients:

Kerri Mak

Lusha Zhou

Stephanie Liou

King Mong Chan

Paige Zhang

Sunny Pao



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# Richmond Secondary Alumni Association Annual Newsletter 2010



*"Once A Colt – Always A Colt"*

## 2010 Annual General Meeting and Luncheon

Wednesday – May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010

AGM 11:30, Luncheon 12:15

Tickets \$18.00

FOR TICKETS call Richmond High at  
604-668-6400

Or email Beth McKenzie at

[bemckenzie@sd38.bc.ca](mailto:bemckenzie@sd38.bc.ca)

*"This is a fabulous lunch prepared by  
our own student cafeteria class."*

Everyone (19+yrs) welcome to our 3rd Annual fundraiser at SPORTSTOWN - April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2010, meet old friends, bring old friends, help us raise funds for R.S.S. Alumni - \$15.00 each

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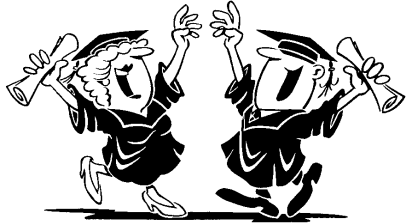
## \$ Casino Distributions \$

### Gaming Contributions

This year the funding from the Gaming Commission was reduced by 50%. We received \$12,200.00 in October and it was dispersed as follows:

\$1000 Athletics- Badminton  
\$2000 Athletics- Basketball  
\$450 Athletics - Intramurals  
\$1000 Breakfast & Lunch Program  
\$240 Colts Connections  
\$400 Dragon Boat  
\$1500 Dry Grad  
\$900 Math Competitions  
\$2500 Music  
\$500 PAC Scholarship  
\$4500 Scholarships  
\$200 Social Studies

For a total of \$15,190.00  
(Amounts have been rounded off)



Fundraising from the Pub Night is donated back to the school for the Cinderella Project, Colts Daycare and the Breakfast/Lunch Program.

## 2010 - 2011 Directors

The RSS Alumni Board of Directors meet monthly throughout the year to discuss issues as they relate to the Alumni, distribution donations of funds generated from the Gaming Commission from the Provincial Gov't, special projects, fundraising, planning of the Annual Luncheon and many other ways that we can support the students, staff and parents of Richmond Secondary School. We try to provide information to other Grads regarding upcoming reunions and we also have accumulated some extra Annuals from various years that can be purchased.

President	Beth McKenzie - 72
Treasurer	Donna Matheson - 73
Archives	Ray Gora - 54
Newsletter	Jenny Gilles - 72
Media	Deb Robson - 72
Secretary	Patti Dean - 73
Fundraiser	Anne Scott - 51
Fundraiser	Trish Vogler - 62
Fundraiser	Helen McDiarmid - 66

**Note:** Elections to take place at the AGM/Luncheon on May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

## SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Each year at the Valedictory Ceremony the RSS Alumni Association gives out a Special Recognition Award. This award can be given to a Past Grad, Teacher, Administrator or anyone in the community who has made a significant contribution to the Grads of Richmond Secondary School.

If there is someone you think should be recognized please contact the Alumni Association.

Below is a list of past recipients.

2002 - Hugh McNair      2006 - Ken Lorenz  
2003 - Darlene Macklam      2007 - Frank Crema  
2004 - Bill Disbrow      2008 - Ray Gora  
2005 - Remi Vincente      2009 - Jeff Lochbaum

## Treasurer's Report

Please find enclosed 2009 Fiscal Report prepared by Donna Matheson.

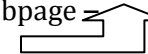
## MEMBERSHIP - now over 2250

Every year our list of Richmond Secondary School Alumni grows larger and larger. We are proud to be Colts and always will be. Unfortunately each year we also lose Alumni. Being the oldest Secondary School in Richmond is an honour and we should be proud of all of our grads - those from every decade since the 1920's.

*It is a difficult process to keep our records up to date - so please let us know if you have moved recently.*

( if you haven't received a newsletter in the past year then we don't have your current address or email address )

If you have never officially joined the RSS Alumni please download the Membership Application (in pdf format) and send in to receive membership card and pin on our web page at the following webpage



Membership form available here at:  
<http://www2.sd38.bc.ca/RSSAlumni-Web/membershipforms>

3<sup>rd</sup> Annual ALUMNI Fund Raiser.....  
Date - April 24<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm  
Place - Sportstown ( on 5RD )  
**This is a great event to meet old friends. Bring a group and have some fun. There will be door prizes and a 50/50 draw. See contact information on brochure for tickets. TICKETS - \$15.00 (DINNER SERVED 6:30-8:00) INCLUDES DINNER AND A DRINK**

## REUNIONS IN 2010

If your grad class is planning a reunion please be sure to let us know so we can post information for all your fellow classmates. Check out our web page for more info.

## 1960 - 50 year Reunion

September 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> at the Richmond Golf & Country Club  
Friday 7:00 - 12:00 - Grads only  
Tickets \$20.00 each  
Saturday 5:00 - 12:00 BBQ Buffet  
Tickets \$65.00 each  
Contact: Donna (Janse) Sills - [dmsills@shaw.ca](mailto:dmsills@shaw.ca)



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