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EDISON COMMUNITY & SPORTS FOUNDATION ALUMNI NEWS

2021 Hall of Fame Induction Dinner

75 people attended this year's induction dinner to honor 2020 Hall of Fame inductees. 14 HOF alumni were present to see the individuals and championship teams from 1972-1974 receive the honors that they deserve. Roast beef dinner was provided by Ed Matthes and Marinos Catering. Brett McNeil, Edison's Athletic Director was in attendance as was Bernie Kunza and three of his senior baseball players.

Jane Shultz was there to see many of her deceased husband (Niles) wrestling teams be honored. The following people and teams were honored:

AnnLiv Bacon (1960) AnnLiv went to Edison during a time when girls sports competition was limited. She lettered in swimming, tennis, and badminton. There were no all city selections and AnnLiv does not remember any city meet competitions being held. After high school, AnnLiv attended St. Olaf College and graduated with a BS degree in Nursing. At age 72, AnnLiv started swimming in master's level competitions. She has placed in the top ten in individual events at national meets and has been on two relay teams that have finished as high as fourth in the world. She continues to swim competitively today.

Kevin "Yogi" Hanzlik (1972) Yogi was a five-time letter winner at Edison and selected to the all-city team in two sports. In basketball he was selected to the WCCO weekly all state team three times. He played catcher on the Edison baseball team, which



won a city title with a 9-1 record. Yogi was drafted by the Minnesota Twins in the 1972 draft, but opted not to sign a contract and instead went to St. Cloud State University where he played for four years and was selected team captain his senior year. Yogi graduated from St. Cloud with a BS degree in Education. He was an English teacher for 36 years, 33 of those years in Rosemount, where he also coached

baseball and basketball. He is the 3rd Hanzlik to be inducted into the Hall of Fame.

Dennis McGowan (Staff -1983-2003) Denny was hired at Edison as a security staff and soon started to help the athletic program. He started as a member of the football chain gang and after a retirement moved to become the athletic equipment manager. He was an assistant baseball coach for 10 years and handled

announcing responsibilities at Edison for fall and winter sports events. By the many hats that he wore at Edison, Denny became a



reliable and beloved staff member that helped coaches and student athletes succeed both on and off the field. (Cont on Page 2)

Niles Schulz Scholarship Dinner Postponed to Monday May 2, 2022

The next Edison Scholarship Dinner will be held Monday, May 2, 2022 at Quincy Hall, 1325 Quincy Street NE, Minneapolis. We will honor Distinguished Alumni from 2020, 2021 and 2022.

Call Mary Dalbec at 763 -245-0299 if you would like to donate to the silent auction, have any questions or want tickets. Dinner tickets include: dinner for two and a chance in our cash raffle.

Can't attend but would like to help?

Donations can be made via check or on our website. We are also looking for Silent Auction items and sponsors. To find out more information or to arrange an item pick-up, email us at edisoncsf@aol.com

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Michael Sedio (1971) Mike was a three-time letter winner in Track and was selected co-captain in his senior year. As a nine-time medalist in city meets, Mike was involved in setting many school records as an individual and relay team member. As a junior, Mike anchored a mile relay team that set a school record of 3:29. As a senior, Mike won the 440-yard dash and came in second in the 220-yard dash which both qualified him for the state meet. Edison school records individually held by Mike include the 220-yard dash (22.8 seconds), and the 440-yard dash (49.8 seconds). Mike was given his induction a few weeks early at his 50-year class reunion which was appreciated by all in attendance.

Circle of Champions

Championship teams from 1972-74 were honored at this year's Hall of Fame Dinner. Special recognition was given to the 1971-72 football team who at 9-0-1 was the last undefeated team at Edison.

Championship teams by year:

1972-Wrestling, Skiing, Baseball, Danceline (state champs) 1973-Wrestling, Girls Golf

1974-Football, Wrestling, Baseball, Girls Golf Congratulations to all of the great athletes who participated on these teams. More information will be shared about these teams in the next newsletter. Please contact us if you have any student athlete that you want considered for the Hall of Fame. Send an Email to edisonhof@gmail.com to get in touch with our committee.

IMPORTANT: Hall of Fame Inductees - We want great representation of HALL OF FAME members at the centennial celebration next year. Please send current contact information to the above email to help us stay in touch with you. We are planning an ALUMNI DAY at Edison on Friday September 30, 2022 and want you to be included in this great give back event.

Nice things happen when life long friends start dreaming!

Recently, Edison Classmates from 1963, Anne Johnson Miller contacted Kathy Brunner Kelly and were catching up. They have been friends forever having lived only a couple doors away from each other all of their growing up years. Anne started talking about how lucky they were to have grown up in Northeast Minneapolis where and when they did.

Anne mentioned Edison and how demographics have changed over the years and tossed out the idea of a scholarship or two for students who might NOT be college bound, not necessarily at the top of their class, but rather interested in a trade or technical career. She wondered what her friend Kathy thought about doing something like this. They liked the idea of granting scholarships to celebrate their 60th year post graduation (2023).

Kathy said that she would toss out the idea to their group of kindergarten friends. Yes, there is a small group of about 8 who started Kindergarten at Thomas Lowry Elementary together and went all the way through grade school, junior high, and high school. Until Kathy left for Florida, they continued to live in Minnesota somewhere. They started to meet once a year to catch up on their lives. Often, long time friends are the best friendships!

Kathy sent a letter via email to get a feel for what the friendship group thought of the idea. Karen Horning Wise is one of the kindergartners. She sent the message to everyone in the 1963 class for whom she had an email.



Kindergarten Ladies in the picture Left to Right: Kathy McCune Ranallo, Ann Johnson Miller, Joyce Wallace Johnson, Marlene Snyder Birkland, Karen Horning Wise, Mary Rondeau Westra, Kathy Brunner Kelly, Kathy Andrescik Young

Lo and behold, it was extremely well received and here they are today with over \$25,000 and many classmates contributing to share with deserving students from Edison. What a tribute to kids with "Nordeast" roots!

They set about this endeavor naively without a clue about fundraising or declaring themselves as a non-profit. Karen kept track of the money coming in and Kathy would send out thank you and reminder emails. Anne began conversation with some of the leadership of the Edison Community & Sports Foundation (ECSF), which is a Minnesota 501c3 non-profit Foundation. ULTIMATELY they (Cont on Page 3)

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(Cont from Page 2) decided it was too big for them to handle from their little group of three, so the fund is now in the hands of ECSF. Giving up control of who contributed and when, and thus being able to send thank you's and updates, was a difficult decision. They are now working with the Board of ECSF to set up control of the money and establishing scholarship criteria and a selection process. So that's the story of how it began—with Karen sending out the email that was meant as a feeler to the kindergarten kids from Thomas Lowry School. As 1963 classmate and Edison Hall of Famer, Terry Frovik said, "Nice things happen when life long friends start dreaming!"

There are other classes that have found ways to celebrate and honor growing up in the Northeast Community. Each example comes with it's own story. A couple of years ago, the class of 1965 decided to honor the memory of a member of their class, Wes Hendrickson, who lost his life in Viet Nam in 1969. Many class members have donated and ECSF has been helping select deserving Edison students since 2019 to receive a scholarship. The Edison Community & Sports Foundation is always ready to help any class or group or individual move forward with their idea to give back to the place they have good memories of growing up.

ECSF Oktoberfest "Indeed-We-Can" Fundraiser At Indeed Brewery

On a surprisingly nice Wednesday October 13th night, the ECSF had a successful Oktoberfest "Indeed-We-Can" fundraiser night at the Indeed Brewery located by the corner of 15th and Monroe. The tasting room was full of fellow Tommies and members of the community enjoying great beer, polka music from Joe Macko, a rousing visit from the Edison Alumni Band, and to close the night a great set of music by "the Mill City Six" led by Dan Kuch. "Indeed-We-Can" is a fundraising program created by Indeed Brewery to give back to non-profit community organizations and donates all profits from beer sales for the night. Indeed was able to give the ECSF a check for \$2,412 for the night. We want to thank everyone who came down, had a great time and helped

it on your schedules if we are lucky enough to have one next year. Ziggy, Zoggy, Ziggy, Zoggy, Oyi, Oyi, Oyi

support our Northeast organization raise a lot of money for a great cause. Please put

Edison High School has New TouchPro

If you have the opportunity to visit the high school, you can now use the interactive TouchPro system where you can find yearbooks from 1923-present and more!

This same information can be accessed anywhere at: **edison.touchpros.com.** Once there, go to Explore Edison to see yearbooks. More historical and current information will be added!

"The cloud-based TouchWall product combines intuitively-designed software with a large format touchscreen to establish a school hall of fame like no other. Visitors to the school experience your history in high definition both inside and out of the school walls."

In Memory Of...

Teresa Marie Anderson, '81 Christopher Budak, '88 Dianne Churik, '74 Dennis Indahl, '53 Ruth Kozlak Elizabeth (Sperry) Mild, '49

Julie Mudry Moline James W Lund Marlene Olson, '56 Delphine (Bienek) Schuman, '49 Billy Talbot, '62 Tom Turk, '49

Rosemary (Keeley) Zehms, '46

Check out the New Tri-Wheel In the newly renovated Upstairs Thur-Fri 5pm - 10pm Sat-Sun 11am - 10pm



Edison Activity Council Tommie Telethon

Did you catch the Tommie Telethon? If you missed it, it's not too late! Visit the Edison Activity Youtube channel and click on the 2021 Tommie Telethon video, and settle in for a full program of great entertainment. You'll hear music from Edison alumni and staff including, Miloe, Unknown Prophets and Stevie West and the Northern Stars. Musician Al Church joins us while inviting students to accompany him! Author Zak Sally and teacher Shannon Durphy share some dramatic readings, bookended by The Tom O'Bedlam and Pine Martin bands. You'll meet a variety of Edison students sharing their own Tommie talents, all emceed by familiar faces, including

This event is coordinated by Edison Activity Council and this event benefits student athletics and extracurricular activities. Thanks to the Edison Community and Sports Foundation for their sponsorship gift. If you would like to support the cause, text Edison to 44321 or visit edisonactivitycouncil.com.





TOMMIE SPIRIT

CONTRIBUTORS CARRYING ON THE TOMMIE SPIRIT!

Super Star

some guest cameos.

James and Mary Kunza, Bernie Kunza Bald Headed Athletic Scholarship

Darrel Untereker, Class of '63, matching donation from Medtronic

Minneapolis Foundation for College Possible Fund in honor of the courage of Rep Ilhan Omar Indeed Brewing Company MN LLC

Tommie

Class of 1970 c/o Kristy Cottle, Terry Delmonico, Gary Johns In memory of Darlene (Stoprea) Carrigan, '55 and Gary Johns, '54

Friend of Edison

Barbara Delaitsch, in loving memory of Dianne Churik, 74, from her family and friends, Marguerite Dillon, Michael Doyle, Bruce Gallus, Holly Hatch-Surisook, Margaret Juergens In memory of Bob Anderson, Lorraine A Lindahl Memorial Endowment, Lorraine A Lindahl Scholarship, Lori & Dan O'Donnell, in memory of Bob & Lorraine Eliason, Joyce Pyka, Edward Ulmaniec, salute to quote "The little men past and present memories cherished," Bruce Wojack

Other

Anonymous donation, Joyce Abelson Lawman, in memory of Marvin Lawman, '45, David Bakun in honor of Class of '77, Kristy Cottle, Gigi Decker in memory of Peter Ostronshko and Craig Sulem, Karen Dziedzic, Mick Kukielka Wes Henderson, 1965 Scholarship, Audrey Mahr, in memory of Carol D Johnson & Mary Svemeyener, David Moran, Patricia Myklebust, Karen & Kelly O'Rourke, Anthony Savage in honor of Class of '77, Eileen Simi

Edison Class of '63 Scholarship fund

Kathy Young Andrescik, Bob Antoine, Dena Lentz Benson, Barb Warnell Bredemus, Kathy Kelly Brunner, Dave Christopherson, Cathy Pearson Cieslak, Bonnie Rule Fox, Bobbie Fredsall, Terry Frovik, Greg Gallus, Gloria Berube Grich, Paula Manzuk Grivna, Earl Hatcher, Karen Wise Horning, Anne Miller Johnson, Lynn Swanson Johnson, Kent Kehrberg, David Kielpinski, Kristin Kunzman, Mark Lystig, Barb Carter Malmborg, Kathy Ranallo McCune, Bob Mlinar, Dick Newman, Rose Mary McDonald Nierengarten, Mary Arnold Oberg, Charlie Onsrud, Bill Pappin, Cathy Hugo Peterson, Doris Wyffels Raiche, Dennis Ready, John Reiners, Joyce Pyka Ruschmeyer, Mary Wolter Saba, Jean Frovik Salsbury, Marty Schillerstrom, Bob Sheldon, Judy Westergard Skovran, Dave Spano, Diane Klick Spielmann, Pat Gersdorf Strangis, Gary Swanby, Pat Thomas, Doris Calhoun Tuhy, Darrel Unterecker, Bill Velte, Sharon Wachs, Mike Zdon, Wayne Ziemer

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Letter from President Iacarella



Greetings fellow Tommies and friends of Edison,

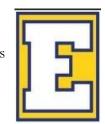
It was nice the other day running into a former student and ECSF Scholarship recipient. He's been out for a few years now, working at a Fortune 500 Company and doing well with his life. He wanted to thank me so much for the scholarship he was given

through the Foundation. He said it deeply impacted his attitude towards making something of himself because he felt there were others that cared about him doing well. It shows what a difference it can make knowing someone is caring about how you do.

With the 100 Year Edison Centennial Celebration coming in September 2022, we all have an opportunity to care and make a difference in the life of Edison students. One way to do this is through our giving program, \$100 for 100 Years. I remember Niles Schulz always saying, "If we could have everyone on the mailing list give \$100, we could give every student at Edison a great scholarship." I know there are several classes that have done a great job reaching out to their classmates and raising

scholarship dollars. The Class of '63 committed to raising as much money as they could and together,

they've raised enough for several scholarships. The Class of '65 raised funds for an annual scholarship in the honor of Wes Hendrickson. The Class of '62 and Class of '50 have always given an annual scholarship in their classes' name. I also don't want to forget all of the individuals who have



been very generous over the years giving to the school and the students.

Now is a special time that we can reach out to everyone. Even if you can't give \$100, every little bit will help, and maybe those who could give a little more, could pick up the difference for the rest. To kick this off, I've committed to giving a matching gift of \$1,000 for the first 10 classmates who give \$100 in the name of the Class of 1975.

Let's make this a special once-in-a-lifetime event and I ask each of you to thoughtfully consider making a donation of \$100 for 100 years to benefit the 100 years to follow.

Go Tommies!

Mike Iacarella,

President, Edison Community & Sports Foundation

A Letter from the Edison Community and Sports Foundation Golf Scramble

Dear Friends and Alumni of Edison High School Community,

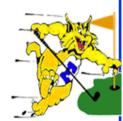
The Edison Community and Sports Foundation Golf Scramble will take place on July 25, 2022. Tee off will be at 11:00. We will be returning to Columbia Golf Course for the scramble with dinner to follow in the Columbia Chalet.

Please keep your eye on the ECSF web site (https://www.edisonsportsfoundation.org/) and Like the ECSF Facebook Page (https://www.facebook.com/MplsEdisonAlumni/) for details on registration as they become available. Also, if you haven't registered an account on the ECSF web page, please do at https://www.edisonsportsfoundation.org/user/register so we can send email updates as they become available.

Of course, we welcome golfers of all abilities (my team typically finishes at or near the bottom), but we will also be looking for opportunities for non-golfers to participate. If you would like to volunteer as a non-golfer, reach out me at the email address below. There will also be a "Dinner Only" option on the registration page as always.

For those that have participated in the past, we look forward to seeing you again. For those that haven't, this is a great opportunity to reconnect with old classmates, alumni, and friends of Edison High School, enjoy a beautiful summer day in the Minnesota summer sun, and raise money for the many scholarships and programs that ECSF funds.

Thank you, Tom Johnson Tomj4321@gmail.com ECSF Golf Committee Chair



EDISON CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION 2022

"Celebrating 100 Years of Bright Ideas!" September 29th thru October 2nd 2022

Thursday, September 29th

Tommie Twirl with the Rockin' Hollywoods

Whether you grew up in the 50's & 60's or simply enjoy the music, you'll have a great time celebrating the first 50 years of Edison!

- •5:30pm social hour, 7pm music
- •\$20 includes Beer, Wine and soft drinks
- Food trucks

Rock the Tent at Shaw's 4 Bands with connections to Edison; Gypsy, Popbang!, King Custom and the Cruisers and Sparta will be performing at Shaw's celebrating the next 50 years!

- •\$10 cover
- •5pm doors
- •Bands start at 6pm
- Parking available at Holy Cross Church lot on 4th Street

Friday, September 30th

Homecoming day at Edison!

Open house on the Edison Campus featuring tours, Alumni room open after 3pm

- •3pm Parade around the blocks of Jackson Square and the school.
- •4-7pm Pasta Dinner provided by Marino's \$10 Adults, \$5 children
- •4:30pm Homecoming Football game
- •7:30pm Centennial Show in the Auditorium featuring special guests, entertainment and a look back at our 100 years of excellence

Saturday, October 1st

Centennial Celebration All Class Reunion

Come enjoy a beautiful fall evening at the Nicollet Island Pavilion on the Mississippi. We'll enjoy the music of the Edison Jazz band and later, the high energy, big sounds of High and Mighty for dancing

- Casual attire
- •\$25 cost includes heavy appetizer's
- •Cash bar
- •6pm social, 8pm High & Mighty

Sunday, October 2nd

Deluxe Pancake Breakfast

Served by the Kiwanis at the NE Armory at Central and Broadway

- Adults \$10, Children \$6.00
- Pancakes with all the trimmings, Sausage, drinks
- •7am to 1pm

Our Centennial Celebration will also include visits by our Alumni Band and the Lowry Bridge will be showing off our Blue and Gold all weekend



Special Thanks to all of our generous supporters. We Appreciate You!! Donate Online at: www.MplsEdisonAlumni.com Click Donate Now YOU Make A Difference!



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\$250 Tommie	Foundation help support this newsletter, EHS athletics/
\$100 Friend of Edison	activities/community and provide scholarships for Edison students
\$50	who have shown excellence in academics, athletics and the arts.
\$25	All contributions are fully tax-deductible.

Donate online at www.MplsEdsionAlumni.com

EDISON COMMUNITY & SPORTS FOUNDATION MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Edison Community & Sports Foundation is to engage students, staff, alumni and community to direct resources to support programs, facilities and opportunities that advance Edison.



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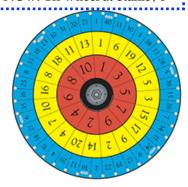


Market Bar-B-Que

220 NE Lowry Ave Electronic gambling Pull tab machine



NOW! Tri Wheel at Stanley's



Stanley's Northeast Bar Room

The Edison Community & Sports Foundation is looking to expand Gambling Operations.

If you have contacts with any local establishments please contact our

Gambling Manager Lynn Miskowic at 612-296-7283 or email us at

2500 University Ave NE Gift Card Raffle - Sundays at 3:00pm Bingo - Sundays at 3:30pm Electronic gambling Pull tab booth: Mon-Thur 3pm-10:30pm, Fri 11am-11:30pm, Sat 10am-11:30pm and Sun 10am-10:30pm Tri Wheel (Upstairs): Thur-Fri 5pm - 10pm and Sat-Sun 11am - 10pm www.stanleysbarroom.com License # 01861

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The Edison Community & Sports Foundation is made up of 30 Board Directors who volunteer their time and efforts to support Edison High School students and organizations with scholarships and other charitable commitments. It started as a way to honor former teacher/coach and great athlete - Pete Guzy and has become a lasting tribute to his spirit and Edison's alumni's dedication to the school and NE Minneapolis. You can participate with the Foundation at the annual Hall of Fame Night, Distinguished Alumni Award Event, Niles Schulz Scholarship Dinner, Art Solz Memorial Golf Tournament, the Homecoming/ Oktoberfest or with a scholarship contribution or Legacy Program.

Board of Director meetings are held at Edison High School on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm. Changes will be posted on our website www.EdisonSportsFoundation.org Michael Iacarella, President Beth Fairley, Vice President Rick Eskola, Secretary John Lawson, Treasurer

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Do you have something to share? If you have an item of interest to Edison alumni, please send it to us and we will include it. Interesting historical photos, class reunion announcements, or anything to do with Edison school will be considered.

The ECSF would also like to offer classes the opportunity to utilize our mailing services and non-profit mailing permit. Please contact us for more information.

Send your information to:

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