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In our first newsletter we said we would be publishing four times a year. We have so much to tell you that it would be unfair not to “break the rules” so we can give you an update on what is happening and will be happening with the alumni office during the 2008-2009 school year. Make sure to mark your calendars for the upcoming events and answer our poll for the June/July 2009 special event. Let us know about graduation, a new job, marriage, babies and anything else you might want to share.

5K Walk & Run October 4 & 5, 2008

As part of Baldwin School's 40th anniversary celebrations we will be hosting a 5K race as a way of commemorating this important milestone and give back to the community.

We have been fortunate throughout these years, and now, we want to show our gratitude for all the blessings. The Juan Ponce De León School holds a very special place in Baldwin School's heart, which is why proceeds generated in this race will directly benefit them.

We want our students, parents, faculty and staff as well as the students of the Juan Ponce de León school to see that our alums are still part of the school community. Lace up your running shoes, stretch your leg

muscles and join us in this festivity, the first of its kind at Baldwin. As part of the school's history help us bestow the gift of the next 40 years to our very special friends at the Juan Ponce de León School.

Inscription fees:

- \$20.00—Adults
- \$15.00—Students 7th—12th
- \$10.00—Students 1st—6th
- Children under 6 yrs free

The 5K Walk & Run inscription fees include the following:

Saturday, October 4: 5K Walk & Run Pasta Feast to be held at the school campus from 6:30pm—9:30pm. This is the time allotted for participants to receive their number bibs and package while enjoying music and

good company. (*Guests not participating but attending the Pasta Feast pay a fee of \$10.00 for food*).

Sunday, October 5: 5K Walk & Run Race from 3:00pm—7:00pm with the race beginning at 5:00pm sharp.

For information call the Alumni Affairs Office at (787) 720-2421 Ext 244/250



Prom Night

Remember those days just before the prom? Such stress...deciding who to go with, what to wear...Well, it is no longer a memory. The Alumni Association Governing Board is looking into bringing you back to those days with a fun filled weekend at the Grand Melia Resort in Rio Grande, Puerto Rico during the last weekend in June or the second weekend of July, 2009. They are talking about adult activities as well as activities for the kids—a perfect weekend for the family and a great summer vacation for those who haven't been back to the island.

In the next few weeks we will be sending out a poll with details and prices so you can let us know if this is something you would like to do. There are a few classes planning class reunions for their anniversaries—this would be the perfect time and place. Make sure you answer and return the questionnaire as soon as you receive it.



Rest & Relax at Fussionbee Restaurant.....Share time with friends, relive the memories, work on the present, or simply think of the future; all this while you Rest & Relax at Fussionbee Restaurant on **Tuesday, October 21, 2008** from **6:30—9:30pm**. Our own Alex Martinez '97 will be our host for the evening as we enjoy Old Harbor or Santoviejo beer, red or white wine, or their own sangria accompanied with the perfect combination of hors d' oeuvres. Don't miss out on this great opportunity to network and enjoy the company of old and new friends.

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The Alumni General Meeting was held on Wednesday, August 20 in the school cafeteria. Although we would have loved to see more alums participate we are very happy to inform that those that did attend brought great ideas and showed much enthusiasm to work.

One of the items in the agenda was the selection of a new board. An idea was presented that instead of a board, a governing committee should be constituted and this group in conjunction with the advisory committee, already in place, and other volunteers would be responsible for the activities and also complement the work of the Alumni Affairs Office. The new governing committee members are: **Christian Díaz '01, Annette Rodríguez '01, Douglas Pennock '97, Elio Sánchez '92, and Liza Maldonado '88**. Helping them as members of the advisory committee will be **Jose Sala '04, Mitchel Rivera '01, Amelia O'Neil '98, Yasmine Hussein '98, Emily Quintana '95, Sarah Loinaz '96, Javier Cintron '95, Jose Sánchez '90, and Evelio Pina '77**. We are happy to announce that **Ana J Montalvo '92** has accepted the challenge to serve as Class Agent/Communications Coordinator. Ana will be the liaison between the Governing and Advisory Committees, the Alumni Affairs Office and the alumni community in general.

Another item on the agenda was the treasurer's report. It was reported that the association needed to have an income of approximately \$18,000 a year to cover the costs incurred, such as the holiday party, special events/reunions, reunions abroad, printing material, postage, the alumni online community, alumni sponsored senior luncheon and gifts, etc. Although the school covers all expenses at this time, it is the goal that the association be able to sustain itself within the next four to five years. The alumni dues are voluntary, and although minimal, the income received is very small thus not helpful to achieving our goal. In addition to encouraging the dues, the governing committee decided to look into fundraising alternatives to increase the income. Some ideas were presented at the meeting and will be discussed in the next few weeks when the committee meets again. As each activity takes form and becomes a reality we will let you know. In the meantime we encourage you to share ideas and suggestions you may have to help us with this matter.

We are sad to announce that:

Lori Portela-Roy '89, lost her two year old son Hunter to a tragic accident. If anyone would like to send a note to Lori, her husband Randall and their daughter Gabby, please contact the Alumni Affairs Office for the address. Per request of the family, you may also send a donation in Hunter's name to Mary Mother of Jesus Catholic Church—PO Box 408, Woodworth, LA 71485. Hunter is survived by his aunt Helene Portela '95, grandparents Maritza and Rafael Portela and his uncle Rafael Portela '08.

Edgar Mojica '86 passed away at the age of 41 due to a stroke. After graduating from Baldwin, Edgar attended the University of Detroit where he earned a degree in Business Administration with a minor in Accounting. At the time of his death Edgar was working for Bronson & Migliaccio in Buffalo, New York. Edgar never married, but as his Mom, Toni Vega, told me, "he was a wonderful son and an exceptional human being. As a mother it was comforting to witness first hand how much he was cared for by his co-workers and friends." Edgar was laid to rest at Curlew Hills Memory Gardens in Palm Harbor, Florida. Edgar is also survived by sister Geiza Cintrón from the class of 1997. If anyone would like to send a note to the family please contact the Alumni Affairs Office for the address.



Mark your calendars:

October 4 & 5—5K Walk & Run

**October 21—Rest & Relax at
Fussionbee Rest.**

**December 5—End of 40th
Anniversary Celebration**

**December 26—Alumni Holiday Party
(Café La Plage, Isla Verde)**



We are accepting the Alumni dues for the 2008—2009 academic year. The fees currently stand at \$10 for graduating 5 years ago or less, and \$25 for all that graduated more than 5 years ago. Although dues are not mandatory, we continue to reiterate their importance as a way to continue to generate income for the association, and we kindly request your support and cooperation in this matter. Access this link for the dues form: <http://www.baldwin-school.org/alumni/pdf/Dues2008letter.pdf>