# **ALUMNI FEATURE**

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#### **R.J. GLOVER AT THE TOP OF HIS GAME**

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The featured alumnus for the summer issue of the Crater Alumni Newsletter is 1993 Crater graduate R.J. Glover. R.J. remembers, "I was born and raised in Central Point and attended all twelve years of my early schooling in District 6. This included elementary school at CPE, junior high school at Scenic and, of course, Crater High School. While my wife and I have spent more than half our professional lives away from Southern Oregon, we still consider Central Point our home."

Like all our featured alumni, R.J. was an active and involved student. Athletically, he was a threeyear letterman in football and track and field. The Crater Schools-Within-A-School were just emerging, and R.J. found his home in the School of Business which led him to the highly successful Crater chapter of the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA). An honor student he, also was selected as a Rotary Student of the Month during his senior year.

After graduating from Crater, R.J. enrolled at Oregon State University (OSU), graduating

in 1997 with a Bachelor of Science in Accounting with a minor in Forest Products. His first job after graduating from OSU was as a staff accountant with Kosmotka, Donnelly and Co, a long-time CPA firm in Medford. He was to stay with this company until 2000 when he started to utilize his minor degree in Forest Products along with his accounting degree when he moved to the local Boise Cascade mill as the plant superintendent. This was to be a pivotal career move for him as he quickly advanced in lumber mill management. In 2005 he transitioned to Roseburg Forest Products in Roseburg, Oregon, again serving as their plant superintendent, a position he held until 2011 when he returned to Boise Cascade but this time in Kettle Falls, Washington where he served as the Plant Manager before being promoted to Production Manager in 2014, a position he held for only one year before being named the Region Manager. Then in 2020 he came full circle when he returned to Boise Cascade in Medford as their Region Manager, a position he holds to this day. While Covid-19 has certainly limited his opportunities to serve his community like he enjoys doing, he is already on the Board of the Oregon Forest and Industries Council, the Oregon Manufacture and Commerce Commission and the Southern Oregon and Regional Economic and Development organization. He recently was recognized as the "Manager of the Year" through the Western Pulp, Paper and Forest Products Association.

Backtracking a bit and catching up with R.J.'s family life, in 1998 he married his high school sweetheart, 1992 Crater graduate, Danielle Anhorn. They both attended OSU, with Danielle graduating in 1997 with a degree in Human Development and Early Childhood Education. In 2000 she received a Master's in Teaching from Southern Oregon University. She taught school at Hoover Elementary in Medford during their early Medford years but then focused on volunteering in her children's schools and shuttling them to all their activities. They



have two children, Jocelyn, a nineteen-year-old freshman at OSU and seventeen-year-old Jack who is a junior at South Medford High School.

Prior to moving back to Medford, both R.J. and Danielle were active in their local schools and youth sports. R.J. coached a variety of youth sports including Little League and AAU basketball. He also spent six years as the Kettle Falls High School Varsity Softball Coach. Interestingly enough, Danielle was an outstanding softball player for Crater. R.J. was twice recognized as the North East Washington Softball Coach of the Year.

R.J. and Danielle remember their Crater days with fondness. "Although we lived out of the area for fifteen years, we managed to stay in touch with many friends, teachers and administrators from our days at Crater." R.J. goes on to muse, "Looking back, I could not have asked for a better high school experience than Crater. I hear a lot of people say they hated high school, but I have a totally different perspective. I remember being in the initial School of Business with Mr. King and Mrs. Speasl. I left Crater totally prepared for college.

I remember Mr. Summerfield starting up the Junior Comet sports program when I was in elementary school. I even coached a grade school basketball team my senior year in high school. Remembering my elementary years, playing under the lights at Central Point Little League is still one of my best childhood memories.

While R.J. has a demanding workload, he and Danielle have always found time to follow their children's various activities. When time allows, they like to travel and usually spend at least one week during the summer on the Oregon coast. Focusing on life before Covid-19, R.J. wistfully remembers, "Prior to Covid we would spend a couple weeks each summer in Florida or the Caribbean, enjoying cruises, amusement parks, sunny beaches and warm weather. Recreationally we spend a lot of time golfing, fishing, hiking, and hunting, and, once Covid restrictions are lifted, you will likely find us in Corvallis watching any variety of Beaver events.

As always, the Crater Alumni Newsletter salutes our outstanding Crater graduates, and R.J. Glover fits this category in fine fashion.





#### 1952 – 59

JOAN DOBROT LANDSBERG (58) – lives in Bend, Oregon. After graduating from college Joan spent from 1964 to 1966 in the Peace Corps stationed in Costa Rica where she taught in the Chemistry Department of the Universidad de Costa Rica. Now in retirement she spends some of her spare time assisting Spanish-speaking asylum seekers as they interface with our Federal and local governments. She also accompanies Spanish-only speakers to their appointments with the Deschutes County Court system. Most of these asylum seekers are fleeing violence in their Central American towns.

**NEAL ROBERTS (58)** – lives in Medford with his wife, llene. Neal was very involved in the FFA program at Crater and soon after he graduated received his draft notice. He spent four years in the US Marine Corp. Married during his time in the Marines they had four boys. After his discharge, he worked at Ideal Cement Plant in Gold Hill and then for Medford Steel. He retired in 1990. In his leisure time he plays competitive pool, racquet ball, rode big motorcycles, played golf and bowled in five leagues. He was elected to the bowling Hall of Fame and has 29 games of 300.

#### **1960 - 69**

ALICE MULLALY (60) - lives in Central Point with her husband, Larry. Both are retired from teaching and are very active in volunteer organizations. Both their daughters are Crater High graduates and they and their daughters are proud to be sponsors of the Mullaly Family Scholarship awarded by the Crater Foundation. Catherine (93) lives in New Jersey and teaches in New York City and Mary (97) lives in Ypsilanti, Michigan and is an English Professor at Washtenaw Community college. Alice states "I would like to challenge other Crater Graduates and supporters to step up to the plate and give to the Crater Foundation this year." JACK PEEK (65) - lives in Portland with his wife of 41 years, Cynthia. His work after leaving school took him to the flight line for Boeing in Seattle, where he worked on the very first five 747 jetliners. They have three grown kids, Jack Peek Jr, retiring soon from 14 years in the Marines and two girls, Sarah, a nurse, and Heather Rose, a vet tech in a clinic near Portland. Jack remembers Mr. Lacey and his speech and debate class and Bill Piche's class, "American Problems". He stated "we had great teachers that carved out for me certain things I learned, and carried forth to this day."

**GAIL WHITE SMITH (69)** – lives in Central Point with her husband of 50 years, Jess. They have three grown kids and eight grandchildren. Both retired, they love to travel and have spent time in Mexico, Hawaii and took a 14 day bus tour of Greece and a 2 week bus tour of Turkey.

#### 1970 – 79

**DEBBIE ZUSPANN KACENGA (71)** – lives in Sierra Vista, Arizona with her husband of 30 years, Ken. They have five children and eight grandchildren. Debbie is a retired registered nurse and Ken is a retired ob-gyn physician.

**ROBIN ZUSPANN SPARKS (75)** – lives in Red Rock, Arizona with her husband of 42 years, Doug a 1973 Crater High graduate. They have two daughters (also Crater graduates) and four grandchildren ages 10 to 18. Doug retired from UPS in 2006 after 28 years and Robin retired after 11 years of employment at Southern Oregon Head Start. In their retirement they enjoy their family and traveling. They moved to Arizona for the weather and Doug's passion riding motorcycles and ATV's.

**RICK BREWSTER (75)** – lives in Eagle Point with his wife, Karen. They have three grown children, Emily, Micah and Hannah. Rick received a degree from Southern Oregon State College and began his long career as a CPA. He owns his own well known practice in Medford. He has been very involved in Boy Scouts, school and

church activities over the years. In his free time he loves to camp, hike and enjoy anything in the outdoors

#### 1980 - 89

**SCOTT HOFFINE (81)** – lives in Eugene, Oregon with his wife of 35 years, Janice. They have one grown daughter who is married and lives in Seattle. Scott attended Oregon State University where he earned a degree in Forest Engineering. He works for Roseburg Forest Products as a Timberland Operations Manager. When not at work, Scott can be found at the golf course or working in his garden.

**DEBBIE THORNTON WHITTLE (81)** – lives in Tualatin, Oregon her home, however she is living temporarily in the Rogue Valley to be close to her mother after the passing of her father. After graduating, in 1983 Debbie enrolled at Southern Oregon University and earned a Business Administration Degree with a minor in Sociology. She moved to Portland and accepted a job with Bank of America and worked her way up to a Loan Officer. In 1992 she moved to First Union Mortgage as a Loan Officer/Originator and was there until 2010. Debbie has three children Lindsey 36, Johathan 25 and Gracie 16. She also has two grandchildren.

#### 1990 - 99

**STEPHANIE SCHOFIELD (91)** – lives in Enterprise, Oregon with her significant other, Jay McFetridge. Stephanie is in her 23rd year serving as the Agricultural Science and Technology instructor and FFA advisor at Enterprise High School. They also farm timothy and alfalfa hay and raise Registered Angus cattle and club calves. Enterprise Ag Department is the oldest continuous Agriculture program in the state of Oregon. When only in her fifth year of teaching, Stephanie was named Oregon young Ag teacher of the year. She contributes her success as an Ag instructor "to the incredible individuals from Southern Oregon who were the best instructors I could have asked for in high school. Specifically John Dimick and Mel Morris."

**KIM MOLLOY ADAMS (96)** – lives in Medford with her husband, Shawn. The have two children, Max and Elie. Kim is a Gym Manager at HIGS Gym in Central Point and is owner of AT THE HUB – Henry James Boags Tavern. Shawn Adams is a Collaborative Partner at Make based in Medford, Oregon. Previously, Shawn was a Founder at Rotor-Head a commercial and aviation based video and photography company. In their free time they enjoy attending their children's activities

#### 2000 - 11

LYNDSEY SHAVER CUNNINGHAM (04) – lives in Phoenix, Arizona where she works for Honorhealth. Lyndsey earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Oregon State University in 2008. She then received a Masters Degree from Portland State University in Health/Health Care Administration in 2011. She worked for Peace Health in Bellingham, Washington for nearly five years. Lyndsey then moved to Phoenix, AZ. in 2019 where she began work for Honorhealth.

**KRISTEN HAGA JUVELAND (07)** - lives in Central Point with her husband, Jason (05). They have two children, Anna 8 and James 6. Kristen is a 3rd grade teacher at Mae Richardson Elementary School and Jason works for Wilson Equipment – Bobcat of Medford. In their free time, they enjoy gardening, Kirsten loves to run and Jason coaches little league and loves to hunt and fish.

**EMILY IRONSIDE (11)** - lives in Central Point. Received a Bachelor of Science in Bio Health Sciences from Oregon State University. Received a Doctorate in Physical Therapy in 2018 from California State University, Sacramento. Interned at UC Davis Medical Center and Asante Rogue Regional Medical Center. She currently works as a physical therapist at Asante Rogue Regional Medical Center where she has been for the past two years.



The Crater Foundation Newsletter is proud to introduce you to the 2021 Crater High School Valedictorians. We appreciate their accomplishments and look forward to seeing their dreams becoming reality. Left to right in the pictures:



The Crater Renaissance Academy is represented by Valedictorians Aubrey Welburn and Mahde Abusaleh. Aubrev is the daughter of David Welburn and Breanna Grieve. Aubrey

carries a 4.17 weighted GPA and will enroll at University of Oregon with plans on

majoring in pre-medicine. Mahde is the son of Kudhem and Maha Abusaleh. Mahde carries a 4.18 GPA and will enroll at Oregon State University and plans on majoring in Nuclear Engineering and Marine Biology.



The School of Business, Innovation & Sciences is



represented by Valedictorians Jaidyn Campbell and Elizabeth Lotts. Jaidyn is the daughter of Jay and Rebecca Campbell. Jaidyn carries a 4.15 weighted GPA and plans to enroll at either Santa Clara University or the Honor

College at the University of

Utah. She plans to major in Neuroscience and Behavior. Elizabeth is the daughter of John and Jaynan Lotts. Elizabeth carries a 4.14 weighted GPA and



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The Crater Foundation web site is taking on a new look, adding new information as well as more pictures. We have also developed a Crater Alumni section on our web site. The Alumni site now has a link for class reunions, a link "in memory" for deceased classmates as well as teachers, teacher features, a copy of all the Alumni Newsletters published, the Crater High School Hall of Fame and other addition material. We continue to work on much more and we encourage you to access the sites and enjoy the information. The address to the Crater Foundation web site is: craterfoundation.district6.org.

plans to enroll at University of Rochester. She plans to major in biology or psychology and Spanish.

represented by Valedictorians Ellie

### The Crater Academy of Health & Public Service is

Laws and Allison Waters Ellie is the daughter of Darryl and Natasha Laws. She carries a weighted 4.15 GPA and will enroll at University of Arizona. She



plans on a major in science and will pursue an enrollment in a medical school. Allison is the daughter of Bryce Waters and Diane

Waters. She carries a weighted 4.15 GPA and will enroll at University of Oregon. She plans on a major in Biology or Bio Health.

## CRATER HIGH ATHLETICS

As the result of the COVID 19 virus high school athletics were put on hold for much of this school year. However seasons were reestablished, shortened and leagues were changed by Oregon Schools Activities Association. The newly established seasons were as follows:

Football, Cross Country, Soccer and Volleyball March 1st to April 10th. Baseball, Softball, Track & Field and Golf April 5th to May 23rd Girl's Basketball, Boy's Basketball and Wrestling May 10th to June 27th

Crater High athletics consisted of a reorganization of the conference for this year due to the COVID 19 virus. This year the conference consisted of Ashland, North Medford, South Medford, Eagle Point, Crater, Grants Pass and Roseburg.

As the seasons come to an end the following are some of the results of the shortened seasons.

Football	Baseball	<u>(Season Not</u>
4W – 2L	5W – 13L	<u>Complete)</u>
Volleyball	Track & Field	Boys Basketball
10W – 3L	3rd	9W – 3L
Girls Cross Country	Softball	Girls Basketball
3rd	8W – 9L	9W – 1L
Boys Cross Country	Girls Golf	Wrestling
3rd	DNF	11W – 3L
<b>Boys Soccer</b>	Boys Golf	Swimming
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Sept.		South Eugene 7:00	
Oct.	17 1	Crater vs. Churchill 7:00 Willamette * 7:00	
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	22	Summit 7:00	
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	7	Eagle Point 6:45	
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