

The Knockout II

THE PACIFIC GROVE HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

" It's the  Glue  that keeps us together "

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

1933: The "People's Car" (Volkswagen) project is started in Germany. Prohibition is in effect. Unemployment during the Depression reaches its highest level. The Monopoly game is invented. Chocolate chip cookies are invented. Five-year-old Shirley Temple signs a movie contract. Yoko Ono and Willie Nelson are born. Fatty Arbuckle dies. Franklin D. Roosevelt becomes president. Billie Holiday is discovered. A new Chevy half-ton pickup costs \$650.



1973: The Vietnam war ends. Fed Ex opens for business. The disposable lighter is invented. The mobile phone is invented (it weighs 80 pounds). *American Graffiti* hits movie screens. Tori Spelling and Monica

Lewinsky are born. Lyndon B. Johnson dies. Nixon is re-elected. Led Zeppelin breaks the Beatles' record for concert attendance. A new Datsun 510 costs \$2,306.

2013: Today. You fill in the blanks. What have these three years in common? They are 40 years apart.

This year will mark the 40th reunion of the Pacific Grove High School Class of 1973, an event that class will mark at the Pacific Grove High School Alumni Association annual reunion, October 5 and 6 (a registration form is included on page 18 in this newsletter).

On May 15, I attended the Pacific Grove High School Awards Night to make scholarship awards to 15 students, in the amount of \$15,800. It occurred to me as I sat in the high school library that had a person my age come to make awards to my graduating class, that person would have graduated from Pacific Grove High School in 1933. It is a sobering thought but also an inspiring one. It encouraged me to say to the students, "I know that you are not thinking about joining the alumni association now. But keep it in mind. I hope that 40 years from now one of you will be standing here making scholarship awards to the Class of 2053. The Class of 2053! What will they be like? What will they look like to the Class of 2013? What must the Class of 1973 have looked like to the Class of 1933?"

To this member of Class of 1973, the Class of 2013 looks pretty good. They may have their cell phones attached to their ears and be addicted to Facebook, but we had our transistor radios glued to our ears and were addicted to rotary-dial phones, according to our parents.

Remember the telephone book listings that said "Smith, Bill," at one number and then "Smith teenagers" at another? Today, the notion of sharing a phone, even with your siblings, is antiquated. And now, as a college teacher, I despair at the amount of time I spend telling students to put phones away. But despite their phone habits, the 18-year-olds that I saw at PG High on May 15 are ready to take on the world, and I'm not worried about them taking it over. They are scientists, writers, athletes, and entrepreneurs, planning to attend Monterey Peninsula College, UC campuses, and colleges out of state. Here are our award winners for 2013:

Emily Stewart received the \$1000 Ada Eleanor Smith Educational Scholarship for a student who plans to become a teacher; Maggie Snyder, the \$1000 Bob Hoag Athletic Scholarship for a college-bound basketball player; Sophia Sorenson, the \$300 "Class of 1952 Remembers" scholarship for a student entering a vocational program; Laurence Cefalu, the \$1000 Don Harlan '42 Vocational Scholarship; Arwa Awan, the \$1,000 Maude Marian Smith Educational Scholarship for a student who plans to become a teacher; Max Paris, the \$1,000 PGHSAA Musical Scholarship Award for a student who plans a career in music; Sydney Thompson, the \$1,000 Phil Nash '52 scholarship; and Jenna Hively, the new \$500 Bill Hyler '39 scholarship. The new Richard Reynolds '45 scholarship for a student planning to major in engineering, with \$2000 the first year and \$1000 the next year of college, went to Daniel Boatman. Recipients of the \$1000 PGHSAA Scholarship Award, given to students who demonstrated overall excellence in their high school careers, were Anthony Berteaux, Yan Brown, Tim Matthews, Dean Randall, Sabrina Riffle, and Sonia Silkey.

Congratulations to our award winners, and many thanks to those of you who made these scholarships possible. And we hope to see members of all Pacific Grove High School graduating classes in October. We've planned something a little different this year, including a dinner/dance at the Monterey Beach House on Del Monte Beach and a brunch at the high school itself, prepared by the high school's culinary class. Reserve your places now!

Beth Penney '73

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This Knockout II is published with everyone in mind. As some of our members enjoy finding fault with other's work, intentional errors have been placed throughout the newsletter for there enjoyment !!! BH

September 14th General Meeting

Election of Officers and
 Board of Directors.

ALL Members Welcomed!

Refreshments Served
 PGHS Multi-Purpose Room
 615 Sunset Blvd., Pacific Grove

**WE NEED YOUR
 SUPPORT, PLEASE PLAN
 TO ATTEND.**

2013 PGHSAA Board Meetings
 Community Center
 515 Junipero Ave PG
 6:30 PM Thursday
 July 11, October 10.

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A FRIENDLY WELCOME TO:

OUR NEW MEMBERS:

1962 Rose *Timar* Dunsford Pacific Grove
 1964 Vicki *Cordier* Garrett White City, OR
 1964 Dave Lugo Pacific Grove
 1973 Annette *Estes* Hall Slidell, LA
 1974 Faye *Collins* Hill Pacific Grove
 1976 Joe Smith Pacific Grove

GLAD TO HAVE YOU BACK!

OUR RETURNING MEMBERS:

1995 Kaye *Coleman* Pacific Grove

IN MEMORY OF:

Mrs Edwin Getz (Ed Getz '38 spouse) Pacific Grove
 IMO: Robert "Bob" Roland Downing '46
 Don Moss Stockton
 IMO: Michael Winston Moss '55
 1943 Ronald Vining Pacific Grove
 IMO: Sharon Louise *Vining* '68
 1946 Jim deLorimier
 1948 Rita Hazeltine deLorimier Pebble Beach
 IMO: Robert "Bob" Roland Downing '46
 1949 Jayne *Dix* Gasperson Pacific Grove
 IMO: Robert "Bob" Roland Downing '46
 IMO: Donald "Don" Thomas Gasperson '47
 1950 Terry Moss Roseville
 IMO: Michael Winston Moss '55
 1951 Beverly *Silva* Dunbar Citrus Heights
 IMO: Shirley *Neves* Cantua '47
 IMO: Eugene "Gene" Wayne *Neves* '50
 1961 Florence *Reuland* Eichenberg Ridgecrest
 IMO: Richard "Dick" Randolph Johnson '57
 1965 Michael Scardina Cocolalla, ID
 IMO: Roosevelt Griffin
 IMO: Glen Wayne Hensley '63
 IMO: Carolyn *Ballard* Glenn Hylton '65
 IMO: Richard "Rick" James Fenstemacher '65
 IMO: Sally Irene *Shoemaker* Higgins '65
 IMO: Michael "The Flea" Alen Feliciano '67
 IMO: Martha "Marty" Anne *Winter* Feliciano '67
 1975 Victoria *Howard* Schwirzke San Jose
 IMO: Leon Jessie Howard '55
 IMO: Diana Doris *Hotovitzky* Howard Dymitrow '55
 1977 Anna Maria *Colletti* Gardnerville, NV
 IMO: Paul Anthony Coletti Faculty

1982 DeDe *Duncan* Valenzuela '82 Hollister
 IMO: James "Pappy" Theodore Duncan '57

ALUMNI IMO SCHOLARSHIP FUND:

CLASS OF 1952 SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Susan Hill (Spouse of Al Hill '52 deceased) Reedley
 IMO: Wesley "Wes" Lee Stewart '52
 Fred & Teresa Stewart Sacramento
 IMO: Wesley "Wes" Lee Stewart '52
 The Bullard Macy Group Reno, NV
 IMO: Wesley "Wes" Lee Stewart '52
 Jennifer Looney Mesa, AZ
 IMO: Wesley "Wes" Lee Stewart '52
 1952 Donna *Norbeck* Przybyla Paso Robles
 1952 John Perkins Reedley
 IMO: Lolita "Lollie" *Jovita Garcia* Fagundes '52
 IMO: Wesley "Wes" Lee Stewart '52

ROBERT HOAG '43 SCHOLARSHIP FUND

1943 Maxine *Wilson* Hoag Pacific Grove

OLIVE DEAN HYLER '40 CULINARY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

1964 Gail *Hylar* Redding

NELSON WILLIAM 'BILL' HYLER '39 SCHOLARSHIP FUND

1964 Gail *Hylar* Redding
 1966 Carol *Bradley* Lauderdale Marina

POSTAGE CONTRIBUTIONS:

1953 Clint Tawse Pueblo, CO
 1970 Nicole *Mule*' Hidden Valley Lake

PGHSAA SCHOLARSHIP FUND:

1952 Carol *Crummey* Bauer Union City
 1952 Jane *Lowrey* Weisser Sacramento
 IMO: Patricia "Pat" Lee *Annand* Bispo '52
 1971 Donna *Schutzler* McAtee St Helens, OR

SENIOR YEARBOOK FUND:

1942 Paul Ichijji Salinas
 1949 Eunice *Williamson* Bartowick Pacific Grove



**2013 PGHSAA Alumni Reunion
Memories From The Past, Memories Of Today,
Memories For Tomorrow**

by Edie Adams McDonald-Maruyama '56
PGHSAA Vice-President and Event-Chair

This year's Pacific Grove High School Alumni Reunion dinner will be one from which we can all find personal meaning. At the Beach House next to the commercial Wharf in Monterey, we'll celebrate with a dinner and kick the sand, or even, for those of you who think you are back as freshmen at PGHS, be given an opportunity to dive into Monterey Bay. We'll have indoor, veranda and beach sand areas to ourselves. Dress in whatever suits your taste. Flip-flops are optional. Let the party begin!

My first memories about the Beach House were when it was the Monterey Sea Scout shack. It was during the Cold War, and we Mariners had our binoculars and a deck of identification cards. We could tell the difference between their MIG-15's and our F-86's. We never saw any jet fighters, but we might have identified a C-47 lumbering into the Monterey Airport. (Maybe they might have been a civilian DC-3, but our efforts were good enough to get us a merit badge.)

The Beach House evolved into a launching place for surfers and now it is a place which is used by various groups for dinners, weddings, and reunions. A few years ago, we went there when the Consul General from Azerbaijan visited Monterey to launch the sister-city program. It was quite a sight to see diplomats with their starched shirts and coats and ties get onto the boogie board prop to be photographed and included in their trip report filed back in Baku on the Caspian Sea. (I don't think surfing is that prevalent on their shores, as they are for us.) You can wear whatever you want to the beach on Saturday, October 5 for our reunion and still climb onto the surf board for your "photo-op."

This year, PGHSAA decided that we'd do something different. A reunion with a Pacific Grove beach theme. It won't be Hawaiian, since there's steak, salmon, and veggies in the buffet line, but no Luau pig. There will even be some palm trees to give us the tropical flavor. (We opted for palm trees, since we're not sure whether the two for one tree replacement ordinance in PG would apply when we took down the decorations.)

The owner of the Beach House is a PG high school grad, so he cut us a great deal. His normal charge, is considerably higher, but we'll be able to hold the price down so that our reunion dinner will cost us only \$55 per person. Our goal is to have 200 people attending, so our theme will be great for all ages groups. We'll have in-door and out-door dining, areas where the music will be suitable for dancing, and areas where we can just visit and talk to friends whom we haven't seen in a long time.

October is probably the nicest time of year for us. Even if you wear a short sleeve Hawaiian shirt, you'll be comfortable. However, that awful floral pattern on your shirt may make your spouse uncomfortable.

There are at least three Beach Houses on the Peninsula. There's one in Pebble Beach owned by the Monterey Peninsula Country Club. There's another which used to be the Old Bath House at Lover's Point. Ours is the Del Monte Beach House up from Del Monte Beach. Daylight savings time won't have commenced, so there's enough daylight, and you'll be able to find the Beach House, where we will hold the 2013 PGHSAA reunion.

Whatever your tastes, there will be a no-host bar as we gather and mingle. I usually like gin and tonic, but for this event, I think I'll order the PGHSAA *mai-tai*. Let's see what the bartender concocts.

The wheels are set into motion. **Let's get the word out.**

The committee will guarantee that the photos you and our photographer take at the reunion will be quite appropriate to send to you friends and relatives in the rest of the world who will be bracing for hurricane and typhoon season. They'll be envious of you and your mascot, "The Breakers." Take a photo of the Pacific Ocean's breakers which will be clearly visible from the porch veranda. We live in paradise! Our alumni association is the strongest among all the high schools. The friends with whom we shared our high school and our fog are the best. The committee has decided that on the date and place of the 2013 PGHSAA reunion dinner, the weather will be great.

The usual Sunday morning brunch the day after will be held at the Pacific Grove High School Library. PGHS Culinary Class will be our chef for this event with plans for a special brunch at just \$20 per person. Principal Bell will be on hand to give anyone who wants a tour of the campus including our new gym!



Lounge on the beach, the deck, or inside at the alumni dinner. Notice the warm fire pits and Tiki torches.



Hang Ten on a PG breaker where you can get your picture taken.

Wheels of change roll over P.G. by Phil Bowhay

Flashing back almost 60 years to when I was a bright-eyed young stock broker, Senior Partner Jean Witter told us, "Gentlemen! Change is the nature of our business!" You might think that was an admonition to buy and sell, or sell and buy, or as one of our sales gurus said, "shift assets." Actually, Mr. Witter was commenting on the structural and technological changes in the securities business. He was right, of course, and almost nothing is the same today.

This all came back to me as I considered the change in Pacific Grove, particularly the current outcry about the possible Holman Hotel. Those folks whose legitimate concerns regarding water, parking, mass, mess and drunks visiting from Texas need to be heard, of course. On the other hand, the Pagrovians (awful word) who worry about change need to look around and consider the changes that have shaped our piney paradise in the last 80 and some odd years.

Some change, of course, has been awful, like that Santa Cruz type motel/ hotel across from Lovers Point. What were we thinking!

Almost as bad as the beach hotel, but these many years later we are used to those changes. Most of us weren't around to bitch and moan about Mr. Parsons' hotel in the middle of a lovely neighborhood. Pine trees cut, and all of that, but up went the Forest Hill Hotel, which might have been even bigger than the proposed Holman. Yes, friends, that used to be a real hotel, and a lot of us worked there. Now that it's Forest Hill Manor, there's no visible threat to the status of "The Best Home Town." But what a change it was!

No point in discussing the change in availability of Demon Rum, but some old timers may have been right in "The Beginning Of The End." Too early to tell. Again, not sure when the Old Bath House went up . . . after I went away . . . but looks like that change might work out nicely.

People who claim that P.G. never changes really have to look around. When the Methodist Episcopal Church was torn down, that was a bad change, and no further comment there. Del Monte Express gone? Another bad change. Library doubled in size? Good change. Probably the worst change, when Holman's went out of business.

You can make your own list, but all in all, friends, P.G. is a great place, with thanks to a lot of change since Julia chopped down the gate. If you have any doubts, go up to Pine Avenue for the Good Old Days parade next time around. The Pacific Grove High Marching Band is world class, quite a change from the good old days when I marched behind a big bass drum. Check out those families, and those wonderful kids. They might even look forward to the change in that blighted block across from their library.

Don't forget that Pacific Grove is shiny, bright, classy and tough. And God still lives there, especially on the weekends.

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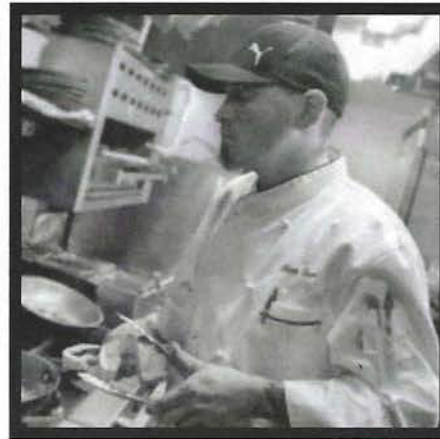
Beach House hires Pacific Grove native as head chef

by Mike Hale The Grub Hunter

Those concerned that the soon-to-open Beach House Restaurant at Lovers Point will only trap tourists with cookie-cutter cuisine should rest easy.

Longtime local restaurateurs Jim Gilbert and Kevin Phillips (PGHS '77) have spent two years planning the new project with the

community in mind, and the word "slapdash" isn't in their vocabulary. Everything has been carefully thought out, and this week they hired as their executive chef Pacific Grove native Christopher Groves, (PGHS '94) who spent his formative years swimming in the Lovers Point pool and surfing off the point



Chris Groves '94

(you can't get any more local than that).

"I grew up on the Monterey Peninsula and have been able to turn my love of food into a career," said Groves, 37, who started his culinary career as a busboy at the Sardine Factory while attending Pacific Grove High School.

Groves fell in love with the energy of that iconic restaurant and quickly developed a passion for the business. After working the first 10 years of his career in the front of the house, his attention turned toward the kitchen. He enrolled at Scottsdale Culinary Institute in Scottsdale, Ariz., and graduated with a degree in Le Cordon Bleu Culinary Arts.

He returned to Monterey and worked in the kitchen at The Sardine Factory before taking a corporate job with Marriott hotels. After a stint in Philadelphia, Groves returned home and worked for two years as senior sous chef at Bouchee Bistro in Carmel, before opening Bistro Beaujolais in Carmel as executive chef.

"The Beach House is a restaurant designed for locals first," said Phillips, a managing partner who's spent his entire hospitality career on the Peninsula. "To further demonstrate this message, we have begun to compile a team of talented local people. (Chef Groves) knows this community and shares our vision for creating a restaurant experience local folks will embrace."

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DECEASED PACIFIC GROVE HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI

It is with sorrow that we publish the names of our fellow classmates who have passed away since our last issue. They are listed in order of deceased date, class year and city of residence.

December 2012

John Arano '48 Wendell, ID
 Alan Stewart '42 Port Orford, OR

February 2013

Veda Mewes Noren '43 Oceanside
 Charles Draper '31 Milwaukie, OR
 Ken Russell '61 Salinas
 Jean Turner Williams '43 Bend, OR
 John Anderson '48 Monterey

March 2013

Sally Shoemaker Higgins '65 Pacific Grove

March 2013

Michael Moss '55 Kingston, MA
 Bob Downing '46 Pacific Grove
 Michael McDermed '77 Monterey
 Kathy Anderson Espinole '67 Antioch

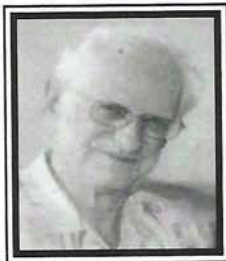
April 2013

Fran Pistoia Domonouski '65 Salinas
 Emily Feliciano Ramirez '63 Seaside
 James "Bob" Mulkey '41 Eugene, OR

May 2013

Marilyn Miller Jones '45 Pacific Grove
 Kay Fisher Pattison '51 Keizer, OR

John Robert Arano died at his home in Wendell, ID, on Dec. 6, 2012, at the age of 83. Born Aug. 2, 1929, in Hollister, John graduated from PGHS in 1948, and then served in the US Navy in Korea from 1951 to 1955. Attending Cal Poly University at San Luis Obispo, John married and moved to Idaho where he raised cattle, potatoes, corn, grain and alfalfa. Later he worked for Burroughs Machine Corp. for 25 years, and then 10 years for Ambrose Farms. John loved animals and traveling and was a community activist. He was a 18-year member of the PGHS alumni association. Survivors include his two children, Darlene Dunham and Cliff McFelter; his three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. His wife Virginia died in 2008.



Alan N. Stewart Sr., 88, died at his home in Port Orford, OR, on Dec. 7, 2012. A native of PG, Alan was born May 17, 1924, and graduated from PGHS in 1942. During WWII

he served in the US Army as a military policeman and bandsman, touring in Northern Africa and Italy. After the war, Alan received a B.A. in Philosophy from San Jose State. He worked as a counselor, sociologist, and parole officer for the California Department of Corrections at Soledad, Vacaville, and Tehachapi, then became a teacher on the Indian Reservation in Pecwan, and later McCloud and Mt. Shasta elementary schools. Later he became a general contractor and built many homes in Siskiyou County. In 1994 he moved to Port Orford, where in retirement, Alan continued to enjoy crossword puzzles, home improvement projects, and playing the guitar for his grandchildren. Born into a family of musicians, Alan performed in the Stewart Trombone Quartet in the Carmel Bach Festival with his father and brothers between 1935-1940. Survivors include his wife Patricia; five children, Alan Jr., David, Timothy, Michael, and Susan; eight grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. He was pre-deceased by three older brothers: Chandler '34, Gordon '37, and Donald '38.



Veda Mae Mewes Noren, 87, died Feb. 7,

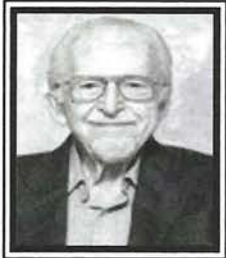
2013, in Oceanside, her home of many years. Born July 23, 1925, the only child of Harry C. and Golde Mewes in Anderson, Vee graduated from PGHS in 1943. She was a dedicated wife and mother, caring for her family in support of her husband Irv Noren, who played baseball for the St. Louis Cardinals, Washington Senators, New York Yankees, Kansas City Athletics, Chicago Cubs, and Los Angeles Dodgers and as a minor-league manager and major-league coach. Vee and Irv later owned and raced cars at Del Mar. She leaves four children, 18 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.



Charles Richard Draper, died in Milwaukie, OR, on Feb. 8, 2013, at the age of 98. Born Oct. 2, 1914, in Malaya, to missionary parents, Richard lived in China, then moved to PG in 1925. Richard attended PGHS with the class of 1931 but graduated from Monterey Union High,

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then earned a B.A. from College of the Pacific, and an M. A. from Connecticut State College in 1939. During WWII, he served in the Navy on the destroyer Melvin and later retired as a Lt. Cmdr. in



the Naval Reserve. After the war, he earned a BS in industrial engineering at Oklahoma A&M College where he began as a teacher in the college of engineering. After graduate school, he worked at Northern Natural Gas Company in Omaha, NE. In 1969 he moved to Helena, MT, where he worked for the state. After retirement in 1978, they moved to Harbor, then Brookings, and finally Milwaukie in 2007. Richard had a wide array of talents, as an actor in community theater, and as a prolific artist and calligrapher, woodworker and carpenter. Survivors include two daughters, Anne and Gail, and one grandson. He was preceded in death by all his siblings, Margaret *Draper* Hanchett '30, John E. *Draper* '35, and Betty *Draper* Meagher '36. His wife Harriet died in 2007.



Kenneth Farrell Russel, 70, a native of Carmel, but raised in PG, died Feb. 9, 2013, in Salinas. Born July 23, 1942, Ken attended PGHS with the class of 1961, and then joined the US Navy. Ken was a talented



'body and fender man" whose masterful auto paint accomplishments were displayed in the Concours d'Elegance classic car show. He enjoyed antiques, collecting clowns, coins and stamps, and playing cribbage. Survivors include three children, William, Tami and

Kristan, and two sisters, Barbara *Russell* '63 and Joanne *Russell* Tuscany '57.



Monterey County native Marjorie Jean *Turner Williams*, 86, died in Bend, OR, on Feb. 13, 2013. Born May 13, 1926 to long-time PG residents George and Carol *Moore Turner* '05, Jean graduated from PGHS in 1943. She lived in Groveland from 1987 to 2001, and moved to Bend in 2001. She was a 35-year member of the PGHS alumni association. Survivors include her husband Robert and three daughters.



Dr. John A. Anderson, 82, well-known Monterey internist, died Feb. 17, 2013 in Monterey from complications of Alzheimer's. Born July 27, 1930 to a military family, John graduated from PGHS in 1948, attended Santa



Clara University, and received his M.D. from St. Louis University Medical School. He was a rare doctor who made house calls throughout his career, and was a respected physician who worked with the Waligora Medical Group. He also served as chief of staff at Community Hospital. John was an avid salmon fisherman, and formerly owned the "Book End" in Monterey. Survivors include his wife Sylvia, six children, John Anderson, Susan Colburn, Genevieve Bergez, Anne McCormack, Paul Anderson, and Alice Mienkowski; 19 grandchildren, and three great grandchildren.



Sally Irene *Shoemaker* Higgins died of

cancer on March 1, 2013, in PG. She was 66.



Sally was born in Contra Costa County on Feb. 19, 1947 and moved to PG at the age of twelve, where she graduated from PGHS in 1965. She loved music, dancing, art, and

volunteered more than 20 years of her life holding various positions at the Pacific Grove Art Center where she was given Emeritus standing as a board member. Sally co-founded a gardening company, and was one of the founding members of Friends of Grove (FOG) a grassroots environmental group. She also

worked at Homescapes in both Pacific Grove and Carmel. Her dedication to PG included adopting and maintaining a planter box on Forest and Lighthouse, planting trees in George Washington Park, working for the Historic Home Tour and fund raising for local organizations. Survivors include her sister Merrill Leslie, two sons, Jabin Higgins '85 and Monty Higgins '92, five grandsons; and ex-husband John C. Higgins '62.



Sally as Billy the Breaker 1965



Michael Winston Moss, 75, died of cancer in Kingston, MA, his home of many years, on March 3, 2013. Born in Salinas on Sept. 14, 1937, his family moved from King City to PG when he was nine years old.



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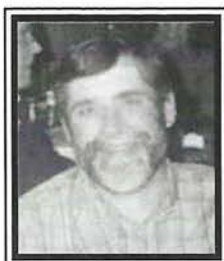
While at PGHS he was on the championship football and basketball teams. He graduated in 1955 and went on to MPC and Calif. State College at San Francisco. Mike served two years in the U.S. Army. After working a number of years for State Lines, a shipping firm in San Francisco, Mike moved to MA. There he refurbished old homes, ran a grocery store, and owned a house-painting business. Survivors include three sons, Jeffery, Jonathon and Michael, his brother Terrell '50 of Roseville, and sister Carol Moss Wardlow '64 of Seaside.



Robert Roland Downing was born Oct. 14, 1928, in Lincoln, NE, and died March 16, 2013, in PG at the age of 84. He graduated from PGHS in 1946, and served in the US Army in Korea. Robert was a carpenter in home construction for over 30 years. He was a member of PGHS Alumni Association for 23-years. Survivors include his wife of 60 years Betty Harrington Downing '49,; his children, Michael Downing '71 of Grass Valley, Patty Downing Higuera '76 of PG and Deborah Downing Swenson '67 of Lincoln, CA; his sister, Barbara Downing Dalpino '44 of Hayward; five grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.



Michael Lee McDermed, 54, died in Seaside on March 21, 2013. Born in Monterey on March 1, 1959, Mike graduated from PGHS in 1977 and was employed by Monterey Peninsula Country Club for 35 years. Survivors



include his mother, Elaine; and sister Linda McDermed Forsythe '80. He was preceded in death by his father, Don McDermed '42, and sister Diane McDermed Kissinger '74. His parents owned McDermed's Pharmacy in Pacific Grove for many years.



Margaret Kathleen Anderson Hall Espinole, 63, died in Antioch on March 25, 2013. Born May 28, 1949 in Dublin, Ireland, to an Ar Force family, Kathleen spent only her senior year at PGHS and graduated in 1967. She became a teacher, and enjoyed girl scouting, swimming, reading, movies, singing, and playing the guitar. She was an avid fan of the 49ers and Giants. Survivors include her husband Allen Espinole, five children Donny Hall, Jennifer Hall, Christine Hall, Stephanie Hall and Theodore Hall, three stepchildren, her brother Jerry, and 10 grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents James and Bernice Anderson, and brother James Anderson.



Francesca Lucia Pistoia Cosmero Hopkins Domonouski, 66, died in Salinas on April 23, 2013, her home of many years. Fran was born Sept. 16, 1947 in Alameda County to Frank and Rose Pistoia. She attended PGHS with the class of 1965, but quit and later went back and got her high school degree in 1974. She was a devoted wife and mother. Survivors include two sons, Gregory Cosmero '83 and Ronald Cosmero '84, four stepdaughters, Monica Jones, Erin Domonouski, Bobbie Domonouski and



Tamara Domonouski Cumming '82, 14 grandchildren (including Adam Jones '02 and Nicholas Jones '04), and two great-grandchildren. Her husband Jan Domonouski died in 2007.



Emily M. Feliciano Hale Ramirez, 67, a native of Carmel, died April 25, 2013 in Seaside. Born Feb. 14, 1946 in Carmel, Emily attended PGHS with the class of 1963. Emily was the office manager for Matteson & Beers Towing in Seaside.



She loved the outdoors, and going to Bingo and casinos. Survivors include her husband, Danny Ramirez, two children, Gary Hale and Charlene Hale, sister Geraldine Feliciano; and one grandchild. She was preceded in death by her daughter Nancy Roberts, sister Margaret Feliciano Brinkman '56, and parents.



James "Bob" Mulkay, 90, passed away on April 25, 2013, in Eugene, OR. Jim was born January 17, 1923 in Superior, WY, the eighth of ten children born to Leslie and Anne Mulkay. After graduating from PGHS in 1941, he joined the Navy and flew in blimps patrolling for subs along the Pacific Coast. After the WWII he worked as a typesetter, first in Hillsboro and then in Eugene, until he retired in 1998. Jim was a spiritual man who lived his life guided by Christian principles and never willfully harmed anyone. He was a devoted family man, with a smile for everyone.



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ALUMNI TIDBITS

by Sue Taylor '68

I was recently very saddened to learn that the name of one of our classmates killed in action in Vietnam was left off the Vietnam Memorial in Salinas. It's not the fault of the organizers of the Memorial, who worked diligently for YEARS to get all our veteran's names. There's not much you can do if the deceased was not living locally at the time, listed his hometown in another county, and his obituary was published in a third county. No, the blame for this omission I have to lay at the feet of his classmates, PGHS Class of 1967. Why is it that the alumni association is learning of the death of Charles Robert Williams II 44 years after his death? Can I use this example to whip up some energy among our readers to TELL the PGHSAA when you hear of a death of a classmate? I don't care if we get 55 e-mails – better than none! I am always tracing down even rumors of deaths – happy to do so, as sometimes I can confirm a live one.

Now let me throw down another request. Fast-forward into the future, and follow the trials of a new committee for a new memorial for the classmates or county residents who died in the Middle East wars of the late 21st century (name your country). How could we find our classmates? The Herald does a terrible job of informing us of military news; especially now that Fort Ord is gone. The PGHSAA has no idea of who has severed in the military, now or in the past. Could I please ask all you vets out there to tell the PGHSAA when and where you served, it would be ever so useful data in our database for the future.

Meanwhile, if you are in the Bay Area and need to build a website, take a look at Sage Website Designs, business site of Matthew David Brady Jr. '72: <http://www.sagewebsitedesigns.com>. Seems like he has a lot to offer. His objectives are: "To empower my client's business enterprise by creating custom web sites, database-to-web integration web sites, Search Engine Optimization, software applications, and information systems that streamline e-commerce, database management, and office processes." I am particularly impressed with Matt because of his other interests: solar power, organic farming and gardening, beekeeping, map-collecting, and he is even a music teacher of the woodwinds.

One of association members is Cate *Goblirsch* '94. She married Robert Lee '94 in 2001, In 2011 Cate joined the Monterey Peninsula Regional Parks District, and is presently president of the board of directors. But that is not all. She works in the office of the Fifth District Supervisor of the County of Monterey. If that is not enough, she is also on the board of the Friends of Parents' Place and the PGHSAA. With degrees in political science and public administration, she has also managed to have two kids. Sounds like the old adage – need something done, ask a busy person.

Well, here's a story about a not-an-alumni, just because it illustrates why it takes me so long to write these columns. I spent

about two hours exploring the web for more information after I came across an article written by Brooks G. Leffler for his WGBN alumni profiles alma mater. He described how he and his wife moved from Washington, D.C. – in what has got to be one of my favorite fantasies – because his wife inherited a free house in Pacific Grove from a maiden aunt. I looked into it more, hoping I would find the wife's family to be an old PG family, and therefore a good item for the column. No such luck. The house is on Calle de Los Amigos, - huh? Where the heck is that? Google Maps informed me that the street is off Pico, parallel to Sunset. Most Pagrovians will know where Pico is. One of those new houses built on the dunes. Checking Zillow for real estate values, it appears Mr. Leffler got a humdinger of a deal to die for, a free 2-bedroom house near the tide pools with his own sand dunes and deer habitat. Though judging from the picture of the house he'd better sweep his driveway more often, build a bigger retraining wall, or trade in his sedan for a dune buggy. Ah, the trials of ownership. Get the full story, and photo, at <http://wgbhalumni.org/profiles/leffler-brooks/>. Sounds like a really interesting man too. We can only hope that perhaps some descendants will eventually go to PGHS.

Congratulations to Dick Gamble '39, who recently celebrated his 70th wedding anniversary with wife Barbara. According to the Purdue Alumnus 2013, Dick's college alma mater, the couple met on a group blind date. Dick is one of our fine home boys, graduating from PGHS, going out and doing good in the world, then coming back to live and do more good in his home town. Dick has five children, 10 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.



Not bad for FREE!!!

Mama gave birth to her pup on PG beach April 6 or 7th. The first that we know of.



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Phillips said he was won over by Groves' "meticulous technical abilities, genuine passion for food and his infectious, energetic enthusiasm."



PGHS Grads
Chris Groves '94 & Kevin Phillips '77

Bar and Grill and Cannery Row Brewing Co.

Phillips and Gilbert have been working with the city of Pacific Grove to help revitalize the Lovers Point Waterfront (recently they wrote a \$10,000 check to the community's Save Our Pool campaign). Originally slated to open last July, design changes and the permitting process have put back the opening. Phillips wouldn't throw out an exact opening date, but said "things are accelerating fast" and pointed to late April or early May.



Beach House At Lovers Point

As far as the food goes, the Beach House will embrace "casual California dining" with the fabulous view as a complementary backdrop (Phillips doesn't want to become one of those restaurants that only offers a feast for the eyes).

Groves has a reputation for bold flavors. He runs Wild Mushrooms Monterey, specializing in supplying home cooks with edible porcinis, candy caps, chanterelles, morels and slippery Jacks. (Not to worry, he's a member of Fungus Federation of Santa Cruz and the North American Mycological Association).

He's also a chef who takes chances. At a recent event sponsored by Crown Royal, he made spiced bacon-wrapped shrimp with a Crown Royal glaze and smoked tomato coulis.

If he can pull off that type of food, to pair with that jaw-dropping view, tourists will have to fight off locals who will embrace it for its authenticity and community focus.

Please visit www.beachhousepg.com for more information and opening date. The Beach House also can be found on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/BeachHouseAtLoversPoint>
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Lovers Point Save the Pool Campaign

Originally opened in the mid 1930's, the Lovers Point "Salt Water" sat above the Lovers Point Beach and provided residents and visitors to Pacific Grove an alternative to swimming in the ocean. It also afforded the opportunity for people to not only learn how to swim, but be taught water safety practices as well.



The "Salt Water" pool was closed in 1967, but re-opened the kiddie portion in 1970 as a freshwater children's pool and has been in continuing operation ever since.

In late 2011, the pool was examined and found to be in need of an extensive upgrade to bring it into compliance with several county, state and federally mandated codes including the American's With Disabilities Act (ADA),



The Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary Act and Monterey County Health Department.

After thoughtful deliberation, the Pacific Grove City Council voted to direct City Staff to "keep the pool"



and explore options to accomplish this goal. Following an examination by the Public Works department, it was determined that the pool needed to be removed and replaced, thereby accomplishing the needed upgrades and structural enhancements that would allow its continued operation beginning in the

summer of 2013.

In May of 2012, volunteers and city staff formed a group to help accomplish this goal. Due to the current economic and budgetary climate, private donations and grant monies were deemed as the only viable option to help save the pool and thus a fund-raising campaign has been initiated with the goal of raising \$250,000 for the complete removal and replacement of this cherished Pacific Grove asset.

WE MET THAT GOAL!

If you didn't have a chance to donate toward the fund, you still have time. All funds collected will go toward the maintenance of the pool.

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Seattle

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France

Mexico

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Thailand

Oh no! The beach? What are they thinking?

By Trisha Muench Randall '92

We know that some of you may well have this first thought upon glancing at our reservation form for this year's Annual Reunion Dinner and seeing its location as Monterey Beach. But before you rip up your dues form and throw away your Breaker Pride sweatshirt let me assure you that we believe this year will give us a great event with a new twist that brings a casual splash of fun – no, not in the Pacific Ocean (though we'll be close enough that you're welcome to wager odds on which classmate is willing to take a dip for the right price...). Monterey Beach Party are consummate professionals who excel at making ocean side entertainment accessible and enjoyable for all participants. Their facility includes a beautiful spread outdoors with beach huts, chairs, bocce ball, tiki torches and bonfire while the indoor spread is decked with linens, centerpieces, music and a lightshow. Doesn't sound too shabby now does it? Our weather is often some of its best during those Indian summer days in late September and early October, but even if we get some good ole PG fog the venue will provide ample comfort and warmth for us to enjoy our friends and memories. So, consider this my personal invitation for you to slip on some sandals and join us for our Annual Reunion Dinner.

But the fun doesn't stop there... the Annual Reunion Brunch, so as not to be outdone, pulled out some new tricks and we are thrilled to share them with you. This year we will be sitting pretty at our Alma Mater while her culinary class creates our meal. Then the principal, Matt Bell, will personally lead us on a guided tour of the facility. This wonderful opportunity will allow us to reconnect with our own nostalgia and also provide us with a better vision for how we can continue to support Pacific Grove High School in her ongoing quest to provide excellent academics and extra-curricular activities to the students of Pacific Grove. It promises to be an exceptional event! Our space is limited so I strongly urge you to reserve your spot without delay.

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Police officer back from Afghan war Pacific Grove High School grad is doing what he always wanted to do.

By Marge Ann Jameson

By the time Brian Gorman graduated from Pacific Grove High School, he already knew what he wanted to do with the rest of his life. So he enrolled at Fresno State to study criminology, and set his sights on joining the Pacific Grove Police Department.

He studied in the daytime and at night was enrolled in one of 30 police academies hosted in California, this one with the Fresno County Sheriff's Department. By the time he graduated, he had "four or five" solid offers, but says, "[Pacific Grove] is a good place for me." He joined the department in 2010 and served his year of probation.



Brian Gorman PGHS 2004

He had also joined the California National Guard ROTC while in college, which meant he owed Uncle Sam some active duty, so just as soon as he finished his probation with the police department, he was summoned to serve

with the 649th Military Police Company for nine months in Afghanistan, beginning in 2011. While deployed, he did "patrol and security, not law and order" in that war-torn country. His company provided convoy security of shipments, patrols through villages, and security. "It went well," he said, not mentioning the Bronze Star medal he received.

Pacific Grove was proud of him, too, and citizens participated in a drive for some of the niceties, such as soap, edible treats, books and movies that soldiers look forward to while overseas. One woman who dropped her donations off at the police department remarked that she would have sent the items anyway but that "it meant more" since it was a hometown guy and made the Afghan war hit home for her.

Brian Gorman is married, and his wife is in counseling. She's understanding about his work, he says, which involves 12-hour shifts and weekend work.

Brian has just finished one of those 12-hour shift when we talked. He sported a sunburn from participating in the gun buyback program the day before. More than 300 guns were turned in, he said, and many who brought weapons in didn't even want the promised "no questions asked, \$100 reward" for turning them in. He said they were just concerned citizens who feared having the weapon fall into criminal hands if their home should be broken into and the guns stolen. It's the people that Brian Gorman works for. He studied the psychology of crime, not just law enforcement. Earlier in the day, one of the many calls he answered was mediating a dispute between

room mates. Not glamorous, not the stuff of television police dramas, but it's what he signed up for. "I love this job," says Brian. "I wouldn't trade it for anything."

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L to R Donna Norbeck Przbyla '52 Inez Owens Kirkman '52
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The 2013 Feast of Lanterns Royal Court!

Princess Turquoise Minhee Cho '16, Princess Pearl Ashley Yukihiro '14, Queen Topaz Courtney Lyon '14, Princess Amethyst Hayley Yukihiro '16, and Princess Ruby Caroline Gruber '16. Congratulations ladies. Make PG and PGHS proud.



John
Miller '71

Richard
Stillwell '50

Donald
Mothershead '71

Here are some "real" good ol PG Boys!

In a Sunburned Country Down Under

By Xavier K. Maruyama and
Edie Adams McDonald '56

We fled our spring obligations and decided to experience fall. From April 8 to May 7, we decided that we'd flee Pacific Grove's politics and the Central Coast's pollen and get as far away as we could. Instead of drilling a hole in our backyard, we decided to fly Air New Zealand from Monterey to San Francisco to Auckland, NZ, to Melbourne Australia. We lost a full day, April 9, completely since the International Dateline makes you jump across a page in your day-timer. (We're 19th century type of people, so we use paper and pencil rather than using an Android or iPhone, or whatever it is that you younger alumni use.)

It's amazing to land in a country where they think you come from an old country. We've been to Scotland, Italy, Egypt, and Japan, where they politely look down upon you with disdain because our country's history only goes back to somewhere around 1772. Theirs stretches back thousands of years. In Australia, they think America is old. Australia had to be rediscovered by Captain James Cook around 1772 because America had gained its independence and the British had no place to send their petty thieves and other convicts. (If you had paid attention during the United States history class during your junior year, you'd remember that Georgia was primarily a colony to relieve the overcrowding in British debtors' prisons.) It's amazing to realize that America is an old country.

Australia is a vast county, so planning your trip to visit Sydney, Ayre's Rock in the middle of nowhere, and Darwin is like visiting the United States and visiting Boston, the Grand Canyon through Flagstaff, Arizona, and the Seminole Swamps in Florida all in one short trip. It's too big, so we (actually our hosts) decided to concentrate our tour to around Melbourne and its outskirts, Sydney and north, and Long Island (not New York) near the Great Barrier Reefs. We learned how to use the local trains, so were able to get into downtown without supervision, similar to getting around our Bay Area with the light rails system. We drove to Ballarat, Victoria, which has Sovereign Hill, a recreated open air village depicting the area during the first ten years after the gold rush around 1851. (The village is similar to our Williamsburg, Virginia.) Gold had begun to run out in California, so thousands of miners came from Europe, America, and China and came to try their luck in Australia. (Edie managed to find a beautiful necklace with a miniscule amount of raw gold nugget, and she bought it to match her gold nugget ear rings from Alaska, she had bought years ago when gold was \$32 per ounce. I calculated that the price of the gold content in the Australian nugget. It was in the neighborhood of \$6000 an ounce, but when it's paid for in foreign money and credit card, who's going to complain. ©

Once you get over the shock of prices in

Australia, it is the easiest place for an American tourist to settle in. (The Australian dollar used to be about 60 cents US, but they did not get affected by the 2008 bust and now the exchange rate is such that the US dollar is less than the Australian dollar.) We never saw so many McDonalds, KFCs, Hungry Jack's (Burger Kings to Americans), and lots of sushi take-out places. They worry about water shortages. The sushi bars are rarely owned and operated by Japanese. They take their politics seriously. They are nuts about sports. Welcome to central and southern California.

We saw how Australia is booming. We've never seen so many Chinese tourists as in Australia. Two decades ago, it was Japanese tourists. Now it's mainland China which is fueling Australia's boom from natural resources.

The Australians are nuts about cricket, rugby, and soccer, but most decidedly nuts about their AFL -- that's Australian Football League. Australian football is a fast game played with a pigskin football with goal posts and combines elements of rugby, soccer, and basketball. The only sport that it does not have anything in common with is American football. The players are big and fast and do not wear any of the wimpy pads used by our football players. As in soccer, the game is continuous and does not have downs nor innings convenient for bathroom and commercial breaks.

To beat the high prices, we ate several times at the RSL, Returned and Services Leagues. The RSL are akin to our VFW and American Legions, but much more active. We showed our American Legion membership cards and managed to eat dinners for about 2/3 the price in the local modest restaurants.

We were there during ANZAC Day (Australian and New Zealand Army Corp), when the country celebrates their veterans in a big way. There are parades and speeches in every shire and village. On that day, the game of "Two-Up" is legal in the RSL's. Two-Up was played in the trenches of World War I where the soldiers bet on whether the two imperial pennies came down with both their faces up or down. The game is ostensibly illegal in Australia, but on ANZAC Day, no red-blooded Aussie is going to stop the game. (I have a set of coins, so if PGHSAA wants to set up a "Two-Up" game, just provide the "cockatoos" whose job it is to look out for police raids.)

If you are an animal aficionado, Australia is the place to visit. We visited Phillip Island a couple of hours east of Melbourne and were fortunate to visit a Koala park, and an animal reserve with kangaroos, Tasmanian devils, crocodiles, highland cows, wombats, seals, and emus. We watched the Penguin Parade where an amazing group of fairy penguins, waddled onshore from the sea each day at sunset to entertain the thousands of spectators. These little penguins probably lost their way from their cousins, the emperor penguins in Antarctica, when plate tectonics allowed for shorter swims from Down Under to Really Down Under.

When we went north to Long Island, Whitsunday Islands, north of the Tropic of Capricorn, which is a

birdwatcher's paradise. We saw cockatoos, magpies, curlews, and the most colorful rainbow lorikeets. The lorikeets will eat sugar and apple paste out of your hands, but if you are bald, you'll get a few scratches on your forehead. We were woken up every morning by the song of the kookaburra, but never once saw one. We finally bought a postage stamp which depicted their image. (There are certain things like the leprechauns in Ireland, Mount Fuji in Japan which is always clouded over, and the kookaburra which we believe are created by the Chambers of Commerce to promote tourism, but don't really exist. We thought the same of the New Zealand kiwi, but we actually saw a real live one, but that's another story.)



The wallabies like everyone at PGHSAA appears to like Edie.

We actually saw a real live one, but that's another story.)

For an American, Australia is the most comfortable country to visit. The language is the same, the food is the same, and their sense of

humor is the same. Sure, they drive on the left side of the street, but Edie is left handed, so no big deal. They have round-a-bouts, which might be the way to solve the traffic flow on Forest and Lighthouse Avenues, rather than the new obstructions which have blown out half-a-dozen tires.

We have to thank our hosts, Ann Pavey and Rob Grove, whom we met a few years ago at the Concours d'Elegance in Pebble Beach. Hospitality is an Australian national characteristic trait.

Before we left for our trip, we checked out a lot of

books about Australia including a three volume thick history and Fodor's travel books, but the only one that was useful and prepared us for our trip was Bill Bryson's In a Sunburned Country. In Australia, the book is sold under the title Down Under. Now that we've been there, the other books will make sense.



Rainbow lorikeets aren't shy where there's apple jam and sugar. Afterwards, I had to buy a bush hat to hide the swatches of bare head.

We haven't hardly seen any of the center, north or west, so we need to go back.

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Pacific Grove's Chelsie Hill still dancing

by Tom Wright



Team Hotwheelz members Kaitlyn Staten, Maria Gast and Chelsie Hill



Chelsie Hill
PGHS 2010

In its four performances at Good Old Days in Pacific Grove over the weekend, the Team Hotwheelz dance group went through many different styles of dance.

The group's dancers all went through traumatic events in their lives that left them in wheelchairs, but didn't take away their passion for dancing. The group is led by Chelsie Hill, a 21-year-old Pacific Grove High alumna who is featured on Sundance Channel's "Push Girls."

Hill joined her first dance team at age 3 and she danced with the Breaker Girls at Pacific Grove High for all four of her years at the school. But during her senior year, Hill was involved in a drunken-driving accident that left her paralyzed from the waist down.

It was Hill's goal to combine dancers in wheelchairs and those without in the performances at Good Old Days.

"It's always the able-bodied world and the wheelchair world, so I was like, 'I still feel like I'm a part of the able-bodied world and I used to dance with them, so why can't I again?'" she said.

Sammy's Animation Dance Community joined Team Hotwheelz for the performances. Sammy Ramirez, who appeared on the fifth season of "So You Think You Can Dance," leads Sammy's Animation Dance Community. The groups danced together, had different solo performances and invited the crowd to join in at the end.

Josey Morales, 16, had her own solo as part of the performance but also joined in with Team Hotwheelz and her partners in Sammy's Animation Dance Community.

"We try to bring together the able-bodied and the wheelchair team to work together, in acceptance of each other, because together we can do anything," she said.

Morales said she hoped that the performance would inspire people to reach their goals in any reach of life.

Hill uses her dancing to try to inspire others by making appearances at high schools through her Rally for Reality program and through raising money for research and services to people with spinal cord injuries through the Walk and Roll Foundation, which she founded with her father, Jon.

Hill's other project is her role on "Push Girls." She said the second season will start in June.

Hill described the show as "five girls in wheelchairs, just pursuing their dreams and showing the world that we are just like able-bodied people, we just have a wheelchair attached to our butts."

She said she has learned a lot from being a part of the show.

"It's made me grow up faster and helped me embrace my injury and help me move on with life," Hill said.

Hill and her co-stars are scheduled to finish up with filming of the second season in the coming weeks in Southern California. But on Sunday, she said she was ecstatic to be back in her hometown for Good Old Days.

"I haven't danced at Good Old Days in four years," she said. "It was really nice because this is where all of the support was for me when the crash happened. For my community that I grew up with to see me dancing again, it just felt so amazing for me just to show them again. They've all seen me dance before, but I just love the fact that I was able to show them, 'Look! I'm still dancing!' I'm doing the best that I can and I'm enjoying life. I'm just trying as hard as I can to be productive and stay positive, and it is thanks to this community that I am positive."

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John Brennan, the man who stripped at Portland International Airport to protest TSA screeners, celebrates by swinging on a light post outside the Multnomah County Courthouse following his trial Wednesday, July 18, 2012, in Portland, Ore. Brennan, of Portland, was found not guilty in his trial on charges of indecent exposure. A judge found that his nudity was an act of protected speech. Brennan says he went nude at the airport on April 17 to protest the Transportation Security Administration's security procedures. After a TSA agent at the airport detected nitrates, Brennan took off his clothes.



John Brennan
'81

One friend stuck a sticky note on Brennan's chest. It read: "Sir Godiva" -- a reference to the legend of a noblewoman who rode naked on a horse through the streets of England to protest oppressive taxation.

Editors note: I think this is John's 15 minutes to fame, what do you think?



Gee, what's wrong with this picture? Trader Joe's new entrance to their parking lot. Rumor has it that it was a Carmel grad, not PG that painted this. ☺

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Flying from the tropics to Melbourne, the scene was like flying over the state of Nevada, but many times larger.

Oh yes, on Phillips Island, there were more rabbit pellets than you could count. We were a week too late to see the migration of the mutton birds who migrate from Alaska to Victoria, Australia, annually. The animal park was full of alpacas, native to Peru. The alpacas are kept because they hate the imported foxes and protect the wallaby joeys.

Unless you've been there, what you see from Crocodile Dundee movies, Fosters'



beer commercials, and the Geico gecko doesn't give anywhere near doing the island continent country justice. We haven't learned the national anthem, "Advance Australia Fair", but we can hum the tune to "Waltzing Matilda", so we'll fit in. We'll make one more claim: Within a few years, the export of Australian wine by volume will exceed the import of gulf oil to Australia.

Edie discovered the "Jimmy Durante" fish at the Melbourne Aquarium.



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To my President, fellow Board Members, Committee Chairs and Alumni members, in the Pacific Grove High Alumni Association:

For 12 years I worked to serve the goals of our beloved Alumni Association and meet the needs of Pacific Grove High School. I was the Annual Reunion Co-Chair in 2002 and 2003, and again from 2006 through 2008. In between those terms I chaired the Annual Reunion alone in 2004 and 2005. I have also been the Reservation Chair or Co-Chair from 2002 until 2012. I spent 9 of the past 12 years as your Treasurer, and 5 of them as the KOII Editor. These were fulfilling and rewarding experiences, and I am grateful that you gave me the opportunity to serve our membership through them. However, it is now time for me to step down from several of my responsibilities and allow someone with fresh ideas and perspective to take the reigns. And so, after much thought and consideration, I am announcing my resignation as your Treasurer, KOII Editor, Scholarship and Souvenir Liaison effective January 1, 2014.

I know that this may appear rash and surprising for many of you, but for me it is a decision long overdue. As much as I valued the work I did for PGHSAA it is evident to me that my priorities in other areas of my life suffered. I need to take the necessary time to apply myself to my other obligations, and to enjoy the many blessings I have in my family and retirement. I know that each of you can personally recognize the importance of balance and I appreciate your understanding of my decision to bring more of it into my own life.

I certainly do not want to leave the Board entirely. I would like to retain my responsibilities as Co-Chair of Membership and continue maintaining the database. Also, I will continue to provide current mailing lists to the next KOII Editor and Treasurer for KOII mailings and annual dues renewal. I will chair a committee to bring the alumni association to the 21st century by working on developing our own web page. Something I have wanted to do since I first came on the board. Lastly, I will still manage and distribute our membership roster.

I believe it is important for people to stretch themselves from time to time. And I also believe it is important for people to find what they do well, and do it... well. I am looking forward to using my strengths in administration to delve further into helping locate lost alumni for class reunions and keeping our membership connected and up to date in our database. I

know I can be an asset to our organization in these duties.

I am willing to aid anyone in learning to manage our financial portfolio now so that my transition may be as seamless as possible. It would be best if this were someone familiar with the Quicken Financial Program but it isn't a requirement. However, I strongly recommend that the Board keep its finances managed through computerized software. We simply can not return to pencil and paper if we are to continue thriving as a working 501c3 organization that effectively handles as many scholarships and distributions as we do.

As regards to the KOII Editor, it is my belief that someone with their own vision simply needs to take on our publication and run with it. The tools that I use were established by Bill Hyler and are outdated with current desktop publishing methods. It would not be worth the time to try and introduce anyone to the specific ins and outs of managing the newsletter in its current format. I think this could be a great opportunity to cast our net to alumni members who do not live locally since the publication could just as easily be handled remotely. Sue Taylor '68 and I will continue to work on obituaries and pass this information onto our next Editor. Why not give teleworking a try?!

I wish to close with a huge thank you for the many years of support and gratitude I have received from each of you. I respect you and the role each of you performs tremendously. I look forward to my ongoing service for the Pacific Grove High School Alumni Association and together seeing what our future holds.

All the best, Joanie

The summer roster will be published in August. If you have information that needs to be updated, added or excluded now is the time to send it to me. Roster update form on page 17.

We have Sea Urchins for sale. Several were found in the library basement and PGHS gave them to the alumni association to see if we could sell them. All profits go to us! Here are the years we have, 1990, 1992, 1996, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2009 and 2010. Only \$10.00 plus shipping. WHAT a deal. If you have children or grandchildren who graduated any of these years please consider buying an extra yearbook. Heck, at this price, buy two!

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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR



A big round of applause and congratulations go out to PG High's baseball team! *They won 31-0 for the season, with a total of 38 straight wins! It will be a long time before that record is beat.*

Lots of changes in the wind for your alumni association. Our feelers are out for a new editor and treasurer. We are looking into bringing our own web site to you this year sometime. It's roster time again so if you have changes use the form on

page 17. I purposefully put the reservation and roster form back to back so you could mail both in one envelope.

I'm looking forward to annual reunion this year and hope many of you will plan to attend. It's always so great seeing each and every one of you. Have a great summer. See you in September.

All the best!

Joanie Tyler '68



Players on Pacific Grove High's baseball team hold up their trophy on Saturday after beating Menlo to win the Central Coast Section Division III baseball championship at San Jose Municipal Stadium.