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Please refer to the information contained in <u>IM-PORTANT MEMBERSHIP NOTICE</u> on page 7 and renew your membership of the **BSHS PSA** and your subscription to *AMICUS*.

The Registrar and Treasurer have not been able to identify who deposited the following amounts into our NAB account. As noted in <u>IMPORTANT MEMBERSHIP NOTICE</u> on Page 7, please ensure that your **FULL NAME** is included in the transfer description.

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BSHS PSA PROJECTS for 2014

The BSHS PSA has provided the funding for many projects for the benefit of the school over the years. The BSHS PSA will sponsor a perpetual Spirit of State High (SOSH) Past Students Association Trophy and an individual SOSH Badge to be presented annually to the student who displays all-round involvement, pride and achievement in the school for the benefit of others and themselves. This award will be presented at the annual Awards Ceremony to be held in the Southbank Piazza from 10.00 to 13.00 on Wednesday 22 October 2104.





BSHS PSA "Spirit of State High" Trophy and Badge

The BSHS PSA will also fund for the following:

A framed plaque to be presented to the existing 21 "Legends of State High" and the nine 2014 inductees to be announced at Foundation Day assembly to be held in the Southbank Piazza from 11.00 to 13.00 on Monday 28 July 2014

An Honour Board to record all sporting premierships since 1921, which will take pride of place in the Sports Hall.

Upgrading of the school Museum and computer system.

The production and distribution of AMICUS.

In 2014, \$25,000 has been allocated for these projects. As the membership fee for the **BSHS PSA** and subscription to *AMICUS* is our only form of income, it is imperative that all past students ensure that they are financial, to enable the **BSHS PSA** to continue to support our school. Please refer to the **IMPORTANT MEMBERSHIP NOTICE** on pages 1 and 7.



Sketch by David H Phillips, Class of 1945

BSHS PSA AGM

The **BSHS PSA** Executive for 2014 was re-elected at the recent Annual General Meeting.

President;	Charles Stubbs	Class of 1974
Vice President;	Peter Hempenstall Class of 1974	
Secretary;	John Harding	Class of 1977
Treasurer;	Philip Ham	Class of 1971
Registrar;	Barry Irwin	Class of 1961
Amicus Editor;	Barry Irwin	Class of 1961

BSHS PSA MEETINGS

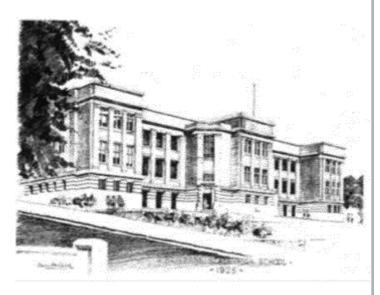
General Meetings for 2014 will be held in the School Museum on the first level of "G" Block adjacent to the Musgrave Park swimming pool at 9.00am on **Saturday 6 September** and **Saturday 1 November**. All past students are invited to attend these meetings to provide input to your association.

STATE HIGH REUNIONS in 2014

The Classes of **1954** and **2004** are requested to contact **Barry Irwin**, via email bshspsa@gmail.com or phone 3892 2376 with information re your 60 year and 10 year reunion.

Class of 1950-1953 Gathering

Peter Rose is planning a 61 Year gathering for the Junior class of 1951 and Senior class of 1953 for lunch at the Greek Club on Thursday 4 September 2014. Contact Peter via email prose@bigpond.com or phone 02 6775 2110.



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CLASS of 1964 REUNION

The 50 year reunion of the Class of 1964 will be held at the United Services Club at 6.30 for 7.00pm on Saturday 23 August. Cocktails on the Terrace and dinner in the Main Function Room. Parking is free for those attending. This function will be followed by a tour of the school at 11.00 on Sunday 24 August 2014.

Contact: Kevin O'Brien: kevinob@bigpond.com

CLASS of 1974 REUNION

The 40 Year reunion will be a Cocktail party at the United Services Club, Wickham Terrace Brisbane at 6.30pm on Friday 8 August 2014. The 1974 First XV were undefeated premiers and all are invited to attend the BSHS vs BGS at the BGS grounds at Northgate on Saturday 9 August.

Greg Egan Phone 3236 1388
Kate Chartres (Clifford) kate@segra.com.au
Mob 0408 882 871

Cia Adermann (Metzakis) adermann@bigpond.com

CLASS of 1984 REUNION

The 30 year reunion of the Class of 1984 will be held at The Fox (Rooftop), Melbourne Street, South Brisbane from 7:00pm on Saturday 23 August 2014.

Cost is \$40 per person which includes finger food throughout the evening and drinks on arrival. Please contact **Jason Greenhalgh** for payment details. **Jason@majorleague.com.au**

CLASS of 1994 REUNION

The 20 year reunion includes a School Tour, Memorial Presentation and Afternoon Tea at **BSHS** from 2.00 to 4.00pm on Saturday 18 October 2014 followed by a Cocktail evening at the Ship Inn, South Bank from 7.00pm.

Email <u>bshs1994reunion@gmail.com</u>
Facebook facebook.com/groups/BSHS1994/

 Nicole Parry (Schaer)
 Mob 0423 049 835

 Vanessa Castles
 Mob 0432 912 121

 Anna Scott (Porter)
 Mob 0411 245 395

REUNION IN 2015

The reunion for the Junior class of 1963 and Senior class of 1965 will be in the latter half of 2015. Organisers are convenor, **Max Lyons** and secretary, **John Feros.** Contact BSHS1965Reunion@gmail.com for additional information.

VALE

Gerry Reid, Deputy Principal 1966-1973, a well-respected administrator who last visited the school on the occasion of the 90th anniversary in 2011 and joined the Class of 1973 to celebrate their 40 year reunion in 2013.

The **BSHS PSA** records with regret and extends condolences to family and friends of the following past students.

Leonard Arthur Ardill, Sub Jnr Class of 1948, former MLA and vice mayor of Brisbane

Gordon Bennett, A leading figure in the Australian art world. A Gallery of Modern Art exhibition is being organised to celebrate his work and mark his death.

Cecily R Cox (Slaughter), Class of 1948, Life member of the BSHS PSA.

Philip Charles Ernest Crook, Class of 1964, Anglican priest and chaplain at The Southport School.

Winifred Florence Mabel Davson (O'Neill) MBE, Junior Class of 1937, Life member of the BSHS PSA and founder of the Mercury Theatre, Wynnum in 1949 and the Mercury Theatre, Gatton in 1951. The Win Davson Art Gallery and Museum followed. Win was awarded an M.B.E. for services to theatre, culture and the community in 1972 and participated in the State High 75th Anniversary celebrations in 1996.

Robin Gibson AO, LFRAIA, ARIBA, Class of 1947, an award winning architect who was the mastermind behind converting Queen Street into a pedestrian mall as well as the creation of the Queensland Cultural Centre. He won the Sir Zelman Cowan Award for public buildings in 1982 for the Queensland Art Gallery, the same year he was named Queenslander of the Year. Robin Gibson and Partners also undertook many commercial projects, including the restoration and extension of St Stephen's Cathedral, government offices and buildings at the University of Queensland and Griffith and Bond Universities.

His community involvement included membership of the Business Advisory Board of the Queensland Youth Orchestra and of the Queensland Council of The Australian Bicentennial Authority. He was also a Director of The Australian Opera. Robin was a life member and strong supporter of the **BSHS PSA** and was inducted as a "Legend of State High" in 2007.

Robyn Suzanne Heales, Class of 1961, who led an unassuming and dignified, artistic life.

Dr Noel Frederick Langley, Class of 1949, a long term member of the **BSHS PSA**.

Drew John Llewlyn ASC, Class of 1978, Cinematographer, a second generation student whose father **Norm Llewlyn**, Class of 1944 was a noted Brisbane radio personality.

John Denny Morton, Jnr Class of 1948, Former Brisbane *Telegraph* sports editor, cricket tragic, constantly optimistic about Queensland winning the Sheffield Shield.

Alan Eugene Hynes Ross OBE, Class of 1946, a noted forester in PNG and another cricket and rugby tragic.

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Greg Alison	Class of 1971
Alex Bangun	Class of 2013
Robert Bell	Class of 1977
Chris Campanaris	Class of 1970
Heather Coyne (Kidd)	Class of 1966
Jeffrey Crane	Class of 1962
Richard Galley	Class of 1983
Mark Gaskell	Class of 1963
Marie Geertz (Ruckert)	Class of 1960
Noel Gibson	Class of 1963
Roman Krummins	Class of 1972
Cobi Lagas (Hoogendoorn)	Class of 1963
Phillip Lush	Class of 1962
Lynne Schouten (Fredricks)	Class of 1971
John Shipstone	Class of 1963
Philip Teakle	Class of 1985
Zac Young	Class of 2013
Mark Zaphir	Class of 1974
Carsten Zuber	Class of 1983

"Class of 1969 (Year 8) to 1973 (Year 12)" CABINET



The display cabinet donated from the Class of 1969-1973 Reunion has been mounted on the external wall of the school museum and provides an invaluable means of providing an external focus to the museum and a glimpse into the range of exhibits inside the museum.

STATE HIGH REDEVELOPMENT

The lower site that was known as "The Farm" was formally attached to **State High** in 1964 when Year 8 was first introduced into secondary schools. The site was redesignated The Junior School upon the construction of "I" Block in conjunction with the 1989 restoration of "H" Block, the heritage listed former South Brisbane Intermediate School, dating from 1864.

The current Merivale Campus of **State High** is bounded by Ernest, Cordelia, Glenelg and Merivale Streets. The site was consolidated to include the entire inner city block in the early 1990's as follows:

The Yakka Building on the corner of Merivale and Glenelg Streets was acquired in December 1990 and subsequently converted into an Art Building, "L" Block.

An adjacent vacant lot on Merivale Street was acquired in March 1991 to facilitate the construction of "J" Block, opened in 1992 as a Year Nine Centre.

The former Gresham Building on the corner of Cordelia and Glenelg Streets was swapped with TAFE for a block of warehouses in Ernest and Cordelia Streets purchased in 1988. It was subsequently converted into a Performing Arts and Music Building, "K" Block.

The former RAIA Building on Merivale Street was acquired in July 1991 and converted into a Resource Centre for the lower campus, "M" Block.

The former public laneway off Glenelg Street between the Yakka and Gresham Buildings was subsequently closed to complete the consolidation of the Merivale Campus and to facilitate access to the adjacent buildings.

Blocks "I", "K", "L" and "M" have now been demolished to facilitate the construction of the next major stage of development. The other additional site acquired in October 1991, for the benefit of **State High**, is the Edmondstone Annexe which will become the temporary home for the incoming Year 7 students in 2015 until a new six storey building is completed for the beginning of the 2016 school year.

A turning of the SOD ceremony was held on Wednesday 11 June to mark the start of the development. Extracts from the media release from the **Honourable John-Paul Langbroek MP**, Year 9 Class of 1975, Minister for Education, Training and Employment are:

Brisbane State High School students are set to benefit from a new state-of-the art learning facility as part of a major redevelopment at the school.

The new facilities would feature 40 classrooms, an art centre, staff centre, tuckshop and other essential amenities

The multi-storey complex is part of a \$60.5 million project due for completion at the start of the 2016 school year – **State High's** 95^{th} anniversary.

The complex will accommodate 850 students and enable the school to cater for a total enrolment of up to 3000 students.

The new building will support the important role **Brisbane State High School** has played in providing students with great academic, cultural and sporting opportunities for the past 93 years.

Attending the ceremony were representatives from our P&C, School Council, Past Students' Association, staff, students and representatives of Broad Constructions.

It was an opportunity for Wade Haynes, the Executive Principal, to talk to all present about the significance of this building for our school. As a school grounded in a proud history and tradition, but firmly looking to the future, he talked about the long-term investment in our school, the opportunities for our current students and the importance of public schooling.

The relocation of the school Administration into the heritage listed H Block is included in the project. There are also flow-on effects in other parts of the school. Two new Science laboratories will be placed in the George Lockie Science Block, consolidating these resources. Pending funding, a student services hub will be established under B Block to provide superior access for students to the range of services they need and the school museum may be relocated into the Red Brick Building to provide better student and public access and higher visibility.



The Turning of the SOD by John-Paul Langbroek and Wade Haynes.



YESTERDAY

The previous Yakka Building, Block "L" which contained The Art faculty and the Art Factory Gallery on the corner of Merivale and Glenelg Streets as viewed from the Convention Centre.



TODAY

The now vacant site on the corner of Merivale and Glenelg Streets as viewed from the Convention Centre. **BSHS** Block "**J**" is on the left.

TOMORROW

The new building on the corner of Merivale and Glenelg Streets as viewed from the Convention Centre.



BSHS "J" Block is on the left of the new building and the building on the right, on the opposite side of Glenelg Street is the temporary Art building in leased premises.

"LEGENDS of STATE HIGH"

It has been my privilege to be a member of the "Legends of State High" selection panel, which includes **Suellen Morgan**, **Pam Robson (Dun)**, School Captain 1964, **Jason Greenhalgh**, School Captain 1984, award winning journalist **Neil Breen**, Class of 1985 and the **Executive Principal**.

Barry Irwin, Class of 1961 BSHS PSA Registrar and AMICUS Editor

The "Legends" concept is dedicated to the late **Paul** "**Porky" Morgan**, School Captain 1964, whose vision it was to recognise past students who had become legends in their chosen field at a national or international level. The "Legends" would provide an inspiration to the current students to strive to excel in their endeavours. This vision aligns comfortably with the school's focus on community service and on State High being a place where ordinary people are encouraged to do extraordinary things.

The inaugural 21 "Legends of State High" were inducted in 2007 and included past students from a diverse range of endeavours including business, science, academia, sport, community service, politics, the arts and military service. Seven years later, nine additional Legends will be inducted at the **State High** Foundation Day Assembly to be held in the Southbank Piazza on 28 July 2014. In another seven years in 2021, when we celebrate the centenary of the establishment of **State High** it is envisaged that the next "Legends of State High" will be inducted.

As a forerunner to the Foundation Day Assembly, two "Legends of State High" were recognised and honoured for their 120 years of combined commitment to **State High** at "The **Bill Sole** and **Denis Donnelly** Tribute Dinner" at the Greek club on Friday 20 June 2014. **Wade Haynes, State High's** Executive Principal and **BSHS PSA** Patron explained what it meant to have people of the calibre of **Denis Donnelly**, Class of 1953, and **Bill Sole**, Class of 1958, involved at our school. They were presented with a "Legend of State High" commemorative plaque and commemorative striped red and blue blazers in recognition of their unparalleled commitment to our alma mater over so many years.

2014 Foundation Day Assembly

The annual **BSHS** Foundation Day Assembly will be held in the Southbank Piazza from 11.00 to 13.00 on Monday 28 July 2014. Past students are invited to attend this assembly at which nine exceptional past students will be inducted as "**Legends of State High**".

2014 Graduation Ceremony

The annual **BSHS** Graduation Ceremony will be held in the Pat Rafter Arena at the Queensland Tennis Centre from 10.00am to 13.00 on Friday 21 November 2014. The school captains from 1944, 1954, 1964, 1974, 1984, 1994 and 2004 have been invited to present the graduating certificates and **Sandra Sully**, Class of 1978, will be the guest speaker. Past students are invited to attend this prestigious event that has become a fixture on the school calendar since the first graduation ceremony was held in 1998.

STATE HIGH SOCCEROO

After playing for Gold Coast United and Brisbane Roar in the A-League, **Ben Halloran**, Class of 2009, secured a spot in the Socceroos competing in the 2014 World Cup in Brazil. The promising German-based midfielder with Fortuna Dusseldorf made his international debut against South Africa and came on off the bench in Australia's first World Cup game against Chile.

STATE HIGH BOOMER

Brock Motum, Class of 2007, continued to add to his growing reputation as a future star for the Boomers program when the Australian Boomers split the 2014 Sino-Australia Challenge with China two games apiece. Brock capped off an exceptional series with 19 points including a powerful one-hand dunk in the closing minutes of the final term. The Italian based Queenslander with Virtus Belonga has boosted his chances of making the Boomers' squad for the FIBA Basketball World Cup in Spain later this year with his efficient scoring and aggressive play in the series.

WINTER OLYMPIAN

Deanna Lockett, Year 10 2011, is a rising star in short track speed skating, and became **State High's** 29th Olympian and first winter Olympian at the 2014 Sochi Winter Olympic Games. Deanne, who achieved her goal of finishing in the top 10 in the 1000m when she bowed out in the quarter-finals, said her Olympic debut was "a dream come true".

Deanne enjoyed a break-out international season in 2011/12, securing two top-10 World Cup performances - 7th in the 1000m and 10th in the 1500m in Shanghai, China. The following 2012/13 season was even more impressive for Deanne, with top results including 4th in the 1000m at the World Cup in Shanghai, China and 5th in the 1500m at the World Cup in Nagoya, Japan. In the 2013, Junior World Championships, she won bronze on the opening day in the 1500m and finished 6th in the 500m and 9th in the 1000m. Her combined results from this meet had her placed 4th overall in the world.

STATE HIGH CENTENARIAN

The **BSHS PSA** is delighted to record the 100th birthday of **Pheobe Mills**, Class of 1931, an ordained minister who spent most of her working life in Fiji.

ATHLETICS

Congratulations to **Naa Anang**, Class of 2012, who has been selected to represent Australia at the World Junior Track and Field Championships in the USA in July. Naa cocaptained the 2012 **State High** team to win the 2012 QGSSSA Athletics Championship, breaking an 11 year drought, where she recorded wins in the Long Jump and Relay and was placed second in the 100m. Her first national success was at the 2008 Pacific School Games where she was placed first in the Long Jump, followed by a silver medal in the same event at the 2011 Isle of Man Commonwealth Youth Games.

Rod Seib, Class of 1992, coach of the Sunnybank Dragons is positive about the initiative of the ARU to launch a new domestic competition, the National Rugby Championship. His father **Ian Seib**, Class of 1963, played 30 Sheffield Shield games for Queensland between 1969-75 and was included in **State High's** 1996 75th Anniversary 1st XI "Dream Team".

INDIAN CONNECTION

Michael Kasprowicz, Class of **1990**, is a founding partner of Venture India, a leading sub-continental business consultancy that specialises in establishing and growing business relationships between Australia and India. Michael was included in **State High's** 1996 75th Anniversary 1st XI "Dream Team".

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1 Year \$15, 5 Years \$50, 10 Years \$90, Life membership \$250.

To renew your membership please either:

Cut along the dotted lines above and below and return with your cheque for renewal via post to:

Brisbane State High School Past Students Association Musgrave Park South Brisbane QLD 4101 OR - Pay via electronic transfer to the following **Brisbane State High School Past Students** Association's account.

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RUGBY SNIPPETS

State High past students continue to be represented at the highest level in Super Rugby and at international level. They include, Curtis Browning, School Captain 2011, Ed Quirk, Class of 2008, Chris Feauia-Sautia, Class of 2011 and Sam Kerevi, Class of 2011, for the Queensland Reds, Ben Meehan, Class of 2011, for the Melbourne Rebels and Matt Toomua, Class of 2007, for the ACT Brumbies and the Wallabies.

Brian Smith, Class of 1983, Australian and Irish international is the current London Irish coach. Brian was included in **State High's** 1996 75th Anniversary 1st XV "Dream Team".

AT THE MOVIES

Jet (John) Cooper, Class of 1986, is a Lead 3D supervisor in the film industry having worked for ILM, Disney, Lucas and Marvel and on numerous films such as *Skyfall*, *Harry Potter*, *Maleficent*, *Xmen* and *Die Hard 5*.

ROWING TREBLE

Bruce Copley, Class of 1959, was in three **State High** 1st VIII's from 1957 to 1959 and has attended three significant rowing functions, viz. the 50 year celebration in 1998 of our last Head victory in 1948, the 50 year celebration in 2007 of our re-entry into GPS rowing in 1957 and the recent "**Bill Sole** and **Denis Donnelly** Dinner" that celebrated a combined 120 years of commitment to **State High**.

STATE HIGH FOUNDATION

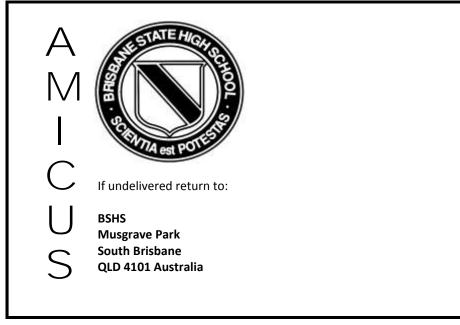
The State High Foundation was initiated in early 2000 with the following membership: Parton, Sir Leo Hielscher, Jnr Class of 1941, Tony Bellas, Class of 1970, Jason Greenhalgh, School Captain 1984, Barry Irwin, Class of 1961, Warwick Marler, BSHS parent and IGS old boy and Paul Morgan, School Captain 1964. Tony, Barry and Warwick have continued as Directors and have been joined in recent times by Dr Ralph Craven, Class of 1967, Pam Robson (Dun), School Captain 1964, Ross Perrett, Class of 1974 and Ray Caranese, Class of 1984, with Ross as Chairman.

UP IN THE AIR

Melinda Brennan (Willet), Class of 1984, graduated with a Bachelor of Environmental Science and Psychology from the University of Queensland, then became the first female Australian Army aviator and the first female ADF helicopter pilot. Her aviation career continued as a Qantas pilot and as a consultant specialising in aviation safety.

Mark Ogden, Class of 1974, spent over 20 years as a helicopter pilot, instructor and examiner with the Royal Australian Navy Air Arm, 7 years as an aircraft accident investigator with the Bureau of Air Safety and is currently with Oil Search Limited as aviation logistics coordinator in PNG.

Editor's note: Did Mark pilot the Blackhawk helicopter that landed on the school oval in 1988?



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BSHS Past Students

Brett Doherty, Class of 1983, is the Chief Safety, Health, Environment & Quality Officer for RasGas Company Limited, which operates one of the largest integrated gas processing facilities in the world.



John George, Class of 1983, is the Principal of Standard Edge. He is a financial and corporateoriented professional with wide and successful experience in the management and advisory of business in both domestic and international markets

BSHS Students

Hannah Schlecht, Year 11, 2014, is aiming to compete in the 2018 Gold Coast Commonwealth Games. **Bride Kennedy-Hopoate**, Year 12, 2014, will represent Australia in the U 17 Basketball World Championships in the Czech Republic and has her eyes on the Australian Opals and College basketball and the WNBA in the USA.