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WARM FUZZIES FOR OVER 40 YEARS

Congratulations, you are reading our first official alumni newsletter!

In this issue, we will cover

- A dedication to Brian Whitmore, the founder of Spectrum's Alumni
- The role and purpose of the alumni
- · Who qualifies as an alumni
- The no-fee membership fee
- Distinguished Alumni
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Our humble alumni beginnings

In 2013, Brian Whitmore, a beloved History, Literature and Fine Arts teacher, led the launch of Spectrum Alumni. Gathering a crew of like-minded graduated; teachers, administrators and, most importantly, students, Brian helped to shape what is now the Spectrum/Mt. View Alumni Association.

Sadly, Brian passed away in July 2020 and we all miss him dearly, but his legacy and love of Spectrum will always guide us.



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What purpose does the Spectrum/Mt View Alumni Association serve?

Memories, memories! The Spectrum/Mt. View Alumni was formed to find, celebrate and preserve the varied school experiences of Spectrum's graduates. Spectrum's founding Principal, Wally Russell, opened a new building and a new vision for students in 1975 that would set the stage for excellence in teaching and learning. Many of Spectrum's first graduates have been successful in fields such as: science, real estate, community planning, writing, film making, art and politics, to name a few; some of whom we've been able to honour as Distinguished Alumni from both schools.

Hoping to perpetuate successful Spectrum graduates, the Spectrum/Mt. View Alumni Association is committed to raising scholarship funds for graduating students entering post-secondary studies in: Academics, Athletics, Fine Arts and Technology and Trades. Fund-raising events have included Distinguished Alumni celebrations, an alumni talent night and an auction. We are always looking for new alumni members to help stimulate new ideas and enjoy the team's efforts.

Delightedly, Mt. View is a recent addition to our association as they were an integral part of Spectrum...their school closed so we could open. Welcome, Mt. View alumni...your memories are safely archived with us!

Who qualifies as an alumni?

It's easy...whether you've been a student, teacher or staff member, you ALL qualify and there are no exams! Everyone and at any age is welcome and, with technology these days, you can live anywhere in the world and be a member of the Spectrum/Mt. View Alumni Association.

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The no-fee membership fee

It's free to join the Spectrum/Mt View Alumni Association and we look forward to meeting again at one of our events soon!

Distinguished Alumni

Spectrum and Mt. View schools have successfully graduated hundreds of thousands of students who have gone into careers or businesses that have made a difference in our communities and beyond. Frequently, we hear about fellow alumni who have achieved unique successes, in a variety of fields, whom we have honoured, on two separate occasions, so far. Their pictures are proudly displayed on our Distinguished Alumni Wall outside Spectrum's Library.

More info on all the honoured is on our website.



Upcoming Events

SPECTRUM/MT VIEW ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PRESENTS





957 WEST BURNSIDE RD.

SHENANIGANS LIVE! Friday, April 26, 2024

Come join us for a night of pure fun and excitement at Spectrum Community School! We are celebrating our 50th milestone with a fundraising event that you won't want to miss. Get ready to groove to the tunes of **Shenanigans**, the most beloved houseband on Vancouver Island. Let loose and dance the night away as they rock the stage with their incredible energy and catchy beats. This in-person event promises to be a blast, so grab your friends and get ready for a night full of shenanigans!

Your \$20 ticket purchase includes one FREE drink ticket!

All profits go to our huge Spectrum 50th Anniversary Event on May 30 and 31, 2025

Get Your Eventbrite Tickets Now!

50th Anniversary of Spectrum Community School, May 29-30 2025



Reunions and you

Is your grad year celebrating a reunion? Just let us know and we will post your information

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Check out our reunion starter guide

Speaker Series

If you're interested in sharing an experience with classes at Spectrum, please <u>let us</u> and/or the school know. So far, students have appreciated some our past speakers:

Bob Downie ~ Andre Eng ~ Wendy Tilby ~ Shanice Marcell ~ Carole James ~ Frank Leonard

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