

ETHS enhances its curb appeal

Evanston Township High School's front yard has a new look. This summer, the familiar, open expanse of grass framed by the iconic twin towers at the top and two of the four wings built in 1967, underwent a makeover.



Lynn Trautmann, LT Photo, Evanston

The changes include an identifying school sign that's backlit at night, widened sidewalks (including one across the lawn with an inlaid compass at its center), significant landscaping, and increased lighting, which makes the campus more user-friendly during the day and provides an additional level of security in the evening. Eight steles mirror the historic towers and add visual interest. Similar enhance-

ments were used at the auditorium entrance on Dodge Ave. to improve access for public events.

ETHS worked with architects, landscapers, and local garden clubs to create a welcoming space that is environmentally conscious. The project added 14 trees, 165 shrubs, 951 perennials, and additional sod, thereby reducing the school's carbon footprint and aligning with one

of Evanston's 10 goals during the city's 150th anniversary year—to make Evanston one of the greenest communities in the U.S.

The newly designed commons also has a practical side. The inviting concrete walkway across the lawn should reduce students' need to create their own paths, ones that turned to mud and required frequent, expensive resodding.

Exhibit fosters understanding of science, art connections

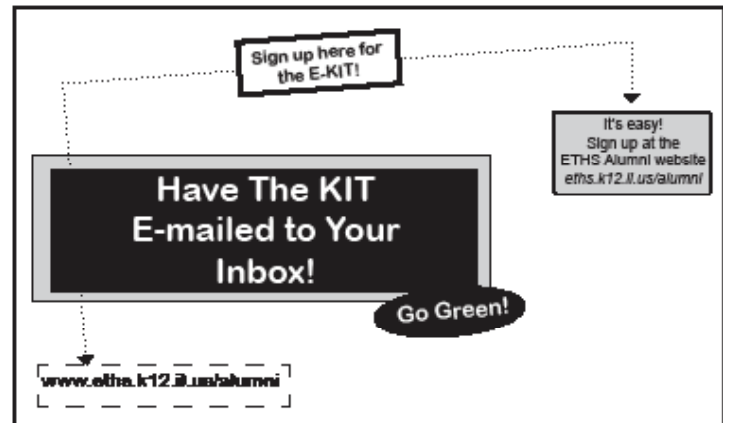
Art and science recently merged in a special exhibit, hosted by ETHS, of Northwestern University's scientific images contest, "Capturing the Beauty of Science," which showcased the aesthetic side of research. The exhibit was mounted in the high school's main lobby.

Presented by Northwestern's Science in Society program, this 4th annual competition featured the work of NU faculty, students, and staff in disciplines ranging from genetics to engineering. According to Bethany Hubbard, Science in Society's publications editor: "Each

of the 12 images (out of 68 entries), judged by a panel of local artists, scientists, and community leaders, is representative of real Northwestern research and showcases the beauty and wonder of science." First through fifth-place winners received monetary prizes.

While previous competitions have been mounted at NU, this year ETHS was chosen to host the exhibit as part of its year-old partnership with Northwestern's Office of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) Education Partnerships, a venture that is designed

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EverTrue app keeps you in touch with classmates

The Alumni Association has a new networking tool available to all ETHS alumni—for free. EverTrue is a mobile application for iPhone/iPad and Android devices that allows you to be connected to the alumni network with a few clicks.

Get information about classmates, see who lives and works in your neighborhood, keep up-to-date with school events, and keep track of your next reunion.

With EverTrue you're connected on the go. Pulling information from LinkedIn and our newly updated alumni



database, the application also gives you an effortless opportunity to keep all your information current with the Alumni Association.

So, make sure to update that LinkedIn profile and keep your email address good with us. Keep an eye on our website (<http://www.eths.k12.il.us/alumni>), Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/ethsalumni>), and Twitter (<https://twitter.com/ETHSAlumni>).

ETHS math students blend math skills, technology, and art



Zach Herrmann photo

Students of ETHS teacher Zachary Herrmann have turned mathematics into art for several years in an Inflatables Project held each spring. Herrmann's trigonometry and geometry honors students draw upon

their knowledge of math and 21st-century skills they acquire during the year to create giant, inflatable art sculptures—a perfect blending of STEAM* disciplines (see related story on this page).

Working in teams, the students design, construct and analyze the balloon-like sculptures fabricated with plastic tablecloths and tape, which are then inflated using box fans and displayed in an ETHS gym for faculty evaluation.

Students must think critically, problem solve, communicate, show initiative and leadership, and coordinate and monitor their progress throughout the week-long experience—all hallmarks of STEAM projects.

Herrmann has upped the students' use of technology, as well, by having them utilize laser-measuring devices, portable cameras, and mini-projections to capture and share their progress.

*Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math

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From the Superintendent

**“Today’s kids aren’t like they used to be”
by Dr. Eric Witherspoon**



I recently attended a community dinner event, and the conversation turned to discussing “today’s kids.” I could tell by the tone that some of the adults felt teenagers today are not keeping up with past generations. One person at the table said with great concern, “Today’s kids aren’t like they used to be.”

I’ve been thinking about that conversation. I have the good fortune to interact every day with today’s Wildkits, and here are some of the things I know about them.

Today’s kids are dealing with the advantages as well as the stress of growing up in a world of digital technology, a world of exponential growth in human discovery and knowledge, and a world dependent on a global economy where they are competing for college admission and for jobs with young people around the globe.

At ETHS, our students take courses like multi-variable calculus, pre-engineering, and advanced science courses that are often considered college courses.

Students are taking classes in flipped classrooms, where they learn new content outside of class using web-based lessons, and then in class where they practice their new learning with the guidance of their teachers and actively engage in critical thinking about what they’ve learned.

More students than ever at ETHS are taking college-level Advanced Placement (AP) classes. In fact, last year 60% of the juniors and seniors took 1,927 AP exams,

and that number will be higher this year.

We have records of our ACT scores over the past 41 years, and our Class of 2013 achieved the highest ACT scores in ETHS history. That’s right—the highest in history.

That is impressive enough. But, it’s even more impressive when you understand that Illinois is one of only nine states where all graduates are required to take the ACT and are competing against only about 60% of the students nationally who are applying to highly competitive colleges. Even our students at the bottom of the class take the ACT college entrance exam; yet, the ETHS scores are still the highest in the school’s history and exceed the national average.

Students today are also very active in school clubs, academic teams, and athletics. Most of them participate in school-related activities while at the same time achieve academically.

Last school year, for example, all 33 of our varsity girls’ and boys’ sports teams earned above a 3.0 G.P.A. both semesters, and the average G.P.A. of all our varsity teams was 3.54.

Student talent is constantly on display at ETHS. For our alumni

who participated in or have attended YAMO over the past 56 years, you’ll be pleased to know that this year’s YAMO kept the tradition alive. YAMO 2013 is very well written, comical, satirical, entertaining, farcical, energetic, and topical—just what YAMO should be.

Abundant student talent is constantly on display at ETHS. Students shine in orchestra, marching band, jazz band, symphonic band, theater, sculpture, painting, creative writing, debate, chess, Smart labs, STEAM courses, composition, research, and so much more.

You know, as I reflect on that dinner conversation about today’s kids, I couldn’t agree more. Today’s kids aren’t like they used to be. They are navigating the digital age and global competition. They are navigating social media and a rapidly changing world, and they are accomplishing as much and more than teenagers have ever accomplished.

For my money, I look daily into the eyes of today’s generation of students, and I see a bright future for them and for our world.

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What's New at ETHS?

Triple kudos to ETHS for student academic success

In mid-April, for the second consecutive year, both *The Washington Post* and *U.S. News & World Report* ranked ETHS in the top 2% of high schools in the nation, based on, among other factors, the percentage of students taking Advanced (college-level) Placement courses.

Both news media used data collected nationally, but *U.S. News* also applied its own Equity and Excellence index and awarded ETHS a gold medal based on such factors as how well all of its students are prepared for college, not just college-bound students.

Also last spring, ETHS was among only eight schools in the nation The College Board honored for promoting academic success and college readiness for all students, and for its innovative ability to inspire student success.

Students apply geometry skills to build a house

Last year, the Mathematics and Career-and-Technical Education (CTE) departments at ETHS dreamed big and developed a new, interdisciplinary course where students learn both geometry and construction skills while building an actual house. This fall, "Geometry in Construction" launched with 56 students, thanks to two energetic teachers and solid community and school support.

This double-period course is designed to give students a better understanding of both geometry and construction through a combination of academics and world-of-work experiences. It is also the newest addition to ETHS's growing list of interdisciplinary STEAM courses that will help students compete globally in science, technology, engineering, arts, and math.

The course, taught by Maryjoy Heineman (Math) and Matthew Kaiser (CTE), is modeled after a program started at Loveland High School in Colorado several years ago.

Over the school year, the students will build a one-story, three-bedroom, frame house—16-feet by 75-feet—in the ETHS back parking lot. When completed, hopefully in

May, it will be moved to a City-donated property at 1941 Jackson Ave. Throughout the year, students will be exposed to and gain hands-on experience in construction safety, framing, HVAC, plumbing, roofing, windows, exterior doors, and siding.

But, "the course's problem-solving aspects go beyond geometry and construction," said Peter DeCraene, ETHS Math chair. "They'll learn teamwork, how to communicate, how to trust each other, and how to stick with something they don't know," he added.

Community partnerships are important to the success of this program. "This year, a good deal of money to start up the class is being supplied by the school, donations, and grants," said DeCraene. An advisory

committee—including Robin Rue (Signature Construction Services), Brian Lamberg (Northshore Electric) Bob Fisher (Evanston Lumber), Evanston architect DonnaLee Floeter, John Fuller, Lou Dickson (Evanston Rebuilding Warehouse), Rob Anthony (Community Partners for Affordable Housing), and Warren Hallen (City of Evanston)—helped the school develop the course last spring and summer and will oversee progress during the year. Other sponsors are the Evanston Community Foundation, Lemoi Ace Hardware, and North-Shore Solar LLC.

The City of Evanston worked with ETHS to find a suitable lot for the house, which once completed will be sold by the Community Partners for Affordable Housing to low-income residents. Profits from the sale of



Students Tally Dully (lt.) and Alex Hilliard team up to build a stair stringer for the "Geometry in Construction" house.

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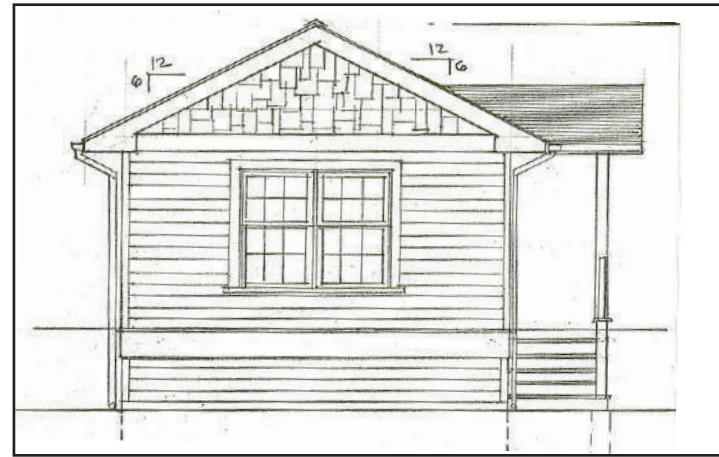
- **Class Notes:** Your personal updates... Where are you working? Where have you traveled? Etc. Send us pictures and a short summary.
- **Mini Class Reunions:** Have you been meeting with a group of your high school friends for years or maybe only recently? Send us your story. Of course, we love pictures too!
- **Class Reunions:** Did you attend or coordinate your class reunion? Tell us how it went.
- **In Memory:** Do you know an ETHS alum who has recently passed away? Please let us know the name and date of passing.

• **ETHS Generations:** Do you have multiple family members who attended ETHS? Send us a picture from your latest gathering with names and graduation year (if possible.)

• **ETHS Sweethearts:** Did you meet your husband or wife at ETHS? Tell us your story. How long have you been married? What class did you meet in? Of course, we love current and past pictures.

• **Authors' Bookshelf:** Did you pen a book? Send in your book to be catalogued and shelved on our ETHS Authors' Bookshelf. Include a summary and information on where other alumni can purchase your book.

All information may be sent via email to David Futransky, Alumni Association Director, at futranskyd@eths.k12.il.us. Questions? Call 847-424-7704.



Western elevation of the "Geometry in Construction" house, designed by Evanston architect DonnaLee Floeter.

the house will be used "to fund the materials and supplies for building next year's house," said DeCraene. Community residents will have chances quar-

terly to volunteer their help on specially designated Community Build Days. Over 100 students, faculty, staff, parents, and residents showed up

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ETHS Kudos

Last spring and this fall, ETHS students and staff members were honored in a variety of ways.

STUDENTS

In science/math/engineering...

In mid-October, two ETHS seniors were named Regional Finalists in the Siemens Competition in Math, Science & Technology, the nation's premier research competition for high school students. **Taylor Sims** and **Talia Weiss** are among 30 teams that received \$1,000 scholarships and the chance to present their work in early November at one of six regional competitions. Their research concerns environment and variability of high redshift x-ray bright optically normal galaxies. This is the third straight year an ETHS team has made it to the Siemens regional competition.

Last spring, the ETHS Senior Team won 2nd place honors at the State Math Contest Finals held at the U of IL-Champaign/Urbana.

In general...

Last May, a junior-varsity team from ETHS placed second in the Chicano College Bowl, a tournament that brings together students from area high schools to learn about Mexican-American history and help create a positive cultural identity. Three ETHS teams, all members of Latino QUEST, an extracurricular club, competed at the college bowl: two in the knowledge tournament, and one in dance.

In fine arts...

Last May, senior **Quinn Sengupta** was among 685 students (out of 10,000 applicants na-

tionwide) who was named a 2013 National YoungArts Foundation winner. A member of the ETHS jazz band, Quinn has played piano for 11 years. He received a cash award for his Honorable Mention recognition and is currently majoring in jazz at the U of Miami.

In sports...

ETHS athletes were quite successful academically last year. Highlights for *all varsity teams* include 100% earning a Team GPA above a 3.0, and 75% of earning a Team GPA of 3.4 or higher. 89.5% of all sports teams earned a Team GPA of 3.0 or higher, and the average GPA for ALL student athletes was a 3.54.

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to provide ETHS students and faculty with cutting-edge STEM experiences in academics, research, and career exploration.

Since STEM education shares similar objectives found in the fine arts, values such as innovation, critical thinking, and problem solving, art was added to the other disciplines and STEM became STEAM at ETHS, one of the first schools in the country to adopt this concept. "The components of STEAM are fields that can inform each other," said Mike Kennedy, Science in Society Director. "STEAM, in the real world, integrates disciplines based on needs, using the same thinking skills," added Kristen Perkins, NU/ETHS Partnership Coordinator for STEAM experiences.

And the integration of disciplines was evident in this exhibit. While the scientists used high-powered microscopes to conduct their research,

Last year, for the third consecutive time, ETHS was named the Interscholastic Table Tennis State Champions.

In Track & Field, the girls claimed their 29th Top Ten finish as they took 10th place at the state finals. The boys' team won its third sectional title in four years and won all-state honors in the 4x100 and 4x400 relays at the state meet, the first time in seven years ETHS has won all-state honors in multiple relays.

In chess...

In August, ETHS grad **Maddie Reiches, '13**, placed 15th in the first

which often produced stunningly beautiful images, the entries for this show could not be just art-for-art's sake. The photographs had to emerge from and illuminate the research, occasionally using false coloration to help illuminate the science. "The researchers view themselves differently," said Hubbard. "They use the images to trouble-shoot their research and theories; they usually aren't making artistic choices," she added.

On the exhibit's opening day, both art and science teachers brought classes to view the images. Some of the varied research topics included developing solar cells, understanding plant pollination, how the HIV virus spreads, and the interactivity of the nation's power grids.

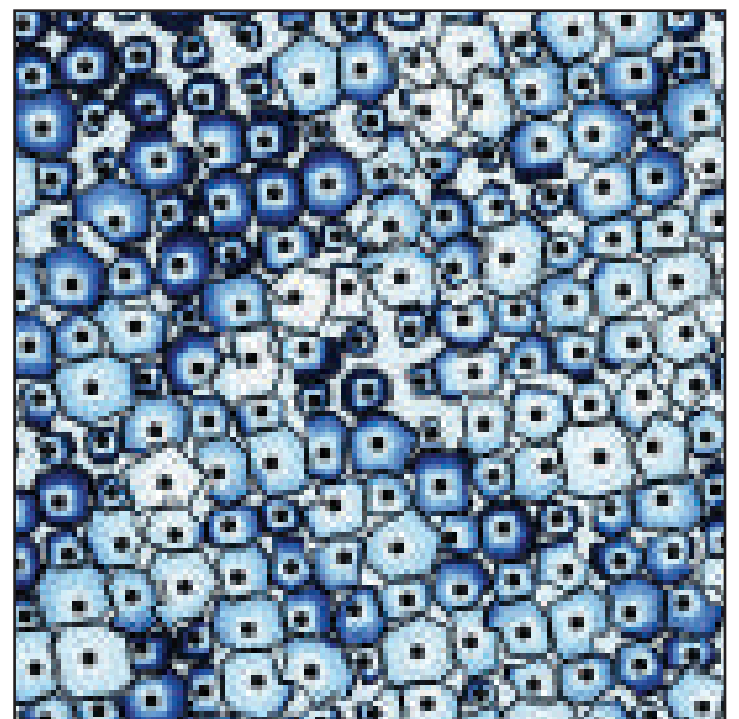
Student questions focused on the art, the science behind the art, and the applications of the research. "This may be the first time kids

US Chess Federation National Girls Invitational Tournament, held over four days in Madison, WI. She was the only Illinois representative at nationals after winning the state girls' chess invitational in February.

FACULTY

Each year, the Illinois State Board of Education honors exemplary teachers, administrators, student support personnel, educational service personnel, community volunteers, board members and teams from school districts across the state. This October, ISBE honored several ETHS staff members with awards in its Those Who Excel recognition

program. Excellence Awards went to History teacher Corey Winchester in the category of Outstanding Early Career Educator, and to Midge Stocker, Information Services Manager, in the category of Educational Service Personnel. Receiving Awards of Recognition were History teacher James Sklar, School Social Worker Martha Zarate-Ortega, and to the ETHS Collaborative Action Research for Equity (CARE) Team, which works collaboratively to improve student academic achievement.



"Nanoscale Lego Puzzle" was the winning image of this year's Scientific Image Contest by Radha Boya, a graduate student in Northwestern's Department of Materials, Science and Engineering. It was captured on an optical microscope, using false coloring, and shows molecular printing on a surface material on a nano scale.

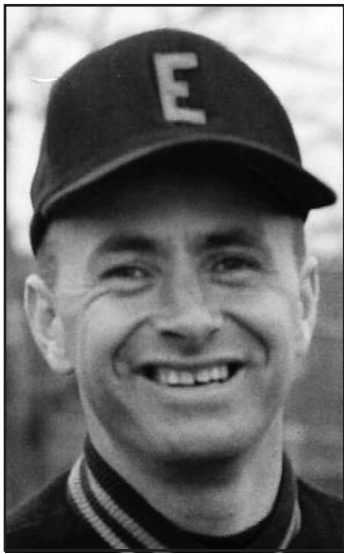
thought about science in art class," observed Hubbard.

And you could see the cross-pollination of thought, not only between students and the scientists/artists, but among the teachers, as well. Art teachers asked Perkins about the possibility of field trips to see NU's scanning electron microscope, used by several of the research-

ers. And, ETHS art and science educators are already exploring ways to have their students mirror the NU science-and-art process using ETHS's lesser-powered microscopes. Hubbard said they hope to include ETHS science images in future art shows, which again will be hosted by ETHS.

ETHS 2013 Athletic Hall of Fame

On August 24, during half-time of the football home opener and before a spirited crowd, ETHS inducted two coaches, three athletes, and two dynamic teams into the school's Athletic Hall of Fame. Honored during the 2012 ceremony were:

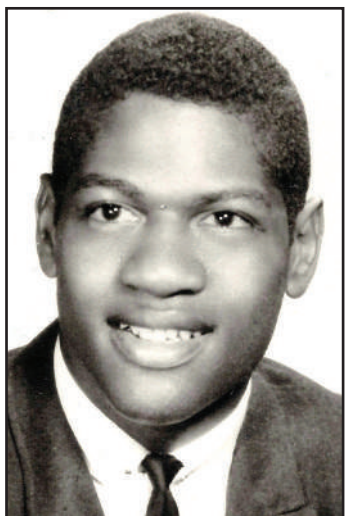


Ken McGonagle was ETHS's head coach for baseball and boys' soccer from 1955 to 1988. Over those 34 years, his teams posted records of 503-301-4 in baseball and 224-67-79 in soccer. Three of his Wildkit soccer teams were named mythical state champs—in 1964, 1965, and 1970—which doesn't reflect that ETHS also won the summer state baseball championship in 1970. Despite having little background in soccer when he started the boys' program in 1959, his teams won 34 consecutive victories from 1968-72, placed 2nd in the state in 1978, and 3rd in 1983. But, baseball he felt was his "real sport," which was reflected in the 11 league championships his teams captured, and the six players who went professional under his tutelage. McGonagle himself played baseball and basketball at the U of Minnesota, and pitched for three years in the Cincinnati Reds' minor league organization.

Dan Peterson, '53, never played in varsity sports at ETHS, but he is now an international



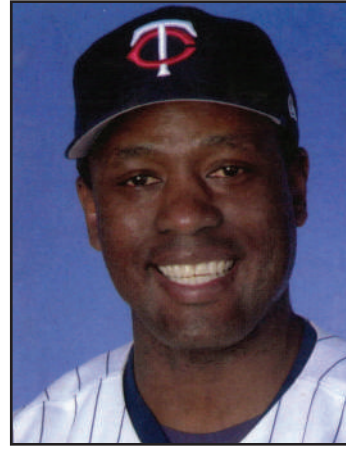
basketball coaching legend and accomplished sports broadcaster. Encouraged by ETHS basketball coach Jack Burmaster, Peterson began coaching basketball for his local Y club and went on to coach at McKendree College, Michigan State, US Naval Academy, and the U of Delaware. His career went international when he coached the Chilean national team in 1973 to four Top Five South American tournament placements, and in Italy for five years when his teams won the Italy Cup, and were national champs once and twice national runners-up. His Olympia Milan team was the Italian champion four times, and twice European Cup and Italy Cup winner. Two times he was named Italy's Coach of the year, and European Coach of the Year in 1987. He now is a broadcaster for Sport Italia TV. Peterson received an ETHS Distinguished Alumni Award in 2007.



Melvin "Rommie" Taylor, '64, was a two-sport standout in football and basketball. As a senior running back, he

helped ETHS to an undefeated football season and was the point guard for the basketball squad that went to the Elite Eight that year. He was a two-time All-Stater in football, and served as team captain in football and basketball his senior year. He also played baseball and ran track at ETHS, but chose football as the best sport to demonstrate his powerful athletic ability, strong work ethic, and competitive drive. He earned varsity MVP honors in football and basketball his senior year. When he graduated, Taylor went to play football at the U of Dayton, where he was named the team MVP in 1966.

Jeff Carter, '81, was a baseball phenom, particularly his senior year as All-State 2nd baseman for one of the best teams in school history. That team ranked No. 1 for most of the season before losing to St. Patrick in sectionals. Carter



was one of six Wildkits named All-Conference as ETHS compiled a perfect 10-0 league record. A switch-hitter, he had a .336 batting average, drove in 20 runs as a lead-off hitter, and stole 22 bases. He continued with baseball at the U of Nebraska, where he still ranks as its all-time stolen base leader (103) and is second for walks. While at Nebraska, he was drafted in the 29th round by the Los Angeles Dodgers, but chose to remain a 'Husker. In 1985, the San Francisco Giants, for whom he played in their minor league for seven years, drafted him in the 9th round. He also played at

the Class AAA level for the Oakland A's, Minnesota Twins, Florida Marlins, and Colorado Rockies' minor-league teams. He also managed in the minors from 2000-10, winning a league championship in 2000.



Maggie Hatcher, '04, is the first water-polo athlete to earn Hall of Fame recognition, and it was her leadership ability to drive the Wildkit team to back-to-back Elite Eight appearances in 2003 and 2004 that helped gain the honor. The first ETHS female player to earn All-American honors, she

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and worked throughout the day the first Build Day in October.

Last June the ETHS Educational Foundation provided \$10,000 to help implement the course. Foundation Board President Sarah Wagner noted, "This real world application of geometry is a win-win for both students and the Evanston community." Established in 2005, the foundation supports ETHS with private funding for grants targeted to capital improvements. By helping to fund "Geometry in Construction," the foundation also continues its support of innovative curriculum and instructional strategies.

CTE chair Shelley Gates concurs, saying: "An important goal of the project is to develop

and deepen partnerships between ETHS, the City of Evanston, community organizations, and residents who are focused on the issue of affordable housing in Evanston. We believe building a house that will become a home for Evanston residents is an important way for ETHS to give back to the community and for our students to learn about community housing issues."

For more information about "Geometry in Construction," go to www.wildkitconstruction.com.



Peter Bavis photo

Supt. Eric Witherspoon (at rt.) and Mark Metz, school board Vice President, volunteered their time to help with house construction on the first Community Build Day.

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holds the school's single-season record for assists (40) and steals (146). A 5th-team All-American as a junior, she was named 1st-team All-State, 1st-team All-Sectional, 2nd-team All-American, the Illpolo.com Defensive Player of the Year, and Pioneer Press Player of the Year as a senior. She was named to the All-Central Suburban League Team her sophomore, junior, and senior years. After her success at ETHS, Hatcher was named Metro Atlantic Conference Defensive Player of the Year at Marist College in 2008 and was an honorable mention All-American. Hatcher also played professionally in Australia and France.

1997 & 1998 Girls' State Track/Field Teams. While ETHS won the state championship in head coach **Fenton Gunter's (ETHS '74)** first year in 1991, the real breakthrough came in the 1997-98 seasons, when ETHS ended Morgan Park's run of three consecutive crowns with twin championship titles. Behind Tameeka McFarlane's state championships in the 300-meter and 100-meter hurdles, ETHS edged Morgan Park 57-51 in 1997 and scored in 10 different events in an impressive display of depth in 1998, defeating Morgan Park 60-44. The only senior competing for ETHS at the 1997 finals, McFarlane broke her own state record in the 300-meter hurdles and joined Lashon Kennedy, Theresa Ezenwa, and Keiryn Phillips on the 1600-meter team that clinched the team championship. Natasha Foreman was the senior standout at the next year's state finals taking 1st in the 300-meter hurdles, 4th in both the 200 and 100, and 1st in the 800-meter relay along with Phillips,

Ezenwa, and Satrinya Pompey. Other members on the '97-'98 teams include Stephanie Barnett, Cavell Dunkley, Ayanna Ganges, Alyceson Gillespie, Marie s Shola Kadiri, Jessyca Latimer, Kelish Lazarus, Kimani Levy, Nicholie Longworth, Renne Marriott, Victoria Perryman, Allison Pink, Laura Schmid, Paris Stephens, and Maura Sullivan.

2001 Boys' State Swimming/Diving Team. The 2001 boys' swim/dive team gave ETHS its first state crown since 1960, led by speedsters Terry Silkaitis, Sean McCaffrey, and Blake Wallace. And the Wildkits were eventually named mythical national champs by both Swimming World Magazine and the National Interscholastic Swim Coaches Assn. ETHS was among a group of title contenders that included defending champs Marmion Military, St. Charles East, and New Trier, but a flawless performance in Friday's state prelims moved ETHS to the front, and that's where they finished. Incredibly hard work before and during the season, under head coach Kevin Auger, prepared ETHS for a state run. On Saturday, ETHS racked 139 team points and scored in eight events to outdistance St. Charles East with 110 points. Other members of this powerhouse team include Glenn Anderson, Jamaal Applewhite, Nate Crocker, Brian Doyle, Justin Froelich, Taylor Hales, Alex Johnson, Alex Maass, Stuart Olsen, Stephen Skalinder, Seth Weidmann, and Brian Weiland.

[Editor's note: Thanks to Dennis Mahoney, ETHS Sports Information Director and Athletic Hall of Fame Committee Member.]

Authors' Bookshelf

ETHS alumni authors have submitted an interesting batch of new books to add to the Authors' Bookshelf, housed in the school's Michael Library in the East wing.

Stop Searching: Happiness is Inside You by **Lonnie Ross ('75)**

A positive attitude has nothing to do with what happens to you, but everything to do with how you react to a situation. Follow this roller coaster of a journey in the lives of a group of close friends.

A Leisurely Ride Across France by **Alan P. Kretchmar ('65)**

Follow the bicycle journey across France of a married couple.

Good Grief: Finding Gifts in the Grief of Losing a Child by **Sarah Church ('53)**

An inspiring story of a mother who found hope and "gifts" in the grief of losing her son in a drowning accident.

Strings Attached: Untangling The Ethics of Incentives by **Ruth W. Grant ('68)**

When incentives are viewed as a kind of power, not as a form of exchange, many ethical questions arise. Grant explores the legitimate and illegitimate uses of incentives in the four areas of plea bargaining, recruiting medical research subjects, International Monetary Fund loan conditions, and motivating students.

Your Lawyer: An Owner's Manual—A business owner's guide to managing your lawyer by **Henry C. Krasnow ('59)**

A guide for business owners on how to find, manage, and motivate attorneys from the perspective of a lawyer with over 40 years of experience working with businesses.

Akhmed and the Atomic Matzo Balls: A Novel of International Intrigue, Pork-Crazed Termites, and Motherhood by **Gary Buslik ('64)**

Iranian president Akhmed teams up with leaders of Venezuela and Cuba and their American intelligence agents to smuggle radioactive matzo balls into Miami Beach.

Inside Passage by **Burt Weissbourd ('72)**

The first of the Corey Logan trilogy, Corey is released from prison after being set up by a deceitful and charming Nick Season. Corey finds herself in another mess and is forced to run away with her son up the Pacific Northwest's remote Inside Passage.

Memoirs of a Trumpet Teacher by **Sam Bennett ('73)**

Bennett offers an up close and personal experience of his years as a trumpet teacher, filled with hysterical and embarrassing family stories of students.

Lacing Through Time by **Patty Dickson Pieczka ('70)**

Raised in Evanston, IL, and recipient of the 2010 Frances Locke Memorial Poetry Award, Pieczka offers over 80 poems inspired by the beautiful scenery of Southern Illinois.

The Pleasuring of Men

A respectably raised young man falls in love with one of his clients, a renowned scholar and lecturer. Their story unfolds in the precarious gay underworld of the 1860s New York City.

The Color of Dust & Other Dirty Little Secrets from our Nation's Attic by **Benjamin Lawless ('43)**

The Smithsonian, also known as the "Nation's Attic," was one of the last museums to attempt



to catch up to the 20th century. Read about people who worked in a museum that houses wonders such as mermaids, simian astronauts, flesh-eating beetles, and a silk purse made from a sow's ear.

A Bench in London by **Carolyn Feigenbaum ('51)**

A children's picture book that tells the story of an American soldier.

An Ode to a Lizard Named Wizard and much, much more by **T.Y. Anderson ('47)**

A book full of odes split into 5 parts: Odes to people, places and events that have affected my life; Greeting-card verses (without the artwork); Terse verse for retirements and other company environments; Odes to Jody; and Epilogue: A final Ode to Jody.

Wizard at Work: The Life and Art of George Rhoads by **Emily Rhoads Johnson ('54)**

Discover how Rhoads, who dreamed of becoming a famous painter, also became a renowned creator of public art. Get a personal glimpse of an amazing, Evanston-raised artist.

Red by **Alison Cherry ('00)**

A popular junior at Scarletville High School and nominee for this year's Miss Scarlet pageant, lives in fear that her secret will be revealed: Her copper locks are really a dye job—she's naturally strawberry blonde. A strong commentary on superficiality and social standing.

Distinguished Alumni Award

A committee of alumni, current students, ETHS staff (both active and retired), and community leaders selected five ETHS graduates to recognize with the Distinguished Alumni Award.

The "Class of 2013" will be honored on December 2 at an awards ceremony during an assembly with the senior class in the morning and a dinner that night. The recipients will also visit with classes and groups of students to talk about their lives and experiences.

This year's awardees are: **Dr. Iva Carruthers, '63; Justice John Ferren, '65; Jeremy Piven, '83; Joseph Saunders, '63; and Eric (Astro) Teller, '88.**



Dr. Iva Elaine Johnson Carruthers, '63, is General Secretary of the Samuel DeWitt Proctor Conference, a national interdenominational organization of African American Faith Traditions focused on social-justice issues. A noted author and educator, she is also Professor Emeritus and former Chairperson of the Sociology Department at Northeastern Illinois University and was founding President of Nexus Unlimited, an information and educational technology firm. She has served as a member of the White House Advisory Council on the internet "National Information Infrastructure" and has received many awards.



The Honorable John M. Ferren, '65, Senior Judge on the District of Columbia Court of Appeals (which is similar to be a State Supreme Court Judge, not a Federal Judge), has a long and honored service to the legal profession and to his community. Judge Ferren has established programs of neighborhood law offices to serve low-income communities and to provide clinical training for law students. He also served as Corporation Counsel for the District of Columbia. A noted author of hundreds of articles, he has received national awards and recognition for his work and for his ongoing commitment to civil rights. He has also written biographies and plays



Jeremy Piven, '83, has moved on from his days as a football player and actor at ETHS to an international stage. An Emmy award winner, he has had major roles in television shows such as HBO's "Entourage," for which he won one Golden Globe Award and three consecutive Emmy Awards, and PBS's Masterpiece Clas-

sic "Mr. Selfridge." Piven has been a lead supporter of the Piven Theater in Evanston and has also been active in many charities in Evanston, Los Angeles, and around the world.



Joseph Saunders, '63, is the retired Executive Chairman of VISA, Inc., the major credit card company. He currently is chair of Teach for All, an organization working to expand educational opportunities worldwide by enlisting future leaders

into education. Teach for America is one of the global partner organizations in Teach for All. Saunders is a graduate of University of Denver's undergraduate and MBA programs and has been a major supporter of their Graduate Business School.



Eric (Astro) Teller, 88, was called the Captain of Moonshots at Google. He runs Google X, the facility where Google produces things like Google Glasses and a

self-driving car. His work is focused on bringing science and technology into reality. He founded Bodymedia, Inc., a wearable body-monitoring company and also Cerebellum Capital Inc., a hedge-fund management firm. He has taught at Stanford University and has been a true star in the technology industry. An ETHS soccer player, he is also the grandson of physicist Edward Teller (who was a key developer of the hydrogen bomb) and Gerard Debreu who was a Nobel-winning economist.

ETHS visits NYC: Great turnout of alums across the decades

ETHS visited NYC on October 2 when **Marc Baum, '76**, hosted an alumni gathering at his West Village brownstone. It was a lively evening with 60 graduates from 1942 to 2005 renewing old friendships and making new ones. Superintendent Eric Witherspoon provided an update of ETHS today and invited all to get reengaged with our school, the crown jewel of Evanston.

There was energy in the air and agreement there is something special about Evanston and the distinct, remarkable bond that exists with other Wildkits. Many spoke of the exceptional education, experiences, and diversity that we value at ETHS.

ETHS alumni are truly making their mark in NYC and the wider world. Guests included alums at the forefront



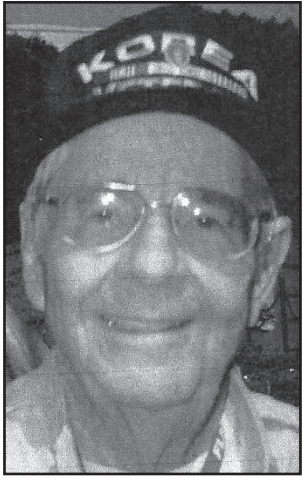
Alums Bob Cranshaw, '52, (It.) and Paul Nebenzahl, '72 talked over their days at ETHS. Cranshaw, a jazz bassist, won a Distinguished Alumni Award in 2011.

of a variety of sectors, including jazz musician **Bob Cranshaw, '52**, NY blogger **Cliff Browder, '46**, and animator and film producer **JJ Sedelmaier, '74**. Young alumni, including **Kelley Williams, '05**, and **Eric Perrin, '03**, are forging careers in marketing and advertising.

Many of the guests were interested to hear there is an active ETHS Educational Foundation that raises money for facility and technology improvements that impact all students and all areas of the campus. For more information about the foundation, please call Joanne Bertsche, 847/424-7158 or bertschej@eths.k12.il.us.

Class Notes

1940s



John E. Thompson, Dr., '47, a combat veteran of the Korean War, was recently honored along with 89 other San Diego-area veterans of WWII and the Korean War. These 90 vets are members of Honor Flight San Diego and were flown to Washington, DC, to visit the War Memorials and see the changing of the guard at the tomb of the unknown soldiers in Arlington Cemetery.



Edward Starnes '42, and wife **Jeannette (Nettie) Heckler Starnes, '43**, live in Waco, TX, and are active in civic and church matters, and enjoy golf, gardening and volunteer work. Edward joined the 101st Airborne Div., 327th Glider Infantry in England in July 1944, fought in the Battle of the Bulge, and was honorably discharged in May 1945. Jeannette attended Beloit College, but delayed her schooling when the couple married on October 1945. Edward later attended Northwestern U, U of Chicago, U of IN, and the Chicago Art Institute. He retired from Alcoa after 25 years in

sales and marketing management, and, in 1988, started a marketing consulting business and later joined a major ad agency as an account executive, retiring in 1996. Jeannette earned a degree at McLennan College in Waco. They have two children and four grandkids.

1950s



The National Institutes of Health will soon dedicate the John Edward Porter Neuroscience Research Center on the NIH campus in Bethesda, MD. Named after **Porter, '53**, a 21-year Congressman, who represented Chicago's North Shore, the new center will honor his long-time devotion and advocacy for medical research. Porter served for 20 years, the last six years as chairman, on the House Appropriations subcommittee that founded NIH and all federal civilian health programs. He also founded, and co-chaired for 18 years, the bipartisan Congressional Human rights Caucus, among other noteworthy appointments. After his retirement in 2001, Porter joined Hogan Lovells, an international law firm, and has served on the boards of The Brookings Institution, RAND Corp., American Heart Assn., and PBS, among many other boards, many health related. Porter received an ETHS Distinguished Alumni Award in 1998.

Doug Bailey, '55, a longtime hunter and fisherman in Oakland, OR, was appointed this summer to serve a four-year term as a landowner representative on the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission's Access and Habitat Board. The board includes three landowners, three hunters, and a chairman. The Access and Habitat Program is an incentive-based program designed to improve wildlife habitat and public hunting.

1960s



Charles ("Corky") Troy, '63, is a graphic designer who has created over 50 multimedia programs on musical theatre subjects over the last 10 years, presenting them in the Chicago area and elsewhere. He will present his newest program, "The Creation of The Sound of Music," at 27 Live, a new restaurant/performance space at 1012 Church Street in Evanston, on the afternoon of December 4. Troy has been interested in musicals since a chance listening to "Fiorello" on the radio in 1959. At first he just read and listened to everything he could about musicals, but ultimately, he decided he wanted to be a Broadway lyricist. He went to New York after graduation from the U of Michigan, but soon realized that was a long shot. He came home and went into the family textile business. Many unhappy years later, he sold out to his brother,

bought a Macintosh computer, and became a home-based graphic designer and copywriter. He's still doing it. In addition to his Chicago venues, Troy has presented for the last four years at the annual Cole Porter Festival in Porter's birthplace, Peru, IN. He's also given his programs on luxury cruises.



Laurie Kallick Sans, '65, was among 14 fire fighters, law-enforcement officers, and other emergency personnel honored last April 20 by the Henry County Ohio Chapter of the American Red Cross at the 6th Annual American Red

Cross Hometown Heroes event. The Henry County Fire Chiefs' Association nominated Laurie in recognition of her more than 20 years as a County Planner responsible for Chemical Emergency Response and Preparedness Planning. Laurie and her husband **Geoff ('63)** live in Napoleon, OH.

1970s



Gerald Gallagher, '78, has been promoted to Captain on the Chicago Fire Department. Located downtown in the Loop, he can be reached by email at baddgags@

ETHS Alums — Then and Now



Girls' Basketball
Early 1900s
Late 2000s



Reunion Roundup

Calling all '52 classmates...and '51 and '53

The ETHS Class of 1952 is holding a mini-reunion next February 26-27 in Orlando, FL. It is open to classmates from 1951 and 1953, as well. Please direct questions to Bob Schmidt, '52, at 931-839-7999 or bob-bojock@gmail.com.

ETHS '64 to celebrate 50 years!

ETHS Class of 1964: Save Friday and Saturday, September 12-13, 2014! These are the dates for your 50th Class Reunion! This two day event will include a Meet-and-Greet on Friday night in Evanston and a Saturday buffet dinner at a nearby golf club. Other events may be added for daytime Saturday.

An interactive web site, created by **Fred Brostoff, '64**, has been set up (www.ETHS1964.com) where you can post personal information, check to see who is coming so far, find "lost sheep," hotel information, and much more.

The planning committee's goal is to contact everyone possible in the class. If you haven't received reunion information so far, please contact the committee at eths1964@msn.com. Also, contact that email if your home address information changes in the next year.

Class of 1951 in San Diego



'51 classmates (from l. around the table) Anne Burket, Arlene Hartell Watson, Wes Harris, Herb Burkland, Ann Hardy, and Tom Ingersoll fuel up for the day's adventures.

Sea, sun, and sustained friendships lured the ETHS Class of 1951 to its "62.5" reunion in San Diego, CA, in September. Fifteen couples and 14 singles made the trek for a four-day gathering chock full of events.

It began with a get-acquainted Thursday dinner in the El Cordova Hotel. Friday was spent touring San Diego on a trolley and visiting the city's Old Town and Balboa Park, winding up the day with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres at classmate Wes Harris's lovely home on the island. Joanne Bertsche of the ETHS Educational Foundation talked to the alums about the school's recent academic achievement and the work of the foundation.

Saturday included a ferryboat trip to the maritime museum and a

tour of the USS Midway, followed by drinks at the Coronado Yacht Club and dinner at the 1887 Boat House Restaurant. On Sunday, the alums toured and lunched at the Del Coronado Hotel.

Thanks go to Wes and Charlotte **Harris** for their hospitality, and to the planning committee (**Harris, Ann Ewing Hardy, Jane Canning Ellis, Carole Korngold Last, and Jim King**) for such a grand time.

This is the third "outside Evanston" this class has held. The first was in San Francisco, and the second was in Bozeman, MT, in 2011. The committee is already considering its next reunion for 2015, this time in Evanston.

Young or old...game plays on

On June 7, lacrosse took center stage when former ETHS lacrosse athletes gathered to relive the glory days. The reunion game was organized by Randy Mayne, ETHS assistant lacrosse coach, and **Jim Ossyra, '74**.

The highlight of the evening was the arrival of legendary ETHS football coach Murney Lazier, who was instrumental in bringing lacrosse to Illinois high schools and who showed up to watch the fun.

According to Ossyra: "The reunion started with an old-timers game—just a bunch of the old guys playing pickup (it was pretty fun, actually). The main event was a recent alumni v. high-school varsity game that was competitive and looked *really* fun (as opposed to all the standing around by the old guys)."

Remember, it's not whether you win or lose, it's how you play the game—and who you play with—that makes it memorable.



The "Old Timers" alumni team—former ETHS coach Murney Lazier (at center, next to Jim Ossyra, '74, to his right) came to watch. ETHS assistant lacrosse coach Randy Mayne (at far rt., kneeling) helped coordinate the day and organize a game between recent ETHS alums and the high-school varsity team.



Murney Lazier greets Marcello Porter-Dunning, ETHS Class of '15, while Josh Easington, '13, awaits his turn to meet the legendary former ETHS coach.

All-Class alumni sang the ETHS Fight Song in San Diego

ETHS alumni who live in San Diego and environs joined Wildkits of all years on Saturday, November 16, at an all-class reunion sponsored by the ETHS Educational Foundation.



Wes Harris, Class of '51, and his wife Charlotte hosted a reception at their lovely home in Coronado. It was a great opportunity to mix and mingle with old and new friends who share the common bond of ETHS.

Superintendent Wither- spoon made the cross- country trek to Coro-

nado to meet alumni and provide a short presentation on the ETHS of Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow. Look for photos of the event in the spring issue of The KIT. For more information about the gathering, contact foundation staff member Joanne Bertsche, at bertschej@eths.k12.il.us.

Letter to the Editor

Reno, NV—What struck me about the significance of our recent reunion was that those bonds made and the youthful pride shared in our ETHS memories have only deepened and expanded over the years, especially as we realize what an impact our high school experience made on our lives. Our class gifts reflect our continued affection for the school, community, friendships, families that contributed to our life experience—and we want to do our part to ensure it all contin-

ues for others at ETHS. That's truly how I feel. The reunion gatherings reinforced all my positive feelings about ETHS—and teenage uncertainties have faded into oblivion. It's great to be old in many ways! Here's to turning 75 in another year!

— A 1951 ETHS alum

In Memory

1920s

Karl Oldberg, 1921,
6/17/2013

1930s

Virginia Laramore
Winter, 1935,
9/2013
William C. McCullough,
1936, 11/11/2012
William Pool, 1938,
9/22/2013
Richard Stockton,
1939, 9/12/2013
Edwin W. Johnson,
1939, 6/5/2013

1940s

Sally M. Buckmaster,
1942, 8/20/2013
Karl S. Benjamin, 1943,
7/26/2012
Shirley E. Partridge,
1944, 9/2013
Doris Heald Nelson,
1946, 7/1/2013
John A. Pritzlaff, 1946,
6/1/2013
Nancy Boodel Kelly,
1948, 6/13/2013
Joan Fray McGrath,
1949, 6/4/2013

1950s

Thelma Payne Payton,
1950, 6/20/2013
Benjamin F. Ricker,
1950, 8/14/2013
Jack Wingstrom, 1953,
9/30/2013
Kathy Leitzell Clyde,
1954, 6/22/2013
Sandra Gay Wolf, 1958,
5/12/2013

1960s

Ralph Hovnanian,
1964, 5/22/2013
Stuart Perry, 1966,
5/1/2013

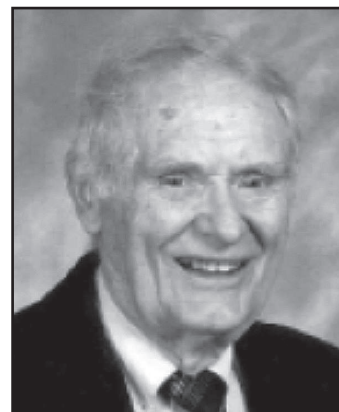
1970s

Christine Rose
Sutcliffe, 1977,
9/7/2013
Thomas A. Barry, 1978,
8/7/2013

1990s

Azim A. Hakeem, 1993,
7/30/2013
Mobeen Hakeem, 1998,
7/30/2013

Faculty Memories: Remembering May, Proper



Frank May

Frank May died on August 31st, 2013, at age 89. From 1953-1987, Mr. May worked at ETHS as Chair of the Math Department, and later as Supervisor of Math Teachers in four schools. His development of innovative high school programs for advanced placement math students was recognized nationally. He provided training for future math teachers at Northwestern University in Chicago and at Yale University, and contributed to the National Advanced Placement Examination program at Rutgers University.



Robert Proper

Robert Proper, ETHS Speech Arts teacher from 1958-1970, died on April 18, 2013. During his tenure at ETHS, he taught Scenic Design, Lighting, Sound, and Technical Theatre Production. He also designed and built the sets for all the school productions, including "The Mikado" in 1962, which was videotaped by WBBM-TV and won a local Emmy Award the following year. He earned a BS degree in Education from Kent State and a Masters in Theatre Design from the U of Iowa. He designed for local industrial shows and TV news shows in Cleveland, OH, and various Chicago-area high schools, local organizations, NBC, WGN-TV. In the summers, while he worked for ETHS, he designed and built sets for the St. Louis Municipal Opera. After retiring from ETHS, he worked at ABC-TV in Chicago as Scenic Artist and Designer. He is survived by his daughters, **Bobbie, '68**, and **Lauren, '71**, and son-in-law Ron.

Current funding priority: Advanced Manufacturing Lab

From its founding in 1883, ETHS has instilled a deeply felt understanding that great things can be achieved when knowledge and a sense of community unite. Our faculty continues to embrace that understanding as it challenges all students to think actively and participate in their learning. We are known among colleges and universities for graduating a diverse body of driven students who contribute to and succeed in all walks of life.

Thankfully, public funding empowers us to hire the finest teachers and offer a range of other educational advantages that give the ETHS experience its competitive edge. However, private funding is needed if we are to provide our current and future students with state-of-the-art facilities. Funds for capital improvements at ETHS are very limited.

This year we are asking alumni, parents, and other members of the Evanston community to support the renovation of our existing manufacturing lab. Secondary schools across the nation are being called upon to address the need for enhanced curriculums with a greater emphasis on technical skills so young Americans will have the expertise to become competitive in the global workforce.

Our plan is to renovate our existing manufacturing lab to meet or exceed industry standards with the latest technologies. We are in the midst of designing our new lab and curriculum



in cooperation with industry partners to target three critical areas of focus: transforming manufacturing education, changing public perception of manufacturing, and providing students interested in engineering and manufacturing with hands-on design experience and a competitive edge for work or degree programs after high school.

We hope you will agree with the importance

New lab to give students more options

ETHS's "metal shop," soon to be the new Advanced Manufacturing Lab, is where 1 Manufacturing, 2 Manufacturing/Computer Integrated Manufacturing, and Metal Sculpture are taught. Certain equipment such as a computer numerical control (CNC) lathe, a mill and router, band saw, and a 3-D printer are used in these classes. However, the facility is antiquated, which limits access to additional modern equipment and new learning opportunities for students.

According to Shelley Gates, Career/Technical Education department chair: "Advanced manufacturing is having a renaissance. More overseas jobs are being

of this initiative and respond generously when you receive your year-end appeal letter. The ETHS Educational Foundation is a 501(c) 3 charitable organization. All donations are 100% tax-deductible. Your support will help us update equipment and software, provide professional development for instructors, and support further involvement by our students in competitions.

brought back to the U.S. We need to upgrade the facility and add components that allow kids to earn advanced certification and have more options."

Next summer, the "metal shop" will be redesigned to provide a "real-world, optimal, 21st century-learning environment," said Gates, that will also include a modern welding system and drill presses. The three current courses will continue to be taught in the new lab, but the new equipment and work space will allow students to acquire new skills, and earn higher-level NIMS certification in metal working and a new national certification in welding.

Golf outing draws big crowd to benefit ETHS



Local TV sportscaster Rafer Weigel, '87, conducted a live auction at this year's Wildkit golf-outing benefit for ETHS.

The ETHS Educational Foundation held its 5th annual Wildkit Golf Event and Happy Hour Bash in late August and raised \$29,000 to help support the construction of the Advanced Manufacturing Lab next summer. The event, held at the Glenview Park Golf Club, drew 120 guests—some to play golf, some for Happy Hour, but all to benefit the cause.

Seventy-percent of the funds were raised from corporate sponsorships. Registrations and a live auction conducted by **Rafer Weigel, ETHS '87** graduate and ABC7 (Chicago TV) weekend sports anchor, accounted for the remaining 30-percent. This year's proceeds topped last year's by over \$2,000.



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