

## DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI 2016 – DAVID SCHOONMAKER

**Every year Woodstock School recognizes alumni whose lives have made a significant contribution to realizing our ideal of “education for a world of difference.” We are pleased to announce our Distinguished Alumni for 2016 – David Schoonmaker.**

During 2016’s Annual Meeting and Reunion at UCLA, we had the opportunity to recognize David Schoonmaker ’62 as a recipient of the Distinguished Alumni Award for his outstanding achievements and career in medical waste disposal, his philanthropy, and his volunteer service. David will formally receive the Distinguished Alumni Award at Woodstock in 2017.

Mr. Schoonmaker was Founder, Executive Vice-President, and Board Member of Healthcare Waste Solutions, Inc., a leading medical waste management company in the USA. As the oldest son of Joseph Schoonmaker, a missionary doctor in today’s Assam, David attended Woodstock from 1954 and graduated in 1962. He then went to the University of California at Berkeley where he received a Bachelor of Science in Chemistry and Business and followed it up with an MBA in Finance from California State College at Los Angeles.

David is a former member of the Board of Directors and General Body of Woodstock School, and has served as a Board Member of KW International, Medical Waste Institute, and American 3CI in the past. He is currently a member of the Friends of Woodstock School Foundation Board. Mr. Schoonmaker brought his business experience and acumen to bear during his tenure as a Woodstock Board member, contributing revenue and budgeting expertise that has benefited the School long after his term ended, and he has donated generously to the School’s endowment and scholarship funds. His expertise continues for Friends of Woodstock School as a Board officer and Finance and Investment Committee membership.

Many of Mr. Schoonmaker’s classmates nominated him for the Distinguished Alumni Award along with three longstanding friends who wrote in hearty support of his achievements and nomination.