

Good afternoon,

Since the Alumni Association has now obtained 501(c)(3) status, our emphasis this year is on collecting dues and fundraising. In September, we conducted a Membership Drive and were very pleased with the results. Over 70 alumni registered and paid dues for the first time, which allowed the Association to start a scholarship fund. The goal for collecting dues and donations is to support the district in various ways and offer scholarships to current WCS seniors. To support the membership drive, a raffle was also held. Nearly 400 tickets were sold and the winner was 2004 graduate Stacey (Hicks) Danner, who is also a first-year teacher in the district. The Executive Council offers special thanks to the **Cookie Cottage** for selling tickets, and to the following people for donating items to the raffle:

- \$250 Cash, donated by **The Moxham Family**
- Handmade wreath, donated by **Sarah Humphrey**
- Handmade WCS blanket, donated by **Patty Champion**
- Hand-painted gnome, donated by **Ed Kent**
- WCS sweatshirt and \$50 Gift certificate to Wilson House, donated by **Tracey Kent**
- Canvas print of the high school (donated by me)

Although we will continue to use this email list to share general information, dues-paying members will be receiving more frequent communication with more detail. Eventually, they will also receive exclusive perks and benefits. We are asking all alumni to please consider registering and paying dues (one year only costs \$10 and three years costs \$25). The more money the Association can raise, the more we can do for our Alma Mater and its current students. To become a member, please visit: <https://www.wilsoncsd.org/Page/947> . President Ed Kent also maintains an active Facebook page for the Association at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/182113249676862> .

Stay tuned for more information about our next fundraiser... a Buffalo Bills themed raffle, happening after January 1st!

**Go Lakemen!**

Maureen Mahar

*Class of 1987*