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Celebrating the Past, Building a Future

The 50th Anniversary Reunion of Garden City Collegiate was Years in the Making... and will Make a Difference for Years to Come

Anniversaries are about memories, both old and new. Garden City Collegiate's 50th Anniversary Reunion was no exception.

Over four years in the making, the reunion was held May 20 – 22... and it was well worth every minute spent preparing for the festivities.

The weekend kicked off with an oldfashioned BBQ on Friday where years melted away as old friends and classmates caught up not only on the changes in one another's lives, but in the school they had once attended together. People were particularly impressed with the new link connecting the former Jefferson Jr. High and Garden City Collegiate buildings.

"People didn't want to leave the school at the end of the evening," says Cheryl Senensky, who co-chaired the Planning Committee with Jodi Gilmore, Albert Yanofsky and Harriet Zaidman "They simply wanted to casually walk the halls, find their former classrooms, admire the decade rooms that our wonderful staff and students created, and reminisce with their former classmates."

The weekend continued with historical tours of the West Kildonan area, a variety of sports and games, as well as a dinner and dance – all with plenty of time to socialize, of course. The

breakfast on Sunday capped the weekend, as people once more said good-bye to old acquaintances with promises to keep in touch.

From Fun to Funds

Memories were shared as new ones were made, and while the reunion looked to the past, it also involved a commitment to the future.

"One of our goals of this reunion was to raise \$10,000 to establish a perpetual scholarship for our upcoming young graduates of Collége Garden City," explained Senensky.

The role of scholarships was particularly poignant among alumni who had benefitted from scholarships during their own time at the school. As one individual wrote in a letter to the Reunion Committee:

At the time of graduation I was very thankful for the scholarships available. Had it not been for those scholarships my life might have turned out quite differently. In recognition of this, I'd like to make sure your "50th Reunion Scholarship" gets off to a good start.

Thanks to the generosity of alumni - and the Garden City community – organizers raised over \$35,000 to be invested in a perpetual scholarship



Members of the Garden City Collegiate 50th Anniversary Reunion Planning Committee take a well-deserved break.

fund. The first scholarship will be handed out during the school's 2012 convocation.

Looking Another 50 Years Forward

With the reunion now months behind, Senensky and the other members of the Anniversary Committee can take pride in how well the weekend went... and look forward to the next reunion, whenever it might be.

"Who knows? Perhaps my children, David & Josh, will take on the challenge and plan the next reunion of this wonderful school," says Senensky.

"Here's to another 50 fabulous Gopher years!"

Seven Oaks Educations Foundation – 2011 Scholarships

Garden City Collegiate - 2011 Scholarships

Seven Oaks School Board ScholarshipJaymie Sorro - \$500
Seven Oaks School Division ScholarshipNicole Brolly - \$500
0. V. Jewitt Memorial ScholarshipAlexandre Resende - \$250
Ann and Paul Ruta Scholarship Nicole Stoyko - \$200
Greg Zazulak Memorial ScholarshipKyle Tabo-oy - \$200
S.O.S.B. Scholarship - John Leaman Memorial ScholarshipLeah Harz - \$300
Francis Standil Memorial ScholarshipLeanza Barra - \$250
Graham Murray Memorial Scholarship Shannon Moyce - \$250
Glen Proudlove Memorial Scholarship Charlene Quashie - \$250
John Trevenen Memorial Award Mitzu Bryce Creasy - \$300
Jake Yakmission Memorial Scholarship Alana Holowaty - \$500
Arnold G. Minish Anniversary AwardRaezeval Argulla - \$500
Howard & Sari Sinaisky Memorial ScholarshipKevin Li - \$500
Lindsay C. Ulrich Memorial Sports ScholarshipBrett Hilderman - \$750
Vince Leah Scholarship/A. E.Wright Memorial Award Katlyn Derkacz - \$250
R.D. Bell Memorial Award/Maltz Family AwardMadison Watts - \$250
Robert Jolly Memorial AwardKevan Cabral - \$250
Seven Oaks Education Foundation Creative Arts Scholarship Tatiana Phillips - \$500
Seven Oaks Education Foundation Technology Scholarship Brenden Scott - \$500
Judy Silver Memorial Scholarship Fund Beverley Fredborg - \$500
Nellie & Ben Zaidman Memorial Scholarship FundMariya Splychak - \$1,000
Toby Cracknell Award
The Michael Lorn Boyko Memorial Art Scholarship Madison Connolly - \$250
West St. Paul 60th AnniversaryDustin Kaiser - \$200
number TEN Architectural Group Tristen Foy - \$1,000
City Councillor Scholarship, Mynarski Ward Hanna Kilas - \$500
Susan Popeski Memorial Scholarship Morgan Reid - \$500
Kendra Latzkitsch Memorial Scholarship Emma Stefanchuk - \$500
R.M. OF West St.Paul Scholarship Cristina Ardita - \$300
Platinum Jets Scholarship Taylor Jamieson - \$1,000
Total\$13,250

Maples Collegiate 2011

Seven Oaks Education Foundation/Seven Oaks School Board Awards		
a) Vocational Yafet Omer - \$150		
b) Faculty of Education \$300		
c) Faculty of Arts/ Science/University 1 Bryden Boyechko - \$300		
Jiezl Abaigar - \$300		
d) High school Classic AchievementCandice Turkula - \$300		
Vince Leah/ Maples Letterman Sports AwardNikolina Mandusic - \$300		
Ken Seaford Award Lisa Skwarek - \$300		
Jake Yakmission/O. V. Jewitt ScholarshipsRussell Caballero - \$250		
Lily Le - \$250		
Seven Oaks Education Foundation Classic Scholarship Brittany Cabral - \$350		
Maples Scholarship Leadership AwardsKatrina Cachero - \$250		
Jessica Kostusik - \$250		
Nicholas Petuholl - \$250		
John Nues - \$250		
Seven Oaks School Board BursariesSamuel Andrade - \$400		
Amandeep Bhela - \$400		
Charandeep Partola - \$400		

The Seven Oaks Education Foundation Awards	
a) Campus Life/ Future Paths	Suzanne Acala - \$500
b) Creativity in the Arts	. Rolando Francisco - \$500
c) Technical Trades	Samuel Andrade - \$500
David B. Oster Memorial Scholarship	Mannan Thakur - \$400
Mae Mendoza Scholarships	Tyler Lischynski - \$450
	Donn Navidad - \$450
Nellie & Ben Zaidman Memorial Scholarship Fund	. Seong Joon Kim - \$1,000
Maples Collegiate Alumni Scholarship	Kyle Speidl - \$350
Verna Isfeld Scholarship Fund	Vernalissa Ong - \$300
	Mark Gatchalian - \$300
R.M. OF West St.Paul Scholarship	Deepak Samra - \$300
Total	\$10,050

West Kildonan Collegiate 2011 Scholarships

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James C. Anderson Award	0
Jake Yakmission Memorial Scholarship	Cole Treyturik - \$400
John Leaman Memorial Scholarship	Dennis Clayton - \$300
Olive & George Allen Memorial Scholarship	Jodi Mamrocha - \$300
SOSD/SOEF Faculty of Education Scholarship	Samantha Baluk - \$300
SOSD/SOEF Faculty of Arts and Science Scholarship	Erin Kiazyk - \$300
West Kildonan Collegiate Student Recognition Award	Benji Sepke - \$300
West Kildonan Kiwanis Club Scholarship	Anh-Khoa Nguyen - \$300
O. V. Jewitt Memorial Scholarship	Kaitlin Fulmore - \$300
SOSD/SOEF Scholarship	Mihaela Cretu - \$400
SOSD/SOEF Scolarship	Dylan Musgrove - \$400
Guy De Caire Scholarship	Nolan Kowal - \$300
Ian Dordick Memorial Award for English	Thomas Ingram - \$300
Arthur E.Wright Award for Technology & Applied Arts	Sarah Prost - \$250
Vince Leah Sports Award	Jessie Gesell - \$300
The Bailey Family Computer Science Award	Cole Treyturik - \$250
Seven Oaks Education Foundation Creative Arts Scholarship.	Dale Camuyong - \$500
SOSD/SOEF WKCI Citizenship Scholarship	. Sarah Castellano - \$500
SOSD/SOEF Campus Life Scholarship	Justin Dick - \$500
Early Years Education Scholarship	Vercedes Wolfram - \$500
WKCI 50th Anniversary Scholarship #1	Andreas Oliver - \$650
WKCI 50th Anniversary Scholarship #2	
Nellie & Ben Zaidman Memorial Scholarship Fund	Adrian Pecold - \$1,000
Jack Raber Community Service Scholarship	
West St. Paul 60th AnniversaryMi	chael Kowalyshyn - \$200
Lion's Club of West St. Paul Scholarship	Hailey Chymy - \$500
City Councillor Scholarship, Mynarski Ward	Jane Clemente - \$500
R.M. OF West St.Paul Scholarship	Devin Edwards - \$300
Marjorie Jean Sanders Bursary	Jostin Asuncion - \$1,000
Total	

