



# Lake Worth High School Alumni News

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## President's Message

There is an old adage that says, "Time flies when you're having fun." Well, I can attest to the truth in this saying. My two-year term as president of the LWSH Alumni Foundation is quickly coming to an end. The time has certainly flown by and I am having fun! I feel lucky that my term fell during the years when we reached so many goals and new heights. The Hat Show last year was the biggest and best we've ever had. The twice-yearly breakfasts we have had were well attended and fun for everyone. The newspapers we do twice a year were outstanding. We were pleased to help the football team program financially. This year Principal Elvis Epps announced the reorganization of the LWSH Band. Your Alumni Foundation was able to help with the cost of repairing the tired band in-



Harold Gilmore

struments, and the band is back playing at the football games, etc. It all looks good at Lake Worth High School!

In May we reached a milestone when Dollars for Scholars presented a record number of scholarships to 53 students totaling \$104,000. This put us over the one-million-dollar mark for awarding scholarships. This brought us to the flagship event of the year—the Million

Dollar Dinner! There were 130 members and guests at the Atlantis Country Club to celebrate reaching this momentous level of giving. This represented a lot of work and donations to reach the million-dollar level. You all should be proud of this accomplishment!

What does the future look like? Well, financially we are well invested with the Dollars for Scholars endowments and the Alumni Foundation. We have added some very good new members to the Board of Directors from the Classes of the '60s, '70s and '80s which assures a solid leadership for the future. Your Alumni Foundation and Dollars for Scholars appear to be set to continue this great work for many years to come.

Thank you for allowing me to serve this office. I hope you have had as much fun as I have.

*Go Trojans!*

Sincerely,

—Harold Gilmore, President



## Principal's Message

### It's Not About You

Have you ever wondered why so many bad things happen in your life? Why those around you appear to have a better life than you? Well, sometimes we may never get an answer. On the other hand, the reason might be quite clear. It's not about you. It's about what you are doing to shape the world around you to make it a better place for others. My aim and victories are not based on my personal achievements. They are based on the successes and victories of our students and their families. Leading a high school in the 21<sup>st</sup> century is one of the most challenging and complex jobs in the nation. Leading a team of more than 177 teachers and 2,700 students takes vision, drive, determination, and teamwork to be successful. Lake Worth Community High School is the place where greatness happens every day. Our theme for this year is "Destination Graduation". We want our students, families, and community to know that everything we do centers around helping our students prepare for life after high school. We also adopted John C. Maxwell's Law of Momentum as our focus. We know that without trust and buy-in there is no momentum. We are working hard to provide a world-class education for all students. We will do this by hiring the best teachers, providing relevant and print-rich materials and textbooks, and engage our students in a dialogue that will help process and deepen their



Dr. Elvis Epps

understanding of the lessons.

This year will be our year for celebrating academic success. We will recognize students and faculty members who go above and beyond the call of duty. The celebrations will take place throughout the school year. If you would like to help please let me know. I am always looking for individuals who could donate laptops, mini iPads, gift cards, tickets to events throughout the state, and guest speakers to share their leadership stories. We are on the move and we want to make sure we leave no one at the station. I want to thank each of you all for the love, prayers, and support you give to our students in the form of scholarships and time. Many of you are a behind the scene heroes who do so much for students who need it the most. I can't say thank you enough because what you do is priceless. I can't do it alone. I need your help to make our school and community the pride of Lake Worth City. Everyone can do something to make the dream come true. Let's go Trojans!

*Many Thanks,*

—Dr. Elvis Epps, Principal

## Assistant Principal Christian Garate— He's OUR CHOICE

By Dr. Helen Gilmore

Formerly a high school math teacher for eight years, Assistant Principal Christian Garate, is now in charge of the CHOICE Program and grade nine's Athletic Sports at Lake Worth High School. So, what is a CHOICE Program? It's basically what they used to call Magnet Programs, attracting youngsters to various programs being offered district-wide. Students from any Palm Beach District Public School—outside of LWSH boundaries—can apply to its CHOICE programs. At Lake Worth High, Garate oversees

six CHOICE programs in Air Force ROTC, Medical, Culinary, Criminal Justice, Drafting and Design, and Early Childhood. They're considered general programs. Garate considers his biggest achievement a program for cadets in the Air Force ROTC CHOICE program. Lake Worth High is piloting this program, which may go national. It is from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University of Daytona Beach, Florida, a commercial pilot training program that helps 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade student cadets become certi-



Christian Garate

fied, commercial, Drone pilots. Drones are increasingly being used in real estate, television, surveillance and many other businesses. Garate also looks after one In-house CHOICE program available only to LWSH students; it's one of the oldest academies—it's been here 40 years—called the Construction Academy. Lake Worth High School pioneered this program during the administration of Principal Dave Cantley, the current President of LWSH's Dollars for Scholars. The Construction Academy needed to be updated. Garate spent six months finding a knowledgeable teacher, Scott Geltman. It's full now with more than 100 freshman enrolled. They're building the safety of the pro-

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information is incorrect and our lists are outdated.*

**Thank You in advance.**

## Lake Worth High School Alumni Foundation Board

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## Lake Worth High School Class of 1967 Reunion

LWHS Class of '67 enjoyed their 50<sup>th</sup> class reunion, October 6-8, 2017 at the Embassy Suites Hotel in West Palm Beach. The Friday night gathering ushered us in with guitar and singing by classmate Ivan Skinner and was a huge success, with folks from all over the country, and locals as well. A group ocean fished on Saturday, and there was also a golf outing, thanks to the beautiful weather. Saturday night dinner and dancing proved lots of fun for all and included "Rhythm" with the cheerleaders; singing the Alma Mater and the Trojan Fight Song. And Coach Mack McKinnon, along with his wife Mary Jane, surprised most and gave a memorable speech! Sunday morning capped off the weekend with much reminiscing, singing, and special speaking by '66 classmate, Danny Caldwell. We couldn't believe it had been 50 years! We did our best to catch up with each other, and create new memories. **Thank you to the wonderful "Lunch Gals"**, who gave us their all over the past year, to create a great 50<sup>th</sup> celebration.

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## Assistant Principal Christian Garate—

gram this first year, and will go on to building small structures and, then, a Trojan house in their senior year. In the past, the city of Lake Worth donated the land, the house was sold to a family, and the profits went to the school.

He is enjoying his job as Assistant Principal at Lake Worth High. Garate shares, "I always say it's like having a much bigger classroom, where you help teachers, students and others. He also loves graduation, and thinks elementary and middle school Assistant Principals miss out. He loves seeing students graduate, even the one that gave him a hard time—a constant client in his office. Garate said, "When he gives you a hug at graduation, it's great!" To become an assistant principal, you must have courses in Leadership,

which he has had. Eventually, he plans to get his Ph.D. in Educational Leadership. He taught math all day at John I. Leonard High School and earned his Master's Degree in Educational Technology at FAU. When asked how he did it—teaching math all day, he answered, "A lot of courses were offered online after school and on Saturdays. As a teacher, I would start walking around school creating relationships with others, since we were all stakeholders in the school. As a teacher, after my planning was finished, I would use the remainder of my planning time to go around to help other teachers. I even subbed for Assistant Principals. I used to tutor math at some places, but I had to cut it out—no time."

Garate comes from the South American country of Peru in

the Andes Mountains. Many in his family were Geological Engineers. In fact, his dad and four uncles were Geological and Mining Engineers. One of his uncles was a teacher, and his mother was a lab technician; one sister is a doctor and the other sister is an Industrial Engineer. His wife, Sonia, from Trinidad and Tobago is a Certified Public Accountant. "We have two active boys, 6 and 4 years of age. We live in Wellington, and I love all of them more and more every day!" he admits.

When asked about his goals for the future, Garate stated, "My immediate goal is to get this school to the vision that my principal sees—higher graduation rates, and better literacy among our students, so that they can be ready for college or a career."

# SAVE *The* DATE

The Great Charity Challenge  
DRAWING

**Saturday, Dec. 2, 2017**

The Great Charity Challenge  
**Saturday, Feb. 3, 2018 (6 p.m.)**

Delicious Spaghetti Dinner  
**Sunday, Feb. 11, 2018**

Semi-Annual Breakfast Meeting  
**Tuesday, May 8, 2018  
7:30 a.m.**

Atlantis Country Club

## The Great Charity Challenge

By Carol Webster

**The Lake Worth Dollars for Scholars Foundation** is again going to place their name in the barrel and hope to have their name drawn as one of the three dozen nonprofit organizations competing in the Great Charity Challenge (GCC).

On Saturday evening, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017, all but two names will be drawn at the Wellington Equestrian Center. The GCC sponsors donate between \$1.5-2 million to be given to local charities. If a nonprofit's name is drawn, the minimum they receive is \$15,000. The winner is presented with a check for \$150,000.

On Saturday evening, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018, each nonprofit that has been picked, plus the two chosen that evening, are randomly paired with three person equestrian jumper teams. The team that

completes the obstacle course in the fastest time takes home the \$150,000. The other participants' teams, depending on their standing, earn various amounts ending with \$15,000 for last place.

It's all very festive with horses and riders taking part in a theme driven costume contest and another opportunity for the nonprofits to win additional monies. It's a fun and FREE evening. Mass parking is off South Shore Blvd. and bus transportation is provided or parking for a fee is available at the Wellington Equestrian Center. Come out on Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> to see if Lake Worth Dollars for Scholars name is drawn. Additionally, that night you'll get to see some jumpers in action. **Mark your calendar for February 3, 2018 at 6 p.m. for the Great Charity Challenge!**

## In Loving Memory

Adams, Hazel White	1947	Stahman, Jennie Collins	1960
Addison, Shiela Robinson	1954	Stewart, Glenn	1977
Anderson, Larry	1960	Story, Curtis	1960
Barus, Robert "Biff"	1977	Symonette, Jan Norrie	1951
Caldwell, Phillip	1948	Wood, Rowland	1950s
Cox, Bonnye Lee Duerr	1960	Young, Dr. Russell	1937
Fitzgibbons, Roger	1955	Zibelli, Sandy Gage	1963

### Florence E. "Flo" (Hock) Self—Class of 1940

Florence E. "Flo" (Hock) Self, Class of 1940, was a member of the LWHS Alumni and attended most events until she was no longer able to. She was a great supporter of the LWHS and DFS. She was the eldest of 6 Hocks who ALL attended LWHS. She and her sister Letha both attended the Alumni-DFS events together until Letha passed away then Flo would come by herself or attended with her son. Our sincere sympathies and prayers go out to the Self Family.

*If you know of a classmate's death, please send information to Doris at: [Hogfish123@aol.com](mailto:Hogfish123@aol.com).*





# LWHS's Master Musician: John Weatherspoon

By Dr. Helen Gilmore

When asked what one word might cover his feelings about Lake Worth High School—John Weatherspoon, Choral Director for the Trojan Pride Chorus for the past 25 years—answered, “Passion.” He explained, “I see these students beyond where they see themselves. There are so many people who don’t believe in our type of students. I believe in them beyond where they are, and I am pushing them to be more than they think they can be.”

According to Weatherspoon, “I got into vocal music as a career, since my high school choral director, Dr. Brenda Williams Walker, helped me discover my gift in this field and allowed me to serve as our student conductor. I liked it a lot.” He continued, “Earlier, my middle school choral director had called asking me to join her chorus because she liked my voice. It gave me a feeling of belonging. Then, the high school director gave me more focus and showed care for me as a person. I knew in 11<sup>th</sup> grade that that’s what I wanted to do as a career. That same director poured into me a desire to be better and be a better performer, as well as to care for other people.” Weatherspoon shared, “A student once asked me why I chose Lake Worth High School to work at. I answered that my background matches some of what students deal with. I can relate to that.”

He was born and raised in Baton Rouge, Louisiana; his mother reared seven children, basically alone. She worked at a hospital, starting in house-keeping, working her way up and studying whatever way she could. Finally, she became a nurse’s-aide working in Intensive



John Weatherspoon

Care. Two weeks after Weatherspoon’s high school graduation, he was in Marine Corps Boot Camp in San Diego, California. Actually, he remained in the Marine Corps Reserves until 1992, when he began working at LWHS. After the service, he earned a Bachelor’s degree in Music Education from Southeastern Louisiana University. In fact, he met his wife, Althea, there. At graduation he met Marcia Andrews, a current Palm Beach District School Board Member, who was working as a recruiter for the school district. He came to Palm Beach County and worked for two years as a music teacher at Seminole Trails Elementary School; in fact, he liked the principal, Dr. Ken Carleton, so much that they played tennis together. “He was awesome!” Weatherspoon said. Moving on, deciding to try for a high school music position, he called Lake Worth High School. Principal Dave Cantley answered the phone; John was hired after the interview. Moving on he attended FAU and earned his Master of Arts degree in Choral Conducting.

You can tell he is so proud of his wife and four children. Al-

thea and he have been married 29 years. She was a stay-at-home-mom to their four children until this year, when she started working as a Data Processor at Wynnebrook Elementary School. Their four children have all sung in their dad’s Trojan Pride Chorus; the youngest two are still in it. The oldest, April, 26, received a DFS scholarship, studying at Palm Beach Atlantic University; John II, 24, is an online student at Liberty University. Ada, 15, and Joshua, 14, both attend Lake Worth High School.

On August 1st, Weatherspoon’s Trojan Pride Chorus sang at the Coral Sky Amphitheater with the ’80s Rock Band “Foreigner.” One upcoming venture for the Chorus is attending Disney’s Candlelight Processional in Orlando; it’s the biggest thing Disney does. “We’ll be a part of a chorus of 300 voices. His chorus has performed many times with the Disney group and a series of stars: Whoopi Goldberg, Ed Asner, Phylicia Rashad, Patrick Harris (How I Met Your Mother), Lou Gossett, Jr., James Avery (Fresh Prince of Bell Aire), David Robinson (former NBA player) and on November 25<sup>th</sup>, Laurie Hernandez, USA Olympian gymnast from past Olympics.

When asked what his future holds, Weatherspoon repeated one of his favorite sayings: “I believe in being green and growing rather than ripe and rotting.” While he admits to having no clue as to what he would do when he retires, he also offers, “My goal, in the next few years, is to begin a doctoral degree in the Musical Art of Choral Conducting, and possibly use that degree in Palm Beach County to teach at the university level.”

## Getting to Know You...Ani Sarkisian, —Local Pharmacist— Class of 1993

By Dr. Helen Gilmore

**We understand that you are a pharmacist at a large, chain drugstore in Palm Beach County. After your 1993 Lake Worth High School graduation, tell us about your journey toward becoming a pharmacist.**

*After high school I enrolled at Palm Beach Community College and obtained enough credits to apply for Pharmacy School at Nova Southeastern University (which I believe was about 100 credits). During that time, I began working at a pharmacy. I started at Nova’s Pharm D program in 1996 and graduated four years later.*

**Who were a few of your**

**favorite teachers at Lake Worth High School and why?**

*Mrs. Marcey Fine, my Medical Magnet teacher, Mrs. Fletcher, my Spanish teacher, and, of course, our Principal, Mr. Cantley were my favorites at Lake Worth High School... also Coach Gregory Lee, my PE teacher. The reason why is that they were such a great influence on us—always caring and encouraging.*

**What is it you use most frequently in your current life that you learned at Lake Worth High School?**

*Of course, the reason I am a pharmacist today is because of the Medical Magnet Program*

*(now called a CHOICE program). That’s how I was introduced to pharmacy, since prior to that, that was not a career choice for me. Coach Lee taught me to always, ‘Finish the race and don’t quit.’ I believe that I still apply that today...not to give up!*

**Tell us about your family and how you manage to juggle being a mom and handling a vital, important job?**

*I do have a busy schedule between the kids and work, but thanks to my husband and family, somehow I pull through.*

**With your busy schedule, what do you do for fun?**

*I love to travel and spend time with my family!*

*You're Invited!*

## Lake Worth Community

# HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA CONCERT!

Featuring:

**Highland Elementary School**  
Band, Chorus, and Hand Bells

**Lake Worth Middle School**  
Band and Chorus

**Lake Worth High School**  
Band and Chorus

**FRIDAY, DEC. 1<sup>ST</sup>**  
**6:00 P.M.**

**At the Lake Worth Community High School Auditorium**

Join us for a multi-school, cross-generation Holiday Concert! The LW High School Chorus and Band are pleased to host the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual **HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA CONCERT!**

This amazing concert is unlike any other!  
With 300+ students performing,  
you're sure to leave in the Holiday spirit!  
The concert is FREE to all, but tickets are available in advance to ensure seating availability.

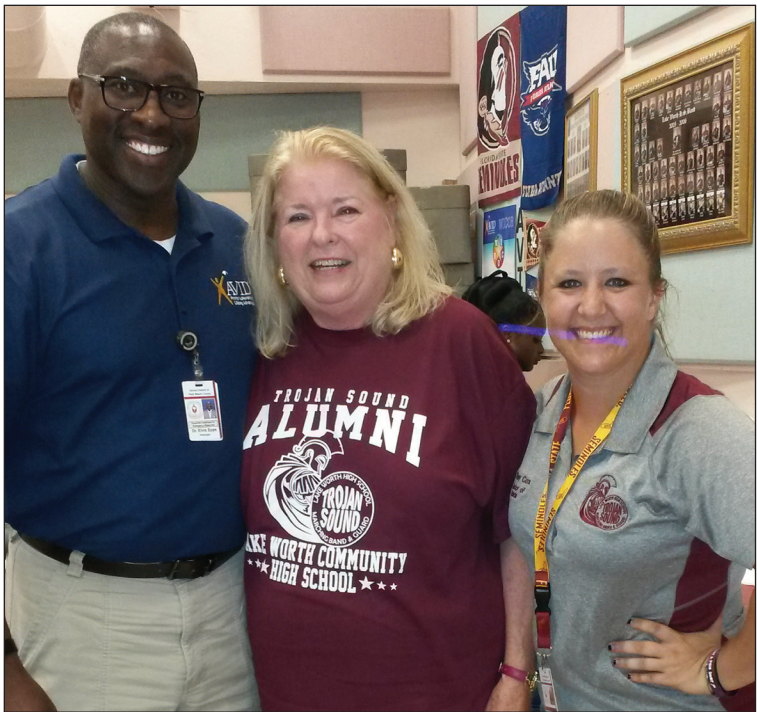
Email Ms. Cox (LWHS Band Director)  
with any questions:  
[Tiffany.Cox@PalmBeachSchools.org](mailto:Tiffany.Cox@PalmBeachSchools.org)

## 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Barry Grunow Memorial Golf Tournament: A Great Success!

By MaryAnne Hedrick

The 5<sup>th</sup> annual Barry Grunow Memorial Scholarship Golf Tournament was held on Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017. The tournament was held at Sandhill Crane Golf Club on Northlake Blvd. in Palm Beach Gardens. This year there were 64 golfers who participated in 18 holes of golf, Longest Drive, Beat the Pro, Closest to the Pin, Helicopter Ball Drop, and a Silent Auction. We had 17 hole **sponsors who donated over \$7,000.00**. To date, the BGMS Memorial Scholarship has given **\$181,250 to 117 high school seniors** throughout Palm Beach County. This year we hope to give away an additional \$15,000 to students who have a financial need and are aspiring to become an educator.





Dr. Epps, Carol Webster and Tiffany Cox.

## LWHS Homecoming 2017

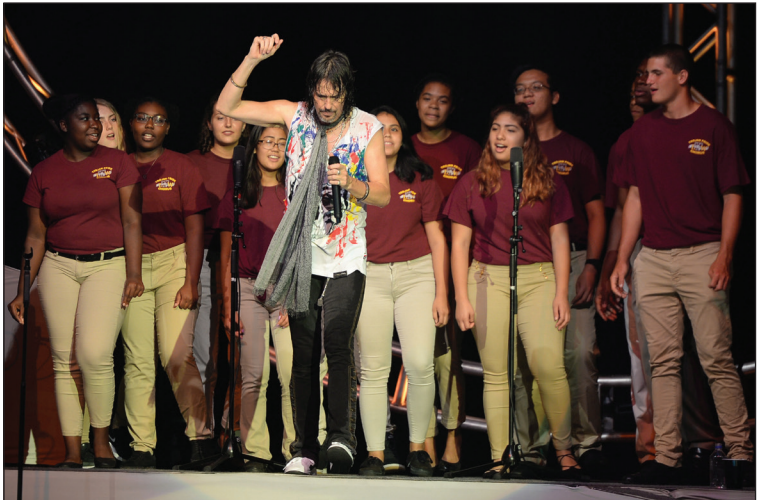
By Carol Webster

Lake Worth Community High School celebrated their homecoming Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>. During the evening pre-game, the senior band members, guard and football players were individually recognized noting their accomplishments and future plans. Half time brought the announcement of this year's homecoming court. Unfortunately, this night would not be the Trojans night to win the game.

Following the game the Lake Worth High School Trojan Sound performed their half time show with varied musical selections and fancy foot work.

Weeks before homecoming, the new band director, Tiffany Cox, invited alumni band members to play their instruments in the stands with the Trojan Sound. This year some alumni band members accepted the invitation and others cheered them on. Alumni band members attending this year were: Tris Coffin, Sandra Johnson Green, Eddie Johnson, Eldred Johnson, Jim Porter, Bonnie Johnson Purvere, Ron Schutta, Jane Jackson Seltzer, Roberta Stephens, Carol Childs Webster. Cox wants this to become an annual event, so start practicing and we will see you playing in the stands next homecoming!

## Trojans Preform With '80s Rock Band, Foreigner



Because of the talent and work ethic of our Lake Worth High School students, the amazing '80s rock band, Foreigner, continues to ask the LWHS chorus to perform with them! The Trojans were part of Foreigner's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary concert held on 08/01/2017 at the West Palm Beach Coral Sky Amphitheater.

## October Luncheon, LWHS Class of '53

By Kathy Graves

We have such a great group of classmates that get together for lunch every other month at the LW Rd. Olive Garden. We reserve their private room and always try to coincide our Thursday luncheon date with a special holiday, in this case Halloween. We always decorate festively and usually have table favors depicting the holiday. Kathy brought little dancing solar Halloween figurines for each and Doris Dorsey brought all kinds of yummy candy and eyeball glasses for each.

As we were to try to dress Halloween-ish, we judged **Jerry Hopkins** by applause as best and **Bunnie Anderson** runner up—both received prizes.

Our next luncheon will be **Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup>** and will have a Christmas theme. Call Kathy Graves at (561) 762-5449 for more information.



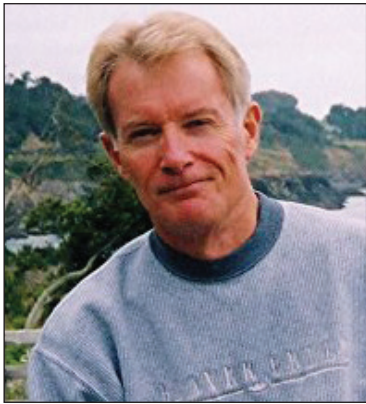
In attendance: Standing at left: Bunnie Podlash Anderson '53, Carolyn Roach Snapp '53, Nat Smith '53 with wife Laura. Seated at left: Dede Owens Lewis '53, Peg Sobering Chapman '53, Doris Anderson Dorsey '54, Carol and Neil Reyngoudt '52, Ron Timm '52, Ron Schutta '56, Roberta Woolson Stephens '56, Kathy Snyder Graves '53, Jerry Hopkins '50, Thurman Lamb '53, Dennis Dorsey '53, Nina Upthegrove Mitzelfeld '51, Chummer McCranels '56, Char Finch Macon '48, Virginia Sullivan Thomas '45. Standing at right: Winnie Wise Nicoletti '53, Peg Fountain Flora '53, and Judy Williams Streets '53.

## Wayne Falbey: LWHS Class of 1960

Wayne graduated in 1960 from LWHS, then graduated in the charter class at USF with a dual major in History and Political Science. Three years later he graduated from Vanderbilt University School of Law, then returned to Palm Beach County to practice law in Boca Raton. Wayne says he wasn't happy about the way the East Coast was developing, so he and his wife left in 1970 and moved to Fort Myers. They were divorced years later after which he moved to Naples, where he currently resides. Along the way he earned his MBA as well as a dual Doctorate in Management and Marketing. He also met the love of his life, Phyllis Ann who he affectionately calls Annie.

"The truth is...Wayne says, I never wanted to practice law. I just really wanted the law background for real estate development." So after 20 years in law, including representing 3 of the Fortune Top 50 companies, he went over to the "dark side" as he refers to it, and became a real estate developer.

Eventually a friend who was dean of a graduate school of business on the East Coast called him one day. He was trying to get some major developers to contribute to the school, but they wanted something that



benefited them in return. Wayne agreed to establish a Master of Science program in real estate development. It became the most talked about and copied program of its kind in the country! Unfortunately the dean got fired 5 years later. Wayne didn't want to break in a new dean, and the politics of academia didn't suit him, so he left.

He had always gotten high marks in the creative writing and essay aspects of English courses at LWHS and USF, and had wanted to be a writer since the fifth or sixth grade. As a senior at LWHS, he had Mr Goodell as his English teacher. He was a tough customer according to Wayne, but he encouraged him to pursue his writing ambitions. A few years later, when Wayne was in Law School and bored he wrote his first novel, "*The Quixotics*." A Senior VP at Harper & Row liked it and asked him

to make a single change along with replacing his protagonist with a dweeb. Why? Because the VP thought readers didn't like anti-heroes. Wayne lost faith in traditional publishing and after 5 years of experience in academia, he began writing *Sleeping Dogs: The Awakening*, the first book in his Sleeping Dogs series of political/espionage thrillers. The plots are drawn from the headlines and delve international intrigue and global geopolitics.

There are now 4 books in the series. The latest, *Dog of War*, was published on July 4<sup>th</sup> of this year.

Along the way, Wayne has achieved international bestseller status and his books have been ranked #1 on Amazon's political thriller list. The books follow the exploits of a deadly band of hunter-killer black cops who track down and terminate America's enemies-foreign and domestic. The inestimable Lee Child has said that Wayne's books are "beautifully written" and are the kind of book he would write (*are you listening Jack Reacher?*) and read. Child's currently reading Dogs of War.

Asking Wayne what he enjoys most about his life, his reply: "I enjoy writing the most and plan to continue the series."

Look for book 5 in the series sometime next year.

### Lake Worth High School Alumni Foundation Mission Statement

*"Unite and assist alumni and friends of Lake Worth High School to provide grants and scholarships for the general benefit of the school and its students."*





# The 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Lake Worth DFS Golf Tournament

By Meredith Abrams, Tournament Chairperson

On Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, the Lake Worth Dollars for Scholars, in partnership with Lake Worth High School Alumni Foundation, held the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual LW DFS Golf Tournament at **Palm Beach National Golf Club** in Western Lake Worth. The forecast looked a bit uncertain, but it didn't keep away 84 excited, mellow golfers ready for a great day of golf and over 30 volunteers ready to make sure they got their amazing LW DFS experience.

Sign-in began at 7:00 a.m. with a continental breakfast, sponsored by **Sam's Club**, and Bloody Mary bar, sponsored by **Tito's Handmade Vodka**, **Dave's Last Resort**, and **Costco**. At 7:45 a.m., all golfers and volunteers headed out to the 18<sup>th</sup> hole where the Palm Beach County FOOLS Organization provided their vintage ladder truck for the ball drop. (Three very happy purchasers of balls went home with half of the nearly \$1300 pot.) At 8:00 a.m., the golfers teed off, on what turned out to be a perfect morning. Hole #3 provided a chance to "Beat the Pro," Matt McCarthy, hole #11 provided a Hole-In-One 19' Island Reef boat, compliments of **Marine Connection**, that, unfortunately, no one took home, and hole #14 provided an opportunity for golfers to use the "cannon" to try to shoot their ball closest to the hole.



**Aaron Coven**, one of our Silver Sponsors, was only feet from the pin and won an all expenses paid 6-night, 7-day getaway!

The rain held off and the golfers finished their game. Everyone enjoyed a quality lunch provided by Tony, the food and beverage manager, at the course. Mr. Cantley spoke regarding the history of the tournament and how I was nominated to become the new chairperson for the year. There was a raffle, complete with over 25 prizes from

outstanding businesses and a silent auction with just as many prizes. Collectively, the two raised, in the ballpark of, \$3,000 for LW DFS. The net profit for the tournament is **\$12,714.93**

The success of the tournament was due to the help of the countless volunteers, raffle and silent auction prize donors, **Palm Beach National Golf Club**, and, of course, the golfers. Early congratulations to the members of the Class of 2018 who will benefit from the tournament proceeds.



# Meet Our New Band Director Tiffany Cox

By Carol Webster

Tiffany Cox is a second generation Floridian and a graduate of Palm Beach County Schools. She attended Addison Mizner Elementary School, Boca Raton Middle School, and Spanish River High School.

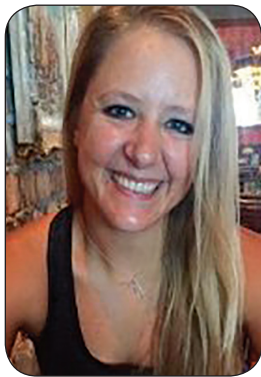
Upon graduating from Spanish River, she attended Florida State University to pursue a bachelor of arts degree. The focus of her studies was her principal instrument, the trombone. She opted to focus on jazz during her undergraduate studies and participated in a variety of musical ensembles inside and out of the jazz department including the FSU jazz bands, Seminole Swing Machine, Florida State Marching Chiefs, Seminole Sound, wind ensembles, orchestra, musical theater pit orchestras and

various small combo groups and chamber choirs.

She graduated Cum Laude with a minor in psychology and was accepted into the Florida Atlantic University College of Education to begin her master's degree in Education.

Upon returning to Palm Beach County in 2011 to attend FAU, Ms. Cox became the music teacher at Calusa Elementary School in Boca Raton. At Calusa, she established a beginning band program that fostered a passion for instrumental music in the community and led to a 90% retention rate of beginning band students from elementary to middle school.

In 2012, Ms. Cox joined the Symphonic Band of the Palm Beaches as a trombonist and is still playing with the group in concerts throughout the year.



LWHS Band Director  
Tiffany Cox

This year (2017), Ms. Cox has joined us at Lake Worth Community High School as our band director. She is excited and honored to be a part of the Trojan Sound family and is looking forward to an incredible year with all of our talented Lake Worth students.

She can be reached at [Tiffany.Cox@PalmBeachSchools.org](mailto:Tiffany.Cox@PalmBeachSchools.org) for booking engagements, donations of funds, or to volunteer with the band.

## Alumni Foundation Membership Fees Due January 1<sup>st</sup> of Each Year

Single: \$25.00	Business: \$100.00
Couples: \$40.00	Lifetime: \$200.00*

\*(Lifetime Membership / One Time Fee)

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# Congratulations to Local LWHS Alumni Lois Kramer Richman: Winner of 2017 Best Mystery From Pacific Book Awards!

Lois Kramer Richman (Class of 1960)—now Mrs. Karl Lozier—was showcased last issue as the author of “*Key West Interlude*”, her latest book. Since that article appeared, Lois has received an award from Pacific Book Awards for “Best Mystery Writer” of 2017. Lois just finished an appearance at the local National Croquet Club where her older book “*Wanted First Mate*” was available for the first time in several years. She said she had forgotten how much fun it was to write.

A single character named Ellie goes through the trials of survival at sea. When she marries a multi-millionaire yachtsman, she has no idea that once



she is out on the high seas, he will get violent and she must escape. She jumps overboard in the middle of a hurricane when he will not pull up into a nearby “boat hold”. She is rescued

by natives on a small island and the rest of the story unfolds from there.

Lois says her next project gets underway in full force with plans for a release by November 2018 to begin after she and Karl return from the mountains in NC, and it is entitled “*Palm Beach Interlude*”. And NO, she will not describe the mansions and their interiors, but rather the people who live in them!

When Timothy J. Buckner, head banker at the local bank and trust company is accused of murdering his second wife, Barbara with the five names, Paulette Marshall is called in to work on the case. Once again filled with multiple characters, there is Iris who holds the family secret, and after so many years, is about to burst forth with the truth. Then there is Barbara, an outsider who marries not one, but three multiple-millionaires! She is found dead, stabbed to death in what has been labeled a hate crime. Sound intriguing? Stay tuned... Lois can't wait to get started!



# Fall Breakfast Meeting



From left: Paul Blockson, Roberta Stephens, Ron Shutta, and Neil Rasmussen.



From left: Kathy McGiveron, Chris Hamori, and Chad Drake



Honey Duncan.



DFS President  
Dave Cantley.



Two new members of the Board: Jessica Latour and Kelsey Burke.



New member of the Board, Willmeeda Emanuel.



Chad Drake and Dennis F. Dorsey.



# LWHS Graduate Success Story: Bethesda-by-the-Sea Mentoring Program Pays Off With Scholarship Opportunity

By John Nelande  
Special to the Daily News

Years of mentoring by members of The Episcopal Church of Bethesda-by-the-Sea paid off when participating students recently graduated from Lake Worth Community High School, bound for promising college programs.

Joezer Pascal, the son of Haitian immigrants and one of a family of nine children, is headed to Vanderbilt University on a scholarship to study electrical engineering. He has been mentored since 2014 by Tanner Rose, a Bethesda member and former chairman of the Planning & Zoning Commission.

Rose attended Pascal's graduation May 19<sup>th</sup> and found it both emotional and rewarding.

"Sitting there with 600 graduates and the parents, I heard Joezer give a beautiful address, very well thought-through and very well-projected," said Rose, who described Pascal as "an absolute sponge" during their mentoring sessions.

Bethesda's Outreach Ministry members suggested Rose get involved in the mentoring program. After meeting Pascal as a sophomore, Rose decided he needed help with science, technology and math. A tutor was found to assist him in those areas, but Rose wanted to expose him to the arts, too.

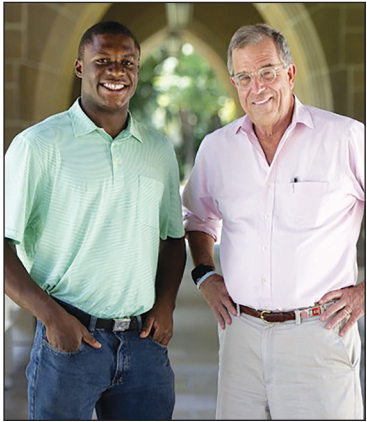
"I was an English major. I carved out things to work with Joezer like grammar, writing, working on syntax and vocabulary," Rose said. "I gave him books to read and asked him to do a report. We'd discuss classic architecture, classic literature, or art history and archaeology.

"We had a lot of discussions about history and art, and I think that helped him do well on the reading side of his SAT."

The Bethesda mentoring program—which works with about 10 at-risk high school students in grades 10 through 12—partners with another organization called Take Stock in Children. Its goal is to "break the cycle of poverty for low-income, academically qualified students by providing opportunities for a post-secondary education," according to its website.

Promising candidates are identified by high school guidance counselors and principals—most of Bethesda's students come from Lake Worth Community High School. Students can earn scholarships that are partially funded by the state through Take Stock in Children. Bethesda's Palm Beach resale shop, the Church Mouse, contributes to the funding.

"I believe there are bright children who, unfortunately, live in very poor circumstances," said Pat Reichenbacher, who helped launch the mentor-



LWHS recent graduate Joezer Pascal, left, is headed to Vanderbilt University in August. He has been mentored since 2014 by Tanner Rose. (Meghan McCarthy/Daily News)

ing program in 2013 as a former chair of the church's outreach ministry. "Anyone who lives in poverty, but is very bright and driven, may have the answer to some problem facing society. If we don't give people like Joezer the chance to go to college and get an education, we'll be the ones who lose."

As a sophomore, Pascal caught the attention of a high school administrator, who described him as "a drifting youth," said Reichenbacher. "He was bright, but he wasn't focused and didn't have a goal. Tanner made sure Joezer learned about the classics, antiquities and history. Our members aren't there to tutor, they're there to talk about other things and make the student a well-rounded person. And Tanner did it so beautifully."

Pascal said that while his main focus has been on computer technology, Tanner sparked an interest in the liberal arts. "It opened my eyes in a global sense," he said.

His parents came to the United States from Haiti in the 1990s.

"Luckily for me, I have two caring parents and several siblings who have helped me very much," he said, although it hasn't been an easy road.

"In March, there was a fire in our apartment complex that really devastated us and displaced us. My mentors were kind enough to assist us with our situation. They helped us financially, but even when it came to emotional support, they were there."

Pascal, an outfielder for the Lake Worth Trojans, hopes to play baseball at Vanderbilt as a walk-on. "But I've got a lot of work to do if I want to make the team," he said.

Reichenbacher said Bethesda is trying to recruit mentors from the community as the program grows.

"They don't have to be from Bethesda," she said. "We're trying to make this a community project. The program is getting to the point where the kids are starting to ask about it. They know Bethesda is offering so much."



Do You Remember the days we spent at this salt water pool? A lot of our summers were spent here meeting with our classmates. What Wonderful Memories!

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## 5-Year Countdown to 2022: The Centennial of LWHS

To celebrate "The Centennial of Lake Worth Community High School" we will launch a 5-year Countdown to 2022—the 100<sup>th</sup> year of the school's existence, with a brick sale. **\$100 in honor of 100 Years.** Proceeds will support the mission of LWHS Alumni Foundation to provide grants and scholarships for the general benefit of the school and its students.

**To Donate online:** Log on to: [lwhsalumni.org/site/](http://lwhsalumni.org/site/). Go to the bottom of the page. Click on the Donate button in the middle of the page. Proceed with instructions to submit your donation. *Note:* Above USD amount, click in "100.00". Two lines under, click: *Add special instructions to seller:* "Centennial Celebration Contribution" \$100 for 100 Years-Brick Sale Fund-raiser.

For your contribution you will receive the size

paver pictured below and you may have it monogrammed as you like (within the guidelines noted below the sample paver pictured online). Ex: Name, Year of Graduation, etc. Purchased item is a 4 x 8 inch paver. 13 characters (including spaces) per line, with 3 lines maximum of text.

You are also welcome to fill out the Brick Order Form at the bottom of this page and mail it with your check to the Lake Worth Alumni Foundation. Instructions below. Thank you for your support!!!

**"\$100 in Honor of 100 Years!"**



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President's Message

Thank You for Your Support

We have just experienced two very successful fund raising golf tournaments. The Barry Grunow Memorial Golf Tournament was held at the Palm Beach Gardens Municipal Course on October 21 with Maryanne Hedrick serving as tournament director.

Maryanne taught with Barry when he was murdered in his classroom at Lake Worth Middle School in 2000, and she takes great pride in raising funds through the tournament for the Grunow Memorial Scholarship. This year's tournament raised a record \$18,215 net profit. Only 64 golfers played but Maryanne received corporate donations.

Vicki Rautbord has been the director of the "regular" Dollars for Scholars tournament in recent years on a paid basis. However, since Vicki move to Arizona two years ago it has been increasingly difficult for her to conduct the tournament. We are grateful to Vicki and her team including John Harvey for their services in assisting us with raising funds. This year, Meredith Abrams, a Lake Worth High class of '97 grad, assumed

the duties of tournament director and did an outstanding job of running the tournament held October 28 at The Palm Beach National Course.

Several factors figured prominently in the success of this year's tournament. First: Meredith volunteered her services saving us \$2,500! Second: Meredith has almost unlimited

Dollars For Scholars Mission Statement

"The purpose of the chapter shall be to expand access to higher education for students of Lake Worth High School, Lake Worth, Florida by promoting (DFS) the Dollars For Scholars program, maintaining an operational structure, raising funds for student aid distribution, and distributing awards on a fair and nondiscriminatory basis. The chapter shall operate in a manner consistent with the policies and procedures of Scholarship America."

Lake Worth Dollars for Scholars Foundation Balance Sheet

As of October 31, 2017

	Oct 31, 17	Sep 30, 17	\$ Change
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Checking/Savings			
Grunow Checking	24,085.14	13,570.97	10,514.17
LWHS Checking	14,739.27	26,839.27	-12,100.00
Total Checking/Savings	38,824.41	40,410.24	-1,585.83
Total Current Assets	38,824.41	40,410.24	-1,585.83
Other Assets			
Al Elam Scholarship Fund	27,841.00	28,141.00	-300.00
Barry Grunow Scholarship Fund	137,368.00	139,188.00	-1,820.00
Betty Milone Scholarship Fund	49,693.86	50,357.86	-664.00
Charles Brooks Scholarship Fund	11,217.00	4,452.00	6,765.00
David Cantley Scholarship Fund	44,262.00	44,858.00	-596.00
Dennis & Doris Dorsey Sch Fund	36,319.00	36,795.00	-476.00
E.R."Buddy" Goodell Sch Fund	31,258.00	30,633.00	625.00
Eva Norberg Scholarship Fund	27,557.00	27,852.00	-295.00
Helen Bundy Scholarship Fund	28,229.00	28,412.00	-183.00
Jerry MCoy Scholarship Fund	9,077.00	9,335.00	-258.00
Karl Easton Scholarship Fund	39,389.00	39,916.00	-527.00
Kristen Stanley Scholarship Fun	47,089.00	47,723.00	-634.00
Lake Worth Memorial Sch Fund	26,519.71	26,519.71	0.00
LWHS Alumni Scholarship Fund	97,822.00	99,011.00	-1,189.00
Malcom Cain Sch Fund 655-020988	18,639.00	11,239.00	7,400.00
Margaret C Donnelley Fund	19,370.00	19,493.00	-123.00
Michael Fisher Scholarship Fund	31,208.00	31,636.00	-428.00
Tommy & Helen Hansen Sch Fund	52,453.00	53,147.00	-694.00
Watson B. Duncan III Sch Fund	39,619.00	40,111.00	-492.00
Total Other Assets	774,930.57	768,819.57	6,111.00
TOTAL ASSETS	813,754.98	809,229.81	4,525.17
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	0.00	0.00	0.00

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ed resources to call on for help as she has lived in Lake Worth her entire life and is involved in many other fund raisers for non profits around town and third: she possesses talents required of the job and she works tirelessly. She does all this while serving as a kindergarten teacher at North Grade Elementary School.

This year's tournament showed a net profit of \$12,714.93—the most successful tournament we have had in recent years. Twenty percent, \$2,542.99, will go to The Lake Worth High School Alumni Foundation who pays all overhead expenses of Dollars for Scholars. This ensures that every dollar donated to DFS goes to help a needy student realize his or her dream of a college education. DFS will realize \$10,171.94 from this year's tournament.

It was heartwarming to witness the volunteers working at

both tournaments. Dollars for Scholars and Alumni board members were especially strong in showing up for the DFS tournament. Maryanne and Meredith will readily admit that they couldn't have had the success they had this year without the assistance of the volunteers.

The future has never looked brighter for Dollars for Scholars. The \$104,000 awarded to the class of 2017 was the most we have awarded since our initial year in 1999. The Million Dollar Dinner held May 23 was a night to remember as we celebrated awarding one million dollars in scholarships since our beginning.

Thanks to everyone who has supported us in the past and we look forward to your support in the future.

Sincerely, Dave Cantley

"Age is an issue of mind over matter. If you don't mind, it doesn't matter." — Mark Twain

Old Photos Wanted!

If you have any pictures from long ago when you were in school or your parents were in school, we would love to have copies! We would appreciate it, if you scan and email those photos to: Hogfish123@aol.com. If you send copies, please mail to Doris Dorsey • 650 Atlantis Estates Way • Atlantis, FL 33462. (Please don't send original photos as they can not be returned.) We are interested in all classes throughout the 2000's. Photos can be at the beach, casino, downtown Lake Worth, at grade school, high school...anywhere! It would be fun to have a couple in each issue of the Alumni News. If you know of an interesting story of an alumni, please notify us. Thanks, and hoping to receive many!