

EL CAPITAN CLASS OF 1964 40TH REUNION OCTOBER 22-24, 2004

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2004 REUNION COMMITTEE



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The reunion committee thanks you for your participation in the 40th reunion.

Please keep in touch!

Send any changes in contact data to elcap64@aol.com, or mail to Christine Egerer Senko, 10068 Silvercliff Lane, Littleton, CO 80125.

See you at the next reunion!

MIXER – OCTOBER 22, 2004, SINGING HILLS RESORT

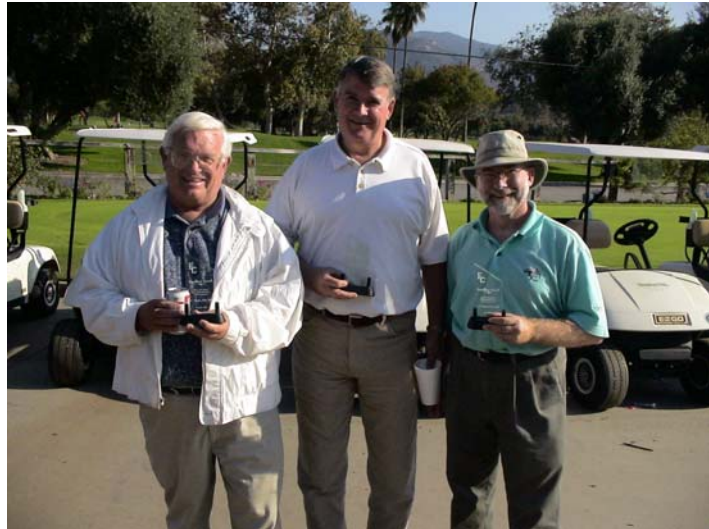




**GOLF TOURNAMENT – OCTOBER 22, 2004,
SINGING HILLS RESORT**

**Winners “Low Gross Team”,
“Sandbaggers Award”:**

**Ron Shacklett, Brian Bengston,
Steve Coburn (Betty Hildebrand
Coburn’s husband, and winner
of “Putting Award”)**



Winners “Hanging In There”:

**Jimmy Hutton, Art Carrillo
(winner “Longest drive”)**

**Bryan Woods (winner “Closest
to Hole”), Sandra Clarren
Moncada, Rene Moncada, Pat
Henry (Karen Parker Henry’s
husband)**



**Harry Whiting, Jim Mack
(winner “Longest Drive”),
Reed Flory**



**Winner “Low Net Team”:
Mike Arnke, Robert McKenna
(winner “Closest to Hole”)**

**DINNER/DANCE – OCTOBER 23, 2004,
SINGING HILLS RESORT**







PICNIC – OCTOBER 24, 2004, ELK’S LODGE IN EL CAJON

**Rosemary Montijo Bush
(center) arranged for our
use of the Elk’s Lodge.
Thanks, Rosemary!**



**WebeBBQ owner
(caterers) with Dave
Saska. Dave made all the
picnic arrangements.**



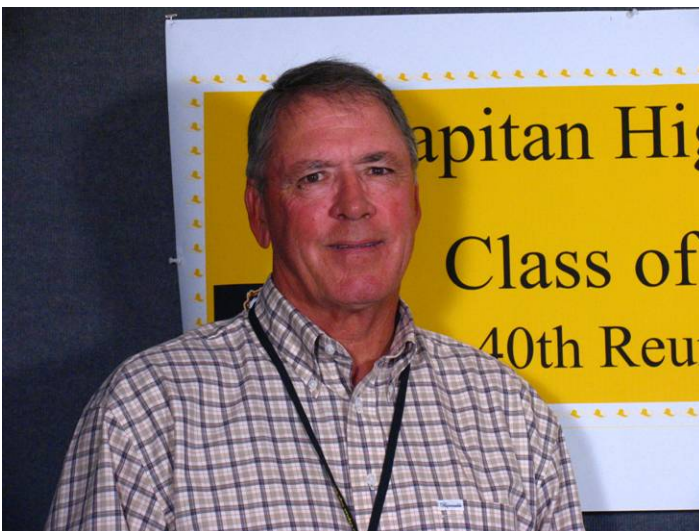




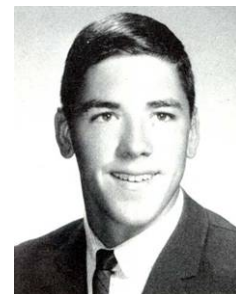
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Abbond St.
Pierre with
husband
Rene**



**Anna
Andrus
Kelly with
husband
Richard**

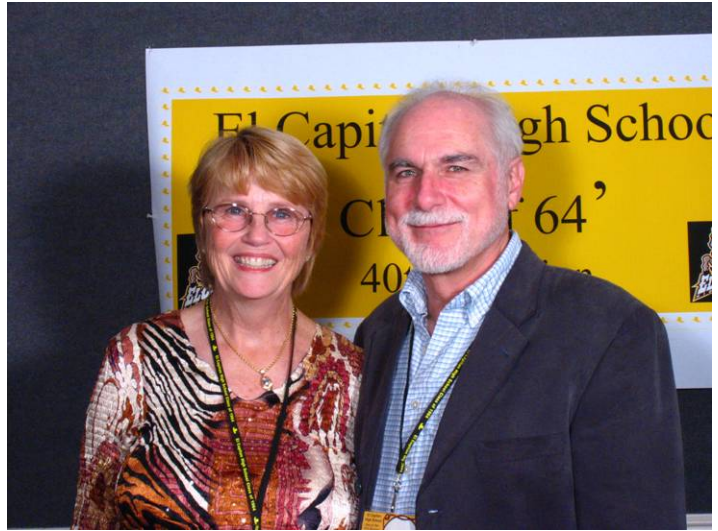


**Mike
Arnke**





**Suzan
Bain
Driscoll
with
husband
Fred**



**Vicki
Beadles
Brinkley
with
husband Ron**



**Michael
(Mickey)
Bender**





**Thomas
Bender**



**Patty
Blakely
Schwen
with
husband
Richard
Fouhy**



**Marti Boyas
Lee with
husband Bill**





**Errol Bruce
with wife
Sheila**



**Sharlotte Calamia Brewer
with husband Dick**



**Carol
Caldwell
Livesay with
husband
Mark**





Susan Cardenas March (with Mary Jane Hopster Papenhausen to right)



Art Carrillo with wife Pam



Sandra Clarren Moncada with husband Rene

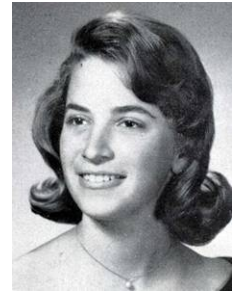




**Pam McCoy
Krysinski and
Kathleen
(Casey) Collver
Palmer**

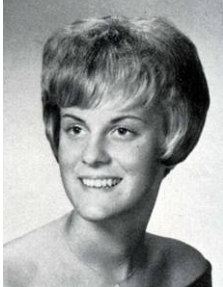


Catherine Conen Porter



**Julie
Conway
Drever**

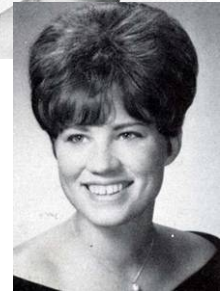




**Roberta
Cooper
Severson with
husband
Marlon**



**Bonnie Neu
Schwartz,
Janice Cover
Therien, and
Violet Coleen
Johnson**

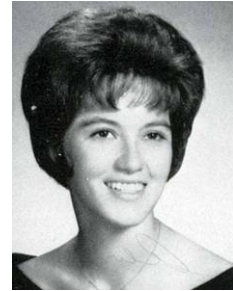


**Paulette
Drach
Swanson
and
daughter**





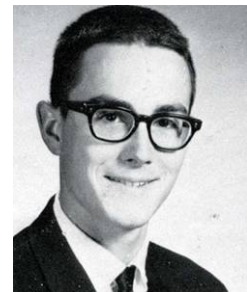
**Shirley
Drach
Callahan**



**Joyce
Earickson**



**Robert Eaton
with wife
Katie**





**Christine
Egerer Senko
(with Julie
Conway)**



Donna Elson Vaughn



**Douglas
Fischer
with
Paulette
Drach
Swanson
and
Paulette's
daughter**





**Reed Flory
with wife
Joan**



**Ann Frank
North with
husband
John**



Kent Fullarton





**Carolyn
Gilmore
Masterson**



**Linda
Gollehon
Bretton with
husband Paul**



**Barbara
Goodman
Springer and
Robin Leslie Wheeler**





**Stephen
Graham with
wife Kathy**



Dorothy Gruner Howell



**Joe Hall with
wife Linda**





**Julie
Harper
Chlarson**

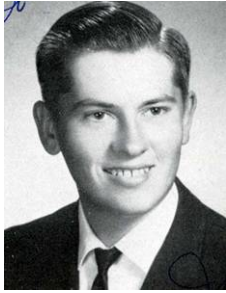


**Lewis (Tad)
Henrikson
with wife
???**

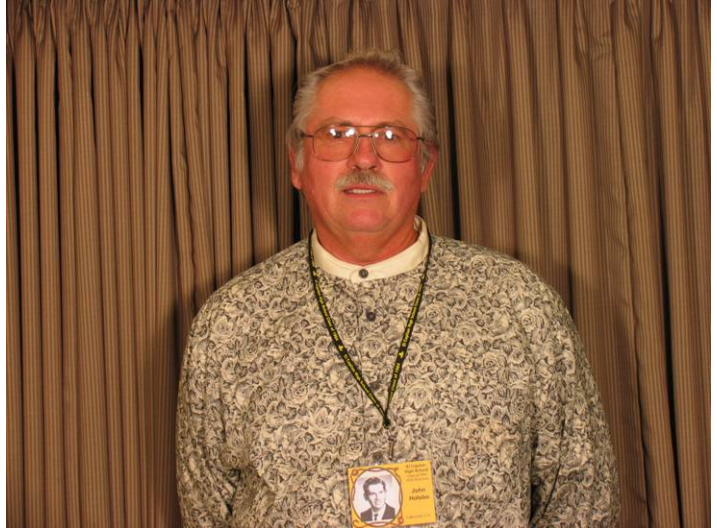


**Betty
Hildebrand
Colburn with
husband Steve**

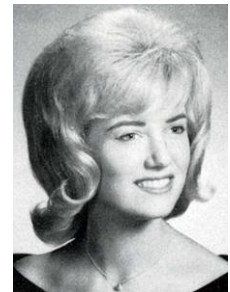
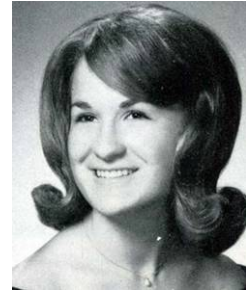




**John
Holsbo**



**Carol
Homan
Nickens
with
husband
Nick,
Christine
Sherman Herzog, with husband
Leon**

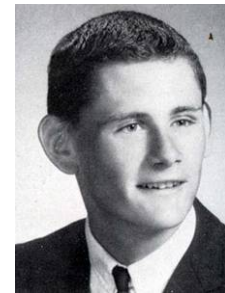




**Mary Jane
Hopster
Papenhausen
with husband
Bill**



**Jimmy
Hutton
with wife
Irene**



Violet Johnson
(See picture with Janice Cover Therien)



**Fred
Kuhner**



**David
Kulhavy
with wife
Pam**



**Lura
Kulhavy
with
brother
David**





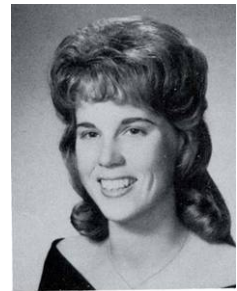
**Christy
Laidler
Edwards
with
husband
Thomas**

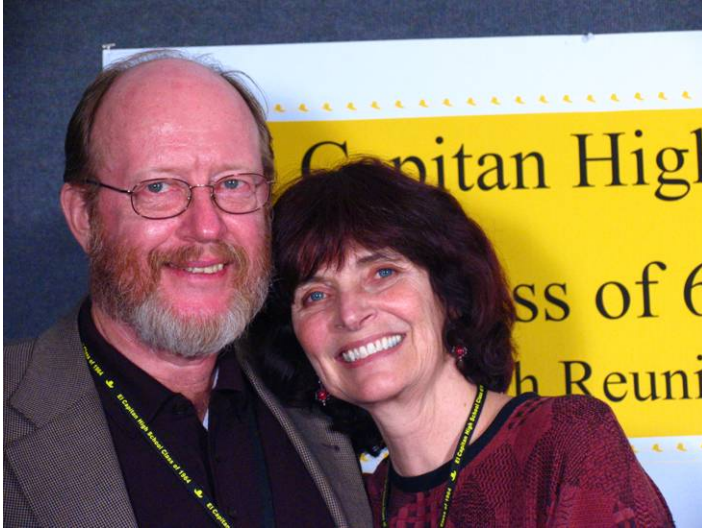


**Benny
Laytart
with wife
Cleo**



**Robin Leslie Wheeler
(Also see picture with Barbara
Goodman Springer)**

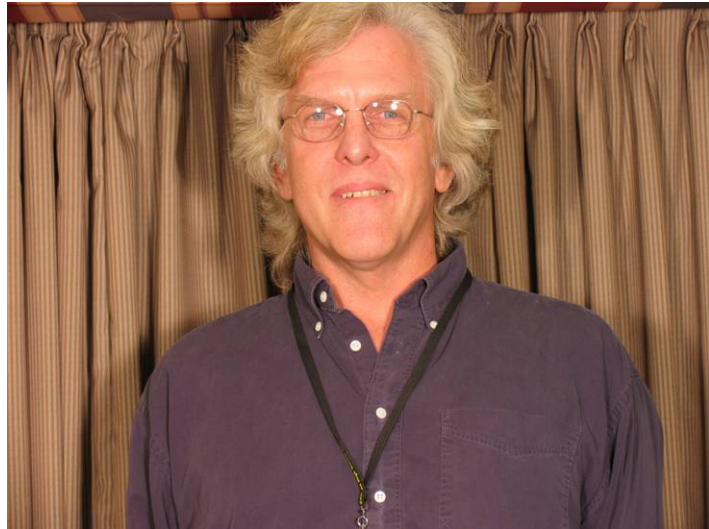




**Jacqueline
(Jackie)
Lynch
Hanson with
husband
Mark**



**James
Mack**



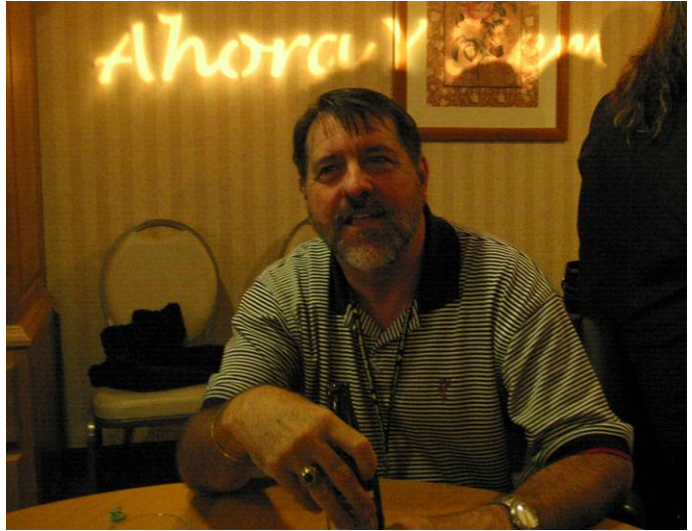
**Michael
McConnell
and wife
Linda**



Pamela (Pam) McCoy Krysinski
(See picture with Casey Collver Palmer)



**Robert
McKenna**



**Kathleen
Moog
Hanvey**

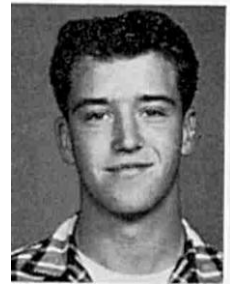




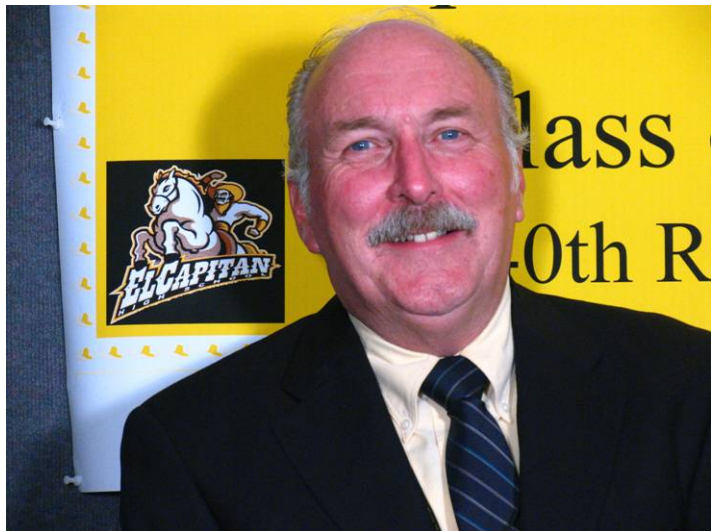
**Kathleen
Moore
Leneau with
husband
Richard**



**Larry
Morehouse
with wife Judy**



**Richard
(Rick)
Moyer**



Bonnie Neu Schwartz

(see picture with Janice Cover Therien)



**Vivian Nicoll
Wheeler
with
husband
John '63**



**Coleen
Conley
Owens
(wife of Coy
Owens)
with Easa
Harb and
his son**





**Karen
Parker
Henry with**



husband Paul

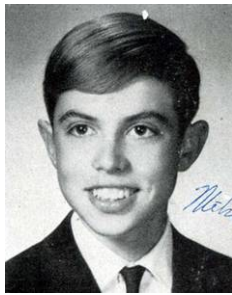


**Ray
Partridge**



**Lewis
Payton**

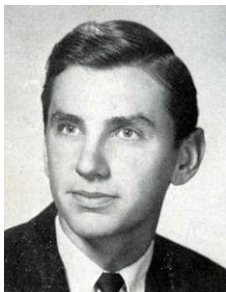




**Michael
Pinnick
with wife
Deborah**



**Judi Prenz
Bennett with
husband Ken**

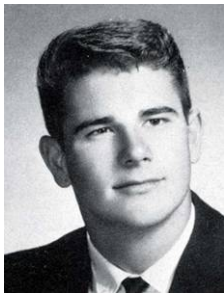


**Douglas
Robertson
with wife
Gail**





**Melvin Rupe
with wife
Patricia**



**David Saska
with wife
Sandy**



**Christine Sherman
Herzog**

**(Also see picture with
Carol Homan Nickens)**





**Susan Spears
Cameron
with
husband
Jack**



**Susan
Sternaman-
Belser with
husband
Richard**



**Robert
Strandlund**





**Charles
(Chuck)
Streeter
with wife
Vicki**



**Marsha
Sutterfield
Hastings**

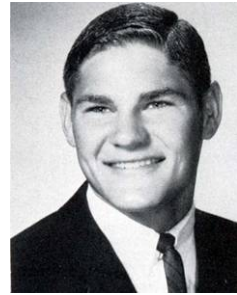


**John
Taylor with
wife
Melana**





**Pat
Trussell**



**Clytie
Valentino
Koehler
and
Penelope
Waldren
Raety**



**Tim Veal
with wife
Nancy**



Penelope Waldren Raety
(See picture with Clytie Valentino Koehler)



**Gregory
White**



**Harry
Whiting**





**Susan Willis
Campbell
and Larry
Campbell**



**Bryan Woods
and Cathy
Woods**





**Russell Savage,
Principal**

**Accepting Hall of
Fame Award from
Joseph Till**



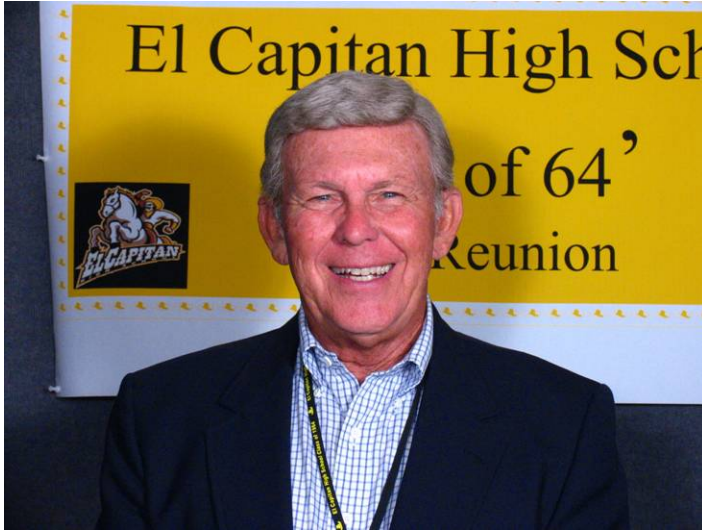
**Joan Oldenkamp
Bigge**



Gail Early



Bunce



**Richard
Beach**



**Donald
Cleland
with wife
Iris**

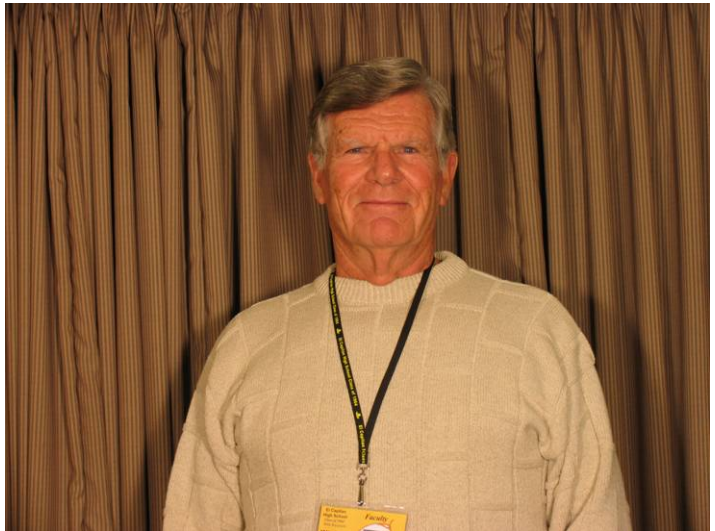


Adrian Cohn

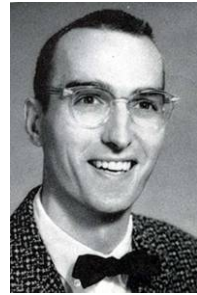




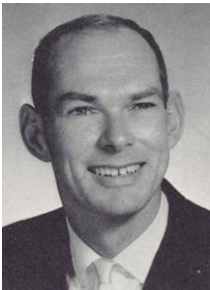
**Winfield
Dean**



**Mr. DeKock at Mixer,
Janice Cover Therien
Violet Johnson**



**talking to
and**

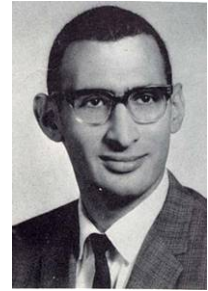


**Richard
Lantz with
wife Dorine**

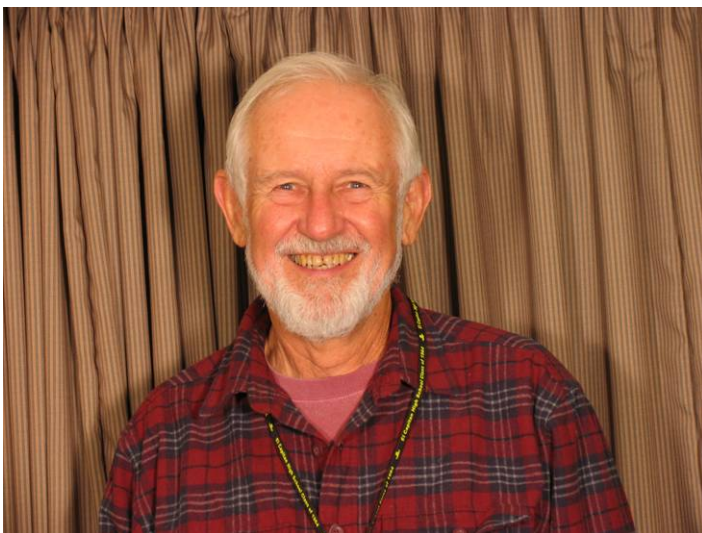
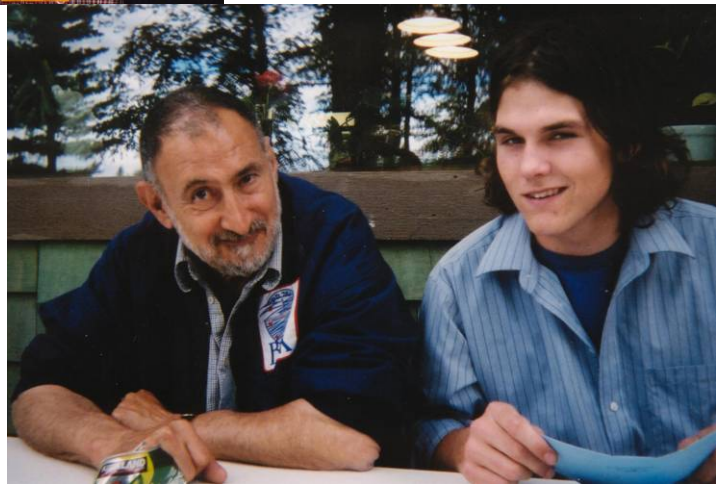




Easa Harb with son George



Easa Harb with grandson



Jerome Lipetzky

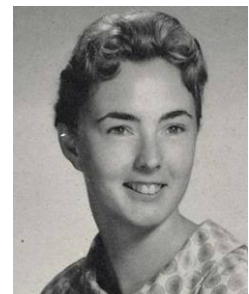




**Angela Marshall
Chiippi at mixer
talking with
Clytie Valentino
Kohler**



**Patricia
Roeder**





**Joseph
Till**



Coach Till At Hall of Fame Awards Banquet ->



Ron Vavra





Suzan Bain Driscoll



Vicki Beadles



Errol Bruce

Curtis Clubb with wife Mary





**Roberta Cooper with husband
Marlon**



Dawn Dutton Forbes



Gayle Dvoracek



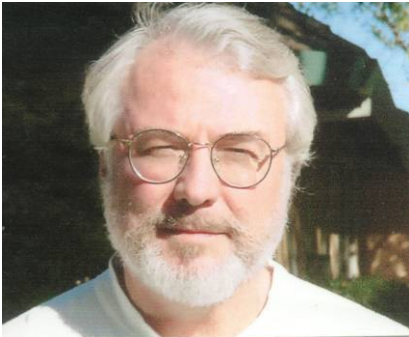
Robert Eaton with wife Katie



Robert Emerson with wife Sue



Anna Andrus Kelly



**Reed
Flory
with
family**



Judith Fuller Allen



Stephen Graham

Doug Fischer



Dorothy Gruner Howell with son





John Hein with his family – son Steven, John, wife Donna, granddaughter Hailey, son Brian, daughter-in-law Kira, Easter 2004



Charlotte Hittle Davis

Violet Coleen Johnson



Maggie Kane Wallace





Lura and David Kulhavy with family

Don Levell



Mary Lowery Denson

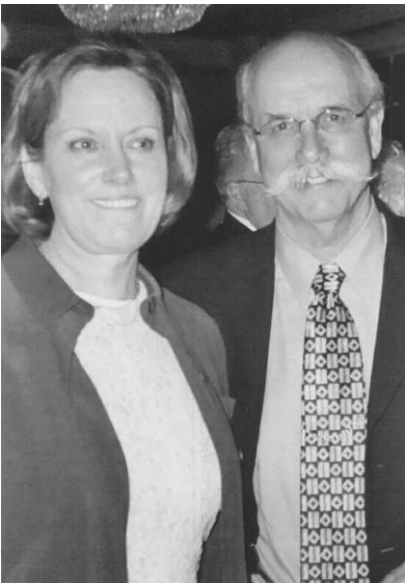
Jim Mack





Megan McCaffrey

Patricia Meeker Nelson and husband David



Vivian Nicoll Wheeler with husband John

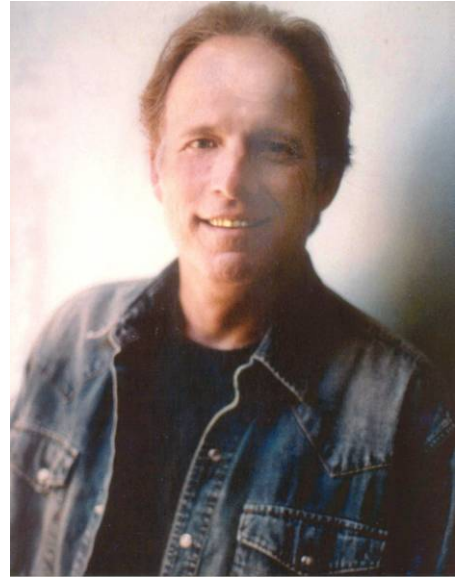
Mike Pinnick





**Judi Prenn Bennett and
husband Ken**

Robb Strandlund



**Chris Sherman Herzog and husband Leon Herzog
Chuck Streeter**





John Taylor and wife Melana



Linda Wilson Fleming with family





Cecile (Allain) Prevost

After high school, I attended San Diego State where I met and married my first husband in 1967. Moved to the Los Angeles area where I graduated from Long Beach State with a BA in Mathematics in 1969.

I divorced in 1976 and then remarried in 1987 to my current husband, Tom. I worked for 20 years for Security Pacific Bank as a computer programmer. I left there in 1991 to run my own business until 1997.

I am currently retired although I do some accounting work part-time.

I became a Christian in 1983 and have done significant volunteer work for the churches that I have attended.

I currently live in the Central Coast area of California.



Judith Ann (Fuller) Allen

I was married to Ronald Allen(class of '62') for 23 yrs. We traveled across the US as he was in the Navy. We have 3 children and 6 grandchildren. We were divorced in 'June 87'. I then met Norman Grove and we have been together since the end of '87'. We have lived in several places in the last 17yrs. We now live in Las Vegas, NV.

Norm is still working, but I have retired due to health reasons. I still keep up with my grandchildren; which most of them live in WA. state. My daughter lives here in Vegas with her son. We have 3 cats. Norm and I love to go for short trips (3 or 4 days). He likes to play golf and I like to do dried flower arrangements, and we both love movies, and dining out. I am partially blind; but would love to hear from people who remember me. If you do send an email, please type in font 18; so that I can read it. When we were in school, my favorite memory was the lunch time when all my friends would get together on the grass and eat ice cream in the cups; also when Dawn (Dutton) Forbes and I would go horse back riding. Dawn and I had some awesome times with the horses she had. I also remember going to Cecil's after school. I was lucky and got to go to 2 prom's while at El Cap. I did 8 yrs. of Cub & Boy Scouts; most of it in the Lakeside and El Cajon area. Worked in shipping and receiving for several yrs. and then became a Medical Assistant, until I retired.



Anna (Andrus) Kelly

I live in Alpine, Ca and am married with one child. Chad, who is only 16, was born when I was 41 years old. My life long career since high school graduation was as a hairstylist and salon owner. I retired 3 years ago and acquired a "life agent" license. My husband and myself are in business together. He retired 17 years ago but still services his regular clients so we basically work part time.

I am active in several church and high school committees. We spend lots of time gardening our 2 acres, ride motorcycles (I also ride a scooter around Alpine), travel, ski/snowboard, and enjoy our boat during the summer.

I have never been to any of ElCap's reunions and look forward with great pleasure to seeing everyone.



Patricia (Aufort) Schager

Jim and I have been married 35 years. We have two children. Our oldest, Don, is married with a 10 yr old daughter; our youngest, Andrea, has a 6 year old son.

We do a lot of camping with a group of friends at least once a month. Our vacations are spent out of the country every October in San Felipe, Baja CA., where we watch the sun rise over the Sea of Cortez and ride the beaches in our Manx.



Roger Bagula

Autobiographical Sketch of Roger L. Bagula I was born in National City, Ca. in 1945 to Fred and Amy Bagula on Dec 7, 1945. Mom and Dad are Christian Scientists. I went to California public schools for my primary and secondary education and graduated in 1968 from UCLA with a BS in Chemistry. While a UCLA I did research in Inorganic Chemistry as a lab assistant to Dr. Kaesz. And was drafted out of graduate school into the US Army and became a medical corpsman. I worked for a time for the Naval Hospital system after leaving the Army in drug screening and medical research. I have had some health problems which I won't specify here, but have had a very long time to do independent study. I have done extensive abstract and op-art work over a long period. I have had a long term interest in particle theory and quantum group theory, before my interest in fractals and chaos theory began. I have done original work in Mandelbrot/ Julia iterations, fuzzy logic, IFS theory, path fractals and Weierstrass

trajectories. In Chaos theory I have worked on Henon's and other dynamic systems with several original results. The realization that the dimensionality of fractals was connected to a differential structure of real valued/ non-integer derivatives led me to formulate "supercalculus" ideas and experiment with the iteratives involved in fractal dimensional functions. I have done work in toral topology in string and twisted forms, number theory and general Pascal's triangle theory. My work in generalized Sierpinski sets as IFS's lead to work in Eisenstein fraction sets, Levy Dragon and Twin dragon generalizations as well. I have published "The Fractal Translight Newsletter" independently for nearly five years, now, and have been called "crazy" by some of the best minds in the world! I am also known for my poetry and jazz/rock composition work. In actuality my essays have been more popular than my mathematics/ physics work. I have written a series of short stories for TFTN with the "Little Annie" series of humorous fiction being fairly well received. Most of my knowledge in many of these fields is self taught and gained by very hard work at the computer keyboard. At one time I was one of the most well read Science fiction readers around, but I have found "truth" even stranger than fiction and at times more exciting in the thrill of discovery! I can give no credit for my work to government or public support and seem to be pretty well hated in those areas locally. I credit my successes to hard work and stubborn conviction in the face of sever resistance in the scientific and mathematical community to any and all of my ideas! I intend to put out TFTN as long as I can and even after to continue my work as long as I am able. I am heterosexual, single and a Jeffersonian Democrat in political philosophy. I am right handed, have light brown hair that is starting to go gray, green eyes. I weight near 200 pounds (95 kilos?) and am 5 foot 7 inches tall(1.67 meters?) and am not what you would call fat despite a slight belly of middle age. I am somewhat surprised at being in the position of being a "light" in the fractal world: I had thought I would never get that far with my impoverished existence! My family are kind of "pioneers" in California in arriving before most of the others in 1914, but we haven't got rich or famous here. My father is one of the original hot rodders from the 1940's and my first recollections were of very fast old cars that Dad put together in his garage beside the house. In contrast I didn't get my driver's license until my late 30's. I have been a very self conscious and shy intellectual/ bookish person most of my life, but am now able to get past that in most public situations. I have been called "too honest", "too frank" and without tact or polite manners and it is probably true. In this to eastern elite types I also appear as "stupid" for not playing the "game", but I have been pretty much denied "entry" to their game so I play it "truthfully" as easier to remember than any tactful lies. I nurse my invalid mother and take care of my 89 year old Dad. I am a Christian. This sketch is an autobiographical essay as truthfully as I can make it.

Roger L. Bagula 4 Oct 1997 ©



Suzan (Bain) Driscoll

Time passes in irregular fits and starts. While high school seems so far in the distant past, college still seems fresh and new. I guess college appeared to be a new start, away from the first 18 years the

same old “Sue” in the same old Lakeside. Of course, the reality is—I still am the same old Sue, just in a slightly different place.

After El Cap, I went off to San Diego State. I had a lot of fun there, played around with some sailing, met the brother of my future husband and later through him I met Fred. At State I got a teaching credential in secondary education, which I put to work eventually in Escondido.

I spent a few years after college floundering around looking for a direction and or/jobs (sound familiar?). I managed to land a middle school teaching job, and settled down to married life. Well it wasn't quite the average, everyday version of married life (we lived in a communal household for the first nine years), but it probably wasn't all that uncommon in the 1970's, either. Fred worked on and completed his doctorate in physics, I taught school, and we had some incredible years with wonderful friends.

When our first son was born, it seemed appropriate to move on to the next phase. We bought a house in University City, added a second son, and became the All-American (sort of) suburban family. Fred is a physics professor at UCSD and until June of 2003, I taught English, social studies, art, and/or science in Escondido. The time really went fast. It sounds a little dull on paper, but in retrospect it was full of all the joys and trials of raising children, being married, and working hard.

I'm proud of both our sons. Tom is following in his father's footsteps working on his doctorate in physics* at UCSD, and Rob is at the University of Oregon in Eugene working on his masters in architecture.

I guess one could say that I'm in phase four of my life now that I have retired. I play in the garden, paint watercolors, sculpt, and since July of this year spend time in my trailer in Julian. When I go up to Julian it's almost as if I'm going back to my youth because I'm out in the “boonies”. I am one of a handful of us El Cap '64 grads who were actually born and started school in Lakeside, so I guess the “boonies” is in my blood....See, just the same old Sue.

* Those of you who were in my senior physics class might remember that physics was not my best subject, so why all this physics stuff? I have no idea—must just be compensation, or something.



Vicki (Beadles) Brinkley

I have been happily married to Ron for 39 years and have two wonderful children, a son, a daughter, and 6 adorable grandchildren.

We lived in El Cajon for the first 10 years and have been in our

Lakeside home for the last 29 years.

Our hobbies are enjoying our grandchildren, camping, and boating.

I retired in 2003 after 23 years with the Lakeside Union School District.

Ron and I are both retired now with two homes, one in Lakeside, CA, and one in Lake Havasu City, AZ. We plan on spending our retirement between the two and motor-homing the U.S.



Thomas C. Bender

Born June 22, 1946 Riverside, CA.
Resided in San Diego since days old.
Graduated San Diego State 1969, BSE Psych Major.
Employed with various companies as labor from 1964 thru 1968
Employed with various companies a management from 1968 thru 1975
Self-employed as owner of T.C. Bender Co. 1975 thru 1989. We
manufactured automated process equipment for the electronic component industry.
Produced 7 different machines ranging from a sale price of \$14,500 to \$105,00.
Employed by a research and development firm 1989 thru 1991. My work resulted in
obtaining my 3rd and 4th patents.
Presently co-owner of Pack & Go, a business that boxes household goods for relocation
of military personnel.

Sports interests: water skiing, snow skiing

Presently 5'9" 150 lbs. Very healthy

Expectations: the youngest looking man at my 40th year high school reunion.



Patty (Blakely) Schwen

Ten years ago I retired, after a 27 year career as a mortgage banker.
Although I worked in Los Angeles and Orange County, the majority of
those 27 years were spent here in San Diego. Since 1970 I held
positions in middle management, senior management and an equity
position in a mortgage company, with two partners. I did live in Las
Vegas from '64 to '67, and amongst other things, had a darn good time
there. I returned to Southern California and pursued a career in home loan finance.

Since 1980 my husband, Richard, and I have opened manufacturing businesses. We originally opened our current company, AEROMACH Mfg., Inc. in 1988, primarily as aerospace subcontractors. In the early '90's Richard was ahead of the curve and foresaw the exodus of aerospace from San Diego (mostly to AZ), and started our conversion to the commercial sector, i.e., medical (optical laser), photographic and high definition TV equipment, gauges for oil fields and components for submersibles used by the Navy and, believe it or not, treasure hunters. About this same time Richard designed and machined a set of mirrors (with stems) for our Harley Davidson, to eliminate the vibration, which is inherent in Harley stock mirrors. Other riders wanted to purchase sets, and that was the origin of our make-over to manufacturing aftermarket motorcycle and truck accessories. We slowly phased out the outside commercial work and about 4 years ago began manufacturing solely our own products. We now have a line of over 400 parts, which we sell at trade shows and to retail customers, dealers, custom bike builders, catalogs and wholesalers, all on a national and international basis. Once in a while I pause and am amazed at the fact that this all started with one set of mirrors.

Retirement has allowed me to pursue other activities and hobbies. Until 2 years ago I bred and showed miniature horses and was a board director for Gold Coast Miniature Horse Club, as well as show manager. I stopped this activity when my husband was no longer able to help me, due to serious health issues. Although I have some champion stock, my mini's are now strictly pets and I'm sure they're very pleased to be done with the ring and the training regimen.

In 1996 we invested in an opal mine, so I travel to the wilds of Northwestern Nevada to dig opal. Without electricity or running water (no plumbing), that experience is always a real adventure and a challenge. We are fortunate enough to mine a fair amount of both black and white fire opal. The season runs from June 1st to October 1st, or the first snow, but usually 30 days is about all I can take.

Sometime along the line I became interested in gourmet cooking and found I have a flair and a talent for it. I love cooking and entertaining. Dinner parties for two or three couples are always enjoyable, but our Christmas Eve party (professional Santa included) and Easter party are our two big, annual events. I start cooking 5 days in advance and love every minute of it. Due to Richard's health, he became a vegan last year. At first I was at a loss, but soon found that using tofu and soy products as substitutes, I am able to adapt many of my recipes to satisfy his dietary restrictions. It seems that with practice, determination and some skill, even one who starts out burning water can become an epicurean and bon vivant.

As for community involvement, I currently serve as an elected director on our local water district's board of directors. I have done volunteer work for the Salvation Army, most recently at the Lakeside Community (Senior) Center and in January, as a member of the San Diego Rose Society, I volunteer, with a multitude of others, to prune the rose garden at Balboa Park.

After a nasty surprise about three years ago, we decided to leave the stock market and invest our retirement funds elsewhere. Last year I researched the real estate market in several states, and since January of this year have donned the hat of Real Estate Investor and purchased multiple properties outside California. The last two are in Coeur d' Alene, ID, an area we've fallen in love with. We are talking about moving there one day.

Travel has always been my passion, both domestic and international. My husband isn't as big a fan as I, so if he won't go with me I travel with girlfriends, and sometimes alone (Australia and New Zealand). Also, we used to travel with our son and daughter-in-law, but after they blessed us with grandchildren, Jeff and Rhonda were replaced by Brooklyn, Cole and Jake. At 8 years old, Brooklyn, our first born grandchild, is a frequent flyer. Her 5 year old brothers, Cole and Jake, who are identical, mirror twins, are a little farther behind, but will make their first trip out of the country (Canada) the week after Christmas. I should have mentioned them earlier in this narrative, as they are central in our every consideration and truly fill our life with joy. They stay with us frequently and attend church with us almost every Sunday.

Aside from my husband's health, I have been blessed with a caring family (all seven of us kids and both my parents are still alive), a thoughtful, loving husband, a successful and happy son and daughter-in-law, three healthy, intelligent and active grandchildren, a relationship with God, good friends, a rewarding career and financial security. Overall, my life has been pretty good. It hasn't always been easy, and it still isn't always easy, but I can't complain. I'm looking forward to the future and the next horizon.



Dean Boswell

After working several part-time jobs and taking classes at Grossmont College, I enlisted in the Air Force in 1966. My initial specialty was Aviation Physiology. Over the next nine years I would travel to Washington D.C., Marysville, CA and Omaha, NE (including several temporary assignments in South East Asia). During this period, I met and married my wife Ramona, a Texas native and welcomed our first two children, Rhonda and Randy. In 1975, I completed a BBA program at the University of Nebraska and received a commission as an Air Force Officer. New assignments included Mountain Home, ID, Lajes, Portugal, O'Fallon, IL and Wichita Falls, TX. Duties included Cost Analyst, Comptroller and AF Cost Analyst Program Chief. While at Mountain Home we adopted our second son, Christopher.

In 1990, I retired from the Air Force and we made our final move to Austin, TX. My wife quickly reestablished her career as an Operating Room nurse and I started a new career in education. Jobs included becoming a member of the Business Management adjunct faculty for Austin Community College, computer lab manager and instructor for the local school district and Technology Coordinator for a newly opened private school. Since 2002, I have reduced my activities to consulting services.

Favorite activities include enjoying a comfortable Texas life style around the backyard swimming pool, traveling, scuba diving and spending time with five wonderful grandchildren, two in Colorado Springs and three in Dallas. If I had known that grandchildren were so much fun, I would have had them first.



Marti (Boyas) Lee

I don't know where 40 years have gone, but trying to condense it into a short paragraph or two forces one to leave out the boring details. A few short years after graduation I got married and also went back to school. In the subsequent years I had three daughters. Twins followed my first daughter by only 10 months so I essentially had 3 children less than I year of age. To say I was busy was an understatement. During those early years my husband followed work wherever he could find it so we lived in numerous areas of San Diego, Ohio, Maryland, and Tennessee. Finally, at some point I said I was finished and wanted to move home to San Diego. We sold everything and re-aettled here to- start over after a 7-year hiatus.

Once the girls were in high school my husband and I grew apart and we finally divorced. I always said the first marriage was just for practice so that the real one would be done right. Seven years of doing everything on my own ended when Bill came along. Finally, here was a man who loved doing all the same things I did. We camped, hiked, backpacked into the wilderness, and took up scuba diving. Although we dive the cold waters off San Diego, our favorite diving is to go to exotic places such as Tahiti, Fiji, Belize, Turks & Caicos, the Caymans, and others.

Bill grew up in Chula Vista but he too loves the rural surroundings of Ramona, so we bought a house here with four acres. Between trying to keep up with my seven grandsons, maintaining the two acres that are landscaped with two large koy ponds and a 100-foot long waterfall and fitting in our hobbies, we keep pretty busy. We know this is not where we will eventually retire, but for now it's our respite from the world.



Roy Burt

'64-67 Grossmont junior college, San Diego State, San Diego city junior college.

'67-'71 USAF

'71-'79 University of North Dakota-- B.S. and M.D. degrees

'79-'83 Residency training in anatomic and clinical pathology, Martinez, CA.

'83-present --- Pathologist in Aberdeen South Dakota.

PERSONAL--- Married Burnette Kay Huus Feb. 7,1970. Two children--- Jeremy , born August 25th, 1977 and Jennifer, Born May 30th, 1979.

I was born with a TEF. To us pathologists that's a tracheo-esophageal-fistula-- type I. That's a connection between the trachea and esophagus formed in utero. When they gave me my first bottle the milk went down my esophagus over into my trachea and into my lungs. I turned blue and quit breathing. The incidence of this disorder is one in every 2000-4000 live births. The nurse in my nursery by extreme coincidence had a prior experience with a baby with TEF- that baby died. When she saw me turn blue-- i was later told--- she picked me up by the heels and the milk flowed out of me. She whacked me on the ass and bingo there i was again--- but very sick. On about May 18th 1946 a team of doctors at childrens hospital in Boston Mass. performed the very first repair of a TEF---EVER .They later wrote it up in the surgical journals.My parents were told i would probably die before i was 10 years old so don't get too attached. I had 10 episodes of pneumonia. On one of those occasions the doctor at Valley Forge army hospital in Pennsylvania--- a Major Monarch (not the butterfly--- his name) told my parents to go home -- that this was it. They would be called when to come back to pick up the body. I was three and a half years old. So they gave me to a nurse and left. 8 months later they were called to come and get me--- the little bastard was still alive. I was home for one day and the pneumonia returned (actually it never left). I was returned 70 miles to the hospital in Valley Forge for another four months.

My last episode of pneumonia was at about the age of 8 yrs. I spent most of my first four years of life in a bed.

When my father left the army he returned to the navy where he had started out at the age of 17. In 12 years of school i attended 13 schools. Every one was because the Navy transferred my dad from one base to another. His family was completely irrelevant to the navy.My First report card from Granby high school in Norfolk Virginia was unforgettable--- 3 F's and 2 D's. My first high school physical fitness test was easy to remember--- ZERO. Number of sit-ups--- zero. Number of push ups-- zero. Number of pull ups--- zero.I was referred to as the runt.

In December of 1961 my father was transferred to San Diego naval training center in San Diego Ca. We moved into Lakeside and i finished my freshman year at El Capitan High and went on to my sophomore, junior, and senior years. In the spring of 1962 my father brought me into the school nurse--- furious that i had been put into physical education classes with "normal" boys.That's when they put me into ADAPTIVE P.E. . I met Ron Vavra. I was started on a weight training regimen with Ron's shot putters.They were quite good. More than that--- They were tolerant, respectful, and patient. These guys were benching 175-250 lbs. In comes this runt. They tested me on the first day. That too is easy to remember. The bar was hollow. With sleeves and collarettes it weighed 25lbs. THAT WAS ALL I COULD BENCH PRESS.For two solid years i worked out every monday, wednesday, and friday--- NEVER missed a day.In the summer of my Junior to senior year i took the summer off. At that time i was benching about 155lbs. , three sets

of 5. In my senior year i benched 175 for the first time. In my second year of college--- 245lbs. 5 times.

In adult life i had episodes of depression. In my first year of medical school i mentally collapsed and withdrew. My wife's family wanted her to leave me but she stayed. I came back--- with difficulty. It took me 7 years to complete 4 years of medical school, but i did. Without Bernie i don't think i would have made it.

I've been practicing pathology for going on 21 years. I have the respect of my colleagues. That means a lot.

Now you know something about Roy Burt--- your old classmate. Why have i told you all this shit? If i tell you that tenacity and loyalty are for me very important--- maybe you'll "see" why. My favorite movie of all time is Band Of Brothers about Easy company of the 101st Airborne division. Why? Because those men who are still alive today---including Major Winters --- their C.O. will tell you that they would rather die than let their buddies down.

Now for the most important part. Do i feel sorry for Roy--- not a bit. I'm grateful as hell. I've been married for going on 34 years to a woman who taught me the meaning of patience, love, maturity, joy, and lots more. Every single day i look forward to coming home to her. Being with her is fun. What we do doesn't matter.

Well that's it. I'm goofy as hell--- but i know it. My life has come full circle. There's more i could say--- About Syd Banks and how i found God. But that's another chapter. Someone once asked me how life was treating me--- my response--- life doesn't treat me in any way--- I AM LIFE.



Don Burton

During a successful business career spanning over thirty years, Dr. Donald Burton has been involved in corporate and education endeavors that span the globe. In his most recent role, he is the Founder and the President of the International Import-Export Institute, a nationally accredited university, which is the provider of professional certification and education to the import/export community worldwide. In this capacity, Dr. Burton is constantly involved in managing activities impacting businesses and governments in more than one hundred forty countries around the world.

Dr Burton has also been a Professor of Strategic Management at major university for the past fifteen years, teaching mostly in the MBA program. He completed his Doctor of Business Administration with Honors at Nova Southeastern University and received his M.B.A. from the University of Oregon's Graduate School of Management graduating in

the top 5% of his class. He obtained a BS in Marketing and BA in Clinical Psychology with Honors from the University of Oregon.

Prior to his present position, Dr. Burton served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Midland Cascade Corporation, a privately held conglomerate with involvement in wood products, insurance, manufacturing, uranium mining, education services, retail computer stores, international distribution of computer software, and supplier of computer solutions to the automotive after-market to name a few. He also has served as Chairman and President of Computerware Inc., a regionally active IBM authorized turn-key computer sales and service company serving the Pacific Northwest, and Vice President of National Operations for Isle's Inc, a national publishing company. He has served on the boards of directors for corporations throughout the country.

On a personal note, Don and his family live in Arizona. He has been married to his wife Valeri for nearly thirty years. They have three children, Caulyne, Tyra and Devon. Don is a Vietnam veteran, having served in the US Navy aboard the USS Iwo Jima (LPH-2) and “in-country” on too many occasions.

Obviously, I was a “late bloomer”. I do feel strongly that El Cap was a very strong influence on me—even though I graduated with less than stellar grades and accomplishments during that time frame. As I look back, I remember the friendships and events with great fondness.



James Carroll

Sadly I will not be attending the 40th reunion. Happily I will be on an outer reef of Maui riding large waves. I do have wonderful memories of my high school years, and am very grateful for the friendships, education, and experiences. The sciences taught me by Mr. Lablond and Mr. Lantz got me through the rigorous science program at UCSD. Mr. Lablond was also the first teacher to post all the class test scores (no more hiding) allowing Clyde Ostler to argue with me to this day as to who did better. After biology classes Mr. Lantz helped me begin my continuing spiritual journey, understanding that life and God are connected. When asked what I do for a living I am happy to say that I am a biologist. Mr. Noble taught not only enough math to get through UCSD calculus, but also that it wasn't necessary to follow the rules in order to learn the subject. He also did something very special for me that I did not fully appreciate at the time. He gave me a cassette tape of his piano music. Now my own piano and guitar music have become one of the joys of my life. Mr. Manion introduced us to English as the doorway to critical thinking, rather than grammar, with such works as Animal Farm. Mr. Morgan taught us civics that I wish all Americans understood. Coach Turner showed us that with hard work a bunch of ragtag kids from the boonies could be the best tennis team in the league, and that Bob Eaton and I could beat the unbeaten. (Coach then took the team to La Jolla Country Day School to show us that in the bigger pond we were little

fish). I can only hope that kids today can receive such a good education.....After high school the years at UCSD were equally wonderful. But that is another story. Then I had the great good fortune to go to medical school at Johns Hopkins with the intention of returning to the faculty at UCSD. But four years in the green country of Maryland led to three years of residency in the spectacular beauty of Sonoma County. I was seduced, and here I stay blissfully living under the redwood trees, a small town country doctor. My life with my beloved Nancy is full of blessings. Our six children and six grandchildren and our brothers and sisters all live nearby. We get to surf, backpack, bikeride, tend the garden and orchard, and play music together (and of course watch a truly countless number of soccer, baseball, and basketball games.) Sorry, no picture-but then I am sure I look the same.



Frank Christ

Forty years boiled down to just a few words. There was college Grossmont and then San Diego State. Attempts at student teaching and a Library Science minor to go with the elementary credential. Didn't work out- got the minor to go with the social science major but no credential. The Navy came into the picture - time on the Enterprise a couple of foreign ports (Hong Kong, Singapore, Hobart Tasmania, Mombasa Kenya and of course Subic Bay in the Philippines. The Navy dropped me off in San Francisco and I stayed there. A few years of retail work during which time I met and married Theresa. When we met I was working for a convenience store chain (Stop n Go). For a while I was in "drugs" as Theresa likes to say. Actually I was an assistant manager for a local drug store chain. There was an attempt at insurance and other jobs requiring selling. I found that I wasn't a salesman. Finally I ended up at the post office where I have been for about 17 years. I have had my own route for about 15 and a half years and will retire in about 7 years. I need to stay working just in case my two boys go to college. I have only been married for 24 years but my boys are 15 and just shy of 12. They have some major problems. Both have muscle problems and Frank Jr (my older son) has obsessive compulsive disorder (OCD) along with teen-age problems. It is getting better but I don't really completely trust Frank to be on his own. It is due to this that I won't make the reunion. If was in the summer we could have made it a family trip. Maybe next time. Other than a host of problems associated with the boys, a home burning down, loss of wife's parents and my Dad last May, problems with my family interacting with Theresa and Frank Jr (you just have to be stricter with Frank Jr) I have been leading a "normal" life. So much for 40 years. Feel free to email me (casagrande3@comcast.net) or call if you are going to be in the San Francisco Bay area my number is 415-453-1121. Well that is 40 years in a rambling paragraph.



Sandra Clarren Moncata

Website: www.caras-art.com

WOW - now that I've seen not only the "old" pix but read the bio pages herein - I've got to admit I'm impressed. Just think what life brought our way and how we have managed to answer. My hubby, Rene, and I look forward to meeting all of you. For ourselves, we both know just how lucky we are in that we found each other from the rebound position after our first marriages dissolved. In our own new marriage, we've put together all 6 of our kids as a family, 9 grandkids that are all truly "Grand!" and proof positive that hope and love are still alive and well.

In regard to myself since H.S., I worked my way through SDSC when it was still called that. I completed my teacher training and taught private school when my boys were still little. But when the time came for me to start supporting them as a single mom, I was ready to...and lucky enough to...get a chance to learn computer technology and USE it!

Rene too was in on the advent of the worldwide web wave hitting the USA in the early '90's. His commercial art background met the tech world head-on and as a result of their collision, both he and I are the proud owners of the web-effort referenced above. It's our Art-At-Your-Fingertips website. As a retiree, the web-efforts have become a labor of love and Rene gets the chance to tend to another of his labors of love, his Golf Game.

As of this date I'm still working and since I'm one of the Caltech employees working at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, you can bet I'm lovin' it! Have you seen the latest about our twin rovers on Mars? I work with the Mission Assurance Division as part of their administrative team and webmaster. This is a dedicated group of engineers and scientists who help plan work-arounds to different project problems.



Julie (Conway) Drever

I attended grade school and junior high in La Mesa and went to Helix for my freshman year of high school. We moved temporarily to Spring Valley where I spent my sophomore year at Mt.Miguel. Then we moved to Santee where I settled into my junior and senior year's at El Cap. As a result of moving around so much during my high school years, I really didn't know too many people from El Cap's Class of '64. My senior year I was on the drill team, which was the highlight of high school for me. I had been a pretty good student, but really lost interest in my studies my senior year. My parents expected me to go on to college, but I really didn't look forward to continuing my education after graduation. So I made minimal effort to get there. But with no real skills to qualify for a job, find work and support myself, I decided to enroll at Grossmont Junior College. There I took Liberal Arts courses and spent a lot of time in the Student Center

where a bunch of us who had graduated from El Cap hung out together. After a couple of years at Grossmont and one semester at San Diego State, I decided that what I REALLY wanted was to quit school and work in order to have the financial means to move away from home. So that's what I did for a while until, on a lark, I moved to Florida. I learned though that after living away from my family for five years that being nearer to them was pretty important. So I moved back to the San Diego area in 1973 and went to work for the Navy at the Naval Air Station, North Island. There I met my husband, Dan. He was the Maintenance Chief of an aircraft squadron and was just returning from his seventh cruise to Viet Nam on board the USS Constellation. When we got married (30 years in April 2004), he had a 13 year old daughter and I had a 4 year old son. We both worked at North Island until he retired from the Navy and we moved to Whidbey Island, Washington. I transferred my Civil Service status there and had a job before we moved. Within a year Dan also got a Civil Service position working Quality Assurance for aircraft contracts. When I started working for the Navy, I was only a GS-3 Clerk. Before retiring, I had worked my way up the Civil Service ladder to a GS-12 Program Manager position that was Special Assistant to the Commanding Officer of the Naval Hospital on Whidbey Island. As a Management/Financial Analyst, I conducted special studies and internal audits for the Command. My husband's position required a lot of traveling and we both were under tremendous stress with our respective jobs. The time came when we decided it was time to retire (for me an early retirement with 20 years and for Dan his second time). For 17 years we lived on Whidbey Island and enjoyed the beauty and serenity of living in such an isolated place. But when we made the decision to retire, we started looking for a place closer to civilization and much WARMER. So in 1993 we moved to the Tampa Bay, Florida area - a small town called Tarpon Springs. We both continue to work part time (someday another retirement, maybe) in a country store to help support our passion for traveling. We have been fortunate to have seen and experienced a great part of the world, including pretty much all of the U.S., Western Europe, most of Eastern Europe, Russia, most of Canada, Thailand, Ireland, Egypt, Greece, Turkey, Malta, Mexico and Central America. Our trip this year will be to China. We also make annual trips to the Florida Keys where we enjoy our other passion - the beach and snorkeling. I am looking forward to attending the reunion, spending time with some dear friends from the El Cap and Grossmont days and visiting with my family who still live in California - my brother and Step-Mom in the L.A. area and my sister and Mom who live near San Jose.



Roberta Louise (Cooper, Ezell) Severson

1964- After graduation, I moved to Los Angeles, California.

1964- '66- Attended Los Angeles Trade-Technical College. (Power Sewing and Design- Certificate).

1965- Marriage to Jess J. Ezell.

1967- First son born, James Kevin Ezell.

1969- Twins sons born, Jeffrey Keith and Jonathon Kurt Ezell.

1972- Moved back to Santee, California.

1973- Fourth son born, Jerad Kendall Ezell.
 1984- Divorce.
 1984-'93 -Family Day Care (Self- Employed).
 1992- Born Again Christian.
 1993- Moved to San Diego, California.
 1994- 95 Living Word Bible College (Biblical Worship and Counseling-Certificate).
 1995- Maric College of Medical Careers (Medical Assistant- Certificate).
 2000- '03 -Attended Southwestern College, Chula Vista. (A.A. Degree in Child Development).
 2001 - Marriage to Marlon R. Severson. Moved to El Cajon, California.
 2004- Grandchildren- Britany, Kaitlyn, Brent, Michael and Kayla.



Larry Curtis Cope

Grossmont JC. U.S. Army---Ft.Ord-CA/Ft. Lee-VA/Korat-Thailand/Ft. Bragg-NC/Ft. Riley-KS/Ft Benning-GA-----4 years total.

Married Dec 13, 1969 to Carol Linda Vilardi of Cliffside Park, New Jersey where we lived until 1972.Moved to Ridgewood, NJ for 6 months then on to Bayville, NJ where we bought our first home and lived until June 1979. Carol was the Laboratory Manager at Manahawkin Community Hospital and I worked at a television and appliance sales and service business. Our daughter, Valerie Lynda Cope was born July 21, 1974.

After the gas "shortage" and increases in electricity rates in the mid 70's we moved to the island of Sanibel, Florida in June 1979. We had a new home built which we moved into in Mar '82.

Carol, ever the fitness and health guru, began running. And winning! I operated Larry's Island TV from 1981 until 1995 and Carol was the Lab Manager at Cape Coral Hospital. One weekend day was usually set aside for a 5K or 10K road race which Carol and Valerie often won in their class.(I have a room full of trophies to prove it!LOL)In 1990 Carol and Valerie were both fortunate in qualifying for the "Seven Mile Bride Run" on Marathon in the Florida Keys. Limited to 1500 runners it is, because of it's location, one of the most sought after qualifying runs in Florida. Carol and Valerie both won 1st place in their age categories! What a high!

In 1987, after the death of her mother, Rose, Carol returned to college and obtained her Master's Degree in Healthcare Administration. After graduating from Cypress Lake High School in 1992 Valerie "went away" (120 miles), on full scholarship, to The University of Tampa---her mother's alma mater! In the fall of 1994 she transferred to College Of The Atlantic in Bar Harbor, Maine!

After a downsizing at the hospital in 1994 Carol's job was eliminated. She soon obtained a position at another hospital but it was a long commute. In April 1995 Carol was offered the opportunity to become the Lab Manager at Martha's Vineyard Hospital, on Martha's Vineyard, MA. After separate visits to look over the situation and after we talked it over we decided to go. Valerie was in Maine, we missed her very much and we loved New England. so, in October '95 we (Moving van towing a car on a trailer and another van filled to the brim, 7 cats and 1 dog) moved again.

We kept our home on Sanibel as a hedge against poor judgement!LOL . The house we had rented on MV until the end of May '96 for \$1000.00 p/mo was scheduled to go up to \$4400.00 PER WEEK on June 1st 1996. The outlook for an affordable rental was not promising and the hospital's finances were precarious, so on May 26, 1996 we moved back to Sanibel. What a summer that was---May 26-May 30 move from MV to Sanibel. June 10th rent a car and drive back to Maine(stopping in NJ to pick up Carol's cousin) for Valerie's college graduation. After graduation drive from Maine to Santee, CA (by way of NJ to drop off the cousin)for my parents 50th wedding anniversary! Then drive back to Sanibel!

In 1996 I reopened my business and Carol worked as a consultant and Lab Manager at a private lab. Valerie went on to graduate school at Sarah Lawrence College in Bronxville, NY where she obtained her MFA. After graduation Valerie took a job at a publisher in New York City where she was a copy editor. She lived in Brooklyn. She later moved into our home on Sanibel when Carol and I moved--again!

In December 1999 I closed my business and we moved to Big Pine Key, FL where we had both taken jobs at the hospital in Key West--Carol as the Lab Manager and I as the biomedical equipment technician. Carol was diagnosed with ovarian cancer on July 4th 2000 and had major surgery that month. She was back at work by August 15th and began chemotherapy. She tolerated the chemo well--thank goodness. The opportunity came to move back to our home on Sanibel in December of 2001 when the company we worked for acquired a local hospital where Carol and I both took jobs. Valerie moved to Ft Myers where she and her boyfriend bought a 1926 spanish style home in June of 2001. Despite surgery and continuous chemotherapy, Carol died in our arms on February 13, 2003. It has been the longest year!

I still work as a biomedical equipment technician at the hospital and am currently involved in major repairs and remodeling of the house. We have always been camper's(Tent) and I still enjoy traveling and enjoying all the beauty of our earth. Valerie works as the "Marketing Communications Manager" for a major South Florida Developer. She has been and continues to be a joy to be with. Don't know if I will make it to the reunion, but am glad you found me and will try my best to make it. If anyone remembers me I'd sure be glad to hear from you! Best Regards to all.



Shirley (Drach) Callahan

Well, after graduating I remained in the Lakeside area, I was married, bought a home and raised 2 children, did a lot of volunteer work with the kids, cub scouts, girl scouts, little league, soft ball, PTA and all there school events. I have 7 grandchildren; my daughter and her 5 children live in Ramona. The other 2 live in Texas. I was divorced in 1980, remarried in 1985 to Dave we bought a home with 2.5 acres in Ramona where we currently live with our horses, dogs and cats. And since the fire last October, my Mom, Dad, 14 yr. old niece and 15 yr. old nephew also live with us. Their home was lost in the Fire. In 1974 I started my own Embroidery and Silkscreen business, Wallace Embroidery we were located on Main St. in Lakeside for about 12 years. In 1986 I finally tired of working for myself, decided to try something new, I went to work at the 7-11 on Lake Jennings and El Monte road, I was there for 10 years as their manager. I met a lot of new friends there including several sheriff deputies, they talked me into going to work for the Sheriffs Department, I did and I currently work at the Vista Detention Facility as a Detention Processing Supervisor. Dave is a Retired Navy Chief, he works the late night shift at the 7-11, going on 20 years now, he's kind of a fixture there. And our next stop is retirement and a move to Texas, hopefully the first of 2006 if all goes well. Of course my sister Polly wants us to move to Alabama and that's a possibility too.



Gayle (Dvoracek) Berry

I MOVED TO TEXAS 25 YEARS AGO. I HAVE 3 CHILDREN, KARIE 34, ANNIE 25, & BUZZ (NICKNAME) 22. I HAVE 3 GRANDCHILDREN, JUSTIN 11, STEPHEN 5, & CHELSEY 4 MONTHS. I AM AN ADMINISTRATIVE ASSOCIATE IN THE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT OF A PRISON. I HAVE WORKED THERE FOR 13 YEARS. I HAVE SO MANY WONDERFUL & FOND MEMORIES OF MY HIGH SCHOOL DAYS. WAS GLAD TO SEE MIKE KUYKENDALL'S NAME ON THE LIST. WE STARTED KINDERGARTEN TOGETHER IN THE LAKESIDE SCHOOL DISTRICT. AT THIS TIME I DO NOT HAVE PLANS FOR RETIREMENT, I LIKE TO WORK. MY CHILDREN & GRANDCHILDREN KEEP ME BUSY. I ENJOY SEWING, FISHING, MY DOGS, & LIFE. HELLO FELLOW CLASSMATES OF '64.



Joyce Earickson

I graduated early from El Cap (January, 1964) when my dad was transferred to Perth, Western Australia with the Navy. At sixteen, I

was too young to enter the University of Western Australia, so I completed a fifth year of high school in Perth. My dad stayed on a project in Australia for four more years, but the rest of us (five kids and Mom) returned home to the U.S. With a dream to some day live in Italy, I moved to Boulder where I completed a B.A. (1969) and M.A. (1971) in Italian language and literature at the University of Colorado. This course of study included a year at the University of Bologna (1968-69) in Northern Italy. After a number of jobs in Colorado, I eventually returned to the San Diego area and taught English and French (1974-76) at Christian High School in El Cajon. From there I went to SDSU to complete a high school English credential, and in 1979, I began teaching English (and occasionally Italian) at Fallbrook High School. I took a three year leave of absence from the high school to complete a Master of Divinity degree (1992) at the Claremont School of Theology. For the past ten years, I have taught at both Fallbrook High and Oasis High (the independent study high school in the district), and in the evenings, I've gone to school. In May, I completed a Doctor of Psychology degree in Pastoral Counseling at Alliant International University and a Certificate in Spiritual Direction at USD. I am currently involved part time in pastoral counseling, spiritual direction, and retreat ministries at my church. This September, I started my twenty-sixth year at Fallbrook High; I plan to continue teaching there for about five more years, and then I hope to work full time in pastoral counseling at a United Methodist Church in Oceanside. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the reunion!



Robert Eaton

I live with my wonderful wife Katie in Boulder, Colorado. Until recently, both Katie and I had positions at the University of Colorado. I was a professor, and she did financial administration of federal research grants.

As for many of us, the time after high school was very difficult against the backdrop of the war and social change. Somehow I didn't 'check out' but became focused on my college coursework and entered academics in the then-new field of neuroscience. I survived graduate school, and along the way became married, had a son, Christopher, and supported my family on scholarships.

Fortunately, I had inspired mentors and, as a newly-minted Ph.D. in the early-70s, I received a fellowship to study at Scripps Institution of Oceanography in a neuroscience unit that was part of the UCSD School of Medicine. That led to further research in Paris, France. About that time I went through a divorce, but I finally emerged from the mid-70s with a potential career and an optimistic outlook.

In 1977, I took a permanent position at the University of Colorado, in Boulder. This would be my academic home for the next 25 years. Boulder was an exciting place. In the early years, though, it was difficult doing the teaching, the research, getting tenure, and

raising my son as a single parent. I did the dating scene for quite a few years, before meeting Katie in the mid-80s.

My science was in the areas of neurophysiology and biophysics. It concerned the ways that networks of nerve cells in the brain produce perceptions of the mind and movements of the body. This involved research and consulting for several federal agencies – NIH, NSF and ONR – and led to my giving lectures at many scientific venues in the US, Europe, and Japan. Ultimately, my studies concerned how the brain ‘computes’ a classical logical process (XNOR) that I first learned in Ed Nobel’s high school math class. As a professor I also taught everything from huge undergraduate classes of 300 students, or more, to mentoring individual graduate students in my laboratory. I eventually became the Chairman of my department. But, in many ways the teaching was the most satisfying of all.

This may seem like a straight line from beginning to present, but I have had my share of ups, downs, and detours. All in all, though, I believe that many values I learned in high school (from teachers, classmates and friends) played an important role in my life as a scientist and educator. I am fortunate to have had supporting family, and to end up in a fulfilling profession where I could make a contribution, while still having some time to enjoy life.

For the future, Katie and I want to build a new home on land we recently bought in Sedona, Arizona. We’ll continue to pursue our creative interests – in Katie’s case, teaching movement, dance and yoga – and in my case doing photography, writing, and tinkering/inventing in my shop. We’ve already re-built a few houses (we call it “recreational home rebuilding”) and we like the desert southwest. Also, Sedona is only one day’s drive to San Diego where we go to see relatives and friends, and to vacation at the beach (I’m still fond of body surfing).

That’s our hope. However, our Sedona move is on hold because we’ve recently become legal guardians of a disabled uncle who lives in a care facility near us, and who would be hard to relocate. So goes life.



Christine (Egerer) Senko

Website: [Shooting with AzAnnieO](#)

I'm not over the hill yet, but the view from here is fantastic!!

After El Cap, I went to Grossmont for 2 years, receiving an A.A. in Data Processing. Been working as a techie ever since.

I married in 1967 and was divorced, with 2 wonderful children, in 1972. End of that story. My kids, Danielle, and Corwin, have always been the brightest lights in my life.

I got hooked on photography and took some adult ed. classes, joined some photo clubs, etc. It has been my love since then. I was fortunate enough to live in Arizona for 4+ years and spent many weekends exploring all over the state - camera in hand. What a beautiful place!!!!!! I'm a desert rat at heart.

While in Arizona, I also took up 4-wheeling. Great fun!!! It's also a great help when looking for photo ops. I'm in Colorado now, and doing much less 4-wheeling, for various reasons, including the weather, but it's still great fun.. I love camping, especially off-road. ***4X4 Rule # 1: If you don't get stuck, you're not trying hard enough!***

If I could do 1 thing differently in high school, it would be to take Photography classes.

It'll be a couple of years before I am able to retire, but this year I decided to *practice* retirement a bit. I took all of June off work and drove to Alaska in an RV. Me, my dog, and my 2 cats. It was the most wonderful vacation I've ever taken. It was also a good practice run. I'm pretty sure that, as long as I have my health, I'm going to be very good at retiring!

I look forward to seeing everyone in October.



Robert Emerson

Since graduating from El Cap, I helped manage a hardware store and lumber yard and worked as an outside sales rep for a precast concrete company. More recently however, I have been teaching elementary school. I attended Grossmont J.C. and graduated from San Diego State. My wife Sue is a high school principal, and my daughter Lindsey is working on her masters degree in bio-statistics. In my garage sits my 55 Chevy that I bought my senior year at El Cap. My interests include dune buggies, traveling, art, and enjoying a Rocky Mountain Kool-Aid. Like the song says, "It's better to burnout than it is to rust!" My wife and I own a home in the Blossom Valley area.



Douglas Fischer

After graduating from El Cap in 1964, I attended San Diego State, and graduated in 1969 with a Bachelor's degree in Psychology and in 1971 with a Master's degree in Counseling. I eventually received a Ph.D. in Psychology with an emphasis in White Collar Crime and Criminal

Behavior.

I worked for the San Diego Sheriffs Department as a Deputy Sheriff, until an injury forced my retirement. I started a new career with the State of California, Department of Justice as a Special Agent. I retired from the Department of Justice, however after five years I was asked to come back as a part time employee. I currently work in the Division of Criminal Law as a Special Agent, conducting background investigations and doing some criminal work.

I am married to a physician at Scripps Clinic and we have a seven-year-old daughter in first grade. We live in the Del Mar area.



Reed Flory

After graduation from El Capitan, I attended the University of California at Riverside graduating with majors in Biology and Sociology. I received the first athletic “grant” ever given by the school. A combination of knee surgeries and academic demands ended my athletic career. Subsequently, I pursued a Master Degree in Public Administration from the University of California at Irvine. I was married to Barbara early in my College career and we divorced shortly after graduate school.

I bought a home in Laguna Beach (and lived there for 20 years). My first real job experience was working for the County of Orange as a policy analyst. I finally achieving the position of Manager of the Housing Division and Executive Director of the County Housing Authority. I left County employ to start my own company. For the following 17 years, I co-owned a consulting firm that developed affordable housing in conjunction with non-profits, local governments and selected for-profit sponsors. We did a lot of HUD, Tax Credit and bond financed developments for the elderly and special needs populations throughout the state. Married and divorced Robin (still no children).

After both of my partners retired, I returned to work for local government in Redding CA as Housing Manager. After several years of commuting from Sacramento, I was hired as Chief Mortgage Underwriter for the State Department of Housing and Community Development overseeing permanent financing programs for multifamily developments. Later I became Chief, Monitoring and Management Branch overseeing the existing State portfolio of existing loans. I sold my home in Laguna and moved to Sacramento to live with Joan. Joan is an emergency Pediatric Doctor at Kaiser and had been a skiing buddy for 20 plus years. Together, we adopted a boy (my first) and five years later, we were married.

Aging and deferred maintenance required a number of surgeries, which in turn suggested that I retire from the State employment. I did so in 2002. Now almost fully mended, I coach soccer, baseball, basketball and review karate forms and third grade homework. I

wash dishes, cloths and windows and am looking to return to work before I go completely crazy.

Joan has two daughters (Amelia – Senior at UCLA) (Julia – Senior in High School). Boy friends, car issues and budget debates are more than offset by their good grades and personalities. Patrick, our eight year old, is into everything with an energy level I cannot measure.

Joan and I snow ski and golf. We both enjoy traveling. Joan collects children's books and classic board games. I move them from room to room.



Ann (Frank) North

When I left El Cap, I attended Scripps College, but after two years found it cloying and transferred to UC Berkeley. I graduated from there and took the fifth year to get a teaching credential. Then I taught in a couple of school districts until I worked my way back to Grossmont Union High School District and taught at Granite Hills. One of the hardest things to do was call my former high school teachers by their first names as colleagues.

During that time I met and married John North, a manager with Pacific Bell. Shortly after the birth of our son, we were transferred to New Jersey and John worked at AT&T headquarters for three years. We found the east coast very interesting, but were delighted when the company transferred us back to California, this time to the Bay Area.

Our daughter was born shortly after moving back. I raised the kids and did a lot of volunteer work for several years, then started back into teaching. After getting an M.A. in English, I taught at the college level, but full time work was hard to get without moving, so I switched to the business world and became a Technical Writer, Quality Control Tester and Trainer for a small software company. Working with programmers and business graduates seriously deteriorated my English skills.

After 25 years in Concord, and just about the time the fourth sale of my company occurred, John and I decided to retire. We returned to his home town, Reno, NV about two and a half years ago. Since then, I have volunteered with the Truckee Meadows Community College Adult Basic Education program, the Friends of Washoe County Library used book store, and the Food Bank. John joined the bonsai club. And we both do a lot of volunteering with our homeowners association and with the Nevada State Railroad Museum in Carson City.

I love Northern Nevada; I like the desert and the easy access to the Sierra mountains. I like the people, too; they are in many ways quite different from Californians. Ask me about that (and of course about our kids) when we meet at the reunion.



Kent Fullarton

I seem to have jumped the gun a little and went into the Navy. I saw the first battle at Chu Lai. That was the first landing in Vietnam. Made two and a half cruises and went home. Year 2004, I was the one who was not a hero. Lived a short time in the French Quarter, New Orleans, Then Goose Bayou, Then Back to Lakeside. Got married in 68 to Cynthia Wood. She had just moved to Santee from Imperial Beech. Two kids, one of each. A.S Real Estate at Grossmont, A.S. Drafting Cutamaca, B.A Architecture at Newschool of Architecture and Design. I have not been able to get me to work in an office though. I am a General Contractor designing and building light steel buildings. We bought twenty acers in Lawson Valley back when it was cheap and intend to put a cabin on it, someday.

Good Luck to all



Dottie (Gallion) Zekan

Forty years. A long period to cover in few words. All is well in our lives. Joe and I celebrate our 38th anniversary on Oct 22, one of the reunion dates. We have 2 grown daughters, both married last year within months of each other. I recommend to all of you out there not to suffer that particular Hell willingly. We all got through it with no permanent ill effects. One wedding in the forest for Laura, our oldest daughter; one at the sea for Mary, our youngest. Joe recently lost his sister Mary Zekan who went to El Cap, but graduated at Santana. He was very close to her, and we still mourn her passing. Another sadness was the death of our former math teacher, and beloved friend, Ed Noble who most of you will remember I am sure. We were blessed to accompany him on a dig for ammonite fossils in Nevada at the only location where the Jurassic and Triassic periods meet in an exposed juncture. We found wondrous museum quality fossils and shared a camping experience that we will never forget. During that trip he shared with us his opinion of the Class of 1964 at El Cap. He called us his 'last great class'...in that we were intelligent and valued the knowledge that our teachers could impart. He died soon after and we still miss him. We still enjoy mineral and artifact collecting...Joe collects meteors and we view at least 10-12 meteor showers a year. Joe just retired from SBC last year. He is a VietNam veteran and was in Khe Sahn during the siege. I have been with Scrippshealth for 20 years as an analyst in the I.T. department at the LaJolla Corporate offices. Hoping to retire in the next few years and relocate in Arizona close to Quartzite. I am thankful that the young man I met in high school married in 1966....is the man I love still. We think often and fondly of our years at El Cap and wonder how all of you are doing. We wish you well and hope to see you if we attend the reunion. Thanks to all of you on the reunion committee for all the hard work.



Carolyn (Gilmore) Masterson

Married with three Children, all boys

I own an old 4-bedroom home in Santee I have been working for San Diego City Schools for 30 years, currently at San Diego High School, teaching mathematics. My husband, Chris works a Rohr, my son Philip works a Mc Donald Douglas as a computer engineer, my son Richard works for a dirt hauling company, and my son Michael is finishing up at Revelle, UCSD in June.



Linda Gollehon

I married Paul Bretton in 1966, and we had four children between 1967 and 1975 – Paul, Daniel, Laura, and Patricia. In 1968 I graduated from San Diego State with a major in math, minor in English. I received a Master's in mathematics at UC Irvine in 1970.

My career has been spent as a software engineer, working primarily on defense-related engineering problems. I spent 19 years at Orincon Corporation, a small defense-based R&D firm in La Jolla. Most of the work was in underseas surveillance (listening for and tracking Soviet submarines). For many years, I had technical and managerial responsibility for a project that supplied tracking algorithms and software used by SOSUS, our nation's underwater surveillance system. Later I worked with the British Ministry of Defense to put a new SONAR system in their submarine fleet. I finished my career at QUALCOMM, working on Globalstar (CDMA and satellite-based phone network), then on CONDOR (secure cell phones) and finally on the Digital Cinema project.

As part of my job, I enjoyed frequent business travel to many interesting places, including Japan, Iceland, Adak Island (in the Alaskan Aleutians), England, Pearl Harbor, and Washington DC. For vacations, Paul and I used air miles to visit Australia, New Zealand, Germany, Austria, and England. We both love to travel and hope to do more of it during retirement.

In preparation for retirement, Paul and I started looking at properties in the Pacific Northwest, focusing on Washington and Oregon. We wanted to buy acreage in an area that was mountainous and green, with wildlife, where we could cross-country ski in the winter and ride horses in the summer. On one of our vacations we visited the Robson Valley in British Columbia. Although we had not previously considered Canada as a retirement spot, we were so impressed with the scenic beauty that we started looking at real estate. We quickly found – and bought – a farm in the small community of Dunster.

We have almost 200 acres, about half in hay and the other half in wilderness. The Fraser River forms the back boundary. The Rocky Mountains are in our front yard, and the Cariboo Mountains are in the back. We spot numerous black bears, an occasional grizzly, lots of deer, moose, once a Canadian lynx, and recently a small herd of elk - and that's just from our family room windows! We had no intentions of buying or working a farm, but that's just what we are doing. We bought several horses, including two weanlings, and we are trying to learn natural training methods. We don't plan to stay in Canada more than a few more years, but we are enjoying this time immensely.

If you ever want to visit the great north woods, we would love to see you!



Doug Gradall

My best friend in high school was Del Henderson. After graduating we were going to join the Navy. I got cold feet at the last moment and decided to bum around for a while. He failed his physical and was upset. Three years later we were still bumming around and I got drafted. I passed my physical and I was upset! Less than a year later I was in Viet Nam, in the 101st Airborne Division, when I got a letter explaining that Del was killed in an industrial/truck accident.

On a R&R to Hawaii, I married Sally Wolcott (El Cajon High class of 64.)Do you remember El Cajon? They had a wooden Indian in their quad that we diapered one year and painted a yellow stripe down it's back another year in anticipation of the BIG GAME.

Leaving Viet Nam and the Army behind I went to college. After graduation I fulfilled the prophecy of some El Cap teachers. Mr. Cleveland, in auto shop, and others thought for sure I would be on a first name basis with law Enforcement. They were right I became a Highway Patrolman and later a Deputy Sheriff. I retired three years ago as a Sergeant with the El Dorado County Sheriff's Department. We went to Europe the first year and the East Coast the next year.

Last December I went back to work, as a High School Teacher. While many of you have gone far in life. I am right back where I was 40 years ago! Hanging out at school with teenagers. I more or less dress the same as I did then, but they sure don't.

A few years back I was thinking about being a minister. I took all the classes and became licensed, but lost interest in being that good! This summer It all became worthwhile when I was able to officiate at my daughters wedding. What a kick. The wedding and a visit with our oldest daughter and first grandchild, in Korea, were the high lights of my summer.

El Cap was fun for me. Since then I have been blessed with three daughters, 35 years of marriage and a nice tractor.



Stephen Graham

After serving in the Air Force right out of High School I went to work with my family in Perfection Peanut and Popcorn Supply Company, which later my brother and I became partners in after my parents retired. I married my wife Kathryn in 1975 and will celebrate our 29th wedding anniversary this year. I took a short retirement in 1999 so Kathryn and I could do some traveling. It gave us the great opportunity to visit Jamaica, Puerto Rico and the Cabibbean Islands. This last year I started back to work part time and my brother and I are trying to restore the Model A we've had stored! I look forward to seeing everyone in October!



Dorothy (Gruner) Howell

WOW! 40 years is a long time. I do not feel any different than I did forty years ago until I look into the mirror and wonder how many more years I can go on trying to defy the laws of gravity. Do you realize how many changes have taken place since we were in high school? Remote used to mean a secluded spot off the beaten path and cable was something that supported a bridge. A videro game was trying to make out the fuzzy, snowy images on the TV screen. A cell phone was what you used to make your one phone call from jail. A calculator was your accountant. An airbag was some guy who talked too much. Digital computing was counting on your fingers. High speed access was an on-ramp to the freeway. And, surfing was something done on a board in the ocean. Not to mention wars, police actions, cold wars and the fall of the Berlin Wall and more recently the Twin Towers. Enough of this waxing nostalgic. If you are reading this letter I am sure you want to know what I have been doing for the last forty years besides trying to defy the law of gravity.

After leaving high School like most of you I went to college but, that was interrupted when I married Robert Howell and moved to Coronado. Robert worked for the Civil Service at North Island and we owned and operated a jewelry store near the Hotel Del. Our son, Neil, was born in Coronado in 1970. Two years after his birth we decided to move to the country. We bought a home in Alpine and moved. In 1973 I had a miscarriage that proved to be the straw that broke the camels back in our marriage. It was all downhill until our divorce was final in 1978. I moved back to Lakeside with my son and like the Phoenix rising out of the ashes I began again. Besides being a mom I went back to college and worked part time then full time at numerous jobs. I have been a Notetaker/Interpreter/Instructor for the deaf in college, a delivery driver for a dental lab, and a general office worker/data control supervisor/ business office coordinator for different medical groups. When my son graduated from El Capitan in 1988 and went off to college I embarked on a whole new career with the California Department of Corrections as a correctional officer. Work brought me to the other end of the state in 1989 and a whole different way of life. I live in Fort Dick, in the redwoods, sixteen miles

from the Oregon border on Highway 101. I work at Pelican Bay State Prison in Crescent City. I am a floor officer in a lock down unit call the Security Housing Unit (SH).

When I am not working I fish, hike, raft, antique hunt and travel. My last trip was with my son. We spent a month last January in Peru. What a trip. Had to come home to rest.

Well, that's the the condensed version of forty years of my life in a nutshell.

I was not sure I would be able to attend the school reunion because we have to apply for time off a year in advance, but, as luck has it, I was able to procure the time needed in the last hour. I hope everything has gone well for each and everyone of you in the last forty years. I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the school reunion. Take care, see you soon.



Julie (Harper) Chlarson

After graduation, I went to Grossmont College and graduated in 1967. Then went on to SDSU and graduated in 1971 with a degree in Recreation Therapy. I worked in the mental health unit at Mercy Hospital and became a supervisor of other therapists on the geriatric team.

I married Michael Dennis Chlarson who graduated from San Diego High School in 1960 and we had two children: Aimee Bridget born in 1975 and Emilie Janeane born in 1978. Mike and I were divorced in 1981.

I moved to L.A. county and worked as a manager of a psychiatric rehabilitation unit, supervising 22 therapists from all different professions. After that I ran a free-standing drug rehab in Downey and an employee assistance program for about 50 corporations on contract. From there I moved myself and my girls to Oregon, where I was the Administrative Director for psychiatric and chemical dependency inpatient units in Corvallis Oregon at Good Samaritan Hospital.

I returned to California in 1990 and was the Administrator at San Bernardino Community Hospital of three inpatient psychiatric units and an inpatient chemical dependency unit. I also ran a psych emergency team from the E.R. and developed an employee assistance program for my corporation facilities.

I returned to San Diego in 1996 and work for Episcopal Community Services.

ECS is a faith based social service agency with programs for homeless, addicts, mentally ill and domestic violence shelters. I currently am an educator and testor for HIV Counseling. I go to the various SD county Drug and Alcohol funded sites and provide education and testing to clients. I also provide prevention information and referrals for those who test positive.

I previously ran a court ordered drug diversion program for them and before that was an educator and supervisor for a county contracted DUI program. Originally, I was one of their grantwriters and did some case management for the homeless program for chronically mentally ill. I enjoy my work and always feel good about helping whatever way I can with the various clients I have.

My daughters are both working for the phone company in Sacramento. They make twice as much money as me and are happy with their jobs. Aimee is divorced and has a six year old son: Josiah; the light of my heart. Emilie lives alone with her four cats!! I go up to see them about 4 or 5 times a year, but I miss them a lot. I thought about moving to be nearer them, but there is no place like San Diego; I don't want to leave.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the reunion and catching up on all the things people have been doing all these years.



John Hein

After graduation I attended Grossmont College for one year. Realizing that this was not meant to be at that time, I enlisted in the Air Force. After basic training in Texas, I was assigned to Minot Air Force Base in North Dakota. I spent my entire military career there and that is where I met my wife, Donna. Upon being discharged in 1969, we settled in the San Francisco Bay Area, Fremont to be exact. I went to work for McKesson Water Products (Sparkletts, Alhambra, Crystal Drinking Waters) in February of 1969. I worked for them in various capacities through August of 2001. In 1973 our oldest son, Brian, was born. On Donna's birthday in 1975 our son Robert was born, but sadly we lost him after only 17 days. In 1977 we were blessed with another son, Steven. In 1997 our son Brian married and moved to Idaho. Steven followed shortly thereafter so that he could attend Boise State. In 2000 McKesson sold off the Water Division and I took an early retirement in 2001 on my 55th birthday. After almost two years in retirement our son talked us into buying a family business and that is the reason I will not be joining you for this reunion. This coming year we intend to either sell the business or turn over the operation of it to our sons so that we can again be foot loose and fancy-free. Hope to see you all at the 45th.



Victor Hensley

After high school I spent the summer with Curt Clubb, Ray De La Hunt and Tad Henrickson working in Yellowstone Park. After a year of work, I joined the U.S.A.F. and worked law enforcement at Travis A.F.B., Ca. for almost three years. I was sent to Ben Hoa, Viet Nam in 1968 and spent the year there protecting Craig Nielson, while he and

his buddies played poker. In December of 67' I married Becky Staite, class of 68. After returning from Viet Nam, I worked for Dorman Tire Co. for a year. In 1970 I went to work as a mechanic for Staite's Lunch Service, owned by my in-laws. In 1973 my Dad, brother and I went in partners as Hensley Trucking. We ran semi end dump trucks, here in the San Diego area until 1976. In 1974 we had the first of eight children, four girls four boys. In 1991 we lost our youngest son. We moved to Cottage Grove, Or., shortly after his death, and lived in that area until we returned to El Cajon about three years ago. I now own and operate Vic's Trucking LLC, here in Lakeside. My life has been spent playing with and raising my kids and grand kids(8), and enjoying the company of the worlds greatest mother and wife, and many years of serving in various capacities for " The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints". (throw in thirty years of driving trucks)



Thomas Hettinger

After high school our family moved to Imperial, Ca. I was in the Navy 1966-1970. Married Trena McAbee in 1968. We have 2 children, Jennifer 1971-Mitchell 1974. Jennifer is married, lives in Ramona, Ca. She has one child, Travis Kerr, 1 year old in May. So far he is our one and only grandchild, our pride and joy. Mitch is in the Navy, he will be getting out Nov. of this year. Trena and I moved to Cabool, Mo in 2000 after I retired from the Post Office(31 years). My parents lived in Imperial till their passing. My Mother, Virginia in Jan. 1996 and my Dad, Morrie, Jan. 2004. My brother Lon lives in Imperial and Jack lives in El Centro, Ca. I won't get to the reunion this time but would like to hear from any of my friends from school and the canyon. Hope everyone has a great time.



George Hight

After graduation I attended Grossmont Junior College which was a waste of my time and my fathers money. The benefit was I met the love of my life Donna Marie Marcario who is a graduate of Helix High School. In October 1964 I joined the Marine Corps, did multiple tours of combat in Vietnam and ended up staying for 30 years. Along the way, married Donna, and have 2 children, son George III and daughter Shannon. Our tours of duty ranged from Camp Pendleton to Bogota, Colombia. On retirement Donna and I settled in Tacoma, Washington, where I finally went back and finished college, majoring in Automotive Technology. I always loved tinkering with cars and now I am the Shop Steward and lead technician for the local Cadillac/Saab/Hummer dealership. The highlight of our life is our 5 year old grand daughter, Chara Ann Cirnski. We look forward to seeing all of you at the 2004 reunion.

Semper Fi,



Don Hirschi

Attended Grossmont College then went into the Air Force after getting my third draft notice from the Army and having the FBI visit my mom's house. Upon my discharge from the Air Force in 1970, I returned to Grossmont College and then attended San Diego State while working for San Diego County. Dropped out of college, quit the County and moved to Springfield, Mo where I finished my bachelors degree. Moved to Tucson, AZ and drove an 18-wheeler for awhile. Moved back to Missouri to attend the University of Missouri. Left Missouri in 1983 and moved to Tennessee. While in graduate school I became interested in computers. Took a job with the State of Tennessee with all intentions to get some computer experience and look for work in the private sector. As it happened, I met and married Carolyn in Nashville in 1986 (my first marriage) and the next year we were blessed with the birth of our first and only child, Brian. I still work for the State of Tennessee and administer the computer network for the Tennessee State Legislature. Carolyn is heavily involved with the local Parent Teacher Organization and I am the Scoutmaster for Troop 13 in Franklin, TN. For most vacations we visit my family in Utah and Nevada. I will retire in about 6 six years (after Brian finishes college) near Kingman, AZ. Have never been to any of the Reunions and look forward to seeing people this year.



Charlotte (Hittle) Davis

Boy, 40 years. It sure goes by fast. My husband, Orrin, and I also just celebrated our 40th anniversary. We were married in February 1964. We have 2 kids. Our son Mark has 3 kids, Jonathan is 8, Seth is 6, Paul is 3. Our daughter has 3 kids also, Tristian is 7, Brenden is 5, Tianna is 3. Christmas ia a BLAST when we get all the grandkids together in one room, it's called chaos, but I love it.

I worked 7 years at a Special Treatment Center in the Mental Health field here in Alpine.

Orrin and I purchased Butler's Drilling Company from my Mom in 1992 after the death of my Dad, Kenneth Hittle. We drill water wells and just celebrated the company's 75th year in business.

In my spare time I enjoy making crafts, sewing, and reading. I'm also a volunteer at Grossmont Hospital Thrift Korral.



Carol (Homan) Nickens

Forty years, where have they gone? Second marriage, a wonderful daughter and two beautiful granddaughters. Spent a couple years in Vancouver, BC, Canada. What a great experience, something else besides being barefooted, with lots of sunshine. Came back to SD and got into the catering business. Curently I am married to a great guy and we live in Baja. What a peaceful life on the "Sea of Cortez". I enjoy kayaking, fishing, hiking, cooking, yoga, and traveling. Not necessarily in that order. Hope to make it to the reunion in October of 2004. Would love to see old school friends.



Mary Jane (Hopster) Papenhausen

Bill Papenhausen and I have been married 39 years. We have lived in Missouri and Alaska while Bill was doing his military service. Then back to beautiful southern California. We have two beautiful daughters Michele and Stephanie and two great son-in laws. Together they have given us five terrific grandchildren, who are all very special to us. They all give us lots of enjoyment and they love swimming in grandma and grandpa's swimming pool.

Since we have returned to California we have done a few different things. Bill was a San Diego Police Officer until he was injured in the line of duty and forced to retire. We then opened a fence company in Ramona called "Hurricane Fence". We sold this business in 1978 and moved back to El Cajon, where we bought the home we presently live in today. We have remodeled and re-remodeled to make it the perfect home which we enjoy.

Bill is now a Private Investigator, we also own Bill Papenhausen Bail Bonds located in El Cajon.

Our family is very involved with The Church of St. Luke in El Cajon. We have been involved in a majority of the fundraisers, which took place to build the church.

I enjoy decorating and working around our home and have been blessed to be able to stay home and raise our daughters and now help with the care of my five grandchildren. We also enjoy having family and friends over.

We have a very enriched life and are very thankful for this life. We would like to thank the reunion committee for all of their hard work and time. We know how hard and time consuming it is and appreciate their efforts very much.

God Bless and we look forward to seeing are classmates in October.



Thomas Robert Hunt

Since leaving El Cap, went onto Grossmont College and Humboldt State University, graduating in 1969. Completed my Teaching Credential there the following year and by 1971 started teaching in Ventura. Forgot to add that I had married another El Cap grad in 1967-Helen Riolo-Class of 1966, and we had 2 sons, Robert in 1972 and Bryon in 1974. I left teaching in 1973, worked for 3M Company till 1975. Also gone to Ventura Co. Reserve Sheriffs Academy during this time. 1975-76 Worked for Charmin Paper Co. 1976-1991 became a Special Agent for Southern Pacific Railroad (that's Railroad Police as in Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid). Got divorced -remarried-divorced during this time, not good time personnaly. Railroads had big cutbacks, started working for different schools and group homes with emotionally unstable kids. Since 1993, I have worked as long term & short term substitue teacher for many school districts in San Bernardino County. Yea that meant more school along the way between Cal State University and Cal Poly @Pomona. Seems like I kept going back to school. Anyway, got remarried to the love of my life,Sharon, the last 13 years. I have 5 grand children, and they occupy a lot of my time!



Violet Colleen Johnson

Wow... Hmmm. Let's keep this short! After high school, I went to San Diego State, San Jose State, and U.C. Berkeley. I married, supported my husband's graduate school efforts, and then got divorced a few years later, and became a paralegal. I have been a paralegal for about 30 years, and have really enjoyed the work. Now, I am an independent paralegal and work part-time, mostly advising in estate planning, probate, and trust administration. I am also an artist, doing murals, watercolors, and pastels. I do much of my artwork on location in the beautiful hills of Marin County, California, where I have lived for 30 years. I married Ralph Merola in 1987 (he was the best), and he died in December 2002 of cancer. I am still grieving for and missing him. I have a step-daughter, Michele, and her two children Molly and Annie, who are ages 5 and 2. They live in Portland, and I visit them as much as possible. I have studied tai chi for the past 15 years, and I now teach beginning students. I enjoy yoga, meditation, cooking, hiking and reading as much I possibly can between everything else I like. I don't have time for all that is compelling and rewarding and interesting. I have enjoyed reading other students' bios very much. Life is absolutely fascinating! We are all so fortunate. I hope to be at our 40th reunion!



Margaret (Kane) Wallace

Except for a couple of years, I remained in the Lakeside area until 1977. My career was in the banking/financial field for more than 30 years. I have one daughter and 3 grandchildren who still live in Lakeside. I retired in 1997 and moved to Pagosa Springs, Colorado. My husband of 25 years passed away in 2000. In 2001 I was lucky enough to find a great guy who I'd known for about 10 years - a friend of the family! His son and my daughter are married to each other. After their opposition turned to approval, we wed. We are in Colorado making a new wonderful life together. He was born in Montana, so the weather and life style fits well. His name is Jerry and he lived in Lakeside a long time! He retired from Operating Engineers Union - he worked at Asphalt, Inc. most of that career. We keep busy travelling, with family, and our church. I still love to cook and we both keep busy with our yard - weather permitting. We have 2 acres to care for, a dog and 4 cats. My Mom and brother (Gary Kane) still live in the San Diego area. My Dad, who was one of the first pres. of El Capitan Rodeo Assoc., passed away last year. But I still have roots in Lakeside. A lot has happened since cheerleading and Commissioner of Cultural Affairs, Jr. Class, and all of the friendships at El Cap.



David Kulhavy

After leaving El Capitan in 1964, I attended San Diego State University graduating in 1969 with a degree in Zoology. I headed north to the University of Idaho and completed my PhD in Forest Entomology (Forest Insects). I headed south to Nacogdoches, Texas and Stephen F. Austin State University where I am currently a Professor of Forest Entomology. My wife Pam and I were married in 1975; we have three grown children: Aron is city planner for Nacogdoches; Anders is a practicing vet in Phoenix and Arika is completing Spanish and Czech languages at the University of Texas. I plan part of my time as Dr. Dave's Bugs as a giant ladybug telling stories to children about insects and the wonderful world of the monarch butterfly; I wander the United States and into Europe telling stories and singing songs of the ladybug. I had an exhibit in the Smithsonian as a poster by children on the monarch butterfly migration--it was 1100 feet long. We travel to London when we can and over to Germany. I am active in the Venturing part of Boy Scouts and enjoy Kiwanis. I enjoy Texas although the summers are hot--winters are nice. I miss California and look forward to seeing folks again.



Lura Kulhavy

Well, it's been so long since I have seen most of you! I have often thought about El Cap and have many life memories from that time. So,

to make 40 years very short---after graduation went to college, married one of our classmates, Mike Bell, a very cool guy, but we were young.... Got divorced, finished at SDSU w Bachelor's degree-my twin brother David was also at SDSU, that was awesome. After college, travelled to Europe and stuff, lived at the beach (Crown Point)-what a blast that was! Worked for The Broadway stores as Senior Staff for about 15 years. Joined the Army Active Ready Reserves(those in Iraq right now) for 3 years. Was engaged twice-married one more time. Worked as a systems Analyst for a few years, was an HR and Governmental Relations Manager for a local Museum (great job). Much more, but to the finish-went back to University of Phoenix in 1994, graduated with Master's degree in 1996. Taught Online courses at The Union Institute and University for several years. Currently work for Univ. of Phoenix in Enrollment, becoming Manager of Rancho Bernardo campus. Plan to teach there as well. One regret is no kids, but was not possible. Volunteer with at-risk youth, really love it and them. Currently pursuing Doctrate-why not?! Great to be alive. Pleased to assist with the Reunion planning and implementation. Excited to be going to the Reunion!!! See you there.



Patricia (Lehman) Brown

In the many years since graduation so much has happened it would be hard to tell it all. Having said that I will tell the important things. I met my husband of 35 years in the church we now attend. We left California for 12 years to live in Oregon till we got tired of rain, snow and long distance calls regarding family matters. We returned 13 years ago bringing one of our two sons with us but he returned to Oregon ten years ago. Our sons went camping to celebrate a birthday and both were murdered in their sleep. While that was a very tragic time for us, our faith in God and each other and our family and friends got us through and we are grateful for the 22 and 23 1/2 years we had them. We reside in Santee about two miles from my mother and love being here. My husband had to take a medical retirement two years ago due to back problems but I work caring for infants in a local day care center. We are just silly over our two Japanese Chin dogs and love telling about their antics

Donald Eugene Levell

When I graduated, I went to work for Garranty Chevrolet. I worked there for a year. When I was drafted into the Army for two years, I was one of the fortunate ones that didn't get sent to Vietnam.

August 18, 1967 I got married to Charlotte Lowery, Class of '66 Santana. We have been married for 36 years. We had two children. First born is a boy. He will be 35 years in Jan. 2004. He is married and has two children, Jordan, 5yrs., and Gabby, 3 yrs. Our second

child is a girl. She'll be 33 yrs. in May 2004. She also has two children, Tyler, 14 yrs., and Callasandra, 3 yrs. They all live here in Santee, so we get to be a part of our grandchildren's lives.

I have been an Auto Technician now for 40 years. I work at Bob Baker Chevy of El Cajon.

I have enjoyed making wooden toys for our grandchildren and Charlotte keeps me busy cutting out wood for her projects she paints. My other hobbies are gardening, camping, hunting, and target shooting with my family and friends.

In all, life since school has been very rewarding and full of love.



Nancy (Lynch) Morgan

I remarried in June of 2001 to Scott Morgan. Between the two of us we have seven grown children and eight grandchildren. I am currently working at a local hospital as a registered nurse on an oncology floor. Scott and I enjoy camping, hiking, mountain biking and traveling. I am also a runner and have competed in several 5-10K races as well as a half-marathon. We are very active in our church and serve as small group leaders as well as mentors to the 30-Something Singles group.



Megan McCaffrey

After graduating from El Cap I took off with my brother and Lauren Bickerton to AnnArbor Michigan ostensibly to attend college. It was as we all know the heyday of the hippie movement and I certainly got caught up in it all and loved every chaotic minute of it!!! I did manage to finally graduate with a BS in Sociology, after 7 years and one divorce. I unfortunately lost touch with Lauren. After graduation I moved to Hawaii, where I worked as a nurses aide(which trade I learned to put myself through college), worked at a Drug Clinic, was an office manager for a plastic surgeon, and a psych. tech for adolescents in a childrens hospital. I finally set my sights on being a social worker which meant I needed a Masters Degree which I received from Univ of Hawaii in 1983, and have been working as a Medical Social Worker ever since. I moved from Oahu in 2001 to the Big Island in Waimea, which is a lovely small town with a ranch heritage, cool, high elevation and I can see Mauna Kea from my house. Unfortunately I did not remarry(couple near misses) but relatively content . My next goal is to work in Ireland, I have visited several times, love it and have been credentialed to do Social Work there.

I am sorry to have missed the reunion. If you are ever in the neighborhood....



Ray Meanor

For the past 14 years I have worked for the U.S. Postal Service, I am presently the District Security Control Officer for the San Diego District. Since 9-11 this job has taken on a whole new meaning.

Three years ago our grand daughter came to live with us, she is now four years old, and we are having a ball! We are worn out most of the time but we are still enjoying it.

My wife Peggy and I have been married and have lived in Alpine for the past twenty six years.



Patricia (Meeker) Nelson

Moved to Jamestown, NY in 1966 (85 miles South of Buffalo) and had 5 wonderful children (oldest deceased 1979). Graduated from Buffalo State College in 1991 and from NYU at Buffalo in 1992 with a Master's in Social Work. Have worked in Mental Health and Substance Abuse treatment since. Three older children are married and we have 8 grandchildren altogether. Our son (24) is attending college at Brockport, NY after serving 4 years in the Army (in Hawaii). Moved to Darlington, SC after my husband retired; I am still working, days for Sandhills Medical Foundation and evenings I have a small private practice I am building to work part-time after I retire. We enjoy antiqueing, walking the beach, visiting with friends, and traveling. My husband, Dave, has an extensive collection of Lionel trains, so we are always on the lookout for those. Would love to hear from any of you.



Patricia Micholofki

I live in Northern California in the mountains near a lake (Clear Lake). It is a resort town. I am retiring in Dec. '04 as office manager of the Lakeport Dept. of Motor Vehicles. Have been on several cruises to Alaska, Mediterranean, and the land of the midnight sun. Favorite place is Hawaii. Family still in Southern California that I see. Working on several projects around the house (remodeling). Enjoy working in the yard, walking, and reading. Like helping people.



Donna Moody

Gee....where to start. 40 years, I can hardly believe it. But then I pass a mirror and yeah, I believe it. Darn those mirrors, there everywhere.

I married right after graduation, stayed married to the same man for 30 years then decided it was time for a change. I have 3 wonderful children, 2 handsome sons and a beautiful daughter. (mother's pride) I also have 8 grandchildren. I have lived all over the world, including North Africa. I now reside in McKinney, TX, a small city just north of Dallas. My life is a little on the dull side next to some of you guys, but I love where I am in life, and I am really looking forward to seeing you all again. We were the last class of innocents, before the war invaded our lives and changed us forever. As hard as high school was for me, they were still some of the best days of my life.

I'd love to hear from you guys, email me when you get the chance.



David Moser

Married June 22, 1968 to Sue Thompson (El Cap 1965). Three "adult" children and one 9 year old grandson. Our mothers live in the same houses as when we were in elementary, Lakeside Jr. H.S., Grossmont Jr. College, San Diego State, and several other colleges (at least for me). We reside in Oceanside and are in Lakeside very frequently. I was in the USMC from September 14, 1966 through October 1, 1987. One tour of duty as a Drill Instructor - and of course WestPac (SE Asia - Vietnam, and places President Nixon said we were never at). Since "retiring," I have been working in various school districts. I am just completing 8 years at Canyon Springs H.S. Moreno Valley (Riverside). I currently teach Geography (Freshmen - boy are they "fun"), USHistory (Juniors - they usually save the day); and Senior Make-Up classes on Tuesday evenings and summer school. Sue and I attended the 10th and 20th reunions and will certainly attend the Class of 1964 and the Class of 1965 (if they have one) reunions. P.S. Only eight months to trim down to my school boy physique (6' 136Lb) That's only 80 pounds difference.



Richard Moyer

After El Cap I spent 4 years fighting with the draft-board over my student deferment while in college. Then when I got out of college, they didn't want me because I was too old! After completing college I worked around the world. I do construction related electronics and

systems work. I have been married twice; the first time to my H.S. sweetheart (6 months!) and the last time to my Linda for 32 years. We have 3 sons, Michael an Airline Pilot, Richard III who just completed his PHD in Psychology and works at SDSU and Kevin, a Junior at California Maritime Academy... There are 7 years between each child! We have moved back to San Diego 3 times as work kept taking us away to places like Saudi Arabia, Europe, and Venezuela. We also lived in another country called 'Texas' for 7 years!

Son Richard just announced that we are going to be grandparents for the first time!

Unfortunately I have only kept in contact with a few of the 'old gang' and then only sporadically. Imagine my surprise when my boyhood best friend, Martin Bracegirdle, called me from Newfoundland last light to tell me about the reunion! Martin and I were out of touch for 20 years before we 'found' each other again a decade or so back.

As it turns out, we live just 'over the hill' from the reunion site in El Cajon these days. I can't wait to see all the class again and see what you all have been up to.

Sadly, my younger brother Steve died this year of a brain tumor... many of you knew him. We have a sail boat, but haven't used it in a year owing to my brother's illness and that we have taken over the care of my aged and ill mother.

I don't know about retirement - or if anyone can afford to retire in California. Fortunately I like working, and probably will for many years to come. I do hope to take it a little easier now that the boys are grown and (almost all) out of school... sure would like to spend a bunch more time sailing!

Over the years the Moyer's have had a menagerie, but these days were are down to 3 birds and one dog.

I have so many fond memories of El Capitan, there would not be enough space here. For the previous 11 years, we went to all of the Valhalla football games (where our boys went to school)... every time Valhalla played El Cap, I sat one half on each sideline!

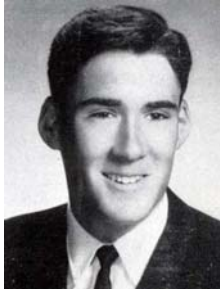
To this day I remember where I was sitting in the Quad, when we heard Kennedy was shot. I had some fond memories of a few of the teachers, and kept in touch with some over the years - sadly most have passed away. I also had some not so fond memories of teachers!



Vivian (Nichol) Wheeler

The Summer of 1962 my family moved to Lakeside, I was one unhappy teenager. I had been attending Monte Vista High School and Lakside was the last place I wanted to be. I did make new friends and

have many fond memories of El Cap. The most lasting friend I made was my husband, John Wheeler, class of 1963. We were married in Oct. of 1965. We have 5 children, Travis-34, Shauna-32, Jonthan-27, and twins Zach & Josh-21. We own and operate a steel fabrication & laser cutting business. The last forty years have been interesting and challenging, I look forward to the next Forty years! My greatest joy are my grandchildren and those that will follow.



Clyde Ostler

After El Capitan, I attended UCSD, graduating with a degree in mathematics. My intention was to be an academic, and consequently I accepted a three year fellowship to the Ph.D program at the Graduate School of Business at the University of Chicago. This experience convinced me that I should not be an academic and that I could not live outside of California. Sixteen months after arriving, I took a job as a management consultant back in San Diego. A year later, I joined Wells Fargo in San Francisco. This coming February will mark my thirty-fourth year with Wells Fargo. At Wells Fargo, I have held a series of positions including being the CFO, running all the branches, heading up the technology and operations areas, running both the institutional and the personal investment businesses, and for several years the internet initiative. I am currently back to running Private Client Services.

I married Vicki Smith the year after we graduated from El Capitan. During my undergraduate years we had two daughters, now in their late thirties, each married with one child and counting. About seven years later we had a son who is now thirty and about to get married. About five years later we had another son, now twenty five, married and also with one child. Vicki and I were divorced at the start of 1986. In 1989 I married Janet. Janet and I just celebrated our fifteenth wedding anniversary. We have three children, two boys, fourteen and twelve, and a daughter, seven. All of the kids live near by. Holidays are very busy at our house.

As a family we snow ski, water ski, surf, and travel. The kids' activities include swimming, water polo, tennis, break dancing, art, music, and ballet. Separately, I also golf.

I will not be in attendance at the reunion, but wish you all the best.



Coy and Coleen (Conley '66) Owens

Thanks to the Class of '64 for inviting me to their 40 year reunion - even tho' I was not a class member. (I graduated in 1966). I was married to your classmate, Coy Owens, for 30 years. He passed away from lung cancer in 1997 at 51 years old. Coy joined the Navy Reserves - Submarines - a couple years after graduation. When that obligation was complete, he finished college in San Diego and fulfilled his dream of becoming a teacher, coach and athletic director at Granite Hills High School. He truly loved his job teaching PE & coaching numerous sports. The weight room at Granite Hills was dedicated to him just before he died. There is a plaque in front of the building that says, "with appreciation from El Capitan Class of 1964". We have 2 children, Cristi, 31; Coy, 29. Cristi & Keith just had our first grandbaby - and, of course, he's adorable. Keith just became an El Cajon police officer. Coy will be moving back to "real life" in San Diego after living in Maui for 4 years - he's still single & loving it. I've owned a small printing company for 20 years and am looking forward to retirement in a few short years so I can spend more time traveling, loving grandbabies & taking it easy.



Sandra Patience

Dear Classmates:

Trying to write a biography on myself is more difficult than either of the books I am working on. I am very sorry I am not able to join the Class of '64 in the celebration of 40 years. It truly does not seem to have been that long.

I have failed to keep in touch with anyone, so I doubt anyone really remembers me. I moved from California to Louisiana in 1990. It's a long story. Once I got used to it, well, I guess I'll survive. I have made it this far.

I have two children, both girls, married and with children. The joy of my life is my four grandsons and one granddaughter.

While still in California I worked as a Medical Office Manager. When I moved to Louisiana I went to work for the State of Louisiana. I am currently retired due to disability. I was diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease back in 1993. Now you know why I can not join the celebration.

Everyone have a wonderful time.

God Bless you all



Michael Pinnick

After graduating from high school I worked at several jobs, got married, had two children, Mike Jr and Becky, and lived in Santee, Lakeside and Ramona. I finally settled in with the County of San Diego, Department of Public Works in 1970 as a laborer and stayed there until this past March when I retired as Division Road Superintendent. In 1977 I got divorced. Deborah and I married in 1979 and have a fifteen year old daughter, Oriana. In 1996 I went back to school at Palomar College and in 2000 completed an AA in Public Administration. I now reside in Oceanside California, still do a little surfing and have started a second career as a Safety Manager for a local construction Company. My favorite pastime is traveling the back roads of Baja in my old 4X4 Ford truck looking for a little solitude and few cool waves.



Judy (Prenn) Bennett

I met Ken Bennett when I was sixteen and we married on July 4, 1964 about a month after graduation. We just celebrated our 40th anniversary with a cruise to Alaska. Our oldest son Gary is 39 and works driving trucks for road construction all over the State of Oregon. He lives in Eastern Oregon. Corey is 35 and he has his PhD in quantum electronics and is an Electrical Engineer (laser jock) at Lawrence Livermore National Lab in Livermore CA. Our daughter Karen came to us at age 16 as our Foster Daughter and she lives near us in Salem Oregon. She became the girl we always wanted and a sister to our sons. As most of you probably know, grandchildren make life perfect. Karen gives us Kristina age 16, Kenny age 4 and Alyssa age 2. Of course they are the most perfect children in the world... Gary has stepchildren that range from 15 - 22 and we are now great grandparents of two.

I have worked since I was 16 and really am looking forward to retiring in a few years. I love working but..... There certainly is more to life. I am a Certified Medical Assistant and work for a Workers Comp Insurance company as a medical auditor/reviewer.

Ken and I live along the Willamette River in Salem Oregon. We have lived in Oregon for about 34 years. Every day I am so in awe of the beauty here and am so grateful for it all. I could never understand what Ken meant when he used to tell me that Oregon had four seasons. It is so true here.

We enjoy camping and traveling all over the Pacific Northwest and Hawaii is our favorite tropical site.

I am really looking forward to reconnecting with old friends. See you soon..



Dave Saska

I was going to quote the "Dead" describing my life and say "what a long, strange, trip it's been." That's not entirely accurate because for whatever reason God has blessed me with a very pleasant ride down life's river. Credit my Mom, who taught all us kids that a beneficent world would supply us all without shortage, and credit my older brother who taught me that the proper posture to learn was with my eyes and ears open and my mouth shut. El Cap gave me friends honest enough to share their own similar fears at growing up and making a place in the world. That was a great help to a teenager. Our teachers suffered from being human, just like us. Some supplied us our dreams, some taught us our subjects and some gave us our first taste of public humiliation. It was in sports that I learned the lessons that served me best in life and business. I learned to train to get better. I learned to work with my teammates toward a common goal and, lucky for us, we were successful in attaining most of our goals. And, finally, the thing I learned which served me best in my life—a champion is simply a person who gets up 1 more time than he gets knocked down. Pursuing athletics I donated 1 knee to Grossmont JC and the other to the Univ. of Oregon. Since I tore the ACL completely in two at Oregon and a surgical repair was not available then, my Orthopedist said go and play no more. That same knee injury prevented me from joining my classmates "in country". This led to my Surfing safari days, cruising from Swamis' south looking for a good reef break. Where did the time to do that go? I went to work at Chucks Steak House in La Jolla, cutting steaks and working as a broiler man when the "young crowd" steak houses were the place to be. I met my wife Sandy in La Jolla and we'll be married 30 yrs. this year. Next, I worked as the original cook at the original Brigantine on Shelter Island. Not having enough space on the char-broiler for both beef-steaks and fish, I started cooking the fish in pie pans in the oven. Now, you know the origin of the original Brig' method of cooking fish. Trivial pursuit, anyone? In 1972 I returned to my family's restaurant Saskas' in Mission Beach, and ran that for 11 yrs. Sandy and I have opened our own restaurants in Brawley, La Jolla, and finally, Pacific Beach. We bought the commercial building that housed the restaurant in PB and have become landlords to 3 tenants. This year we bought property in Pahrump, Nevada, west of Las Vegas and we are investing in more property there for the future. As far as serving my fellow man (more than food) I have employed more than 1000 young people over the years. I tried to encourage them all to wash their hands, come to work on time and to take pride in contributing to an enterprise that strives to provide a quality product. I also found time to run a sheltered workshop for the ARC (Ass. For Retarded Citizens) in San Diego. The business was called "Eggies" and we employed 25 challenged citizens who, under a staff of 5, operated a breakfast house, a bakery and cooked 30,000 meals a month to South Bay headstart program and the MCRD childcare facility. We did this for a year and a half until funding dried up. This is probably the job I'll most remember, providing a chance for the too often shunned, the mentally handicapped, to experience the joys of a "normal" life we tend to take for granted. For them, every meal was a feast and every paycheck was a fortune. These words guide me down the river of life. I hope to see you at the 40th.



Nancy Shreve

After graduating from El Cap, I attended Grossmont College then SDSU. I have a masters in psychology and teaching credentials. I am a special ed teacher at Lakeside Middle School. I have been teaching there for 15 years. I have lived in Oregon, where my daughter Laura and son Zeke were born, then moved to Taos, New Mexico for about a year and a half. I moved back "home" and settled in Santee.



Susan Lynne (Spears) Cameron

Jack and I will be celebrating our 40th wedding anniversary in January 2005. We have two children, John and Stacy. Between them we have five grandchildren ranging in ages from 13 years to 8 months. John and his family recently moved to Boise, Idaho. Stacy and her family live locally.

I currently work part-time at a vet's office. I worked for the Grossmont Union HS District for many years as a vice-principal's secretary. I should have been a park ranger or a dog trainer as my love is with the animals and not sitting in an office.

Jack is working for Cameron Bros. Const. Co. again. He is running the Borrego Springs Resort for the company. He commutes a minimum of two days a week to Borrego Springs.

We are very active in dog sports such as flyball, conformation, obedience and agility. We have six dogs, two cats and one African Sulcata tortoise (4 mo. old).

I am an avid reader. I especially enjoy the J. Grisham, P. Cornwell and R. Pearson type mysteries.

We have gone on four river raft trips; three cruises and lived in Montana for over five years. Those are just a few of the activities we have done. Currently we are working hard putting in landscaping at our home in Jamul, Calif.



Steve Steinmetz

Graduate 64, Naval aviation to 73. Married with 5 sons (3 mine 2 hers) all grown.

Own my own glass company in Santee, Calif.

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Diane (Stern) Mills

My husband of 33 years and I live in Fillmore, CA for the past 17 years. It's a small friendly town and made raising our two children easy. Our daughter, Amy and son Jim, are both happily married to good people. If and when we ever have grandchildren, they'll be the most beautiful in the world. We're proud of our children, both good, personable and caring adults. Jim and I enjoy "road trips" when our work schedules allow them, and plan a trip to Europe in the spring. I work as the Employment Manager for a government contractor, and Jim has been with his employer as a Logistical Engineer for 24 years. I consider my life blessed with a strong family. Everyone have a good time at the reunion, wish I could be there.



Susan (Sternaman) Belser

I graduated from Grossmont College in 1975 and married Richard Belser, a naval officer, the same year. We have one son, David, daughter-in-law, Misty, and granddaughter Lou Lou who live in San Francisco. I have lived in San Diego County all my life with the following "exceptions": I attended the Instituto de Artes de San Miguel de Allende in Mexico in 1972. Rich and David and I lived in Saudi Arabia in 1981-1982. I started out as a "starving artist", but now simply collect art for viewing pleasure.

We attend the Lemon Grove Church of Christ.



Robb Strandlund

Website: <http://www.robstrandlund.com>

Both during, and after High School, I began performing at folk clubs in San Diego and Los Angeles. I was drafted in 1967 and spent a year of combat duty on the DMZ in Vietnam. In 1970, I relocated to the east coast and played a circuit of clubs and colleges from North Carolina to Boston. In 1974, the Eagles recorded a song I wrote called "Already Gone" so I returned to California and put together my first recording band "The Silverados" (A re-release of this album is scheduled for early 2004). This led to my signing as an artist with Polydor records and my first solo album in 1975. Later I joined a country rock band called "The Flying Burrito Brothers" and toured with them until I left to form a new group "The Rank Strangers". We recorded on Pacific Arts Records. This album received a Grammy nomination in the "vocal duo or group" category. In 1982, I left Los Angeles and moved to Nashville Tennessee to pursue my song writing career. While there I was signed to Warner Brothers Records both as an artist and a writer and

produced hits both for myself and other recording artists. While living in Nashville I made several guest appearances on the Grand ole Opry, Hee Haw, and Austin City Limits. As of today, I'm a multi-platinum songwriter with combined sales of sixty million plus records. This includes songs on the best selling album in music history (as certified by the RIAA), 'The Eagles, Their Greatest Hits', and the best selling album in country music history 'Common Thread'. In 1994 'Common Thread' was voted album of the year by the Country Music Association. My song writing credits also include several movies and television shows.

Currently, I live in Claremont California, with my wife Mary, and daughters Myra 15 & Ruby 13.



Chuck Streeter

Hello, fellow graduates: A few things have happened since the 20th reunion. In 1988, after more than 24 years with the Santee Fire Department, I accepted the fire chief position with the Aptos/La Selva Fire Protection District in Santa Cruz County. Two years later, I accepted the same position with the City of Seaside (to those who remember Ft. Ord) next door to Monterey, retiring in 1996. For a very short time, I tried my hand at selling motorhomes. Realizing that selling wasn't my forte, I worked for four years as golf marshal at Pebble Beach, which, as you golfers know, could be pretty tough duty. Then in 2000, Vicki and I relocated to So. Cal to again be nearer to family. We moved to Idyllwild and have never looked back. My golf clubs are with a friend in Palm Desert and I am back with horses. I work with a fellow in Garner Valley giving horsemanship lessons and training horses for western pleasure and trail. As they say, life is good! Vicki and I are looking forward to the 40th (funny, I don't feel that old) and seeing a lot of OLD friends.



John J. Taylor

I was drafted after high school and served in the military for 2 years. Married my 1st wife Marie Sant. Had 1 daughter, Anna, who now lives in San Diego with her 3 boys.

I lived in Las Vegas for one year in 1970 where I was a 21 dealer. Moved back to Alpine, CA 1971, where I became a contractor for 20 years.

Married my 2nd and present wife Melana in 1984. Together we have 4 children and 10

grandchildren. We moved to Klamath Falls, Oregon in 1995 and opened a pawn shop. We're now semi-retired, spending winters in Rosarita, Mexico and San Diego, and summers in Oregon.

P.S. Things I've Learned in Life

"Keep your eyes on the donus and not upon the hole".

"It's what you learn after you know everything that counts."

My best wishes to all classmates attending the reunion and to those who couldn't make it, and my sincere condolences to those classmates who are no longer with us.



Sandra (Thornbrough) Gray

40 YEARS IN A NUTSHELL- 1964-67-attended SDSU 1967-married and moved to Anaheim 1969-Beth arrived 1970-Scott arrived 1975-widowed 1976-81-taught Kindergarten at a Christian school 1977-1986 soccer mom 1980-married Bruce (a very cute Marine) 1981 -Leah arrived 1984- Stephen arrived 1988-moved to Kalispell, MT 1991 -now -working in a local video store 2004-Bruce and I will celebrate our 24 th anniversary.

Bruce and I have 3 grandsons-Jared (15), Tyler (12) and Branden who is nearly 11. We live a quiet and mostly happy life in a very beautiful location. I still have dreams that I need to find the courage to fulfill.



Pat (Truman) Sophy

El Capitan was one stop along the Navy Brat trail for me--my junior year--but I had lived in Lakeside a few years before and attended Lakeside Jr High as well. I loved living there and watching my younger brothers play little league, going to the park and riding horses in the hills.

Dad retired from the Navy and we moved to Missouri when I was in the 8th grade. We moved back to Lakeside and I went to El Cap my junior year--then he was hired by the post office and we moved to Garden Grove and I graduated from Santiago in 1964.

I haven't been back to Lakeside since the 90's when my older sister Sharon and I did a nostalgia weekend and tried to find every house we lived in when we were growing up in the area (San Diego, El Cajon and Lakeside). Sharon was in the class of '61 but graduated in Missouri. She was a freshman at El Cap. She was killed in March of 2000 in an ATV

accident and it has forever changed my life. She was my best friend.

I guess being a Navy Brat was a good thing/bad thing. I made friends easily but never stayed in one relationship/place for very long. I married young and often. I have two grown daughters and three beautiful grandchildren that are the light of my life.

I now live in the Mojave desert, outside a small town, and have been married for ten years to a high school mathematics teacher. He was in the Navy and graduated from the Naval Academy and was a RIO and Top Gun graduate. We have 30 acres of beautiful desert dirt and peace and quiet. We have horses and I have pot belly pigs.

I spent many, many years making money for someone else's company and three years ago 3 of my coworkers and I formed our own firm. It was like jumping off a cliff and we haven't looked back since. I've always been a hard worker and nothing is more satisfying than putting that effort into something you built from scratch.



Clytie Valentino Koehler

40 years! I feel like I have lived several lifetimes since 1964 and El Cap!

Let's see... there was that misbegotten marriage in May 1964, barely hanging on at school through graduation in June and my first child in November. I was so unprepared in so many ways! Well at least I was out of my alcoholic mother's house and away from her chain of poor choices for partners. By the time I was twenty-one I had two children, had moved half a dozen times, gained weight and thought my life was over. Boy how one's perspective changes over time!

I was born with embryonic toxoplasmosis, a disease which affects the central nervous system; in my case it damaged my eyes. In those days medical science could not tell whether the dark shadows on the retina of my left eye were cancerous growths or not, so the prudent thing to do was to remove my eye. I had that surgery in the fall, just after I started kindergarten, before my fifth birthday.

I went to school with some of you from Santee Elementary through Lakeside Junior High School and then El Capitan. You may remember me as Clytie Valentino, Clytie McWhinney, or 'glass-eyed billy goat'. My left eyelid always drooped, I had poor vision in my remaining eye, and I was easy prey. Some of you called me names, chased me, and even threatened to beat me up. One person actually slammed a sliding window into the left side of my head when I stood looking out before class one day. I was hurt, from the blow to my head but more so that I mattered so little in the world that someone could just casually attack me as I stood unseeing and defenseless. I hated me, too, for being unworthy of standing and looking out of a window safely.

I was scared, wounded, and shy. If I had only known then what I know now! But it was a long, long time ago, so, for those of you who played that game let's just consider this our

middle-finger-moment and move on.

Within a couple of years of our El Cap graduation my mother finally got clean and sober and started college only to get involved in the sixties hippie and drugs scene. She experimented with everything, did a lot of really cool counter-culture things but turned my young sister on to pot and LSD, mushrooms and whatever when she was still in junior high school. Both of their lives have been profoundly damaged by some of the things they 'did' in those days and my sister continues to 'do'. My mother died in 1995, at the age of 68.

In case you are wondering, I never knew my father. Mom left him behind before I was born and changed partners a number of times as I was growing up. After using different last names in school and then my married name I chose to use my natural father's name when I divorced. That is how I became Clytie Koehler.

In 1973, when I was 26, I lost my beloved brother. He was stabbed to death in the jungle in Honduras where he had been working for a little more than one year as an agricultural advisor for the Dole Company. Bill was only 28 years old. He had taken that job straight out of college. He and his wife had struggled for nine years to attain that first step on his quest for success. He left behind his wife, and 7-year-old and 6-month-old sons. He had always been my hero. I loved him more than anyone in my life except my children. We had lived through a lot together. I was devastated.

I was married to Ed Stoll from May 1964 until our divorce was final in May 1980. By the time we were divorced we had three children had moved 23 times and had at various times lived in a tent, a postal van, a bus, and for 2 and + years in a condemned house. Once, for about a minute, we were homeless.

Ed and I actually separated in January 1979 when I enrolled at Grossmont Community College. I had come to the conclusion that the only hope for a stable life for my children, and that they would not grow up to think and live just like their father was for me to get us out of his lifestyle and to find a way to earn our living myself. I was completely transformed by my Grossmont College experience. I got fired up! I breezed through full time class-work and part time work, obtained counseling for us and used every resource, government and otherwise to change our lifestyle, my parenting and our circumstances. For the next 7 years I was a full time student first at Grossmont, where I earned an Associate of Arts degree, and then at USD where I earned my Bachelors degree (magna cum laude) and Juris Doctorate. I graduated from law school, passed the bar, turned 40, became a grandmother, and was sworn in as an attorney all within a six-month period from May through December 1986. My daughter Medea was just 22, John was 19, and Billy was 15.

In June 1987 I went to work in the Merced office of Central California Legal Services. I worked there well, I think I will just add my resume at the end of this overflow experience.

The only other things I wanted to tell you are about the love I found with a Black Viet Nam Veteran who shared my life for almost ten years and whose unique spirit touched my family in so many ways that we are forever deepened and enlightened by his presence in our lives. Together we explored as much of the world as we could reach by car (VW bus) and on a limited budget, reggae music and Rastafari, love, family dimensions, education, and certain philosophies all meaning intensified and more complex in light of our different racial, geographical, economic, life and familial experiences. He died in

1998 of bone cancer from Agent Orange exposure. We had separated seven years earlier because his post traumatic stress and dioxin poisoning had made him so irritable that I thought I was making him unhappy. We both regretted that decision later.

And I wanted to tell you that my three children have grown up to be loving, thoughtful and responsible adults. I made sure to teach them that they are loved, valued and valuable and to respect themselves and others. So far among them they have 5 children, plus one due in April 2004 and, since my daughter is raising my sister's two girls well I consider myself to have 8 grandchildren!

Finally I must mention my grandmother. She was an undemonstrative 'practical' woman who was the only stability my brother and I knew growing up. Going to visit her on weekends or in the summer time could sometimes put me on red alert but it was also escape from chaos and want. In the spring of 1994 when she was 93 years old, she called me on the phone and asked me if I had room for her to come and live with me. I quaked a little inside and said of course she could come. She lived with me for over nine years. She died at home, last summer, three months short of her 103rd birthday. She was a tough lady, did her duty and kept her pains and sorrows to herself. She sure did like a shot of whiskey and water in the evening though, to help her sleep!

This is really long, I know. I really appreciated the openness and candor of the bios I read on the website and decided that whether I make the reunion or not (I hope to be there) it is time to stand in front of the kids from back then, to open my heart without fear, and know that we all have stretched and grown, messed up and suffered and thrilled - and endured.

Here we are as what we could not imagine ever being back then, a bunch of 'senior citizens', or nearly so. I have often wondered how many times I may have crossed paths with someone from years ago without recognizing or being recognized, and then musing on the likely truth that some of the worst of my early tormentors may easily have turned out to be the makings of good friends today? Life is utterly fascinating!

Admitted to California State Bar and Southern Federal District Court practice December 15th, 1986; and to the Eastern Federal District in 1994. Bar #125855

EDUCATION

University of San Diego School of Law: Juris Doctor May 1986.

Honors: National Association of Women Lawyers: Outstanding Woman Law Graduate 1986-87

Merit Certificate for Outstanding Service to the Diversity Law Students Association 1983-1986

Merit Certificate for Outstanding Service as a member of ?Women in Law?

Merit Certificate for Outstanding Service as Co-director of the 'Fifteenth Annual Far West Regional Conference on Women and the Law' November 1985. I was Co-director, Community Liaison, Registration Chairperson, and Executive Board Member.

Merit Certificate as Co-founder Physically Challenged Law Student's Association.
Instrumental in assuring administrative sensitivity to reasonable accommodation and privacy issues for physically challenged students and applicants.

University of San Diego: Bachelor of Arts Magna Cum Laude, June 1983.
Delta Epsilon Sigma National Scholastic Honor Society

San Diego Community Mediation Center: Certificate, November 30, 1999
Volunteer in the San Diego Mediation Center's small claims court project in Kearney Mesa and in El Cajon 2000 - 2001.

PUBLICATIONS

California Regulatory Law Reporter: Vol. 4 Issue No.4 and Vol. 5 Issue Nos. 1 through 3; Report of the Blue Ribbon Task Force on Bi-lingual Education for Merced City School District..

EXPERIENCE

Currently:

I am in solo practice in Ramona California. My general civil practice includes bankruptcy, social security, some family issues, elder abuse, personal injury and residential landlord/tenant matters. I continue to mediate all types of matters in conjunction with my private practice.

January 1998 to December 1998:

I visited Colorado and Costa Rica, found and purchased a home and moved my household (7 people including my then-98-year-old grandmother) from Santa Barbara to Ramona.

January 1995 to January 1998:

I was executive director of the Legal Aid Foundation of Santa Barbara County, where I

- Oversaw and kept three offices staffed and equipped;
- Recruited, trained, supervised and mentored staff and volunteers;
- Sought and developed new programs and funding;
- Prepared and monitored budgets, monthly, quarterly semi and annual reports;
- Reported and presented personally to funding sources;
- Organized fund-raiser;
- Organized, scheduled and noticed board meetings;
- Advised and reported orally and in writing to the board of directors;
- Oversaw all cleaning and maintenance of grounds and buildings;
- Provided for and participated in community relations and education;
- Networked and collaborated with other agencies; and
- Maintained a small legal caseload.

Essentially I continued the same approaches and methods outlined below, while fulfilling the expanded duties of Executive Director. In addition I continued as a member of the Board of Directors and volunteer of Benchmark Institute.

September 1989 to January 1995:

As managing attorney in the Merced office of Central California Legal Services it was my responsibility to supervise and support legal workers and staff. I worked to optimize the quality of training, materials, equipment, and work environment; to provide quality legal services to low income and disabled clients; organize and develop pro bono programs; and provide outreach and community education. We developed and provided self-help programs and materials such as pro per Housing and Family Law Clinics as well as bi-lingual packet materials available as hand-outs in the office or by mail. In order to facilitate and develop the participation, satisfaction and unique contribution of each person I supported an atmosphere of mutual respect, teamwork, and affirming the individual worth of both staff and clients. I evaluated staff's performance with specific focus on their individual styles, needs, strengths and desires. I encouraged creative and innovative approaches to all challenges and sought to achieve a balance between individual and client needs while maximizing the overall benefit to the community. I participated in the management team and served as a liaison between the Executive Director and the staff, as well as between the agency itself and the community. I sought and obtained grants from local sources and administered those funds for the benefit of the client community, aiming always to assist, educate and empower all persons whose circumstances brought them within our reach.

In addition, my own caseload allowed me to provide direct, high quality legal assistance to clients. I added bilingual and other education issues to my practice and served as chairperson on the Blue Ribbon Task Force for Bilingual Education, which made a year-long evaluation and wrote a detailed set of recommendations for the Merced City School District. I was administrator of Merced County's Lawyer Referral Services Program and reported to the Program's Board of Directors on a monthly basis.

In addition I served as: board member and as president of the board of A Woman's Place, the local battered women's shelter; president of the Family Self Sufficiency Advisory Council - Community Housing Resources Board; member Vista Volunteers Advisory Council for Lao Family; leadership consultant for Benchmark Institute; member Equal Rights Congress; and member Volunteers in Parole.

June 1987 ?September 1989:

As a staff attorney at Central California Legal Services, Inc., Merced I provided all phases of legal assistance to low-income persons - from evaluation of their status, counsel and brief services - to preparation of pleadings and all aspects of litigation; provided representation both in court and before administrative tribunals; and presented weekly pro per housing clinics for low income tenants. My practice focused primarily on landlord/tenant, senior citizen, disability, public benefits and access to health care. Beginning in May 1989, I included certain family law matters in my practice.

December 1986 - May 1987

Provided free legal assistance to clients of the San Diego Volunteer Lawyers Program.



Bonnie (Van't Hof) Pope

HI FELLOW VAQUEROS, WELL FORTY YEARS HAVE PASSED AND I AM STILL HOLDING ON, OR HOLDING UP, OR HOLDING IT UP, I MEAN HOLDING EVERYTHING UP. ANYWAY, LIKE MANY OF YOU I HAVE DONE A LOT OF DIFFERENT THINGS AND BEEN A LOT OF PLACES. I'VE BEEN VERY THIN, VERY HEAVY, THIN, LARGE AND EVERY SIZE IN BETWEEN. I'VE HAD LONG HAIR, SHORT HAIR, BIG HAIR AND NO HAIR. I HAVE LIVED IN A TENT, A QUANSIT HUT, BIG HOUSES, SMALL HOUSES AND A TREE HOUSE. I'VE DRIVEN A BICYCLE, MOPED, A JAGUAR, A VOLKSWAGEN, A CAR HELD TOGETHER WITH BANDAIDS AND STRING, A GOLIATH (LOOKS LIKE A SEWING MACHINE), A SCOOTER, SPORTS CAR AND WHEELCHAIR. I HAVE HAD SOME MONEY, NO MONEY, MY MONEY, HIS MONEY AND OUR MONEY. THE ONE THING THAT I HAVE LEARNED SINCE HIGH SCHOOL IS THAT OF NONE THIS MEANS ANYTHING OR COUNTS FOR ANYTHING. PEACE OF MIND AND TRUE HAPPINESS IS NOT BASED ON OUTWARD APPEARANCE, MONEY OR THINGS. I BELIEVE WE ARE HERE TO PLEASE GOD AND SHOW THAT BY THE WAY WE TREAT EACH OTHER (EVERY PERSON WE COME IN CONTACT WITH) I HAVE BEEN MARRIED TO ONE MAN FOR THIRTY SEVEN YEARS, I HAVE FIVE MARRIED CHILDREN (ALL ONCE, ALL HAPPY) AND EIGHT GRANDCHILDREN. WE ARE RETIRED AND LIVE ON A BEAUTIFUL LAKE IN WASHINGTON. I WISH YOU ALL PEACE OF MIND.



Tim Veal

Good wife.
 Good kids.
 Have built many houses, caught a lot of fish, been able to fly and hunt.
 Very grateful for God's blessings - especially salvation through Jesus!



Carla Wallenborn Hendee

I was born in Hillside Hospital and was one of the first four babies to receive all new blood to treat the effects of the RH factor. I lived fourteen years in Harbison Canyon and enjoyed the country life. I went to grade school in Alpine and then on to El Cap via long bus rides to and fro. I moved away immediately after High School, so I

lost touch with most all of my H.S. friends.

After two years of Bible College in Long Beach, I married and quit college to work and help put my husband through college. We had two daughters...Leah Lynn and Amber Dawn. My husband John was ordained in a Los Angeles Christian Church and we worked in LA and Orange County for ten years before moving to Mesa, Arizona. There I returned to college to get an AA degree and then went on to be a senior at ASU. Heart problems stopped me, but I continued to draw and paint and eventually taught private lessons for eight years. I also did a lot of painting and drawing with colored pencils...and entered a lot of shows, sold some and was really using my God given talent. Fame was not meant to be, for life soon took a very different turn at age 45. After 18 years working in a church in Mesa, we were called to the mission field in Chile....near Santiago. We had to take intense Spanish training in Costa Rica for a year and then arrived in Chile to find the language...Castillano...very different indeed. After ten years down here, and working in Tacna, Peru, occasionally we can understand it all ...and more important...be understood. I could write books on the adventures we have had ...and are having here. We soon will be focusing more on the needy people of southern Peru.

We have celebrated our 37th Wedding Anniv. and are still growing and improving our relationship. Our oldest daughter has two handsome boys (Aaron and Isaac) and our youngest daughter has two beautiful girls (Alora and Rianne). The last one was born Oct. 25, 2003...the day the Cedar fire started. I was in the USA to care for my mom after surgery and ended up evacuating her long before the fire hit. So ...my time was spent getting Mom's home back in shape after the fire, instead of with my new grand daughter.

I have lots of exciting memories of marching with the El Cap Flag Corp and then being the Captain. I am really looking forward to re-newing friendships and making new friends with former classmates. I am hoping to get back up for the reunion in October, but can not promise. I will write to anyone who writes to me though, and when I am in the States, would love to get together to compare life stories. I think my favorite classes were the four years with Mr. Edgar. He taught us all well. After 30 years I still could read and write Spanish fluently. The speaking and understanding came easily for me because of those classes...and remembering all of those verb charts. Living with a Costa Rican family (who spoke no English) ..also helped along with the classes in San Jose Language School.

I have to tell of one renewed friendship ...with Judy Melville Carr, in our 1964 El Cap Class.... that resulted in the saving of my mom's house in Harbison Canyon recently. Judy's husband Marvin and cousin Gene...put a sprinkling system on the peak of my mom's roof about 14 months before the fire hit. I had the sense to turn it on before evacuating my mom....after Judy called to warn me it had already burned el Capitan Mt., El Monte Park and was in Blossom Valley. It turns out the sprinklers were on a good four and a half hours before the fire storm went through and burned 282 homes around my Mom.

So ...I thank the Lord for renewed friendships already made...and ones yet to be renewed.



Harry Whiting, Jr.

After graduating from El Capitan High School, I attended Grossmont Jr. College for a year and worked another year before going back East to Washington, D.C. to attend college. I obtained a Bachelor's of Arts degree in Psychology in 1971 and a Master's of Arts degree in Educational Psychology with emphasis in rehabilitation and educational counseling from the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in 1975. I worked for the State Department of Rehabilitation for 6 years in Madison, Wisconsin and then moved back to Washington, D.C. and worked for Federal government for a few years. Government work did not appeal to me. I then worked for a private insurance company for several years in sales and adjudication, before going back to vocational rehabilitation work as a private self-employed consultant/businessperson in the State of California for the last 18 years.

My wife and I have three sons between the two of us. Daniel works for a US Senator in D.C. as a congressional liaison administrator. Timothy and his wife are high school teachers in the Dallas, Texas area. Greg is an entrepreneur in the Northern California area. Page and I have been married 18 years and live in the Shasta Valley area in Northern California in the town of Yreka, CA. It is as far North one can go on I-5, whereas San Diego County is as far south one can go on I-5. It took me 40 years to get to this area, after having lived in D.C., Wisconsin, Kansas, and Nevada before coming back to California.

Since I became 50 years old, I made some goals of things to accomplish before I become 60 years old. I participated in two horse back riding re-enactment trips in southwest Wyoming at one week each time. I climbed Mt Whitney and Mt Shasta and done numerous hikes, walks, runs, etc. And I have been involved with golf for the last 6 years and wondered how anyone could not play this game. I am looking forward to renewing our acquaintances at the 40th high school reunion.



Linda (Wilson) Fleming

Greetings to the class of 1964 from the former Linda Wilson in Connecticut!

I live in a semi-rural town in western Connecticut about 1 ½ hour from New York City with my husband, Don. Yup...it's the same Don that I dated in high school that used to sneak onto the El Cap campus to share my lunch.

My son, Tim lives about 1 hour from us in New Hartford, CT. As an autistic adult he does quite well in a nice group home environment and works for H.O. Products, a small manufacturing company.

My daughter, Rebecca, inherited the airline gene from Don who retired from TWA after 33 years in 1998. She does the part he never got to do, pilot the planes as a 737 first officer for Alaska Airlines. She and her husband, Andreas (a pilot for Tradewinds Air Cargo), just bought their first home in North Bend, WA about 40 miles east of Seattle.

We live in a modest home situated on a hill above Candlewood Lake (it's not quite the Pacific Ocean but almost as beautiful). For fun we have a pontoon boat moored on our community beach just down the hill. Don has a 1988 vintage Mazda RX7 convertible that we use to tour the back roads of New England and upstate New York. I am a passionate gardener with a fenced garden (to keep the deer out) that takes up the entire back yard.

My job as a pre-K through 3 Para-educator gives me July and August off and Don is a Realtor so we both have the flexibility to travel in the summer. In August we visited my folks, who still live in Alpine, then drove to Lake Havasu to visit my sister, Patty and her husband, Russell Bracco (also class of 1964). My folks later joined Don, Tim and I in Washington for a visit with Andreas and Rebecca. We rented a van and all seven of us toured Mt. Rainier and unique villages in the foothills of the Cascade Mountains.

I wish my job afforded the time to join you, but as it is, I must wish you well from afar.



Bryan Woods

Bryan Woods is married with four children by a first marriage and four children (step) by my second marriage. Cathy and I live in Ramona, own a business in Ramona and actively participate in our community. We own Ramona Pharmacy and are part owners in Burns Drugs in La Jolla. I am a Pharmacist and Land Planner for the County of San Diego...I currently sit on the San Diego County Planning

Commission.

My hobbies include alot of golf, lots of walks on the beach, backpacking and flyfishing, lots of travel and taking care of all the family needs of our many children. Cathy and I have 3 grandchildren and 3 of our children have graduated from local Universities. Three are still in school and two are thinking about it....We are both happy and content and look forward to moving permanently to Del Mar for the pleasure of coastal living.



Dr. Adrian A. Cohn

I left El Cap in 1963 and since then, I have been at the College of San Mateo, a member of the Language Arts faculty. I officially retired in 1986, but at age 82 I still offer one class of freshman comp one semester each year in addition to spending three hours each week in the Writing Center. My specialty originally was English 100 comp and English A comp. But in 1972, because "You are so patient," the dean put ESL on my schedule and in 1978, for good measure, made me the first coordinator of the CSM Writing Center. In all fairness, he did reduce my teaching load-somewhat. But until I retired, each semester I was teaching one class of freshman comp, one ESL class, and, spending untold hours in the Writing Center.

Even so, no complaints. Along the way, we have lived in Europe twice, the first time to gather material for another book, the second to study how others teach English and Italian as a second language. To clarify: the first six weeks I spent the mornings observing ESL classes courtesy of the Inner London Educational Authority-the English version of our public community colleges. Each afternoon I observed a different private college dealing with the same thing. The tuition fee seemed to be the main difference. Then to the University of Florence where both my wife and I enrolled for a term to learn Italian as a second language-well, sort of. We wanted to be on the other side of the lectern for a change so she learned the language while I concentrated on the techniques. But that term in Florence-if only I had my life to live over again.

Of course, between sabbaticals and after, we took advantage of travel opportunities so prevalent in the Bay Area to return to Europe and to venture in the other direction-for instance, three weeks to New Zealand; great sauvignon blanc. Our most recent excursion, last year, took us to London-I'm getting to know that place better than I know San Francisco-for two weeks; to Prague for thirteen days; to Budapest for nine; and Paris for fifteen. And we've never taken a tour; always we have been on our own. Barbara can handle French, Spanish and Italian. Of course, I handle the English.

Other items of note:

When I arrived at the College of San Mateo in 1963, it was to a brand new campus, to a salary schedule the highest in the state, and to a college chancellor-president, Julio Bortalozzo, a Harvard doctorate, nicknamed the Italian Bulldozer. He would suffer no fools or interference from those in the community who thought they knew better than he or the faculty what should be in the curriculum and what would be omitted. Early on he took on some who wanted to do just that, community leaders of the extreme right, and left. He took them on in separate debates, free and open to all, and before huge audiences that overflowed our rather large gym, he served notice that CSM would tolerate no censors.

To make the story short, such leadership attracted teaching applicants from all over the country. It wasn't long-actually less than a year--before publisher representatives roamed the halls of faculty office buildings urging faculty to sign contracts to write text books. So

it was that Jim Bell, another fugitive from the Grossmont District, and I, found ourselves signed to a contract with Macmillan to write three textbooks for freshman English: a rhetoric, a handbook, and a rhetoric reader. And we did. Each of those texts went into three editions. Later we did a freshman reader for D.C. Heath, but that is another story. In any case, the rhetoric-reader made a splash because for the first time somebody, namely us, recognized that some of the best magazine non-fiction-and fiction, too-at the time was being published by Playboy. So we included five essays in the reader section, but only after I went to to Chicago to the Playboy mansion and hung around for five days to get the necessary permissions. Bob Danielson reviewed the book and panned it. As I said, it went into three editions. So much for Mr. Danielson.

Let me conclude by telling you the things I am most proud of 1. Barbara and I just a few months ago celebrated our 60' wedding anniversary, and in San Mateo County that is quite an achievement. 2. Our children are both graduates of the University of California at Berkeley. Our daughter is a grad of the School of Environmental Design. After a number of years as a landscape architect, she has become a commercial real estate appraiser. Our son is an MD with a specialty in Emergency Room medicine. However, he wrote some computer programs for Emergency Room use, and to make a long story much too short, he is currently National Director, Health Information Policy for Kaiser Permanente. He is the one sent to Washington to testify before congress on HMO-related issues. 3. Our daughter was widowed much too young, so she has to be Auntie Maine to my grandson and granddaughter. The boy is entering his senior year at UCLA with a major in English. The granddaughter has just entered the University of Chicago.

Overall, I can say I am satisfied. I am particularly thankful for the three years I spent at El Cap. After the five years I spent at El Cajon, I really needed the uplift that I got from wonderful students, as well as from the late Bob Burnham, Russ Savage, Paul de Kock, J.C. Barrons, and even Bob Danielson. Because of it, I was prepared to move on and do what I have done.



Paul DeKock

I continued teaching English and American history for the remainder of my 33-year teaching career and retired early in 1988 at age 58. Then I worked as executive editor of Interact, an educational materials publishing company my teaching partner and I had created in 1968. I also found time to read copiously, play golf, ballroom dance, create photograph albums, see many films, and perform in a community band and a trombone ensemble.

In late 1998 my partner and I sold our company. I survived 103 days in the hospital following heart surgery. I recovered gradually in 1999. Writing became my major focus, and at age 74 I am two-thirds through my memoir novel, "Mrs. C's War", which celebrates three fine high school teachers and my family and friends who shaped my life

in an Iowa small town during World War II. This book will be published in late 2005 or early 2006.

My short term memory is sometimes questionable; my long term memory is often remarkable. I have l o n g stories to tell about my 3500 students and the individuals, places, and ideas I have loved during my life. Bring some duct tape.

Mr. DeKock's writing credits:

Editor -- over 275 simulations, interaction units, re-creations, activators, mini-musicals, and writing programs ...

Author -- *Responding*--A cross-disciplinary writing program ... *Steps*--Expository writing and speaking programs at three levels ... *Handles*--A journey in adolescence to find your personal identity ... *Daily News Video*--An interactive current events program utilizing the evening news ... *Seneca Falls*--A re-creation of the first women's rights convention ... *Passionate Teaching*--A study book for teachers wishing to enrich their teaching and their lives ... and currently writing *Mrs. C's War*--a novel in which an elderly novelist, near death, celebrates the life of his World War II (1941-1945) high school English and drama teacher, who becomes for the remainder of her life a social activist working for human rights and the preservation of our Home Planet



Easa Harb

Married twice. Divorced twice. Had son and daughter (daughter deceased - cancer). Two stepdaughters. Four foster children. Twenty-five grandchildren.

Taught at El Cap 1961-1975. Worked at District 1975-1977. Went back to classroom in 1977. Taught at Monte Vista 1977-1987. Injured back and had to leave teaching. Vocational rehab counselor from 1987 to 1992. Took care of Mother 1992-1995. Security work 1995 to present.

Any unattached females are encouraged to get in touch with me.



Jan Jessop

I was on staff at El Capitan for only two years (1959-60 and 1960-61) then I moved on to open Monte Vista (1961-62 school year). After 15 more years of teaching, opening another new school (Valhalla), and a sabbatical leave to complete a Masters degree I left teaching and joined the administrative staff of the CIF (California Interscholastic Federation-San Diego Section). Following 25 more years in educational athletics (a total of 42) I retired in 2001 as Commissioner of the CIF section. Retirement

has been very good to me and I am signed up to take a Mediterranean cruise that terminates August 12, in Athens, the day before the 2004 Olympic Games start. I have been fortunate enough to find housing during the games and plan to attend several events. In October, I am tentatively signed up for a tour to the northeast and will not be around for your reunion.



Richard Lantz

I left El Capitan High School in 1968 to teach at Grossmont College. I enjoyed teaching at the high school, but as a botany major, moving to the college provided the opportunity to teach in my area of major interest. After teaching there for 24 years and after a total of 38 years of teaching, I decided to retire, not because I had lost my enthusiasm for teaching, but because retirement provided the opportunity to pursue other interests.

My wife Dorine and I celebrated our 50th anniversary in 2000. Our 5 grandchildren range from an age or 19 years to 26 years. The eldest teaches at Steele Canyon High School. Dorine is an artist and I paint, so that we spend some of our time traveling and painting. I sail my Hobie Cat, garden and do other retired guy stuff.

The opportunity to truly get to know the students made the years at El Cap the most enjoyable of my teaching career.



Jerome Lipetzky (Teacher 1961-1991)

Many interests have continued since retiring in 1991 after 30 years at El Capitan. Construction projects have included a cabin on Mt. Palomar and an art studio at our ome in Alpine for my oil painting passion. Flyfishing, backpacking, music, reading, making wine from our small vineyard, gardening, llamas, and travel fill hours that used to be spent on lesson plans and grading papers. Of course, children and grandchildren top everything for retirement joys!



Olga Ritter

After leaving El Capitan in 1963 I took a couple of years off and had our daughter, Kari Ann. In the fall of 1965 I returned to teaching

Homemaking at San Marcos High School and continued teaching there until I retired in June, 1992.

Throughout the years, Bob (my husband) and I, along with Kari, enjoyed camping and traveling in our trailer. We visited much of the west coast. Kari has since married Dr. Robert Coe, a dentist, and has 4 boys ranging in age from 10 1/2 to almost 6.

After Bob retired from teaching at San Pasqual High School in 1994, we took our big trip to Alaska and have since traveled across the southern part of the U.S. We look forward to going to the Northeast part of the U.S. sometime soon and hope to visit all of the 48 states that we haven't visited already.

Life has been good to us both and we have enjoyed living in Escondido.

Hope you all have a wonderful 40th reunion.

In Remembrance

They are missed...

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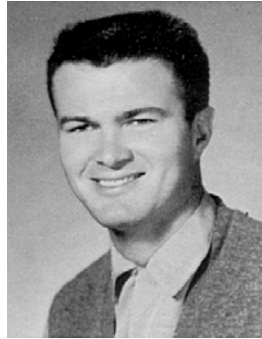
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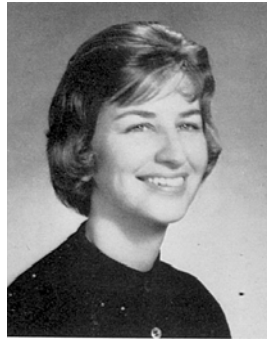
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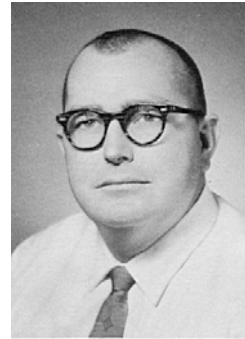
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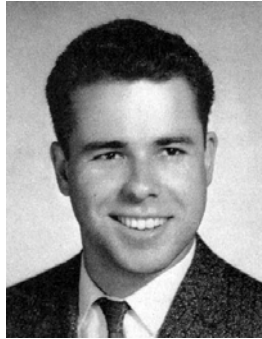
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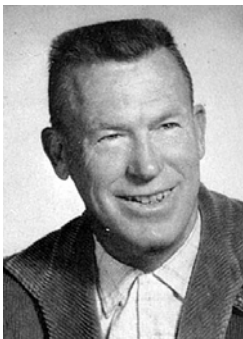
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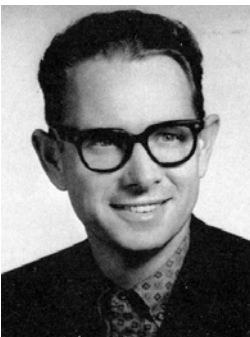
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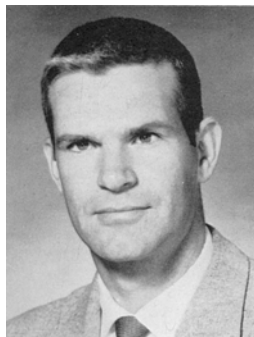
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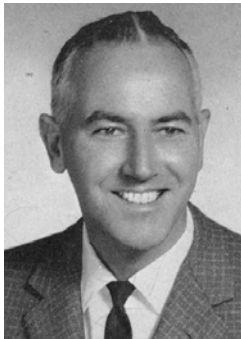
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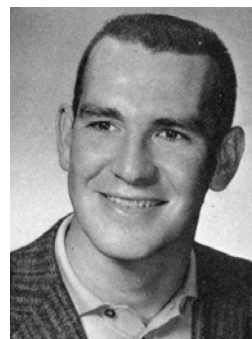
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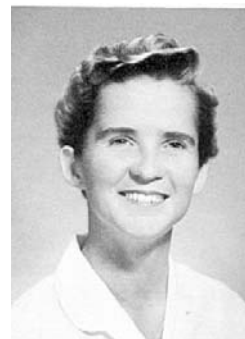
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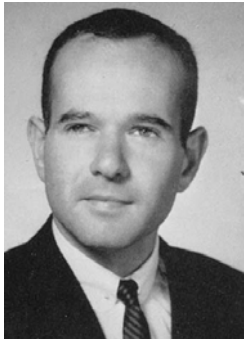
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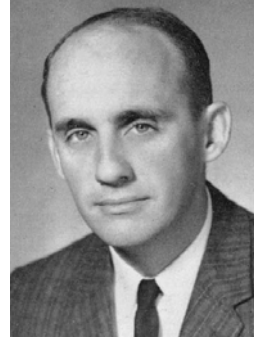
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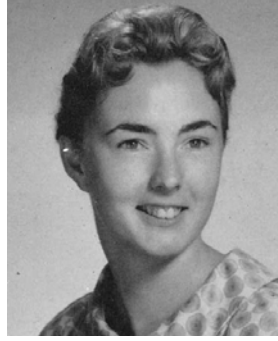


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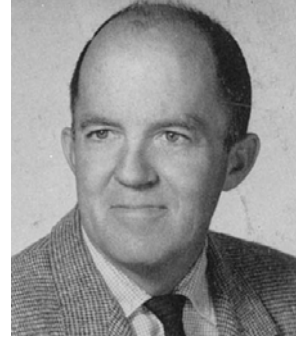
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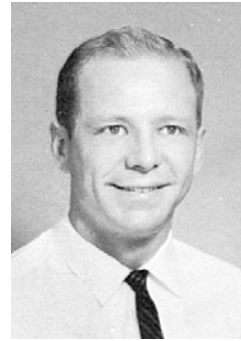
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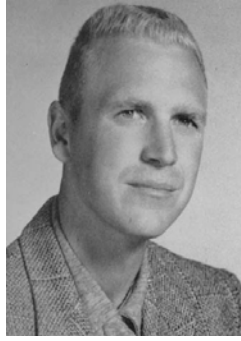
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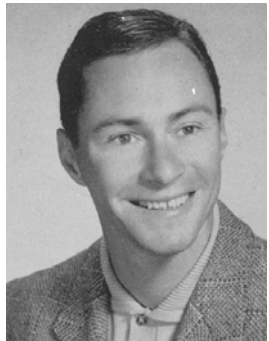
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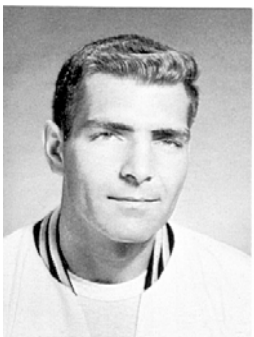
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