

# Generally Speaking...

## Alumni Association News

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### Princess of Rosaria Maya Allen

Senior Maya Allen, 18, was crowned Grant's 2011 Rose Festival princess. Maya's parents, Ricky and Deborah Allen, are proud to have two daughters who have represented Grant on the Rose Festival Court. Three years ago Maya's sister, best friend and role model Taylor Allen was Grant's princess and is now a student at Spelman College.

Maya is president of the Black Student Union, Executive Council Service representative, varsity cheerleader, a member of National Honor Society, member of National Society's Who's Who, a SEI Student of the Month and has been an intern with Legacy Emanuel's public relations department. She plans to major in Journalism at Howard University to focus on a career in

writing either as a magazine writer or freelance journalist.

Ugochi Egbukichi, Hannah Geason and Luisa Tonga were the other members of the Grant court.



### JULIUS MUWULYA AWARDED 2011 ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP

John Julius Muwulya arrived in Portland in December 2009. He enrolled at GHS and quickly became an active participant in varsity soccer, the Black Student Union as well as volunteering at the Oregon Food Bank.

Julius was born and raised in a small village in southern Uganda. As he started his secondary education, he was challenged attending a school made up of mostly "rich city kids" when he was a "village kid". He was the only freshman to be recruited

for the varsity soccer team enabling him to see himself as a competitor. Subsequently he won an election against five upper classmen. Not only did he improve his leadership skills but also the victory showed him that anything is possible if you try hard enough.

Julius' nurse/midwife mother showed him by example how to care for the needy in a small village clinic she operated. Julius' goal is to continue her work one day. He will attend the

University of Portland this fall, studying engineering, followed by medical school to become a doctor.

"My long term goal is to be a leader in Uganda and see a better Uganda where children make dreams and they come true. I want the qualities that make America a great nation to be the same that make Uganda a better country."



### TOM GRANT / REMIX CONCERT

The Alumni Association is excited to announce an all alumni night of music starring Tom Grant, 64 and Remix. Members of Remix are all alums of the premier Royal Blues who convinced Doree Jarboe to continue providing direction after she retired.

The concert will be held 7:30 PM, October 14, 2011 in the Grant auditorium. Tickets will be available at the door or in advance from a member of the alumni association or by contacting [grantalumni@aol.com](mailto:grantalumni@aol.com)



**FROM THE PRESIDENT**

**TRADITION-** A long-established action or pattern of behavior in a community or group of people, often one that has been handed down from generation to generation.

Grant is a school that is rich in tradition making it special in so many ways. It's great to see all the pictures in the hallway of the sports teams from years past as well as the Rose Festival Princesses and Student Body Officers.

It is a goal of the Alumni Association to help carry on the traditions by passing on to the students and staff the importance of what has made Grant such a great school.

As summer is finely here, I encourage you to attend the all alumni picnic on July 24th at Wilshire Park. Bring your own food and beverage and the association will provide the dessert.

On Sept. 23rd, the alumni association will hold an event at Amalfi's from 1 to 3 or so and then make it down

to the Grant bowl for the homecoming football game. For those of you from the class of 61', that's our 50th reunion weekend.

On October 14 we have a concert planned with Tom Grant (Grant 64') and Remix (Royal Blues alumni) in the Grant auditorium. A portion of each ticket will be donated to a dedicated Grant music/theater department project. Look for more information at the picnic, in local businesses, on the Alumni Facebook page and in membership mailings.

I look forward to seeing you at one of the upcoming events and we appreciate your support of the Grant Alumni Association.

See you at the picnic on July 24th in Wilshire Park at 1:00 PM!



**Jack Cain '61**  
**Alumni Assn. President**

**2011 FALL EVENT AT AMALFI'S  
SEPTEMBER 23, 2011**

Amalfi's Italian Restaurant, 4703 NE Fremont Street, has been reserved for our annual fall event. Owner and fellow Grantonian as well as GHS Hall of Famer, Kiauna Anderson Floyd has graciously allowed us to gather at 1:00 pm prior to the restaurant's opening on Friday, September 23. As in previous years, there will be a no-

host bar with pizza provided by the Alumni Assn.

To culminate homecoming week, the Grant Generals will face Beaverton for one of two home football games this year in the bowl at 4:00. Game tickets will be available at Amalfi's or you can stay to continue the conversation. We hope you will join us!

**REFLECTIONS ON MY FIRST YEAR  
AT GRANT HIGH SCHOOL**

What an incredible year I have had joining this community of students, teachers and families.

I spent my early days trying to understand the history of my school and the strong ties to certain traditions which have continued and those which have slowly slipped away over time. I attended more athletic events this year than I had in my entire lifetime and marveled at the tremendous athletic talent and hard work our student athletes displayed. I was "wowed" by

our talented musicians, singers and thespians. My arts teachers help Grant students to continue to explore their fine arts passions. My academic departments are comprised of teachers who love their subject and push students to be their very best. Grant students are supported by a team of counselors who help them navigate their 4 years of high school and work with our College and Career Center staff and parent volunteers to locate scholarships and find schools/programs which

make sense for individual students.

Along with a new Principal comes some changes and while change is never easy, I believe we are on course to continue to be a strong community high school dedicated to excellence as we prepare our students for a rapidly changing world. I continue to work with my parent community, student leadership team and faculty to improve on our challenges and soar with our strengths. I look forward to another school year

filled with excitement, positive energy, and the ongoing support of all of you who once graced our classrooms and hallways.

Special thanks for the Grant High School Alumni Association for all you do to help Grant continue to be a school of excellence here in Portland and for your warmth and kindness during my first year.



**Vivian Orlen**  
**Principal**

**GRANT'S HISTORY**

The Grant Alumni history committee is looking

for yearbooks, scrapbooks, team photos and photos of school organiza-

tions to archive. The committee maintains a file of obituaries, which are primarily taken from the lo-

cal paper and would like to include obituaries you may have from out of town papers.

**U L Y S S E S   G R A N T**

Ulysses Grant, the namesake of our beloved school, is often overlooked by historians and often unfairly dismissed. This regular newsletter note will highlight many of our reasons why the alumni can be proud of our alma mater's name-sake and continue to find inspiration from him.

Although shady characters at times surrounded Grant, he was an

honest man. Early during his first term he was arrested and fined \$5 for speeding in his horse and buggy in Washington. The policeman, embarrassed by learning he had stopped the president, offered to release him uncharged. Grant replied, "Do your duty, my good man!" and walked back to the White House after his horse and rig were impounded

**G R A N T   A L U M N I  
W E B S I T E   N E W S**

We have added a "Dues and Donations" page and the capability to accept electronic payments from most credit cards through PAYPAL.

Go to the Dues and Donations page and click on the logo and you can now pay dues and make donations electronically. Saves time and postage.

We are continuing to develop the website as we grow. If you have experience in website operation and/or design and would like to help contact:

Bob Stayton at [rstayton@comcast.net](mailto:rstayton@comcast.net) or visit the website at [www.grantalumni.org](http://www.grantalumni.org)

**A   G E N E R A L   H A L L   O F   F A M E**

A new "General" Hall of Fame is being set up by the Grant High School Alumni Association to honor notable graduates in many fields of endeavor including art, science, education, business, charity, journalism, law, medicine and religion. The ideas originated from the Athletic Hall of Fame

that has existed for three years, and is an offshoot of the PIL (Portland Interscholastic League) athletic Hall of Fame. Several alumni were intent on honoring the many Grantonians who have provided a heritage in other facets of life which present students may strive to build upon.

An alum committee including George Franklin, John Leonard, Janet Eddy, Karyl Whelan and Rodger Eddy is working within the alumni board to initiate the program this year. Nominees for consideration may be submitted to any member or to the committee at the July picnic. Several names are

already under consideration from among the multitude of grads who qualify. We intend to show our pride in the school and gratitude for the teachers who instilled the Grant spirit of doing your best resulting in meaningful achievement for so many graduates.

**H O M E C O M I N G   S E P T E M B E R   2 3**

Grant's Homecoming is scheduled for Friday, September 23, 2011 with Grant meeting Beaverton for a rare home game match in the bowl. An opportunity for all alums will be held at Amalfi's Restaurant, 4703 NE Fremont, at 1:00 PM for the Alumni Association's annual pre-game fall function. There is no cover charge; pizza will be provided by the Alumni Association with a no-host bar. This has become a popular gathering for alums and we hope to see you and your classmates to help the Generals defeat the Beavers.

**A T H L E T I C   H A L L   O F   F A M E**

The Grant High School Athletic Hall of Fame will stage its third annual induction ceremony in the Grant auditorium at 7 pm Monday, October 17. The public is invited to the free program. Pete Charleston, class of 1954,

is chairman of the committee that ushered in the program in 2009 by inducting all Grantonian in the PIL (Portland Interscholastic League) athletic Hall of Fame, along with storied General athletes. The 2010 ceremony

added another group, as will this year's event which honors about 15 additions to the hall.

The selection committee considers nominees and then researches a biography for each. There is no shortage of qualify-

ing names, and the hall will continue to grow. The committee anticipates a board for display in the high school hall to honor recipients and to inspire present student athletes.

**CLASS OF '48  
MAKES A GENEROUS  
DONATION**

At the class of 1948's sixtieth reunion, it was agreed that there would not be another organized class reunion. Then the next year, the instigator and motivator of all the '48 reunions, Sharon Shearer Harbor, passed away. Sharon's friend, neighbor and classmate, Gloria Hibbett Thorp became the person responsible for the money remaining in the class treasury.

In March, Gloria and Nancy Allison Haleston,

another classmate and longtime reunion organizer, contacted the alumni association about the class decision to donate the funds to the alumni association scholarship fund. We were thrilled!

The association continues to give a \$1500 scholarship annually and the \$430 donation from the class of 1948 has helped make that possible this year. Many thanks to the class of 1948!

**2011 ALL ALUMNI  
PICNIC IN WILSHIRE  
PARK**

The first ever all alumni picnic was held in Wilshire Park last July. Although it was a very warm day, the tree canopy provided a sun shield and a gentle breeze ran through the park to keep everyone comfortable in spite of a 98 degree afternoon! The second annual picnic is scheduled for Sunday, July 24, 2011 beginning at 1:00 pm. For those of you, who have a smaller class or do not want the hassle of organizing an event, use this picnic as the venue

for your next reunion. There is plenty of room and there would be no cost to you for the space. For future reference, the alumni association has adopted the fourth Sunday in July as the day for our annual picnic. Until we outgrow the space, we will probably continue to gather in Wilshire Park. Bring your own chair, lunch and beverage of choice (beer and wine are allowed in the park) and the assn. will provide dessert. We look forward to seeing you on the 24th!

**WOULD YOU LIKE YOUR  
NEWSLETTER  
IN COLOR?**

Providing the Alumni Association with your email address will result in you receiving a color version of the newsletter and will save the association the expense of mailing a black and white copy. Your contact information is never shared or sold.

Send your email address to [grantalumni@aol.com](mailto:grantalumni@aol.com).

**CAN YOU DO LUNCH?**

The Alumni Association meets the first Tuesday of the month at 09:30 AM for a business meeting. Meetings are usually held in the Grant High School library. Following the business meeting, most attendees adjourn to a local restaurant for lunch. You can find current meeting information on the Alumni Association website [www.grantalumni.org](http://www.grantalumni.org) or by emailing [grantalumni@aol.com](mailto:grantalumni@aol.com).

**GOLF TOURNAMENT**

GHS GOLF

Saturday 9-10-11 at Glendoveer  
\$70 (Payable to GHS Golf) plus cart

ALL WELCOME ~ Gals & Guys

Dave Gray '65 503.255.2920

[dmgray2@msn.com](mailto:dmgray2@msn.com)

(Contact Linda Thomas Hansen '65

[hansen8595@comcast.net](mailto:hansen8595@comcast.net) for ladies foursome)

**CLASS OF '47  
SCHOLARSHIP**



The annual scholarship given by the class of 1947 was awarded to Andrea Lilly, pictured here with presenters [L] Bud Leonard and [R] Rich Dale.

**REUNION INFORMATION**

Generally Speaking welcomes all reunion stories and photos and will include them in future editions.

Submit information to: [grantalumni@aol.com](mailto:grantalumni@aol.com)

**CLASS SCHOLARSHIP**

Does your class provide a scholarship to a Grant grad? If so we would like to announce all winners of class scholarships in future newsletters. Please send info to [grantalumni@aol.com](mailto:grantalumni@aol.com).

2010-2011 ALUMNI EVENTS



**Rodger Eddy, '47 Past Alumni Assn  
President Greet Alums**



**The Blythe Family  
The largest family group at the picnic**



**Alums from the 70's. Which decade will have  
the most attendees this year?**



**RaChelle Boswell '05, Pavel Probasco '04, Laura Fisher '88**



**Classmates from '61:  
Bob Stayton, Bob Phillips, Jack Cain**



**Classmates from '65:  
Molly McCready, Mary Lacasse, Linda Thomas**

**G H S C L A S S R E U N I O N S****Class of 1945** – Annual Get Together

Tuesday, September 13, 2011

3:00 – 7:00 PM (Dinner at 5:00 PM)

Eastmoreland Golf Course, 2425 SE Bybee Blvd, Portland

Contact: Peter Cuthbert, 619.465.2391

**Class of 1946** – 65th Reunion

Saturday, July 16, 2011

5:00 PM Happy Hour, 6:30 PM Dinner

Ernesto's Italian Restaurant, 8544 SW Apple Way, Portland

Contact: Ken Handel, 503.636.0753 or [keh@hevanet.com](mailto:keh@hevanet.com)**Class of 1951** – 60th Reunion

Saturday, August 13, 2011

\$32 per person (send check payable to 'Grant Class of '51' before August 1 to Diane Gish Walker)

Summerfield Clubhouse, 10650 SW Summerfield Dr, Tigard

Questions? 503.282.7611

**Class of 1954** – 75th Birthday Party

Saturday, July 30, 2011, 6:00 PM \$50 per person

Multnomah Club, 1849 SE Salmon

Contact: Marilyn Walker Portwood, [nighthawk498@comcast.net](mailto:nighthawk498@comcast.net)**Class of 1956** – 55th Reunion

Sunday, August 7, 2011, 1:00 – 5:00 PM

\$30 per person (send check now to Sue Johnson Carlson)

'50s tunes will be playing with a roving photographer on site

The Aerie at Eagle Landing 10220 SE Causey Ave, Happy Valley (Formerly Top O Scott Golf Course)

Contact: Sue Johnson Carlson, 503.579.9613

**Class of 1961** – 50th Reunion

Friday, September 23, 2011, Grade school functions

Saturday, September 24, 2011

10:00 AM-12:00 PM meet in center hall for school tour

6:00 PM University Place, 310 SW Lincoln, Portland

Contact: [usgrant61@msn.com](mailto:usgrant61@msn.com)

Or Grant Class of 1961 on Facebook

**Class of 1966** – 45th Reunion

Saturday, May 21, 2011, 6:00 PM Casual

Red Lion, 909 N Hayden Island Dr, Portland

Contact: Randi Black, 503.295.0827 or [fottl@comcast.net](mailto:fottl@comcast.net)**Class of 1971** – 40th Reunion

Saturday, September 17, 2011, 6:30 PM

Red Lion, 909 N Hayden Island Dr, Portland

Classic Reunions, Contact: [grant1971@classicreunions.com](mailto:grant1971@classicreunions.com)**Class of 1981** – 30th Reunion

Saturday, August 6, 2011, 7:00 – 10:00 PM

Grand Central Restaurant &amp; Bowling Lounge

829 SE 9<sup>th</sup> Ave, PortlandContact: Pat Allen, [pmallen@yahoo.com](mailto:pmallen@yahoo.com)

Or Grant HS Class of 81 Reunion on Facebook

**Class of 1991** – 20th Reunion

Friday, August 26, 2011

7:00 – 11:00 PM, Classmates Gathering

Kennedy School, 5736 NE 33 Ave, Portland

**F a l l S c h e d u l e O f E v e n t s**

Event information is from the Grant High School calendar. Times and places may change, so it is always wise to check with the school. You can check the website by going to <http://grant.pps.k12.or.us>.

News from The Grantonian can be viewed at [www.grantonian.com](http://www.grantonian.com).

**Grant Sports**

To find out where and when games and meets will take place go to: [www.pilathletics.com/schedulerevents.asp](http://www.pilathletics.com/schedulerevents.asp).

September 8 – Soccer: Men @ Jesuit and Women @ Gresham

September 16 – Football 4:00 PM Grant vs. Aloha in GHS Bowl

September 23 – Football 4:00 PM Grant vs. Beaverton in GHS Bowl

October 17 – GHS Athletic Hall of Fame induction 7:00 PM in auditorium

**Performing Arts**

October 13 – Fall choir concert 7:00 PM in auditorium

October 14 – Tom Grant/Remix concert 7:00 PM in auditorium

October 27-29 – One Acts theatre production 7:00 PM in auditorium

November 3-5 – One Acts theatre production 7:00 PM in auditorium

December 9 – Grant talent show 7:00 PM in auditorium ~ Black student union fundraiser

December 15 – Winter Choir & Band concert 6:30 PM in auditorium

**Other Events**

September 6 – First day of school

September 13 – Booster Club meeting 7:00 PM in Room 124 (Boosters meet monthly on the second Tuesday of the month. Join in!)

September 19-23 – Homecoming Week

September 23 – All alumni Homecoming event at AMALFI'S @ 1:00 PM

September 27 – PTA meets 6:30 PM in Room 232 (PTA meets monthly. Join in!)

November 11 – Veteran's Hollywood Parade ~ Grant band will be marching!

The GHS Alumni Association would like to include any and all information applicable to Grant High School in the newsletter. Please send any information that you would like to have published to [granta-lumni@aol.com](mailto:granta-lumni@aol.com).

**Class of 1991** – 20th Reunion (Continue)

Saturday, August 27, 2011

6:00 – 11:00 PM Dinner Classmates &amp; Guest

Crystal Ballroom, 1332 W Burnside, Portland

Sunday, August 28, 2011, 11:00 – 2:30 PM

Picnic for Classmates, Family &amp; Friends

Wilshire Park, NE 33rd Ave &amp; Skidmore Street, Portland

Contact: [granthigh1991@yahoo.com](mailto:granthigh1991@yahoo.com) or [www.grant1991.com](http://www.grant1991.com)**Class of 2001** – 10th Reunion

Saturday, July 30, 2011, 7:00 – 10:00 PM

Grand Central Restaurant & Bowling Lounge, 829 SE 9<sup>th</sup> Ave, PortlandContact: [granthighschoolclass2001@gmail.com](mailto:granthighschoolclass2001@gmail.com)

Or grant high school class 2001 on Facebook

**U S G R A N T H I G H S C H O O L O F P O R T L A N D , O R  
A L U M N I A S S O C I A T I O N**

The US Grant High School of Portland, OR Alumni Association, founded in 2005 is an Oregon non-profit corporation with IRS 501 (c) (3) status, (36-4577438) making dues and contributions tax deductible. Our mission is to serve our graduates and to develop alumni interest and support for Grant. Grant High School continues to be an outstanding Portland school. We want to help continue this tradition.

The Alumni Association operates entirely on membership dues and donations. Our major goals and activities include:

Provide opportunities for alumni to stay current with other Grant graduates and with events at the school.

Issue a newsletter publicizing all alumni activities including class reunions, current events at Grant and historical highlights.

Support Grant financially with scholarships, facility improvement, student programs and the organization of alumni service projects.

Develop and maintain Grant’s history collection through interviews with former students and faculty; preservation of school newspapers and other historical documents by digital conversion; maintain donations of scrapbooks and other Grant memorabilia.

Please join us in helping to maintain Grant’s proud tradition by filling in the information below and sending it to Alumni Association, P. O. Box 13291, Portland, Oregon 97213-0291

Continue to be part of the “Grant Experience.” Thank you.

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**Membership and Contributions**

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New memberships and renewals are effective for the calendar year in which they are received.

Name (present) \_\_\_\_\_

Name at Grant \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

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Enclosed is:

- My \$20 individual annual dues \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- My \$30 (per couple-both Grant Alumni) annual dues \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- My \$250 individual Life membership dues \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- My donation to the Grant Alumni Association Scholarship Fund \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- My donation to the Grant Hall of Fame \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Other donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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FALL ALUMNI  
EVENT  
SEPTEMBER  
23, 2011

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AND REMIX  
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AT GRANT HS  
OCT. 14, 2011



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