## THE KNOCKOUT II

The Pacific Grove High School Alumni Association Newsletter

"It's the A glue A that keeps us together"

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## President's Message

Welcome to the first edition of *The Knockout II* under your new editor. As a long-time writer and



editor, my learning curve is less figuring out how to do this than it is finding time to do it. Your help, and the help of former editor Joanie Hyler '68 is and will continue to be truly indispensible. Bear with us as we adjust—and grow! This is your

newsletter, so help me fill its pages.

At our January meeting, we installed Erin Langton Field '71 as treasurer, and she has done a great job so far. We have two new people who have volunteered to help with this year's annual reunion—Bebo Parker Logan '60 and Michele Sherwin Thomas '60. And, we voted to pay the registration fee for the Pacific Grove High School Choir to attend a competition in Anaheim. So we are off and running for 2014.

Also off and running—or swimming—is the new Pacific Grove High School pool, the Mabel Merritt Pool. Opening ceremonies were held Saturday, January 11, and included pouring of water saved from the old pool into the new pool. The Breakers Swimming and Diving Team made the first jump into the new pool. According to a story in the Cedar Street Times, the new pool cost \$1,867,000 to build, and it was paid for with Measure D funds. Mabel Merritt, whose name graces the new pool, served on the PGUSD Board of Education from 1925, the year she moved to Pacific Grove, to 1968, the year of her death at age 71. She was also active in the local Boy and Girls Scouts, the PTA, and the formation of the Pacific Grove Rec Center.

My class of 1973 entered PG High the first semester the old pool was open. How well we remember those 8:00 a.m. P.E. classes, and having to get undressed, into a swimsuit, and out into the water in the fog while our gym teacher Mrs.



The Breakers Swimming and Diving Team inaugurates the new PG High pool in January. Photo by Marabee Boone.

McDonald, always bouncy and energetic despite the cold and the early hour, encouraged her reluctant charges. This exercise was responsible, I'm sure, for building a lot of character into the students who experienced it. Later, I braved a return to the old pool, taking advantage of Pacific Grove Adult School classes taught by classmate Laverne Baker Levya ('73) in the evenings after work. I rode back and forth to my job in Carmel in the 1980s with a co-worker. No longer having to face the water first thing in the morning, I had my friend drop me off at the pool after work and swam my laps, with no gym teacher to worry me, and then walked home. It was a good way to dispel those cold, foggy memories of forced earlymorning swims as a teenager and retain my connection with PG High at the same time.

Beth Genney '73

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## **Important 2014 Dates**

Board meetings are Thursdays, March 13, April 10, May 8, July 10, and October 9 at 6:30 p.m. at the Pacific Grove Community Center. The Annual General Meeting this year is Saturday, September 13, at 12:00 p.m. Our 2014 reunion is the weekend of October 4-5.

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## A Friendly Welcome to Our New **Members:**

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1959 Donald Phillips	Point Arena
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1962 Chuck Hoffman	Novato
1964 Victoria Samora Phillips	Monterey
1964 Kathryn "Nell" Varner	Pacific Grove
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1968 Daniel "Buddy" Layne	Sierra Vista, AZ
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#### Olive Dean Hyler '40 Scholarship Fund

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1968 Lou Kier Godfrey	Pacific Grove
1968 Joanie Hyler	Pacific Grove
1968 Claire Schecter Scofield	Belvidere, IL
1970 Lillian Griffiths	Carmel

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### Letters to the Editor

Carmichael, CA

Dear Joanie,

Enclosed please find my check for \$40 for two years' dues. I enjoy the KOII so much. I'm sorry to inform you that my husband died last September after failing health. We are not having a service because we are so new to this area, but will have a family-and-friends gathering at the Pacific Grove beach and cemetery a few months from now. Even though Dick was not a classmate, he did teach at nearly all the Pacific Grove elementary schools, the Junior High and the High School, and he was the Adult School principal in the 1960s. If you care to put a little notice about this in the next KOII that will be fine. Many alumni were his friends too.

Thanks for all, Nancy Williams Burton '55

Roseville, CA

Dear Joanie,

Received the article about Bill (Hyler '39). He truly will be missed by many people. Many people? That hardly will express what many 7 really stands for after reading the numerous clubs Bill belonged to plus those people in town who were always happy to see him and talk with him. Yes, a real icon to be sure. My stepfather is another person to be missed. Erwin Dames was city manager for seventeen years. He kept (along with city people) Pacific Grove a dry town, and he brought government monies into the area for upgrading streets and sidewalks, plus the badly needed sewer repair work. Another icon. When the younger people started to move into the area, that is when things drastically came to a change, with beer and wine becoming a must. Yes, no doubt your folks did not agree with that, as did many of those who claimed Pacific Grove a town of beauty and follower of religion. Thanks so very much for sending that great article on your father. Those of us who were born in the 1920s have seen so many changes. TV wasn't even invented as yet, and dishwashers, even upgraded clothes washers hadn't come into view. Wow-see what modern times have created. Yes, even cell phones. The list goes on. Best come to a close. Again, thank you for your thoughtfulness.

Marion Butera Mattison '45 Editor's note: See a second letter from Marion on P. 6

Medford, OR

Dear Joanie and Erin,

Thanks so much, Joanie, for your years of service for the PGHSAA. And thank you, Erin, for agreeing to carry on with the wonderful service to all of us. We really appreciate all the work you do. It is a delight to belong to such an active group. The wonderful town we lived in and the school we attended is the greatest! The news from Pacific Grove is always fascinating--even the obits are of interest to those of us who knew the classmates and friends who have gone before us.

Thanks again to both of you.

A fellow PGHSAA alum,
Wilma Pattison Knowles '50

Cupertino, CA

Dear Joanie,

Thank you for your career with *The Knockout II*. You have been wonderful, and I hope that you can now enjoy your grandchildren, especially as they are moving away from the Peninsula. I always drop everything when I receive a copy of the *Knockout*, and I am sure that I am not the only person who does that. Your choices of stories are wonderful, and they remind us of a special time in our lives.

Thank you for everything. Virginia *Green* Tamblyn '47

Warrenton, OR

Dear Staff of the PGHSAA,

Sorry to drop out of the Association. Just moved recently; changing back to maiden name, etc. Looking forward to the last of my editions of the KOII. I never meet anyone, not even my class of '53 (with a few exceptions) but still communicate with some. I went to three high schools in three years, and PGHS was my *favorite*. I'm sorry no one ever located Ted Simmons. I liked looking across the classroom at him! I no longer feel like an American. Nothing but crappy

high school kids around these days. Had all my IDs stolen about five years ago! So I've become anonymous, changing names, etc.

My best to all '53 classmates! Sincerely, Fay Bishop '53

Redding, CA

Dear Editor.

Do you remember wanting a scholarship and getting it? Or wanting one and not getting it? Either way, it is an important part of the seniors' graduation. I remember when my daughters graduated with scholarships to launch them into college. Oh, what joy they felt, and how proud I was watching them receive their rewards! Of course, I like to support my dad's and my mom's scholarships, Bill '39 and Olive Dean Hyler '40. My father spent his entire life with a camera around his neck, documenting our entire lives and everyone else's. We have wonderful pictures that will keep many memories alive as we grow older. And what about those students who took pictures for our yearbooks, and what about all those precious old photos of Pacific Grove? At the time, you don't realize how important they will be to us later on. Photography is such a gift to us all. My mother Olive was exceptional in the kitchen. She came from a long line of cooks. Her mother Gladys Ernst Dean '19 made the famous potato salad we all loved at my grandfather's drugstore. I'm certain many of you remember Dyke's Pharmacy with the fountain. And who can forget my Great Aunt Gertie Ernst '22 and her cakes, platters of cookies, and all kinds of candy at the PGHS school office, where she was the secretary to the principal for 40+ years. My mother could fix Japanese, Mexican, Italian, and French foods to perfection. She also was not above down-home cookin'. I remember hamburger gravy (SOS), fried rabbit, and oh, her heavenly pot roasts. Rustling up any kind of gravy from nothing was her specialty! If you ever had the privilege of sitting down at her dinner table, you always enjoyed whatever she prepared. I feel that good food feeds our souls and can comfort us in difficult times. I would like to encourage young people with

those many talents and give them a push to pursue their dreams. Scholarships are a way to do that. A scholarship sends them the message that, we believe in you and we know you can do it. There are many areas where we can all give a mere \$5 or \$10 to encourage a young person to follow their dreams. Remember, too, the amounts you give are anonymous and each one adds up! PGHSAA gives out many scholarships each year through your generous contributions. We have teaching scholarships, culinary, photography, vocational, athletic, science and technology scholarships. Please, help someone with the gift of a PGHSAA scholarship. Remember, today's students will be running our country tomorrow, so let's help them get a college education so they can do the job right.

Gail Hyler '64

Editor's note: This letter came to us with a note from the former editor (the writer's sister, of course) saying, "Please edit this letter if you see fit." We did not! Gail's memories are priceless.

Roseville, CA

Hi, Beth!

A line or two in order to thank you for the *Knockout IIs* that were sent [by Joanie Hyler]. Can't think of a good excuse for not writing sooner. Busy? Sometimes. Today must take my car in for an oil change. About a month or so ago I had a fender bender and Triple A is taking care of that; however, they have me on the wrong street, and believe me, it is one big mess. Back to the *Knockout II.* Really enjoy the various articles plus the layout of the booklet. That really takes time and thought. Between you and Joanie Hyler the two of you keep that paper going. Wow—a lot of time spent there. Bill Gould, the originator of the paper, would be pleased to see how it has grown in size. Best come to a close. Do I miss Pacific Grove? Yes. Many friends still there; however, Sacramento is where I have lived most of my life. Sort of miss Rio Vista. Lived there about 20 or so years. Small town that is slowly slipping into downfall.

> A great New Year to all! Marion *Butera* Mattison '45

#### Gentlemen and Ladies:

As a hobby, I maintain records of high school athletics in the CIF North Coast Section. As you may be aware, the schools from Monterey County in the south to San Mateo County in the north belonged to the NCS prior to the formation of the Central Coast Section in 1965. My histories of NCS basketball and soccer are posted on the NCS Web site, www.cifncs.org/sports. I read newspaper articles about Richard Chamberlin at the time of his death in February 2006. My recollection is that Mr. Chamberlin maintained prodigious records regarding high school sports. I am writing to you in the hope that his records included the results of the NCS cross-country group meet of November 22. 1963. One reason the meet proceeded was that competitors were already travelling to Stanford University at the time of the assassination of President Kennedy. Some of the results were published in San Francisco Bay Area newspapers, but I have not located the results of groups 1, 2, and 3. Please advise whether you are aware of the location and contents of the records maintained by Mr. Chamberlin. I am more than willing to travel to Pacific Grove to review any available records. The second part of this e-mail requests assistance regarding even more remote matters. For a reason unknown to myself, for a number of years the CIF kept the records of its athletic competition at Pacific Grove High School. However, in 1946, most, if not all, of the records were lost in at major fire at the school. I am trying to locate records regarding North Coast Section men's tennis for the following years: 1922 to 1924; 1926; 1940; 1943 to 1945; 1954; and 1964. The records for 1954 and 1964. of course, would not have been destroyed in the 1946 fire. In any event, I would appreciate any information from the Pacific Grove High School community regarding the whereabouts of any records of North Coast Section tennis between 1922 and 1964. Thank you very much for your own interest and assistance.

John Zugnoni

And a follow-up e-mail from Mr. Zugnoni: Thank you to all who assisted in responding to my request. The majority of results from NCS crosscountry meets already appeared on the NCS Web site, www.cifncs.org/sports/crosscountry. Of the others, I had located virtually all of the results in newspaper microfilm. However, the group meet of November 22, 1963, was different. The meet director, the late Loren Lansbery of Carlmont HS, found himself in a difficult situation. At the time, the NCS stretched from King City in the south to Crescent City in the north, and many of the competitors were already travelling to Stanford by the time of the Kennedy assassination. Cell phones were about three decades in the future. The meet proceeded, but it was not as thoroughly reported as other meets, either before or since. A donation will be forthcoming.

> John Zugnoni john@zugnoni.net (510) 523-8005

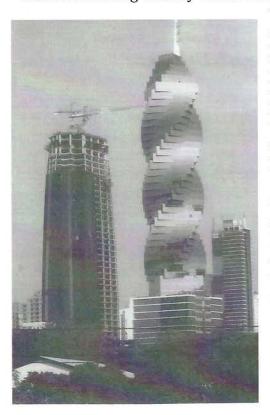


The Richard Chamberlin memorial at the PGHS football field. Photo by Beth Penney.

Roseville, CA

Dear Beth,

Thank you for taking over as editor. *The Knockout II* is truly the glue that keeps us together. Our 2013 was not a spectacular year for travel. There were only two short but unique destinations. Our eight-day stay in Panama featured cruising one day on the Panama Canal,



visiting the colorful **Embera** Indians living in the rainforest, viewing stunning high rises (left) that are changing the skyline of Panama City, and enjoying the beaches and Mojitas (a rum-mint drink) at the Playa Blanca Resort. In October, I flew to San

Antonio for a weekend to celebrate a 1960s reunion with former students (army brats) that I taught and coached in Wurzburg, Germany, fifty years ago. It was surprising to see those former teenagers now with gray hair in their late '60s. Highlights included a day visit to Fredericksburg (a touristy "German" town), where we ate Wienerschnitzel and drank Bier, took a barge ride through downtown San Antonio, saw a presentation of German slides, and heard a talk on Wurzburg past and present by the German editor of its local newspaper, who flew in for the occasion. This gathering of the Purple Wolves (our mascot) was a great experience. It reminded me of the spirit and glue that holds together our group of Pacific Grove Breakers.

Terrell Moss '50



Embera Indian children in Panama.



An Embera Indian woman with facial tattoos.



The Panama Canal. 100 years ago completed, and still in operation.
All photos by Terrell Moss.

## **Obituaries**

#### **AUGUST**

1957 **Margaret** *Berwick* **VanDyke**, Newport News, VA

NOVEMBER Joshua Neal '98, Pebble Beach

#### **DECEMBER**

Kris Rogers Hirt '68, Carmel Valley Rosanne Sprinkle Broughton '42, Gaithersburg, MA Joe Richerts '45, Fort Myers, FL Frank Loughran '63, Kooskia, WA Joe Pennisi '58, Monterey Leslie Bennett Julian '61, Clovis

#### **JANUARY**

Irene Azevedo Hopkins '58, Sonora Donald Mills '39, Pacific Grove James Parker '42, Auburn Ina Watson MacQuiddy '47, Brookings, OR

#### **FEBRUARY**

Robert Jones '42, Pebble Beach Marcia Matheson Norris '57, Pacific Grove

#### AUGUST

Margaret Elsie Berwick Van Dyke, 73, died in Newport News, VA, on Aug. 1, 2013. A Carmel native, she was born March 15, 1940, to Eldana "Dorothy" Shelton Trejo and Glen David Berwick



Sr. '26. Margaret attended Robert H. Down and graduated from PGHS in 1957. During the summers, she worked as a lifeguard at the pool at Lovers Point. She met and married Burt Van Dyke, and after leaving the US Navy, the family moved to Newport News,

where Burt was a draftsman and layout engineer at Newport News Shipyard. Survivors include a son, Billy, and siblings, Paul Berwick Trejo '44, Hazel *Berwick* Harvey '61, Glen Berwick Jr. '62, and Dorothy *Berwick* Smith '65. She was

preceded in death by her husband, parents, and brother, Ernest Santos Trejo Berwick '42.

#### **NOVEMBER**

Joshua Bruce Neal, a Peninsula native, died

Nov. 12, 2013, of a debilitating disease at the age of 34 in Pebble Beach. Born Nov. 2, 1979, to Bruce Eastom and Cynthia Neal, Joshua attended PGHS with the class of 1998. Growing up, he was an avid baseball player, and he played on both the golf and basketball



teams while in high school. He loved sports and had a passion for classic cars. Josh is survived by his parents; his sister, Jade *Neal* '03; and his grandmother, Janet Neal.

#### **DECEMBER**

**Diane Kristine** *Rogers* **Hirt**, 63, died of a brain tumor on Dec. 6, 2013, in Carmel Valley. Kris was an extremely talented artist, with her own website illustrating her work. She was born June 23, 1950, in Watsonville, lived her entire life on the

Peninsula, and graduated from PGHS in 1968. Kris shared her unique eye by creating Bent Pixel Photography and Oak Leaf Prints and had showings in Carmel Valley and Pacific Grove. Her art won numerous awards in juried shows. As a volunteer with Operation Photo Rescue,



she restored family photos damaged by natural disasters. For 14 years, Kris worked with Kinship Center as the center's graphic designer. She also worked as a bookkeeper, in computer sales, and as the owner of Yaak River Books before finding her calling as an artist. Survivors include her husband, Craig Hirt; her daughter, Marissa Hirt; her mother, Doris Cameron; her stepmother, Hazel Rogers; and her sisters, Lynne *Rogers* Leon '70, Sherri *Rogers* Sato '70, Jolynn Thomas, Leslie Goulding, and Sharlynn Mayeda. She was preceded in death by her father, Ernie, and her little niece, Amy Leon.



Rosanne M. Sprinkle Broughton, 88, died in Gaithersburg, MD, on Dec. 19, 2013. An Army brat and an Army wife, Rosanne was born Sept. 14, 1925, in El Paso, TX. She graduated from



PGHS in 1942 while her father was stationed at the Presidio of Monterey. Her first husband was Brig. Gen. Claude M. McQuarrie Jr., and in 1987 she married Col. Levin Broughton. She was a 33-year member of the

PGHSAA. She is survived by three children and her second husband. Rosanne welcomed all with a natural kindness and innate warmth, while her unselfish character and generosity impelled her to a lifetime of service. She was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother.

**Joseph Lester Richerts** died Dec. 20, 2013, in Newtown, PA. He was 86. Born in Pacific Grove on July 16, 1927, he was the son of Lester C.F. '21



and Ellen Marie (Loughran) Richerts. He lived in Alameda; Sequim, WA: and Luquillo, Puerto Rico. After serving in the U.S. Navy in Guam from 1945 to 1946, Joe graduated from San Iose State College in 1952. He worked in sales and marketing for specialty gases and

equipment companies from 1962 to 1984. His hobbies included sailing, fishing, gardening, and Bridge. He was a member of the North Olympic Sail and Power Squadron, and a Master Gardener. He was a 23-year member of the PGHSAA. Survivors include his sons, Joseph L. Jr. and John P. Sr.; his brother, Robert '46 of Monterey; six grandchildren; and one great granddaughter. His wife, Betty, died in 2004.

Franklin John Loughran, 69, passed away Saturday, Dec. 21, 2013, at his home in Kooskia, ID, due to complications from surgery. A native of Monterey County, Frank was born July 8, 1944, and graduated from PGHS in 1963. After serving in the US Army, he graduated from Lewis and Clark State College. He was also a policeman 10



and was part of the riot and rescue squad at the Monterey Sheriff's Department, and while living in Pacific Grove he worked as a fireman. Later, during his 40 years in Idaho, Frank owned a sawmill and a chandelier business. He enjoyed hunting,

fishing, antique collecting, yard sales, reading, auto mechanics, old cars, and the outdoors, and he held four patents for various inventions. Frank was a generous man. He was a four-year member of the PGHSAA. Survivors include his wife, Donna, of Kooskia; his dad, John Loughran '37 of Lewiston, ID; his children, Chad, Jason, Lisa and Molly; his brothers, Tom Loughran '69, Ed Brown '57, and Richard Brown '58; sisters Linda Lasko and Tammy Bennett; and 12 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his mother, Lillian Bennett; stepmother, Helen Loughran; and sister, Jacquelyn Loughran Shannon '61.

Giuseppe "Joe" Pennisi, 75, died of pancreatic cancer at Community Hospital on Dec. 24, 2013. A prominent and well-respected fisherman, Joe attended PGHS with the class of 1958. He also

owned the Royal Seafood Market on Wharf #2. A leading advocate for fishermen for many years, Joe often testified at public agencies, speaking out for all fishermen. He had an impressive store of knowledge, was well known up and down the West Coast and in



Alaska, and had his share of adventures, including the inadvertent "catch" of a U.S. nuclear submarine. All of his six sons followed him into fishing, several transferring to other professions as fishing regulations tightened. He was a threeyear member of the PGHSAA. Survivors include his wife Elaine; five sons, Givanni, Giuseppe Jr., Mario, Marco, and Gino; two daughters, Elizabeth and Giuseppi; and about 26 grandchildren. His son David "Rowdy" Pennisi died in 2004, in an ship collision that is still unresolved.



Leslie Sylvia Bennett Julian, 70, died in Clovis on Dec. 28, 2013, after a long illness. Born in Macomb, IL, Leslie spent her formative years in Pacific Grove, graduating from PGHS in 1961. She then graduated from UC Berkeley and



became a teacher. She married her classmate, John G. Julian '61, in 1965. While raising her three children, she worked part-time doing various jobs such as substitute teaching, coaching the kids' sporting teams and

managing a MacDonald's restaurant. She was also a certified phlebotomist. Leslie was a fine photographer and an active member of Riverpark Bible Church. She was an 11-year member of PGHSAA. Survivors include her husband, John; three children, John, Marjorie and Justin; and three siblings, Lane, Brian '71, and Gwen Bennett Merritt '67.

#### **JANUARY**

Irene Mabel *Azevedo* Nelson Hopkins, 72, died of complications from COPD in Sonora on Jan. 13, 2014. Born March 20, 1941, in Stanislaus County, Irene was raised on the Peninsula and



graduated from PGHS in 1958. Irene was a licensed activities director for senior living facilities. She lived in Modesto for many years, where she enjoyed camping, water skiing, doing crafts, and attending motorcycle races with family. After retiring to Sonora, she

enjoyed fishing and bingo. Survivors include her husband, Jim Hopkins; a son, Robert A. Nelson; her first husband, Robert R. Nelson '55; and three grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her daughter, Kathy Nelson Mercurio.

**Donald C. Mills**, 92, died at Forest Hill Manor, his home of 13 years, on Jan. 15, 2014. Born in Turlock on March 18, 1921, Don soon moved with his family to Pacific Grove, where his father built a house at 668 Spazier Ave. Don

graduated from PGHS in 1939 and earned a MA in music in 1941 from Salinas Junior College. In 1943, he enlisted in the Army Air Corps and was honorably discharged in 1945 as a Second



Lieutenant. Continuing his education at San Jose State, he earned a BA in psychology in 1949, and the next year obtained a master's degree in education at the University of Maryland, launching a long and successful career in education, first in teaching, then in administration.

Don was a skilled builder; he was hardly ever without a project of his own design. He was among the first in the community to voluntarily donate scenic easements to the U.S. Department of the Interior, a first step in preserving the view from Mount Vernon across the river: and in the establishment by Congress of Piscataway Park. In 1960, Don resigned from the school system to become an assistant professor at the University of Kentucky, but he soon returned to Accokeek, MD, to become director of Burgundy Farm Country Day School, the first racially integrated school in the state of Virginia, retiring in 1986. Don was an avid music buff and nature lover, and he loved to travel. He was preceded in death by his wife, Martha, in 2002. He is survived by his brother, Richard Mills '44 of Accokeek, MD.

James Roy Parker, 88, was born Nov. 15, 1925, and passed away Jan. 24, 2014, in his home at Lake of the Pines in Auburn. Roy was a devoted

husband and father and retired high school teacher and athletic director at San Lorenzo High School in San Lorenzo. He was a graduate of UC Berkeley, where he was a member of the 1951 Cal Bear Rose Bowl team; a veteran of the US Air Force; and an



involved member of the Combie Bible Church in Grass Valley. Survivors include his wife, Bea; sons Mike, Tom, and Landon; and seven grand-children. He was preceded in death by his sisters, Pat '41, Iris '31, Louise '33, and Frances '36.

Ina Beth *Watson* MacQuiddy, 83, of Brookings, OR, died Jan. 26, 2014. A Monterey native, she was born March 2, 1930, and grew up in Pacific Grove, graduating from PGHS in 1947.



After earning a bachelor's degree in journalism from San Jose State in 1951, she married and moved to San Jose, where she lived for the next 45 years. After her children were grown, she went to work for Stanford University and eventually for

IBM as an administrative assistant in the research department. In 1999, Beth moved to Brookings to be near her daughter and was active in civic matters. Survivors include her daughter Marjorie Towers, and two grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, Oliver Watson and Veva *Currie* Watson '14; her husband, Richard MacQuiddy; and two sons, John and Tommy.

#### **FEBRUARY**

Robert Merrill Jones, 89, peacefully passed away at his home in Pebble Beach on Feb. 13, 2014. Born in Salt Lake City, UT, on July 24, 1924, Merrill grew up in Pacific Grove, where he graduated from PGHS in 1942. After serving in the U.S. Army during WWII, he graduated from



the University of Oregon and began a long career as an architect. In his retirement, Merrill loved to beachcomb and make wonderful artworks with his found items. He also loved to hike, fish, camp, and garden, and he was a long-time member

of the Nature Conservancy, the Audubon Society, and the Sierra Club. Survivors include three children, Kevin of Los Gatos, Brian of Placerville and LeeAnn Sides of Folsom; a sister, Mildred *Jones* Miller '47 of Pacific Grove; a brother, Paul Jones '46 of Monterey; and six grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Georgene.

Marcia Jane *Matheson* Norris, 74, died at Community Hospital on Feb. 20, 2014. Born in



Visalia on May 20, 1939, Marcia grew up in Pacific Grove and spent most of her life on or near the Peninsula. After graduating from PGHS in 1957, she attended Monterey Peninsula College and the University of Alabama, and then earned an

MA in speech pathology from San Jose State
University. Marcia was a pioneer in the field of
assistive technologies for people with disabilities
throughout the State of California in the
community college system. She was also president
of the Carmel Music Society. She transformed
many lives through her unique ability to marry
technical expertise with human compassion.
Marcia was passionate about language, books,
music, spiritual matters, and family. She was
preceded in death by her father, Stanley Matheson
'24. Survivors include her children, Geoffrey and
Mary, her sister, Mary Ann Matheson Morris '62,
and six grandchildren.

**Thank you**. Thanks to all of the PGHS alumni and board members who sent condolences and good wishes to me, and to my family, after the death of my sister Sara Rivkeh *Moore* '80 in January. Your thoughtfulness is appreciated.

--Beth Penney

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# Dorothy Fowler: Sculptor, Aviator, Mother, and PGHS Alumna

Balanced on a rock in Lovers Point Park is a life-size bronze statue of a boy with a sailboat pointing across the bay—as if to dream about tomorrow or remember yesterday. Who perched this boy with his boat on a rock in Lovers Point Park, and why? The artist's signature, with its always-present cross, tells very little—Dorothy Fowler. The bronze plaque affixed to the rock with its poem, "Yesterday's Dream—Tomorrow's Memory," asks more questions than it answers.

#### Act I

Dorothy Fowler entered high school only months before the United States entered World



War II, and she graduated from Pacific Grove High in 1944, a year before the war, something that had a profound effect on her entire generation, was over. Dorothy was a traditional

girl from all outward appearances when she went on from Pacific Grove High to study art, not sculpting, at San Jose State College.

In 1949, she married her first husband and moved to Spokane, where they had three children and she worked as a medical secretary and homemaker. Her art projects at this time were limited to doing crafts projects with her children. Who would have suspected this PGHS student, who organized the Mothers' Tea and the Big and Little Sisters Banquet, who sang in the Glee Club and acted in the Christmas play, would

find her way to the international stage with her bronze sculptures, life-size statues, and monumental cathedral doors, much less fly her own bi-plane to client meetings, galleries, foundries, and art workshops around the United States?

#### Act II

In 1965, Dorothy met Jack Fowler and his three children. They married in 1966, becoming a reallife Brady Bunch. At age 40, Act II of her life was about to unfold. Jack was an aviation enthusiast who built and restored planes and flew his plane from the airstrip that sat beside their home to his dental office. Dorothy knew that if she was going to be happily married to this man, she would have to learn how to fly.

"We had a wooden propeller underneath our bed," she shared by way of explanation. Dorothy became a licensed pilot the year after they married and is a member and past officer of "The 99s," the International Women's Pilot Organization, founded by Amelia Earhart. With Jack, who was a dentist, a pilot, and a builder of planes and ski resorts, Dorothy landed their plane on Alaskan glaciers and in the Guatemalan jungle, where each summer during the 1970s, she served as her husband's dental assistant as he served as a dental missionary.

#### Act III

Dorothy's first priority, however, was to raise the couple's children and to support and enjoy life with her husband. Act III of her life opened in 1979. Dorothy was 53 when she first became interested in working with clay. "It was like I waited all my life for something to happen to me," she said. "I always knew I would be able to do something creative." After studying with local Spokane artists, she went to Europe and saw Michelangelo's work. She set high goals for herself; she wanted to be an example for her daughters and granddaughters, "that when you are older, life can still be meaningful and special if you are willing to work for it," she said. "I set my mind to become a nationally known female artist."

The turning point for Dorothy was when her

work was accepted and sold by galleries. She was then commissioned to cast life-size bronze statues of the late Princess Mother of Thailand, of a mother and child for the garden at Ronald McDonald House Charities, and of Michael P. Anderson, an astronaut who died aboard the space shuttle Columbia. Anderson's statue stands outside the Spokane Convention Center.

On December 20, 1989, Dorothy returned to Pacific Grove with Jack to join her Pacific Grove classmates and offer a gift to the city—a life-size bronze statue to stand on a rock in Lovers Point Park. Dorothy told the City Council about her inspiration for the prototype clay sculpture she brought with her-her memories as a girl growing up, sitting on the rocks at Lovers Point and looking out over the bay—and about how much she loved her hometown. The Class of 1944 raised the \$4,500 to cast the bronze statue, and Don Gasperson '47, Pacific Grove Fire Chief from 1962-1984 and a former city councilman, acted as liaison between the City Council and the Class of '44 to get the gift, and its placement in the park, approved. In the spring of 1990, the statue was placed on a rock in the park, with the poem by Dorothy's friend, writer and poet Lorrane Duncan, affixed to the rock. Lorrane often wrote poems to accompany Dorothy's works; this one appears at right.

#### Act IV

Dorothy lost her husband Jack, whom she considered her mentor and teacher, in 2009, and her dear friend Lorrane Duncan died in 2012. The question remains: What does Act IV have in store for Dorothy, this lady of the Greatest Generation?

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Yesterday's Dream—Tomorrow's Memory

Innocent once you and I Scaled huge rocks climbing high To point and dream starry eyed As sailboats skimmed by

Then our sea turned dark with war And touched each one with sorrow Child-like faith beamed out fresh hope For a safe tomorrow

Stand with me, look out to sea Memories, yesterday's scenes Come alive, we'll dare new dreams Look with a child's eye

-- Loranne M. Duncan, 1989



Dorothy Fowler's statue at Lovers Point. Tony Campbell photo,

People's memories are always interesting because they reveal what they choose to remember.

--Robert Littell

## Fall Arts Expo: P.G. High Goes All Out Displaying Student Talent

What began as a chance for 90 digital-design students to shape up their portfolios has turned into a school-wide exhibition of talent at Pacific Grove High School.

The Fall Arts Expo was designed to help students hone their presentation skills, as judges from local businesses asked them questions and evaluated their website designs, music videos, marketing campaigns, TV shows, and other digital projects, said PGHS digital media instructor Martha Tonkin. Now, the school's artists, poets, musicians, chefs and actors have all gotten into the act.

"Everyone jumped on board," Tonkin said.
"It's a precursor to our weeklong Collaboration of the Arts in April."

The Fall Arts Expo [took] place from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. Thursday, December 5, at Pacific Grove High School, 615 Sunset Drive, Pacific Grove. [There was no admission charge.]

Student artists will exhibit drawings, paintings and photography on the school library's walls; poets will deliver spoken-word poetry on video; drama students will open Mary Zimmerman's "The Secret in the Wings" in the school's Pagoda Theater (7 p.m., tickets \$7); the school band will play at the Parade of Lights in downtown Pacific Grove (6:30 p.m.); and culinary arts students will get busy cooking something up for the school's guests.

In anticipation of the event, digital design students have been prepped on handshakes, eye contact, and posture to impress the judges, Tonkin said. They're all expected to dress in business attire and converse with professionals who are showing an interest in their work.

"The kids get to have some very good conversations," Tonkin said. "The judges usually come away saying 'that was pretty cool. It's neat to see all these 16- and 17-year-olds with all these experiences." Tonkin started work only this year at P.G. High, but before that she taught marketing courses for 12 years at West Seattle

High School, where portfolio presentations and marketing competitions were an annual event, she said.

Twelve of her P.G. High students have designed their own businesses, including developing business concepts and marketing campaigns that include websites, fliers, and launch events.

Tonkin said the portfolio presentations will be graded on content and technical skill, and on the overall impression they make on judges.

Local businesses sending judges to the event include TMI Data, Buzztouch Technology, Sports Authority, Old Navy, Best Buy, Early Development Services, and Best Shot Video. The Rotary Club, parents and teachers, and administrators will also be judges.

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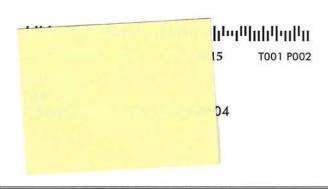
"Samurai," by Pacific Grove High School student Golnoush Pak, was one of the drawings exhibited at the Fall Arts Expo.

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## Who Is It?

Looks like this young lady is ready for some non-winter weather. Love the shorts and the midriff-baring blouse! But who is she? Hint: The photo was taken behind Pacific Grove High School when it was on Forest Avenue, probably in 1938 or 1939. Write and let us know your guess. The answer will appear in the next *Knockout II*.



