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The Oak Bay High School Alumni Association Newsletter

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Welcome to our newsletter - Let us know what you think!

CALENDAR

Athletics:

May 3 SMU Homecoming Rugby Game

Fine Arts

April 19—24 Band to California Disneyland

April 30 West Coast Jazz Festival

May 19/20 Evening of Dance 7:00pm Theatre

May 26 Final Band Concert for the year 7:00pm Theatre

Sciences:

April 28 Solar Project Completion Ceremony 2:00pm Theatre

April 30 Global Climate Change Speakers 7:00pm Theatre

For a more comprehensive calendar and more information
Please visit our web site at <http://oakbay.sd61.bc.ca>

Catching Up!

Darren Morson Class of 1994



Darren is the Solar Design Manager for award-winning, Carmanah Technologies, which is generously partnering with us for our solar project. He credits his interest in science and technology to his Phys-

ics teacher, Lou Demacedo and his WW teacher, Gino Peluso. After leaving Oak Bay, Darren entered the Eng. Tech. program at Camosun and then to UVic for his BSc. degree. He is also a volunteer fire fighter and engaged to be married.

One of Darren's interests for the new Oak Bay High School is that it be a leader in sustainable energy:

- LEED standards
- A living roof
- Geothermal heating/cooling
- Integrated solar panels to bring the school close to 'netzero'.

Darren has committed to assisting us as we plan our new school!

Solar Project Successful!



With support from the Alumni Association as well as the community, the student-led, Oak Bay High Solar Project Team would like to announce that their fundraising and

2009/2010 Goals:

Particularly in light of the proposed rebuilding of the school, it is important that we have an active and engaged Alumni Association.

See page two for how to help!

Next Reunions:

- May 2009 Class of '59 (50 year)
- Aug 22, 2009 Class of '79 (30 year - for more information, contact John Falkins: jfalkins@telus.net)

community support project to take two Science labs off the grid has finished successfully!



Installation Has Begun!

Installation of 10, 208 Watt solar panels began this month by Victoria-based, award-winning Carmanah Technologies. The equipment has already been lifted onto the roof above the Physics labs.



Current Science Department Head and Physics teacher, Al Carmichael, stands next to the first of our ten new solar panels.

Help Oak Bay Take Back The Planet!!



Visit www.oakbay.sd61.bc.ca today to donate to the Solar Panel Project!



Please Come to Our Recognition Events

1. April 28, 2009 Recognition ceremony to publicly recognize key donors and supporters @ 2:00pm in the West Theatre. No charge.
2. April 30, 2009 "Green Evening": Oak Bay Alumnus and Nobel Prize Winner, Andrew Weaver, author of "Keeping our Cool: Canada in a Warming World" will give a talk about global climate change and its potential impact on our lives.



This evening event will begin with an open reception at 6:30 with a student musical quartet, refreshments and green-themed booths from businesses across the city in the West foyer.

The evening will also include a talk by Guy Dauncey, author and President of the BC Sustainable Energy Association



The purpose of the evening is to support the school's Endowment Fund which will provide scholarships to develop tomorrow's leaders in sustainable, advanced technology. This event will also occur in our West building theatre. For ticket sale information, please contact Jan Burns or Karen Lehman at the school. 250-598-3361

Make your Alumni Assoc. a Winner!

As you know, with a tradition of excellence and innovation, Oak Bay High School is respected and loved by students, parents, and the community, as well as by our alumni.

An active and vibrant Alumni Assoc. are "Stewards" of the school and we need to take a strong role in supporting it, particularly as a new school is planned. Please step-up:

- Join us @ our monthly meetings
- Forward this newsletter to other alumni and supporters
- Help us grow our email database to 400 plus
- Connect with us: John Falkins (jfalkins@telus.net)

Next Meeting: May 20, 2009

- 5:15 in the Library (light refreshment provided)
- **Main topic of discussion will be the proposed construction of a new Oak Bay High School**
ALL WELCOME!

Next Issues:

- May 2009
- October 2009

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