

THE HIGH HOPES NEWS

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Todd Stottlemyre



Scott Hatteberg



Bob Wells

THE 2023 LEGENDS & HIGH HOPES EVENTS BRING SUCCESS!

Friendship – Fun – Fundraising

The board of Parker Youth & Sports Foundation thanks the community for participating in our August events this year! We were all in "A League of Our Own" while hosting sports legends Bob Wells – MVP pitcher Mariners '96, Todd Stottlemyre – two World Series rings as a pitcher, and Scott Hatteberg – the A's home run hitter who sealed 20 consecutive wins for the A's in 2002. Legend, Mel Stottlemyre, Jr., was celebrated but absent because he's at work as the Marlins pitching coach. Legends Todd, Mel Jr., Scott, and Bob gave optimistic and inspiring messages to Friday night guests. Our community partners Abbott's Printing, Yakima Convention Center and Apple Tree Resort were terrific in helping us succeed. Many thanks to the 132 golfers who fielded the course and brought skill, talent and a serious competitive spirit to the tournament!

Todd Stottlemyre Flight

1st Place Monson Fruit 52
2nd Place Borton Fruit 54
3rd Place '79 Legion World Series
Champs 57

Scott Hatteberg Flight

1st Military Salute 54
2nd Hatteberg Heros-YVC Cougs 57
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Longest Putt Made..... Mike Garretson
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Longest Drive Men Sam Laframboise
Closest to the Pin Men Van Johnson
Closest to the Pin Women Betsy Kean
Putting Contest – closest to pin Ben Wells

Mel Stottlemyre Jr. Flight

Yakimaniacs 54
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Carol Finney Youth Flight

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First Tee Boys 67
Eisenhower High School 68

Bob Wells Flight

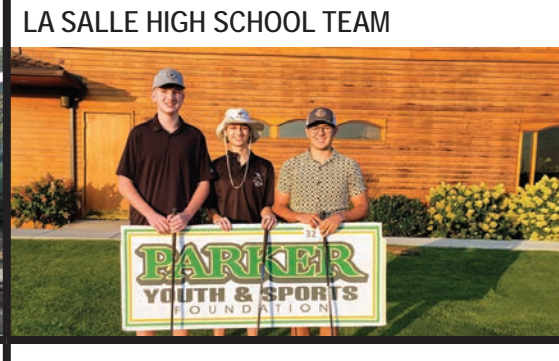
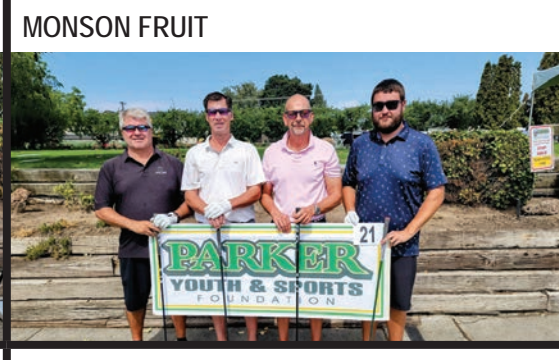
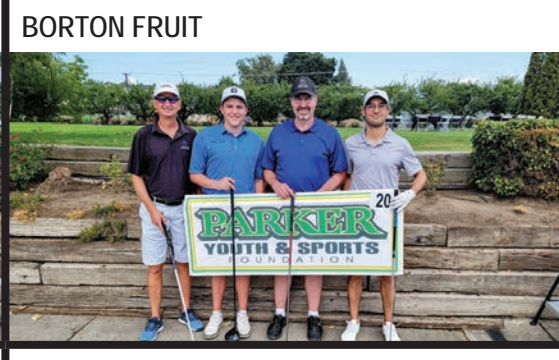
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SPORTS TOYS FOR TOTS MAKE YAKIMA BELLS JINGLE

Jingle Bells will ring all the way to the baseball field, basketball court, track, and volleyball gymnasium! Parker Youth & Sports is again collecting sport toys during the Holiday season! Kima TV sponsors this toy drive with the US Marines Corp. and they make sure the Toys get to the kids! Please take sport toys for kids to the PYSF office in the Larson Building, KIMA TV station or at a Marine office near you! Jingle Bells will be heard all over town!

2023 HIGH HOPES GOLF TOURNAMENT TEAMS 2





HATTEBERG HEROS - YVC-COUGARS



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FIRST TEE - GUYS



A remarkable Coach, Teacher, Father & Friend

Bill Faller



On a beautiful fall day, the baseball and sports community of Yakima, Washington gathered at Cascade Gardens to pay tribute to the life of noble and legendary coach, Bill Faller. When Parker Youth & Sports Foundation began in 2024, – and Bill became the first president, he was 79 years old. Many people have stepped away from community involvement at that age – but not Bill. The community is thankful! We grew under Bill's leadership and with his wise influence. Our start-up donation was \$2,500. We were on a mission to make money, build funds and give grants to youth athletic organizations.

Bill was the NWAC's winningest baseball coach with 664 wins and 18 League titles and 11 conference championships while at YVC – he was also a champion football and basketball coach – and he was a national hero. During WW II he received two purple hearts as an Air Force navigator. Daryl and Sherrie Parker knew about Bill when they successfully petitioned YVC to honor – "Bill's unprecedented benefit to the Yakima Valley," by renaming Parker Field the Parker-Faller Field in 2014. Sherrie Parker continues this tribute by sponsoring a Veteran's golf Team each year in the High Hopes Golf tournament.

While working with Bill we learned that –

Bill had a gift – he was a visionary. He could see a better future and draw up a plan on how we can get there.

He had a style – Bill was an inclusive person. He included everyone in the planning and the building. If you were at the table – you were on the team.

Bill also had friends! He could call on people to help – people answered his call. Bill was known throughout our town, state and country. He was known to be reliable, honest, hard-working and fun to work with.

Now truth be told – **Bill had expectations!** – He worked hard – and often worked the day into the night. He was a writer and wrote Parker Youth & Sport's first business plan with eight pages of job description detail. He cared. In fact – he cared a lot!

He was true to the mission and his team. And he expected the team to be true to do the same. Whether it was working his career or a daily task – he was a professional. Predictable with ethics.

Bill always had a direction. You loved to pick up the phone and hear it was Bill. You knew this would be a conversation that would go somewhere. If he was in the room – there would be progress.

Bill helped us all perform better. He was a Coach and Father for everyone. Bill and his late wife Nancy raised a fabulous family with a magical brother and sisters team. Anything is possible with this group! Just give them an idea – and it will be done in a week. Remember to bring an agenda, your paper, pen, and the budget to get it done together!

If I had a wishing life – it would be that we never lose the people of importance and endearment in our life. However – often it is in middle of the biggest loss that you see the biggest hope. I believe it is Bill's hope we see – and we are now the soldiers to bring it home. All who met Bill are forever grateful they knew him.

By Nancy Leahy



2023-24 Joe Donahue Co-Recipients

In 2008, the Parker Youth & Sports Foundation established a scholarship in honor of Joe Donahue, a charter director of the Foundation, and a director and an officer of the original Parker Youth Foundation. The scholarship recognizes Joe's long service to youth sports in Yakima, and especially to Yakima Valley College sports programs.

For the 2023-24 academic year, we have co-recipients:



Ana Hrle

Ana Hrle will be a freshman at Yakima Valley College this fall after being a member of Selah High School's graduating class of 2023. Posting a 3.5 GPA, she plans to one day pursue a degree in architecture "as it combines my strong suits of math and art together." The first step in this goal will be earning her Associate's degree at YVC, "I'm a hard worker and really want to achieve my long-term educational goals," said Hrle. "One of my goals is to graduate college with the least amount of debt possible," she says, "and the Donahue scholarship will really help out in this regard." In addition to her educational goals, Ana possesses experience in the digital arts and uses Adobe Photoshop to "bring my art experience to the next level" – a skill that will come in handy while assisting the YVC athletic department.

Faith McCarty will be a sophomore at Yakima Valley College in Fall 2023. Faith assisted the game operations staff with volleyball matches and men's basketball games last year. After posting a 3.2 GPA for her freshman year, Faith is returning to YVC to complete her Associate's degree in Business. A returning student-athlete for the YVC women's basketball program, Faith hopes to transfer to a four-year university to continue her playing career and pursue a Bachelor's degree in Business Management while minoring in Agricultural Business. "I would like to work on the family farm and help with the business side of the operation," says McCarty. "The Donahue scholarship can provide a significant boost for me and provide networking and mentorship opportunities," she said.



Faith McCarty

PARADES! PRAISE! PANCAKES! OH MY!

PARADES Marching for youth sports with Parker Youth & Sports Foundation! We had a ball in the SUNFAIR PARADE! **Yakima Flight** – who received a grant from PYSF in 2021 – was marching with us and handing out candy to children. They are terrific ambassadors of youth athletics. Thank you Liz Coon, Vicente Sanchez, Paola Verjan and Nancy Leahy for organizing the Parker Youth parade portion! It was a blast!



Phil English

PRAISE! Praise and congratulations to Rich Austin, Director of Sports Development with the Yakima Sports Commission, for being awarded a prestigious 2023 Ted Robertson Community Service Award. Rich is a two-time board member of Parker Youth & Sports Foundation board and he is honored for his contributions to the Greater Yakima area. Rich attended East Valley High School, Yakima Valley College and Washington State University before working for the Yakima Sun Kings of the Continental Basketball Association. He has worked at the Yakima Valley Sports Commission since 2006, where he helps organize and host events such as the state basketball tournaments and the popular 3 x 3 Hot Shots Tournament.

PRAISE! Legendary track Coach Phil English, a 2019 Parker Youth & Sports Legend was also honored with a 2023 Ted Robertson Community Service Award for his dedication to coaching track and cross country at Eisenhower since 1986. He has won multiple state championships and assisted over 400 Yakima student athletes in receiving scholarships to college. Coach English teaches high-level courses in biology, anatomy and physiology at Eisenhower. Congratulations to both gentleman for this well-deserved life time honor and for making all of us proud to be part of athletics!



Rich Austin

PANCAKES SOLD OUT!! Thank you everyone for coming to the LITTLE SWEET STACKS mini pancakes booth at YAKIMA Farmers Market Oct. 22! We loved the pancakes and your support of Parker Youth & Sports! It was great to meet new friends and learn about the needs of young athletes in our County. Great job to Liz Coon for arranging this fun and fundraising event! And Yes – we sold out pancakes on both days of the Yakima Farmer's Market! We hope to see more friends in 2024!



News from the Foundation Office

By Darlene Olmstead



Darlene Olmstead

This Fall Parker Youth & Sports has been busy working at the Farmers Market and recording final details from our Banquet and High Hopes Golf Tournament. We are thrilled that the fundraising events were so successful. Many people are to be thanked. We have received many kind memorial gifts for Coach Bill Faller, Dick Smith and other departed Parker Partners. These thoughtful gifts are so appreciated, and we thank all donors for your generosity and kindness to remember youth as you honor your friends and family members. We welcome new board member Matt Burton!

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Memorials

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THANK YOU TOURNAMENT VOLUNTEERS!

Dear Friends and Fans!

Please thank these great volunteers for helping with our event this weekend. These people helped to improve the future of Yakima Valley youth athletics!

HIGH HOPES GOLF TOURNAMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE

Apple Tree Golf Pro	Kevin Anderson
Legends & Event Director	Nancy Leahy
Legends Dinner Manager	Liz Coon
Golf Tournament Manager	Don Erickson
Financial Director	Alan Waliana
Registration and Accounting	Darlene Olmstead
Raffle Baskets	Irma Williams
Trophies	Engraving Unlimited
Printed Golf Totes	Bergen Screen Print
Printed Items, Photo Posters	Abbotts Printing
Promotional Planning	Nancy Leahy
Photography, Registration, Auction	Phill Fossum
Beverages	Pepsi Cola, Noel Corporation
Dinner	Apple Tree Grill
Golf Balls for Players	Cascade Gas
Mid Valley Publicity	Charlotte Layman
Cheerleaders	Rich Kayla & Board of Parker Youth & Sports!
Gracious Meet location	Starbucks Coffee on 59 th & Summitview
Promotion and Support	Yakima Monday Morning Quarterbacks
Golf Tournament Starter	Will Faller
Vocalist - National Anthem	Christa Blake Parker

TOURNAMENT VOLUNTEERS

Rich Austin	Nancy Leahy	Vicente Sanchez
Dan Williams	Ray Funk	Paola Verjan
Irma Williams	Bill Faller	The Faller Family
Verlynn Best	Alan Waliana	Eisenhower Girls Fast Pitch
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We Tip Our Hats to These Great Volunteers!" - Nancy & Liz

THANK YOU LEGENDS NIGHT & HIGH HOPES GOLF SPONSORS

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APPRECIATION TO OUR COMMUNITY FOR SUPPORTING 2023 LEGENDS DINNER AND GOLF!

188 attended Dinner Friday night.

56 volunteers helped with dinner and/or golf tournament.

128 played golf on Saturday - with 20 Businesses sponsoring golfers.

Preliminary counts show \$60,000 earned – a 50% increase from last year.

Our deepest gratitude to Sherrie Parker for being the Premier Sponsor of the event by supporting Dinners on Friday night and sponsoring five golf teams! Thank you, Stan Renecker, for being a generous gold sponsor this year. Appreciation to the 8 Silver Sponsors and 21 golf team sponsors this year. American Legion Logan Wheeler POST #36 uniformed veterans presented the colors with perfect decorum and Christa Blake Parker sang the National Anthem beautifully. RL Heaverlo was fast-paced and excellent as our auctioneer. We praise and thank the 110 businesses contributing to the best auction we have ever had!

Legends Dinner Manager, Liz Coon did a great job and Don Erickson gets a High-5 salute for managing the Golf Tournament. Thanks to Liz and Irma Williams for handling the raffle and auction! Hats off to Phill Fossum for managing bid numbers, registration & for being the event photographer. Our gratitude to Dan Williams and Ray Funk for announcing the 2023 Parker Youth awards. Applause to Pat Leahy for honoring Coach Bob Garretson, Sr., for Bob's lifelong service to youth baseball. Darlene Olmstead ably managed the cash boxes and a fist bump to Alan Walania for directing financial transactions.

We applaud Alan Sillence and Ryan Rogers for their professional role as program MC's and for playing golf. We sincerely thank the Yakima Valley College soccer ladies and Eisenhower Fast Pitch Team for volunteering at both the dinner and golf tournament!

The 8 Youth teams and two Military teams were outstanding in skill and sportsmanship, and we thank the eight sponsors of the youth teams. We look ahead to funding more youth programs next year. See you in 2024 for the Parker Youth & Sports 20th anniversary Sport Galore events!

With Gratitude, Parker Youth & Sports Foundation Board of Directors



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We pay tribute to the administration and hard-working staff of Yakima Convention and Event Center for contributing and participating in the success of Parker Youth & Sports Foundation with our Legends Dinner event on August 25, 2023! We applaud John Cooper, Lisa Krous, and Connie Upton for their hospitality, efficient service and welcoming disposition. We salute Sam Dobbs and Arcely Zungia for their logistic and technical skills. We compliment Nicole Cour and the Center Plate chefs for a delicious dinner! The impact of your detailed work and teamwork helped Parker Youth and Sports have the most successful Legends night in our history. Our gratitude to Yakima Convention and Event Center for supporting our mission of giving every child in the valley an opportunity to participate in sports.

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