



Spotlight

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Sullivan Gateway Turns 100 In 2017, Denver Parks Restoring

Built in 1917, the Sullivan Gateway has served as an impressive and grand entry to the City Park Esplanade.

The new East High School opened for business in September 1925. The gateway was originally conceived by George Kessler in his 1906 plan for Denver City Parks. Strongly influenced by the City Beautiful Movement, Kessler was one of the leading national figures in City Beautiful Design.

While grand in style, the gateway is in seriously deteriorated condition. The terra cotta walls are broken in multiple locations and will continue to deteriorate



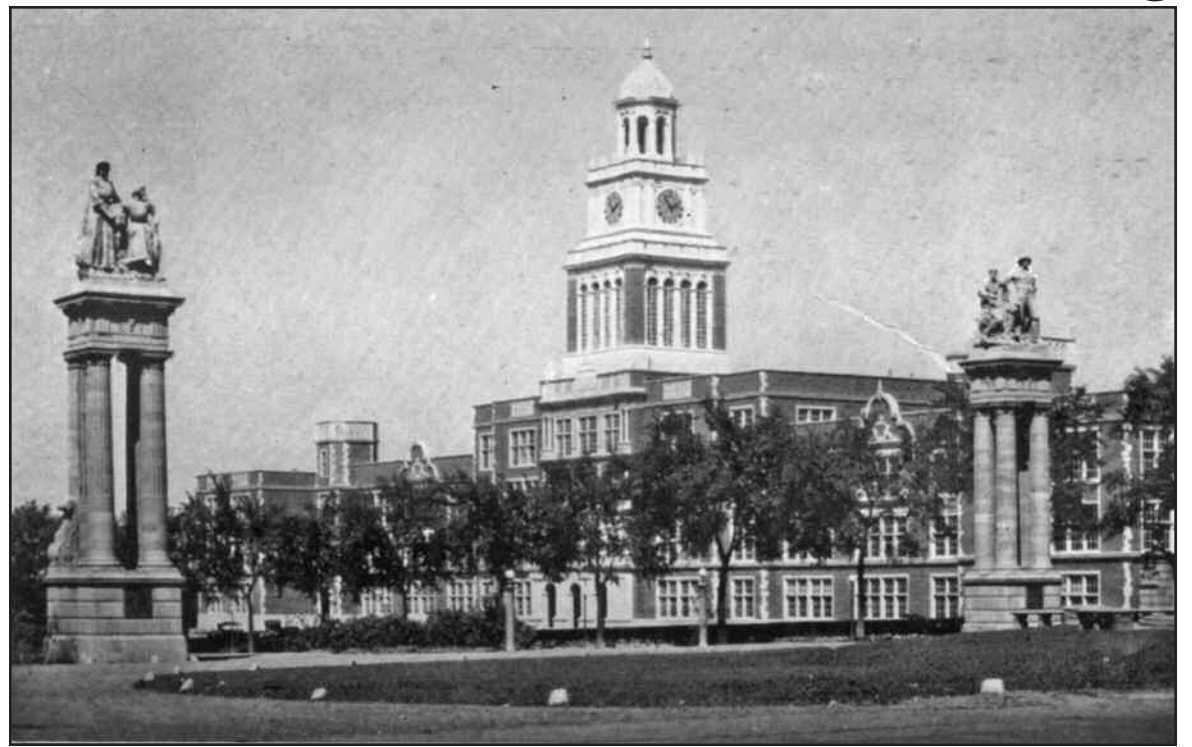
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due to the freeze-thaw cycles. Plants are growing out of the walls and vandalism and graffiti are evident. As a result, Denver Parks has begun to secure funding to phase in the restoration of the site which is expected to cost more than a million dollars.

The first phase has been underway in conjunction with the construction of the new recreation center at the corner of Colfax and Josephine streets. The two lion head fountains have been restored to active use and should run water this next spring and summer.

Edward Bennett, a protégé of Daniel Burnham, was the architect for the City Park Esplanade structures and his design is true to the classical themes and elements of the era. The gateway includes two 300-foot sweeping terra cotta walls, punctuated by two 40-foot tall freestanding sculptures atop Doric columns that represent early Colorado agricultural and mining endeavors.

The sculptures were completed by noted New York artist Leon Lintelli. Also on the site is a large



The Sullivan Gateway in 1926.

dolphin fountain, accompanied by two smaller lion head fountains that were installed into each curv-

ed wall of the gateway. The Sullivan Gateway was erected with funds donated by John Clarke

Mitchell in honor of his friend and colleague, Denver banker Dennis Sullivan.



East High School terra cotta walls will be part of the restoration.

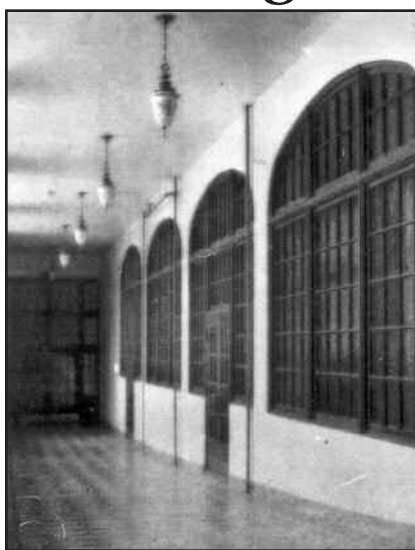
East High Auditorium May Regain Its Light

East High School's auditorium was called "the gathering place" by Roscoe Hill, it's first principal. Over the years it has been the scene of countless student assemblies, plays, concerts, variety shows and speech /debate activities. The auditorium has retained a great deal of its charm and beauty, but plans are being explored to upgrade the facility and restore some of its past glory.

When the auditorium was completed in 1924, it had north and south windows which provided natural light to the space, but shortly after the completion of the building, those windows were covered to enhance fire safety. During that era, fire-rated glass options were limited.

At the same time, again because of fire concerns, the beautiful open stairwells were boarded up. Both modifications enhanced safety but seriously diminished the aesthetic value of the original architecture.

The East Angel Friends & Alumni Foundation has begun exploring the possibility of restoring those windows as a part of an initiative to improve overall illumination in the auditorium. Cameron Bertron, East High parent and chair of the Building and Grounds Committee is spearheading this initiative, which involves coordination with DPS Construction



The historic windows in the auditorium may be restored.

Services and the East administration and faculty.

The Foundation has retained the services of Semple Brown Architects to provide a feasibility study and a conceptual design. Along with providing for restoration of historic windows, the study includes electrical lighting upgrades, sound system enhancements and other aesthetic improvements.

Results of the study are expected early 2017 and the EAFAF will then work with the school administration to define the scope of the project and the size of the necessary fundraising initiative.



Editor's Note: The history of the three grand buildings of East High's history are not only about brick and mortar, glass, wood and iron. It is an ideal — a set of ideas — ideas of character, of scholarship, of conduct or culture. When Old East, located at 20th and Stout, was closed in the spring of 1925 and the New East was opened on the Esplanade (known then as the "hill"), a special ceremony marked the transition. Two principals spoke eloquently of the past and the future of East High School.

AVE AE VALE

by Principal Harry Barrett, Old East, 1912-1920



A farewell to the old building which to many generations of students and teachers is an integral and inseparable part of East is not easy to write.

The memories throng and choke utterance. An old saying goes: "An old house is like an old violin: the music of the past is wrought into it." So it is with our old house and the occasion is worthy of commemoration in verse by those lived and studied there. There is no building like East in Denver, in Colorado or anywhere in the West. To a multitude it is as the Boston Latin School was to those who began American History in New England.

So as we bear our lares and penates to the new and beautiful habitation on the hill let us lift our voices once more about the old school for the last time in Hail, East Denver! Ave ae vale — hail and farewell.

THE SPIRIT OF EAST

by Principal Roscoe C. Hill, Old and New East, 1920-1944



Hail! To the spirit of East Denver, that spirit which has made itself manifest in the lives and achievements of the graduates and former students of this grand old school. To know and to feel that spirit is to love it. It impels those who are here — teachers and pupils alike — to push onward to greater things. The challenge comes to us across the years to carry on in our best way; to maintain the worthy traditions of Old East in scholarship, in school-citizenship, in school activities and in service after school days here have passed.

We look forward gratefully to the opportunities of an expanded life in the new building. There we hope to transfer the spirit of Old East, increasing its influence in the community. To the loyal alumni we pledge our best effort and dedicate the future to the task of making if possible, the spirit of East greater and finer than when we received it.

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President's Message

This year is an exciting one. Our priorities evidence a commitment to continuing the well-established and successful initiatives of our standing committees which enhance the East environment for its students, faculty and alumni community. Be sure to see the article in this issue which details this year's faculty and staff grants. As well, we are kicking off several new initiatives. A sampling of what we're up to in 2016-17:

- Raising \$200,000 to support our programs — along with faculty and staff grants, we fund direct student assistance (books, calculators, bus passes and nutritional assistance), scholarships, improvements to building and grounds, and programs which foster community engagement.
- Developing our most persistent grants into "legacy" grants and budgeting accordingly.
- Engaging Semple Brown Architects and the DPS construction services group to assess upgrades to the auditorium — particularly daylighting, electrical lighting, sound system enhancements, and other aesthetic improvements.
- Cultivating relationships with our recent alumni, and fostering positive connections with current East students around postsecondary education and career choices.
- East's PTSA was disbanded two years ago and the Community Engagement committee was formed to help ensure that several "tried and true" activities persist and to develop new means of connecting our parent community, particularly fostering a warm welcome to East newcomers

Thanks for your continued interest in the Foundation's activities and for being a *Spotlight* subscriber — your support is critical to the achievement of our mission!

Julie Bock

East High Angel Foundation President



2016-2017 East High Con Scholars

East High Constitutional Scholars 'We the People ... The Citizen And The Constitution' State Champions Again!

In April of 2017 East will once again be representing Colorado in the National "We the People" competition. This dedicated 32 member team (our largest team in decades) once again, beat Cherry Creek School District's Grandview High School to win the State Championship. East will participate for the 27th time as State Champions. In the 30 year history of the program East has lost the State title only twice — 2002 and 2014.

The 2016-2017 team members are: Aaron Bacon, Allyana Bradley, Etta Carpender, Maria Crippen, Theodore Culhane, Quinn Daly,

Max Davidson, Daisy Davis, Haley Drake, William Glennie, Abby Harder, Luke Howes, Lilly Hutchinson, Peter Jonas, Connor Jones, Grace Kieft, Max Kieling, Wilson Murane, Rachel Nobles, Thomas Patterson, Olivia Pittard, Nell Salzman, Katherine Sawyer, Harrison Scudamore, Bridget Sidwell, Joseph Snyder, Bruce Valentine, Isha Vial, Scarlett Vigil, John Walsh, Kelly Wulf, Lindsay Young.

The national competition is not in any way a "quiz bowl" type of competition. It is an oral questioning and discussion by demanding judges who are college professors, government policy makers, justices and judges from state and federal offices. Historical knowledge combined with understanding, supportive evidence, and the ability to make application to modern day situations, events and issues are the norm.

As with all East teams they underwent rigorous preparation with their coach and teacher Mark Thalhofer, along with hours of help from local attorneys. East is fortunate, and so grateful, to have loyal community members and

former East parents who each year contribute their time and talents to help prepare the new team.

The "We the People" competition, as it is now known, started the school year of 1987-1988 as part of the Bicentennial Celebration of the drafting of the U.S. Constitution. Team members, past and present, consider Con Scholars to be one of the most difficult and time-consuming undertakings of their high school career — and one of the most rewarding.

We are proud of all the East participants for their hard work and all those adults who engage and help make this level of learning possible!

(Just in case you hadn't heard, the 2015-2016 East team placed **SECOND in the nation** last April — the tradition of excellence continues!)

If you wish to help the 2016-2017 Constitutional Scholars Team travel to Washington, D.C. to compete, please make a tax-deductible donation **payable to:** East High School - Con Scholars; **Mail to:** Beth Gower, East High School, 1600 City Park Esplanade, Denver, CO 80206.

Alumni Scholarship Awards 2016

Started in 1926, student awards are based on specific qualifications, recommendations, written application, and an interview. Since 2011, and the creation of the East Angel Friends & Alumni Foundation (EAFAF), the scholarship program has been supported and funded by the Foundation. East alums also provide scholarships, a specific class in honor of a classmate, or as part of a reunion celebration.

In May of 2016, the East Angel Friends & Alumni Foundation, the Thomas W. Bean Foundation, the Epstein-Smith family, and alum James Reece (1960) generously provided scholarship dollars for 18 students totaling \$45,000.

Molly Culhane received the special \$6,000 Alumni & Friends Scholarship. Molly's transcript shows that she's a remarkably outstanding student, one of the very finest. (GPA 5.1) But it doesn't tell the whole story. She maintained the quality of her work in all classes as she did intensive research for her role on the Constitutional Scholars team, competed in national extemporaneous speaking, public forum debate, and was a member of the cross country team for four years! She also joined the math club, Italian club and won the 2016 Fortnightly essay contest. All this plus with twinkle in her eye and a grin on her face.

Asked about the value of her East High education: "Hispanic Literature was one of my favorite classes. This class represented my high-school experience — not only because of the excellent teaching and fascinating curriculum, but it brought important global issues to the classroom and allowed students to learn from one another.

Hispanic Lit forced me to challenge myself not only academically but also socially. The class helped me improve my writing, but most of the learning happened through connection with other students. We learned about each other by sharing our own experiences and beliefs as they related to the books we read. Hispanic Lit was one of the most integrated classes I have taken. Interestingly, the diversity of the class made it easy to connect with classmates.

I think the most important thing about Hispanic Lit, and about East in general, is that my peers, even completely different from myself, were never considered 'other.' There was no culture of 'us versus



Molly Culhane

them.' For me, the most valuable part of East has always been the people. What I have learned from these peers has been perhaps an even greater education than what I have learned in the classroom."

Additional remarkable East seniors receiving EAFAF scholar-

ships: Paul Carrasco, Jason Cervantes, William Flanagan, Allison Forsberg, Claudia Nunez-Medina Gisela, Anna Harder, Sydney Johnson, Keila Lopez, Anna Martens, Will Palmquest, Mercedes Pinillo, Taylor Finley-Ponds, Jose Sanchez, Charlotte Thayer, Bianca Urness, Ella Westerfield, De'Janae Guillory-Williams.

In addition to the EAFAF scholarships, six other scholarships were awarded. Four students, Con Scholar team participants, received family scholarships honoring former Con Scholars Ethan Wolf and Emily L. Saslow. Those awards went to John DeMouly, Aiden Jacobs, Remi Ruyle, and Maura Winstanley. The James E. Tracy family awards continued to Daniel Garcia and Angel Oaxaca.

To give a scholarship in your name, on behalf of your family, or in honor of your graduating class, contact Cissy Nuanes: cissy.nuanes@gmail.com, 303-564-7178, or mbgower44@gmail.com.

Andy Hill • 1962-2016 A Life Of Community Service

Andrew (Andy) Hill, passed away in Washington, after a long battle with lung cancer on October 31, 2016. He became well known and respected as an extraordinary public official and a principled leader in the state senate of Washington.

A 1981 graduate of East High School, Andy earned a Bachelor of Science degree in physics and computer science from Colgate University. Later on he earned a Masters in Business from Harvard Business School. His first work was with Microsoft where he helped spearhead the development of Windows '95.

In 2008, Andy was diagnosed with lung cancer, despite never having smoked. Through cutting-edge cancer treatment he managed the disease for several years and with this experience came a new perspective of wanting to help others.

In 2010, running against an incumbent, Andy was elected to the Washington State Senate. After a successful first term, he was re-elected in 2014. He spoke often about how much he loved the community and the people he represented. He was known for his gift of working across party lines to solve problems. He served on the Ways and Means committee in the senate and was successful in helping pass legislation to increase school funding and historic reductions in college tuition. He had even been touted as the perfect candidate to run for the office of governor.

Andy enjoyed playing soccer while at East High School and his favorite way of serving his community was to be a youth soccer coach. He combined his competitive spirit with his skills as a mentor and teacher to help young athletes.

He leaves behind a wife, Molly, and children Katie, Allie and Charlie. His mother, Claudia Robinson Hill, East high graduate in 1953, would like those Angels who knew Andy to know that he loved his time at East and the relationships he developed there.



Senator Andy Hill

Obituaries

Miriam Harris Goldberg 1916-2017 • Class of 1934

Miriam Harris Goldberg, a leading force in the Denver Jewish community, died January 8, 2017, at the age of 100.

Miriam grew up in Denver and never left. She graduated from East High School in 1934. After earning a college degree from the University of Colorado, she married Max Goldberg and in 1943 the two took over the *Intermountain Jewish News* and when Max died in 1943, Miriam took the reins and led the editing and publishing of one of the country's leading newspapers.

One of her innovations was her "Focus of Women" section of the paper. She revealed the important work done in Denver by the various Jewish women's organizations. She was able to live long enough to witness the publishing of the 100th edition of the *News* in 2013.

She is a charter member of both the East High School Heritage Hall of Fame and the Colorado Women's Hall of Fame.

Owen Hahn • 1940-2017 • Class of 1958

Owen Hahn, long time counselor at East passed away in January of 2017. He had productive career as a teacher and counselor in the Denver Public Schools.

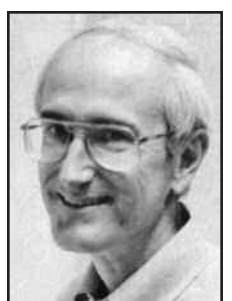
Owen graduated from East High School in the class of 1958. He took a life-long interest in his graduating class and was active in promoting class reunions.

After graduating from the University of Denver, Owen began his educational career as a math teacher at Byers Junior High. Later he moved to East High School where for 22 years he served as a counselor and college counselor. Overall, Owen worked as a professional educator for the DPS for 42 years.

After retiring from the DPS, Owen devoted volunteer hours working on behalf of the East High Alumni and museum committee. He was proud of his alma mater and worked diligently for years on behalf of East High School.



Miriam Goldberg



Owen Hahn

DOORS OPEN DENVER Visit Historic East High School For A Free Guided Tour Of The Building And Tower Museum

April 29-30, 2017

It is an annual two-day event that provides residents and visitors the opportunity to explore high profile and historic buildings sponsored by the Denver Architectural Foundation.

Visit their website at doorspendenver.com for further details.

ALUMNI HERITAGE HALL INDUCTION 2016

The fourth East High Alumni Heritage Hall Induction Ceremony was another successful celebration of remarkable East High grads. Three hundred one friends and alums gathered September 20, 2016, at the Denver Art Museum to honor 16 new inductees. They join 61 previous inductees.

The event was sponsored by the East Angel Friends & Alumni Foundation (EAFAF). Once again, the food served by Palettes, had rave reviews as did the Ponti Room at the museum. Special thanks to East High friends Arlene Hirschfeld and Dick Robinson who helped EAFAF secure the wonderful venue. Both Arlene and Dick sit on the Board of the Denver Art Museum.

As has become tradition with the induction events, it was a spirited gathering of the East community, with friends and alums from several decades catching up and sharing stories. Of the 16 alums inducted, all 10 of the living inductees attended (Dr. Spencer Titley being the oldest at 88 years young), and two of the six deceased inductees were represented by family members. The inductees provided significant humor with telltale stories, old memories, and more serious reflections on the impact of their East High education.

Sheryl Renee, well-known singer, actress, and East alum (1980), served as Mistress of Ceremonies. Sheryl was the perfect addition to the evening of great music. To start the evening, the Angelaires, under the direction of Will Taylor, and the East High Jazz Combo, under the direction of Keith Oxman, joined world renowned songwriter, musician and inductee Larry Dunn, and provided concert quality music for the audience. The highlight was Larry's own song, "Shining Star." Later in the program the audience was honored with more amazing music from well-known Denver jazz musician and inductee Purnell Steen. Everyone was mesmerized as he glided over the keys. Truly remarkable musical talents!

The next morning seven of the inductees attended an all-school assembly at East. They shared stories, and reminded the students, they were once walking the same halls with many of the aspirations as those in the audience. Larry

Robert Smith Donates Large Gift To African American Museum

Robert Smith, a 2013 inductee in the East High School Heritage Hall of Fame, has become the second largest donor to the newly established National Museum of African American History and Culture. His \$20 million gift to the museum is the second largest donation to Oprah Winfrey's \$21 million.



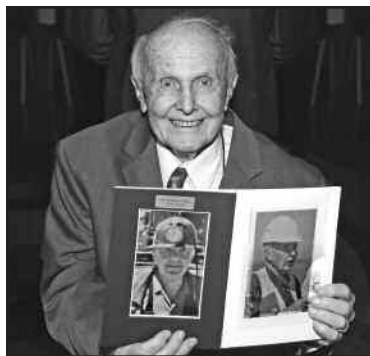
Robert Smith

on a graduate degree from Columbia University. He started his career working at Goldman Sachs and in 2000 he created Vista Equity Partners and has gained billionaire status and was recently featured in *Forbes* magazine.

His parents encouraged intellectual and creative activity in their home. "Most nights we went to sleep listening to the arias of Leontyne Price." He also was the founding president of Fund II Foundation which helps support non-profit groups to promote African American culture, human rights, music education and the environment. "I am concerned that the very fabric of America that allowed my parents to earn doctorate degrees and me to build a successful business career is vulnerable in the current political climate."

His gift will be used to digitize photographs and videos in an effort to preserve the history of African American people in the United States. The history center, named in his honor, is a living, interactive museum. In a recent interview Robert talked about the value of the countless photos that exist in African American homes. "Many times family photos are as valuable as stocks and bonds."

After graduating from East in 1981, Robert earned an engineering degree from Cornell, and later



88-year-old Inductee Dr. Spencer Titley.



Inductee Purnell Steen



Inductee Larry Dunn



Inductee Chris Hart and Mistress of Ceremonies Sheryl Renee.



Event Co-Chairs Beth Gower and Andrea Dikeou with Inductee Neal Blue.



Larry and Marilyn Adler (Inductees Larry 2016, Marilyn 2008).



Inductee Linden Blue and classmates.

Dunn and the Angelaires joined forces to conclude the assembly. The talented Larry Dunn, his keyboards, and the Angelaires provided an appropriately rousing and celebratory ending for the assembly.

Following the assembly, a reception was held in the library. The inductees were able to see their portraits/plaques in the Heritage Hall cases and talk with one another and East students. Many of the inductees were just pleased to be back at East. 1946 graduate Spencer Titley had not been back to East for 70 years.

The event was a financial success because of the generous donations and sponsorships of East alums and the East community. Special thanks to alums Monty Cleworth and Robert Smith. As with all Heritage Hall inductions, any monies remaining after expenses go to maintaining Heritage Hall.

The induction event would not be possible without the total support of EAFAF and the hard work of the committee members. The Event Committee included: Julie Bock, EAFAF President; Andrea Dikeou and Beth Gower, Event Co-Chairs; Judith Berg (1954);

Kathy Callum (1968); Graylon Cole (1971); Stephanie Cross (1987); Marcia Goldstein (1969); Traci Jones (1983); Mark Leonard (1961); Pat McElhinney (1960); Richard Nelson; Alison Nuanes (2002); Cissy Nuanes; Betty Shreeve (1960); and Beth Woodard (1968).

If you have names of alums you want to be considered for future Heritage Hall induction, please contact Marcia Goldstein at marciagold@msn.com.

EAST HIGH HERITAGE HALL INDUCTEES CLASS OF 2016

Louisa Ward Arps (1901-1984), Class of 1919 — *Author/Historian*
Lawrence Adler, Class of 1953 —

Lawyer/Civic Leader
James Neal Blue, Class of 1953;
Linden Stanley Blue, Class of 1954 — *Aviation Executives*
Reverend Malcolm Boyd, (1923-2015), Class of 1940 — *Episcopal Priest/Social Activist*
Edward Prentiss Costigan (1874-1939), Class of 1892 — *U.S. Senator*;
Mabel Cory Costigan (1873-1951), Class of 1892 — *Educator, Women's Rights Leader*
Larry Dunn, Class of 1971 — *Earth, Wind and Fire Keyboardist/Songwriter*
Honorable Philip Brewster Gilliam (1925-1975), Class of 1925 — *Denver Juvenile Court Judge*

Ruth Mosko Handler (1916-2002), Class of 1934 — *Businesswoman/Barbie Doll Inventor*
Christopher Hart, Class of 1965 — *Executive Director National Transportation Safety Board*
John Lounsbury (1911-1976), Class of 1930 — *Artist/Walt Disney Animator*
Dr. Jerry Northern, Class of 1958 — *Audiologist/Humanitarian*
Purnell Steen, Class of 1959 — *Jazz Pianist/Civil Rights Advocate*
David Stern, Class of 1965 — *CEO/Software Innovator*
Dr. Spencer Titley, Class of 1946 — *Mining And Economic Geologist, University Professor*

Pam Grier Awarded Medal Of Honor

Pam Grier, a graduate of East High School in 1967 and a 2009 inductee in the East High Heritage Hall, was recently honored as one of eight recipients of the W.E.B. Dubois Medal of Honor. The ceremony took place at the Hutchins Center on the Harvard University campus on Oct 6.

Others honored were: rapper MC Lyte, opera singer Jessye Norman, Xerox CEO Ursula Burns, Harvard University Senior Admissions officer David Stern, David Simon who created the HBO series *Wire* and the 1966 Texas Western basketball team, the first all-black college team. Among the past recipients are: Oprah Winfrey, Muhammad Ali, Toni Morrison and U.S. Rep. John Lewis.

The Medal of Honor is named after W.E.B. Dubois, the first African American to earn a doctorate from Harvard and who went on to become one of the country's leading intellectual leaders. His seminal



Pam Grier

work is *Souls of Black Folk* and he a co-founder of the NAACP.

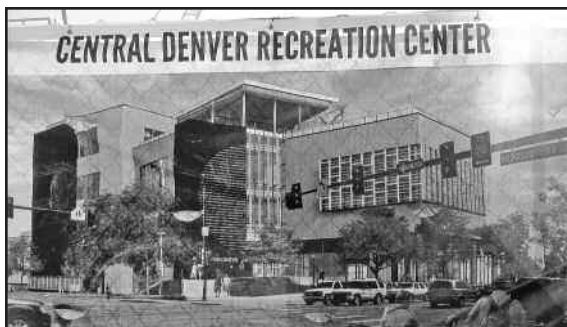
Pam was seemingly always performing and being noticed. At the age of 19 she was a Broncos cheerleader. She finished third in the 1967 Miss Universe contest. She wanted to be a doctor and attended UCLA and she is a cousin of NFL player Rosey Grier.

She was recognized by Harvard as an iconic leader for the black

woman who struggled in the '70s to gain significant Hollywood roles. Early on the best role a black female could get was a maid or a servant. Pam became known for her portrayal of Jackie Brown (also known as Foxy Brown) in a series of blaxploitation films several written by Quentin Tarantino.

Pam has said that as a girl, she grew up with countless female role models. Of course her mother, her aunt and her grandma were the first and maybe the strongest. But she also admired Shirley Chisholm, Barbara Jordan, Angela Davis, Lena Horne, Althea Gibson and Rosa Parks. These women were pathfinders and helped drive her dreams and ambitions.

Her many awards include: the Black Enterprise Legacy Award (2015), induction into the National Multicultural Western Heritage Hall of Fame (2013) and a star in the Hollywood Walk of Fame (2015).



New Denver Rec Center To Open Near East High

After 10 years of discussion and community meetings, the new Denver recreation center is closer to completion on the site at Josephine and Colfax.

Mayor Hancock and City Council members broke ground on Nov. 2, 2015, and the construction now underway is expected to be completed by the end of the summer in 2017.

The center will officially be the Central Denver Recreation Center but will be named after longtime City Councilwoman and City Park West activist Carla Madison who passed away in 2011.

The 2.56 acre site was made available by the sale of the Church of the City and the Sun Mart conven-

ience store originally on the spot. The anticipated cost of the project is \$33 million and will be financed through revenue acquired through the sale of the Market Street Station and through funds provided by the Tabor special revenue fund. No debt is expected.

Located just west of East High School, the center will feature a lap pool, a leisure pool, a weight room, a cardio room, a fitness room and classrooms. The building will be in excess of 60,000 square feet spread out over two floors. Prior to the groundbreaking, the vacant property was used as a very popular dog park. Plans are to include a smaller scale dog park on the new site.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE

We encourage you to visit the East Angel Friends & Alumni Foundation website at eastangelfriends.org. This will allow you to keep up with events at East. It will also allow you to volunteer your time for one or more of the many committees we have to offer. There is opportunity provided to donate to a worthy East cause of your choosing and a chance to keep up to date about upcoming class reunions.

Athletic Hall Ceremony Set For September 2017

The East High athletic hall of fame committee has announced its next selection of inductees to be recognized in a ceremony at East in the Fall of 2017. This class will include nine male athletes and five female athletes. The committee also voted to give special recognition to two state championship teams: Football 1962 and Girls Soccer 1983.

In keeping with tradition, special efforts were made to recognize as many decades as possible as well as recognizing as many different sports possible. The male athlete list has always been larger than the girls list because of the fact that boys athletics has been around 123 years and girls only 41 years. The selections were made after considering a final pool of contenders numbering 71 men and 30 women. There are cur-

rently 11 men's athletic programs and 11 women's programs.

An official recognition reception/induction ceremony will take place in historic Calloway Gym. This is a special venue with many long time memories. It was part of the new East High building that was opened in September of 1925 and features the special feature of a full balcony hovering over and surrounding the gymnasium. Fortunately, when the new gym was built in the early '80s, the quaint old gym was not torn down or renovated into something different.

The ceremony date has not been selected. Those interested should start checking next year in the spring when the date and time and details will be published on the East Angel Friends & Alumni Foundation (EAFAF) website at: webmaster@eastangelfriends.org.

2017 INDUCTEES TO EAST ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

MALE ATHLETES

1928 - Fletcher Birney Track
1931 - Tom Harper Tennis
1949 - Jack Patten Swimming
1954 - Kent Orchard Wrestling
1963 - Walt Oliver Football
1975 - Mitch Monismith Track
1983 - Tom Wenzel Lacrosse
1995 - Brian Phelan Baseball
1996 - Kaneil Dickens Basketball
2010 - Zachary Bolden Soccer

FEMALE ATHLETES

1973 - Lori Brown Track
1981 - Julie Coxe Volleyball
1996 - Sarah Burgamy Swimming
2001 - Lindsay Barnes Softball
2010 - Shea Kelley Basketball

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS

1982 - Boys Football
1983 - Girls Soccer

East Alum Establishes Academic Scholarship

East High School graduate Monty Cleworth '78 has established the Cleworth LEAP Scholarship — a merit-based award of up to \$25,000, renewable annually for four years. The scholarship is intended to recognize outstanding overall academic achievement as indicated by transcript, test scores and teacher recommendations during the student's time at East High School.

It is further intended to facilitate the recipient's financial ability to make the "LEAP" to continued excellence and enroll at the highest caliber postsecondary institution.

Denver Scholarship Foundation counselor Angrith Na noted, "The Cleworth LEAP Scholarship will truly help those high-achieving students who occasionally fall thru the cracks and aren't able to attend their first choice of schools — their circumstances aren't such that they receive full aid packages but their family circumstances aren't such that there's a comfort level with the \$65,000+ annual commitment involved in attending our country's most selective institutions."

In 2015-16, two Cleworth LEAP Scholarships were awarded: to Anna Martens, who is enrolled at Bowdoin College in Maine; and to Charlotte McClintock, who is at the University of Virginia. The Cleworth LEAP Scholarship is administered by the East Friends & Alumni Foundation.

From Anna Martens '16:

"The Cleworth scholarship enabled me to attend the amazing school of Bowdoin College. I love being here — despite the inevitable difficulty of adjusting to an entirely new life — in fun and academic aspects alike. I play frisbee, participate in Bowdoin Women's Association, and volunteer with kids in my free time. I work at the education department, a subject I want to study in the long term. Though, in a liberal arts way, I am also taking gender studies, psychology and more. I am grateful to East for its magnificent opportunities and I love Bowdoin!"



From Charlotte McClintock '16:

"At the University, I'm planning to major in Politics & Foreign Affairs, and double minor in Global Sustainability and Middle Eastern Studies and I'm also looking at applying to the Accelerated Masters in Public Policy program through the Batten School. I'm involved in the Honor Committee as a support officer, on the Echols Council Social and Community Events Committee, a member of Green Grounds and University Democrats, and a volunteer mentor to at-risk kids through Madison House. The University of Virginia exceeds even my highest expectations and I have found it to be the most wonderful, engaging, interesting, and challenging place I could imagine. Every day, I have a new interesting experience that wouldn't be possible without the incredible generosity of the Cleworth Foundation."



2016 Faculty And Staff Grants — Your Support At Work For East Students!

Through the generosity of its supporters, the East Angel Friends & Alumni Foundation "EAFAF" has been funding grants for several years through its Faculty and Staff Grant Committee.

The committee strives to fund great ideas where school funding is either not available or sufficient. Each fall, faculty and staff are invited to apply for grant funds. According to the committee's chair Megan Bertron, the committee seeks applications that support innovation, excellence and enrichment for the students of East High.

The Committee reviews each application with the administration, conducts follow-up with faculty and staff as needed, and then meets to make funding decisions.

Bertron says that every year since she has been involved with the process, the applications have inspired and amazed her. "The faculty at East High clearly cares about their students. The ideas they present for consideration are sometimes simple and sometimes new and innovative. In either case, they are always student-focused."

In recent years, the Committee has received, on average, between 30 and 35 grant requests seeking between \$75,000 and \$100,000 in funding. The Committee is usually able to fully or partially fund a majority of the grant requests. Ex-

amples of grants recently funded include:

- Bringing DCPA's "Shakespeare in the Parking Lot" to East
- Continuing support for East's "Angels on Air" radio broadcasting program
- Cooking classes for special education students
- Facilitating student participation in the Telluride and Denver Film Festivals
- An assistant athletic trainer to work with student athletes and P.E. classes
- A support group for students experiencing homelessness during the academic year
- Funding for music, theatre, and dance program instruments and equipment

Over time, if a grant clearly meets a need and is requested and awarded over multiple years, the Foundation works with the school to transition the program or initiative into East's budget so that it can be funded and properly integrated into the school's annual education and enrichment programs.

The Foundation can then continue to entertain and fund new ideas as they come along — an example of educational venture capital at work through your generosity. "Every year we wish we could fund them all!" says Bertron.

East Freshman Is The Fastest Girl In Colorado

East High Angel track star Arria Minor is currently the fastest girl in Colorado high school track and she is only 15-years-old. The freshman phenom captured the 100-, 200-, and 400-meter titles in the 2016 Colorado State Track Meet and to cap it off she ran a leg on the winning 400-meter relay team. Where will all of this end?

Her coach at East, Steve Kipper, believes she will continue to bring down her winning times and has the reasonable expectation of winning state track in her remaining three years. She finished last year not only as the fastest girl in Colorado but the fastest girl track star in the nation. She has her eye on the 2020 Olympics in Tokyo, Japan.

She runs in a crowd of great Angel sprinters: Andrea Bush, Dawn Riley and Aspen Burkett, and she might eventually join the elite company of recognized East greats Chris Babbs and Art Levy.

"I am just under the times of Cheryl Smith (1987) of GW in the 100 and 200, and Ana Holland (2013) of Regis Jesuit in the 400. I admire them and I have my sights set on eclipsing their records. I don't think they would expect anything else from me. When I was a little girl just starting to run I looked at others on the winner's stand and I asked my mother how I could get there — she said, 'run faster.'"



Arria Minor

New Alum Joins Alumni Relations Committee



Cary Lyford

Angel Friends & Alumni Foundation.

Cary is a 1981 graduate from East High School and has seen two sons graduate from East as well: Kellen, a graduate of the class of 2014; and Ryan, in the class of 2016.

She played soccer at East and was a member of the first women's state championship team. Cary was also a member of the swim team for three years and was a captain in her senior year. Her relay

team set a medley record for the DPS. After graduating she moved on to earn a B.A. degree from Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut, where she continued to play soccer and swim and added rugby to her athletic history.

She has worked for the past 18 years at Aon Risk Solutions, a global insurance broker. She enjoys skiing, mountain biking and exploring new destinations with her husband and sons.

EAST HIGH PROFILE 2016-2017

Andy Mendelsberg Principal	
Enrollment	2,550
Ethnicity:	
Anglo	45%
African-American	20%
Hispanic	22%
Multi-Race	9%
Asian	3%
Native-American	1%
Students Eligible for free and reduced lunch	39%
Faculty and Staff:	
Administrators	8
Full-Time Teachers	152
Counselors	10
Tech Specialists	2
Nurse	1
Social Worker	1
Psychologists	2
Full-Time Secretaries	7
Paraprofessionals/Aides	17
Support Staff	3
Graduates: Class of 2016	
4-Year Institutions	72%
2-Year Institutions	11%
Vocational Schools	1%
Work Force	1%
Armed Forces	1%
Other	14%
Advancement	
Placement Classes	22
Eng. Lit	Eng Lang.
Amer. Hist	Euro. Hist
World Hist	Geography
Calculus AB	Calculus BC
Chemistry	Biology
Psychology	Statistics
Span. Lit	Span. Lang
Government	French Lang
Physics	Studio Art
Comp. Sci	Micro/Macro
Music Sci	Economics
American College Test Percentile: Class of 2016	
36-20	62%
19-1	38%
National Merit	
Semi-Finalists	6
Finalists	6
Commended	13

Herb Sanders Garners Baseball Honors

Herb Sanders, class of 1966, was recently recognized for his on and off field achievements with DPS students. The Colorado Dugout Club inducted Herb into their baseball hall of fame in a ceremony held January 14 in Denver.

Coach Sanders was an outstanding baseball player for East, earning All City honors.

He played in the Colorado Baseball All Star game. He returned to DPS as the head baseball and softball coach of Montbello High School from 1993 through 2004. His 1999 team won Montbello's only DPS league championship. *The Denver Post* named him Coach of the Year.

In 2007 he started a new baseball program at Manual High School. He coached there through 2012.

He is the executive director of the Full Court Ministry, a non-profit organization which strives to teach and develop youth to model Christian behavior. The Colorado Rockies awarded him the Pioneer Award given to persons who have actively promoted baseball in Colorado.

Change Of Address

Help us to keep track of you when you move. We can then be confident that alumni materials will continue to be sent to you.

To report address changes, please go to www.eastangelfriends.org and click on "Contact" to update your information.



A+ Angels works to close the achievement gap at EHS by pairing adult volunteers with students who struggle academically. Your support helps fund scholarships for A+ Angels students who graduate from high school and enroll in a post-secondary program or college. For more information go to www.APlusAngels.org.

2017 REUNION DATES

CLASSES OF THE 1940s

All 1940s students invited

Dates: TBA

Contact: 303-955-0994

bettyshreeve@live.com

CLASS OF 1967

Dates: August 4-6, 2017

Contact: meredithzml@aol.com

CLASSES OF 1976 & 1977

East/Manual Reunion

Dates: July 28-30, 2017

Contact: 7677eastmanual.com

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