



Spotlight

East Angel Friends & Alumni Foundation

January 2015

Groundbreaking For New Rec Center To Begin In 2015

Groundbreaking may start as early as January 2015, on the newly proposed recreational center to be built adjacent to the East High School site.

The facility will be named the **Central Denver Recreation Center** and located at Colfax and Josephine streets. According to designer Craig Bouck of Rinker Seacat Architecture there are many options still being considered but considerable progress has been made to create what will be the first urban rec center in the state.

The center will be built on 2.6 acres and preliminary plans call for a basement level 8-10 lane, 25-yard swimming pool with three-lap lanes and a diving board. The plans would also include a gym that can be divided into two high school-size basketball courts. A running track would also be built on the second level of the structure. Room would also be built to cater to special events and some of the land on the northwest corner could be open to future development.

Earlier the land was occupied by a Safeway store and then later the Church in the City. The city purchased all that land and also the smaller parcel on the southwest corner where a gas station once stood. Currently the location

is the site of a very popular dog run, where locals have been able to use it to exercise their pets.

Bouck said that the \$18.2 million dollar project will be a challenging budget and that certain modifications will probably be necessary to stay within budget. One item already dropped from the plan was the once proposed parking structure to go along with the building. Parking will be one of the major concerns as plans progress. Another

item dropped was solar heating.

Such a center would provide significant benefit to East High School. First it would be a great compliment to the improvements already made on the campus such as the new all-weather surface field, and the new plaza renovation. Most importantly, it would be a great asset to East, as plans call for East to be able to use the center for swim classes and team swimming practices and team



The site is currently the location of a popular dog park.



Future site of the Central Denver Recreation Center.

swim meets.

For the first time since the school opened in 1925, East High School would finally have a home pool. When swimming was introduced in 1925, East's home pool was

Morey Junior High. Later when GW opened (1960) the Angels called the Patriot pool their home base and then they switched to the Manual site when the Thunderdome was opened.

Photo Collage Showcases East High's Architectural Grandeur



A view of Denver High School ("Old" East High School) at 19th and Stout Streets in Denver, depicts Robert Roeschlaub's grand Romanesque structure with a horse and buggy nearby. The photo was taken in 1893 by William Henry Jackson, the premier 19th century photographer of the American West.

A new collection of both historic and contemporary images captures the grandeur of East High architecture yesterday and today. On display in the newly remodeled Social Room, the photographs depict the architectural highlights of the elegant interiors and exteriors of East's buildings.

The historic photographs were selected from the archives in the East Tower Museum, as well as the Denver Public Library/Western History Department. The collection includes several iconic images taken by noted Colorado photographers William Henry Jackson (1843-1942) and Louis Charles McClure (1867-1957).

Professional Denver photographer Karen Trenchard produced the contemporary images, which blend artfully with the historic photos to create a sense of the continuity between "then" and "now." East High School has been a favorite subject for Karen's photography, for its splendid architecture and history. In addition, Karen has a personal connection, as her mother and two uncles were graduates of East High, back in the 1930s.

The photo collage is a project of the Alumni Relations and History Committee of the East Angel Friends & Alumni Foundation, which generously funded the display.

The Denver community has long

revered East High School buildings as magnificent architectural landmarks. Denver's first schoolhouse (erected c. 1874 on 17th and Arapahoe Streets) was replaced by a grand Romanesque edifice at 19th and Stout, designed by early Denver's gifted school architect Robert

Grammy Winning Jazz Guitarist Returns To East

by Beth Woodward

Alums, students and friends of East High School have an opportunity to see one of the great jazz guitarists in the world with the appearance of East alum and Heritage Hall Inductee Bill Frisell on January 21, 2015.

Bill, who graduated from East in 1969, is in town to promote his new album "Guitar in the Space Age!" East High has a special place in Bill's heart, and he specifically asked that the East auditorium be used as a venue on his U.S. tour.

A portion of his proceeds will benefit the East High Music Scholarship Fund. Bill is also setting aside some time before the concert to rehearse in front of the jazz band, and will have a Q and A with them, as well.

"I thought he played the clarinet," many of his fellow students said when he debuted on guitar in the All School Show in Spring 1968. He and his band played "Bumpin' on Sunset" by Wes Montgomery, and many of us were awed.



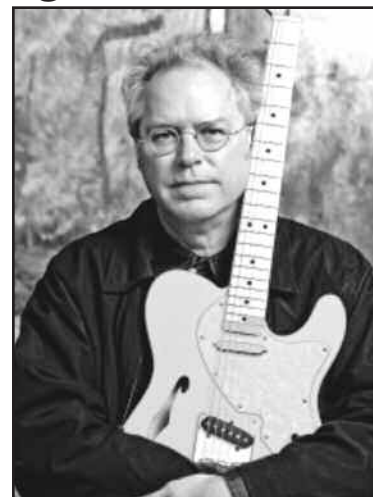
Photo credits: East High School archives and Denver Public Library/Western History Department

Interior view of East High School's Front Hall in the 1920s, highlights coffered ceilings, brass banisters, and classical sculptures. The sculptures originally lived in the "Old East" building and were transferred to New East when it opened in 1925. Their disappearance in more recent decades remains an unsolved mystery.

Roeschlaub in 1880.

The present day structure replaced "old East" in 1925, after the school district embarked on a major expansion of high school buildings throughout the city. Master architect and East High graduate George Williamson in-

corporated the Georgian architectural style reminiscent of Independence Hall in Philadelphia into his design, which has stood the test of time. The historic building has been officially designated as both a National and Denver Landmark.



Bill Frisell

Through Teller, Gove and East, Bill had been a member of the band and orchestra. We knew Bill had talent, and he would continue to astonish us by taking his music to new and greater stratospheres. He consistently gives credit to Vince Tagliavore, the orchestra and band teacher at East High, who told him he might like the guitar.

To see Bill in concert is a wonderful experience. To realize that he is a Grammy award-winning artist is another thing. He is consistently named "Guitarist of the Year" by *Downbeat Magazine's* Critics Poll, and he has accumulated awards too numerous to mention.

He will be joined by Greg Leisz, on pedal steel and electric guitar, Tony Scherr on bass and acoustic guitar, and Kenny Wollesen doing triple time on drums, percussion and vibes. The sponsors of this concert are Dazzle Jazz and the Colorado Conservatory for the Jazz Arts.

Tickets are \$28 for adults and \$20 for students; at the door, tickets will be \$32. Tickets can only be purchased at ticketfly.com.

Please join us on January 21. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., with the concert at 7:30 p.m. Tours of the East High Museum and Heritage Hall will be available at 6:30 p.m. Please join us for a memorable night, a showcase for what it means to be an East High Angel.

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President's Message

East Angels. They are everywhere! Since the fall of 2009, when my daughter started her freshman year at East, I seem to meet Angels at every turn. They are from all walks of life — among them business leaders, political figures, friends and neighbors. To a person, they speak fondly of their time at East.

I am inspired by the notion that the character and quality of an education from East is more than a diploma — it is a life changing experience. Without a doubt, East High School plays an integral part in the fabric of our Denver community.

I am proud to oversee a Foundation that is supporting all students at East and is committed to continuing the school's tradition of educational excellence. We truly have a bright future. As we continue to serve all students in the coming year, we hope to focus on ways to improve our organization. We must:

1. Improve our messaging and communication: We will work to engage our parents, alumni and wider community so they clearly understand our mission and how they can best support East.

2. Enhance our outreach and service to alumni: We will focus on how to better reach and engage our alumni.

3. Advance our internal data management processes: We are fortunate to have a large amount of information regarding our alumni and donors. We will improve our internal processes so that we can manage our data more effectively and use it to achieve our mission of supporting East in every way possible.

Achieving these goals goes hand-in-hand with our ongoing commitment to our programs that benefit a broad cross section of East students, faculty and alumni. For more information about our programs, please visit www.eafaf.org.

Over the last 12 months we went above and beyond our regular programming and mounted a capital campaign to renovate the East Counseling Center. Our goal was to ensure that our students have a top-of-the-line space where they can access resources to pursue post secondary education and careers. The renovation of the space dramatically improved the environment for students and counselors. Our thanks go out to all who were involved with the fundraising and design campaign.

Looking ahead, I believe the work of the Foundation will never be done. But with our strong Angel community we will continue to see great things happen at East.

Sincerely,

Liz Adams
Foundation President

East Inaugurates The College Counseling Center

Two years ago, then-new principal Andy Mendelsberg expressed a big wish to the East Angel Friends and Alumni Foundation ("EAFAF"). "When you stand in the hallway out in front of the administrative offices, you're at the very heart of the school. There are lots of things that you see that echo the school's heritage. I want something that's fresh and new and speaks to the students of their future."

With these instructions and under the guidance of Co-Presidents Carol McDermott and Sue Clinton, the EAFAF board approved the funds necessary to explore the feasibility and potential cost of such a renovation. East's college and guidance counseling services were then housed at the end of that hallway in cramped quarters. Unimproved for more than 40 years and divided by a classroom, there was a tremendous opportunity to do something that would literally benefit every student during every year that they attend East.

In October 2013, Julie Bock, Mark Berzins and Ann Reidy commenced fundraising for the half million dollar endeavor. Marcy and Bruce Benson paid a visit to the existing space and shortly thereafter committed to a substantial challenge gift which gave the project life.

Architect Mark Hoskin, Georgianna Forbes and Julie Bock formed the design coordination com-



mittee and worked with DPS to have the renovation ready to launch the day school adjourned for the summer. While the overall objective of the design was to create a great, light-filled contemporary work and meeting spaces for students and faculty alike, it was critical that the center felt like it belonged to East.

The arched entryway, millwork on doors and windows, reception desk designed after the library circulation desk and the harlequin pattern of the carpet are all salutes to the building's original architecture. These details combine with many shots of red throughout the center to declare this as angel territory to all who enter.

Alumni Scholarship Awards 2014

Started in 1926, awards are based on specific qualifications, recommendations, written application, and an interview. Since 2011, and the creation of the East Angel Friends & Alumni Foundation, 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 2014, with the generosity of the East Angel Friends & Alumni Foundation, Thomas W. Bean Foundation, the Epstein-Smith Family, James Reece, (1960) and the Matthew Tapper family, 21 students received a total of \$45,000.

Jeremy Snyder received the special \$6,000 Alumni and Friends Scholarship. East teachers describe Jeremy as, "intelligent, quick minded, independently motivated, and persistent, with dynamic leadership skills and a thirst for knowledge. On a personal level, Jeremy is thoughtful, organized, well regarded, kind and funny. He is a young man concerned about positively impacting the world."

Jeremy is strong in all academic areas with an extra passion for, and achievement with the East forensics team and the Constitutional Scholars team.

When asked about the value of his East High education: "I was initially attracted to East for the diversity of students and the unique array of academic and extracurricular activities it housed. It seemed East would offer a far more



Jeremy Snyder

realistic and holistic exposure to the world than my earlier education — and it did! I had many great classes and memorable teachers but the most lasting impacts of my East education flow from clubs and teams that I had access to as an Angel. My engagement in East's speech and debate program and my participation in the Con Law team have given me what I believe to be the distinguishing factor in separating an East education from all others. The debate team provided me with good skills — speed of thought, depth of reasoning and an improved ability to communicate. As great as the benefits of debate were, nothing delivered such valuable skills and knowledge as my year with the Constitutional Scholars team. All of the aspects of

the Con Law experience represent permanent changes to one's sense of what is possible, the extent of ones own power to achieve."

Jeremy is the first EAFAF scholarship recipient to request and be granted a "gap year" before starting college. Jeremy has been traveling and working this year, prior to enrolling in Pomona College, Fall 2015. (He was accepted Spring 2014) Fall 2014 he worked for room and board on a series of farms in Spain and Portugal, and after the holidays will be in Costa Rica doing community service. East is proud!

Other EAFAF scholarship recipients: Hannah Berman, Christal Benjamin, Hannah Bland, Jessica Chavez, Sequoyah Copeland-Doyle, Michael Crawford, Garrett Flageolle, Gretchen Frank, Guadalupe Gonzalez-Cervantes, Nyree Henderson-Hayes, Rachel Hendricks, Misti Hogley, Collin MacMillan, Alejandra Martinez, Connor Messer, Ta'Neijah Mooty, Karina Orellana, Jordynn Pernell, Jazmin Rodriguez, Rahel Tilhun.

In addition to the EAFAF Scholarships, seven other scholarships were awarded. Two students received a James E. Tracy scholarship, a scholarship established by family and friends of former East principal and alum James E. Tracy. And five students, Con Law Team participants, received scholarships in honor of former Con Law student Emily L. Saslow. "Tracy" recipients were Daniel Garcia and Angel Oaxaca. Sarah DeMouly, Claire Howard, Grace McCabe, Austin McCleery and Megan Woody received Emily L. Saslow awards.

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 or Cissy Nuances: cissynuanes@gmail.com or 303-564-7178.

We are always seeking tax-deductible donations for deserving students! These scholarships make a difference!

Traci Groff Assumes Role Of Alumni/History Director

Traci Groff Jones, class of 1983, has been named the new chairperson of the East High Foundation Alumni committee. She will oversee all projects concerning alumni communications, which includes the publication of the alumni newspaper and Internet communications. She will also oversee history projects that involve such programs as scholarships, the Heritage Hall of Fame and the East High Museum.

Recalling her days at East, Traci hopes to rally the East community and the East alumni to continue to focus on special problems that need addressing at East. "This is the way we keep East High School great. I am hoping that we can find a way to better reach out to all East graduates. While the newest graduates won't have the time or resources to support EAFAF, we still want to make sure that we keep track of them. For those Angels who are a little older, we need to continue to tap into their time and expertise. It is essential that we keep an updated and growing database."

The Groff family established its name at East in very special ways. Traci is the daughter of former Colorado senator Regis Groff and the sister of Colorado senator Peter Groff. It is clear that Traci was raised in a household where the concepts of learning and active involvement and service were stressed. Traci has not had to take a back seat to anyone in her family.

While at East, she was on the student council, the national honor society, the *East High Spotlight* and the cheerleading squad. She has fond memories of her experiences at East and especially recalls



Traci Groff Jones

the many teachers who impacted her life.

Traci attended Park Hill Elementary and then moved on to Gove Middle School before coming to East. Upon graduation in 1983, Traci attended Pomona University and graduated with a B.A. in psychology.

Traci has become a successful writer for youth. Her novel, *Standing Against the Wind*, won the 2007 Coretta Scott King/John Steptoe New Talent Award. Her second book, *Finding My Place* (2010), is set in Colorado in the 1970s. This was the period of Traci's own adolescence at Gove Middle School in the tumultuous aftermath of court-ordered busing desegregation. In 2011, Traci's third book, *Silhouetted by the Blue*, was published.

"People ask if I will ever write for older kids. I love writing for young teens. It is such a hectic, wonderful, turbulent time in life. That period of time is full of promise and full of misery. It is truly a time to laugh while crying."

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.

'Barbie Doll' Creator Became A Business Phenom

From an early age, Ruth Mosko Handler (Class of 1934), felt the need to never be dependent on anyone. She would use her fierce independence and ambitious work ethic to become one of America's most successful businesswomen and she would help redefine what it meant to be in the American workforce.

Recently, the East High museum has come into possession of Ruth Handler's book, *Dream Doll: The Ruth Handler Story*, co-authored with Jacqueline Shannon and published in 1992. The book follows the rollercoaster life story of a business genius, the founding of Mattel Inc., the creation of the "Barbie" doll and a crusader for breast cancer survivors.

Ruth was born November 4,

1916, to Polish immigrants. She was the last and 10th child of Jacob and Ida Mosko. Ruth grew up largely in the care of her older sister Sarah Greenwald, and her brother-in-law Louie Greenwald. She worked in their lunch counter named Greenwald's Soda Fountain. She also worked in Louie's law office, all while attending East High School.

She would graduate from East in 1934 and would eventually marry her hometown sweetheart Elliott Handler. Together they would create one of the signature corporations of the modern American culture, Mattel Inc. They became known as "the whiz kids of the toy industry."

In 1956, Ruth came up with the idea for the Barbie Doll and would



Elliott Handler, left, and Ruth Mosko Handler pose with Walt Disney.

John Lounsbery: One Of Disney's 'Nine Old Men'

John Lounsbery had his own special way of looking at things. He would turn a natural talent of drawing into a fascinating and rewarding career. He would become one of Walt Disney's original animators, and become known as one of Disney's "Nine Old Men."

Born in Cincinnati, Ohio in 1911, John moved with his family to

Denver and graduated from East High School in 1930. He was the art editor of the yearbook in his senior year. After graduation, he enrolled in the Art Institute of Denver where he received a diploma in 1932. He moved to Los Angeles and while studying at the Art Center School of Design, he would turn his gift of illustration into a lifelong work.

His break came during an interview with the Walt Disney Corporation. In 1935, he joined the Disney animation team and became an assistant animator. Very soon he would become the director of several well-known "blockbuster" animation films, such as *Dumbo*, *Song of the South*, *Alice in Wonderland*, *Peter Pan*, *Lady and the Tramp*, *Sleeping Beauty*, *The Sword in the Stone*, *The Jungle Book*, *Robin Hood*, *Cinderella*, *Pinocchio* and *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs*. All in all, he would be one of the lead animators in 20 major Disney productions.

In their book *Disney Animation: The Illusion of Life*, fellow anima-



John Lounsbery



champion and lead the creation of what would become one of history's bestselling toys of all time. She would eventually become president of Mattel and would start collecting many accolades and awards for her business acumen and her many philanthropic endeavors. In 1971, she was named as one of the Outstanding Women in America by *Ladies Home Journal*. She would be inducted into the Business Hall of Fame in 1997.

In the early 1970s, Ruth was diagnosed with breast cancer and would eventually undergo a mastectomy. This experience would inspire her to create a new type of breast prosthesis to be called the "Nearly Me." She worked tirelessly to market a product that would reduce the shame and stigma that many women felt.

She died on April 27, 2002, due to complications during surgery. *The New York Times* once said of her, "Ruth is a one-woman sales-merchandising-promotion-administrative force, a sort of industrial Orson Welles."

tors had this to say: "John Lounsbery could take a bad situation and make some funny observation through his drawings to lighten the situation."

When asked what his favorite animation creations were, he responded, "Ben Ali the dancing alligator in *Fantasia*, *Pinocchio*, *Dumbo* and Tony the cook from *Lady and the Tramp*. I have always been shy by nature, but my animation friends are not. I hope my characters will always be fun to watch."

At the time of his death on February 13, 1976, John Lounsbery was still giving Disney his all as one of the directors of the animated movie, *The Rescuers*.

He was named a Disney Legend in 1989.

Early African-American Students Honor Lincoln

Among the many interesting items in the East tower museum is a portrait of Abraham Lincoln, which hangs on the wall as you enter the tower staircase. It is not surprising to find a portrait of Lincoln in a school, but the plaque attached to the portrait tells an interesting story of early East High history.

The inscription on the plaque reads: "Presented to Denver High School (District No. 1) on Lincoln's birthday, 1897, by the colored students of East High School," and then the graduates are listed: Ida Childs-Clark (1889), Rosetta Sides (1890), Beatrice Thompson (1891), Carrie Reed, (1895), and Julius Fields (1896).

The portrait was part of a number of artifacts sent over to the new East High School in 1925 when old Denver East Side High School was closed on 20th and Stout. It is an interesting bit of East history identifying the fact that African-American students were attending East almost from the beginning.

When gold was discovered in Colorado in 1858, a number of Americans moved from the East to try their fortunes in Colorado.

The Exchange Ship Carried A Prominent East Alum

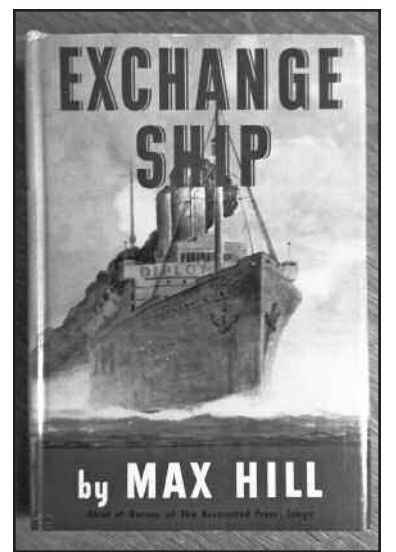
Thanks to Edith Pickens, granddaughter of Roscoe Hill and niece to Max Hill, the East High Museum is now the home of her uncle's wartime experiences in Japan, which are recollected in his book *The Exchange Ship*.

East High students growing up in the 1940s faced serious events. Among them were the bombing of Pearl Harbor, America's entry into WWII, the daily radio accounts of the bloody fighting in European and Asian theaters and stories of death camps and prisoners of war.

Max Hill, (Class of 1930) and son of legendary East High Principal, Roscoe Hill (1922-1944), had been assigned as an Associated Press journalist and was stationed in Tokyo when Pearl Harbor was attacked. He would be a prisoner of war in Japan for 18 months and eventually returned to the United States via the Gripshom Exchange Ship.

The Gripshom Exchange ship was part of the Swedish-American cruise line and was decommissioned during the war to a repatriation ship and used to exchange prisoners of war, diplomats and women and children living in Japan. This "mercy ship" made 33 voyages across mine-laden and submarine infested waters in order to return "foreigners" to their homes.

When Max returned, he wrote his book, a first-hand accounting of the treatment of prisoners in



Japan. His main point was that prior to Japan's militarization, Americans had a great working relationship with the Japanese people. In fact, Max would return to Japan after the war as an AP reporter to be part of the reconstruction.

According to his niece, Edith, Max was looked upon as a kind of Edward R. Murrow, as he would air Sunday night broadcasts. He said, "the saddest thing about the ordeal is that people could move from being friends one day to being enemies the next."

Max would die at the age of 46 on October 17, 1949. The physical and emotional abuse at the hand of his captors probably contributed to his early demise.

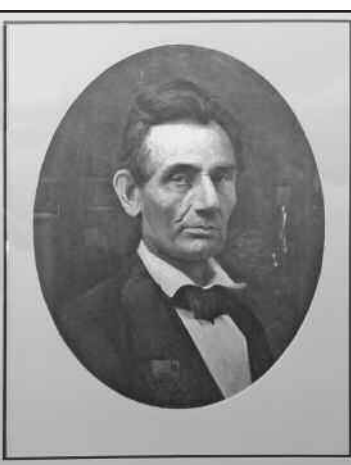
'S'long, Dad, I'm Off for Japan'



MAX HILL, SON OF ROSCOE C. HILL, East's principal, stopped off in Denver on his way to a new position with the A.P. in Tokyo, Japan.

Photo by Morris Engle

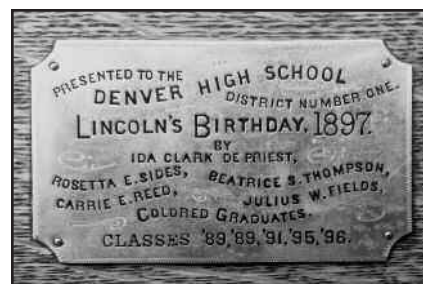
Assignment in Far East



Ida Clark

20,758, among them were 897 African-Americans. They became cowboys, businessmen, miners and farmers.

Things changed in the 1920s when the Ku Klux Klan controlled public policy and "red-lining" of neighbors led to de facto segregation. East was basically white for about four decades when the Fair Housing Act of 1959 and the civil rights movement led to natural integration. Diversity has been part of East's history from the beginning when Denver was young.



Athletic Hall Induction Ceremony Honors 23 New Members

The historic "old gym" at East High School was the scene of the fifth Athletic Hall of Fame induction ceremony held on October 11, 2014. Nearly 300 people attended to honor the 23 individual athletes and five past state championship teams recognized.

The hall, which was created in 2007, has as its main purpose to honor the greatest athletes from East's 140-year history. All-State recognition has been the main criteria for selection. This qualifies some 550 male and female athletes. To date, 221 male and female athletes have been enshrined.

The keynote speakers for the year's ceremony were Roger Kinney, a baseball player from the class of 1955, and Lori Thomas a basketball and tennis star from the class of 1977. Both talked about the dedication of the coaches they played under, the pride of wearing the red and white colors and the honor of representing East. Roger would become well known for his community efforts in bringing major league baseball to Denver and Lori would go on to star athletically at Jackson State University and eventually be inducted into the Jackson State Athletic Hall of Fame.

For the first time, the committee decided to honor past championship teams. Five beautiful plaques will be mounted on a wall which



will be known as "Championship Hall." This will be quite an undertaking since East has won 103 state titles in various men's and women's sports.

This year's teams were:

BASKETBALL 1964 — This team led by Chuck Williams, Dave Babbs and J.R. Craig ran away with the city title and set an all time scoring state record beating Pueblo Central 102-83.

BOYS TRACK 1964 — Under coach Jack Moulton's leadership, the Angels completely outclassed the field at the state meet. The Angels were led by Art Levy, Steve Dertinger, Tarry Harrison, and Dave and Jerry Stevens.

GIRLS TRACK 1994 — This

would be the first Angel girls track team to win state. Stars were Andrea Bush, Patricia Pyles, Goldie Sellers, Felicia Williams and Kelly Delph.

BASEBALL 1994 — Led by Coach Tom Severtson and star players Jayson Peterson, Andre Champagne, Garrett Knapp and Andrew Cleveland, the Angels won the school's second state title.

SOCCER 1994 — This would be the first of what would be three state soccer titles. Coaching the Angels was Tee MacDonald. The team was led by John Kolt, Brendan Greene and Justin Miller.

To view the entire list of inductees go to eastangelfriends.org.



THE CLASS OF 2014

1910 HOMER GRIFFIN
1926 ROSS BROWN
1937 BILLY LEWIS
1945 BOB FREDERIC
1948 FRANK VAN METER
1950 HARRY TAGGART
1953 TED EPSTEIN
1955 ROGER KINNEY
1957 JERRY LANE
1965 LEE OMOHUNDRO
1965 BRENT NEWTON

1969 FELTON JOHNSON
1970 KENNETH AUSBIE
1971 GEORGE SPELIOTES
1977 JAMES RICHARDSON
1977 LORI THOMAS
1982 MICAELE MOORE
1984 KATHY HATHAWAY
1995 SUSAN GIVENS
2005 AMY FREEDMAN
2007 GILLIAN WINBOURN
2007 ANDREW LAY
2008 JAMIKO VERNER

Seeking Nominations

East Alums are encouraged to nominate candidates for either or both the Alumni Heritage Hall and/or the Athletic Hall of Fame. It is always beneficial for the potential candidate to receive supporting letters.

ALUMNI HERITAGE HALL

This award is based on distinguished achievement in one's chosen profession.

Requirements:

- Candidate must be East graduate. Please include year of graduation.
- Documentation of distinguished achievement, including awards and honors.
- Provide contact information for nominator and nominee.

Send to:

Marcia Goldstein: marciagold@msn.com or mail to 1586 Steele St., Denver 80206.

ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

This award is based on the achievements earned by an athlete while he/she was attending East High School.

Requirements:

- Candidate must be East graduate. Please include year of graduation.
- Documentation of achievement (i.e) all-city, all-state, all-metro or all-American honors.
- Provide contact information for nominator and nominee.

Send to:

Richard Nelson: dick_n_jan@yahoo.com or mail to Richard, 112 S. Eaton Ct., Lakewood 80226.

To see the list of past inductees in both Halls, go to eastangelfriends.org and click on Alumni.

East High Constitutional Scholars 'We the People ... The Citizen And The Constitution'

EAST HIGH RECAPTURES STATE TITLE!!

In April 2015 East will once again be representing Colorado in the National "We the People" competition. This year's determined and hard working 23 member team beat Cherry Creek's Grandview High School to reclaim the State Championship. East will participate for the 25th time as State Champions. In the 28 year history of the program East has lost the State title only twice — 2002 and 2014.

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 Law 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!

If you wish to help the 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.**

What's Happening At East

Speech Team Excels At Nationals

The East High speech team was ranked 16th at the national speech tournament in Kansas City this past summer. 3897 students representing all 50 states were in competition.

East-Manual Academy Scrubbed

The much talked about East-Manual partnership has been dropped. The proposal would have led to a 9th grade academy at Manual.

East principal, Andy Mendelsberg said, "We continue to be open to new ways East might enter into a relationship with our friends at Manual."

East High School Given Blue Distinction

For the second year in a row, East High School has earned Blue Distinction based on their excellent academic record.

East Athletic Teams Win Big

Both the girls and boys athletic teams were successful in capturing city titles during the 2013-2014 school year.

The boys won DPS crowns in:

Basketball, Baseball, Track, Swimming, Tennis, Cross Country.

The girls won the following titles: Gymnastics, Golf, Tennis, Basketball, Track.

During the fall 2014 season titles in Tennis, Golf and Cross Country were won by the boys.

Angels Capture 2014 State Basketball Title

Led by perennial All-Stars Dominique Collier, Ronnie Harrell and Javon Griffin, East won the state title this past March. The title gives the Angels 11 team championships in basketball and ties them with Manual with the most state basketball championships in Colorado.

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CLASS OF 1965
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