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President's Message
Mike McQueen ' & John Chiapelone



Principal's Message
Chris Holleran



You're all invited!
Monday, May 17th

On Monday, May 17, 6pm the BHSAA Alum of the Year will be honored during the annual BHS awards ceremony in the high school auditorium. The Board has selected William Hagen, class of 1939, as this year's recipient.

If you are planning to attend, and we hope you do, please drop us a note by May 10th at: BHSAA Alum of the Year, 1 Mangini Way, Burlingame, CA 94010 so we can save you a seat. Or, you may email to: pantherpostscripts@yahoo.com. Please arrive by 5:45pm so we are able to seat everyone quickly.

The Athletic Hall of Fame ceremonies are held in November, usually the second Saturday prior to the annual Little-Big Game with San Mateo. After the induction, we will serve a continental breakfast and then proceed to the football field where the new inductees will be introduced to the crowd. Here is a partial list of new inductees: **Gordan Covell '37, Ted Carter '54, Jim Carter '55, Anthony Dimech '97** and John Devos, teacher/coach. If you have a classmate to suggest, man or woman, please send us their name for evaluation.

We need your continued support to keep the association viable. Donations can be made for projects like scholarships, Alumni of the Year, Boy's and Girl's State, leadership programs at Stanford and others.

We are currently looking for a volunteer to be the BHSAA Treasurer. If interested contact Mike McQueen at (650) 591-3194. I want to thank **Judy Falk Chiasson '59** who took over the job after the death of Dick Dunbar. She has done a great job for the past four years.

A group of Burlingame Alumni former baseball players from 1957 to 2009 played two games on Saturday March 13th. Although it rained heavily the night before there was a large turnout for the games and refreshments that followed.

BHSAA may sponsor the restoration of a piano donated by Alice Beeman, former teacher and administrator at BHS, for use in our Alumni room.

The 2009-10 school year has gone quickly. BHS students have performed well inside and outside the classroom. The boys' basketball team beat Serra for the first time in recent memory, won the PAL tourney, and advanced to the CCS championship game and the Nor Cal regional playoffs. Girls soccer had another successful season including advancing to the CCS semifinals. The spring musical "She Loves Me" played over two weekends, was a well attended and high quality production.

Despite the current economic woes, we are committed to maintaining the outstanding educational program for which BHS is known. Parental and community support is critical to our future success. We appreciate this support and look forward to even more involvement from our community.

Some modernization projects are wrapping up including the cafeteria, gym lobby, and small gym. The next projects include a new vocational tech/art building and renovation of the theatre, large gym, and locker rooms.



BHSAA Alum of the Year
William Hagen '39

The following is an excerpt from an online article published by the Consulate General of France (www.consulfrance-sanfrancisco.org/spip.php?article1447).



"On December 2nd, 2009, a World War II veteran from California, Mr. William Alan Hagen, who participated in the Liberation of France has been awarded France's Légion d'Honneur by the Consul General of France in San Francisco, Mr. Pierre-François Mourier, during a special ceremony in SAN FRANCISCO (CA), in order to express France's eternal gratitude for those who crossed the Atlantic to liberate it from oppression in 1944-45. "

Donations

1935 – Barbara Goodrich Boege
 1940 – Angela Gates Anderson
 1944 – Sherman Shiels Hoelscher
 1948 – Roger L. Redig
 1948 – Felice Rothman Schatz
 In memory of Arline Rothman Marchi '46
 1949 – Eugene R. Linka
 1950 – Don Bourbin – Athletic Hall of Fame
 1951 – Dominick "Dan" J. Crisafi
 1951 – Morton Rothman
 In memory of Arline Rothman Marchi '46
 1952 – Allan Mooser
 1955 – Estate of Gene Hellar
 In memory of Gene Hellar
 1955 – Peter Ueberroth
 1957 – Joyce Crichton Preston
 1967 – Stephen B. Troutman
 1975 – Michael Kenedy
 In memory of Scott Smith '75

Life Members

1942 – Sylvia Davis Gresham
 1945 – Alvin H. Wright
 1948 – Robert "Bob" Friday
 1948 – George Williams
 1951 – Joan McCullough Jordan
 1952 – Alice "Elaine" Dickey Vincent
 1952 – Doreen Patsel Elkins
 1952 – Gwendolyn Constant Kilgour
 1952 – John Mahaffy
 1954 – Earl K. Harvey
 1955 – Joan "Bunny" Leon
 1956 – Elizabeth "Betty" Frazier Finamore
 1956 – Laura VanBebber Harvey
 1958 – Douglas "Doug" Johnson
 1961 – Patricia Garbuio Johnson
 1967 – Bonnie L. Nickel, MD
 1970 – David Sherwood
 1971 – Norman E. Torello
 1972 – Elizabeth Hammack Bailey
 2009 – Saba Heydayian
 2009 – Matthew J. Ohlund

In Memoriam – Our Classmates

1935 – Lawrence A. Wright 1/10
 1939 – Laurette Bona Toldi 4/09
 1941 – Ronald "Ron" Cameron 2/10
 1941 – Lorraine Sampson McCreery 9/09
 1942 – Sally Sim Charles 2/10
 1942 – Bill "Billy" Krouse 2005
 1942 – Kenneth "Ken" Terry 10/09
 1943 – Jeanne Barrett Hilliard 10/09
 1943 – Gordon Hurst 10/09
 1943 – Paul Marsh 9/09
 1945 – Norman K. Nelson 2/09
 1945 – Nelson Tucker 2007
 1946 – Sally Buckman Barber 7/09
 1947 – Ide Eldon Keeler 1/10
 1947 – Doris Trail McNichol 3/09
 1948 – Barbara Patsel Pitman 5/07
 1948 – George N. Scalf 11/07
 1948 – Beverly Anderson Traube 6/07
 1949 – Frank C. Duffy 9/09
 1950 – Robert R. Wyckoff 9/09
 1951 – Richard Von Wald 11/03
 1952 – Arlene Little Blair 1/09
 1952 – Suzanne Smith Mueller 10/09
 1953 – Mary Ellen Hazard Nelson 3/08
 1955 – John Z. Grens 4/97
 1955 – Doris Potter Keoppel 1/09
 1955 – Joseph "Joe" Lasseter 1/09
 1956 – Annette Baraggia DeMartini 11/09
 1957 – Norman J. Wood 8/00

1958 – Raymond "Jack" Bemis 10/09
 1958 – Gail Parker Stevenson 9/09
 1960 – Craig R. Andersen 8/09
 1960 – David P. Wendland 6/09
 1961 – Maurice "Frank" Welch 5/09
 1964 – Pamela Welch Alvarado 2/01
 1964 – Domenic "Dom" Vellucci 6/09
 1966 – Michael J. Welch 12/08

In Memoriam – Teachers & Staff

Ruben "Rube" Beltran 1/10
 Spanish Teacher & Basketball Coach
 Joseph "Joe" Griggs 6/09
 Girl's Softball & Basketball Coach
 A.C. "Bud" Harrison 12/09
 American Government & Political Science
 William Crawford Hill 2009
 English as a Second Language
 Lea Weaver 1/10
 BHS Principal's Office

A.C. "Bud" Harrison passed away on December 30, 2009. Bud attended the University of San Francisco where he received a B.S. in Political Science, a Secondary Teaching Credential and a Masters in Education. He enjoyed teaching American Government and Political Science at the College of San Mateo, Capuchino High School, and Burlingame High School over his 33-year teaching career. He was always passionate about his teaching. Bud was appointed to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors in 1966. In 1974, he was elected to the Burlingame City Council where he served for 12 years. During this time, he served three terms as Mayor. He also served on the Burlingame Planning Commission, Burlingame Library Board, and Burlingame Civil Service Commission. In addition to these, Bud served on numerous San Mateo County and Regional Boards. In 1997, he was honored by the Burlingame Lions Club as Burlingame's Citizen of the Year and was presented the President's Award by the Burlingame Chamber of Commerce. He was San Mateo County's Citizen of the year and

received the Outstanding Citizen Award from Shinnyoen of California in 1998. Bud is survived by his wife of 56 years, Dolores, and his children **Chuck Harrison '73**, **Mary Harrison Lusi '74**, **Terry Harrison '75**, and **Cheri Harrison '78**, his 6 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild.

Ruben "Rube" Beltran died on January 4, 2010. Ruben proudly served his country as a member of the Marine Corps for 17 years, attaining the rank of Captain. He earned a Masters degree in Spanish Literature at the University of California at Berkeley. After obtaining his teaching credentials, Ruben began teaching Spanish and coaching basketball and tennis at Burlingame High School. His teaching/coaching career spanned nearly four decades. He produced several championship basketball teams and he led the Panthers to many league championships in tennis. He is survived by his sister, Emilia Krause, his daughters, Anita Korcykoski, Victoria Barnette, Linda Beltran and Leanne Fuller, and his son Brad Beltran.

Girls Track & Field Records

Thanks to the hard work and diligence of Gary "Grandpa" Dawson, current Throws Coach of BHS Track & Field, we now have what he believes are the BHS Girls Track & Field Records. He gleaned the following from various files and newspaper clippings. Mr. Dawson knows some records may be different than the available information. If you have any additional verifiable information please send it to the BHS Alumni Association at One Mangini Way, Burlingame, CA 94010. If we do not receive changes, these records will be considered correct until such time as they are broken. Mr. Dawson is to be commended for his efforts, as it has been a major task as well as a "labor of love!"

BHS Girls Track & Field Records at 4/10

Key: GWI = Golden West Invitational

SMCC = San Mateo County Champs

100M.....	Jackie Hartman	12.51	PALC	1983
200M	Jackie Hartman	25.34	PALC	1983
400M	Jennifer Carey	58.43	PALC	2007
800M	Suzanna Aflieger	2:15.9	GWI	1962
1600M	Jessica Delefuw	5:11.78	CCS	2003
3200M	Katie Voightlander	11:05.07	CCS	2006
100MH	Sherry Bertram	15.1	CCS	1986
300MH	Allison Daley	45.04		2009
HJ	Sherry Bertram	5' 4"	CCS	1984
PV	Kristin Hirabayashi	10' 0"	CCS	2006
LJ	Cassie Root	16' 7 1/2"	PAL	2009
T	Allison Daley	35' 0"	PAL	2009
S	Camie Nilmeyer	39' 0"	CCS	1994
DISCUS	Katie Isola	129' 4"	CCS	2002
HEPTATHLO	Amanda Koester	3558 pts	SMCC	2009
400MR	<i>Team:</i>	49.55	CCSC	2009
	Amanda Koester			
	Cassie Root			
	Jennifer Carey			
	Allison Daley			
1600MR	<i>Team:</i>	59.95	CCSC	2009
	[same girls noted above]			

Yearbook Donations

Many thoughtful alums and their children have donated memorabilia including yearbooks, reunion programs and newspaper articles of BHS history. These are welcome treasures to the BHSAA archives. Thanks to the following for their recent gifts.

Beth Gillespie Wachenheim '58 who sent a copy of the 1930 BHS yearbook that belonged to her mother, **Myrtle "Cookie" Layton Potter '31**. The yearbook was called "The Annual".

Theresa Howe Cumins '38 sent a list of the 1933 graduates from Howard Avenue School as well as her January '38 graduation program and yearbook, signed by all her classmates. She also sent copies of the photo and bio pages from the June '38 yearbook, and a photo of their 20th Reunion at the Villa Hotel in San Mateo. In 1988, the classes of 1937, 1938, and 1939 celebrated their 50th reunions together at the Hyatt Regency Hotel. Theresa sent programs and photos from that event, along with several other items including *Panther Postscripts* from 1986 to 2002.

Reunion Announcements

Wednesday, October 21, 2009 was the fourth "Reunion Luncheon" of the year for the '47 Alumni. Those attending were: **Rob & June Shannon Coel, Wanda Hawley Cope, Ann Christiansen Dorst, John Inglis, Gordon Campbell, Hank Wespiser, Pierre Bouquet, Pat Medley Lewis, Bill Lohman, Skeet Taigen, Pat & Cliff Donley, Jeanne Lehman Ganzert, Joe Rodgers, and Al Kennel**. Members of the class (and friends) have a standing invitation to join their classmates for lunch on the third Wednesday of January, April, July and October. The luncheons have been held at Dominic's Restaurant at the Poplar Creek Golf Course, however the location is being changed. For information, contact CEO Cliff Donley at: patcliffd@comcast.net.

The **55th reunion** of the **Class of '55** will be held September 7-9, 2010 at the Asilomar State Conference Center in Pacific Grove. Additional details are at <http://www.bhsclass1955.info>. Rooms are limited. Reservations close July 1, 2010.

Class of 1960 is planning a fun-filled **50th reunion weekend, Oct. 1-3, 2010**. We start at 3:30 Friday with a tour of BHS, then a no-host cocktail party at the Burlingame Hyatt Regency at 5:30. Our Saturday dinner/dance will be held at the Poplar Creek Grill at Coyote Point at 6 p.m. Sunday there will be a farewell no-host breakfast at the Hyatt. Please visit

website at Classencounters.com to purchase tickets. For room reservations at the Hyatt, please call 800-233-1234 and ask for "BHS Class of 1960 reunion special room rates." For more information call: Wendy Rogers Brainerd 510-701-4610 or Ellie Jacobs Lange 925-548-1446. See photo on page 6.

The **Class of 1961** is planning their **50th reunion**, which will be held in the Fall of 2011. Contact Katie Walker Stevens at ktwstevens@sbcglobal.net or (650) 342-1606 for more information.

A **40-Year Reunion** will be held for the **Class of 1970** on **September 25, 2010** at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Burlingame. We are now getting started with the logistics, registration, etc. Check our Facebook site for details & photos: <http://www.facebook.com/home.php?#!/1970BurlingameHigh> There's much more to come.

Members of the **Class of 1971** are beginning to plan a **40th Reunion** in 2011. When plans are finalized, you will receive information from the committee.

A full weekend of activities is being planned for the **30th reunion** of the **Class of 1980**. On Friday, September 10th, class members who played on the 1980 football team will be honored during halftime at the Burlingame vs. Palo Alto game. A "Party" will be held on Saturday, September 11, 2010 at the Pacific Athletic Club, Redwood City, CA and a class picnic is planned for Sunday, September 12th in Washington Park. Visit <http://www.bhs1980reunion.com> or <http://www.facebook.com/home.php?ref=logo#!/group.php?v=info&gid=49085447841> or email to: burlingame80@gmail.com

Class of 1990 It's hard to believe that two decades have passed since we graduated as Panthers. Many of us have moved away, had families, and built careers, but on September 11, 2010, we will come together to celebrate a class milestone, our **20 Year Reunion**. Our planning committee will send details by mail, email and through Facebook. For now, please save the date on your calendar. We'd also love your help to spread the word to other members of the Class of 1990. Please email **Ken Kaufman** at kenkaufman14@yahoo.com with any questions.

Class of 2000 We are in the process of planning our **10-year reunion** and hope that you will be able to attend. The tentative date is Thanksgiving weekend 2010 but we will have more details to follow. Please visit the Class website at www.BurlingameClassof2000.com for all updates and information. If you have any

questions please contact the committee at: reunion2000bhs@gmail.com

Class Reunion Reports

Over 100 alumni from the **Class of 1969** celebrated a marathon **40th reunion**, September 11-13, 2009. The Reunion Committee of **Jeff Bayer, Patricia Rafferty Boyle, Dee Dee Gay Connelly, Vera Egger, Sandy Gaertner** and **Kathy Meck Harley** worked for over seven months to find names, send out invitations, make hundreds of phone calls—all in an effort to provide everyone with an updated Buzz Book. Those who attended the BHS tour could not get over how the architects were able to keep the beauty of the old school and incorporate the modern features needed by today's students. Friday evening was a chance to reconnect with classmates who traveled both near and far for a gathering at the Sherman restaurant. The big night was Saturday when everyone gathered for a delicious buffet dinner and dance. The soundtrack of our lives played out before, during and after the meal with all the fabulous wines donated so generously by classmates **Sarah Silverman** (married just two weeks earlier) and **Cindy Kaster**. Grads came from all over the country; from as far away as New Jersey (**Darry Bridges Guli** was attending for the first time), Washington DC (**Dr. Debbie Hales** arrived at 8:00 and could stay for only a few hours), Maryland (we hadn't seen **Don Harris** in 25 years) and from around the world, including **Dana Christensen Marsh**, who traveled the farthest, all the way from New Zealand. It was hard leaving our old friends after such a brief visit but, we plan to do it all again for the 45th in 2014. Our thanks to everyone who helped make our 40th such a memorable event.

Classmates Wanted....



Bill Heinze '59 would like to reunite with BHS classmates now living in Montana. Contact him at (406) 493-0979 (Missoula); or email: mjbcmt@aol.com

Panther Postscripts Deadline

The deadline for the next issue is Sept. 15, 2010. All items are considered. Submissions may be edited. You may send them to BHS Alumni Association, Attn: Panther Postscripts, One Mangini Way, Burlingame, CA 94010 or email to pantherpostscripts@yahoo.com.

Blanche's Corner Alumni Update



Blanche Dibelka Duffey '39

30s Harry Miller '30 wrote: "As you see I graduated from BHS in June of 1930. I live alone, drive a car, and play golf (9 holes) twice a week. I have all my marbles and on 9/16/09, I reached the ripe age of 96. Are there any other grads still active from 1930? This past year **Bill Sheehan '34** died. He was a BHS grad and my best man in 1939. Sorry he is gone. My sister **Irene Miller Pericic '36** lives in Sacramento and we visit often. She celebrated her 90th birthday this year. I look forward to reading your bulletin as they bring back many great memories."

Barbara Goodrich Boege '35 writes: "I really enjoy alumni news! Many thanks to Blanche Dibelka Duffey for all her work over the years!"

[See **Wright** paragraph in 1940s section for more 30s classmates.]

Kenneth F. Kanewske '36 says that he was born in 1916 and is 93 years old.

Doris Wusthof Stirm '37 decided to share what she's been doing. Doris is a resident of Burlingame and a graduate of Stanford in journalism and advertising. She has taught pastels, oils, and watercolors for 25 years in her own studio and has studied with nationally known artists both locally and abroad. Doris has won numerous awards for her paintings and her works are part of many private collections. In 2006, she won the Art Educator Diamond Award from the

San Mateo County Arts Council and Art-Share. "Painting is such a joy, is wonderful therapy and a constant learning process. I feel so blessed to have the ability to see the beauty around me." Doris writes: "I'm still teaching art and painting at 90 years young in spite of macular degeneration problems. Otherwise, I'm still erect, active and happy. I enjoyed reading about **Ethelyne "Mickey" Clark Pitti '37** (in the Fall/Winter 2009 issue of the Postscripts). She and I were cheerleaders together. **Frederic M. Rea '37** was such a neat guy. I sang in "Three Hits and a Miss" with him, **Russell Arms '36**, and **John Collins '37**

Angela Gates Anderson '37 wrote: "It's always great to receive the *Panther Postscripts*. I have now reached my 95th year and feel so blessed with good health and great family and special friends."

William Hagen '39 will be honored on May 17 as BHSAA Alum of the Year. See announcement on page 1 of this newsletter.

40s Bill Forst (Capuchino, '63) sent a wonderful sketch of **Ron Cameron II '41**, along with the following note: "For your alumni history files, I drew up the unique talents of a good friend of our family since 1939, Ron Cameron II. He was inducted into the San Mateo Hall of Fame as a nose guard, and high scorer as a kicker (he could drop-kick a field goal on the run, like he could in rugby) on the championship 1941 Panther football team, along with the entire team, represented by the last 4 living players. I drew up these sketches so you could visualize his skills. Of course, it was for him first of all, but I'm certain you wouldn't mind having it for show or sharing – The Glory of Their Times" – [Note: Ron Cameron passed away shortly after we received the artwork. The sketch will be framed and hung in the Alumni Room at BHS.]

Barbara "Jeanne" Mulcahey Pierce '41 has looked forward to "Blanche's Corner" over the years and tells Blanche, "Good Job." She adds: "My husband, Brooks, of 49 years passed away in '08. I sold my home and am in a retirement community called Varenna. Love it! Never been so busy. Anyone who comes to Santa Rosa, come say "hello". I miss my sister **Marilyn Mulcahy Walters '44**, deceased) and her husband Chuck."

Sueanne Hilliard, daughter to **Jeanne Barrett Hilliard '43**, has written us: "It is with great sadness that I must report the passing of Jeanne Barrett Hilliard on Oct. 13, 2009.

The storm was raging, the wind was blowing and the power was out. As she took her last breath, she was washed in candlelight. She had never looked more beautiful nor had I ever loved her more.

A poet once said: 'You are never dead until you are forgotten.' Jeanne will never be forgotten."

June Hirschev Somerville '43 tells us that **Phil Wood '43** is doing fine after a stroke. I will relay his address to friends, call me at 209-274-4479. We are both 84 years old. I published a book last year, "Legend of a Road". It is written in first person using THE ROAD, a witness to the exploration and emigration on THE ROAD above Silver Lake and beyond (Amador County, CA). If the truth be told . . . writing replaces the pain and pills of the autumn years. The book is illustrated with my sketches and photos.

Mariann Marsh wrote to tell us that her husband, **Paul Marsh '43**, passed away in September of 2009. It was sudden and a huge shock. Since his retirement from the Burlingame Fire Department, they enjoyed living in Sonoma County. Paul enjoyed reading our newsy *Panther Postscripts* and although Mariann went to Mercy High, she always read the paper too, and recognized many names.

Alvin Wright '45 writes: "I am the youngest alumni of the Wright family. All of my sisters and brothers went to Burlingame High over the years. Following is a list of the Wright family: **Thursa Wright '33** married **Jack Gallagher '33**, both are deceased. **Lawrence Wright '35** passed away on January 7, 2010. He is survived by his wife of 64 years, Evelyn of San Mateo. **Muriel Wright '37** married **George Zuras '37**, both are deceased. **Alvin Wright '45** lives in Nevada City, CA and is married to Miriam Montgomery who went to Balboa High. Lawrence Wright and George Zuras were on the basketball team. Alvin Wright played on the 120s basketball team, which won the championship. He also was on the tennis team and played with **Wally Vickery '47**. This update is long overdue and I can only remember the highlights. I am enclosing a check to become a life member as I remember some good times at Burlingame High. I am retired from the computer industry, having a business in Redwood City for 10 years and living in San Carlos for 27 years, raising my family of three children: Monty, Susan and Wendy.

Lorene Livingstone Sigal '47, who lives in Tennessee, sent an article about the death of **Ide Eldon Keeler '47** (son of

former BHS teacher **Horace T. Keeler**). She also sent the following message: "I saw this obituary in the local newspaper and realized that Ide and I were 1947 classmates. Unfortunately, our paths did not cross back in Tennessee. By way of catch up, I have been here for 30 years and am still enchanted by the beauty that is East Tennessee. I retired 15 years ago from Oak Ridge National Laboratory as a research scientist doing laboratory and field studies of air pollution effects on vegetation. Volunteer work on local and national U.S. Department of Energy Boards and watercolor painting and gardening have filled the time since retirement. Our traveling days are over because my husband of 60 years (Albert a.k.a. Tito) has Alzheimer's disease—so I especially enjoy hearing about classmates in the *Panther Postscripts*." [Note: If you would like to write to Lorene, c/o the Alumni Association we would be happy to pass along your messages.]

Frederic Traube wrote to inform us that his mother **Beverly Anderson Traube '48** passed away on June 16, 2007. She grew up on Adeline Drive in Burlingame and was in the theatre program at BHS. She went on to a long and successful career as an actress and theatrical talent agent in New York City. Before becoming an agent, Beverly was a Latin Quarter showgirl, an actress on TV on the Phil Silvers "Sgt. Bilko" show and toured theatres and night clubs with her own song and dance act. She truly loved the "smell of the greasepaint" and the "roar of the crowd."

Felice Rothman Schatz '48 and **Morton Rothman '51** are sorry to inform us that their sister, **Arline Rothman Marchi '46** passed away on October 23, 2009. She left behind a very large and loving family who will miss her very much.

Glen Hage '49 wrote from Pleasanton, CA in November 2009: Since all the local daily newspapers (except the SF Chronicle) are now combined under the same ownership called the Bay Area News Group, our local newspaper now covers the PAL and the Burlingame Panthers, with a big article on the Little-Big game. What a surprise after all these years.

Lois Dittman Chance '49 writes: There was no 60-year reunion scheduled for the class of 1949, so five of us, **Lois Dittmann Chance, Pat Monroe Gorham, Nancy Salter Rummage, Diane Page Stirewalt, and Ruth Morse Waite**, decided to get together in Reno for the Reno Opera of Carmen. We had put the skit on for our Senior Assembly. We then traveled to Gold Beach, OR for

fun and relaxation, and to ride the jet mail boat up the Rogue River, eat, drink, and be merry. It was a great 60th reunion. This year for the 61st, we plan a cruise through the Panama Canal from Florida to San Francisco. Any other '49ers interested? See photo on page 6.

50s Gwen Constant Kilgour '52 writes: "As a 1952 graduate, I am grateful for the fine education I received at Burlingame, but even more for women role models such as Fern Harvey, Jeannette Jennings, and Judy Campbell. In a time when stereotypical views of women were restrictive, they showed us that we could be independent, productive members of the community. I received my BA from Cal and my MA from San Jose State, both in English. After teaching several years at SJS, I taught English for 25 years at West Valley College in Saratoga where I was also English Department Chair. My most rewarding experiences there were teaching Women's Studies, Women's Re-entry and Honors Programs, and starting the first Computer-Assisted Writing program in a community college. I am the proud mother of two daughters, one in communications, and the other in finance. I have traveled all over the world as a student, a tourist, and a cruise host with my late husband, for the loyalty program of a travel agency. As a resident of a retirement community in Walnut Creek, I take advantage of regional and San Francisco cultural offerings, continuing my love of music and drama so important to me during my years at Burlingame."

Nancy Hazard Stetzer '51 wrote: "My sister, **Mary Ellen Hazard Nelson '53**, passed away in March 2008. She is survived by her husband, Norman, two sons, and her sisters, **Elizabeth Hazard Hathaway '49** and Nancy Hazard Stetzer."

Joe Wallace '51 and **Inez Blumer Wallace '52** continue to live "off the grid" in the coastal mountains of Northern California, overlooking the ocean. We have been married for 54 years, and have lived here in Petrolia for 19 years. We keep fit by caring for our animals, vegetable garden, cutting firewood, and walking the beach and mountains. It's very remote, but we love it!

Joan Schefsky Feldman '52 says, "Thank you so very much for the *Panther Postscripts*. I have happy memories of McKinley and Burlingame High School, the Little-Big games, the stroll down Burlingame Avenue with friends at lunchtime, dances in the gym, etc. Go Burlingame!"

Harry Sandys '52 wrote to tell us that he lived in Anchorage almost 40 years and loved it. He retired to the Palm Springs area 10 years ago. Harry sent a picture of himself with a King Salmon that he caught on Kenai, AK at a fish camp.



"This one was small—only 46 pounds" Harry Sandys '52

Garey Thomson Wood '59 reports that her husband **Norman J. Wood '57** passed away in 2000 after fighting cancer for 17 months. They were married for 37 years. She and Norman were officially introduced to each other by **Karen Dufour Newell '59** while they were attending San Jose State. Although they lived two blocks apart in Burlingame, they had never met. Garey recalls a time when she and Norman attended a fundraiser and he dressed as the Jolly Green Giant. He had a hard time washing off the green makeup, but won a prize for the most unusual costume. Norman worked at the Burlingame Library while at BHS and San Jose State. After graduating from SJSU, he served in the Army and worked for Westinghouse. In addition to Garey, Norman is survived by his son Brian Wood, his daughter Leah Zanella, two grandchildren, Madison and Anthony, his sister Alison Wood McCown, her husband **Dale McCown '60**, and brothers-in-law, **Alan Thomson '66** and **David Thomson '80**.

Jill Wakeman Goodman '52 says: "I am very sad to report that **Suzanne "Susie" Smith Mueller '52**, my best friend growing up, passed in October."

Barbara Beal Kavanagh '56 won the Sausalito Yacht Club Woman Skipper Regatta in October '09, two First place and one Third. **Peter Brown '53** crewed and won the Yacht Racing Association Yankee Cup for the San Francisco Yacht Club. Both Pete and Barb, good friends, were surprised to learn they both sailed

to victory on the same boat design—Tartan 10's.

Sandra Bianchi Brunet '58 tells us that her Girl Scout group met in June 2009 at the Lake Tahoe home of **Valerie Peterson Fick '58**. They had a great time getting together again and always enjoy reminiscing about their days at Burlingame High School. Those who attended were **Shari Ford Shepherd '58, Marilyn Smith Stewart '58, Sandy Scott Hayashi '58, Valerie Peterson Fick '58, Pat Walker Colon '58** and **Sandra Bianchi Brunet**. Three members of the group, **Marlene Smith Sleek '58,**

Carolyn Price Shamie '58, and **Judy Drake Burke '58,** were not able to attend due to other engagements. See photo.

Gail Parker Stevenson '58, a proud graduate of BHS, passed away on Sept. 16, 2009 from ovarian cancer. She is survived by her loving husband John of 39 years, son Eric and granddaughter Allie.

[60s] **Cheryl Matt Powell '63** writes: "Great Job! I enjoy *Panther Postscripts* much more than I enjoyed high school. Thanks for all of your hard work."

[70s] **Steve Horn '70** says that he has moved to lovely Larkspur and lives on the water. He is a retired real estate broker and lives with his long-time partner, Kent. He enjoys gardening and dance.

Elizabeth "Betsy" Hammack Bailey '72 tells us: "I am still "lawyering" in San Francisco. After graduating from UCSB, my oldest daughter, **Summer Bailey '03,** got a job last year teaching English to kindergarteners in Phuket, Thailand."



Then

1949 Carmen Skit



Now



Class of 1960 50th Reunion Planning Committee

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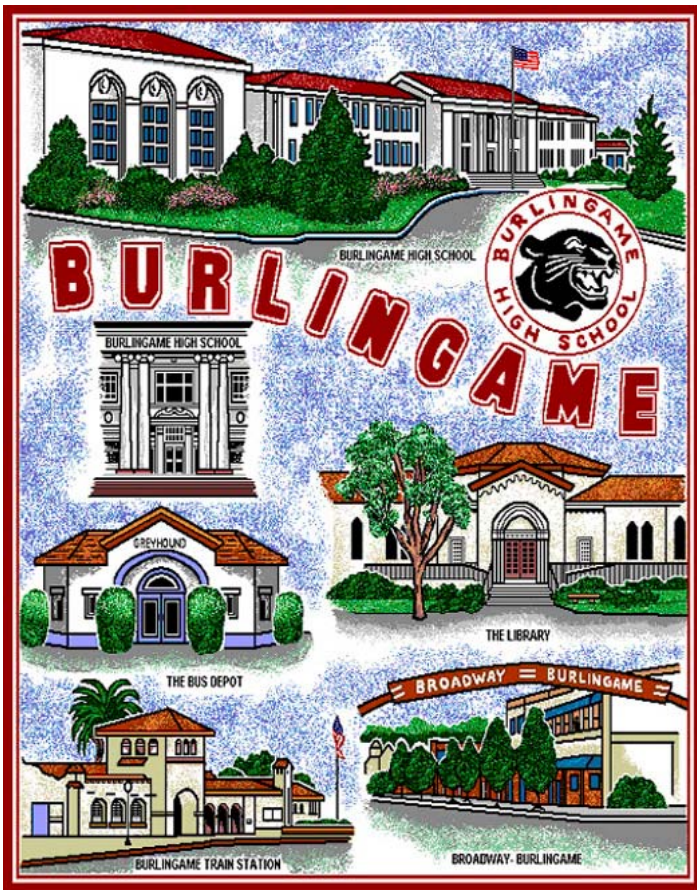


Remembering Girl Scout days—Class of 1958

L to R: Shari Ford Shepherd, Marilyn Smith Stewart, Sandy Scott Hayashi, Sandra Bianchi Brunet, Valerie Peterson Fick and Pat Walker Colon.

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