

CLASSICAL HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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*"Certare Petere
Reperire Neque
Cedere"*

*"To strive, to seek, to
find and not to yield."*

Since 1843, our motto
has been the Latin
translation of the final
line of Alfred, Lord
Tennyson's poem
"Ulysses".

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Classical Alumni Association Receives \$40,000 gift for Music Program

There will be music in the halls of Classical High School again. For the past year, the Classical Alumni Association set out on a mission to revitalize the Classical High School music program, eliminated by school budget cuts in 2006. Their dream came true on Wednesday, April 29 at the Classical Distinguished Alumni Awards Dinner at the Providence Marriott. Honoree Richard Bornstein, Class of 1967, President and CEO of The Koffler Group, together with his wife Sandra, opened the event with a donation of \$40,000 from the Koffler Bornstein Family Foundation, to revitalize the program for the next four years.



When Scott Barr was appointed Principal of Classical in September 2008, he appealed to the Alumni Association to help revitalize the dormant music programs. His goal was to reinstate the chorus, orchestra and pep band programs that have not been available to the students since the budget cuts. A large base of students at Classical, take private vocal or instrumental instruction but have no formal program at the school to showcase their talents. Now programs will be offered after school for all students to enjoy.

According to Guy V. Pirolli, President of the Classical Alumni Association, "A key element of our Alumni Association's *Mission for Classical Case Statement* was to fund after school enhancements for students. This year, our focus was on restoring the music program and we were hoping to raise enough money at our Annual Dinner to fund the first year of the program. Because of the extreme generosity of Richard and Sandy Bornstein, we are truly excited that we now have raised enough money to fully fund the program and to offer students an added afterschool program for their enjoyment".

Principal Scott Barr offered, "The entire Classical High School Community would like to thank the Alumni Association and the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Bornstein." "The hallways of our school were abuzz today with this great news and we look forward to inviting the Alumni Board, our alumni in the community and Mr. and Mrs. Bornstein to our first concert. Thank you so very much!"

The Classical Alumni Association honors six outstanding individuals each year at the Distinguished Alumni Awards Dinner. More than 275 attended the event in April that honored Vincent Sarni, '45, Dr. Ronald DeLellis '58, Rabbi Avis Dimond Miller '62, Richard Bornstein '67, Lauren Corrao '79 and Mayor Allan Fung '88. Funds from this annual dinner benefit the after-school enhancement programs at Classical. In the past two years, the Alumni Association has purchased new computers, printers and furniture for the schools' College Room and funded the various expenses for groups such as the Science Olympiad Team's trip to the national competition in Washington, D.C.

For more information about the Classical Alumni Association or to make a contribution, contact Mary Figueroa, Alumni Director at 401-441-2052.

NEWS & EVENTS

Classical High School has been selected to receive the 2009 Siemens Award for Advanced Placement test scores. Classical is one of fifty schools in the United States to receive this award. This award was established in 1998 as a joint effort from Siemens and the College Board to strengthen Math, Science and Technology talent in the United States. Schools that are selected for this award have a large pool of AP test takers who show success in these rigorous AP exams.

Congratulations to the students, faculty and staff of Classical High School. A recent article in Newsweek Magazine designated Classical as one of their top ranked public schools in the Country. This would place Classical in the top 10% of all public high schools!

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 17, 2009
Class of 1939
70th Reunion
1149 Restaurant - East Greenwich
12 Noon
Contact - Ruth Webb Thayer
401-828-8552

October 10, 2009
Class of 1969
40th Reunion
Cafe Nuovo
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November 27, 2009
Class of 1979
30th Reunion
Providence Marriott
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November 27, 2009
Class of 1999
10th Reunion
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Class of 1984
25th Reunion Planning Committee
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