

50th Anniversary Committee Meeting Notes
October 8, 2008

Present: Marilee Rogers, Mike Dibley, Robin Moller, Jeannie Perry, Tom Malvino, Becky Reed, Veronica Tunucci, Cindy Brown, Eladia Laines, Nancy Mandle, Nancy Neu

Nancy Neu

Robin, Eladia, Cindy, & Marilee met with her at 7, as she had to go to another meeting at 7:30.

Staff is excited. They understand this is a Redwood community event, not an alumni event. Mike Dibley, Karen Barrett, and Deb Bendenelli are key staff connections.

Wants Louse Aliano to develop ways to involve the students: history project, storytelling. Sylvia Jones—writing project. Tom Kaun? Tom Sievertson?

RHS Foundation is a very small group right now. Courtney Marshall, Katherine Way may get involved in the 50th. Nancy thinks the Fdn will financially support it.

Party—Marinda Lobos wants to work on it.

Fundraising—go to the community. CM Town Band, CM Community Fdn.

Athletic Hall of Fame: Mike Dibley.

On 10/21 the Board of Trustees is expected to endorse and approve this. Plans to announce the first inductees at Homecoming on Nov. 1. Inductees to include players, coaches, and special contributors. This will be one of the anchor events for the anniversary weekend, with the induction banquet on Thursday, April 23.

Promotion:

Need to develop a unifying graphic presence—use the same logo for all events, publicize them as a group. Need to do a save-the-date mailing SOON. Request reply (on website) to get an idea of the number of people interested. Use the Alumni Directory list, and current RHS families. Check to see class of 07 is included. Ask for volunteers—they will help swell the crowd. Email should also be sent from RHS itself, promoting/endorsing the events.

Website:

Jeff Slavitz will create and maintain. Paypal?

Treasurer: Veronica Tunucci

Working on a grant application to the TUHSD board. Will talk to the RHSF and see how to proceed.

Need someone to work on solicitations.

Friday night plans: Nancy Mandl

The first four classes plan to have a reunion at Embassy Suites. Have contracted with Great Reunions to manage it, and so will return the Suites deposit to the Foundation. Other class reunions not yet planned.

Saturday Day on the Green: Marilee Rogers & Sue Chelini will chair

Like a college open house. Productions, displays, bands, kiddie-corner (owner of Astrojump is RHS grad), dunk tank, loop DVD in Little Theater. Fundraising opportunities: tee shirts, water bottles, redwood seedlings. Involve leadership students, athletic teams, students, art & drama departments.

Saturday Night Party:

Back to a tented event at Piper Park. Keep cost down—not a sit-down dinner. Advertise and promote having prix-fixe dinners at local restaurants beforehand?

Goal: have fun, promote the **REDWOOD FAMILY**, pay tribute to deep staff roots which have allowed Redwood to have 50 excellent years. Make it culturally rich so that the current staff & families see what they inherited.

Dress up, good music, drinks.

Theme: **REDWOOD ROCKS THROUGH THE AGES**. Can decorate so that different parts of the venue are set up for different decades. Alternatively, could be set up for different geographic areas (towns). This will help people to “find their people”.

List who’s coming on the website. How can we do this without compromising privacy too much? Could have someone from each class send out an evite, which lists the RSVP’s. Maybe this can be handled thru the new website’s bulk email capabilities.

Music ideas: Pride & Joy, Bon Tempe, Clark Kentfields, Matt Berg’s band, CM Town Band

Need a good publicist—Brad Breithaupt?

Silent auction-no

Raffle-yes

Casino tables??—Tom Malvino

Solicitations—Tom Malvino?
5-10K run—Laura Schmidt? Doug Basham

Sunday Mini-Reunions

Will have to work themselves out.

Subcommittees:

Brainstormed who might be interested. Need to contact them:

Food	Nancy Lubamersky, Becky Frye, Ann Arabian, Robin Wray
Bar	Scottie Spurzem, Bob Bundy, Tom Borden
Publicity	Bob Ravasio, Rocky Botts, Paul _____, Ann/Dave Doyle, Anne Gustafson, Libby Tracy
Entertainment/Music	Deb Bendenelli
Volunteer Coordinator	Ann Arabian, Jeannie Perry
Invitations	Ann Doyle, Kathy Hartzell, Dena Van Derveer
Decorations	Eladia Laines
Parking/Shuttle	CM Rec Dept vans, Hillside Church
Correspondence	
Program	Jeannie Perry
Raffle	Karen Deist
Solicitations	Tom Malvino

Alumni/people to contact:--please contact whomever of these people you know!

Michael Lappert (don't his sons have bands???)
Miranda Lobos (party planner)
Louise Aliano, Sylvia Jones, Tom Kaun, Tom Sievertson—history project, writing project, storytelling
Courtney Marshall (foundation)
Katherine Way (foundation)
Beth Ashley IJ PR for Athletic Hall of Fame
Pride & Joy (Tom Malvino will contact)
Brad Breithaupt
Becky Frye
Ann Arabian
Scottie Spurzem
Tom Borden
Bob Bundy
Robin Wray
Matt Berg
Laura Schmidt
Marinda Freeman (organized Human Race)
Rocky Botts,
Paul _____,
Ann/Dave Doyle,
Anne Gustafson,
Libby Tracy
Clark Kentfields
CM Town Band
Karen Deist

Next meeting: WEDNESDAY, November 5 at 7:30 IN THE BESSIE CHIN LIBRARY AT REDWOOD

Robin Moller
10/9/08