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26 students receive \$52,000 in scholarships.



T.Rowe Price Scholarship

- 1 - Ishaan Desai
- 2 - Tiara Cheathon
- 3 - Litzy Euceda-Hernandez
- 4 - Ian Lindsley
- 5 - Kierra Richardson

**Class of 1973 50th Reunion
Scholarship**

- 6 - Jacob Hydovitz
- 7 - William Taylor
- 8 - Tillula Cohen
- 9 - Gissela Toval
- 10 - Tanaya Smith

Chaney Family Scholarship

- 11 - Madeline Brandwin
- 12 - Nehemiah Covington
- 13 - Jaja Williams

**Henry & Janet Lewis
Scholarship**

- 14 - Luke Schulman
- 15 - Samantha Mink
(Not Pictured)

**McWilliams Family
Scholarship**

- 16 - Adam Komenski

**Gene & Shirley Bond
Memorial Scholarship**

- 17 - Amanda Minkove

**John & Elaine (Uhler)
Baseman Scholarship**

- 18 - Ryan Stahl

**Betty Jenkins Memorial
Scholarship**

- 19 - Shakhzoda Kubanova

**Max St. Clair Amos
Memorial Scholarship**

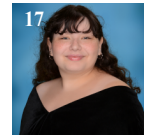
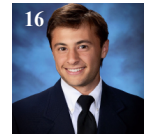
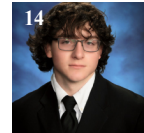
- 20 - Patrica Alegria

**Schad Family Memorial
Scholarship**

- 21 - Krisha Pandya

**Alumni Association
Scholarship**

- 22 - Valery Zapata Villon
- 23 - Zarmina Khan
- 24 - Pierce Rubenstein
- 25 - Rolando Carbonell
- 26 - Tina Tran



Principal's Message

I want to recognize the great work done at Franklin High School this past year. We successfully welcomed our English Language Development (ELD) students to their home school. In previous years, students new to the United States who were not fluent in English would attend an ESOL center until they became proficient. Those students who live in our area now come directly to Franklin High where they learn English while taking all the other courses required for graduation. During 2023-2024, we saw an increase in student achievement metrics and attendance rates, as well as a decrease in suspensions for a second consecutive year.



Last year I also participated in the Leadership Baltimore County program where I was joined by governmental and business leaders as we learned about strengths, challenges, and opportunities in our district. I was honored to be selected to represent the entire school system in that program and to share my experiences and successes at Franklin High School.

As we prepare for even more accomplishments in the 2024 - 2025 school year, I want to personally thank the Franklin High School Alumni Association for its continued support, and I am truly humbled to work in such an amazing school community.

Best wishes,
Kieran J. O'Connell

President's Message

I would like to introduce myself to the Alumni. I'm the new President of the Franklin Alumni Association. I previously served as the Secretary to the Association. I graduated from Franklin High School a couple of years ago in 1999. It was nice not only to attend Franklin High School but I also had the pleasure of attending Franklin Elementary and Franklin Middle School. I have very fond memories of Franklin and I look forward to serving the Franklin Alumni Association as the

President of the Association. I'm so proud of the work that the Franklin Alumni Association performs, especially the scholarships that are awarded to the graduating seniors for continued education. Thank you to everyone who sponsors a named scholarship or contributes to the general scholarship fund and to the association. Your donations are what enables the Franklin Alumni Association to continue to award over \$50,000 in Scholarships on a yearly basis.

I hope you enjoy the annual newsletter!

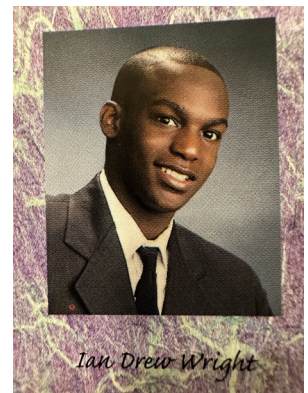
Ian D. Wright, '99

\$200.00 donations

We want to thank the following for their generous donations of \$200.00 or more for the printing and mailing of the newsletter!

William Rohde '65	Dennis & Kathy (Alban)
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Dave Bond '75	Sue Brilliant Kenney '69
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'54	Scott Jenkins '72
Robert A. Wilkins '76	Fred Frey '70
Bob Carter '58	Janet Lewis '48
Mark & Bev Chaney '73	Scott R. Bowers '84
	Kathy Seohnlein '76
	Mary C. Linker '66

Thank you for your support!



Charities of Maryland's mission is to provide a "home-away-from-home" for seriously ill children and their families. On Sunday, April 14th, 2024, thousands supported this mission at the 13th Annual Red Shoe Shuffle 5K, which sold out for the first time in over a decade. The Ronald McDonald House community raised nearly \$500,000, contributing to the \$4.2 million collected over 13 years. This year, the Class of 1983 and the Franklin Alumni Association formed "Team Northwest" with plans to grow in 2025. More details will be shared in future newsletters or at rmhcmaryland.org. Ronald McDonald House has strong ties to Franklin and Reisterstown. Sandy Pagnotti (Class of 1981) is President & CEO, and Jeff Ruark (Class of 1976) is a member of the house Charities MD team.



Cindy Perlow '83 and Sandy Pagnotti '81

Comments

Terry Williams—'67—Still providing psychotherapy three days a week, and love it. Doing Tai Chi and Chi Gong and love it too. Attend Reisterstown United Methodist Church.

Ruth Kriel—'55—Stan and I are aging gracefully. He is 92 and I am 86. We are enjoying our children, grandchildren, and great-grandkids!

Janet (Emerson) Wilson—'66—I always enjoy the annual newsletter.

Alyssa Sooklal—'13—This year I am so proud and honored to be a Board Member of the Education Foundation of BCPS!

Sue Glover—'64—Enjoying life with family—three daughters, six grandchildren, and two greats!

Janet Bristow—'63—The class of '63 held their 60th reunion in September 2023. It was great reconnecting with friends and former classmates. My second great-grandson arrived in October!

Helen Freeland—'63—Pray for me. My son is moving back home to live with me.

Herb Wirts—'46—Still find it refreshing to reminisce about the good times at Franklin and continue to miss close friendships of classmates who have gone on. (Ivan, Bud, Mary—who will be left to carry the 46 colors across the finish line?)

Harry Wilhelm—'44—All alumni members should be very proud of the Alumni Association Officers, many of whom are in their late 70s, for their many years of devoted service to our organization.

Debbie DiNatale Cooper—'71; Richard Cooper—'70—We sold our business! Happily retired, enjoying our six grandchildren, the beach, and golf!

Betty (Smith) Carroll—'62—Us "girls" from the Class of '62 still get together once a month for lunch. With health issues, we have less each time, but our memories are still there. God bless our class.

Arline (Rutter) Czawlytko—'56—Married to Ed Czawlytko for 67 years. Life is good. Two daughters, four granddaughters, and six great-grandchildren. Hello to class of 1956.

Kathy (Kristensen) Friedman—'72—Love that the Class of '72 classmates have Christmas parties at random restaurants with white elephant gifts!

Beatrice F. Thomas—'66—Retirement is great, and being an FHS alumnus is great, what else can I ask for!

William G. Latimer, Sr.—'63—Celebrated 58 years of marriage

to my wife Sharon last September. Two children, four grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

Dennis McGowan—'70—Retired as chairman of an insurance company. Enjoying my time at my cabin in Deep Creek and the Delaware shore.

M. Renee Tuma—'79—Having a wonderful day! Brewers Hill is a lovely neighborhood! Cheers to the '79 Grads and my favorite Heartbreakers!

Ken Meekins—'71—Retired, after 45 years in law enforcement, in Ocean Pines.

Scott A. Broadbent—'57—Life is good. Living on the James River.

Rita Sindler Cohen—'65—Love getting together with "5" special classmates every time I visit from California (Eva, Lynn, Royce, Carole, and Jane).

Daniel "Pete" Robinson—'66—Still touring with the Mahoney Brothers Band and enjoying our Class of 1966 bi-monthly luncheon get-togethers.

Dan Zaccagnini—'73—Enjoyed being on the committee for the 50-year reunion. Lunches on the shore are always fun—great reconnecting.

Thomas Gorsuch—'71—I finally retired in 2023 after serving the Department of Defense for 47 years (22 years active duty in the Navy and 25 years as a contractor). My last five years I supported the Undersecretary of Defense for Acquisition.

William Rohde—'65—Have made some contacts from this after many years. "Priceless!"

Mary Jo Tullis Kobosko—'49—Bernie and I have been living in Reisterstown in the same house for 50 years! My sister, Ann Tullis Toolan, '46, passed in August 2023.

Rory Harnish—'74—The older I get, the more my friends mean to me!

Tracey K. Cowman—'81—Still single! Watching Mom (Kathleen Cowman, '56) age in long-term care with dementia. Praying for a peaceful 2024.

Elizabeth Seletzky—'57—After Richard, '57, passed in 2013, moved to South Hanover, PA. Retired after 33 years teaching. Four kids, eight grandchildren, two great-grandchildren.

Dave Stone—'55—Still living in Reisterstown, still selling real estate with Cookie. Six grandchildren, four great-grandsons—Life is good.

Susan Dunlap—'72—Retired due to job loss in fall 2023, but looking forward to more time for Tai Chi, yoga, gardening, and not working weekends!

Jim Sherring—'81—Have been chairing the Harford County Forestry Board for several years now. Enjoy giving out seedlings every spring.

Chuck Wilson—'66—Retired in 2019 after 53 years of developing software. Still globetrotting, running, and volunteering, including over 120 countries, 350 ultramarathons, and 3,000 hours volunteering for open space organizations in the San Francisco Bay area.

Ivars Lacis—'75—Same wife 42 years; same house 35 years; same car (1972 Mustang) 48 years; FHS memories 48 years.

Ivan R. Armacost—'46—Good to hear from other classmates. Alumni Association—keep up the good work.

Stephen Sroka—'66—Glad to see everyone at our 57th reunion. Stay healthy!

Betsy Eline Andrews—'73—Had such a blast at the 50th reunion—many thanks to the committee for all their hard work.

B. Arylene (Tracey) Linker—'54—In memory of B. Frederick Linker.

Wendy Wright (Bigelow)—'68—Class of '68 55th reunion was a blast!

Anne Noel Bellows—'49—At age 91, I am still traveling with my son and daughter. We enjoyed Ireland, Paris, Prague, New Orleans, and Yellowstone National Park this year.

Michael Mayo—'68—30 years working for the airlines (Eastern and United). Now living in Ave Maria, Florida, two miles from my best friend at Franklin High School, David Dalo.

Kelly Long Brown—'74—Wishing the class of '74 a happy 50th reunion!

Terry Fagan Glendenning—'61—2023 a better year. A house in Naples, FL, has been re-built. Hubby, Ron, turned 97 on Dec. 5, is well but walks with a cane. Leaving Dec. 4 (2023) to our home in Naples. I enjoy volunteering at Naples Therapeutic Riding Center.

Ronald Hall—'62—Under-appreciated at the time, but, subsequently, grateful for Mrs. High, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Crickard, and Dr. Eisenhower.

Nancy Lewis Kurkjian—'74—Loving life in Williamsburg and

Come to the annual dine-in scholarship fundraiser on Wednesday, November 13. at Reter's Crab House & Grille. In 1998, Brad Reter, '79, carried on the local family business, which had its start in the 1930's! Currently, he counts many Franklin students and alumni among his 65 restaurant employees. As a powerful community role model, which includes being an active member of the Reisterstown Volunteer Fire Department, Brad's message to alumni is, "Invest in young people. Show them that hard work and community involvement will grow them as individuals. Always set the example!"

looking forward to our 50th reunion.

Scott Jenkins—'72—As time passes, the more I appreciate the education I received, the friends I made, and the life lessons I learned at Franklin.

Joan Schaefer—'63—Proud to have graduated from Franklin. Enjoyed our 60th class reunion.

Maureen Higgins Robey—'73—I had a blast at our September 50-year reunion! So much fun renewing and rekindling friendships. Our new motto: Class of '73 is the best!

Arlene (Armacost) Klemushin—'63—Loved my high school years. Married. Two daughters. Forty-five years designing cards for Hallmark in K.C., Missouri. Two grandchildren.

Elaine Heineman—'60—Living in Scottsdale, AZ. Enjoying the weather and many great memories of Franklin.

Darrell (Robby) Robertson—'65—Franklin prepared me for college, Murray State University, and a 25-year career in the Maryland State Police. If the Class of 65 has a 60th reunion, I will go. Thanks for doing the newsletter.

Ron Robinson—'63—Lots of health problems this past year, but still enjoying life at the Delaware shore.

Alice (Nash) & Robert Seohnlein—'49 and '48—I am always happy to receive the newsletter and deeply appreciate the efforts of the Alumni Association on our behalf.

Ted Fritz—'48—Continuing to live well at White Stone, Greensboro, NC. Is anyone aware of FHS alumni living in Greensboro, NC?

James H. Ward—'63—Married 56 years to Mary Jo (1964 Hereford grad), living in Colorado 53 years. Retired AT&T. I love everyone from Franklin.

Harriet Kiilehua—'65—I now have three great-grands—Maverick, Adelyn, and Stella.

Donna and Ricky Shaneybrook—'70 and '68—Ricky and I are both Franklin graduates as well as our three children, Rick, Tami Shephard (Shaneybrook), and Heidi.

Scott R. Bowers—'84—My company, Main Street Electric, is celebrating 34 years in business this year! I celebrated my 40th high school reunion, too! Still local and still here in Reisterstown.

Terry Glendenning, '78: Celebrating 20 years as a Certified Financial Planner with Thrivent Financial.



Brad Reter '79



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Craig Piette, '69, and his wife Lynn, '73, have remained in the Reisterstown area, continuing their strong connection to Franklin High School (FHS). After college, Craig initially worked as an urban planner for Baltimore County but soon realized his passion for working outdoors. This led him to start his landscaping business, which he has successfully operated for 44 years. Craig also dedicated 30 years to teaching high school students in various schools. Although he has retired from teaching, he still manages his landscaping business, employing at least six full-time staff who primarily focus on residential projects, and he hires additional workers to meet seasonal demands. For several years, Craig has generously donated his landscaping services to FHS by maintaining the flower beds outside the front office. His crew frequently engages in planting, trimming, and mulching throughout the year. Thank you, Craig, for your continued support and dedication!





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Recording Secretary: Pat McCusker, '81
Corresponding Secretary: Jan Messenger, '75

Executive Board

from left

Mike Hofmeister '62, Ian Wright '99,
Mary Beth Bressler '81,
Lois (Nester) Burton '63,
Sara Beach '76, Pat S. McCusker '81,
Sue Wright '62,
Patti (Hann) Schunk '62,
Cindy (Sherman) Perlow '83,
Carol Eichler Parker '62

Not pictured

Ronald Carey '99
Jan Messenger '75
Tom Carey '98