



Spotlight

East Angel
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Heritage Hall To Add 16 Distinguished Inductees In 2013

by Marcia Tremmel Goldstein
Class of 1969

The East High Alumni Heritage Hall Selection Committee is pleased to announce the final selection of 16 distinguished 2013 inductees, who will be officially inducted at ceremonies to be held September 19, 2013. For further information contact Beth Gower at mbgower44@gmail.com.

The East High Alumni Heritage Hall inducts alumni (living or deceased) who have, during their lifetimes: made significant and enduring contributions in their fields of endeavor; elevated the stature of East High School and its students; helped open new frontiers for East students and society in general; and inspired others by their example.

The 2013 slate of inductees was chosen by the official selection committee, made up of former East High principals, faculty and alumni. The committee worked from a list of more than 70 worthy nominees, and selected the final 16.

Heritage Hall is an educational and motivational project sponsored by the East Angel Friends & Alumni Foundation. The Hall highlights the school's rich historical heritage, honors the achievements and diversity of East High alumni, and provides role models for today's students. The unveiling of the Hall took place in September 2008, with gala induction ceremonies for the first 30 inaugu-



Kenneth King, 1918



Julia Silverstein, 1927



Ralph Peck, 1930



Leslie Friedman, 1940



Dick Robinson, 1947



Robert Bate, 1949



Edward Robinson, 1950



Robert Herres, 1950



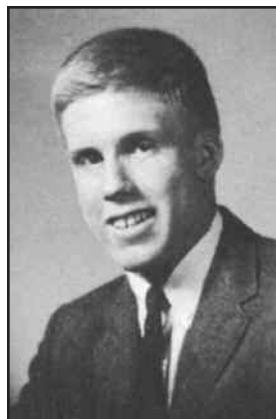
Dan Howe, 1955



Louise Lamphere, 1958



Peter Teets, 1959



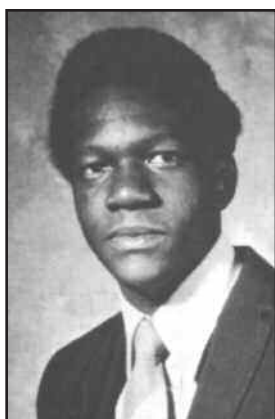
Bill Pace, 1964



Bill Frissell, 1969



Donna Pugh, 1970



Leon Kelly, 1971



Robert Smith, 1981

ral inductees. Fifteen more inductees were added in 2010.

The Heritage Hall exhibit of inductee portraits and biographies is located on the third floor, outside the Robert Colwell Library. The elegant cases were built by a crew of East High students, under the direction of Joel Noble, East's wood shop teacher and master carpenter.

Robert T. Bate (1931-2011), Class of 1949 — Physicist, Father of Nanoelectronics

Robert Bate was one of the first scientists to analyze the properties of silicon and other exotic materials for use in semi-conductors, earning wide recognition as the "father of nanoelectronics." He authored more than 60 scientific publications and holds 19 patents. **Leslie Friedman Davis (1922-2007), Class of 1940 — Businesswoman, Banker, Civic Leader**

Leslie Davis was a co-founder and Director of the Women's Bank of Denver in 1976, one of the first all woman-owned banks in the U.S. Davis also served as a local and national leader of the Anti-Defamation League (ADL), earning the ADL's Distinguished Service Award in 2006.

Bill Frisell, Class of 1969 — Jazz Musician, Composer, International Recording Artist

Bill Frisell is an internationally renowned electric guitarist who blends jazz, rock, and blues. Frisell performs around the world, and has recorded more than 31 albums. He has earned dozens of music awards, including a Grammy Award in 2005.

General Robert T. Herres (1932-2008), Class of 1950 — U.S. Army Joint Chiefs of Staff

General Robert Herres was a U.S. Air Force commander in Southeast Asia in the 1970s. He served as Brigadier General, commanded the North American Aerospace Defense (NORAD), and served as the first Vice Chairman for the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Daniel Walker Howe, Ph.D., Class of 1955 — History Professor, Author

Dr. Howe is an eminent historian who serves as Professor Emeritus at Oxford University and the University of California, Los Angeles. His book *What Hath God* (Continued on Page 2)

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East High Social Room Refurbished

After 25 years of benign neglect, the Social Room of East (the room just north of the office, and, historically used for all special guests and meetings) is being refurbished with great help from former East student Bill Cook, Class of 1956.

The social room has been painted a fabulous historical dark blue-green color, a color not found on any other school walls! (Maybe in your living room.)

After much encouragement, the DPS painters did a terrific job. The social room carpet was removed and the original wood floors brought back to life — an amazing transformation. The floor recovery was also the work of the DPS experts. When it came to furniture needs for the room, East was remarkably lucky!

Credit goes to Mark Hoskins, former East parent and on-going volunteer, for brokering an introductory meeting between Beth Gower and East alum Bill Cook,

owner of Howard Lorton Furniture (family-owned for 86 years). With a specific and limited budget, the knowledgeable and generous Bill Cook worked with Beth Gower and Flo Wagner selecting two sofas, four informal chairs, and 20 matching leather conference table chairs. He allowed East to purchase all items at cost!!

His store also refinished a long narrow side table — no telling how old — for use in the social room. In addition to all that generosity, Bill donated the beautiful new rug we have between the sofas. We still need to do some valances for the windows to complete the new look and a return to historical elegance. (Donations accepted!)

The room is becoming so charming — everyone wants to



Bill Cook

use it for everything!!

East is forever grateful to William Cook, East golf team and *Spotlight* staffer, for his care and interest in East, for his generosity in (Continued on Page 2)



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ALUMNI WINGS

WARD BOND 1903-1960
ACTOR
(Class of 1920)

Ward would register more than 200 roles in motion pictures. He was nominated for an Oscar three times. He graduated in 1920 and attended the University of Southern California, where he met John Wayne. Later he would be in many of Wayne's movies.



He played the role of wagon master Seth Adams on the hit television series, "Wagon Train." Ward would be given a spot in the Hollywood Walk of Fame and named to the Western Performers Hall of Fame and the National Cowboy Hall of Fame.

SISTER MARY TOBIN 1908-2006
SOCIAL ACTIVIST
(Class of 1926)

Sister Mary Luke Tobin once said: "crawl out of the very end of the branch, that is where the best fruit is." Mary graduated from East in 1926 in the first senior class to graduate from the new



school. She joined the Sisters of Loretto at Loretto Heights College in Denver.

She was a supporter of social justice issues and went on peace missions to Saigon, Vietnam, El Salvador and Northern Ireland. She is the author of the book: "Hope is an Open Door." Sister Mary was one of only 15 sisters invited to the Second Vatican Council. In 1927, she was inducted into the Colorado Women's Hall of Fame.

LISA KENNEDY
MOVIE CRITIC
(Class of 1979)

After graduation, Lisa spent many years in New York City.

Later she returned to Denver and is currently the film and theater critic for *The Denver Post*. She was voted into the National Society of Film Critics, the first in Colorado to be so named. She is a member of the Alliance of Women Film Journalists. She has been a regular speaker on NPR's "All Things Considered."



While at East, she was a member of the East High *Spotlight* newspaper, a member of the speech team a finalist in the Woodbury Declamation Contest and a member of the National Honor Society.

GLADYS CALDWELL FISHER
1907-1952
SCULPTOR
(Class of 1926)



Gladys was one of hundreds of artists to be given government support during the Great Depression. Working under the Works Progress Administration (WPA), she became an acclaimed sculptor. He studied under Robert Garrison at the Beaux-Arts Atelier in Denver.

He sculptures grace federal buildings in various places in the West. One of her sculptures (*Rocky Mountain Sheep* - 1936) is on display at the Byron White U.S. Courthouse. She is also on display at the Denver Art Museum, the Denver Public Library and the City-Courthouse building.

SEYMOUR WHELOCK
1918-2013
DOCTOR
(Class of 1936)

Dr. Wheelock was a pioneer in adolescent medicine. After graduating from East he attended Dartmouth College, a college his ancestor Eleazar Wheelock, founded in 1769. He earned his medical degree from Northwestern University School of Medicine. He devoted his life to children's health and established the first inpatient facility west of the Mississippi at Denver Children's Hospital. He was named Chief of Pediatrics in 1966.



He was a member of the National Honor Society and a stand-out All-City football player at East.

PURNELL STEEN
JAZZ MUSICIAN
(Class of 1959)

Purnell Steen started playing the piano at the age of four. He was inspired by a musical family and spent a lot of time at the Rossonian Hotel listening to the sounds of Count Bassie and Ella Fitzgerald.



He is a renowned jazz musician and is the leader of the Purnell Steen Le Jazz Machine. He graduated from the University of Colorado and became active in the civil rights movement. Currently he is the director of music at the Campbell Chapel African American Episcopal Church.

Social Room

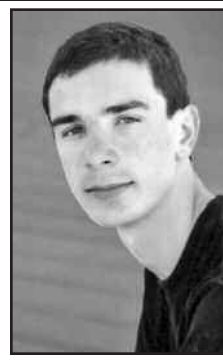
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so many ways in addition to his contributions, like the sharing of his highly talented and skilled staff.

John Youngquist instigated the social room updating, recruiting Beth Gower, Flo Wagner and Kathy Callum to make the artistic decisions and stretch the dollars. When Andy Mendelsberg took on the East principalship, he eagerly supported the renovation. The entire East community — and they do all use the room — appreciate the leadership efforts to preserve and maintain the historical beauty of East as well as its academic standards.

Alumni Scholarship Program Awards 2012

The Alumni Scholarship fund, started in 1926, marks its 87th year. At the prompting of alum James E. Tracy, the fund was reactivated and reorganized in 1995 into a specific scholarship program distributing Alumni scholarships at the Senior Awards program each May to outstanding graduating seniors.



Bailey Polonsky

Awards are based on specific qualifications, recommendations, written application, and an interview. Many scholarships are funded by East alums, or a specific class in honor of a classmate, or as part of a reunion celebration. In 2012 the Class of 1961 reunion committee, donated \$8,000.00 in honor of East counselor John Auger. **These scholarships make a difference!** For some it makes attending a college possible, and for others it makes a special choice a reality.

Connor Soicher, recipient of the 2011 **Alumni and Friends Scholarship** writes: "the alumni scholarship has meant so much to me, and I am extremely grateful to have received it. It has opened opportunities to me that I once thought out of reach. Throughout high school I was drawn to the University of Oregon and their sports management program, but as an out of state student the tuition was too high. The Alumni Scholarship made it possible for me to attend my dream school, and the sports management program has been all I hoped it would be and more. As a result of this program, I may possibly intern with the New York Mets this summer. My Oregon education would

not have been possible without the help of the Alumni Scholarship, and East High School as a whole."

In May 2012, with the help and generosity of the East Angel Friends & Alumni Foundation, Thomas W. Bean Foundation, the Epstein-Smith Family, James Reece, the Saslow Family, and the Class of 1961, and 1973, **30 students received a total of \$51,000.**

Bailey Polonsky received the special \$8,000 **Alumni and Friends Scholarship**. Bailey is described as an amazing young man and an unsurpassed student. Teachers say, "he is skilled, wise and worldly — has an indefatigable work ethic, is driven by an open mind and inflamed curiosity, and has collegiate level writing skills."

In addition to his academic achievements, Bailey participated in four sports, was on the debate team for three years, and worked summers in the neurobiology lab at University of Colorado, Fitzsimons campus. Bailey has often said he, "wants to be useful to the world, to be somebody who makes a difference to the generations behind." East is betting this young man will always represent himself and East well!

To give a scholarship in your name, your family's name, or in honor of your graduating class, contact Beth Gower: mbgower44@gmail.com or 303-877-3563. We had 42 applicants this year and could only help 30. We are always seeking donations for deserving students. All donations are tax-deductible.

Obituaries 2012

ROBERT HINTON - 1942-2012

Bob and Tom Hinton were twins born 23 minutes apart. Robert passed away in December 2012. Bob and his brother played football on coach Pat Panek's teams. Both were lineman and attended the University of Colorado.

Bob coached football at Hinkley High School in Aurora from 1969-2006. He was also an assistant wrestling coach and long-time physical education teacher. The brothers won the Ben Gregory coaches award in 2007.

JERRY STEVENS - 1947-2012
Written by Maurice Mendelsohn (1957)

Jerry Stevens had a passion for

the outdoors and for life sports. His desire was to encourage others to achieve their goals and to live out their dreams. He did so by establishing the James Beckworth Outdoors Club for young black men and women. The program is similar to Outward Bound.

He was a lawyer in his professional life and an county court judge in Aurora. He was a decent man and took the scales of justice seriously. Society has lost a true human being.

At East, Jerry was a premier runner and earned All-City and All-State honors in track. In 2007, he was inducted into the East Athletic Hall of Fame.

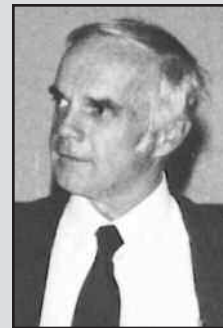
East Lost Significant Friend

JAMES E. TRACY (1932-2012)

Jim Tracy, Class of 1950, and former East principal passed away on May 14, 2012.

"Tracy," as he was known to many, was a strong and innovative leader. He was the first alum to be principal of East (1985-1990). Kids were his first priority, he even kept a small personal scholarship fund to help out East students in time of need.

Tracy's strength was not only in the academic leadership role, but in creating and innovating. He instigated the reactivation of the East Alumni Association, and the building of the Tower Museum. Jim Tracy worked for the Denver Public Schools for 37 years. To honor Jim's dedication to youth and education, contributions may be made to: East High School/ Tracy Scholarship; 1600 City Park Esplanade, Denver, CO 80206.



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.

Heritage Hall Inductees

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Wrought: The Transformation of America, 1815-1861, earned the Pulitzer Prize for History in 2008.

Reverend Leon Kelly, Class of 1971 — *Community Activist and Anti-Gang Advocate*

Kelly is an ordained minister and community leader who established Open Door Youth Gang Alternatives in 1986, Denver's oldest and most revered anti-gang program.

Kenneth Kendal King (1902-1992), Class of 1918 — *Banker, Philanthropist*

Kenneth King was a successful banker who founded Columbia Savings and Loan in 1929. He later founded the Kenneth King Foundation "to do the common thing in an uncommon way," using his wealth to help hundreds of non-profits achieve their mission.

Louise Lamphere, Ph.D., Class of 1958 — *Anthropologist, Author*

Dr. Lamphere is an Anthropology professor who filed a landmark lawsuit under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, successfully challenging gender discrimination at Brown University. As a Distinguished Professor at the University of New Mexico, she has published dozens of scholarly articles and books on Navajo culture.

William R. Pace, Class of 1964 — *International Human Rights Activist*

Bill Pace is a lifelong peace activist and educator who has organized over 250 international non-governmental organizations (NGOs) serving refugees from wars and persecution. As Executive Director of the World Federalist Movement - Institute for Global Policy, he tirelessly promotes human rights worldwide.

Ralph B. Peck (1912-2008), Class of 1930 — *Civil Engineer*

Professor Ralph Peck co-authored *Mechanics in Engineering*, the defining textbook on the subject that is still utilized worldwide. He devised the stabilization system for the Dead Sea Dike System, and was the leading civil engineer on the Alaska Pipeline.

Opalanga (Donna) Pugh (1955-2010), Class Of 1970 — *Actor, Historian, Story Teller*

Opalanga Pugh traveled the world to collect and perform hundreds of stories about African and African-American traditions, pursuing her lifelong mission to bring about hope and social change through arts and culture. She received two Denver Mayor's Awards for Excellence.

Jane Silverstein Ries (1909-2005), Class Of 1927 — *Landscape Architect*

Jane Silverstein became Colorado's first female landscape architect in 1929. She operated her own firm in Denver for more than sixty years, designing more than 1,500 landscapes. The American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA) awarded Ries the Lifetime Achievement medal in 2005.

Richard "Dick" Robinson, Class of 1947, and Edward "Eddie" Robinson, Class of 1950 — *Businessmen, Philanthropists*

The legendary Robinson brothers are fourth generation Denver natives and generous philanthropists. For fifty years they jointly ran Robinson Dairy, founded by their great-grandfather Lewis Robinson in 1885. The Robinson brothers won the Citizen of the West Award for their lifelong dedication to perpetuating the West's agricultural heritage and ideals.

Robert F. Smith, Class Of 1981 — *International Businessman, Philanthropist*

Robert is the Founder, Chairman, and CEO of Vista Equity Partners, the world's 10th largest software enterprise. Smith also launched Project Realize to finance projects to uplift young people based on the concept of "Free Market Philanthropy."

Peter Teets, Class of 1959 — *Aeronautical Engineer, CEO, Undersecretary of Air Force*

Teets is a leader in the aerospace industry who served as President of Martin Marietta, and later President and CEO of Lockheed Martin Corporation. Teets later served as Undersecretary of the U. S. Air Force from 1987-89.

East High Constitutional Scholars Proud Tradition

In May 2012 the East High Constitutional Scholars Team placed 6th in the nation in the **We The People: the Citizen and the Constitution** competition in Washington, D.C. As it is 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 legal talents to help prepare the new team.

Members of the team, past and present, consider Con Law to be one of the most difficult and time-consuming undertakings of their high school careers — and one of the most rewarding.



We are proud of all the East participants for their hard work and all those adults who encourage and help make this level of learning possible! And we are most grateful to all those who provide financial support to make this na-

tional competition a reality for East students!!

In April 2013.....

East will again represent Colorado as the **State Champions** in the National competition. The 24 member team and their coach Mark Thalhofer will leave for D.C. on April 25 and return April 30. **Twenty-four times Colorado State Champs!** For the first time, East will have to raise 100% of funds needed for the competition. If you wish to help the Constitutional Scholars Team travel to Washington, D.C. to compete, please make your tax-deductible donation **Payable to:** East High School - Constitutional Scholars; **Mail to:** Mrs. Beth Gower, East High School, 1600 City Park Esplanade, Denver, CO 80206.

Violette McCarthy's Piano Donated To East High

When East High alums gather for reunions, invariably the conversation turns to favorite teachers. One of these legends was Violette McKenzie McCarthy who came to East in the fall of 1937 and left in 1960.

Recently, one of her students donated Violette's baby grand Baldwin piano to the East High School. It has become part of the East High vocal music department and sits in the same room where Violette plied her trade for 24 years.

Grace Henniger, class of 1962, lived with Violette and assisted her in the later years. Grace Violette McCarthy helped assist students in many school projects. She touched many as a positive role model."

Her early role models were Fareeda Moorhead in vocal music and Roland Roberts in instrumental music.

Violette was well known for her



Will Taylor with Violette's piano now at East.

talents in the Denver community. She sang in community productions and was the choir director at Trinity United Methodist Church. One of her more famous students was Judy Collins ('57).

Will Taylor, East High's vocal teacher, accepted the piano on behalf of East.

in France.

In bicycling, he has bicycled the 583 mile tour of North Texas and the 508 mile tour of Death Valley. He also completed the 2,700 mile PAC tour.

He became the first man to swim across the Bering Straits from Russia to Alaska and he swam half-way around Hong Kong Island and the 20 miles around the Island of Manhattan.

Most notably, he was the first person in the world to complete the grand slam of, triathlons: double, triple, quadruple and quintuple, all in a one year period in 1991. He has climbed Mt. Kilimanjaro and Mt. McKinley and the mountains in the Antarctic.

His remarkable achievements have not gone unnoticed. He was recognized by the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports in 1992. He has inducted into the Colorado Sports Hall Of Fame as the Amateur Athlete of the Year in 1993. He was also inducted into the Senior Athletes Hall Of Fame in 1992.

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Ted Epstein Can't Just Sit Around

Theodore (Ted) Epstein (Class of 1953) has made a career of celebrating life daily through physical and artistic challenges.

While a student at East, Ted was a member of the tennis team and earned All-City honors. He has been a practicing attorney in Denver for the past 37 years.



Ted Epstein

His resume is loaded with personal achievements in running, bicycling, swimming, mountain climbing and stair climbing. Perhaps his greatest achievements have been in the area of Ultra-Distance Sports. He once ran 480 miles across Siberia in 12 days and completed a 300 mile six-day race

New Bricks And Pavers Are Installed



Bricks and pavers have just been installed for those of you who made purchases in 2012. For more information on how to purchase a brick or a paver or have any questions answered, contact Susan Bardwell at SusanBardwell@msn.com, or order at eafaf.org.

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. Report address changes to webmaster Liz Adams at webmaster@eafaf.org.

Presidents' Perspectives

MAKING IT ALL COUNT ... and how we do at East High

- **90%** of our senior class graduated in May 2012 (DPS average 59%)
- **Scholarships** — Over 30 scholarships were awarded to students continuing their post secondary education
- **Alumni Reunions** — During the summer months we hosted multiple Alumni reunions offered tours of *our historic building* and looked on as classmates searched for their *bricks and pavers* on the plaza.
- **Student Assistance Fund** — Our volunteers in the SAF office prepared to serve over **600** students in need of bus passes, books or supplies for their course work.
- **A+ Angel Mentoring program** — Identified incoming students in need of support and paired them with one of our **80** adult volunteer mentors.
- **Student and Faculty Grants** — Awarded over \$29K in 2012 benefiting programs in athletic study halls, music, theatre, speech, debate, yearbook, and library programs. Visit our website for the complete list of awards.
- The doors opened for our **2,383** students in August and we were ready.
- **Angel Packs Program** — Approximately **800** East students are on free and reduced lunch making our Angel Packs Program a vital part of our programming. This fall we have expanded this program to include a monthly food pantry open for families at East the first Saturday of the month.

With over **10,000** yearly volunteer hours we continue to work to support the mission of East High, removing economic barriers to success for every student. This is all made possible with the support of our Alumni, present families, businesses, other Foundations and our community. Thanks to these incredible partnerships we are truly making an impact on the lives of students at EAST High.

Help us continue to **MAKE EVERY STUDENT COUNT** by donating today. For more information about all our programs visit our website at eastangels.org.

Sincerely yours,
Sue Clinton and Carol McDermott
Co-Presidents

Teachers Earn Major Awards

Geisel Wins National Teacher Of The Year

Noah Geisel, East High Spanish and World Languages teacher was named the National Teacher of the Year at a ceremony in Phoenix last November. The award is Language Teacher of the Year and is given by the Council on Teaching of Foreign Languages.

Noah first won the State Teacher of the Year from the Colorado

Congress of Foreign Language Teachers. He was then chosen number one from the five regional winners.

Hanson Wins State Teacher Of The Year Honors

Amy Hanson, East High science teacher was one of five DPS teachers chosen as a state finalist. Amy's state teacher of the year award honors her excellence in teaching mathematics and science.



East High Walk-Run Supporting A+ Angels Mentoring Program At East High School

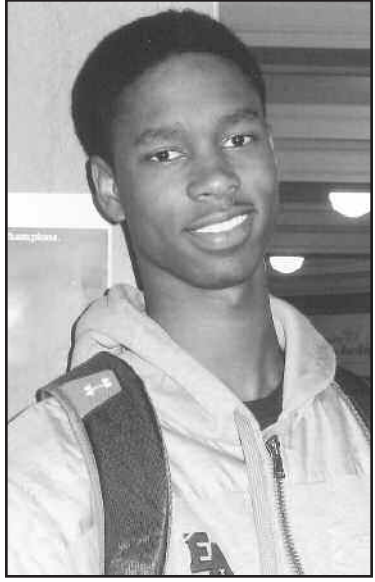
The sixth annual East High Walk/Run will be held in **City Park on Saturday, April 20, 2013**. Registration is at 8:30 a.m. at the City Park Fountain. This family event showcases talented East High School students and is organized by National Honor Society students to benefit the A+ Angels Mentor Program. A+ Angels works to close the achievement gap at EHS by pairing adult volunteers with students who struggle academically.

The Walk/Run is open to everyone: exercise enthusiasts, babies in strollers, children on roller skates, and dogs. There is no registration fee but tax-deductible donations are greatly appreciated.

All funds raised through the event will support the A+ Angels program and 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.

Leonard Davis: An Angel With A Dream

Leonard Davis is one of the more active students at East High School. He has managed to juggle a schedule of academics, basket-



Leonard Davis

ball and community involvement and is a teenager with his eye on his future.

He attended Hallet elementary and Park Hill Middle School before coming to East High School as a school of choice student. As he approaches his graduation, Leonard is considering Cornell College (Iowa) Ithaca College (NY) or the University of Northern Colorado (Greeley). He plans to major in business administration or architecture. Although he sustained a season ending knee injury in January on the eve of a potential state championship season, he would like to play collegiate basketball.

He has been a member of the Project Greer Street program, a separate 501 c3 organization, run by Ronald Sally at East. The program is geared toward the advancement of African American students and has a goal of seeing every student attend a four year

university. Leonard has been honored by Project Greer as one of its most promising students. "The highlight of my experience with Project Greer is that I was chosen to give the opening speech at the Colorado Business Hall of Fame ceremony during my junior year."

Attending East has made an impact on this young man. "The halls of East are amazing. I can connect on so many different levels with students of all varieties and to be mentored by some fantastic adults. Ron Sally has helped me focus on being accepted to a college. Activities Director Tee MacDonald has helped me grow as a social being and basketball coach Rudy Carey has pushed me to achieve at a high level in athletics. Diversity is a trademark of East High School and will help me adjust to new surroundings next fall."

The EAFAF wishes Leonard all the best!

The Class Of 1952 Recalls Happy Times At East

by Lynn Hoover

Has it really been 60 years, Gladys? Yes, Fred, it has been 60 years since we graduated from East High School. To celebrate our time at East, 110 of our classmates attended the 60th reunion held September 8-9, 2012.

The festivities commenced on a beautiful Saturday afternoon at the Denver Country Club with a reconnecting and greeting reception on the club verandah followed by a lavish luncheon buffet with wine served in the dining room.

Richard Nelson, chair of Alumni Relations Committee, gave a great presentation of the past, present, and future of our grand alma mater. Following lunch, we met at East High where Richard led us on a tour. We viewed the new gymnasium, the Athletic Hall of Fame, the Alumni Heritage Hall, the beautiful library and the tower museum. Oh such memories!

On Sunday we met at the Fresh

Fish Company for a champagne brunch. Fifty-two of us were in attendance. It was a gala gathering with those present sharing memories and reminiscing about our fantastic experiences at East.

Gary Friedland (MD) attended each of the events and took pictures of attendees and produced CDs, which were then mailed to attending classmates.

East High School has maintained its architectural charm. The main entry has been beautifully renovated and includes commemorative bricks and pavers purchased by individuals and past classes.

We were pleased to be able to give a gift of \$2,500 to the East Angel Friends & Alumni Foundation to be used for student programs and historical preservation.

What a wonderful occasion it was for us to reconnect once again. Our best wishes go out to the East High faculty and administration for our school's continued success.



Thirty years ago, the 1983 East High Girls' Soccer Team captured the first ever girls' state title in any sport. Kathy Hathaway's goal led the Angels to a 1-0 win in the championship game. Row 1: Cheri Boyd, Kathy Hathaway, Joelle Selkin, Heidi Schmidt, Susan Engels, Laura Goldin, Laura Mangus, Holly Hoskins. Row 2: Cindy Atwood, Stacy Rocchio, Kim Carey, Anna Hill, Shannon Nagle, Tara Scott. Row 3: Mary Bolin, Lori Swanson, Cary Lyford, Christine Walravens, Jill Chipman, Sheila MacDonald, Shanta Dawson.

2013 REUNION DATES

CLASS OF 1943

Wednesday, May 8

Contact: Shirley Johnson
303-696-9344

CLASS OF 1953

September 6-8

East Tour September 7
Contact: Claudia Hill
ClaudiaH@central.com

CLASS OF 1963

September 13-15

East Tour September 14
Contact: Judy Ehrlich
CRICKEY13@aol.com

CLASS OF 1973

August 9-11

East Tour August 10
Contact: Bill Smith
bill@contractsalescompany.com

CLASS OF 1983

August 2-4

East Tour August 3
Contact: Traci Groff Jones
t2jones@msn.com

EAST HIGH PROFILE 2012-2013

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT
2,383 (4 Grades)

ETHNICITY:
Anglo 45.0%
African American 24.2%
Hispanic 23.2%
Asian 2.0%
Multiple Races 5.0%

STAFF NUMBERS
Administration 6
Full-/Part-time teachers 194
Counselors 7
Tech specialists 2
Librarian 1
Social Worker 1
School Nurse 1
Secretaries 9
Paraprofessionals 17

ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES 22

GRADUATES:
CLASS OF 2012 90%

GRADUATES ACCEPTED FOR COLLEGE 86%

NATIONAL MERIT FINALISTS 2

STUDENTS ON FREE LUNCH 36%

East High Theater Department
Presents:

The 2013 All-School Production

THE BEAUTY AND THE BEAST

March 14-17, 2013

In The East Auditorium
Night Productions (14-16) 7 p.m.
Sunday Matinee (17th) 2 p.m.

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At The Door Or By Calling
The Director:
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Please visit our newly remodeled and improved School Spirit Store located on the second floor in between the Treasurer and Main Office.

We have a great selection of hoodies, sweats, t-shirts and various other items for you, your favorite East student, your Future Angel or Alumni!

We are open every school day during lunch and after school until 3:30 p.m. and accept cash, checks (payable to East PTSA) or credit cards.

If you have any questions, suggestions or would like to volunteer in our school store, please email easchoolstore@gmail.com or call 720-423-8316.

We look forward to your visit!



Alex Krause with the Arapahoe School bell at East.

Alex Krause Earns Eagle Scout Honors

Alex Krause is truly living out the words of the East High Creed written in 1925: "...by serving others, I shall be a true citizen of East High and of my country." This young junior at East recently achieved the milestone of Eagle Scout of the Boy Scouts of America.

As part of his requirements of service Alex decided to give back to East High. He took on the project of beautifying the Arapahoe School bell located in the south lawn. He gave the pedestal a fresh coat of paint. The award of the Eagle Scout badge is the culmination of a nine-year process. He is a member of troop 199 out of Washington Park.

The bell is perhaps the oldest artifact at East left over from its history. Arapahoe School, located at 1735 Arapahoe Street was the first high school in the city of Denver and would be the first of three school buildings to house the East

High Angels.

The school opened in 1874 and lasted only until 1881 when the property was sold. The Angels moved into the new building (Old East) at 20th and Stout. The bell was taken from the Arapahoe School and put on display in the courtyard of Old East. When New East opened its doors in the fall of 1925, the bell was brought to Colfax and placed in the south lawn area.

Alexander has been active at in East in the Theater Company both as an actor and a techie. He has aspirations of attending either Marymount Manhattan in New York or Hampshire College in Amherst, Massachusetts and double majoring in theater and finance.

The EAFAF congratulates Alex in his achievement and thanks him for his service to their alma mater and wishes him the best in college.

East Junior Wins First Cross Country Title For East

Cerake Geberkidane has one goal in mind: to run in the Olympic Games and represent the USA. Only a junior in high school, he has already begun the process to recognize that dream.

This fall Cerake made history as an East High Athlete. He won first place in the Colorado state cross-country championship. He became the first Angel to achieve that feat.

East has had a history of doing well in cross country, winning five state team championships. But no Angel runner has ever

crossed the finish line in first place. He gives special thanks to his father who pushed him to run and would take him to several marathons.

Cerake also played soccer at East and was a member of the 2011 state championship team. He considers his brother Ashi (All State Soccer) as his main competition, running against him every day. Ahi placed third in the state meet last fall.

Brown University has expressed an interest in Cerake for running and his academic record.

East Alums Honored For Their Work With Diversity

When Jo Katherine Holliman ('56) and Jerome Page ('53) attended East, the number of African-American students was small. "We received a good education and we loved East, but it was often a struggle to fit in as a minority, Jo Katherine remarked.

The two were recently honored at the Martin Luther King assembly for their contributions to diversity in the community and for the fact that they donated over 200 books on African American history to East.

"Since East is even much more integrated now with a larger population of African American students and a growing Latino population and a smattering of Asian and Native American students, it is important to continue to work on goals of diversity and inclusivity." To that end, Jo Katherine and Jerome are calling on other East alums to support the programs of the Diversity & Inclusivity Committee, headed up by Christine Miller, the School-Community Partners liaison.

One way to be involved as an alum is to contact Christine at 720-423-8300. On April 11, Jo Katherine and Jerome will be formally recognized in an event to foster cooperation between the school and community to build bridges among groups and to create a common goal of success for all students.



Jo Katherine Holliman ('56) poses with East social studies teacher Wherda Utsey at the Martin Luther King assembly.