
****Report From CHS Alumni Group****

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CHS ALUMS ARE TERRIFIC

Over 150 Alums, from the classes of 1938 to 1969, responded to our recent survey and request for funding assistance! You responded generously to our request for funds. We currently have \$3053.89 in our Treasury, having spent approximately \$425. for our first mailing. **THANK YOU** to all who have participated in both returning the survey and the contributions. Your support is truly appreciated.

Survey results were as follows:

1) Should we consider pro bono legal action to re-acquire the property and, if successful, to operate it according to our wishes? Yes, 106; No, 40. (*The majority of "yes" votes indicated this was a second option if working with the School Board failed*).

2) Should we try to work with the Seattle School Board to see that the property continues to be known as the CHS Memorial Forest and is available as an environmental laboratory to all Seattle Schools as well as other Districts? Yes, 148; No, 10.

(3) Should we encourage the sale of the property, with CHS to receive a certain percentage of the profits for its own building improvements and curriculum enrichment? Yes, 17; No, 118.

Percent of purchase to go to CHS:
100%, 3; 90%, 1; 80%, 2; 70% 2;
50%, 6.

(4) Should we let the School District

do whatever it wishes with the property? Yes, 0; No, 150 !!
Not everyone answered every question, as you can readily see.

1945 CLASS GIFT IS APPRECIATED

On August 31 the Seattle School Board sponsored a re-dedication of the CHS Memorial Forest in recognition of \$150,000 in Governmental and School District Funding.

At that time a 3' x 5' red and white sign reading "Cleveland Memorial Forest" was unveiled. In the lower left hand corner it reads: "This sign is a gift from the Cleveland High School Class of 1945". After the ceremony, the sign was erected at the entrance by the students.

The Forest is now easily identifiable from Issaquah-Fall City Road.

**THANK YOU
CLASS OF '45**

KING COUNTY PARKS PRESENTS PROPOSAL TO SEATTLE SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS AND CHS ALUMNI

On September 21st 15 alums met with representatives from the Seattle School District and the King County Department of Construction and Facilities Management to learn of the County's study of the properties in the Issaquah Plateau of which the CHS Memorial Forest is a part. Two County landscape architects have studied the topography, surrounding, and potential uses and recommended the following goals for this valuable open space:

Meet the original intent of CHS Memorial Forest alumni who purchased the site as a memorial to its fallen veterans of World War II.

Conserve natural resources of the site.

Enhance existing use of CHS Memorial Forest for environmental education through coordinated management and use of three sites: CHS Forest, King Co. owned Duthie Hill & Fall City Parks on either side of the CHS Forest.

King County goals would be to conserve natural resources of project sites; support natural resource and open space conservation; maximize public benefit by coordinated stewardship and use of the 3 sites for natural resource protection and human impact reduction by directing greatest impact reduction to least sensitive areas; conservation of 291 acre natural area in a community where open space, natural areas are increasingly limited; enhanced opportunities for environmental education and recreation; and coordinated access to Fall City Park.

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JOINT MEETING (continued)

To accomplish this King -Co. recommended that they and the Seattle School District enter into a joint-use agreement to

(1) conserve the integrity of CHS Memorial Forest as an outdoor environmental education center and memorial;

(2) conserve surrounding natural resources on Duthie Hill and Fall City Parks to buffer CHS Memorial Forest from approaching development, and

(3) operate and maintain the 3 sites in a coordinated and cohesive fashion.

Fall City Park (east of CHS Forest and landlocked) to serve as an extension of and buffer for CHS Forest to complement and enhance existing facilities: (a) outdoor living skills; (b) minimum-impact overnight camping (programmed, scheduled); (c) interpretive and educational activities; (d) programmed, scheduled use; and (e) limited public access.

Duthie Hill to serve as a forested buffer for CHS Forest and to be used for compatible types of recreation: (a) multi-use trails (north & south); (b) interpretive and educational activities; (c) open to public.

Other sites in vicinity be identified for uses not compatible with resources and goals of CHS Forest, Duthie Hill and Fall City Parks: (a) traditional overnight facilities (e.g. cabins, dormitories); (b) active recreation facilities (c) trail access.

Connections thru Duthie Hill Park be provided to existing and proposed trails while retaining forest buffer.

Independent, permanent access be pursued for Duthie Hill Park.

Develop a Joint Use Agreement between the Seattle School District and the King County Dept. of Construction & Facilities Management.

HELP WANTED

The School District has scheduled a work party for **October 14 & 15th from approx.9 a.m. to 4 p.m.** to begin repairs on the Pavilion roof and various foot bridges. Take your own tools such as hammers, measuring tape, gloves etc. Please take your own food & drink.

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SPECIAL THANKS

To Don Case, who despite recent heart surgery, has continued to maintain our growing mailing list

To Byron Coney and Terry Wong for their significant contribution of legal counsel

To Harborview Medical Center which sponsors the Cleveland-Harborview Health Clinic at the school.

To all of you for your wonderful support...The Eagle Spirit lives!

RE-DEDICATION A SUCCESS

To quote the Seattle Times, "It was a poetic occasion: The old and new Superintendents of Seattle Public Schools stopping by the woods on a sunny morning to take part in a changing of the guard, and then trotting off on a shadowy path through Cleveland Memorial Forest to observe a group of public-school students roughing it at a survival camp."

35 students from 18 Seattle-area schools have been participating in a summer "survival camp" led by Garfield science teacher, Tom Hudson, CHS alum, class of '60.

Alums who attended reported it was a joyous occasion.

CHS FOREST T-SHIRTS?

STUDENTS AT THE RE-DEDICATION WORE CLEVELAND FOREST GREEN AND WHITE T-SHIRT WHICH PROMPTED LOIS ALLAN OLSON AND BARBARA JEAN PETERSON KING TO MAKE INQUIRIES ABOUT ALUM T-SHIRTS AS A FUND RAISING EFFORT TO BENEFIT CLEVELAND STUDENTS. IF YOU WANT TO KNOW MORE OR PURCHASE A T-SHIRT (COST WILL BE BETWEEN \$10 TO \$12 PLUS AN ADDITIONAL DONATION IF YOU WISH). PLEASE CONTACT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

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IF THERE IS SUFFICIENT INTEREST, T SHIRTS WILL BE SPECIAL ORDERED SO YOUR SIZE IS REQUESTED. OF COURSE,

T-SHIRTS WILL BE RED AND WHITE

AN ALL ALUM MEETING IS TENTATIVELY PLANNED FOR EARLY DECEMBER, CLEVELAND HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM.

MORE INFORMATION LATER