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BHS Alumni Baseball Game Spring 2011



The school is in the last stages of its upgrade. The construction should be finished by June when the gymnasium is complete. We will assist in buying banners for the championship teams. The sports teams continue to excel. The basketball team will be P.A.L. Champions as they have been for the last four years. They have also advanced to several CCS Championships. In November we inducted our fifth set of siblings: **Jim Carter, '54** and **Ted Carter, '55** into the Athletic Hall of Fame. Previously inducted were **Byron Van Alstyne, '44** and **Bruce Van Alstyne, '45**; **Dr. Richard Van Der Beets, '50** and **Jim Van Der Beets, '52**; **John Treu, '52** and **Ted Treu, '55**; and **Steve Bortolin, '84** and **Corinne Bortolin, '86**. If you have a classmate you feel should be considered, please send your information to the Alumni Association. Our next induction ceremonies will be held in November of 2012.

Many thanks to those who periodically send donations to the Alumni Association for our Athletic Hall of Fame, Endowment Fund, Scholarship Fund and various other programs such as Boys and Girls State, Leadership, and Latin Club. Our scholarships will be presented in May.

We need more input from the Alumni group updating us on how you and other classmates are doing. This is the only way we can fill out our newsletter twice a year. We are open to any suggestions or ideas you have. It's only through you that we can make a difference.



Winter sports are drawing to a close. BHS has had a successful season with four teams qualifying for the CCS playoffs (boys' and girls' basketball and boys' and girls' soccer). In addition, the boys' basketball team won its fourth straight PAL tournament title after winning its eighth regular season title in the past ten years.

Modernization continues with work on the new arts/technology/construction tech building out of the ground and scheduled for completion this fall. Also under renovation is the auditorium with a summer 2011 completion. The stadium turf will be replaced this summer.



On May 1st you will have an opportunity to hear some wonderful jazz music by the award winning Burlingame High Jazz Band. Relax on this Sunday morning with coffee, bagels and other refreshments as you listen. The program starts at 9:30 am and will last until 11:00 am. \$10.00 at the door. This event is co-sponsored by the BHS Alumni Association and the Burlingame High School Music Boosters. Watch local newspapers for more information or call John Chiapelone 650-773-1552.

The 3rd Annual BHS Varsity vs. Alumni Baseball Weekend will be held April 1-2, 2011. Below is a list of activities that are scheduled for the weekend.

Friday, April 1, 2011

10 am Golf tournament at Poplar Creek

All parents and alumni are encouraged to participate. Contact: Rusty Knudsen @ rusty.knudsen@hgst.com 925-829-6556.

4 pm BHS vs. Hillsdale Baseball Games

Varsity game to be played at BHS

Frosh/Soph to be played at Hillsdale

7 pm Varsity Baseball and Alumni Banquet

The Banquet will be held at the Lions Club Contact: Christi Johnson emijohnson@sbcglobal.net 650-291-3056.

Saturday, April 2

10 am Alumni baseball game(s)

Games to be played at Washington Park

All BHS Baseball team participants are welcome. Last year turned out to be a huge success despite the weather challenges. A great time was had by all from the class of '49 through the class of '09. Come cheer for those athletes from your graduating class. Those interested in participating in the 2011 Alumni Baseball Game should contact **Rusty Knudsen '74** [Rusty Knudsen @ rusty.knudsen@hgst.com](mailto:rusty.knudsen@hgst.com) or call him at 925-829-6556.

Some BHS grads have received the following message from **an online company that is in no way affiliated with Burlingame High School Alumni Association.** "On January 1st, 2011 our Burlingame Alumni site will be changing from a \$20 Lifetime Membership fee to a \$20 annual fee. This is the perfect opportunity to become a Lifetime Member while it's still a one-time fee. Thanks for supporting our alumni site!" **OUR dues continue to be \$15.00 per year and \$100.00 for a Life Membership. These fees help to cover the cost of our Panther Postscripts newsletter and donations to the school for various projects.**

2010 Athletic Hall of Fame

JIM CARTER, 1954, lettered in four sports while attending BHS: Basketball, Tennis, Baseball, and Track. He was a member of the Basketball 110 team in 1951-1952 and played on the 130s team in 1953-1954. Jim made All-League as a junior and was scoring champion and All-PAL in 1954. He played on the frosh-soph baseball team in his sophomore year. During his junior and senior years he played on the varsity tennis teams that were PAL champions. Jim was active in the Block "B" Society and was vice president of the student body in 1954. After graduation he attended San Jose State College where he continued his education. He is currently retired. He and his wife, Joy, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last year. They have three lovely daughters and seven grandchildren.

TED CARTER, 1955, followed in his brother's footsteps a year behind him. Ted lettered four years in basketball and tennis. He played on the 110s basketball team for three years and led the team in scoring in 1953-1954. In his senior year he played on the championship 130s basketball team and was named to the second All-PAL team. Burlingame had gone fourteen years since their last 30s championships. They beat Capuchino to play the Southern PAL champs, Menlo-Atherton, and beat them in a sudden death game where Ted scored the winning basket. Ted also lettered on the tennis team coached by Rube Beltran. He was named Athlete of the Year in 1954, was head cheerleader, and voted "peppiest" for senior poll. After graduation, he attended College of San Mateo where he continued to play tennis, and San Jose State where he was on the gymnastic team. He married Earlene Cloud, a 1959 graduate of BHS. They have three children and six grandchildren, and live in Spokane, WA.

GEORGE CATOR, 1941, lettered four years in football and two years in track. He was captain of the 1940 undefeated football team. The team had played together for four years and possessed the most outstanding record of any group of football players in the history of the school. They dominated the PAL with George and four other players, on the All-PAL football team. George lettered two years on the track team and was student body president. After graduation, George went to Menlo College where he lettered in football. He later attended Stanford, UCLA, and Harvard Business College. During the war, he entered the Navy's VIZ Program and flew in the Pacific for three years. George is a retired successful businessman, residing in Menlo Park. He has five children and eight grandchildren. His wife passed away a year ago.

GORDON COVELL, 1939, was a three-sport athlete at BHS, lettering in football,

basketball and track. In football he lettered three times and in his senior year was named All-League in the PAL. He lettered three years on the basketball team and three years on the track team. Gordon was coached by Swede Righter and Lee Lancaster. He was active in school activities and in his senior year was Vice President of the student body. After graduation he attended Stanford University. During World War II, Gordon was a United States Marine Corps fighter pilot for three years in the Pacific. After the war he started a business, married, and had three children and four grandchildren. He is now retired and a widower.

JOHN DEVOS was a teacher and coach at BHS from 1968 until 1999. During that period, he amazingly coached forty-nine different sports teams, including boys frosh-soph baseball, C-D basketball, varsity baseball, frosh-soph football, track and field, varsity football, and girls varsity flag football, basketball and frosh-soph baseball. He was a very well liked and successful coach. John is the epitome of a player's coach. He enjoyed developing the skills of all who came in contact with him. John had numerous players and teams win championships during his tenure at Burlingame. In 1998, he was honored by "Who's Who Among American Teachers". In the mid 1980's John was Athletic Director at Burlingame. He and his wife, Sharon, live in Medford, Oregon. They have three children and one granddaughter.

ANTHONY DIMECH, 1997, earned eight Block "B"s in soccer, cross-country and track. He excelled in soccer, leading the team in 1997 to their first CCS Championship. He was first team PAL in 1996 and 1997. He was named to the All-CCS Northern California soccer team in 1997. Anthony was a strong runner for the cross-country team for three years and for one year of track. He continued to excel at soccer after graduation and played four years of Division I soccer to help Cal Poly win the Big West Championship in 2001. He is currently a P.E. teacher at South San Francisco High School and was named Coach of the Year by the San Mateo Times in 2008. He and his wife, Lana, live in Burlingame with their two young sons.

LARS MORTON EK, 1956, was a two-sport athlete at BHS. He migrated to California from Sweden when he was 11 1/2 years old and the family settled in Burlingame. He had played soccer in Sweden but no baseball or football. Mort lettered three years in varsity baseball and in his senior year he made first team All-PAL. In his senior year, according to retired umpire Bill Kahler, Mort was the winning pitcher in the shortest game recorded in the PAL – 40 minutes. He was coached in

baseball by Chick Hines and played football for three years. After graduation, he signed a major league bonus contract with the Pittsburgh Pirates baseball team. He played five years in the minor leagues. His best season was in 1962 when he had an ERA of 3.27. His career was cut short in 1962 when he was involved in an auto accident. He went on to work with his Dad in construction and formed his own company in 1972. He married, had three boys and one girl. He passed away in March 1993.

JOHN GILMORE, - Teacher/Coach, joined the BHS Faculty in 1985 as head varsity football coach. The football program had been in disarray from 1980-1984 with only five wins. He turned the program around. His head coaching record was eighty-nine wins, sixty-one losses, two ties, and three PAL football championships. John also was the head varsity wrestling coach for five years, winning two PAL championships; two years as swimming coach with one PAL championship and five years as frosh-soph basketball coach with one championship, Burlingame's first ever. The accomplishments he achieved speak for themselves. As Athletic Director he initiated the on-campus athletic traineeship program, which currently exists. He also hired Jeff Dowd as men's varsity basketball coach and Phil Deroza as girl's varsity soccer coach. Both have developed outstanding programs and have won numerous championships and CCS titles. John currently is teaching and coaching at Aragon High School. He lives with his wife, Susan and two lovely daughters in San Carlos.

ERIN STANBRIDGE, 1998, lettered four years in volleyball, softball, and basketball. Her athletic accomplishments are numerous and amazing. Volleyball – In Erin's freshman year the team went undefeated and was PAL champions. In her sophomore year she was team captain and made first team All-League. She continued her success in her junior and senior years as team captain and was All-League honorable mention her junior year. Varsity Basketball – Erin was starting guard all four years. The team went undefeated and was PAL champions in her freshman, junior, and senior years. She was team captain in her sophomore, junior, and senior years. She received All-County honorable mention in her freshman and sophomore years, and was first team All-League in her junior and senior years. Softball – In Erin's freshman year, the frosh-soph team won the PAL championship and she was second team All-League. In her sophomore, junior and senior years she was the starting shortstop and was second team All-PAL for those

three years. During her years at BHS, she was Service Commissioner in her junior and senior years, and was senior class Vice President. She was awarded the prestigious James Duffy award and

received the United States Marine Corps recognition of Distinguished Athletes award. Erin continued her athletic prowess in junior college and at U.C.L.A. She graduated with a College of Letters Science Degree in

communications in 2002 and got her Masters Degree in Elementary Education at Loyola Marymount University. She is currently teaching locally at a parochial school.



Donations

1941 – Bill and Joan Selby Bardet
 1943 – Maralyn Mess Clark
 1947–Thomas G. “Tom” Foster – In memory of Jack C. Giles '47
 1949 – Janet A. Cohn Martin
 1951 – Dominick J. “Dan” Crisafi
 1953 – Mike McQueen
 1957 – Joyce Crichton Preston
 1959 – Sharon Hellar Dilda – In Memory of Eugene Hellar '55
 1970 – Deborah Orlando – in Memory of Eleanor Frontera Amaral '49
 1975 – Michael F. Kenedy – In memory of Mark Hinchcliffe
 Patricia Hallett – In Memory of Edward J. “Ed” Hallett '49
 Ione Hewitt – In Memory of Douglas “Doug” Hewitt '33

Life Members

1940 – Nancy Lyford Content
 1948 – Vera J. Newcomb Karnes
 1950 – William D. Bewley
 1958 – “Tonie” Powell Holthaus
 1959 – Ann Rancelli Dave
 1959 – Nancy Meyer McDonald
 1971 – Francisca Jansen Blackburne

1980 – Donald D. “Don” Crosatto
 1980 – Christopher Molumphy

In Memoriam

1930 – Florence Demaestri McDonald – *
 1930 – Virginia (Terry) Keller – 01/10
 1932 – Alfred Grundy – 2008
 1932 – Margaret Cleary Kimball Felkins – 12/10
 1932 – Leona Bade Pierce – 11/93
 1933 – Douglas “Doug” Hewitt – 12/05
 1934 – Earl Edwin Sahlberg – 05/10
 1934 – Ernest “Doc” Scheppler – 05/10
 1934 – Florence McMillan Wagner – *
 1937 – Marjorie Eldred Vlahovich – 07/10
 1937 – Manyard “Butch” Reighley – 05/93
 1938 – Joe Bouquet – 05/08
 1938 – Margaret Brain Grimaud – 05/09
 1938 – William “Bill” Hanson – 01/04
 1938 – California McMillan Pettigrew – *
 1939 – Leo Battel – *
 1939 – Helen Duncan Trickett – 04/10
 1939 – William A. “Bill” Hagen – 07/10
 1939 – Frances E. “Fran” Nolan – 02/11
 1940 – Charles Lafferty – 01/09
 1941 – Helen Dickson Nestor -- 2008
 1942 – Clifford “Cliff” Houchin – 04/10
 1943 – Charles K. Bolt – 10/10

1943 – Dorothy Van Bilderbeek Simcock 11/10
 1943 – Phil Wood – 02/10
 1944 – Sister Margaret Murphy – 09/04
 1945 – William H.Schmidt – 12/08
 1946 – Richard Amick – 01/10
 1947 – Jack C. Giles – 09/10
 1948 – Karen E. Hanson Patty – 11/09
 1949 – Eleanor Frontera Amaral – 06/10
 1949 – Edward J. “Ed” Hallett – 2010
 1950 – Richard C. Wilkins D.D.S. – 10/10
 1953 – Gerald L. “Jerry” Gritsch – 11/10
 1953 – Peter Van Dyke – 10/10
 1955 – Peter Altieri – 12/10
 1955 – Michael Langston – 10/10
 1955 – Joan Fieldhouse Leon – 12/10
 1955 – Harold G. “Hal” Robinson Jr – 01/11
 1968 – Janeen Krabbenschmidt Jensen – 09/10
 1970 – Robert Lee Boring – 12/10
 1970 – Robert J. Goodwin – 07/10
 1972 – Glenn Terry – 12/10
 1979 – Rose Patricia Vogel – 01/11
 1992 – Kimberly Ann Webber – 09/10
 James E. Black – Superintendent of Burlingame School District – 07/10

* No Date Given

Reunion Announcements

1951 Class Reunion: On August 20th, 2011, the class of 1951 will hold their **60th** class reunion at the Crowne Plaza Cabana Hotel in Palo Alto. Hotel reservations are available at a reduced rate. Contact Naomi Ziff Cissna, (650) 593-5272 naomibob@comcast.net; or Jeanette Hargrave Mell, (650) 326-8248 jhmell2@sbcglobal.net or Jeanne Stark Redig at (408) 353-2685, jeanneredig@gmail.com or Jan Aylor Hanlon (408) 255-0219. Don't miss out.

The **Class of 1961** will hold their 50th reunion on Saturday, October 8, 2011 at the Doubletree Hotel in Burlingame. For information call Katie Walker Stevens at (650) 342-1606 or email ktwstevens@sbcglobal.net. The class of 1971 is having a reunion on October 1.

The classes of 1981 and 1991 are also planning reunions. Details not yet available.

Blanche's Corner Alumni Update



Blanche Dibelka Duffey '39

30s James "Jim" Kimball '59

writes: I am saddened to report that my mother **Margaret Cleary Kimball Felkins '32** passed away on Christmas Day 2010 in San Jose. She was 95



years old. Her oldest son, my brother **John G Kimball**, Class of **1956**, was killed in an auto accident in Kenya East Africa, in 1977 while working for Richard Leaky. My mother is survived by three children, three grandchildren and one great granddaughter.

Ethelyne "Mickey" Clark Pitti '37 writes: "I celebrated my 70th class reunion from U.C. Berkeley in November. I'm still playing volleyball,

international competition, Senior Olympics."

Richard Moore Lloyd '38 says, It would please me to hear from members of the class of June 1938. We grew up in a different world. (Note: You can send your letters c/o the Burlingame Alumni Association, One Mangini Way, Burlingame, CA 94010 and we will forward them to Richard.)

40s Virginia Arnold '41 writes: "I really look forward to receiving the Panther Postscripts and enjoy reading it so much – especially Blanche's Corner Alumni Update. I always look for news of my classmates – class of June 1941. I can't believe it – 69 years ago. Keep them coming!"

June Hirschey '43 tells us: "You do a wonderful job in publishing the Postscripts. Since the last issue – when I had written **Phil Wood '43** had a stroke, I heard from **Ted Roeder '43**, Montana, **Robert Reinecke '44**, **Leo Adair '41**, TN, **Al Doyle '43**, and **Frank Rogers '43**, OR. Phil passed away, Feb. 10, 2010. A memorial was held at Kirkwood Lake on July 4th with 24 family members attending, including **Barbara Wood Roe '39**, Seattle, WA.

Thomas G. "Tom" Foster '47 wrote to inform us that **Jack C. Giles '47** passed away. Jack graduated from the University of the Pacific. He spent four years in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War. He retired from the Armed Forces Radio and Television Service – Hollywood after 30 years of federal service as the Chief of the Radio Division. Also active in the sports world, Jack coached basketball for 34 years, including: 15 years at high schools, 5 years at junior colleges and 10 years with the Special Olympics of Santa Maria.

James "Jim" Jones '49 left BHS to join the army in 1948. He wants to know if there will be a reunion for the class of '49. (Please let the Alumni Association know if anyone is planning a reunion. Thanks.)

50s Joan Marion Lawler '54 wrote to tell us that her next-door neighbor for over 50 years, **Dorothy Simcock Van Bilderbeek '43**, passed away on November 1, 2010. Joan enclosed a photo of herself with three of her 1954 classmates. **Pat and Jim Messinger '54** live in Laguna Woods and had come up to have Thanksgiving with Pat's brother, **Frederick "Skeets" Taigen '47**, who lives in Dublin. Pat was maid of honor at Joan & Gene Lawler's wedding in August of 1958. Gene Lawler had gone to Princeton to get live

crabs and then cooked them for a crab feed at the Lawler home with other guests present. All had a great time.



Left to right: Joan Marion Lawler, Jim Messinger, Pat Taigen Messinger and Joan Hannason Erickson.

Grey Whipple '55 wrote to tell us that his classmate, **Harold G. "Hal" Robinson, Jr.**, passed away on January 14, 2011 from complications from Parkinson's disease and pneumonia. He is survived by his wife Jo Ann. Hal ran varsity track at BHS and was a member of the Costaños Hi-Y club. Hal's dad, Harold G. Robinson, Sr., was a famous national crime-buster of the 1950s. Hal did not fall into his father's footsteps. Hal entered the Maritime Academy and rose in experience to become a Master Mariner, qualified and licensed to command any merchant ship in any waters of the world. His closing years, leading to retirement, found him piloting ships through the Panama Canal. He was there for D-Day, December 1989 when the United States invasion of Panama began. In retirement, Hal and Jo Ann lived in Forestville, CA. They later moved to Santa Rosa and were there until his passing.

Burlingame High School graduates are everywhere! **Valerie Peterson Fick - class of 1958** met **Dan King - class of 1944** on a recent cruise to Norway, Iceland, and Ireland. Dominoes were what brought them together. Don't know how they mentioned that they both attended BHS but maybe we meet more BHS graduates than we know..... Later Valerie discovered that **Pat McTighe Gfroerer**, who is in the Peninsula Volunteers with her, graduated from BHS in **1952**. **Dorothy "Dotty" Devine '34** was also in PV's with Valerie. Dotty once told Val that she graduated in the early 30's and Valerie remembers thinking – "That's even before my parents met!"

Katherine "Kathy" Osburn '58 sent a 1957 menu from Woolworths. She says: "If any of you have a doubt about what we paid for a coke and a sandwich at Woolworths in the 1950s, here's proof of the era we lived in. I do remember eating a sandwich at Woolworths in Burlingame sitting on a stool at the counter. Now I hope I'm not too old to read the fine print on this

menu.” **Jerry White '58** tells us: “Woolworths also had long glass cases of the best candy. I used to buy their big chunks of milk chocolate to take on my Call Bulletin paper route. At the time one never thinks that something may not exist in the future.”

Sharon Hellar Dilda '59 sent a donation in memory of her brother **Eugene Edward Hellar '55** and writes: “He is still dearly missed by his friends and family. Burlingame High School, his teachers and his friends helped to make him the terrific guy he was.”

Nancy Meyer McDonald '59 enjoys keeping in touch through the newsletter. She tells us “Our '59 reunion was the best. It was a sad ending with the loss of **Carolyn Wiedemann Reller** and **Suzanne Beaumont Pannier** in the following months. Both were dear friends for all those years!”

Pat Watts Wynne '59 wrote to tell us that at their 50th reunion several classmates promised to get together more often. Since then there have been three great get-togethers. On December 27th they gathered at Luceti's for lunch. There were 18 ladies and even our waitress was a Burlingame grad. Thanks to Judy Falk Chiasson for organizing the lunch. Another lunch is tentatively scheduled for June. In September we will have our third annual picnic in Washington Park. To be sure you are included get in touch with **Terry Naylor '59** with current information at terry.naylor@yahoo.com or (650) 344-2813. The tentative date is Sept 25th. We will collectively celebrate our 70th birthdays. She also invites classmates to visit our class Facebook page at BHS Class of 1959. (See group photo on page 6.)

1992 Alumnus of the Year, **Edward V. Roberts '59**, who passed

away in 1995, was honored on January 23rd when The State of California celebrated its first Ed Roberts' Day. To learn more visit the Ed Roberts Campus in Berkeley <http://edrobertscampus.org>.



Ed Roberts

60s Wendy Rogers Brainerd

'60 would like to thank everyone who attended our 50th reunion this fall. We had a total of 130 attendees. Alums came from as far away as Italy (**Bobbie Shapiro Mutsaers**) Hawaii (**Bob Bach**) Vermont (**Ward Heneveld**) and New Hampshire (**Betsy Heller Fowle**)! Thank you also to our fabulous committee who worked hard for over a year to plan this “MAGICAL” weekend. We began on Friday with a nostalgic tour of BHS, organized by **Barbara Alvarez**. It was difficult for the Principal, Chris Halleran, to talk over our enthusiasm in seeing each other and to just be back in our old environment! After the tour, our no-host, cocktail party/icebreaker began at the Burlingame Hyatt Regency. The bar/lobby was transformed into a “Panthers” den complete with delicious appetizers.

The Saturday evening dinner dance was at the Poplar Creek Grill at Coyote Point. **Sue Simpson Mason** and our committee beautifully orchestrated the decorations. **Gary Hirschbein** did a wonderful job as our Master of Ceremonies for the evening. We also included a raffle at our Sat. night event. **Sandie Duff Hersh**, **Patti Rhodes Alhona**, and **Dick Dixon** donated wines from their vineyards, B husband, Peter, donated one of his famous ceramic pots: designers, **Linda Davis Hinrichs** and her husband, Kit donated artistic calendars; and **Barbara Alvarez** donated a BHS blanket and BHS donated 2 great sweatshirts. We also had a spontaneous auction when **Bill Reynolds** auctioned 2 vintage bottles of 1960 champagne. Between the raffle and the auction, we earned \$1800, which we plan to use towards a special gift to BHS from the class of 1960. We would also like to thank those classmates who donated money to the Angel Fund.

The weekend ended with a no-host breakfast Sunday morning. It was hard to say good-bye, but we all felt the magic of this very special weekend. Committee photo on page 6.

Dale McCown '60 wrote the following note: “My wife Alison, class of 1957, California School for the Deaf, formerly of Berkeley, CA and I were sorry to have missed the BHS Class of 1960 50-year reunion held on October 1-2, 2010 at the Poplar Creek Center. We were both at Woodside Terrace on Woodside Road here in Redwood City, CA while I was recuperating from hip-replacement surgery which I had on Friday, August 13, 2010 (Friday the 13th). We have just recently sold our Burlingame home on Willow Avenue that the McCown family has occupied since 1945 (65 years) and decided to move here to Woodside Terrace permanently. The same weekend as our class gathering, we also celebrated our 18th year in retirement from 30-plus years with the U.S. Postal service. Since our retirement, and up until just recently, we have traveled extensively to such places as the Panama Canal, crossing it four times; isles of the Caribbean Sea, which included a total Solar Eclipse; Tahiti; British Columbia; annual trips to Sun Valley, ID; Ely, NV; Lake Tahoe; and Death Valley National Park. Also, treks to Ohio; family reunions in East Texas; Dixon, CA; and Little River, CA, on the Mendocino Coast. In 1988, before retirement, we took a trip to Great Britain to visit a relative, and to do our favorite pastime: riding steam trains. En route, we flew on board the now-gone British Airways Concorde, an exhilarating experience. Other treks were to Alaska and Hawaii. We have seen many other BHS alumni over the years since graduation, some who were fellow postal workers, and enjoyed each encounter. Alison's brother **Norman Wood '57**, passed in August 2000, and is dearly missed by all. Norman's widow, **Garey Thomson Wood '59**, still resides in the area. We enjoy frequent visits from my brother **George McGown '52**, and his wife Karen who reside nearby in Portola Valley. Best wishes to all for whatever the future may bring.”

Phyllis Spooner Richardson '67 wrote to tell us that her mother, Nellie Spooner, passed away on May 5th, 2010 at age 92.

Burlingame High School fondly--especially the hours spent singing and cutting class in her '63 VW bus. Born in Tokyo, Japan, her life was one of frequent travel adventures, with her favorite destination being the Sea of Cortez via cruising aboard various family sailboats – not a surprising fondness, for she spent much time at

Coyote Point as a teen on the family's boat "Pegeen." Janeen was a CPA who worked most of her career as the corporate controller for a chain of major San Diego hotels. Contact the family at peterjensenwriter@gmail.com.

70s Kimberly "Kim" Gossler Opie

'70 says: Thank you for putting together such a nice newsletter. We had the class of 1970's 40th reunion in September and it was very well attended and great fun.

After earning a partial scholarship to UC Berkeley, **Annelise Pedersen Connell '74** majored in Computer

Science there, earning one of the first software degrees ever offered in '78. She worked full time and then periodically as a consultant with Hewlett Packard for the next 20 years. Her late mother-in-law, Burlingame alum **Audrey "Peg" Connell '37**, bought her a subscription to Panther Postscripts years ago. Annelise returned to her childhood home, Hong Kong in 1998 and has been a keen advocate of reducing air pollution there. Any alums visiting Hong Kong are welcome to email at: heatherbelle9012@aol.com and she'll be happy to show you around the Stanley Market area where she lives.

80s **Nuri Otus '80** reports that the class of 1980 planted a tree in front of BHS in honor of its 30th reunion.

Yearbook Donations

Jeanne Lyall Avera sent a packet of newspaper clippings from the late 1930s and early 1940s. She wrote: "My 92 year old mom, **Eleanor Hamilton Lyall '36** thinks you would be interested in these clippings ... I'm sending them on to you." The package included articles about social events, wedding engagements, births, and young men and women who were serving our country in the navy, army, air force, etc. There was even a photo of Russell Arms, a 1936 BHS grad who began his career on radio and appeared in movies and TV. He was best known as a vocalist on the TV show "Your Hit Parade" in the 1950s. Many other BHS grads were named in the articles. Thanks for sending this interesting memorabilia to the Alumni Association.

1959 Lunch at Luceti's in San Mateo.



1st row: Arlene Marcucci Nunziati, Kiki Arnaudo, Ann Rancelli Dave, Florence Smith Bulatovich, Betty Lubrano,.

2nd row: Jonine Gotelli Slutz, Garey Thomson Wood, Connie Wyant Mills, Pat Watts Wynne, Deanna Sedlemeyer Judy Falk Chiasson, Nan-Susan Gruman Brown '55 Pat Figueiredo Hume, Terry Naylor, Kathleen Anson, Kerstin Engstrom Scherman Jo-Ellen Arnaudo Ellis '58

1960 Reunion Committee



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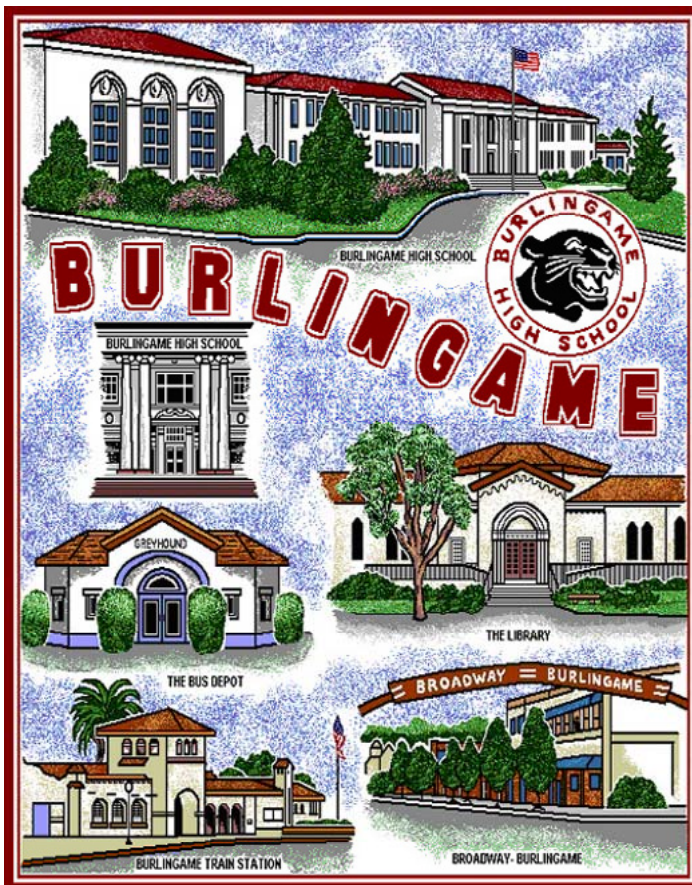
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1940 to 1954 DVD Available

A DVD showing activities of the 1940s up to 1954 are available. Please complete this form, and send it with your check made payable to **BHS Alumni Association**, Mail to: **BHS Alumni Association, One Mangini Way, Burlingame, CA 94010** or call Mike McQueen at (650) 591-3194.

DVD: \$15 – life members or all others – \$20 each Total enclosed \$ _____

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THE BURLINGAME BLANKET--The BHS Blanket continues to sell out. Due to the ongoing demand our vendor has agreed not to increase the price to us; therefore, we are still offering the blanket to Life Members at \$40.00 and to all others at \$45.00. Please add \$6.00 for postage and handling for each blanket if you request shipment.

Name _____

Maiden Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone(_____) _____

Email _____

Send me ____ blanket(s) @ \$45 + \$6 shipping
Send me ____ blanket(s) @ \$40 + \$6 shipping (Life)
____ I prefer to pick-up the blankets

For pick-up info, call Mike McQueen at 650-591-3194
or email BHSAlumAssoc@aol.com.

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Panther Postscripts

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Burlingame, CA 94010

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Newsletter

Attention: We are updating our files. Please check your mailing label and let us know if there are any errors. **Send corrections** to Jo-Ellen Arnaudo Ellis c/o BHS Alumni Association, One Mangini Way, Burlingame, CA 94010 or email BHSAlumAssoc@aol.com

BHS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

- ☐ Enclosed is my/our check payable to: **BHS Alumni Association**
- ☐ for membership dues: \$15 per alum per year. ☐ for Life Membership: \$100 per alum.
- ☐ for the BHSAA programs (tax deductible). ☐ for the BHSAA scholarships (tax deductible).
- ☐ for the BHSAA Athletic Hall of Fame (tax deductible).
- ☐ for a donation "In Honor of /In Memory of..." please attach note (tax deductible).
- ☐ for the BHSAA Endowment Fund (tax deductible).
- ☐ PLEASE UPDATE MY MAILING ADDRESS.
- ☐ Please send the *Panther Postscripts* to the following BHS alum (name and address attached).

Mail to: BHS Alumni Association, One Mangini Way, Burlingame, CA 94010

Today's Date _____

Please Print

Name _____
(first) (middle) (last)

Maiden Name _____ Your BHS Class Year _____ in Jan _____ in Jun _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip: _____ + _____

Phone (_____) _____

If available would you prefer to receive this newsletter via email? Yes _____ No _____

Email address: _____