



the *alumni Insider*

Bonus Issue- November 2008

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Performing Arts Center Construction Under Way



To accommodate our burgeoning performing arts program, a new \$5 million, 23,000-square-foot Performing Arts Center is now under construction. [Click here](#) to learn more.

santa claus to visit sps - bring your kiddos and your camera!

Monday, December 8, 2008 from 4-6pm • SPS Theater

Avoid the long lines and parking hassles at the mall – bring your kiddos and your camera to Sandia Prep on Monday, December 8th to meet Mr. Claus. We'll have a professional Santa ready to listen to holiday wishes and pose for photos. Light refreshments will be served.

The evening event is sponsored by the SPS Alumni Association – all SPS community members are invited and encouraged to attend. RSVPs are helpful, but not required. To RSVP, email alumni@sandiaprep.org.



fall 2008 sports recap

The Sundevils had another great season:

Our **Boys Varsity Soccer** team finished the season with a record of 18-6 overall and 6-0 in district, winning its thirteenth consecutive district championship. Before a huge crowd of supporters and in frigid and windy weather, the boys defeated Socorro 4-0 in the State semifinals. The boys finished second in state in a very close game in the State finals.

The **Girls Varsity Soccer** team won its tenth consecutive district championship finishing 19-5 overall and 6-0 in district. The girls also finished second in state in a very close game against Bosque School.



Girls Varsity Soccer

Our **Varsity Volleyball** team finished district runner-up with a record of 11-12 overall and 5-3 in district.

Both **Boys and Girls Cross Country** had amazing seasons. Bronwyn Bedrick '09 led the girls team, winning the district championship and finishing third at State. Dillon Shije '09 became the first Prep boy to win district. He went on to finish third at State.

Overall, more than 1/3 of the student body participated on at least one fall team. School spirit was high, with large crowds at the State soccer tournament and the Hope Volleyball match, during which the school raised more than \$800 for Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Go Sundevils!



Varsity Volleyball



class reunion updates

Class of 1999

Heather (Barr) Marot '99 is creating a website/registration page to gather interest for the '99 reunion – additional details will be available soon.

Heather lives abroad and is looking for fellow classmates to help with the planning, execution, etc. If you're interested in helping or just want to send Heather your contact information for future updates, please email Heathaba@gmail.com or your SPS Alumni Affairs office at alumni@sandiaprep.org.

Class of 1994

It's time to celebrate your fifteen-year reunion! Sally (Heath) Kilbride '94 and Joanna Clarke '94 have started to plan for this anniversary event. If you're interested in helping or just want to send Sally and Joanna your contact information for future updates, please email Sally at sallykilbride@yahoo.com, Joanna at joannaclarke07@gmail.com or your SPS Alumni Affairs office at alumni@sandiaprep.org.

Class of 1989 Reunion

Is it hard to believe that it has been nearly 20 years since you graduated? Chandra (Burnell) Packham '89 is interested in joining a reunion committee and is looking for classmates to join her. If you're interested in joining Chandra, please contact your SPS Alumni Affairs office at alumni@sandiaprep.org or call 505.338.3021.

Class of 1974 Reunion

Interested in getting together for a 35-year reunion? Julie (Serna) Steplowski '74 is putting together a committee to help select a date, location, etc.. If you're interested in helping, please email Julie at happystep0101@msn.com or your SPS Alumni Affairs office at alumni@sandiaprep.org.

Classifieds

Alumni Volunteer Opportunities

Help mold the future of the SPS Alumni Association by volunteering! We're always looking for alumni to lend a hand with a variety of programs and events – current opportunities include:

Meet & Greets – The SPS Alumni Association is going on the road! Help plan these first time events to Chicago and Denver.

Alumni Cooking Class – We're looking for foodies to assist with this inaugural affair.

Class Agents – Stay in touch with your former classmates and send us alumni notes for upcoming issues of the *alumni insider* and *PrepPost*.

And more!

Visit <http://alumni.sandiaprep.org> for complete details and to learn how YOU can help.

alumni notes

Please note, this is just a sampling of submitted alumni notes. We'll have the complete list in the December 2008 edition of PrepPost.

Rebecca Cohen '96 married Jeff Wong in Albuquerque on October 19, 2008. Fellow '96 grads, **Laura (Christopher) Erway** and **Farrah Kassam** attended the wedding. Rebecca reports that she will be leaving her job at Intel as their Asia Region Facilities Planner to move to Macau, China with Jeff. She plans to take time off to improve her Cantonese and to figure out what she would like to do next.

Amanda (Higgins) Faul '00 recently graduated from UCLA with a Masters Degree in Public Health with a focus on Emergency Public Health and Disasters. The '00 grad is now working as the Disaster Surge Coordinator at Cedars Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles, CA.

Terrence Word '08, a freshman at Wesleyan University, made the Varsity "A" Crew Team in early October. In addition to his class schedule – the recent SPS grad is planning to major in either physics or math – Terrence is working as a tour guide and living in the "Outdoor House."



Rebecca Cohen '96 and her husband, Jeff Wong

make your mom proud, have your name in PrepPost!

If you'd like to submit your news for future issues of PrepPost or the alumni insider, please email alumni@sandiaprep.org.



calendar markings

Your high school alma mater has several fun events planned for the near future. Mark your calendars now and plan to attend one or all of our advertised events. Full details will be available closer to the scheduled activities — visit <http://alumni.sandiaprep.org> for the most up-to-date details.

Santa Visit – Holiday Photo Opportunity

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Recent Grad Lunch

Wednesday, January 7, 2009 @ 11am • SPS Commons

Recent grads are invited to come back to SPS on Wednesday, January 7, 2009 for a complimentary fajita bar and green chile stew feast. It's your chance to mingle with former classmates and teachers, while giving Seniors insight into life post-Prep.

We'll have plenty of NM food favorites and the SPS Alumni Association will host a panel discussion for the Class of 2009. The discussion panel is your chance to give current students the inside scoop on what really happens during your first semester away.

Invitations will be sent in late December. For more information email alumni@sandiaprep.org or call 505.338.3021.

Denver Meet & Greet

Sunday, January 11, 2009 • Location TBD

Join Headmaster Dick Heath, Assistant Headmaster Ron Briley and Alumni Affairs Coordinator Melissa Besante Dineen '97 for drinks and appetizers at a Denver-area brewery.

We're working on the event specifics now and are looking for Denver-area alums to help with the details. If you'd like to volunteer, please email Melissa at alumni@sandiaprep.org or call 505.338.3021.

Chicago Meet & Greet

Friday, February 27, 2009 • Location TBD

Join Headmaster Dick Heath, Assistant Headmaster Ron Briley and Alumni Affairs Coordinator Melissa Besante Dineen '97 for drinks and appetizers at a Denver-area restaurant.

We're working on the event specifics now and are looking for Chicago-area alums to help with the details. If you'd like to volunteer, please email Melissa at alumni@sandiaprep.org or call 505.338.3021.

Alumni Induction Breakfast

Friday, May 22, 2009 • Russell Student Center Mezzanine

Sandia Prep's Class of 2009 will be officially welcomed into the SPS Alumni Association!

2009 SPS Commencement

Saturday, May 30, 2009 • East Quadrangle

Help congratulate Sandia Prep's Class of 2009! Attending alumni will receive recognition and a keepsake.

WANTED: class of '84 & '79 reunion reps

We're looking for volunteers to help plan upcoming class reunions. Your SPS Alumni Affairs Office is committed to making this process as simple as possible and is available to help in a variety of ways. If you'd like to learn more, email alumni@sandiaprep.org.

pack the 'Post' – send us your news!

We're gathering updates for the May issue of *PrepPost*. Being that this is typically everyone's favorite section, we're working hard to include as many alumni notes as possible. If you've started a new hobby or job, got married, have a new addition to the family or just have something fun you want to share, send your news and photos to alumni@sandiaprep.org. Help us 'Pack the Post!'

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wanted: current contact information

The SPS Alumni Affairs Office has a decent database of contact information, but there are many alums who are still saved in the system under their parent's address. To ensure that you receive details about all the exciting events we have planned for the upcoming year, as well as future issues of *PrepPost*, please send your current mailing and email address to the SPS alumni office at alumni@sandiaprep.org or call 505.338.3021.