# 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:

One of my favorite features in this newsletter when Bill Hyler edited it was his report of changes in



Beth Penney '73

Pacific Grove and on the Peninsula. I'm sure those of you who are not local see many changes in our small town each time you return, but in the long run, Pacific Grove has done a better job than most places of retaining its small-town charm. The 21<sup>st</sup> century has intruded in some ways; I don't think our own "Bedford Falls" is in any danger of morphing into "Pottersville," but we

do now have what is billed as an "adult toys" store called "Ooh-La-La" near Tillie Gort's (yes, that's still there!) on Central Avenue, and microbreweries and wine bars are being proposed for the Forest Hill area and elsewhere. These establishments would be able to sell alcohol outside restaurants, grocery stores, and liquor stores, which are currently the only places you c a n b u y a 1 c o h o l i n P . G .

Also, a proposal has been made to build a large, high-end hotel that would encompass the existing Holman's Department Store building, cover its parking lot, and replace the buildings behind it that face on Grand, Fountain, and Central. Needless to say, this proposal, like the microbreweries and wine bars, is controversial. The original plan for a hotel on the Holman property was for one that occupied just the refurbished Holman building. Now, the artist's renderings of the project are a little scary when you think of such a building being plunked down in the middle of our hometown. But wouldn't it be nice to say, "Our annual reunion dinner and brunch will be held at

the hotel in Pacific Grove," instead of Monterey or Carmel Valley? Maybe there is a happy medium somewhere. You can keep up with these changes online: Edie Adams MacDonald ('56) and her husband Xavier Maruyama recently sold the Pacific Grove Hometown Bulletin to the Cedar Street Times, which is now Pacific Grove's only weekly newspaper. Visit the Cedar Street Times' web site to stay current.

For now, I want to remind people that our annual reunion dinner and brunch is scheduled at Rancho Canada in Carmel Valley on the weekend of October 6. After our big 50th-anniversary blowout last year, with its attendant publicity, the registration has been slow for this year's reunion, so we hope those who have been procrastinating will use the registration form in this issue to reserve a seat. Don't wait—this venue, like all hotels and resorts—has a reservation deadline, and we won't be able to accommodate last-minute requests. Classes wishing to hold their reunions in conjunction with this event should contact Wynette Walker Cowen ('41)through our web

Another upcoming event: the Pacific Grove High School Alumni Association's annual meeting will be held September 15, at noon at the Community Center on Junipero Ave. in Pacific Grove. If you are a local PGHSAA member, please plan to attend (there will be food!). As our regular meetings are not open to those not on the board, this is a great time to come and check out what we do. We would also love to have you consider becoming a board member. We're not making any decisions that affect the city's zoning laws, but we do make decisions that affect Pacific Grove High School, and its students, in a positive way.

Beth Penney '73

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# GLAD TO HAVE YOU BACK! OUR RETURNING MEMBERS:

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1965 Dorothy Berwick Smith	 Tucson, AZ

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IMO: Cleo Carolyn Camp McCoy '45
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IMO: Charles Howard Howell Faculty
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# SCHOLARSHIP FUND:

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## DONATIONS:

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## ALUMNI IMO SCHOLARSHIP FUND:

## Nelson William 'Bill' Hyler '39 Scholarship Fund

Feast Of Lanterns	Pacific Grove
1942 Paul Ichiuji	Salinas
1960 Marabee Rush Boone	Pacific Grove
1966 Dennis Gadsky	Salinas
1968 Lou Kier Godfrey	Pacific Grove

Please note that all contribution amounts are held in complete confidence, and are not shared with our membership. Likewise, amounts given In Memory Of (IMO) are kept confidential from the deceased member's family. The Board finds it remarkable to receive this continuing financial support from so many Alumni Members. Although we may only recognize a single name we understand there is often an entire family represented in the contribution. On behalf of our Association, PG High, and PG High students we warmly say,

# "Thank you, generous contributor!"

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#### ATTENTION!

The summer roster was published and mailed last month. If you did not receive yours please let me know and I'll mail one out ASAP..

**Remember**, this year the roster is a supplement/addendum and only those whose information changed since our 2011 Roster was published, will be in it.

Thanks, Joanie Hyler '68 joanie@pghsaa.org

#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Huntsville, AL

Here is my dues for two years. I enjoy reading the Knockout II. It makes me so homesick. I left PG when I married at the age of 27. My husband was in the Army so I did some traveling. My husband retired from the Army in 1983 here at Redstone Arsenal.

Hunstville, AL., was first in space. We have a wonderful space museum here and if anyone visits Huntsville please check it out. Good luck and keep up the good work.

Nancy Morris Shalansky '55

Editors note:

I've actually been to Hunstville and have gone through the U.S. Space and Rocket Center there. What a wonderful facility and extremely interesting. I did not know it existed and I'll bet many who are reading this don't know either. <a href="http://www.rocketcenter.com/mu/overview">http://www.rocketcenter.com/mu/overview</a> Check it out, you'll be pleasantly surprised.

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Richmond Hi Joanie,

Owing to the perpetual vigilance of my old buddy and classmate, David Vaughan 1953, I would like to correct the error of record to indicate that I too am a member of the Class of 1953. In fact, our class was such a fine one, I couldn't imagine having passed those wonderful years in school and after in any class. It's also a pleasure to note that many of us started this memorable comradeship in Miss Oliver's kindergarden at Robert Down Elementary School in the Fall of 1940 (it was called Pacific Grove Grammar School back in those days).

By the time we entered PG High as Freshmen in 1949-50, the class was substantially complete. That was a great, exciting year when, among other things, our Varsity Football Team actually started winning games! But for a very disappointing loss to Carmel in the Armistice Day "Big Game", PG would have been conference champions. My only regret is that the 50th reunion was our last special time together and that our numbers have diminished somewhat.

Perhaps the error in question is a result of the fact that my Brother, Conston Mosley, actually did graduate from PGHS in the class of 1957 and must have made a greater impression on folks than yours truly! At any rate, thanks for the opportunity to make the correction and relate a little school history.

Sincerely, Ben Mosley '53

FYI

Eighty nine (89) was the graduation count for the class of 1953. To our knowledge 30 classmates are deceased. Nineteen (19) are current alumni members.

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Monte Sereno Dear Joanie

Enjoyed the last newsletter about the graduation awards. My mother graduated from PGHS in 1912. I'd like to remember her with a gift donation to the alumni scholarship fund.

I was particularly interested to see one of the awards was going to a student heading to U of Colorado, Boulder, my Alma Mater. When I went there everyone said I was going back east to school-hall

Also, enjoyed the article about your father. While I didn't know him, I knew your grandmother.

Have a good summer and enjoy the fog.

Cathy delaRoza Foscato '47

Hume Lake Dear Joanie,

I just wanted to give you an upate. I have retired after 42 years of public safety service. My wife, Paula, and I are looking forward to spending more time with our 3 daughters and 7 grandchildren. We also will be doing more traveling to see this great land of ours. We will still use our cabin at Hume Lake as home base in the summers and will have our mail forwarded from there when we are gone. Our phone is now (559) 916-3599 and email is huffdaddi@gmail.com.

I really enjoy the KO II and keeping updated on PGHS Alumni news. Thanks to you and the alumni association crew for all you do!!! And a big shout out to the class of 1967.

Jim Huffman 67

Tualatin, OR Dear Joanie,

Deepest sympathies to you and your family on the passing of such a wonderful father. His tales in the Knockout were wonderful, and I've saved all of them since I became an alumni member. Your sweet message about his passing was wonderful. To leave this world and the paradise that we call Pacific Grove in such a calm way, surrounded by love is really beautiful.

On the day he passed, my husband, Marty and I were heading to PG for a needed week off after his retirement from radio here in Portland (34 and a half years at KGON) and also to put my mother Lucille's ashes in Monterey Bay on what would have been her 100th birthday, April 29th. She passed in 2005, and I wanted a special occasion to make the journey with my husband. She and Dad are now together in the place where they spent the most wonderful years of their lives, in the place they loved the most.

While we stayed in PG, my husband and I indulged in the fantasy of living there. The walkability of the town, the beauty of the area, and of course for me, the history of my childhood calls to me constantly. I adore the Pacific Northwest, and Portland has become my home, but I still wander through those storybook streets of the Grove in my mind. To actually be there for a blissful week of no plans was amazing. Who knows....I may return someday. For now I plan to work another 5 years and retire.

I was hoping to come to the Alumni reunion this year and lobbied hard on our Class of 72 Facebook page for the class to attend the October 6th event, and I think that will happen. As it turns out, I won't be able to attend, because I'm being inducted into the Oregon Music Hall of Fame here in Portland that same night. I'm thrilled about the honor, but so sad I won't be at the reunion.

Again, I'm so sorry to hear about your Dad.

Best Regards, Iris Harrison '72

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#### Seaside

Hello everyone:

I have been going through my geneaology files and I came across photos of football teams from I believe 1936, when my brother was there and, 1943 when I played ball.

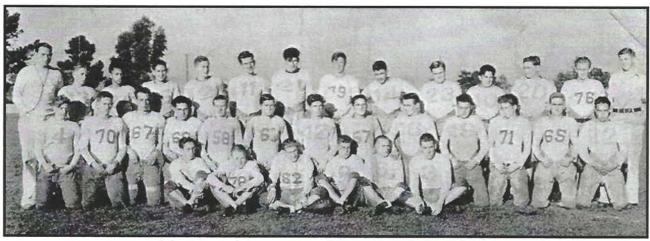
I can only remember two others beside my brother on the 1936, more on the 1943 one.

In the 1936 Back Row: Coach Easterbrook, third player is Norman Lingenfelter. sixth player in #21 Frank Lemos. Front row: First player is Finnely Fredle. The rest I just can't say.

Hope you like these. Maybe Bill Hyler '39 might know some of the guys in the older photo.

Thanks for all that work in putting out the Knockout II.

John Lingenfelter '45



John Lingenfelter's photo of PGHS Football team 1936



1936 PGHS Football Team Picture from 1936 Sea Urchin

Top Row: Coach Easterbrook, Darwin Law (Manager) Felix Walker (Manager), Charles "Bud" Giles (Manager), Wayne Bennett, Sheldon Holmes, Ralph Bodine, Pat Dailey, Sheldon Thompson.3<sup>rd</sup> Row: Bill Giles, Elton Rhoades, Charles Priddy, Edward Dumont, Bill Davenport, Tommy Walter, John deLorimier, Edward Phillips, Maynard Larkin, Edwin Pixley, Clarence Truesdale, Harry Diffenbaugh. 2<sup>nd</sup> Row: Glenn Howland, Joe Cota, Charles Varien, Frank Lemos, Jack Loughran, Norman Lingenfelter, Paul Cosmey, Davis Perkins, Thomas Depsey, Gus Whitaker. Front Row: Kenneth McGill, Lewis Fitzsimmons, Austin Moore, Vernon Baxter, James Willey, Ernest Watson, Clifford Coleman, Charles Lewis, Verne Williams, Bill Crowley.

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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.

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Barbara Eversoll Ensminger '44 . . . . Tracy

Dale Lewis '66 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Phenix City, AL Marilyn Fleming McClaine '42 . . . . . Coupeville, WA

June Nancy Parks Cederwall '42 . . . . . . Monterey John McCulloch '68 . . . . . . . . . . . Castroville July

Cleo Camp McCoy '45 ..... Pacific Grove James Turner '71 ..... Monterey Joe Buffo '74 . . . . . . . . . . . Pacific Grove Evelyn Dudek '64 . . . . . . Pacific Grove

Barbara Lucille Ann Eversoll Ensminger, 84,



died in Tracy on May 18, 2012. Born in Chowchill on March 18, 1928. Barbara lived in PG and Pebble Beach most of her life and graduated from PGHS in

1944. She lived in Roselle Park, NJ, for 19 years where she was an executive secretary for the Boy Scouts of America. She retired in 1993 from Monterey Peninsula School District where she managed the district's budgets. Barbara was an avid seamstress, loved knitting and crocheting, card games, word puzzles, camping and traveling, and was involved in Girl and Boy Scouting, the PTA, Order of Eastern Star, and the Ham Radio Club. Barbara was a member of the Mono Indian tribe out of North Fork. She was a 18-year member of PGHS Alumni Association. She is survived by her brother, John Eversoll; five children, Barbara Lynn Turpin, Lynda Lee Ensminger Kaplan '65, Norman Ensminger '67, Judith Ensminger Easterbrooks '71 and John Ensminger '75, eight grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren. Her husband Norman Ensminger: her sisters, Helen Eversoll St. Clair '43 and Geraldine Eversoll; and her brother, Allen Eversoll, all preceded her in death.

Dale Lee Lewis, 64, passed away at his I



home in Phenix City, AL, on May 22, 2012. Born in Pittsburg, CA, on June 14, 1948, Dale attended schools in Japan, Germany ,and then graduated from PGHS in

1966.He loved playing golf, working at the Pacific Grove Golf Course after school. He was a member of the PGHS golf team, and had memberships in the Pacific Grove Men's Club and the Naval Postgraduate School Golf Club, winning many trophies. He caddied for some years at the Bing Crosby Golf Tournament at Pebble Beach. In addition to hunting, fishing and bowling, Dale also enjoyed baseball and in 1963 while playing for the Carmel Merchants Babe Ruth League he pitched a "no hit" game. For many years he worked as a dispatcher for Wiley Van and Storage in Seaside and later for Burnham Van Lines in Columbus, GA. He is survived by his mother, Amelia "Eileen" Lewis of PG; sister, Karen Lewis Sindberg '70 of Smiths Station, AL; daughter, Sharon Hahn of Newport, OR; two grandchildren, and three stepchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Margaret and father, Champ C. Lewis.



Marilyn Jean Fleming McClaine, 87, died



May 26, 2012, at her home of many years i n Coupeville, WA. Marilyn was born April 1, 1925, in Waterloo, IA, and grew up in California, graduating from

PGHS in 1942, then earning an AB from San Jose State University and an MA from Stanford University in mathematics. She was an active member of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Oak Harbor, Wash., a member of the Washington State University Beach Watchers on Whidbey Island, a docent of the Admiralty Head Lighthouse, and an active participant in the activities of the Sierra neighborhood in Coupeville. Marilyn was very active with her church, and volunteered at local hospitals. She loved to travel. She was a 18-year member of PGHS Alumni Association. Survivors include three children, Andrew, John. and Margaret Jean; eight grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by three sisters, Elinor Silvers, Loren Fleming, and Verle Lulu Fleming Watson '34, six half-siblings; and her husband Leslie McClaine.



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Nancy Elizabeth Parks Ellis Cederwall, died



in Seaside at the age of 87 on June 3, 2012. A fourth generation Californian, Nancy was born in San Diego on April 2, 1925 and raised in PG, where she graduated from

PGHS in 1942 and Monterey Peninsula College. Nancy worked for Security National Bank. She was a member of the Monterey Civic Club for 25 years, Heritage Society in Pacific Grove for 30 years, President of Scandinavian Club, President of the Republican Women Committee, a 44vear member of the Pacific Grove High School Alumni Association and was with Sunshine Group Pink Ladies for five years. She had a passion for gardening, reading, swimming, the ocean, art and music. Survivors include two daughters, Diane Radu and Susan Mueller, four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her two husbands, Alden Q. Ellis '42 and Cedric Cederwall, one daughter, Melinda Frank, and her brother Don Parks '41.



John George McCulloch, 62, a native of



Monterey County. was born January 6. 1950, and died June 19. 2012, at his home in Castroville. John graduated from PGHS in 1968. He worked in the building trades as a journeyman

carpenter for over 20 years. Survivors include three brothers, James McCulloch, Alfred McCulloch, and Joseph H. McCulloch '69. He was preceded in death by two U.S. Navy, he worked as a tree trimmer for

McCulloch Shuttleworth '66.



Cleo Carolyn Camp McCoy, 74, a 74-year



resident of the her home in PG on July 7, 2012 at the age of 83. Born Oct. 2, 1927, in Fresno, she was a 1945 graduate of PGHS and was an active member of the

PGHSAA re-activation. Cleo was a bookkeeper at the Chevrolet dealership in Monterey before joining her husband as owner of Coast Business Machines. A champion swimmer and diver, Cleo is credited with saving the life of a child off Lovers Point. She enjoyed horseback riding and fishing. An excellent golfer, Cleo was a founder of the Pacific Grove Women's Golf Association, was a member of Rancho Canada and proudly scored five holes-in-one. She had a particular fondness for Siamese cats. She was a 26-year member of PGHS Alumni Association. Cleo is survived by her children, Rosanna McCoy Miller '68 of Placerville, Karen McCoy '69 of PG and Michele McCoy Crocker '73 of Sea Tac, WA; 11 grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas, in 2001.



James Michael Turner, 60, died at



Community Hospital Monterey on July 13. 2012. A native of Carmel, Jim was born Dec. 24. 1951. and graduated from PGHS in 1971. After serving in the

sisters, Patricia McCulloch '62 and Mary over 20 years. He loved all animals, especially dogs. Survivors include his mother, Barbara Burns Turner '48 of Seaside; and sister, Jacolyn Turner Deniz '73 of Seaside. He was preceded in death by his father, James "Bud" Turner '48 and his Peninsula, died at twin brother, Robert William.



Joseph John Buffo, 57, died in Pacific Grove



where he has lived since the age of 6, on July 13, 2012. Born June 10, 1955, in Pittsburg, Joe graduated from PGHS in 1974. He was a skilled vending technician, and

owned his own business, Vending Tech Service. Joe was an avid ballroom dancer, and was known for his generosity and willingness to always devote his time in helping friends and family. Survivors include his sister, Terre Sparkman of Oakhurst. He was preceded in death by his brother John in 2000.



Evelyn Theodora Dudek, known for her great



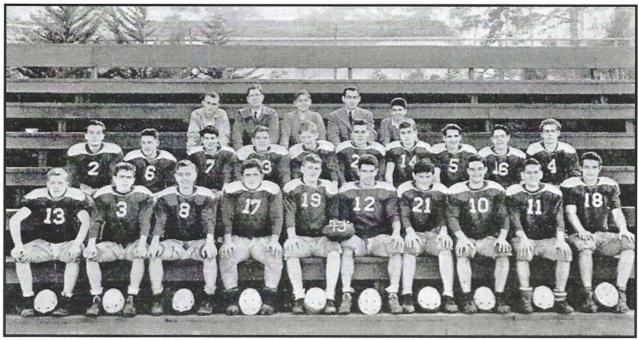
love for her family. died July 24, 2012, at the age of 65 in PG. She was born Oct. 27, 1946, and graduated from PGHS in 1964. Evelvn loved reading, gardening and her pets, and

enjoyed traveling. Survviors include her daughter Shannon Dudek Olsen '93 and brother Bob Dudek.



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John Lingenfelter's photo of PGHS Football team 1943

Back Row: Towel Boy (I don't recall his name) Coach Pappy Johnson (Metal Shop Teacher) Claude Brightwell?, Coach Martin Baskin, Frank "Poncho" Meadows (water boy)

2<sup>nd</sup> Row: #6 George Worth, #7 John Lingenfelter, 5<sup>th</sup> player in is Don Sheppard. Can't remember the rest in that row. Front Row: #13 Frank Cerney, #3 Jim deLorimier, #8 Art King?, and #21 is Chet Garnero. I can't remember the rest. Missing from the line up is Fred Freitas '43. He had been drafted and was in the Army. He died in combat on Okinawa.



1943 PGHS Football Team from the 1943 Sea Urchin

Top Row: Coach Easterbrook, Darwin Law (Manager) Felix Walker (Manager), Charles "Bud" Giles (Manager), Wayne Bennett, Sheldon Holmes, Ralph Bodine, Pat Dailey, Sheldon Thompson.3<sup>rd</sup> Row: Bill Giles, Elton Rhoades, Charles Priddy, Edward Dumont, Bill Davenport, Tommy Walter, John deLorimier, Edward Phillips, Maynard Larkin, Edwin Pixley, Clarence Truesdale, Harry Diffenbaugh. 2nd Row: Glenn Howland, Joe Cota, Charles Varien, Frank Lemos, Jack Loughran, Norman Lingenfelter, Paul Cosmey, Davis Perkins, Thomas Depsey, Gus Whitaker. Front Row: Kenneth McGill, Lewis Fitzsimmons, Austin Moore, Vernon Baxter, James Willey, Ernest Watson, Clifford Coleman, Charles Lewis, Verne Williams, Bill Crowley.

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#### Summer & Garage Sales By Trisha Müench Randall '92

I can't count how many times I've noticed some darling pair of shoes, beautiful piece of furniture, or stunning vase only to be told by the owner that they bought it at a garage sale for a steal.

Thanks.

You see, I don't ever find those treasures. I'm the one that goes to garage sales where they're only selling 8-tracks of Crystal Gayle and soiled baby's bibs for 25cents each. The irony of this most magical power to identify the world's worst garage sales is that my family knows how to put on the All-American-Yard-Sale to beat anyone. Don't laugh. I'm serious. My mom, a retired general manager for her parents' successful gift store, reaches into the depths of her vast retail experience and actually merchandises her inventory. She has stations manned for questions. There are cashiers who know how to count back change. She will even pull out paper for wrapping those most precious breakables and bags to tote the junk to your car. You can't understate the scale of her garage sales. Where most people get excited at pulling in \$300 over a weekend she easily walks away with nearly a grand. It's kind of scary.

Now magnify this picture by a thousand, add my aunt (a professional decorator and sales woman in her own rite) and you may begin to imagine the liquidation of my grandparent's home this past weekend. They called it an "Estate Sale." It was nothing short of organized extortion. People coming simply didn't have a chance. Before they even entered the front door they were greeted with no less than four volunteer staff all waiting to serve, answer questions, or schlepp out those large purchases with dollies. The garage was conspicuously closed, but no worries - an email sign-up was provided for the convenience of potential buyers interested in coming back to view the goods of a finalist in the "He Who Has The Most Tools Wins" contest. Multiple couches, appliances in good working order, desks and small household goods all stood ready for purchase prior to even passing the threshold. What these visitors encountered next was dumbfounding.

Every inch of my grandparents' nearly 2000 square foot home, along with the granny unit and quarter acre backyard, were packed with items covering just about every known interest in Christendom. Each room was themed giving browsers an opportunity to peruse anything from antique china and cut crystal to meticulously handcrafted lace and fine linens. The odds and ends were out too with no less than six televisions, some 32 spatulas, ginormous speakers that would have put lke Turner's home recording studio to shame, and 4327 individual matchbooks - a lifetime's collection. There was a sales associate in every room providing gracious help or, if necessary, bouncer back-up in case someone tried to escape without actually buying anything. We even had runners who would gladly begin a tab for you at the check-out by whisking your selected items from your arms thereby freeing you for more shopping.

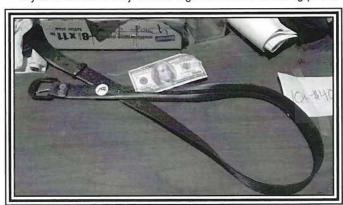
But what really put the cap on this amazing event were the items

themselves. I mean, anyone can have a lot of junk. It isn't necessarily compelling to walk into a house filled with commemorative Happy Days memorabilia. As much as we all loved the Fonz his silkscreened face on a thousand porcelain objects does not necessarily loosen the purse strings. And if it does then you need to be spending your money on help not another miniature Cunningham portrait shellacked onto a trivet.

But I digress. Back to the stuff.

You know those shows where people bring in the really old junk they bought at someone's garage sale and a professional assess it and tells you that it comes from the Chinese Ming Dynasty and is worth 7.3 gazillion dollars even though you haggled the poor schmo so he would come down from \$5 to \$3.75? I'm not saying anyone haggled me down that much, but I won't be surprised when one of those episodes proudly displays a random antique apothecary jar, which William Shakespeare used for inspiration when writing his famous Romeo and Juliet, that sat on my grandparent's bar for no less than 27 years.

If you disbelieve me just take a gander at the following photo:



This is a travel belt used before the days of fanny-packs (or by those still somewhat concerned about how they look while huffing to the top of Mt. Everest). You could tuck a small amount of cash into an inside pocket and then zip it up before resting it snug against your pants. No one was stealing your money. Also, you weren't accessing it without risking a public nudity fine so in effect this ingenious contraption protected money from robbers and from spendthrifts. My aunt priced this leather gem at \$5, but realized that it wasn't competitive in the free market. Wisely, she chose to mark it down to \$1.50. While she was changing the tag she noticed that the zipper was stuck. Not wanting to be caught selling damaged goods, Gail worked to get the zipper open (even getting help when it became too stubborn for her because one simply can't let a one dollar and fifty cents used leather belt sell with a stuck zipper). What unfurled from that tiny space was a crisply folded \$100 dollar bill.

Seriously?

Admittedly I wasn't shocked. After all, these are my grandparents. I just wish some of the Hyler eccentricities of money management had rubbed off on me.

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#### ALUMNI TIDBITS by Sue Taylor '68

As part of my service to the PGHSAA, I help track down 'lost' alumni for reunion committees that request help. To aid in this endeavor, I keep little 'mini-genealogies' of families of each alumni. It becomes incredibly useful in finding alumni if the names of parents and siblings are on hand. This is something that Dee *Brendel* Litch '44 started (with the help of numerous alumni) and I continued, and the data goes into the PGHSAA maintained by Joanie *Hyler* '68. The birth, death, marriage and other vital records I access are all publicly available in newspapers and genealogical databases.

It's rare, when I am constructing a family tree, that I am truly moved and deeply impressed by the family history of a classmate. We have plenty of respected, interesting, celebrated, awesome and entertaining alumni, but the Paasche family particularly stands out because of the country connections and historical activities of the family of **Joan Paasche** '54.

I could not find Joan in the US Census, nor in the usual people-find sites like the White Pages. That usually means the person married, or died young or sometimes lives out of country. I first found Joan in her naturalization papers and passenger lists, which gave me names and birthdates of her parents and siblings. They were all of German extraction and lived in Japan. That interested me as I was born in Germany, and had Kindergarten in Japan (dad was US Army). I imagined a similar pattern. But then I was lead to a memorial site for the family's grandfather, and all I could do was sit, read, and repeatedly say wow, wow, wow. From grandpa I jumped to Joan's mother, and even more wows followed.

Very, very briefly, Hans Paasche was a German Navy military officer who became a pacifist after serving in Tanzania during native uprisings, wrote and spread pacifist literature, for which he was incarcerated in a mental hospital but liberated by friends, and escaped to a family estate in Poland, where he was murdered by German soldiers in 1920. For more amazing details go to <a href="http://hanspaascheen.wordpress.com">http://hanspaascheen.wordpress.com</a>

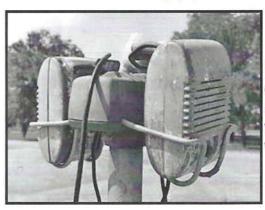
Joan's other grandfather was "chief of the German Army Command in the years Adolf Hitler's rise to power. Von Hammerstein-Equord was the last to use governmental channels to try to block Hitler's 1933 ascension." He retired the year after Hitler became fuhrer, and promptly became a spy for the resistance, aiding in warning Jews of impending arrest. Two

uncles were involved in two failed assignation attempts of Hitler, and were among the few to escape. Joan's mother, Maria Theresa was placed in a concentration camp in 1944 by the Gestapo to try to flush out the uncles. The camp was liberated in 1945. Maria and her husband John Paasche lived in Palestine, then Berlin, then escaped to Japan, where all four children were born. In 1948 the family immigrated to San Francisco and all became US citizens. This is a ludicrously abbreviated biography that does not do justice to the family. An article in the Jewish Bulletin describes more of Maria Theresa's life (<a href="http://www.jweekly.com/article/full/12587/wwii-rescuer-lauded-for-her-silent-courage-dies-at-90/">http://www.jweekly.com/article/full/12587/wwii-rescuer-lauded-for-her-silent-courage-dies-at-90/</a>).

As of the year 2000, Joan *Paasche* Brieglib taught high school in Germany. According to her daughter Vergilia, Joan is retired now, and still living in Germany.

The PGHSAA extends sincere condolences to the Selbicky family, who lost their matriarch, Frances (Cosio) Selbicky Greene in August. She produced a fine crop of PGHS alumni: Vincent '50, Neil James '52 (and his wife Joan Bommarito '52), Margaret '54 (and her ex-husband Wesley Stewart '52), Sandra '55 (and her ex-husband Laurence Fry '52), Michael '73, and Jon '76 (and his wife Dawn Mandeville '80). 24 grandchildren (including those in the classes of '70, '72, '75, '79) and 28 great-grandchildren (including those in the classes of '01 and '03 and possibly more in the future), would make quite a splash at our October reunions if only all were members! Hint, hint...

As part of my searching for lost and deceased alumni members, I just finishing trying to assess the whereabouts of the class of 1939. I wonder if any readers knows where our unknowns for 1939 are or if they are still living: Frank L. Jackson Jr., Eileen C. Mullen, Polly Gladys Nash, Barbara Gertrude Powell, June Adelle Reed Wilson, Robert "Bob" E. Ross Jr., Margaret Eleanor Thayer Sisin? Stanton? Died in 1962? Where?



How many of you remember what these were?

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# Pacific Grove's new police chief dons two patches, two badges.

By Cameron Douglas

She had no intention of rising through the ranks, let alone becoming chief of police for two Monterey Peninsula cities when Vicki Myers became the dog catcher ("It wasn't called 'Animal Control Officer' back then," in 1986, she points out.) for Ingham County, Michigan. "I just love animals," she said, speaking in an interview the morning she was sworn in as Pacific Grove's police chief.

Myers was raised by her grandparents on a farm in Ingham



Chief Vicki Myers and Chief Darius Engles '73

The population of that county is almost three times that of the Monterey Peninsula. She excelled in the position

County.

and the sheriff encouraged her to get the schooling and take the tests to become a deputy, which she did. "It'd didn't take me long to realize that I wanted to be in administration," she said, so she went back to school and got into the administration end of law enforcement.

Eventually, she took a job in Mesa, AZ. Her husband was county controller in Michigan, however, so for a while they commuted to see each other. When he retired, he moved to Mesa as well. They were there for three years. Vicki served as interim chief for nine months there when George Gascon left for San Francisco, where he is now District Attorney. And when she stepped back for Frank Milstead to become chief of police of Mesa, she realized she really wanted the office.

"My husband and I firmly believe that everything, good or bad, happens for a reason," she said. Avid golfers, they came to the Monterey Peninsula on a golfing vacation with friends, and fell in love with the area. "Wouldn't it be great," her husband asked her at the time, "if you could become chief of police and I could go to work for Pebble Beach?"

When the opening for chief of Seaside was advertised, Ed Myers was watching the paper and urged Vicki to apply. And he got a job as a starter marshal at Spanish Bay. They intend to retire here.

On the morning she was sworn in as chief of police for Pacific

Grove, she was already wearing a patch on her sleeve from Seaside, where she has served for more than a year, and one on the other sleeve from Pacific Grove. She will alternate badges now that she has them both.

Vicki Myers gives great kudos to her predecessor, Darius Engles, for seeing through the idea of shared services. "He's really a visionary," she said. "He has left a great organization in place to enable this moment in time." She also congratulates City Manager Tom Frutchey and the city councils of both cities for being willing to try it out.

Seaside and Pacific Grove have entered into a shared services agreement to share a police chief, believing that administrative duties can be both performed more efficiently and that costs can be reduced by doing so. Myers believes that regionalizing law enforcement makes a lot of sense. "It's smart for fiscal and personnel reasons," she said. The records management system shared by both cities is, to her, a huge reason for sharing services as keeping of records is labor-intensive as well as being vitally important to law enforcement.

She says she knows there will be some leftover "territorial mind" on the part of citizens, but she hopes to overcome their fears and concerns as she settles into the job and learns "how we operate" in Pacific Grove and "why things are done the way they are" in Pacific Grove.

Vicki Myers is eager to roll up her sleeves (with the patches on each one) and get to work. Open and frank, she wants to hear from citizens about what they want and expect from their police force. She looks forward to a long tenure.



# Postmaster Caldwell retires after 24 years By Peter Mounteer '11

B o n Vo y a g e ! S h a n n o n Caldwell bid the position of Postmaster for the Pacific Grove Post Office adieu after 42 years in the postal service. He has been with the Pacific Grove Post Office since 1981, after being promoted as a superintendent from Carmel's Postal Service operations, and has held various duties and details since then.

Faced with a choice between getting drafted to Vietnam or getting a job, a month out of high school Caldwell started in the U.S. Postal Service in 1970, working as a rural carrier in Carmel, with a route running from the mouth of Carmel Valley to Scarlet Road. Over the next decade, he worked his way up in management at Carmel before his transfer to Pacific Grove. Since then his two daughters have graduated from Pacific Grove High and he has been graced with three grandkids.

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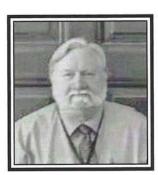
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For a while he coached girls softball at the high school and has played Santa Claus at various places around the area (ssshhh! don't tell your kids!).

When he started Postmaster duties at the Pacific Grove Post Office he managed 50



Shannon Caldwell

employees in 1981, with changes in technology over the years he now keeps track of some 30 employees. "Because of increases in automation we can do more with less," he

commented. "Jobs have become more efficient." As Postmaster Caldwell oversees the Post Office's entire delivery.

collection and retail operations, day in and day out.

Caldwell's retirement from the Service comes at an interesting time, and he commented on the changing nature of the workforce. "[My retirement] is part of a special incentive offered to older Postal Service employees across the nation. It's cheaper to hire younger people and part timers, they aren't career employees and they don't get benefits; that's where the Postal Service is going."

Caldwell said that even after 42 years, it hasn't really felt that long. Of his 31-year tenure in Pacific Grove he said, "It's been my pleasure to serve the employees and community of Pacific Grove. I've enjoyed that a lot." In his retirement he hopes to be doing some more community or city volunteer work. For example, he's been giving away popsicles at the Feast of Lanterns Pet Parade every year since 1983.

Caldwell served his last day on the job on Friday, July 27th, 2012.. He will be temporarily replaced by his supervisor

Antonia Radous as Officer-in-Charge, until a new Postmaster can be selected.

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I'm always looking for something that will interest all alumni. The following is a list of things that have been invented since I started high school and there after. Wow...lots of stuff.

#### 1965

Acrylic paint invented.

Permanent-press fabric invented.

BASIC (an early computer language) is invented by John George Kemeny & Tom Kurtz.

#### 1966

Astroturf

Soft contact lenses

NutraSweet

The compact disk invented by James Russell. Kevlar para-aramid synthetic fiber

#### 1967

Electronic Fuel injection for cars. The first handheld calculator invented.

#### 1968

The computer mouse

The first computer with integrated circuits made Robert Dennard invented RAM (random access memory).

#### 1969

The arpanet (first internet) invented.

The artificial heart invented.

The ATM invented.

The bar-code scanner is invented.

#### 1970

The daisy-wheel printer invented.

The floppy disk invented by Alan Shugart.

#### 1971

The dot-matrix printer invented.

The food processor invented.

The liquid-crystal display (LCD) invented by James Fergason.

The microprocessor invented by Faggin, Hoff and Mazor.

VCR or videocassette invented.

#### 1972

The word processor invented.

Pong first video game invented by Nolan

Hacky Sack invented by John Stalberger and Mike Marshall.

#### 1973

Gene splicing invented.

The ethernet (local computer network) invented by Robert Metcalfe and Xerox.

Bic invents the disposable lighter.

The post-it notes invented by Arthur Fry. Giorgio Fischer, a gynecologist from Rome, Italy, invents liposuction.

#### 1975

The laser printer invented.

The push-through tab on a drink can invented.

#### 1976

The ink-jet printer invented.

#### 1977

Magnetic resonance imaging invented by Raymond V. Damadian.

#### 1978

Dan Bricklin and Bob Frankston invented the VisiCalc spreadsheet.

The artificial heart Jarvik-7 invented by Robert K. Jarvik.

#### 1979

Cell phones invented.

Cray supercomputer invented by Seymour

Walkman invented.

Scott Olson invents roller blades.

#### 1980

The hepatitis-B vaccine invented.

#### 1981

MS-DOS invented.

The first IBM-PC invented.

The scanning tunneling microscope invented by Gerd Karl Binnig and Heinrich Rohrer.

Human growth hormone genetically engineered.

#### 1983

The Apple Lisa invented.

Soft bifocal contact lens invented.

First Cabbage Patch Kids sold.

Programmer Jaron Lanier first coins the term "virtual reality".

#### 1984

The CD-ROM invented.

The Apple Macintosh invented.

#### 1985

Windows program invented by Microsoft.

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#### 1986

A high-temperature super-conductor invented by J. Georg Bednorz and Karl A. Muller.

Synthetic skip invented by G. Gregory Gallice, III.

Synthetic skin invented by G. Gregory Gallico, III. Fuji introduced the disposable camera.

#### 1987

The first 3-D video game invented. Disposable contact lenses invented.

#### 1988

Digital cellular phones invented.

The RU-486 (abortion pill) invented.

Doppler radar invented by Christian Andreas Doppler.

Prozac invented at the Eli Lilly Company by inventor Ray Fuller.

The first patent for a genetically engineered animal is issued to Harvard University researchers Philip Leder and Timothy Stewart. Ralph Alessio and Fredrik Olsen received a patent for the Indiglo nightlight. The bluish green light is used to illuminate the entire face of a watch.

#### 1989

High-definition television invented.

#### 1990

The World Wide Web and Internet protocol (HTTP) and WWW language (HTML) created by Tim Berners-Lee.

#### 1991

The digital answering machine invented.

#### 1992

The smart pill invented.

#### 1993

The pentium processor invented.

#### 1994

HIV protease inhibitor invented.

#### 1995

The Java computer language invented.

DVD (Digital Versatile Disc or Digital Video Disc) invented.

#### 1996

Web TV invented.

#### 1997

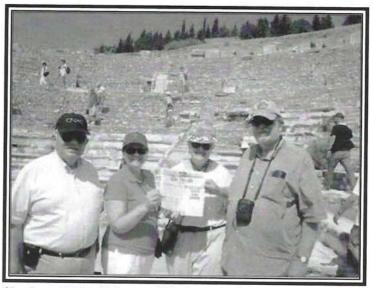
The gas-powered fuel cell invented.

#### 1998

Viagra invented.

#### 1999

Scientists measure the fastest wind speed ever recorded on earth, 509 km/h(318 mph).



Chuck and Kathi Calvano of Monterey and Judy *Beall* '57 and Bill Webb of Pacific Grove, from left, show off The Herald while visiting the excavations at Ephesus in Turkey.

#### Seaside

Johnnie Urquidi has been sworn into the U.S. Army and will report to Ft. Benning, GA. on June 12th for his Basic Training. Johnnie is the son of Laura *Gruwell* '81 Urquidi and Steve Urquidi. He is also the grandson of Jim and Sherry *Welsh* Gruwell '56. This is the second grandson of the Gruwell's to enlist in the Army. This past year, their grandson Seth Vordermark, son of Susan *Gruwell* '76 Vordermark and Jeff Vordermark also enlisted and is now stationed in Ft. Carson, Colorado. Sherry has a long history of Army men. Her dad retired after 30 years and her grandfather was in the Cavalry stationed at the Presidio of Monterey.

Unwanted Sea Urchins can always find a home with the Pacific Grove Public Library or the Heritage Society; for their collections. The library still needs;1957, 1964 & 1987. The reference librarian says the Sea Urchins are kept under lock & key & are only available for perusing in the library. They have great demand for them so are grateful that we try to "fill in the blanks". Hoping for a completed collection soon.

Kindly, Jayne Dix Gasperson '49



A group protesting the removal of pine trees at David Ave. & Forest Ave. on Feb. 19, 1974. Protesters were claiming that this grove of pine trees was one of the few undisturbed groves remaining in Pacific Grove. (Monterey County Herald Archives)

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#### Olympian from Pacific Grove raised bar.

By: Phil Bowhay

I have been hooked on the Olympics this past week, groggy in the morning, having stayed up well past usual bed time. Certainly a thrill to watch whatever NBC puts on the screen, but nothing held my attention like the women's beach volleyball.

As far as I'm concerned, we have two new American sweethearts, Misty May-Treanor and Kerri Walsh Jennings. If you haven't watched volleyball, you won't understand. They have won the gold, so you may have to wait for Olympic highlights, or some other video, but whatever it takes, see these stars in action. I still don't understand the fine points of the game, but all it takes is one or two sets to get hooked.

Both mothers, these ladies are in top shape, strong and quick without being muscle bound. Fortunately, their uniforms, almost bikinis, enable visual appreciation of their physical condition. They cover the sand with precision, almost like a choreographed ballet and they are tough — and determined! They are the best, and they know it, and they are having fun! Did I mention that they are also very attractive?

Not sure how many others from our part of the world were Olympians, and I'm sure you'll tell me, but special attention here to George Mattos, Pacific Grove High School, Class of 1947. In the 1950s George was one of the top pole vaulters in the world, competing with, and just behind, his friend, Bob Richards. He made the 1952 Olympics in Helsinki and the 1956 in Melbourne. missed the Bronze to Greek, George Mattos and his teammates were still using steel poles with no bend, and Roubanis "catapulted" to third with a fiberglass.

At an early practice in 1947, Mattos spiked and laid open his calf. Stitched up. but had to limit vaults the rest of the season. In order to qualify for the state meet he had to compete in three or four meets. He would wait until the highest vault was finished, said "raise the bar three inches," take one vault, and win. On to the CCAL at Hollister, then

the state meet, winning at 13 feet.

He grew up on a family ranch near San Jose and claims that lifting lugs of apricots and prunes helped him develop the upper-body strength that pushed him over the bar at just under 15 feet. Today, with better equipment, some vaults top 20 feet.

George now lives near in Jacksonville, Ore., a retired music professor. Back in high school he was just slightly behind Benny Goodman on the clarinet. Now fighting prostate cancer, he and his wife, Lorraine, were unable to go to London this year, but watch every broadcast. He deserves a longer story, but you'll just have to wait! Oh, I almost forgot! He and I were on the same high school track team. Won the NCS!

But that's another story ... First published in the Monterey Herald



1956 Olympic participation metal.



Official 1956 Olympics program cover



We still have PGHSAA Souvenirs available. Great present for a fellow classmate.

Pacific Grove measure would raise building height limit in downtown area. Holman rezoning to go on Nov. 6 ballot By Kevin Howe

Rezoning of the Holman lot in downtown Pacific Grove will go on the Nov. 6 ballot.

The Pacific Grove City Council voted 6-1 Wednesday to put the rezoning proposal before voters, with Councilman Robert Huitt dissenting.

Huitt said he felt the city was risking voter disapproval by rushing the measure to November, but added he would support a special election next spring to rezone the property after voters have had time to learn more about its implications. The zoning measure calls for raising the height limit for buildings from 40 feet to 75 feet on the property bounded by Lighthouse, Grand, Central and Fountain avenues.

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where Texas hotel developer Drake Leddy proposes to build a seven-story, 230-room hotel with conference facilities and restaurants.



Nader Agha

Several residents said the rezoning measure should go through city Planning Commission approval, but City Attorney David Laredo said under the state Election Code, the council has the right to put measures on the ballot on its own authority.

Others argued the city should receive a specific development proposal first, then, if it is approved, have the zoning changed to fit the project.

But the council can't change zoning

Laredo said; only the voters can do that.

Leddy said planning a hotel, which he described as one of the most complicated building project types in real estate, would cost him \$1.5 million in professional fees. He said he wants to be assured the voters want the rezoning before he makes that investment.

The site is owned by Peninsula developer Nader Agha and has long been considered for a major hotel to boost downtown Pacific Grove's economy. A consultant to Leddy estimated the cash-strapped city could reap upward of \$1.5 million annually in tax revenue from the \$50 million hotel.



HD Leddy

Leddy, chairman and chief executive of Presidian Hotels and Resorts of San Antonio, has built and managed more than

20 hotels since 1989, and is the general partner on the Pacific Grove project, while Agha is an investor.

First printed in the Monterey Herald.

Editors Note:

If you are interested in seeing just who is HD Leddy, here is his companies web site. http://www.presidian.com



#### Layne Littlepage celebrates Broadway's best in 'Viva the Divas!' By Lily Dayton

In Latin, the word "diva" means "Goddess." A diva can also be a famous show girl, an opera singer or any woman who is glamorous and fashionable. But it may also signify a spoiled woman who thinks she's above others and demands attention in the most manipulative ways.

In her new one-woman show, Layne Littlepage (PGHS 1964) will not only explore the various definitions of the word diva, but will

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bring some of Broadway's favorite divas to life through story and sona.

"Broadway Leading Ladies: Viva the Divas!" opens Friday at the Carl Cherry Center for the Arts in Carmel, where it will run for four weekends. Littlepage will be accompanied on the piano by Rick Yramategui.

Performing songs from the Golden Age of Broadway musicals, Littlepage will impersonate or sing in the style of stage legends including Julie Andrews, Ethel Merman, Mary Martin, Barbra Streisand, Fanny Brice, Beatrice Lillie, Carol Channing, Elaine Stritch and more.

"I'm calling the show 'Viva the Divas!' because I'm going to talk about their different personalities, and the different ways they

became stars," said Littlepage. "I'm singing songs that made them famous, and tying them together in a funny way."

She mused, "The subtitle is 'Great Broadway stars that I have known, that I have not known, or that I've only spoken to over the phone." "Littlepage was influenced by many of these Broadway leading ladies as a high school student. when she'd listen to their records on an old turntable.



Layne Littlepage '64

"I loved all the classical theater." she said. "A lot of these women were role models for me. Whenever I got a record, I wanted to be that person. I think I got inspired by every

one of them."

Later, she translated this inspiration into creating musical shows about her role models. After playing the part of Madame Arcarti in a local production of "High Spirits," a friend suggested she put together a Beatrice Lillie show.

She performed the show at Monterey Peninsula College Theatre in the late 1990s, then took the show on the road to New York and around the country.

Littlepage followed her Beatrice Lillie show with a Julie Andrews show, as well as other productions featuring the songs and stories of famous composers, including George and Ira Gershwin, Noel Coward and Cole Porter.

"Viva the Divas" will be the first show that features a variety of performers in one production — and all of them women.

"It's different from doing a one-person show, or a show about one or two composers, because there is so much more variety," said Littlepage. "It was more complicated to put together.

For example, with George and Ira Gershwin there is a chronological narrative. But with this I tie the narratives together by talking about (the performers) as Broadway divas, how they succeeded, and how they intersected."

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While she will impersonate the divas in some of the songs, in others she'll sing in the style in which they were originally performed and others she'll perform with her own Littepage twist.

In preparing for the show, she used a wide range of references from YouTube to the library to find inside stories that she can share with the audience between songs.

"People are always interested in show business inside stories," Littlepage said. "This show is really about their songs, their lives, how their careers intertwine, who gets the role in the movie — and who doesn't. I talk about which stars were rivals, which stars were friends. Sometimes they were a little of both."

First printed in the Monterey Herald





Fans and friends of Cannery Row's 812 Cinema gathered at the theater on May 21, 1981 in peaceful protest over the eviction of the theater by its landlord. The theater, known for its offbeat movies and use of pillows instead of standard theater seating operated on Cannery Row for 11 years. The owners went on to open the Dream Theater. Monterey County Herald Archives



Vern Yadon (PG Museum) Mayor Florus Williams '35. Receiving Sandy the grey whale statue November 1980

Plans for our 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Alumni Dinner are coming along nicely. We have begun to receive reservations and the reunion committee has been working hard on preparations.

Moss Media will be there again to take pictures of singles, couples and groups. We hope you will utilize their services. They do this for us free and only charge you \$20.00 a sitting.

Want something to do after the Annual Reunion Brunch in October? I have just the thing. Read all about it below and see you there. October 7<sup>th</sup> 11-4 p.m..

#### Chautauqua Days Are Getting Closer

One of the favorite events of the year for all of those who participate is the Chautauqua Days weekend in PG. The events sponsored and co-sponsored by your Heritage Society are the Artists in Chautauqua event and sale, the Historic Home Tour and last but certainly not least is the *Houses for the Birds Contest and Auction*. October 7<sup>th</sup> is the date for these events. As in the past we will reach out to those who have made these events so popular.

This is our largest fund-raiser of the year. Most of the proceeds support your Heritage Society throughout the year and some funds go toward our ongoing restoration of our precious lighthouse. The Artists event will take place in Chautauqua Hall and the Houses for the Birds event will be next door at the Elmarie *Hurlbert* Hyler Dyke '15 Park.

There are added categories for the Birdhouse event. We are adding most patriotic, local historic, humorous, architect's choice and several others. You can also build a bird feeder instead or both! We had over 35 entries in 2011. Our goal is to exceed that number this year. We can with your participation.

Reserve Sunday October 7, awaken your creative genes, grab your tools and begin building your 2012 Birdhouse or Bird Feeder.

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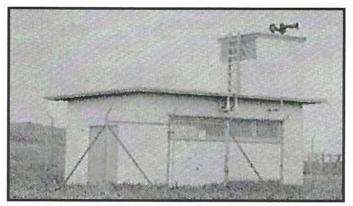
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## **Cedar Street's Opinion**

By: Marge Ann Jameson

Down by the ocean, on a small point, there's an ugly little concrete building on the inland side of the road. Maybe you've noticed it, maybe you wonder —or even know —what it is. Well, it's about to come down, given Coastal Commission permits. It was a fog horn. Fine, and good riddance, but with it go some interesting memories for a lot of us.

Forty years ago, when gasoline was cheap and I had all the time in the world, I would drive my Sunbeam Alpine to work using a different route each day, and come home to Pacific Grove with the same plan in mind. Often, with time to spare, I would drive by that squat, gray building, enjoying the play of sunlight on the surf and the seabirds wheeling in the sky. There weren't as many tourists on the pullouts then, and I could pretend it was possible to



Pacific Grove's Fog Horn building. Gone, but won't be forgotten for many of us who grew up with the sound it made on a cold foggy summer night.

just keep on driving and miss my responsibilities. There were many times I stopped and gathered beach glass on the rocks as the day faded, in an era when no one popped up from behind a bush to chastise me for doing so. And I still have a mayonnaise jar full of beach glass sitting in my window sill, though the lid is rather rusty now.

But I didn't drive that way on a foggy day. Or if I had to, I would sneak up on that little gray building, then hit the gas and roar by it as fast as I dared, as if it were a sea monster lying in wait for me. In a way, it was a sea monster. On damp days, it would build up a charge and then let loose with a roar that I was sure would knock me and my little car right off into the rocks. On particularly dark, thick days I could picture Ray Bradbury's unfortunate, lovelorn sea monster rising up from the rocks in search of its lost mate, and squashing me in the throes of its ardor as it answered the sad hooting of the fog horn. Home safe in my apartment at Del Monte Blvd. and Lighthouse, I would listen to that foghorn in the wet, dark night and

know that someone was watching out for the ships at sea and all was right with the world.

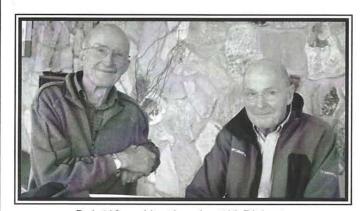
Phil Bowhay, chronicler of life in the 1950's on the Monterey Peninsula, had a different memory of the fog horn, and even named a compendium of his columns from the Monterey County Herald after it: When the Lord Spoke. He wrote of how young people would go "parking" on the beach and how the fog horn, with the voice of

God, would blast them out of the back seat and back onto the road of righteousness.

Somewhere along the line, like the lovelorn sea monster, the fog horn outlived its usefulness and became extinct. The mournful bellow ceased. And now it's going to come down. No, I don't want to save it. I have my memories, in a jar with a rusty lid, sitting on my window sill.

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Bob '46 and brother Joe '46 Richerts



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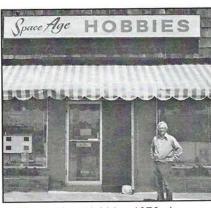
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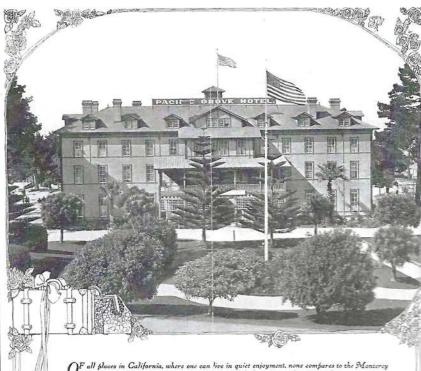


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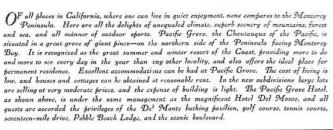


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Pacific Grove Hotel early 1900's On the site where Holmans now stands





Holmans 2012 front above Holmans 2012 rear below



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#### LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

It's hard to believe that summer is almost over. All the children pretty penny doing it himself!

returning to school hardly believe it's over, too. Where did it go?



Well, for myself it was full of sorting, went along with the a selling, boxing, dumping, selling more, manners of tackle. (My moving, sorting more and selling the last of years and years worth of stuff, junk, prized your own shotgun shelf family treasurers and just plain items you he dabbled into another aren't sure where to put. How do we manage to accumulate so many things? And who So, what comes next?

invented attics, closets, filling cabinets, storage boxes, on site storage sheds and in some cases off sight storage sheds?

Here we are almost five months since my father passed away and we still do not have his home up for sell. I'm proud to say that we have cleaned the house, painted all the walls and shampooed the carpets. But, there is still a two car garage full of every kind of tool you can think of. Why, you might ask? Well, when you are a man like Bill Hyler you are never satisfied to sit back and let "professionals" do the job. So, that meant he had to learn everything

there was to know about the job and get just about every tool that it called for in order to do it himself. Of course he "saved" himself a pretty penny doing it himself!

If he decided to pursue a hobby it called for knowing everything there was to know about it, and getting any appropriate tools that went along with the activity. So, besides fishing rods there is all manners of tackle. (My sisters and I all learned to tie our own flies.) Hunting involved rifles and shot guns, along with equipment to reload your own shotgun shells. (Each of us were taught to make these as he dabbled into another hobby along side us.)

The list goes on and on and is too long to put in this small editorial. So, what comes next?

I suppose we will have a garage sale to beat all garage sales as we sort through and decide what to do with 70 years worth of manly things.

Anyone out there need a kiln or rototiller? What about an auger?

All the best! Joanie Hyler '68

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