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- Register now for 2016 Race to the Flag Pole on Nov. 12, 2016
- NCS Playoffs Start
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Livermore-Granada Boosters

WEEKLY SPORTS UPDATE

Newsletter Date Nov

November 8, 2016

2016 RACE TO THE FLAGPOLE

Our primary fund-raiser of the year is the annual Race to the Flagpole. This year will mark the 7th year of our event, and we look to continue to grow this event from our outstanding participation in 2015.

DATE: Saturday November 12th (Veteran's Day)

| EVENTS: | I Mile, 5k, 10k, and Half Marathon |
|-----------|------------------------------------|
| LOCATION: | Independence Park, Livermore, CA. |
| | Will run through Sycamore Grove |
| TIMES: | Half Marathon (8:30am start) |
| | 10k (9:00am start) |
| | 5k (9:15am start) |

The event is a community celebration of our High School Scholar athletes, and all proceeds are directed

Granada High Schools.

to male and female scholar athletes at Livermore and

All participants will receive a race T-shirt and post-race refreshments. On race day, awards will be presented in the one mile, 5k, and fun run/ walk for the top three finishers in each age division.



The T-shirt for 2016 will be a Golden State Warriors inspired slate, light weight T, available in women's and men's cuts, allowing you to support your community and the Bay Area's team at the same time. Show your athletes—we are betting they will want one!

You can signup at

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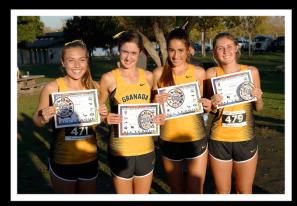
For more information about the race, please go to our <u>web page</u> at www.racetotheflagpole.org

SPORTS EVENTS OF THIS WEEK

| Water Polo (B) | NCS Semi-Finals: Livermore vs. Alcalanes | /9 | Wed | 7:15pm |
|----------------|--|-----|-----|--------|
| Water Polo (G) | NCS Semi-Finals: Livermore vs. Bishop O'Dowd | /9 | Wed | 6:00pm |
| Football | NCS First Round: Mt. Eden at Livermore | / 2 | Sat | 7:00pm |
| Football | NCS First Round: College Park at Livermore | / 2 | Sat | 7:00pm |
| Water Polo (B) | NCS Finals: TBD if win in Semi-Finals | / 2 | Sat | 1:30pm |
| Water Polo (G) | NCS Finals: TBD if win in Semi-Finals | / 2 | Sat | noon |

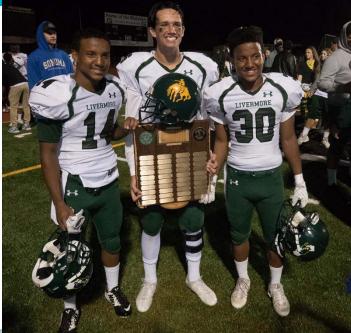
THIS WEEK IN PICTURES

GHS WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY ALL-LEAGUE - FIRST TEAM



Kalea Bartolotto, Colleen McCandless, Kinga Bihari, and Gracie Dupuis







To see more pictures, visit our website at http://livermoregranadaboosters.org/



| Sport | Opponent | | | | |
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| Football | College Park | Granada HS | v | 7:00pm | |
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TEAM RECORDS (as of Nov 7th)

| Granada | All | EBAL | NCS Rank |
|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Cross Country (G) | | 1st | 1st (Div 2) |
| Cross Country (B) | | 3rd | 4th (Div 2) |
| Golf (G) | 11-7 | 11-7 | |
| Tennis (G) | 1-8 | 0-7 | |
| Volleyball (G) | 13-14 | 6-7 | Lost - 1st Round |
| Football | 4-6 | 1-6 | 6th seed (Div 2) |
| Water Polo (G) | 6-14 | 1-7 | |
| Water Polo (B) | <mark>6-16</mark> | <mark>0-8</mark> | |



| | LIVERMORE HIGH | | | | | |
|-----------|----------------|--------------------|--------------|---|--------|-------|
| | Sport | Opponent | Location | L | Time | Score |
| Monday | | | | | | |
| Nov 7 | | | | | | |
| Tuesday | | | | | | |
| Nov 8 | | | | | | |
| Wednesday | Water Polo (B) | Alcalanes | Alcalanes HS | V | 7:15pm | |
| Nov 9 | Water Polo (G) | Bishop O'Dowd | Alcalanes HS | V | 6:00pm | |
| Thursday | | | | | | |
| Nov 10 | | | | | | |
| Friday | | | | | | |
| Nov I I | | | | | | |
| Saturday | Football | Mt. Eden | Livermore HS | V | 7:00pm | |
| • | Water Polo (B) | TBD | Alcalanes HS | V | 1:30pm | |
| Nov 12 | Water Polo (G) | TBD if win on 11/9 | Alcalanes HS | V | noon | |

TEAM RECORDS (as of Nov 7th)

| Livermore | All | EBAL | NCS Rank |
|-------------------|------|------|--------------------------|
| Cross Country (G) | | 9th | |
| Cross Country (B) | | 7th | |
| Golf (G) | 0-12 | 0-12 | |
| Tennis (G) | 0-9 | 0-8 | |
| Volleyball (G) | 7-17 | 1-12 | Lost in Quarter-Finals |
| Football | 5-5 | 3-5 | 4th seed (Div 2) |
| Water Polo (G) | 21-4 | 4-4 | #5 seed - in Semi Finals |
| Water Polo (B) | 17-7 | 4-4 | #3 seed - in Semi Finals |

LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL GAME RESULTS

October 31st – November 5th



| GRANADA HIGH | | | | | | |
|--------------|----------------|--------------|--------------------|-----|--------|---------------|
| | Sport | Opponent | Location | L | Time | Score |
| Monday | | | | | | |
| Oct 31 | | | | | | |
| Tuesday | Volleyball (G) | Dublin | Dublin HS | V | 7:00pm | L (3-0) |
| Nov I | | | | | | |
| Wednesday | | | | | | |
| Nov 2 | | | | | | |
| Thursday | Football | Livermore | Livermore HS | F | 5:30pm | L (14-21) |
| Nov 3 | | | | | | |
| | Football | Livermore | Granada HS | V | 7:00pm | L (14-21) |
| Friday | rootball | Liverniore | Granada His | JV | 4:30pm | W (28-0) |
| Nov 4 | Cross Country | EBAL | Shadow Cliffs Park | All | 1:00pm | (See Summary) |
| | cross country | Championship | | | noopin | (see summary) |
| Saturday | | | | | | |
| Nov 5 | | | | | | |

LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL GAME RESULTS

October 31st – November 5th



| | LIVERMORE HIGH | | | | | |
|-----------|---------------------------------|---------------|----------------------|------|--------|-----------|
| | Sport | Opponent | Location | L | Time | Score |
| Monday | | | | | | |
| Oct 31 | | | | | | |
| Tuesday | | | | | | |
| Nov I | | | | | | |
| Wednesday | Volleyball (G) | Clayon Valley | Clayton Valley HS | V | 7:00pm | |
| Nov 2 | Water Polo (G) | Tamalpais | San Ramon HS | V | 7:15pm | |
| Thursday | Football | Granada | Livermore HS | F | 5:30pm | W (21-14) |
| Nov 3 | | | | | | |
| | Football | Granada | Granada HS | V | 7:00pm | W (21-14) |
| Friday | rootball | Granada | Granada HS | JV | 4:30pm | L (0-28) |
| Nov 4 | Constant Country | | Charden Cliffe Deale | A 11 | 1.00 | (See |
| | Cross Country EBAL Championship | | Shadow Cliffs Park | All | 1:00pm | Summary) |
| Saturday | Water Polo (B) | Alameda | | V | 3:45p | W (11-9) |
| Nov 5 | | | | | | |

VARSITY SPORTS RECAP—GRANADA

Cross Country



The Granada Cross Country team participated in the EBAL League Championship on Saturday (11/4). The Granada Girls team took first place overall and with it claimed the EBAL League Championship. Granada placed four girls in the top 6 positions, and each took home First Team All-League honors. Kinga Bihari placed 2nd (17:24), followed by Colleen McCandless (3rd - 17:34), Kalea Bartoloto (5th - 17:52), and Gracie Dupuis (6th - 17:56), Kaylie Lawsen (15th - 18:35) and Daisy Guinchard (16th - 18:52) also raced very well. The boys team finished in 3rd place overall. John Bennett finished 6th (15:16) and also earned First Team honors, and Alex Hattori placed 14th (15:39) to earn second team honors. Tyler Hattori (15th - 15:42), Cameron Priest (16th - 15:48), and Kinaar Desai (25th - 15:58) also raced well for the Matadors.

This Week: No meet scheduled. Next up: NCS Championship on Saturday (11/19).

<u>Football</u>

The Granada Football team lost to rival Livermore 21-14 last Friday (11/4) to wrap up the regular season

This Week: Saturday (11/14) NCS Playoff game Home Granada (6th seed) vs. College Park (11th seed) at Granada HS (7pm)

<u>Golf (girls)</u>

No matches. Season has ended.

<u>Tennis (girls)</u>

No matches. Season has ended.

Volleyball (girls)

The Granada girls Volleyball team lost their first-round NCS playoff game to Dublin 3-0 (12-25, 14-25, 18-25) on last Tuesday (11/1). The loss ended the Matadors season.

This Week: No matches. Season has ended.

Water Polo (girls)

No games. The season has now ended.

Water Polo (boys)

No games. The season has now ended.

VARSITY SPORTS RECAP—LIVERMORE

Cross Country



The Livermore Cross Country team participated in the EBAL League Championship on Saturday (11/4). The boys team finished in 7th place overall. Lucas Stroud came in 8th place overall (15:19) and earned 2nd Team All League hon-

ors. Greg Aufderhe (17th - 15:45), Omar Maklaf (24th - 15:55) and Miguel Valenton (51st - 16:59) all raced well. The Livermore Girls team placed 9th in the league Championship. Rebecca Wheeler led the team (24th - 19:42), followed by Madeline Tree (37th - 20:20), Ann Le (44th - 20:35), Gretchen Krenz (58th - 21:38) and Grace Roberts (64th - 22:30).

This Week: No meet scheduled. Next up: NCS Championship on Saturday (11/19).

<u>Football</u>

The Cowboys Football team beat rival Granada 21-14 last Friday (11/4) to wrap up the regular season

This Week: Saturday (11/14) NCS Playoff game Home Livermore (4th seed) vs. Mt. Eden (13th seed) at Livermore HS (7pm)

Golf (girls)

No matches. Season has ended.

Tennis (girls)

No matches. Season has ended.

Volleyball (girls)

The Livermore Girls Volleyball team were a #10 seed in the NCS Division 2 playoffs. On Wednesday (11/2), they beat #7 seed Clayton Valley 3-1 (24-26, 25-20, 25-21, 25-22). On Saturday (11/5), they lost to #2 seed Bishop O'Dowd 3-0 (15-25, 8-25, 14-25) in the quarterfinals.

This Week: Season is now over.

Water Polo (girls)

The Livermore Girls Water Polo team were a #5 seed in the NCS Division 2 playoffs. On Wednesday (11/2), they beat Tamalpais 15-6. On Saturday (11/5), they beat #4 seed Marin Catholic 17-9 to advance to the semi-finals.

This Week: Wed (11/9) NCS playoff Semi-final game vs. #1 seed Alcalanes at Alcalanes HS (7:15pm)

If they win, they would play in the Championship game on Saturday (11/12) at noon at Alcalanes HS.

Water Polo (boys)

The Livermore Boys Water Polo were a #3 seed, and had a bye in the first round of the NCS Division 2 playoffs. In the second round, they defeated Alameda 11-9 on Saturday, Nov. 9th. team beat rival Granada 20-4 last week

This Week: Wednesday (11/9) NCS semi-final playoff game vs. Bishop O'Dowd at 6pm at Alcalanes HS.

If they win, they would play in the Championship game on Saturday (11/12) at 1:30pm at Alcalanes HS.

2016 OLYMPIAN FINALISTS—GRANADA HIGH

Congratulations to all six of the Olympian Finalists from Granada High for this school year! And special congratulations to Megan McCandless and Maxine Rooney, the Granada High School Girls and Boys Olympian Winners for 2016. Two tremendous student-athletes who will be continuing their athletic careers at MIT and Florida, respectively. Both Megan and Maxine were awarded a \$2000 scholarship, and the other finalists a \$500 scholarship each.



Megan McCandless Cross Country

- 4-year Varsity athlete in Cross Country and Track
- Two-time NCS Champion in Cross Country
- Two-time medalist at CA State Cross Country Championships
- Named Bay Area News Group 2016 Athlete of the Year
- Placed 18th at Nike Cross National race, earning All-American
- Broke Granada High's All-time 1600m record in Track
- Won 1600m and 3200m races at 2016 NCS Tri-Valley Meet
- Attained an overall 4.46 GPU in High School





Maxime Rooney Swimming

- Part of 400 Free Relay team in 2014 that broke National Public High Schook record
- Set 200 Free National Public High School record in 2016
- Also holds Granada and NCS record for 100 Butterfly
- Holds 4 NCS records (100, 200, 500 free and 400 free relay)
- In 2015, represented USA in Singapore at World Junior Swimming Championships. He was one of four captains. He earned Gold in 200 Free, as well as Silver in the 400 Free Relay, 400 Medley Relay, and 100 Free. Also was part of team that set a new record in the 800 Free relay
- Overall 4.17 GPA in High School

2016 Olympian Finalists - Granada High School



Taylor Lawsen Cross Country Track & Field



Amy Moussa Basketball



Aaron Andrews Basketball Football



Leo Skellenger Cross Country Track & Field

2016 OLYMPIAN FINALISTS—LIVERMORE HIGH

Congratulations to all six of Olympian Finalists from Livermore High for this school year! And special congratulations to Kajol Maheshwari and Nathaniel Kratochvil, the Livermore High School Girls and Boys Olympian Winners for 2016. Two tremendous student-athletes who will be continuing their careers at West Point and Chico State, respectively. Both Kajol and Nathaniel were awarded a \$2000 scholarship, and the other finalists a \$500 scholarship each.



<u>Kajol Maheshwari</u> Cross Country Track

- Participated in Cross Country and Track all 4 years
- Was Team Captain of both team her Senior year
- Two-time CA State individual qualifier in Cross Country
- Member of campus Interact Club, Red Cross, Me to We, and International Student Exchange Clubs
- Earned distinction of "AP Scholar with Distinction"
- Maintained a 4.4 High School GPA





Nathaniel Kratochvil Water Polo Swimming

- Four-year Water Polo Team Captain
- Earned seven letters in Water Polo and Swimming
- Has traveled domestically and internationally, playing against Montenegrin and Russian youth national teams
- Served as volunteer Water Polo coach
- Been active in repair and maintenance of LHS Pool facilities
- Regular on Principal's Honor Roll
- Maintained a 3.65 High School GPA

2016 Olympian Finalists - Livermore High School



<u>Mariana Garza</u> Water Polo Basketball Track



Isabella Widmann Basketball Volleyball



John Reggiardo Water Polo Football Basketball Lacrosse



<u>Martin Vega</u> Football Soccer Track

TEAM AWARD WINNERS—2016

The following individuals were recognized at the 2016 Awards banquet by their teams and coaches as the Olympian Team Award Winners for 2015-2016. Each winner received a plaque to honor their accomplishments.

| FALL SPORTSBoys Cross CountryLeo SkellengerOmar MaklafGirls Cross CountryMegan McCandlessKajol MaheshwariFootballAaron AndrewsJohn BrunellGirls GolfTaylor RoblesAlexandria OrrGirls TennisKiran BoraBianca AcostaGirls VolleyballMaggie KildayAlexandria CorbittBoys WaterpoloWill MurphyNathaniel KratochvilGirls WaterpoloHannah BorjonEmily HawkinsCheerleadingShoshana CohenCharles AltizerBoys BasketballKyle TupperDylan MedeirosGirls SoccerErik MartinJack ShoendienstGirls SoccerErik MartinJack ShoendienstGirls SoccerEnsile AllumAlexandra RomeroWrestlingJonathan StalieDillon McNaneyBaseballRobert ChioinoDominic FoscalinaBoysBoysJonny StalieJason Wallis |
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| Softball Jessie Johnston Hannah Bennett |
| Boys Swimming Maxime Rooney Tyler Paden |
| Girls Swimming Hannah Borjon Katie Woods |
| Boys Tennis Bo Cole Angel Hernandez |
| Boys Track Oliver Grajeda John Brunell |
| Girls Track Pamela White Kajol Maheshwari |
| Boys VolleyballRomano TulaganGriffin Bateson |

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2016 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

There have been a number of incredible athletes that started their athletic careers tight here in our small town of Livermore.

We recognize the history and tradition of athletic excellence in our community through our Sports Hall of Fame. Each year we induct extraordinary athletes, coaches, and community members who have made significant contributions to Livermore's sports history.

At our Olympian Banquet on May 16, 2016, we inducted the three newest members to the Livermore Hall of Fame.

These individuals were

MATT LAYE





LEAH AVILLA





RANDY GRANT





To see the full list of individuals that have been elected, you can visit our website.

Members of the Hall of Fame receive special plaques which are publically displayed at **Buffalo Wild Wings** on First Street in Livermore.

If you know of any Livermore athlete, coach, or community member who is worthy of being considered, you are welcome to nominate this individual. Here are the links for the <u>Nomina-tion Form</u> and <u>Selection Criteria</u>.

We are now accepting nominations for our 2017 Hall of Fame through February 1, 2017.

KEITH S. FRASER COMMUNITY RECOGNITION AWARD

In 2015 the Livermore-Granada Boosters' initiated the Community Recognition Award in Keith S. Fraser's name.

Keith Fraser was born in Livermore, attended Livermore High School and graduated from Stanford University. He started his law practice in Livermore in 1964, and was always deeply involved in most Livermore youth activities. Also in 1964 founding member, Judge Joseph Schenone, brought him into the Boosters. Through his life he was a major contributor and donor to all Booster activities. Through his leadership and vision, the Livermore-Granada Boosters developed into a major organization that is completely unique to a community that is small enough to honor its past, but large enough to grasp its responsibility to honor the outstanding members of the community.

The criteria for the award is based on:

- Individual's past athletic or community involvement
- Impact of this individual(s) on the school and/or Livermore community
- Devotion of the individual(s) to school or athletic achievement
- Legacy of the individual(s) to improving, recognizing, or supporting Livermore youth.

Award Winners:

2016—Bob and Cheryl Rumberger (starting the first Grad Night Program in Livermore in 1988).

2015—Bob Bronzan (tirelessly promoting youth accomplishments through photographs in the Livermore Valley Unified School District).

YOUR PHOTOGRAPHERS

Our town of Livermore is extremely fortunate to have two extraordinary photographers—**Bob Bronzan** and **Adam Clark**. These two gentleman somehow manage to find their way to most of the sporting events of our two public high schools, capturing outstanding photographs of our studentathletes on the spirit of competition.

Bob spent 20 years at Livermore High as a teacher, coach and administrator, before moving to District as an assistant Superintendent for Personnel in 1984. While at Livermore, he also coached wrestling, football and baseball. Now retired, he spends much of his time giving back to this, where he has lived since 1964.

Adam has had a passion for photography since he

was a child growing up in Washington. After graduating with a degree in Commercial Photography, he has made this his career for the past 25 years. Adam now resides in Livermore, and owns and runs Adam J. Clark Photography,

Bob and Adam volunteer hundreds of hours every year taking pictures of our local athletes. And all of their pictures are made available on the Livermore-Granada Boosters website for the athletes, parents, and friends to enjoy.

If you enjoy the photos, we hope you would consider making a tax deductible <u>DONA-</u> <u>TION</u> to support our work





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2016 COACHING HONORS

Tim Rankin, Granada Girls' Golf Honor Coach

For Tim Rankin, the mark of success of his golf program isn't the North Coast Section championship banner hanging in the gym at Granada High. The greatest symbol of success, he said, is that every player who has gone through his program has completed or is on pace to finish a four-year degree. The Matadors enjoyed great success on the course, as well, during Rankin's tenure as head coach, from 2006-12. His 2009 team won the NCS title, took third at the NCS Tournament of Champions, third in the Northern California tournament and third at the CIF State championships at Poppy Hills. "That's a huge accomplishment as we are still the highest placing team from Northern California in the state tournament," Rankin said. "It's a pretty big accomplishment as our home course is a public course." A year later, the Matadors won the EBAL title, were third in NCS and fifth at NorCal. Rankin, who is still an assistant varsity baseball coach, said that emphasizing winning above all else is not his style. "I always felt that if you did the right thing as a coach on treating kids fair and with respect that winning will take care of itself." That approached helped four of his players earn golf scholarships to four-year school

care of itself." That approached helped four of his players earn golf scholarships to four-year schools. Rankin has served the NCS as a member of the Golf Committee, and has been involved with seeding meetings for football and baseball.

Jeanette Thralls, Granada, Swimming and Diving Honor Coach

Granada diving coach Jeanette Thralls has a firm philosophy when it comes to coaching: To provide a positive learning environment for every diver that joins the team. "I never cut any diver off my team and I just take each diver to the next level." she said, "I keep a high standard of teaching the correct techniques of diving." One shining example was Matt Tyler who joined the team as a junior in 2012. Tyler developed and became an NCS champion as a senior. Including Matt Tyler, Thralls has had four NCS champion divers, in 2004 and 2005 her son Tyler Thralls and in 2008 her daughter Katie Thralls. More recently, Thralls has sent a diver to the inaugural State Championships this past year. "All of those were very special moments of my coaching years" Thralls said. Granada has had multiple divers compete every year at NCS since 1997. Thralls, who has coached diving at Granada since 1996, is also the area director for Young Life, a youth program in the Tri-Valley. With 20-35 divers at Granada, it is undeniable that Thralls has created a winning formula.

Toni-Ann Templeman Granada, Girls' Volleyball Honor Coach

Granada High took a bit of a gamble when it named Toni Templeman volleyball coach prior to the 2007 seasons, after just two seasons as an assistant coach. But it was a winning move. Templeman led the Matadors to the North Coast Section Division I finals in 2008 and 2009 and a berth in the CIF Northern California playoffs, and two more NCS appearances after that. "The most special moment was beating Deer Valley at their place in the NCS semifinals in 2008," Templeman said. "They were the No. I seed, we were No. 4. We swept them in three (games) and our crowd was incredible." Granada is part of the most competitive girls' volleyball league in the NCS – an East Bay Athletic League team has won the last 10 Division championships – so she knows the importance of fundamentals. "I love teaching kids basic skills and keeping things simple, but mostly I love helping them build a strong mindset," she said. "I believe in keeping the love in the game and remembering why they started in the first place." Templeman also coaches at the club level, and has given thousands of hours back to the game, coaching at all levels in camps, clinics, lessons and teams, she said.









HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT OUR ORGANIZATION

The Livermore-Granada boosters was excited to hand out \$12,000 in scholarships to 12 studentathletes from Granada and Livermore High Schools in 2016, as well as recognizing athletes from 52 different sports from each high school. Our goals for 2016-17 and beyond are to be able to increase that amount. To do that, we need the help of the families and small business' within Livermore. Here are some of the ways you can support our organizational goals to be able to continue to offer scholarships to our local student-athletes:

I. RACE TO THE FLAGPOLE

Our primary fund-raiser of the year is the annual Race to the Flagpole. This year will mark the 7th year of our event, and we look to continue to grow this event from our outstanding participation in 2015.

Date: Saturday November 12th (Veteran's Day)

Events: I Mile, 5k, 10k, and Half Marathon

Location: Independence Park, Livermore, CA.

Will run through Sycamore Grove

Times: Half Marathon (8:30am start), 10k (9:00am start), 5k (9:15am start)

The event is a community celebration of our High School Scholar athletes, and all proceeds are directed to male and female scholar athletes at Livermore and Granada High Schools. All participants will receive a race T-shirt and post-race refreshments. On race day, awards will be presented in the one mile, 5k, and fun run/ walk for the top three finishers in each age division.

The T-shirt for 2016 will be a Golden State Warriors inspired slate, light weight T, available in women's and men's cuts, allowing you to support your community and the Bay Area's team at the same time. Show your athletes—we are betting they will want one!

You can signup here for the at

https://www.imathlete.com/events/EventReg/ EventReg_SelectType.aspx? fEID=37904&fNew=1&fsource=Main .

For more information about the race, please go to <u>web page</u> at www.racetotheflagpole.org

2. INDIVIDUAL or BUSINESS SPONSORSHIP

If you are a local business and/or an active member of our community and want to help sponsor the race, please contact us

at livgraboosters@gmail.com.

Your sponsorship will benefit our scholar athletes and will provide you exposure within our great city.



Annual Race to the Flagpole

On November 15, 2015, we held our 6th annual Race to the Flagpole. This event serves as our primary fund raiser for the organization. It begins and ends at the flag pole at Independence Park in Livermore and runs through scenic Sycamore Grove Park. Events include a 1 mile fun run, a 5K, a 10K, and a half marathon. Proceeds support our scholarship fund.

In 2015, we held the race on November 14th. It was a beautiful day to run through Livermore's scenic parks and vineyards in south Livermore. Over 600 runners of all abilities registered to run in one-mile fun run, 5K run/ walk, 10K run, and a half marathon events.

Livermore High School has the highest race participation by a school Livermore school and was awarded \$250. Here are the winners and their times in each division:

| I/2 Marathon: | (M) | Kevin Foy | 1:20:30 |
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| | (F) | Victoria Butler | 1:36:36 |
| 10K: | (M) | Greg Wichard | 41:39:00 |
| | (F) | Amy Starr | 48:50:00 |
| 5K: | (M) | Julian Galicia-Thomas | 18:38 |
| | (F) | Hronn Gudmundsdot | tir 20:06 |
| I mile: | (M) | Viliam Nowicki | 7:35 |
| | (F) | Ann Lydon | 8:19 |

Full results from the 2015 race are HERE

2015 Race Photos can be found HERE

For more information about the race, please go to <u>web page</u> at www.racetotheflagpole.org

We want to thank everyone again for coming out to support our scholarship fund.

WHO ARE THE LIVERMORE-GRANADA BOOSTERS?

The Livermore-Granada Boosters were organized in 1949 by a group of former Livermore High School athletes, alumni, and civic-minded businessmen to foster and stimulate scholarship and athletics in the community high school. This group believed that outstanding students active in athletics became future good citizens with qualities of leadership, sportsmanship, and competitive spirit.

In 1958, the Boosters instituted the Olympian Scholarship Award to honor a scholar athlete at our annual banquet. The award was later enlarged several times and now includes a male and female athlete from Livermore and Granada High Schools.

Last year (2015-16), we handed out a total of \$12,000 in scholarships across six studentathletes from both Granada and Livermore High School. With continued support from local business and individuals, we aim to raise this amount in future years.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW? Catching up with Past Olympians

Debra Callabresi was the 1986 Olympian Award winner from Livermore High School. Debra attended University of California at San Diego and graduated with a BA in Studio Art with a minor in Mechanical Engineering. The combination of Art and Engineering afforded her an opportunity to work with the UCSD Cray computing center, experimenting with visualization and animation. Debra went on to get a Masters of Fine Arts in Experimental Animation at California Institute of the Arts. She spent about 10 years in the entertainment industry working on a range of projects, from television work, to early internet sound and motion projects, to large format film special effects. Along the way she co-produced and did the effects for a short animated film, More, that was nominated for an Academy Award.

In 2000 she co-founded a startup company with 3 other friends that was venture funded, then eventually acquired for purchase. In the course of this project, Debra spun out a digital production company focusing on internet application called N-tonic, which is still her current company. N-tonic is now focused on web projects related to the use of technology in public health, with clients throughout the state of California, and in Washington DC. Debra is currently one of the Principal Investigators in a 3-year Federal grant sponsored by the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services, which seeks to demonstrate a reduction of ER visits and Hospitalizations through HIV prevention and care in the DC area by utilizing technology in community based health care.

Debra says that "The Olympian award was empowering as a confidence booster in my early college life. I started my college experience knowing that hard work and persistence will eventually be rewarded. I loved both school and sports, and the lessons learned in high school served as foundation for the many paths my life has taken thus far. Being acknowledged for these efforts as an Olympian taught me early on the value of hard work, and how important it is to give back to others when life affords you the ability to do so."

LIVERMORE-GRANADA BOOSTERS

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The Livermore-Granada

Boosters are a hardworking group of local volunteers formed in 1949 as a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization. We depend on donations to conduct our programs. If you believe in what we do and enjoy the pictures we provide, please consider making a donation of time and talents or money, or become a sponsor of one of our events. You can contact us or mail a tax deductible check to the Livermore-Granada Boosters. Soon we will have a way to easily make donations through our website.

Do you have time, talents and a desire to help the Boosters with our operations or events? This is another way you can support our scholarship and recognition programs that benefit Livermore students. If so please contact us. All help is greatly appreciated.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Race to the Flagpole

Nov 12, 2016