

The **'High Hopes'** News

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Catch Them If You Can, Both Men Lead a Busy Life

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Mission Statement

The Parker Youth & Sports Foundation is dedicated to the support and preservation of parks, sports facilities and athletic programs in the greater Yakima area.

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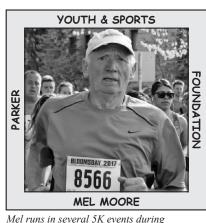
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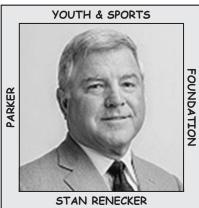
the year, including Bloomsday.

join us for the thirteenth annual fundraising weekend. If you enjoy sharing sport memories with others join us at the Sports Legends Reunion as we gather at the Howard Johnson Plaza Friday evening June 8th. The evening's Honored Guest will be Mel Moore, sports knowledge icon and tireless volunteer when it comes to youth and sports programs. Chasing errant volleyballs or attending athletic contests around the state, Mel has seen it or knows about it.

If you enjoy golfing on a premier course,

The event starts at 5:30 PM with a no-host

social and an opportunity to check out the silent and live auction items, followed by a buffet dinner at 6:15 PM. The program follows the live auction at 7:00 PM with the introduction and comments by Mel, followed by the presentation of the foundation's awards: Contributor of the Year; Parker Partner of the Year; Joe Donahue Memorial Scholarship Recipient; Faller Brayton Coaches Award; and the Swede Lindquist Memorial Official of the Year Award.



The next morning join Stan and his '74 Indian teammates for fun and sun at Apple Tree Golf Resort, as the 13th Annual High Hopes Tournament will feature Stanley Renecker as the High Hopes Honorary Chairman. Begin the day by taking advantage of an unlimited supply of driving range balls and a continental breakfast that includes a selection of pastries, fruit, coffee, juices, bottled water, Pepsi-Cola and Coca-Cola

products. Then off you go for the 8:00 a.m.

shotgun start. The tournament format will again be a 4-person scramble. Entry is \$125.00 per person or \$500.00 for your team. For an entry form, contact the office at 509-469-9336.

We look forward to seeing you at both events.



A summary of the registration and financial documents of the PARKER YOUTH & SPORTS FOUNDATION is available by calling the Office of the Secretary of State (Washington State) at 1-800-332-4483 or by visiting their website: http://www.secstate.wa.gov/charities/.

Mel Moore - Service Above Self



Mel Moore, Sports Legends Reunion Honored Guest, doesn't just talk the talk he walks the walk. Mel has been recognized by several organizations locally and statewide for his quiet demeanor of giving service. The Foundation is honored to recognize him.

Mel graduated from Kiona-Benton High School and attended

Wenatchee Valley College for two years (1962-64) where he played football for legendary coach Tom Parry and basketball for Frank Mataya. After college, Mel moved to Yakima, where he volunteered over 30 years with the youth baseball program. He has also coached AAU basketball and has been involved with numerous other sporting and community events in the Yakima area.

The 2018 WIAA/Dairy Farmers of Washington/Les Schwab Tires 1A, 2A State Baseball Championships marks the 26th consecutive year Mel will be the Tournament Manager. Due to his excellence as Tournament Manager, Mel has effectively managed the State Tournament at Yakima County Stadium, which is the longest tenured baseball championship site. However, Mel's love for high school athletics stretches beyond the diamond. After managing the State Baseball Tournament since 1993, Mel was asked six years later by State Basketball Tournament Manager, Gene Rostvold if he would be the Assistant Tournament Manager. The two capped off their 20th year with the completion of the 2018 State Basketball Tournament. Mel has also assisted with the 1B, 2B, 1A State Vollevball Tournament since 1998 and has also helped out with State Dance/Drill.

The Yakima Rotary recognizes individuals each year with the *Unsung Hero Award*. They award 4 individuals each year from the community who go above and beyond; are not paid for what they do; do not seek recognition for what they do; and could be defined as quiet miracle workers. Mel Moore fits those attributes and was so recognized as an Unsung Hero for the Rotary in June of 2012. Chosen for his tireless devotion to youth sports programs in our community for over 30 years; he has been instrumental in the success of youth sports and programs in Yakima.

Mel served on the board of directors of Yakima Youth Baseball and on Labor Day Weekend in 2003 launched the Hot Shots, Yakima's initial 3-on-3 street basketball tournament drawing 217 teams. That first event was played on 20 courts spread throughout several downtown streets. Mel was the event director for Hot Shots until 2005. The event is now organized and run by the Yakima Sports Commission and drew 509 teams on 41 courts in 2017.

The Volleyball Festival was another sports concept to come to fruition under Mel's vision. It started in 2003 with 64 teams and last year there were 80.

He was instrumental in bringing the American Legion

World Series to Yakima in 2001 and bringing state high school baseball, basketball and volleyball championship events to Yakima. For these efforts he was inducted into the WIAA Hall of Fame in 2013 with their *Contributor Award*. Mel received the *Curt and Chee Chee Bruskland Service Award* (2010), an award that is presented to individuals who exemplify service to the WIAA, either to the State Association or to WIAA member schools.

Mel knows just as much about the visiting teams as the home team making him the source to go to at the Yakima Monday Quarterback meetings.

Mel and wife, Vicki; have lived in Yakima for 42 years. They have three children – Dale, Brenda, and Daryl – and four grandchildren – Caleb, Ally, Benton and Clara.

Stan Renecker – High Hopes Honorary Chairman



Mr. Renecker is Managing Director of Acquisitions for Campbell Global and is a member of the Board of Directors. He is responsible for Campbell Global's outreach and acquisition activities, including gathering market intelligence, negotiating with sellers and buyers,

overseeing acquisition due diligence, and controlling transactional activities. Mr. Renecker is also a member of Campbell Global's Investment, Allocation, Price Forecasting, and Investment Committees.

Throughout Mr. Renecker's career, he has built numerous key relationships with buyers and sellers of timberland, professional advisors, and other participants in the investment management and forest products industry. These relationships are key in enabling Campbell Global to be an active participant in the market.

Stan received his J.D. from Willamette University College of Law, a B.A. in Political Science from Central Washington University and AA from Yakima Valley College.

Growing up in Wapato, Stan would graduate from Eisenhower High School. Attending YVC his association with Bill Faller flourished while a member of the baseball team. Parker Youth and Sports Foundation benefitted from Bill and Stan's friendship. In 2004, Stan challenged the Foundation to create the Faller Brayton Endowment with an initial donation of \$25,0000.00 if the Foundation would match the amount. The Endowment at one time surpassed the \$500,000.00 marked. The community, especially youth programs, has benefitted financially receiving over \$100,000.00 in grants.

Stan has participated in the High Hopes Tournament 10 times and was recognized as the Foundation's Parker Partner in 2009.

He is a member of Oregon Society of CPAs (inactive), American Institute of CPAs, Oregon State Bar (inactive), and American Bar Association.

Meet New Board Director



Don L. Erickson, a Marquette High School 1966 graduate, played basketball at Yakima Valley College for two seasons (1968-70) under head coach Ellwood Crosier and assistant Jerry Ward. Don earned an undergraduate degree at Central Washington University in 1972 and

earned his Master of Education (Physical Education) and Administrative credentials in and 1985.

Professional Career:

- 1972 Yakima School District Elementary PE specialist.
- 1972 Youth Director for the Yakima YMCA (biggest accomplishments in his years at the YMCA was to start the Yakima youth soccer movement).
- 1978 Carroll High School's athletic director/ teacher/campus minister and coach.
- 1985 -principal of St. Paul Cathedral School.
- 1990 -Franklin Middle School, teacher and coach (coached thirty-seven (37) different teams during his ten years).
- 2000 Yakima School District Athletic Director.
- 2003 Wapato School District as the District Athletic Director/High School Athletic Director/ Assistant High School Principal.
- 2013 La Salle High School Athletic Director. <u>Coaching Career:</u>
- CYO basketball and baseball teams for the better part of 30 years (1962-1993).
- Basketball at Carroll High School for six (6) years (1978-1983) and helped with softball, golf, and bowling while at Carroll.
- Little league baseball in Yakima for three years (1986-1988) and directed the South All- Star team in two (2) of those years.
- Assistant coach for the Yakima Pepsi Beetles in 1991 and served on their board for five (5) years, during that time, he chaired the annual 4th of July "Firecracker" tournament and assisted with district, regional, and state tournaments.
- 1968 to 2008 directed the Catholic Youth Organization's (CYO) basketball and baseball programs from.
- <u>Administrative connection to sports includes:</u>
- Twice served on the YVIAA District 5 Board of Directors (2009 and 2013).
- League president for the Yakima Valley "West" division from 1982 to 1984.
- President of the Yakima area Middle Level league in 1986.

- President of the Central Athletic Conference (CWAC) in 2008.
- President of the South Central Athletic Conference (SCAC) in 2014.

Honors include:

• In 2013, one of nine (9) finalists as Washington State Athletic Director of the Year.

Church and Community involvement:

- 50 years active participation in the Knights of Columbus, a catholic men's fraternal organization, also celebrating its 50th anniversary.
- Served as; Deputy Grand Knight, Grand Knight, District Deputy, and State chairmanship; oversaw annual regional and state free throw shooting championships.

A "golf junkie", Don has played at over 300 different golf courses throughout the United States (about half of them in Washington). If all goes well, and after a summer road trip, he will have played golf in all 50 states.

Don and wife Vicky will soon celebrate their 46th wedding anniversary; have three adult children (Don Jr., Eddie, and Cathy); nine grandchildren; two great grandchildren.

Office Report -- By Darlene Olmstead



I have been getting more familiar with the office procedures, getting acquainted and working with the board, and learning who are the Parker Partners of the Parker Youth & Sports Foundation. I am now looking forward to helping with fund raising activities.

Board Meetings: I am

providing all members with notes and minutes and informing them of office activity and correspondence. New board members will be receiving notebooks to keep information on meetings and activities.

Donation Acknowledgement: Again, if you have not received an acknowledgement for a donation, please let me know. Some may have been missed in transition and during the time I was absent.

Website: We are in the process of being able to update our website on a regular basis. Please visit when you get a chance. Donations can also be made online at parkeryouthandsportsfoundation.org.

Office Hours and Contact Information: Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays 11:00 AM-2:00 PM. Office number 509-469-9336

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Grant Scoreboard

At the annual meeting the Board of Directors recently approved 3 grant requests, Daryl Parker Memorial Award and 3 Faller/Brayton Awards. The Joe Donahue Memorial Scholarship was split between Macy and Cole with payment 2 and 3 reflected.

Organization	Purpose	Amount
Cadet Youth Wrestling (ages 3-14)	Uniforms & warm ups	\$2,500.00
YMCA Aquatic Center	Daryl Parker Memorial Award	\$2,000.00
Macy Ogden & Cole Mckenzie	Joe Donahue Memorial Scholarship winter quarter for each	\$750.00 tuition \$450 .00 work study
Macy Ogden & Cole Mckenzie	Joe Donahue Memorial Scholarship spring quarter for each	\$750.00 tuition \$450 .00 work study
Team Yakima Volleyball Club	Matching fund request for yearbook sales	\$1,000.00
	TOTAL	\$7,900.00

Grant Approvals

Cadet youth wrestling team of 52 boys and girls.

Faller/Brayton Awards

Organization	Purpose	Amount
YMCA Aquatic Center	Daryl Parker Memorial Award	\$8,000.00
YVC • Men's Baseball & Basketball • Women's Basketball, Soccer & Volleyball	Work Study	\$5,000.00
2017-18 Faller Brayton Coaches Award	Winter portion of the award for Gerald Hein	\$750.00 tuition \$450.00 work study
	TOTAL	\$14,200.00

YMCA Pool Project Received the Daryl Parker Memorial Award

The second annual Daryl Parker Memorial Award has been given to the YMCA/Yakima Rotary Aquatics Center project. The amount awarded was \$10,000.00, the funds coming from the Faller/Brayton Endowment and the grant budget.

The award was presented to YMCA Executive Director, Bob Romero by Foundation President, Dan Williams, on March 12. Romero commented at the presentation, "The YMCA appreciates the support and mission of PY&SF. We are grateful for the opportunity to join the Foundation to positively impact the youth of our community." Groundbreaking for the pool project is scheduled for this coming May at the Chesterly Park complex located off River Road near N. 40th Avenue. The architectural rendering of the project is available in



YMCA Executive Director Bob Romero (L) accepts the Daryl Parker Memorial Award from Foundation President Daniel Williams.

the YMCA lobby. This award was established by PY&SF in 2015 in memory of Daryl Parker who was a charter member and major benefactor of the Foundation.

Spotlight on a Local Sport Figure

Josh Elliott was a ten-year military veteran, U.S. Marine retired sergeant, who lost his legs in an explosion in Afghanistan in 2011. With his life changed forever he still wants to represent his country, this time as an Olympian.

Josh competed in all the downhill slalom races at the 2018 Paralympics in South Korea. With a background in snowboarding before he was injured, he was a natural to take to monoskiing. Josh is a 2000 graduate of Davis High School.



February 18, 2018 photo from Yakima Herald Republic.

Roll Call

Parker Partners

The 2018 Parker Partner Membership Drive got underway November 1st. Since the last newsletter, additional people listed in **bold** have renewed – latest count at **113**. If you didn't receive a brochure and would like one, contact the office via email: info@ parkeryouthfoundation.com or 509-469-9336.

****Names in bold** – new or renewed since the fall newsletter.

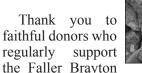
Members

Bob & Sally Allen Barb Amstutz Jan Barr Jeff Bond **Ken Bongers** Larry & Deanna Book Marla Borton Trudy Brav Jim & Joan Breese Merl Brothers **Terry & Corky Brown** Jerry & Liz Cain **Jack Carey** Mike Carev Mike & Carol Carlon Del & Lynn Carmichael Gene & Denise Connor Ellwood & Arla Crosier Sidsel Cummings Larry & Pat Danielson **Bill Douglas** Joe & Laura Drovetto Spud & Gay Edmondson Steve & Winnie Evert **Bill Faller** Glen & Melinda Faller Virginia Faller Dan & Jodi Farano **Carol Finnev** Buddy & Nancy Fish Rav Funk Tom & Karen Garrison Jav Gilbertson Jeff Girard Wil Halpin **Ron Hamamoto** Lawrence Hannah & **Pam Iverson** Harley & Linda Hansen Virginia Hays Mike Havnaer Don Hinman

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Faller Brayton Endowment





Endowment. The endowment continues to thrive as it supports YVC athletics and other programs.

Terry & Corky Brown Gene & Denise Connor Steve & Winnie Evert

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General Donations

General donations are crucial as the funds help cover office expenses. Thank you for your support.

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In Memory

Thank you for keeping cherished ones in our thoughts with your donations. Recognition as of March 1, 2018. We are honored to remember...



In memory of *Leon Akers*, a three-sport athlete at YVC (football, basketball, baseball). He earned the Most Inspirational Award in basketball his sophomore year. He was a member of the first YVC football team in 1948. He signed a minor league contract with the St. Louis Cardinal organization and

Bill Faller

Jerry & Lynn Ward



In memory of *David Sloan Biggs*, a young man, smaller in size due to an illness, but large in personality. He was able to participate in Little League Baseball, youth soccer, played in the Elks 9-holer golf tournaments taking home the winner's trophy once. He went on to become the manager for the Selah Viking football team and helped

with their basketball team. A vivacious personality loved by all who knew him. He graduated from Selah High School before passing away in 1998.

Lynn & Ray Biggs



In memory of *Larry Clark*, who In the last weeks of his life wrote the following: ... "I grew up in Toppenish, Washington where I graduated from Toppenish High School. That's right, I was a Wildcat!" Larry furthered his education by attending EWU in Cheney, WA. After receiving his

degree ... 31 years at Davis High School in Yakima, WA as an English teacher and basketball coach, seven years at LaSalle in Yakima, and seven more years at New Horizons High School in Pasco, WA. "I ended up settling on a 46-year teaching career, and I have lived a happily employed life."

Tom & Karen Garrison Virginia Hays



In memory of *Betty Edmondson,* a graduate of the University of Washington, member of the Chi Omega sorority, coming back to Yakima and while raising a family of three sons, focused on community service. She was involved with the Yakima Valley Museum and

Historical Board of Trustees, and a member of the board of directors of the Association of Washington Cities.

Betty Edmondson was a force to be reckoned with as she took on a major role in the political world in Yakima. The first female elected as the mayor (1975), she guided the city through the clean up of tons of ash from the eruption of Mount St. Helens on May 18, 1980.

Del & Lynn Carmichael Don Hinman



In memory of *Jim Gosney*, who graduated from Ellensburg High School and received a Bachelor of Science degree from Central Washington University.

Jim worked for the Herald-Republic newspaper as a sports reporter and columnist for many years. He was an avid fisherman,

hunter, golfer and loved watching a grandson play sports.

Jim left us with so much to be thankful for. His very calm and patient demeanor was a trait to envy. His dry sense of humor and wit will be remembered.

Bill Faller

Jim & Bonnie Scoggins



In memory of *Clarence Johnson*, who was born in Kansas City, Missouri. He served his country in the U.S. Army, receiving the WWII Victory medal.

He enjoyed being in the outdoors, spending time with his family, fishing, hunting with his sons and friends. He was a devoted provider for his family and a loving husband to his

wife (Joyce). He was respected and loved by all who knew him. He worked for Yakima Valley Community College for many years as the sports facilities manager, retiring in 1994.

Jerry & Lynn Ward



In memory of *Ron King*, a 12 sport letterman at Grandview High School, member of the band and a scholar. He went on to WSU joining their band.

Ron was a member of the PY&SF Board of Directors. Ron had a 57-year career in the radio business.

Ken & Millie Stenehjem Jerry & Lynn Ward



In memory of *Bob Masterman*, who graduated from Yakima High School in 1949, lettering in baseball and basketball. As a freshman, he played on the varsity team and was nicknamed "Masty". At 6'6" and 185 lbs. he played on the Eastern Washington University Hall of Fame basketball team in the

early 1950's.

He moved to Union Gap where he began his career with the Washington State Department of Highways working his way up to Civil Engineer before retiring in 1980.

Bob was one of the first Parker Partners and High Hopes Tournament participants.

Bill Faller Jim & Bonnie Scoggins

Jerry & Lynn Ward



In memory of *Tom Jones Parry, Jr.*, known to many as, "Black Tom". Tom attended Queen Ann High School before enrolling at Washington State College where he was a standout offensive lineman, played in the 1948 East-West Shrine Game. Parry's college days were interrupted when

he served his country during WWII as Navy Chief Specialist 1943-1946 with distinction.

Parry's football coaching career included: Langley High School in 1949; Clarkston High School, 1950-55: Wenatchee Valley College: University of Montana; Washington State University; Central Washington University, 1966-1982; United States Football League LA Express. 1982; returning to CWU, led the 1983-84 Wildcats to a NAIA National Playoff berth and a second-place national ranking.

Known for his great sense of humor, Parry enjoyed assigning nicknames to people, places and things.

Tom was a friend of Parker Youth & Sports Foundation, serving as the 2012 High Hopes Tournament Honorary Chair.

Trudy Bray	Jon & Linda Mulvenon
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CORRECTION: Our apology to Ron Pearson's family for having the wrong photo in the Fall Winter Issue.



In memory of Ron Pearson, born in Seattle, graduating from Franklin High School in 1949 as an All-State baseball player. He worked twenty-one years for Zellerbach before starting his own business in Yakima. Ron coached youth baseball both in Seattle and Yakima. Ron and his wife Marilyn met in high school and were married for

sixty-six years.

Ron's son Chris has been a supporter of the High Hopes Tournament for 12 years.

Bill Faller

Jerry & Lynn Ward



In memory of Milt Schwenk, attended Sunnyside High School, was a remarkable athlete, attended Washington State University on an athletic scholarship, graduating in 1954.

Milt taught high school history and speech, coached a variety of high school teams and at the college level during his teaching career. Later in life, earning a Master's Degree in Education, he became a TV sportscaster, then Co-Anchor, and News Director for KNDO TV.

Bill Faller





In memory of Gary Swart, a 1953 graduate of Wapato High School; served as an air traffic controller in the Air Force; then taught in the Wapato and Mt. Adams School districts.

He was a baseball and fastpitch softball official for many years; and umpired in several state and regional tournaments.

Garv was musical, performing during his high school years and beyond including the Yakima Valley Community Band, a fixture in the tuba section. He also played with Musikkapelle Leavenworth, traveling to play at Leavenworth festivals for many years.

He hunted, fished, hiked, enjoyed camping trips and woodworking. Gary's ancestors (Biles) were co-leaders on the Biles-Longmire wagon train that opted for the northern branch of the Oregon Trail and struggled over Naches Pass in 1853.

Trudy Bray	Jon & Linda Mulvenon	
Bill Faller	Jerry & Lynn Ward	

Lou Haas, Raymond Menzia, Daryl Parker and Jeff Parks will be recognized in the next issue.

Historical Section -- By Jerry Ward



With the beginning of fall classes in 2018, YVC will celebrate 90 years of service to the Valley. One of the five objectives of the Foundation's mission is athletic scholarship support at the college and, of

Yakima Valley Junior College, 1928-1949, 200 Block of N. 4th Avenue.

course, the relationship between PY&SF and YVC are historically

"joined at the hip". The relationship dates back to 1937 when Parker Field was constructed (now Parker Faller Field), and the land where the college is located today was gifted by Shirley Parker and his mother Rose Larson. Parker Youth and Sports Foundation sends its congratulations to the current students and staff of YVC on the 90th Anniversary.

The PY&SF historical committee has a display in the A. E. Larson Building lobby that acknowledges the YVC 90th Anniversary, but also includes the two new Parker Faller Field plaques that will be mounted at the new entrance to the field once the field improvement projects near completion.

As part of the 90th year celebration, the High Hopes newsletter will begin a series of stories about Yakima Valley College.

EXAMPLE 1 Ways to support the Parker Youth & Sports Foundation are listed below.	
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