

2013 awards

Each year outstanding achievements by Woodstock students are recognised through the presentation of awards, many of which have been established to honour the lives of former teachers or students. Below are the recipients of the major awards in both senior and junior school for the academic year 2012-13.

SENIOR SCHOOL AWARDS

Valedictorian Advitya Khanna
Salutatorian Harshit Agrawal

Best All-Round Student Award
Liang-Yun Cheng

Student Government Award
Isabella Vogel, Harshit Agrawal

Pratap Chatterjee Memorial Science Award
Ye Jin Kim

Music Awards

- **Pod Music Shield** Mokyoung Kim, Ye Jin Kim
- **Mubarak Masih Indian Music Shield** Prakruti Golechha, Liang-Yun Cheng

E. E. Miller International Award
Jyotika Dangwal

Principal's Award
Liang-Yun Cheng, Isabella Vogel, Bendix Kemmann

Centennial Shield Grade 9 (Class of 2016)

Jimmy Cassinath Memorial Awards

- **Drama** Juliana Pesavento
- **Writing** Not Given
- **Art** Dechen Pelgi Tenzing

Hiking Awards

- **W. Lowrie Campbell Memorial Hiking Cup** Johann Arthur
- **Karen Krenz Cup** Margaret Phillips

Drama Awards

- **Outstanding Acting** Milo Cannings, Shalaka Ghiara, Aryan Shankardas
- **Audio-Visual Crew Award** Zain Krishnan and Juliana Pesavento
- **Stagecraft** Ein Jung

Certificates of Outstanding Achievement

- **Mathematics** Liang-Yun Cheng
- **Science**
 - Biology** Maya Kimura
 - Chemistry** Advitya Khanna
 - Physics** Harshit Agrawal
 - Environmental Science** Juliana Pesavento

- **Social Studies**
 - History** Shalaka Ghiara
 - Psychology** Maya Kimura
 - Economics** Liang-Yun Cheng
- **Modern Languages**
 - Hindi** Prapti Joshi
 - French** Bidushi Adhikari
- **Visual Arts** Mokyoung Kim
- **Music**
 - Orchestra** Achi Gerutshang
 - Band** Bendix Kemmann
 - Choral** Emily Janet Steers
 - Indian Music** Hee Seo Shin

Outstanding Achievement on External Exams

- **SAT (Math and Chemistry)** Harshit Agarwal
- **SAT (Critical Reading)** Ishaan Pathak

Citizenship Awards

- **Midlands** Liang-Yun Cheng
- **Hostel** Se Hyun Lim

Writing Awards

Priyanka Das, Harshit Agrawal, Bendix Kemmann

Community Service Awards

Namrata Mohapatra, HeeSeo Shin, Hannah Yi

Scholastic Achievement (GPA of 3.45 or higher)

Harshit Agrawal, Advitya Khanna, Margaret Philips, Bendix Kemmann, Pranav Rajouria, Shivangi Pant, Ashima Rang, Paresh Khetan, Joanne Philip, Hee Seo Shin, Pachara Ratanabanthoon, Sang Hyeon Cho, Teva Kaplan, Srikar Kilambi, Manvi Lohia, Prasanna Bista, Shubhankar Aggarwal

Scholastic Achievement with Silver Pin (3+ awards)

Liang-Yun Cheng, Ye Jin Kim, Priyanka Das, Juliana Pesavento, Isabella Vogel, Tsewang Sadutshang, Namsay Norbu, Maya Kimura, Uddhav Mehra, Achi Gerutshang, Mokyoung Kim, Karis Park, Bidushi Adhikari, Prakruti Golechha

JUNIOR SCHOOL AWARDS

Outstanding Academic Achievement Award

- **Grade 1** Elias John Lewis
- **Grade 2** Rhiana Stinchcomb and Joshua Emmanuel
- **Grade 3** Aditya Nagrath
- **Grade 4** Aadya Aryal
- **Grade 5** Tej Dhungana
- **Grade 6** Khushi Agrawal

Ruth Shepherd Award for Creative Writing

Joshua Francis

Citizenship Awards

Satvika Sinha, Rohan Mathias, Jigmet Angmo, Anna Snader, Samuel Francis, Samuel Stinchcomb

Head of School

Khushi Agrawal

Honor Roll

- **Grade 5** Rigpea Wangchuk, Tej Dhungana, Abik Mehra, Joanna Victor, Dhurbhagat Singh, Dhurbhagat Singh
- **Grade 6** Sangyoon Kim, Shreeyansh Khetan, Sanyoon Kim, Katherine Nisser, Khushi Agrawal, Shubham Tibrewala, Tenzin Chowang Taklha, Tenzin Yuyel Norbu

Hiking Awards, Gold Level

- Samuel Francis, Asha Snader, Abel Thomas, Anna Snader, Jalori Mathias, Edward Berger, Rohan Mathias

Did you receive an award at Woodstock of which you are still proud? Tell us about it. Mail us at alumni@woodstock.ac.in and share your story.

Distinguished Alumni 2013

Justice George H Carley '56

Justice George H Carley '56 has been added to the Woodstock School Distinguished Alumni Roll for his long and illustrious career in the field of law, culminating in him becoming the 29th Chief Justice of the Georgia Supreme Court in 2012.

Justice Carley was born in 1938 in Jackson, Mississippi. His father was posted to Burma as a member of the United States Public Health Service, and during this posting Justice Carley attended Woodstock, from 1951 to 1953. He graduated from Decatur High School in Georgia in 1956.

After graduation he served in the US military reserve before receiving his law qualification from the University of Georgia Law School in 1962.

Justice Carley was admitted to the bar in 1961 and practised in Decatur from 1963 until becoming a judge in 1979. In April 1979 he was appointed to the Georgia Court of Appeals, and subsequently elected to full six-year terms in 1980, 1986 and 1992. He was Chief Judge from 1989 to 1990 and Presiding Judge from 1991.

In 1993 he was elevated to the Supreme Court of Georgia, and then elected to a full six-year term in 1994, before being re-elected in 2000 and 2006. In 2009, Carley was elected as Presiding Judge. In his retention elections, he never faced opposition.

On May 29, 2012, Presiding Judge George Carley was sworn in as the 29th Chief Justice of the Georgia Supreme Court. At Carley's investiture, all six living former chief justices were in attendance. By letting Carley serve as chief justice, his fellow justices allowed him to become the first in Georgia history to serve as chief justice and presiding justice of the Georgia Supreme Court, as well as chief judge and presiding judge of the Georgia Court of Appeal.

He has won a raft of awards for his years of public service, including the Logan E. Bleckley Distinguished Service Award for his years of judicial service, the Phoenix Award, given

to a Georgian for service to his community and state, and the American Board of Trial Advocates for service to the legal community.



Justice Carley has been very active in both the Georgia state and national High School Mock Trials Programme, which encourages high school students to make persuasive legal presentations in mock trial competitions.

Justice Carley says that his years in Burma and attending Woodstock School were fundamental in preparing him to serve as a judge and justice. Practicing law in the American South at the time of integration, his international experience gave him a broader perspective to think globally and not only locally.

Justice Carley married Sandra Lineberger in 1960, and they have one son and two grandsons.

Dr Shobha Arole '78

Dr Shobha Arole has been added to Woodstock's Distinguished Alumni Roll for her outstanding contribution to serving people in extreme poverty and improving rural healthcare in Maharashtra, India. Her work has brought extraordinary health and social benefits to hundreds of villages in the region, and the health programme she runs has become a model for excellence in rural healthcare not only in India, but around the world.

Shobha was born on February 2, 1961, in Kola in Karnataka. Her early schooling was in the United States where her parents, who were both doctors, were pursuing postgraduate medical studies. She joined Woodstock in Grade 5 in 1970 and graduated in 1978. At Woodstock Shobha particularly enjoyed the medical hikes, when students delivered first aid supplies to villages in the Garhwal. This influenced her choice of medicine as a career.

After Woodstock Shobha went on to study medicine at the Christian Medical College in Vellore, India, graduating in 1986. She then returned to Mussoorie to work at Landour Community Hospital on the Share project, and was school doctor at Woodstock from 1986 to 1989. During this time she also practised in rural parts of Bihar and Uttar Pradesh, before joining the Comprehensive Rural Health Project (CRHP) in Jamkhed, Maharashtra, founded in 1970 by her parents Drs Raj and Mabelle Arole.

In 1992 she became associate director of the CRHP which achieves exceptional results in alleviating poverty and disease by building up the capacity of communities through training up local village healthcare workers to address economic, social, agricultural, and health needs through self-organisation. At the core of this comprehensive community-based approach is its embrace of equality for all, using healthcare as a means to break the cycle of poverty.

The work of CRHP has been recognised by the World Health Organisation and UNICEF, and has been introduced to 178 countries across the world. Annually CRHP provides services that directly impact half a million people in the state of Maharashtra. Since the opening of their training centre in 1994, more than 22,000 local and 5,000 international representatives from NGOs, governments and healthcare have been trained in the CRHP approach.

Shobha has had much of her research published and been recognised as a Social Entrepreneur of the Schwab foundation of the World Economic Forum in 2001. Two leading



American health academics have described the work of CRHP as being unparalleled anywhere in the world for its success in improving healthcare and empowering women and other marginalised groups. She has won numerous honours for her work, including the Times of India Social Impact in Health award in 2011.

Shobha is an ordained minister and honorary presbyter at the Jamkhed Community Church. She dedicates much of her time to teaching and promoting comprehensive healthcare both in India and around the world and is also significantly involved in national policy discussions.

Gatherings

Milestone class reunions

Class of 1963 — 50 years

Before our group of 11 classmates & 5 spouses &/or friends convened in Mussoorie to celebrate our 50th, a group of 6 (4 classmates & 2 fellow travelers) traveled to Dhamsala for a 3 day visit: sightseeing, shopping, etc. including a pilgrimage to the hospital in Kangra where our class president, Larry Smith, was born. Another five of us spent 6 days in three cities in Bhutan, the kingdom of gross national happiness.

Once in Mussoorie, we enjoyed tours of the Woodstock School Campus, visits to the Alumni Office and meals in the school dining room, visiting with staff and students. We had a wonderful dinner at Dr. Jonathan & Sue Long's home along with members of the class of 1993. One highlight of our visit was the 10th anniversary celebration of the opening of the Hanifl Centre, with entertainment by the school's fantastic jazz band, & a delicious dinner. Some attempted to find Fairy Glen, our class project several years ago, but it was elusive. We went to Happy Valley & Clouds End but the clouds obstructed our view. Breakfast of bun omelets and pakoras on the chukkar was great; however, the clouds again covered the view of the snow-covered peaks we all longed to see. We had dinners at the newly renovated Savoy Hotel and Rokeby Manor. We were fortunate to be in Mussoorie



Will Manton, Mary Pollack, Saroj Kapadia, Karen Anderson Holden, Ted Chitamber, Carol McDearmid Houghton, Betsy Woodman, Larry Smith, Sue Turner Hanifl, Joy Rice Gray, Meherjee Cassinath, Esther Jantzen

for part of the Writers Mountain Festival. The talks were terrific and dancing to a live band in Parker Hall was special!!!

Woodstock: What a great place, wonderful people & good memories even if the clouds hid the spectacular views. As we left Mussoorie, we said farewell to a few classmates while 10 of us continued on to South India for visits to Madurai, Kodaikanal, Periyar, overnight on a house boat, & Cochin (where 2 rejoined us). Following that, 4 went to Sri Lanka & 8 to Aurangabad to see the Ellora & Ajanta Caves.

Then we all scattered in various directions, a few to Goa or Delhi and the rest homeward to the US.

Those in attendance: Classmates: Larry Smith, President, Suzanne Turner Hanifl, Secretary, Betsy Woodman, Esther Jantzen, Karen Anderson Holden, Joy Rice Grover, Mary Pollock, William Manton, Ted Chitambar, Meherjee Cassinath, & Carol McDearmid Houghton. Fellow Travelers: Martin Blyth, Paul Hanifl, John Grover, Jackie Chitambar & Anny Cassinath.

Class of 1978 — 35 years

In June 2013, we spent a week celebrating our 35 year reunion. Fourteen classmates met up in Mussoorie, with friends and family bringing that number to 22. The monsoon had arrived so there were many days of mist, but there were some good views as well, and the weather was generally decent. A few of the highlights were a walk to Suwakholi for lunch, dinner at Rokeby Manor followed by a bonfire at their Highlands flat area on top of the pushta, & morning chai at the newly renovated Savoy Hotel, followed by a walk to Happy Valley. Of course we also did lots of shopping in the bazaar, checked out the dorm improvements, and spent time catching up-never enough! It was a wonderful opportunity to be together, and many more happy memories were made. Thanks so much to Boz for organizing the whole thing!—Carol



First Row: Heather Evans, McKenzie Evans, Susan Donahue, Alysia Donahue, Manisha Chandra. Second Row: Susan Downs, Laura Liechty, Naomi Lichty, Beth Evans, Carole Willms. Third Row: Beth Jacober Wray, Linda Howard Niehaus, Nita, Maria Franco, Jen, Annie McGregor Back Row: Pete Willms, Mark Liechty, Mark Windsor, Ted Niehaus, Vikas Raikhy, Greg Wray, David Evans

Class of 1983 — 30 years

The reunion simply melted the years away. It was wonderful to see classmates re-connect and re-discover the friendships of school days, and extend those friendships with the added resources, care and consideration that come with age and maturity. We may have aged 30 years, and certainly there are changes, but many of the simple pleasures remain; dosa at Madras Cafe, bun omelette at Cozy Corner, aloo parantha and chai at Char Dukan, and the wonderful uniqueness of the Landour landscape all around us. What we take away are our combined memories of the past, shared around the bonfire each night, the resolve to do better to keep in touch, and a strong desire to reunite more often. Hopefully we leave Woodstock having demonstrated the strength of friendships that the Woodstock experience instills and the challenge to those still writing their experiences not to take a single day of it for granted. Who knows, perhaps we've even re-discovered Jankidass' puzzle rings for a whole new generation of year 9 girls at Woodstock!



Class of 1983 in front of the Lyre Tree: back row, l-r: Bill Zide, Robert Stone, Carol Lehman, Nathan Olson, Pavan Gandhi, Vigyan Rana, Chetan Marwah, Chand Mehra, Devinder Mahal, Jaffar Ali Dashti, Salil Kumar Ali, Greg Zide front row, l-r: Madhu Malhan, Shahram Sepahi, Theresa Douglas, Atula Aiyer, Anshuman Magazine, Satwant Bhangra Degun, Kiran Agarwal Garg, Karen Hunter Jones

Class of 1993 — 20 years

Mussoorie

Our class met after many years and time fell by the wayside; we picked up from where we left off. Old jokes, memories and friendships were rekindled and a good time was had by all.

New York

Amazingly we were able to recruit 16 of our classmates to reunite together in NYC. Many of us live on the east coast so it was an easy location to pick, with many flight options for people flying in. It was great to see some after 20 years! We all found it interesting that though we have grown older, and look fairly the same, it was so easy to connect with one another as it was just yesterday that we left. The girls all looked fairly the same and the guys seem to have balded :o) Sorry guys!

Sekhar, Srikar, Sumit, Avinash, Monisha, Jon, Shashi, Anisha and myself are all in the NY Metro area. Infact, Srikar, Sumit and I all live on the same road so we do see one another quite often (Sumit actually lives next door to me!). Naveen had come in from Canada, Dia from Houston, Amol from Dallas, Ajit from Florida, Shamini & Vamsee from D.C area, and Anna from Boston.

We started with an Indian lunch where we made sure butter chicken and naan was definitely on the main course. Here at lunch we were able to mix and mingle for a few hours



Back Row: Andy Crider, Omair Ahmed, Joy Sheperd Upputuru, Machut Shishak, Amy Seefeldt, Sujoy Singhi Front Row: Sharika Sharma, Rebecca Householder Raj, Richa Goyal Bansal, Joash Raj, Johannes Eggert



then we moved onto a hotel rooftop where we all hung out further with lots of laughter. What a great feeling! It was great to see one another and see everyone making sure they interacted with everyone. We had the opportunity to

meet with spouses and hear plenty of stories of everyone's lives. Glad we as a team pulled this reunion together.

Woodstock really built a special bond between

all of us that somehow built strong ever lasting friendships that we are all thankful for! Thank you everyone for all your efforts to be a part of this 20 year reunion! Hopefully we don't have to wait another 20!

Milestone reunions

Do you remember your graduation?

What better way to celebrate your anniversary than by revisiting Woodstock.

Take your seat again in Parker Hall. Walk the path from Hostel and Midlands – and bemoan the passing of years as you remember how you used to run up the hill! Walk the chakkar and see the snow peaks again.

The Alumni Office can help you make your milestone reunion special by booking hotels, arranging transport from Delhi and organising activities within the school.

Contact Monica Roberts, Alumni Secretary, for more information at alumni@woodstock.ac.in.



Other gatherings 2013

(l-r) Mary Beth and Jonathan Jantzen '69, Steve Taylor, Oreen Long Eddy '72, Kai Taylor, David and Cheryl Beachy Paulovich '69, Tim and Mary Nave Davis '72, Birdie Matern '87. Not shown: Lorrie Doman-Sheydayi '87, Dick and Willie Matern, Maryn Matern.

Arizona



Berkeley



Sanjaya Mark, Ajay Mark, Kate Newton, Jay's fiancée Debbie, Jay Roadarmel '85, Min Ki Yu '85 and family.

Left to right Dick Faix, Marguerite Thoburn Watkins '48, husband Gordon Watkins, Betsy Rose Carr '58, Deej Baker, Euxine Faix, Mary Villemonte Mikalson '61, Philip McEldowney '59, Beth Norford '80

Central Virginia



A gathering at Vinay Mehra's house in Delhi: back row, l-r: Vinay Mehra '81, Andy Malhan '88, Rajesh Kohli '84, front row: Monica Roberts (S), Kathryn Stevans Soper '85, Sumana Das Gupta '85.



Adrian Jonklass '95, Siami Colney, Shaheen Irani Hreib, Allegra, Mickey Jarrahian '90, Pradip deNoronha '03, Pavla, Monica Roberts (S), Thomas Ceasar, Mohana Rao '88, Pritika deNoronha '07

Standing L-R: Mark Bauman '75, Feierabends: Lee '66, Mary Beth Girard '76, Lois Rosko '69, Jim '67, Patricia Whitcomb Green-Soto '72, Gil Halsted '72, Kevin McConeghey '74, Sayeeda Mamoon '81. Seated: Dorothy Vaugh Whitcomb '42, Ted Feierabend P, Bill Whitcomb '42



Mumbai



Rehan Abbas Khan '88, Rehan's Mother, Darian Dashti, Laila Dashti, Keyan Dashti, Monica Roberts (S), Mehdi Dashti '89, Anushka Dayal, Shirish Patel '47 Monish Dayal '89, Vivaan Dayal

Bluffton, Ohio



Back Row, L-R Paul Dyck (Parent), Al Bauman '48, Rodney Dyck '72, Larry Burkhalter '37, Don Hooley (S) Front Row, L-R Betty Shelly '49, Ruth Unrau (S), Mary Ina Hooley '73, Sunita Hooley (Pre-K '89-'90)

Spokane WA



Phil '69 and Vicki Gross, Dirk '87 and Tracy Lind, Lyle Powell '74.

Back row L-R: Allan Howard '81 (S), Jane Loane Gorman '72 3rd row: Rosalie Howard (S), Salina Suri '14, Bill Virgin '64, Bob Morris (S), Anne Marriott '71, Ray Repo '54, Ramine Haider '05, Sarah Doebler '94, Shekhar Vasal '92 2nd row: Mary Ellen Mackay Stegenga '58, Jane Cummings, Dr. Jonathan Long, Yeshi Palmo '05, Ashish Dewan '94 Front row: Aparajit Bhattacharjee '92, Barbara Herman (S), Heather Hilliard '79, Sunil Kumar (P), Mary Self Skarsten '69

Toronto



London



L-R Daniel Russell '01, Ron Hess '70, Paul Taylor (S), Dalia Russell '01, Nikhil Chouguley '98, Rafael, Mark Duthie (spouse), Lalrin Ghetti '09, Sita Kashyap Liechenstein '64, Cheryl Groff '71, Barbara Stretch Wolter (S), Serene Sequeira Duthie '87

Dubai



L-R Avalon Pinto '87, Mohanna Rao '88, Faisal Khan '86

Dubai



L-R Shalini Bath '89, Olinda Sequeira Belt '88, Anita De Pree '89, Mohana Rao '88, Vikram Rao '90

Goshen



First row L-R: Marge Liechty (S), Samita Thapa '09, Monica Roberts (S), Cassilda Dhananraj '09, Cate Whitcomb '66. Back row: Mrs Dhananraj, Mr Dhananraj, Kim Virgin Chapman '89, Aradhana Roberts '10, Li-chiang Chu '59, Linda Harrier, Jack Hinz

Seoul



L-R: Reid Blickenstaff '70, Jung Min Lim '06, June Roadarmel Blickenstaff '70, and Yeerae Kim '05

Scotland



L-R: Dale Finlayson '59, Martin Ahrens '43, Niall Finlayson, Dave Geddes, Helen Arnott '60, Patricia Ahrens

Worldwide Woodstock Day

Sunnyvale



L-R: Aditya Todi '10, Sanjiv & Sudha Kaul '80, Li Chu '59, Pauline & Nirmal Chand '51, Hugh Mumby '43, Dirk Hartogs '64, Maureen Fromme (S)

Atlanta



L-R: Greydon & Marshall '82 Johnson, Jonathan Larson '65, Stan Lehman (S), William Foster '78 Hugh Stoddard '79, Mary Kay Burkhalter Larson '65, Dr Long, Joan Hill Creviston '70, Tahnoun Harun '99, Seema Sharan '01 and husband Michael Sawhney, Prarthana Dickson (S)

Shanghai



Felix, Kumiko Akiyama '06, June '70, and Reid Blickenstaff '70



L-R: Suneith Sukumar (S), Santosh Sukumar (in Merlin TShirt slightly in front of him) Reis Flora (S), Nima Flora (S), Eva Sukumar (S), Vera McIlroy (S), Shweta Sukumar (in Merlin TShirt) and Kathy McCarthy (S).

WOSA-NA reunion 2013

This year the Friends of Woodstock School – North America (FWS-NA) Annual Meeting took place in Maryville, Tennessee. On that July weekend, a soft rain fell and a heavy mist settled over the hills of Appalachia, invoking memories of monsoon in the Garhwali hills and setting a nostalgic tone to our reunion entitled Mountains, Music and Memories.

The chair of the local organising committee Carol Rugh Green '60 and her hardworking team put together a well-received programme for the 200 attendees. Principal Dr Jonathan Long made several different presentations on aspects of the school's operation and vision for the future, including an update on a topic of growing importance - the preservation of the school's facilities and buildings, some of which are listed as historic sites. Alumni, staff, and parents all engaged Dr Long in probing questions about the good work he is doing with our alma mater. He stressed the importance of a healthy, engaged and committed alumni network to build upon the school's solid reputation as a global institute of learning.

Other popular speakers over the weekend



included a beloved and long-serving high school teacher of Indian history, religions and economics, Shonila Chander, who addressed the current state of India and Woodstock today. Alumna Jaina Sanga '79 presented her recently released novel *Silk Fish Opium*, and a Maryville University professor and former student at Mussoorie's Hindi Language School, Dan Klingensmith, spoke on *Americans, Indians and Nature from 1920 to 1970*. Robert John Bonham '59 was our first speaker in the Well-Travelled Alumni series, presenting his recent tour of sacred sites in Northern India.

The music from this reunion lifted our souls. At the Sunday Service, Suzanne Jonas led us through a guided meditation on the Sound of God and former music teacher Peggy Jenks (1970-79) led the choir in singing her original choral arrangement, *Reflections* (2013).

Planning for next year's Annual Meeting and reunion is already underway. Save the date! It will be at the Notre Dame University of Maryland in Baltimore on July 11-14, 2014. Some classes with milestone reunions are already organising activities in conjunction with the formal programme. In early 2014 the registration website will be open to take your reservations at www.fwsfoundation.org. More information will be coming to your mailboxes and inboxes soon.

Lorrie Doman-Sheydayi '87
Chair, Alumni Committee and FWS-NA Board Member