



Oak Leaf

It's official! We will have a new school

Oak Bay High will be replaced by a state-of-the-art new school with a Neighbourhood Learning Centre that will play host to an array of programs and services to serve local family and community needs.

The estimated \$50.1-million replacement school will be designed to LEED Gold or equivalent standards and will meet the latest seismic construction standards. It will have the capacity to accommodate 1,300 students, including district-funded space for 100 international students.

Thanks to a \$1-million contribution from the District of Oak Bay, the existing 1957 gymnasium will be retained and converted into a performing arts theatre and drama support space for school and community use.

The Greater Victoria school district will continue its consultation with community partners, including Oak Bay Parks and Recreation, to finalize which features will be offered as part of the Neighbourhood

Learning Centre.

Ground-breaking could occur as early as this coming spring.



Artists drawing of the new building

Oak Bay High's 80 year Reunion

The Alumni Association hosted and 80 year reunion on May 14th, 2011 and by all accounts it was a tremendous success. A sincere thank you to all those who volunteered their time!

We had over 500 people attend ranging from the class of 1936 to the class of 2007. They looked through the archives,

welcomed the latest inductees into the Sports Hall of Fame and heard about the new school.

This event not only raised awareness about the Alumni Association it also raised valuable funds for the association to put to work fulfilling our mandate.

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Annual Alumni Disbursements

Alumni Disbursements

The Oak Bay Alumni Association is a proud advocate for Oak Bay Secondary School and as a part of our Charter that the Alumni Association is to fund, from the interest earned on funds in our account, \$1000 dollars each year to the Fine Arts Department, the Athletics Department and in addition provide a \$1000 dollar scholarship to a deserving student as selected by the leadership council at Oak Bay Secondary. This person must be a well rounded individual that demonstrates role model qualities in Academics, Athletics and the Community.

We are pleased to say that for the 4th year now the Alumni Association has delivered on this goal and has now distributed \$12,000.00 to the school and to 5 exceptional students.

It is always a challenge to come up with only one student to be recognized for this scholarship when there are so many worthy candidates to choose from and this year was no exception. In fact it was so difficult this year that the selection committee presented this year's award to 2 deserving students and each will receive a \$500 scholarship.

This Year's Recipients!

They were **Kelly Fitterer** and **Emily Koide**. This pair of exceptional young ladies worked closely together on many initiatives and that was a driving factor in seeing them both recognized.

Kelly was an honors student at Oak Bay High. She participated in the "Tour de Rock" Cops for Cancer Campaign as co-chair and this campaign **raised in excess of \$45,000** for this very worthy charity. She fundraised during Oak Bay High's "Project Haiti" and was affiliated with "Lukobe Challenge" to raise money for an orphanage in Tanzania. Just recently, Kelly was part of a campaign to pass Bylaw 3711 in order to ban tanning (in tanning salons) for youth under 18 in the CRD.

When she was not fundraising for external charities and making a real difference in our community, she was generating excitement at the school as an active member of our "Spirit Club".

Kelly was also determined in her fine arts contributions. She was involved in our theatre arts programs for several years, not only excelling as a member of our dance troupe, but she also participated each year in musical theatre and choir. Kelly is currently enrolled at UBC.

Emily was an honors student at Oak Bay High. When she wasn't sailing, co-chairing or being co-president of one of our many clubs or organizing leadership events, she could be found rallying school spirit or finding another way to raise money for a worthy cause.

She went to Tanzania to work in an orphanage and has travelled to Mexico to build homes for those in need. She was a co-chair of our Cops for Cancer "Tour de Rock" Campaign and just recently, Emily was part of the campaign to pass Bylaw 3711 in order to ban tanning (in tanning salons) for youth under 18 in the CRD. Presently, Emily is at Dalhousie University

Congratulations to both Emily and Kelly, we wish you nothing but success!



Are you a Webmaster?

The Alumni Association is looking for a creative individual to take on the role of "**Webmaster**". The association feels that our visibility to the Alumni community could be dramatically improved with a more current and fluid "web site" managed by the association directly. Please let us know if you are interested or know of anyone that would be interested in supporting the Alumni Association with this service.

Class Reps Wanted!

The Alumni Association is always looking for **Class Repre-**

sentatives to post on our website. These representatives are there to facilitate connecting with others in your class through access to our secure database for planning reunions or social events.

Tell us about your upcoming reunions!



What are the Alumni doing now?

Ian Cameron Class of '79

The former student council president loves American politics and is fortunate to have had a front row seat while at ABC News Washington, where he was Executive Producer of *This Week with Christiane Amanpour*, *This Week with George Stephanopoulos* and Senior Producer for *ABC World News Tonight with Peter Jennings*.

After graduating from Oak Bay, Ian got his degrees from Stanford University and the London School of Economics. He was a television reporter in Ottawa, a Producer and Senior Producer at the CBC in Toronto before moving to Washington DC as Bureau Chief for the CBC. Ian met his wife, Susan Rice, at Stanford and she is now the US Ambassador to the United Nations.

Ian has fond memories of Oak Bay; the band tours with Dave Dunnet, physics with Lou DeMacedo (who can ever forget Mr.

DeMacedo calling his students pusillanimous titlarks?), history with Mr. Reimer and English with Mr. Bertie.

Ian is taking a break from his almost 30 year journalism career to enjoy some time with his two children 13-year-old Jake and 8 year-old Maris.



Ian Cameron - Class 1979 - with his family

Join us for some Christmas Cheer

The Oak Bay Alumni Association invites you to a Christmas wine and cheese social on December 8th 2011 in the East Building Library to kick off the holiday season.

Visit with old friends and learn about what is new with the Alumni Association and how we are working to support Oak Bay Secondary and foster the history of our great school. The social will run from 6:00 pm—8:00 pm. You are cordially invited but we request that you RSVP to Jan Burns at jburns@shaw.ca

Please visit <http://oakbay.sd61.bc.ca/home/alumni/> for information on how to register for this event or to learn more about the Alumni Association.

*Wine and Cheese Social
December 8th 2011 - 6:00 pm*

Make your Alumni Association a Winner!

We need your support and input!

An active and vibrant Alumni Association are “**Stewards**” of the school and we strive to create a large membership that generates social events for the good of the alumni

Next Meeting: Christmas Social

- 6:00– 8:00 East Library

ALL WELCOME!

For more information: Susan McKelvie
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THE OAK BAY HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

Become a Grad Contact—<http://oakbay.sd61.bc.ca/alumni/gradcontacts/contact-signup.php>

Become a Member— <http://oakbay.sd61.bc.ca/alumni/members/signup.php>

Next Oak Leaf Issue:

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2011/2012 Oak Bay High School Alumni Goals:

Continue to build on the growth and awareness of the Oak Bay Alumni Association. Sponsor events that will drive membership and contribute to the financial viability of the association and continue to contribute financially to the Fine Arts, Athletics and Academics Departments that Oak Bay Secondary is so proudly recognized for.



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SITE PLAN

Scale: NTS

JANUARY 7, 2011

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We are on the web @ <http://oakbay.sd61.bc.ca/home/alumni/>

Dates to Remember

General:

Dec 8 Oak Bay Alumni Wine and Cheese Party

Dec 18-Jan 02 Winter break

Feb 23 Alumni Association AGM (tentative)

Fine Arts

Nov 29 Band Concert 7:00 pm Theatre

Dec 7 Holiday Coral Concert 7:00 pm Theatre

Jan 17/18 Evening of Dance 7:00 pm Theatre

For more information, please visit our web site at <http://oakbay.sd61.bc.ca>

Athletics:

Nov 9/10 Field Hockey, Provincial Championships

Nov 24/26 Boys Soccer, Provincial Championships

Nov 30-Dec 3 Boy Volleyball, Provincial Championships

Dec 1/3 Girls Volleyball, Provincial Championships



80th Year Reunion—Oak Bay High School Archive Room