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## A Foundation Merger Approved

*Mary Wheeler, President*

Point Loma 2000 was formed four years ago as a committee of the PTSA to raise funds for the "beautification" of Point Loma High School. We quickly realized that beautification would not be enough as an ambitious project of major improvements was developed. Our founding group realized that it would not be possible to achieve the major fund raising required under the PTSA's charter. Another foundation, the Point Loma Foundation, existed at PLHS, but its charter was specifically designated for the support of academics not the physical plant and spirit building activities envisioned by Point Loma 2000. It was necessary to establish a separate foundation for these purposes; thus, the birth of Point Loma 2000 – dedicated to the revitalization of Point Loma High School. In a short four years, we have some major results. We have had held four Celebrations, honoring our distinguished graduates, and arguably the best party on the Point; we have just completed our fourth annual Point Loma Scenic Run and Walk, the most scenic course in the county; and several other special events.

We have raised over \$300,000.00 which has gone into making

Point Loma High School a better place for our students. We have installed over 2000 new lockers and completely refurbished the hallways, we have painted the lunch court yard, provided the funding to complete the painting of the class rooms, provided new plants and landscaping, and completed the Pointer Commemorative Paver court.

None of this could have been accomplished without the support of a dedicated board, hard working volunteers, and the financial support of sponsors, donors, and members. Thank you to one and all. All of this required major fund raising efforts. However, fund raising has become more difficult. Often a potential donor has just been approached by another campus activity when asked to support one of our projects. Sometimes there is confusion about what the different foundations do and for that matter,



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## A Note from the Principal...

*Michael Price, Principal*

Winter had brought some interesting changes to the Point Loma campus this year. During the Winter Break we moved our displaced teachers back into their renovated classrooms and teaching spaces in the 400 Building. The contractors and other construction professionals have done a wonderful job of remodeling

and renovating these areas for students and staff. I invite you to take a walk through these spaces to see your tax dollars at work in the lives of our students. We continue to work on other areas of the campus and the next major building is the 600 Building sound project. At the

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### SAVE THESE DATES:

- April 21st - Point Loma 2000 general membership and election meeting
- May 15th- Gotta Sing Gotta Dance Reception

## Point Loma Pavers

*Jeanie Estrada*

The Point Loma Pavers have been a roaring success. We are well on our way to placing a second order. We would like to set a date for receiving orders no later than June 30, 1999. Pavers make great holiday gifts for current students (especially seniors) and alumni alike. Businesses, Service Organizations and other groups (I.e., Alumni Reunions) are also encouraged to show support for Point Loma High School by purchasing a paver. Benches will soon be installed ringing the paver plaza for enjoyment and protection. If you would like to sponsor a bench, please leave a message at the Point Loma 2000 office.

To receive a paver order form, please call the Point Loma 2000 office at: 619-523-0982, and leave your name, address, and phone number. If you have questions, your call will be returned. Many thanks to all who have already order a paver. Please pass this along to a friend, neighbor or fellow alumni. We would love to have Pointer Plaza covered with our beautiful commemorative pavers by the year 2000!

## Boogie Woogie Bugle Ball

Once again, the Celebration committee and the board of PL2000 hosted a spectacular evening. October 9th was the date, and the Ocean View Room an the Submarine base was the place. Guests enjoyed fabulous appetizers, including the well-known favorite--potato pancakes. Dessert was Black Forest cake from the European Cake Gallery. Danny King and his Swing Band entertained us throughout the evening and swing dancing was all the rage. Early in the evening, Obaloc Phillips and Tonya Jackson of the Visions Theater Company sang a few tunes for us. Both of these entertainers are PLHS graduates and it was wonderful to have them be a part of our gala evening. Art teacher, Ernestine Bradley, orchestrated the decorations, which kept in time with the 40's swing era. Pete Peckham, Class of '44, Malin Burnham, Class of '45 and Don Larsen. Class of '47, were our honored graduates for the evening. They were chosen as our distinguished graduates for the contributions they have made to their community and/or profession since their graduation from Point Loma High School. The silent auction was a *huge* hit with an autographed baseball selling for over \$2500.00!!! The baseball was auto-

The Pointer Paver (4"X8") is \$50.00. The Maroon Paver (8"X8") is \$95.00. The Golden Paver (8"X16") is \$200.00.



*Purchase a paver before it's too late.*

graphed by Don Larsen and David Wells. Both pitched perfect games while playing for the Yankees, and of course, both are graduates of Point Loma High School. A great time was had by all!!! After all of the festivities and celebration, our fund-raising efforts raised over \$9000.00 for Point Loma High School. We are thrilled with the response from all of our community supporters, parents, students, teachers, and volunteers. Thank you for your contributions and support!!! We look forward to your continued efforts to carry us into the year 2000 and give Point Loma High School the support and recognition that it deserves!!!



## A Note from the Principal...

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same time the crews are working late into most evenings in other buildings to complete their work prior to the August, 1999 deadline. Concurrently the district hired a contractor to install our new telephone system which is now installed. Thank you for your wonderful confidence in Point Loma and public education through your support of Proposition MM on last November's ballot. Over the next 5-6 years there will be many projects that will be completed on the campus that will restore Point Loma to functional and efficient use status. We will be replacing the portable buildings, renovating restrooms, painting, remodeling, and installing computer networks throughout the entire school facility. It is an exciting and busy time on the campus. I hope that you

will take the time to walk around the campus and view our improvements and that you will see a work in progress. Work that was started by a dedicated group of parents, community members and staff members that wanted a better environment for our students, staff and community. Thank you for your support of PL 2000 and the many volunteers that give of their time, talent, and treasure to make this dream come true.

Michael Price  
Principal



## Announcements

### General Membership Meeting and Elections

The members of Point Loma 2000 will meet Wednesday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 1999 at 7 p.m. at the corporate offices Naval Training Center, Building 200, 2640 Decatur Blvd., San Diego, CA 92106. Membership is not required to attend; however, only members are entitled to vote. Membership may be paid for at the meeting. The Board Meeting will immediately follow the General Meeting. Agenda items: Election of officers, merger with other organizations.

### Joe Hutshing

What a pleasure to have two time Oscar winning film editor, Joe Hutshing visit my senior film classes at Point Loma High this fall. Joe has won Oscars for working with film director Oliver Stone on Born on the Fourth of July and J.F.K. (also nominated for Jerry McGuire). Joe fielded questions from an overflow crowd of students who were fascinated by his creative talents, dedication, and accomplishments. Most recently, Joe spent sixteen months editing the romantic fantasy, Meet Joe Black starring Brad Pitt and Anthony Hopkins. Joe

### Gotta Sing Gotta Dance

#### "Beauty Queens and Cellophane Dreams"

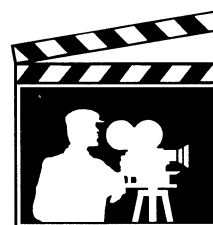
Saturday, May 15, 1999 at 7 p.m

A special program and reception fundraiser for the new out door furniture for the school. Attend this year's outstanding performance of the Gotta Sing Gotta Dance program and attend a special desert reception on stage following the program with the cast and other special guest. All proceeds from this special performance and reception will be donated to Point Loma 2000's out door furniture fundraiser. Send checks for \$15.00 per person to Point Loma 2000 at 2640 Decatur Blvd., San Diego, CA 92106. Tickets will be available at the door. Your

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received a huge ovation from both classes and told me afterwards that he was overwhelmed with the student reception. Joe, a graduate of Point Loma High in 1972, was honored at the Point Loma 2000 Gala in 1997.

If you have information about distinguished Point Loma alumni, please contact me at [LZeiger@aol.com](mailto:LZeiger@aol.com).



# HELP!!!

## Point Loma 2000 Plans Celebration 2000

The year 2000 marks the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Point Loma High School. PL 2000's annual Celebration will be held in February or March of 2000 in honor of PLHS's 75<sup>th</sup>. **Your help is needed now!**

Celebration, in addition to being the best party on the Point, recognizes three distinguished graduates each year. It will be tough to top our previous honorees. We need your help to recognize the best of the best. Previous honorees are: Marion Ross, John Robelo, Mike Lorch, Suzi Spafford, Steve Corriea, Joe Hutshing, Malin Burnham, Pete Peckman, and Don Larsen. PLEASE HELP US choose our next honorees. Submit your suggestions with reasons and how we can contact them to the PL 2000 office by mail or phone.

The Celebration 2000 committee needs your help making this the best Celebration ever. **We need committee members to start planning now!** If you can help please call Mary Wheeler – 222-7448, Jeanie Estrada – 223-3332, or Susan Person – 222-7873 for more information. This event won't be as great as it can be without your help. **CALL NOW.**



## Point Loma 2000 Membership Application

Sign up for:

- Individual Membership
- Family Membership
- Gotta Sing Gotta Dance Reception (Saturday, May 15, 1999 @7PM)
- Volunteering

Price

\$20.00

\$40.00

\$15.00

Subtotal: \_\_\_\_\_

Contributions: \_\_\_\_\_

Total: \_\_\_\_\_

Method of Payment

Check # \_\_\_\_\_

(Make Checks Payable to: Point Loma 2000)

Visa

MasterCard

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class Of: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_\_\_ Class Of: \_\_\_\_\_

Children \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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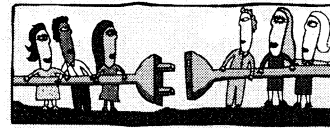
## Merger

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why are there two foundations? As a result, members of the boards of Point Loma 2000, The Point Loma Foundation, and the Alumni Association have been meeting at the request of Mr. Price, principal, since the first of the year to evaluate the merger of the organizations.

I am please to inform you that the board of Point Loma 2000 has voted to approve the merger of PL2000 into a new organization, tentatively named the Point Loma High School Foundation. Subject to approval of all the boards, the new foundation will amend one of the existing charters and the mergers will be completed before the end of this year. Plans call for the boards of each organization to be elected to each other's boards in elections over the next couple of months. Point Loma 2000's membership meeting and general election will be April 21<sup>st</sup>. All interested are invited to attend (see announcement).

We are very excited about this merger. The combined talents of the organizations will greatly enhance our abilities to complete the many projects still needed for our students. We are looking for interested alumni, parents, and community members to be part of our plans. Board, committee, and volunteer opportunities are available. Please attend our next meeting or call me to discuss how you can be involved.



## Outdoor Furniture

### New Outdoor Furniture to adorn PLHS

Lunch time at PLHS; suddenly 1900 students are vying for a handful of broken and dilapidated benches and tables for their brief lunch break. Many of the inexpensive and unattractive tables and benches have been used by skate boarders; if they aren't broken, they are waxed. Result, there is no place to sit for most of the students.

PL 2000 has identified a very attractive metal furniture line that is very uninviting to skate boarders. Provided in school colors, tables and benches will adorn the campus before the return of students in September. Your help is needed to complete this next major improvement project for Point Loma High School.

Put your name on a table with attached seating for a donation of \$500.00. For only \$200.00 your name will adorn a bench. Attend the Gotta Sing Gotta Dance program and reception Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, all proceeds support this project. Any donation will be greatly appreciated. Our goal for this project is \$30,000.00. Please send your contributions to: Point Loma 2000, 2640 Decatur Blvd., San Diego, CA 92106. All contributions to PL 2000 are tax deductible.



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Looking to the Future*

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## Announcements

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More exciting news about distinguished Point Loma alumni: Bryan Verhoye (Class of 1979) was the guest piano soloist of the San Diego Symphony at Copley Symphony Hall on February 6th. He played music by Ravel, Debussy, and Duke Ellington at a French themed concert entitled The French Connection. Bryan received thunderous applause from the packed concert hall (Bryan was also the pianist for the score of Bryan Singer's film, Apt Pupil. ) And speaking of talented musicians, Steve Withers (Class of 1978) is now the concert pianist for the original Phantom of the Opera star, Michael Crawford. Steve is presently touring the world with Crawford and during this past summer he accompanied him at Radio City Music Hall , Universal Amphitheater, and Irvine Meadows.



*Write us with any questions or comments*

Please remember to renew your  
membership for calendar year 1999  
Thank You