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FIRST HONOREES INDUCTED INTO WOODSIDE HALL OF FAME

WOODSIDE, Calif., May 12, 2009 - In a ceremony this evening, Woodside High School is introducing its new Community Hall of Fame with induction of the first two honorees: the late Don Bunce, M.D., and Rich Kelley, two accomplished alumni of the 50-year-old high school located in Woodside.

"Today's event is the culmination of a year-long celebration of the 50th anniversary of Woodside High School," said David Reilly, the school's principal.

"A group of the school's key stakeholders advanced the idea of a hall of fame for Woodside," he continued. "As part of the celebration of the exceptional school Woodside has become, we wanted to appropriately honor some of the individuals who have been an important part of our legacy."

Hall of fame inductees are selected for their civic-minded contributions to the community, leadership and achievement, integrity and ethics, and perseverance and determination.

The prominent hallway in front of the school's performing arts center will house the permanent hall of fame display, which started today with induction of Bunce and Kelly.

Bunce is said to have embodied the term student-scholar during his years at Woodside. Along with leading roles on the varsity football, basketball and baseball teams, Bunce was known during high school as an intelligent and diligent student - a highly regarded leader on and off the field. Following graduation from Woodside in 1967, Bunce attended Stanford University where he led his school to a Rose Bowl victory in 1972. He went on to Stanford medical school and enjoyed a successful career as an orthopedic surgeon and Stanford team doctor until his untimely death in 2003 at the age of 54.

At seven feet and a former NBA first-round draft pick, Kelley is most often remembered for his talent on the basketball court yet it is the dedication and determination in community endeavors that qualifies him as one of the first inductees into Woodside's Community Hall of Fame. Following graduation from Woodside in 1971, Kelley attended Stanford University where he earned a place in the Stanford Hall of Fame (with the title "Legend") and a masters degree in business. He played ten years in the NBA and then retired to start a successful career in business and community service. Kelley has been involved in a number of start-up ventures and in introduction of nonprofit organizations. He has served on the Woodside elementary school board and for many years has mentored young athletes, coaches and entrepreneurs. He is well known for his kindness and community-focused vision.

Woodside High School is part of the Sequoia Union High School District, which serves the diverse needs of students in the San Francisco Mid-Peninsula region through four award-winning, comprehensive public high schools as well as a model continuation high school, a middle college (in collaboration with Cañada College) and an adult school. Through its robust portfolio of schools and specialized programs and services, state-of-the-art facilities and technology, and highly qualified teachers and staff, the District is committed to ensuring that all students are engaged and prepared to excel in a 21st century global society. For more information, visit www.seq.org.