

The Knockout II

THE PACIFIC GROVE HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

First, I want to say how happy I am to have been named president of this wonderful organization. Happy, but at the same time humbled, as I see the immense amount of work the other board members put in to make the Pacific Grove High School Alumni Association work. Put simply, that work is to serve others, and in doing so the PGHSAA is an influential, important part of the larger Pacific Grove community.



Beth Penney '73

That community has gained a certain notoriety in the recent past for its politics, and media attention often focuses on people who move to Pacific Grove because it is so perfect, and then immediately propose to make changes. Many of these recent arrivals are also active in local organizations, city commissions, and fund-raising efforts, and they donate their time and money to the schools, the library, the museum, and other worthy Pacific Grove causes. But in the back of my mind, whether these newcomers turn out to be a help or a hindrance, I am always reminding myself that there is one organization they can never join, no matter how much they might want to, and that's the Pacific Grove High School Alumni Association. There are few organizations that restrict their membership these days, but this one does! And, this select group has been investing its efforts in the high school, and by extension the town of Pacific Grove, for 50 years. The Pacific Grove High School Alumni Association's members include and have included mayors, city council members, fire chiefs, police chiefs, recreation directors, school board members, city employees, and others. These people are the

ones who, in my mind, know Pacific Grove from the ground up. For that reason, they probably know what's best for it.

Here's an example. One of these city employees, Betty Phipps Voeykoff, a 1935 graduate, was the secretary to three city managers, starting at City Hall in 1946 and retiring in 1982. An active member of the PGHSAA for 33 years, Betty died on July 6 of last year at the age of 92. In her will, she left the Association \$52,500. This wise and generous contribution will continue to benefit the high school, and through it, the community, for many years. Betty, whose family built and owned Phipps Coffee Shop on Forest Ave. (later Tom's Café and now Max's Grill), contributed to what was important to her: the special community of Pacific Grove and its hard-working high school alumni association.

As I take over the reins of this association, I am especially grateful for people like Betty, whose foresight and big heart make the continuation of the Association's work possible. I am also thankful to outgoing president Terry Fink '69 for his guidance and input during the transition, and for the help of Treasurer Joanie Hylar '68, Recording Secretary Ruth Grooms Matthews '64, and Website Coordinator Wynette Walker Cowen '41. As Association members, you are in good hands with them and with the other board members who give of their time and energy to make the Association's gifts to the high school a reality. Please respond to the calls within this issue of the newsletter to join, give gift memberships, donate, volunteer, and participate.

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October 8th * October 9th
 The Postgraduate School
 New Location, New Caterer

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

A Friendly Welcome to:

OUR NEW MEMBERS:

'55 Katherine Currence Horsley	Farmington
'62 Connie Grooms Cain	Oceanside
'63 Henry Nuki	Mi Wuk Village
'70 Betty Bushell Graham	Warrenton, VA
'71 Alex Hulanicki	Salinas
'75 Cynthia Peña	Pacific Grove
'82 Mary Toole McFadden	Pacific Grove
'10 Richard Foreman	Pacific Grove
'10 Lyla Ollinger	Pacific Grove
'10 Dane Schrader	Pacific Grove
'10 Julia Sweigert	Pacific Grove

Glad to have you back!

OUR RETURNING MEMBERS:

'38 William Neunzig	San Jose
'43 Elmerie Scholes Ewing	Pacific Grove
'53 Doreen Concepcion Petty	Rocklin
'55 Deanna Costa Perry	Fremont
'61 Joan Franz Hayes	Southport, NC
'62 Curtis Bennett	Monterey
'81 Carol Landaker	Alameda

IN MEMORY OF:

DON GASPERSON FUND

Tony & Marjorie Ayres	Pacific Grove
Gary Bales	Pacific Grove
Ted & Norma Bell	Pacific Grove
Carolyn Bitter	Pacific Grove
Pat Clark	Pacific Grove
Dorothy Crosby	Pebble Beach
Mary Fry	Carmel
Pauline Hicks	Pacific Grove
Ted & Georgia Hollister	Pacific Grove
Jane Houghton	Pebble Beach
Gloria Humphreys	Pacific Grove
Harriet Johansen	Pacific Grove
Barbara Lebeck	Pacific Grove
Martha Rothrock	Pebble Beach
Louis & Janice Russo	Monterey
Sharon Sieve	Carmel
George Young	Pacific Grove

ALUMNI:

'33 Barbara Phillips Todd	Monterey
'37 Mary Hufford Beach	Pacific Grove
'38 Edwin Getz	Pacific Grove
'39 Nelson "Bill" Hyler	Pebble Beach
'41 Howard Cowen	Pacific Grove
'41 Wynette Walker Cowen	Pacific Grove
'41 Ross Smith	Pacific Grove
'42 Don Johansen	Pacific Grove
'42 Sheila Cochran McGuire	Pacific Grove
'44 Howard Hodges	Pebble Beach
'45 Joseph Richerts	Puerto Rico
'45 Roberta Sylvester Smith	Pacific Grove
'46 Jim deLorimier	Pebble Beach
'46 LeRoy Frame	Salinas
'46 Bob Richerts	Monterey
'47 Richard Baxter	Redding
'47 Donald Day	Salinas
'47 Rita Hazeltine deLorimier	Pebble Beach
'47 Arthur King	Monterey
'47 Annie Gustella Richerts	Monterey
'47 Marie Partridge Rosenblatt	Lafayette
'47 Hilma Schaar Smith	Pacific Grove
'47 Virginia Green Tamblyn	Cupertino
'47 Bob Woodruff	Pacific Grove
'47 Janie Burton Woodruff	Pacific Grove
'48 Mary Jane Dietl Colletto	Pacific Grove
'48 Jan Nelson Flint	Monterey
'49 Eunice Williamson Bartowick	Pacific Grove
'49 Lillian Freitas Enos	Soquel
'49 Cathy delaRosa Foscatto	Monte Sereno
'49 Joy Riley Fugitt	Pacific Grove
'49 Ellen Daurts Kimbell	Austin, TX
'49 Yvonne Puget Merrigan	Alameda
'49 Dorothy Gonsalves Perkins	Pacific Grove
'49 Joanne Christensen Peterson	Pacific Grove
'49 John Piercy	Berkeley
'49 Ellanah Peace Plain	Concord
'49 Lucille Lane Rowe	Pacific Grove
'49 Mary Ann Williams Wolfe	Sussex, WI
'50 Richard Dames	Santa Cruz
'50 Sue Hinman Hall	Pacific Grove
'50 Barbara Dirk Shattuck	Winston, OR
'51 Betty Burton Campos	Pacific Grove
'51 Patricia Hoffman Zampatti	Carmel

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'52 Inez Owens Kirkman	Monterey
'52 Donna Norbeck Przybyla	Paso Robles
'53 Raberta Norbeck Allred	Carmel
'53 Marjoria Pina Linares	Salinas
'55 Sandy Selbicky	Pacific Grove
'56 Diane Davis Garrison	Pacific Grove
'56 Jim Gruwell	Seaside
'56 Sherry Welsh Gruwell	Seaside
'59 Lynn Davis	Pebble Beach
'59 David Gasperson	Salinas
'60 Marabee Rush Boone	Pacific Grove
'60 Lydia Gillaspie Davis	Pebble Beach
'60 Judy Lopez Furman	Pacific Grove
'64 Nanette Giles	Pebble Beach
'64 Sydney Berg Tabler	Pebble Beach
'65 Sharon Goulart LoManto	Monterey
'65 Charlene Howell Lowery	Pacific Grove
'68 Katie Samora Henden	Pacific Grove
'68 Joanie Hylar	Pacific Grove
'69 Terry Fink	Pacific Grove
'70 Rick Bitter	Pacific Grove
'70 Irma Dalton Fink	Pacific Grove
'71 Cindy Rausch Bitter	Pacific Grove
'73 Beth Penney	Pacific Grove
'75 Sharon Johansen	Pacific Grove
'76 Thomas Uretsky	Pacific Grove
'79 Donna Murphy	Monterey



IN MEMORY OF:

Ronald & Billie Bernstein	Quincy
IMO: Billy Sloan FACULTY	
David & Olive Griffiths	Pacific Grove
IMO: Billy Sloan FACULTY	
Charles & Betty Howell FAC	Pacific Grove
IMO: Billy Sloan FACULTY	
Barbara Lebeck	Pacific Grove
IMO: Billy Sloan FACULTY	
George Young	Pacific Grove
IMO: Billy Sloan FACULTY	
George & Kathleen Zanebis	McDonough, GA
IMO: Billy Sloan FACULTY	
'40 Margaret "Sis" Giles Strangman	Auburn
IMO: Charles "Bud" Frederick Giles '39	
'42 Nancy Parks Cederwall	Monterey
IMO: Class of 1942 Departed	

'45 Art Jackson	Pacific Grove
IMO: John Elliott McPike '45	
'45 Joseph Richerts	Puerto Rico
IMO: John Elliott McPike '45	
'47 Donald Day	Salinas
IMO: Jesse Bray PGUSD FACULTY	
IMO: Billy Sloan FACULTY	
IMO: Madeline Sloan FACULTY	
'48 Donald Campbell	Corpus Christi, TX
IMO: Richard "Dick" Randall Campbell '52	
IMO: Douglas Bennett Campbell '55	
'48 Ida Silveira Wilber	San Diego
IMO: Norma Lee Kelly McBride '49	
'49 Lillian Freitas Enos	Soquel
IMO: Donald Maurice Enos '47	
'49 Jayne Dix Gasperson	Pacific Grove
IMO: Hiroshi Uchida '44	
'49 Ellen Daurts Kimbell	Austin, TX
IMO: David Alden Concepcion '54	
'50 Elvie Anderson Messersmith	Pacific Grove
IMO: Class of 1950 Departed	
'54 Lenora Rumrill Kennada	Salinas
IMO: Lester "Gene" Eugene Rumrill '53	
IMO: James David Kennada '75	
'54 Kenneth "Ken" Silva	Seaside
IMO: Olga Frieda Ries Bommarito '39	
IMO: Phillip Gordon Rodrigues '54	
'55 Michael Moss	
IMO: Thomas "Tom" Gerald deLorimier '52	
IMO: Calvin "Cal" C. Moldenhauer '55	
'58 William Booker	Salinas
IMO: Leroy Alan Owens '50	
'60 Marabee Rush Boone	Pacific Grove
IMO: Jan Whitney Stevens '56	
'60 Jo Ann Welsh Bennett	Shell Beach
IMO: Frances "Francie" Marie Welsh Hicks '54	
IMO: Colleen Marie Kelly Gunter '60	
'61 Mary Ann Keddie Watson	Salinas
IMO: Sharon Lynn Rose '61	
'63 Ann Campbell	Davis
IMO: Lindsae Richardson Gutekunst Tugwell '63	
'64 Sydney Berg Tabler	Pebble Beach
IMO: Billy Sloan FACULTY	
'65 Charlene Howell Lowery	Pacific Grove
IMO: Billy Sloan FACULTY	
'65 Mary Shymanski Stornetta	Arror Grande
IMO: Joseph & Dorothea Shymanski	

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'66 Carol <i>Bradley</i> Lauderdale	Marina
IMO: Richard Hartwell Chamberlain	FACULTY/COACH
'68 Joanie <i>Hylar</i>	Pacific Grove
IMO: William "Bill" Walter Schechter	'72
'69 Terry Fink	
'70 Irma <i>Dalton</i> Fink	Pacific Grove
IMO: Ruby Mae <i>Dalton</i> McGaughey	'46
IMO: Eddie Wayne Dalton	'49
IMO: Phyllis Anne <i>Fisher</i> Neel	'49
IMO: Myrna <i>Wells</i> Weber	'49
IMO: Jackie Lyn <i>McGaughey</i> Norris	'65
IMO: Gary Thomas McGaughey	'72
'70 Don Fry	Pacific Grove
IMO: Dolores "Dee" Elaine <i>Brendel</i> Fry Litch	'44
'71 Greg Mensik	Willows
IMO: Richard Hartwell Chamberlain	FACULTY/COACH
'73 Beth <i>Penney</i>	Pacific Grove
IMO: Edwin Samuel Getz	'38
'74 Rachelle <i>Kirkman</i> Steiger	'74
IMO: Ward "Pete" Alan Kirkman	'50
IMO: Alice Kathryn <i>Mauzey</i> Kirkman Melder	'28
IMO: Frances Alice <i>Hansen</i> Houde	'29
'75 Mary <i>Gaudoin</i> Grove	Fresno
IMO: Michael David Gaudoin	'62
IMO: Mark Noel Gaudoin	'75
'77 Anna Maria <i>Coletti</i> Riegel	Gardnerville, NV
IMO: Paul Riegel and Patricia Riegel	FACULTY
'82 DeDe <i>Duncan</i> Valenzuela	Hollister
IMO: James Theodore "Pappy" Duncan	'57
'86 Morgan Sloan	
'87 Melissa <i>Tabler</i> Sloan	Thermal
IMO: Billy Sloan	FACULTY

SCHOLARSHIP FUND:

'41 Ross Smith	Pacific Grove
'43 Carole <i>Gulick</i> Ingham	Cloverdale
'44 E. Irene <i>Hufford</i> Merz	Indio
'45 Roberta <i>Sylvester</i> Smith	Pacific Grove
'45 Wallace Stasek	Greenbrae
'48 John Arano	Wendell, ID
'48 Emma <i>Carter</i> Pennacchio	Bridgeview, IL
'49 Eunice <i>Williamson</i> Bartowick	Pacific Grove
'49 Kathi <i>Lewis</i> DeMaria	Monterey
'50 Terrell Moss	Roseville
'51 Wallace Lowry	Santa Rosa
'52 Carol <i>Crummey</i> Bauer	Union City

'54 Helen <i>Gehringer</i>	Monterey
'57 David Dawson	Carmichael
'58 Raya <i>Schooley</i> Hoskinson	Pacific Grove
'60 Robin <i>Roberts</i> Jenkins	'60 Coos Bay, OR
'62 Charles "Chuck" Hoffmann	Novato
'65 Greg Kaufman	Battle Ground, WA
'65 Pamela <i>Pauls</i> Soboleski	Monterey
'67 Bob Scardina	Monterey
'68 Larry Calhoun	Salinas
'72 Teri <i>Fancher</i> Calhoun	Salinas
'74 Cheri <i>Fisher</i> Schmidt	Hollister
'85 Larry Canepa	Castle Rock, CO
'89 Ed DaSilva	San Jose

SENIOR YEARBOOK FUND:

'36 William Crowley	Rolling Hills
'51 Elsie <i>Barney</i> Grammatico	Auburn
'51 Margaret <i>Moose</i> Bradley	San Marcos
'53 Don Flickinger	San Francisco
'56 Charles King	Tehachapi
'59 Nick Guzzi	Pacific Grove
'59 Duane Ricks	Salinas
'60 Geoffrey Sharp	Los Altos
'68 Dan "Buddy" Layne	Rancho Cucamonga
'70 Suzy <i>Stillwell</i> Derowski	Marina
'71 Donna <i>Schutzler</i> McAtee	St Helens, OR
'75 Bill Derowski	Marina

ALUMNI IMO SCHOLARSHIP FUND:

'39 Nelson "Bill" Hyler	Pebble Beach
IMO: Olive <i>Dean</i> Hyler	'40 Culinary Scholarship
'64 Gail <i>Hyler</i>	Redding
IMO: Olive <i>Dean</i> Hyler	'40 Culinary Scholarship
'68 Lou <i>Kier</i> Godfrey	Pacific Grove
IMO: Olive <i>Dean</i> Hyler	'40 Culinary Scholarship
'68 Claire "CE" Schechter Scofield	Belvidere, IL
IMO: Olive <i>Dean</i> Hyler	'40 Culinary Scholarship

DONATIONS:

'39 Richard Gamble	Pacific Grove
'42 Lillian "Sis" Knowles Nelson	Murphys
'43 Chester "Chet" Bramblett	Thousand Oaks
'43 Ronald Vining	Pacific Grove

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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.

October

Janice *Harruff* Foster '49 Minden, NV

November

Ron Romaine '54 Millbrae
Betty Cass Carminati '45 Paso Robles
Brad White '66 Morro Bay
Jan Stevens '56 Potsdam, NY
Peter Sira Faculty Grass Valley
Ruth *Paredes* Carlson '68 Monterey

December

Angelo Bruscas '51 Lakewood, WA
Mid *Olsen* Moore '37 Paradise
Peggy *Hunt* Hicks '38 Monterey
Warren Fugitt '50 Chattaroy, WA
Betty *Hodges* Kristinich '39 Santa Cruz
Sally *Shuttleworth* Jackson '43 Covina

December

Jessie F. Bray PGUSD Faculty Pacific Grove

January

Kathy *Northam* Green '66 Eureka
Willard Conway '38 San Leandro
Val Brazelton '41 San Jose
David Castro '52 Altoona, PA
Billy Sloan Faculty Pacific Grove
Warren Merritt '43 Chico
Eileen *Millette* Winiecki '63 Aberdeen, WA
Monte Dayton '48 Lodi
Ed Getz '38 Pacific Grove
Hiroshi Uchida '44 Pacific Grove
George Toole '42 Tulsa, OK

February

Tom Tolen '74 Antioch

Janice May Grandi *Harruff* Foster, 79, died of cancer at her home in Minden, NV, on Oct. 23, 2010. Born May 10, 1931, in Tuolumne County, Janice graduated from PGHS in 1949 and married her classmate



Gilbert Foster in 1951. Janice was a teacher and teacher's aide for over 50 years, in New Monterey and Salinas. After retirement she continued her interest in politics and political systems. She was an avid reader and dedicated wife and mother. She was a 17-year member of PGHS Alumni Association. Survivors include her husband, Gilbert Foster '49, three sons, Clifford, Keith and Kevin; and a sister, Joanne *Harruff* Knight '52 of Pacific Grove.



Ronald Duncan Romaine, 76, died at his home in Millbrae on Nov. 5, 2010. Born April 28, 1934, in San Francisco to Benjamin and Barbara Romaine, he was raised in Burlingame and graduated from PGHS in 1954 as Ronald Langston. From 1954-1957

he served in the U.S. Marine Corps. Ron was a resident of Millbrae since 1970, and retired after 24 years employment with the City of San Francisco. He was a 2-year member of PGHS Alumni Association.



Survivors include his wife of 46 years, Ann M., one son, David D. Romaine, and one granddaughter.



Elizabeth "Betty" June Cass Carminati, 83, died on Nov. 8, 2010, in Templeton. Born to Alta *Veach* '23 and Hank Cass in 1927, Betty spent most of her early years in Bradley and PG, where she was a classmate of



PGHS Class of 1945. She met and married Waldo Carminati. Betty was a people person, and quite humorous. Her favorite

outing was the annual family reunion at Easter. For 25 years, she was a staple at the California Mid-State Fair, where she made hamburgers for the masses; her recipe for her secret sauce was never revealed. Her other endeavors included the Big Orange in Bradley, the Tumbleweed in Paso Robles and a stint as a telephone operator at Camp Roberts. Betty was preceded in death by her mother, Alta Fern *Veach* Cass '23. She was a 1-year member of PGHS Alumni Association. Survivors include her husband, Waldo; two daughters Nanci Bernard and Cindy Wittstrom; five grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.



William Bradley White, 62, of Morro Bay passed away Nov. 8, 2010. Brad was born in Portland, OR, and grew up on the Monterey Peninsula, graduating from PGHS in 1966. After attending MPC, he went to CSU San Luis Obispo, where he joined A.T.O. Fraternity.



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Brad worked for San Luis Obispo Paints for 20 years - he opened the store in Morro Bay and later worked at the main store in San Luis Obispo. After he retired, Brad became active in the Estero Bay United Methodist Church. Survivors include his wife, Penny; and daughter, Kimberly. His brother, Matthew McKinzie White '71, died in 2001.



Jan Whitney Stevens, 72, passed away peacefully at the home of his daughter in Potsdam, NY on Nov., 11, 2010. He was born June 11, 1938, in Inglewood, the son of Richard W. and Merion Bey Stevens, and grew



up on the Monterey Peninsula where he spent his summers life guarding and teaching swimming. After graduating from PGHS in 1956, he served in the US Coast Guard as a sonar man until 1961. College followed, with an AA degree from MPC in 1963 and a BA in Anthropology in 1967 from California State University Long Beach, and his MS degree from SUNY Potsdam, NY in 1994. In 1968, Jan moved to the Palau Islands in Micronesia and conducted archaeological excavations for the National Science Foundation. He taught in Micronesia to 1976; in the Ponape Islands in 1972; and from 1976-1985 on Guam. He had several one-person art shows with his batiks and watercolors. Several of his batiks were purchased by the Guam Art Bank to hang in public buildings. In addition, he won two awards for political cartooning from the international labor press; illustrated a Pacific Islands textbook, and designed the bookplate for the college library. In 1985, Jan moved to Eagle River, Alaska where he worked as a union organizer. In 1987, Jan moved to Cape Vincent until he retired from teaching in 2002. He was a 17-year member

of PGHS Alumni Association. Jan is survived by his wife of 46 years, Sheila Flynn Stevens '60; his children, Ian and Bevin, and one granddaughter.



Peter Sira, 95, died Nov. 19, 2010, in Grass Valley where he had lived in retirement. Born Aug. 1, 1915, in Chicago, IL, Mr. Sira taught at PGHS in the 1960s. He served in the US Navy for 23 years, retiring



as lieutenant commander, after serving aboard the battleship New York in the Pacific during WWII. Graduating from Central Michigan University with a master's degree in 1961, he first taught in Michigan, then moved to PG in 1964 where he taught history and civics for 10 years and also served as social studies department head. He was president for the Central Coast section of the California Teachers Association during the late 1960s; and a member of Phi Delta Kappa. He enjoyed gardening, fishing, reading, family and friends. Survivors include two daughters: Pamela O'Malley and Kristen McGrew, and four grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife Marilyn.



Ruth Ann Paredes Carlson, born Nov. 22, 1950 in Monterey, died Nov. 22, 2010, of carbon monoxide poisoning in a tragic accident at her home in Monterey.

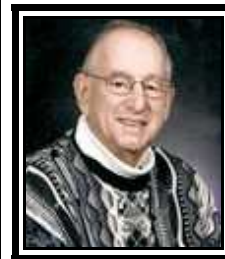


An avid cat lover, her beloved Spot was by her side in death, along with her husband Raymond. She was a lifelong resident of the Monterey Peninsula, graduating from PGHS in 1968. Ruth Ann

was preceded in death by her parents, Melquiades "Mike" and Matilda "Millie" Paredes and she leaves behind her brother, William Paredes of Belmont, and two sisters, Catherine Paredes Sculley '70 of Sequim, WA and Christina Paredes '75 of Monterey.



Angelo Mario Bruscas Jr., a 40-year Lakewood resident, died of leukemia on Dec. 1, 2010, at the age of 76. Angelo spent 27 years as a trustee on the Western Conference of Teamsters Pension Trust, and retired after 25 years as a vice president of



human relations and labor relations for the former Associated Grocers in Seattle, prior to serving as personnel manager at Nalley's Foods in Tacoma. He was a well known and respected labor relations counselor and negotiator for all of the State of Washington and Oregon. Born on Dec. 7, 1933 in Carmel, he was the eldest son of Col. & Mrs. Angelo Bruscas Sr. Angelo's classmates will remember him as a gifted athletic for PGHS and MPC; lettering in football, basketball and baseball and later as an avid golfer. He graduated in 1951. He was a 19-year member of PGHS Alumni Association. Survivors include his wife Myrna Copsey Bruscas '51, children, Angelo III, David, Anita, Annette, and Patty; brother, Larry Bruscas '52 of Everett, WA, and sister, Anna Bruscas Sabilino '57 of Chapel Hill, TN; eight grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.



Mildred "Mid" Ruth Olsen Moore, 89, died Dec. 3, 2010 in Paradise. She was born in New Orleans March 9, 1920, to Capt. Sigfried and Martha Olsen. She attended high schools in Aberdeen, WA, and San Diego, then graduated from PGHS in 1937. After two years at Mills College, she transferred to Stanford University.

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Mildred was a Realtor, and owned Ridge Realty Company, the oldest real estate office in Paradise. She was past president of Elks Wives Club, Paradise Garden Club and Quota Club. She was a member of National Parliamentarians, Elks Wives Club, Paradise Poker Club. Her hobbies included gardening, floral design, party decorating, poker, and traveling. She was a 13-year member of PGHS Alumni Association. She leaves her daughter Christine Anderson of Reno, NV, five grandchildren; and five great grandchildren. Her husband, Noble Moore '32, died in 1990.



Margaret E. "Peggy" Hunt Hicks, 89, granddaughter of the founder of Hunt Foods Corp., died Dec. 6 in Monterey. Born June 4, 1921 in Hillsboro, her family relocated to PG when Peggy was eight. After graduating from PGHS in 1938 Peggy had an interesting life. She served as a steward on a Norwegian merchant ship running Atlantic convoys during World War II and was in the Red Cross in both Berlin and Tokyo immediately after the war. In 1958, she married Dr. Paul Hicks '24 and settled in PG. A lover of art and books, Peggy was active as a hospice volunteer for more than 20 years. She is survived by one stepson. She was preceded in death by her husband in 1991 and brother, Jackson Hunt '38, in 2009.



Warren Henry Fugitt, 78, died suddenly at his home in Chatteroy, WA, on Dec. 10, 2010. He was born to Dorothy and Matt Fugitt in a house on the corner of Forest and Central Avenues in PG on Sept. 24, 1932.



Warren attended Robert Down Grammar School, graduated from PGHS in 1950, and then went to MPC. Starting as a firefighter with the PG Fire Dept., several years later he continued his career in Southern California. Upon his retirement he and his wife Harriet settled in Washington state. Survivors include his children, Karen O'Brien, Lynn Mulligan, Stacey Ogden, Lori Brown, Matt and Eric Fugitt; sister-in-law Joy Riley Fugitt '49, and several grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife Harriet, parents, sister, Barbara Fugitt Faulks '41, brothers: James Fugitt '44, Dave Fugitt '49 and Louis, and his first wife Shirley Boyer Fugitt Kennedy '57.



Betty Mariel Hodges Kristinich, 89 passed away December 15, surrounded by her daughters. She was born in Beaver, Utah on July 30, 1921 to Harold and Nettie Hodges. When she was five, she moved to Pacific Grove, where she grew up and attended PGHS with the class of 1939. She was employed at Dyke's Drug store after school and worked at the fountain; on weekends she was an usherette at the Grove Theater. At age 17 she enrolled in the Salinas College of Beauty and became a beautician, a career that would span over 70 years. Betty's Hair Styles was well known in Santa Cruz, where she lived for many years. Betty loved to garden, enjoyed painting ceramics, various crafts, jigsaw puzzles, the music of Frank Sinatra, and her passion was cooking: Betty is survived by her three daughters: Kathy Jacobs and Judi Tessier of Santa Cruz, Mary Lennon of San Jose, and

her brother, Howard Hodges '44 of Pebble Beach; three grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.



Sally Lou Shuttleworth-Jackson passed away on Dec. 11, 2010 at the age of 85 in Covina, her home for 50 years. She was born at West Point, grew up on the 17 Mile Drive in Pebble Beach, graduated from PGHS in 1943 and



Stephens College in 1947. Sally went on to host her own radio show in Clovis, NM. She was an avid reader, golfer and bridge player.. Survivors include three children, Richard W. Jackson, James F. Jackson, and Cynthia Kirmsse; and four grandchildren.



Jessie F. Bray, well-known local elementary school teacher and community activist, died Dec. 21, 2010. Jessie was born July 25, 1924 and grew up in Napa. She attended U.C. Berkeley, worked in the shipyards during World War II, and began her



teaching career in 1961 in Eureka after obtaining her credential from Humboldt State. In 1963, the young widow with three children moved to Pacific Grove where she joined the staff at Lighthouse Elementary School, and then on to Forest Grove in 1965. Jessie retired in 1988 as chair of the math department at Pacific Grove Middle School after having taught there for 21 years. In 1997, Jessie, at age 73, ran for a position on the school board. She came in first in a field of seven candidates.

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She was re-elected three times, often running un-opposed, and died serving in her fourth four-year term. Jessie is survived by her two daughters: Georgia *Bray* Booth '65 of Pacific Grove and her daughters, Andria *Booth* Hinckley '95 and Jessica *Booth* '87; Diane *Bray* Brabant '67 of Westlake Village and her three children; and son Scott *Bray* '71 of Salinas.



Valentine "Val" Sheets Brazelton, 87, resident of San Jose, died after a long illness on January 6, 2011. He was 87 years old. Val grew up in PG, graduated from PGHS in 1941. After serving in the Navy during WWII, he graduated from San Jose State University and spent his career as a public health inspector for the cities of Stockton, San Jose and Santa Clara. He was a 32-year member of PGHS Alumni Association. Survivors include his sons, Eric and Scott Valentine, and six grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his sister, Winifred *Brazelton* Gourley '37, a son, Joel, his first wife, Mary *Walton* Valentine '45, and second wife Barbara *Williams* Valentine '44.



David Antonio Castro, died Jan. 6, 2011 in Altoona, PA, at the age of 76. Born in PG on March 18, 1934, to Antonio Maria and Margarita Louisa (Artellan) Castro, Tony graduated from PGHS in 1952, and later MPC, then served in the U.S. Navy aboard the aircraft carrier Ticonderoga. He retired



from Pacific Gas and Electric Power plant as a technician. Tony had made his home in Newry, PA, for some time. Surviving are two sons, Anthony and Robert Castro; and four grandchildren. His sister, Bernice *Castro* Eckett '37, died in 1985.



Kathleen Louise *Northam* Green died in Eureka on Jan. 9, 2011, after a long battle against breast cancer, at the age of 62. Born and raised in P G , K a t h y graduated from PGHS in 1966 and obtained a degree in speech therapy and a teaching credential at Humboldt State. She worked in the small community of Kneeland for over 20 years, where she was both a speech therapist and teacher for grades 3 to 8. Kathy was proud of her work as a teacher. She was firm yet gentle, kind and loving, a great story teller, a friend, and a wonderful role model. Kathy was a loving wife, mother and friend to all. She was fun, kind, gentle and so courageous. She was a 2-year member of PGHS Alumni Association. Survivors include her husband, Steven Green of Eureka, two sons, Steven and Adam, one granddaughter, and two siblings, Robert *Northam* '60 and Barbara *Northam* Harris '63.



Willard T. Conway, 91, died peacefully in his sleep Jan. 11, 2011 in San Leandro. After graduating from PGHS in 1938 he taught diving and swimming at A s i l o m a r c o n f e r e n c e grounds, boxed in the amateur "Golden Gloves", and worked as a linotype



operator for the Pacific Grove newspaper for awhile. After his marriage to Glendora, he joined a 3-way partnership with his brothers, Al Givich and Raymond Conway, in Oakland, where they became pioneers in the field of public machine accounting. Willard was an avid dancer, acrobat, billiards player and horseshoe thrower. He was a 29-year member of PGHS Alumni Association. Survivors include his wife, and daughter Debra Conway of San Leandro, and three nephews and nieces, including Carolyn Ardath Givich Conway Brandt '49.



Billy Sloan, long-time history teacher at PGHS, died at the age of 78 on Jan. 13, 2011, in PG. Born in Los Angeles, Bill attended LA schools and then joined the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. He was a radar technician aboard the USS ESTES AGC-12 serving in the Pacific Islands. After his discharge from the Navy he went back to school and obtained a masters degree in history. His first job was at Pacific Grove High School where he stayed until he retired in 1994. In 1968 he won a Fulbright Scholarship grant to study Egyptian history in Egypt. Bill was preceded in death by his wife, Madelyn Petrovich Sloan (also faculty) in 2004. He leaves two children, Georgianne Sloan Checchi '82 of Pacific Grove, and Morgan Sloan '86 of La Quinta; three grandchildren, and one brother, Thomas Sloan of Lake Havasu, AZ.



Warren Jewett Merritt Sr., born in Monterey County to Richard Henry and Mabel Berryman Merritt on Sept. 23, 1925, died on Jan. 14, 2011, in Chico, at the age of 85.

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ALUMNI TIDBITS

by Sue Taylor '68

Gilbert Allan Foster '49, known as "Gil", spent only his senior year at PGHS. He was an Army brat and traveled all over, often changing schools, and 'hated it." In 1951 he married fellow PGHS classmate **Janice Harruff '49**. After graduating from MPC and San Jose State, he taught metal shop and high school woodworking, and later science and math, in Salinas for 32 years, and a couple more in San Francisco. Fascinated with Louie L'Amour novels, Gil began collecting guns at the age of 12, but sold most of them off, along with his stamp collection. In retirement he began collecting Winchesters again. However he was shocked that the gun he had bought for 75 cents as a kid now went for \$800. Having reached the age of 80 and still going strong, Gil has numerous interests to keep him busy in Minden, NV, including gunsmithing and antique clock restoration. In addition with his "little girls", Sadie a part Schnauzer, part unknown, and Bonny, a Norfolk "Terror", Gil has three sons, Cliff, a CPA, Keith, a metal fabricator for large buildings, and Kevin, a cattle rancher and construction supervisor.

Last March, when I read an article in the Herald about a team of pan-Peninsula police officers being revived to look into cold homicide cases, I was more interested in the fact that one of the cases was that of **Richard Coleman '84**, who was murdered in 1995. **Tom Uretsky '76** (now retired) and Chief **Darius Engles '73**, have worked on the case in the past, and Tom even headed a P.G. cold case team in 2004 which helped solve the murder of **Kristopher Olinger '98**, under the banner of the Monterey Peninsula Cold Case Homicide Project in 2005. I completely overlooked the fact that one of the detectives on this new team was **Nicholas Borges '00**. But his name suddenly registered when I read that Nick was named Officer of the Year for the Seaside Police Dept. this January. Congratulations Nick, I am so happy to learn of another Pacific Grove boy in blue. The name Borges should have rung a bell, seeing it's a three-generation Pacific Grove family. Nick's father is **Al Borges '72**, who was a Pacific Grove fireman for 28 years, and his mother is **Theresa Freitas '70**. Nick's siblings also went to PGHS: **Shawn '97** and **Shaina '05**.

Nearly everybody is interested in antiques, right? Well, if you are, hurry over to Carmel and indulge yourself at Wittpinn's Antiques (or at least admire their website at <http://wittpennsantiques.com/> - fabulous photos!). Our very own **Katherine "Kathy" Clark '72** owns and operates the store with her husband Chip. Their web-page tells us of: "their wide selection of Antiques, Art and Collectibles along with years of experience in the antique business. They Buy and Sell Antiques, Art and Collectibles. They are located in the Stonehouse Terrace on San Carlos Avenue, between 7th and 8th streets in Carmel. The shop is just a short stroll from Ocean Avenue, and near

the Sunset Center. Come in and say hello to Bear. Bear is an international certified Therapy Dog and volunteers regularly at the Community Hospital in Monterey."

George Toole Jr. '42, was one of seven out-of-state deaths we learned about since the last newsletter (see obituary section). In 2006 George wrote a letter that was published in the KO that deserves re-reading. His eloquence must remind all of us of our youth in Pacific Grove. He wrote: "the president's message in the March 2006 "Knockout II" caused me to reminisce about my two and a half years at PGHS. I didn't realize it then, but now that I am in my 82nd orbit around the sun I know now that it was a super learning, maturing, fun time. Halfway thorough my sophomore year (Jan '39) my family moved to Pacific Grove. Before classes began at PGHS I spent several hours at Lovers' Point marveling at the waves crashing against the rocks - the fog - no sun - rain, but enjoying every moment. I cherish my learning, social and extracurricular activities at PGHS as an honor roll student, manager (water boy) for the '40 champion football team, less than remarkable third baseman for the '40-'41 and '42-'43 baseballs team, center for the '41 basketball team, part in the senior play and hi-jinx, and the picnics and weiner roasts and the dances and senior prom. I worked in the grocery department of Holman's and at the Le Mar Market on Lighthouse Avenue (one block west of Holmans). I logged several hours at the Grove Theater and the soda fountain next door with my high school friend Maxine (Wilson) Hoag. PGHS - its administrators, teachers, coaches and my classmates prepared me well for my entry into military service in October '42 and my future life. THANKS TO ALL OF THEM! Yours truly, George E. Toole, Class of '42." George was a member of PGHSAA for 47 years!

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Howard Cowen '41
and
Bill Hyler '39
at the PGHSAA
2010 annual brunch



Howard Cowen
and
Bill Hyler
Norman, OK
1942

They both have less hair, but other than that, lookin' good Breakers!

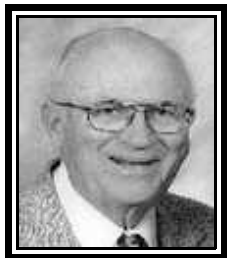
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After graduating from PGHS in 1943, Warren graduated in 1945 from Kings Point (US Merchant Marine Academy) in Long Island, NY. He served in the Merchant Marines until 1949, spending much of that time



on the USS Grant, sailing around the world. Warren's life's work was with the Boy Scouts of America, first as a volunteer and then as a district executive for the Monterey Bay, Crescent Bay, Mt. Lassen, and Stanford area councils. In retirement, Warren lived in Redding from 1990 until 2005, when the family moved to Chico. Warren was a longtime member of the Kiwanis, serving as president of both the Palo Alto and Redding chapters. He was a member of First Presbyterian Redding, and later Bidwell Presbyterian Church in Chico. He was a 18-year member of PGHS Alumni Association. Survivors include his wife, Mary *Galpin* Merritt '43; five children, Warren Jr.; Robert, Sandra Poje; Charles, and Kenneth; one brother, Phillip E. Merritt '44; and eight grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his daughter, Deborah, and two brothers, Richard '40, and John '41.



Eileen Loretta *Millette* Winiecki was born Jan. 15, 1946 in Monterey, and died Jan. 15, 2011 in Aberdeen, WA, on her 65th birthday. Eileen attended PGHS with the class of 1963 in her freshman and

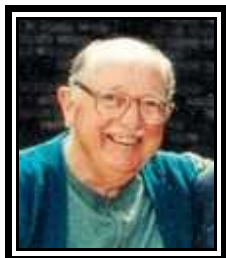


sophomore years, and later graduated from Grays Harbor College where she became a certified pharmacy technician. She worked

for many years in the healthcare field as a C.N.A. and pharmacy tech in California and Washington. She had also worked as a cook at a local healthcare facility. Eileen enjoyed traveling to historic and pioneer sites, gardening, cooking, sewing, doing cross stitch, oil painting, being outdoors and going on motorcycle rides. Survivors include her husband Tony of the family home in Elma, WA; daughter Courtney Swanson; three brothers, Tom '66, Arnold '70, and Larry '72, and one sister, Donna *Millette* Carr '64; and two grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, Walter and Rosemary *Millette*, daughter Ronalynne, brother Jerry '57, and sister Donna.



Monte W. Dayton, long-time newspaper advertising executive, died Jan. 16, 2011, in Lodi, his home since 2001. Wesley Lamont Dayton was born in PG on April 2, 1931, attended PGHS for two



years and then graduated from high school in Campbell in 1948. After graduating from San Jose State in 1952 Monte was employed by the Daly City Record and the Westlake Times, the Territorial Enterprise in Virginia City, NV, and finally by the San Mateo Times from 1962 to 1989. Active in Rotary and San Mateo and Lodi Chamber of Commerce, Monte also served with the Red Cross. He spent many years as a board member of both national and California newspaper advertising executives associations. Monte was an avid hiker, fisherman, back packer, golfer, and traveler. He was a 19-year member of PGHS Alumni Association. Survivors include his children: Debbie Dayton, Greg Dayton, and Kurt Dayton; stepsons: Steve Thomas and Gary Thomas; half-brother, Randy Scurr, half-sister Denise Chilesand and sister, Glenda *Dayton* Vickers '51, ten

grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.



Edwin Samuel Getz, 91, native PaGroviaan, died Jan. 16, 2011. Born Dec. 28, 1919, he graduated from PGHS in 1938 where he excelled in track, winning many medals. Edard, as he was known, proudly served in World



War II as sergeant in the U.S. Army Air Force working as flight engineer specializing on B24's and B17's, serving in the Galapagos Islands and Panama. After he earned his AA degree at Salinas Junior College, he worked at the old Red William's Gas Station, Paul's Furniture, Sunlight Bread, and for 35 years at Holman's Department Store in appliance repair. In younger days, he was active in 20-30, Lighthouse Club, PGHSAA, and Native Sons of the Golden West. He was recognized by the Native Sons for his role in preserving important elements of California history. For many years he served as chairman of the barbeque for the Feast of Lanterns, and he loved fishing and camping. He was a member of the P.G. Christian Church for 78 years where he was an elder emeritus. His membership with PGHSAA started the first year they collected dues, 1963, making him a 48 year member. Survivors include his wife of 56 years Dolores, and two daughters, Helen Getz Stoll '73 of Boise, ID, and Virginia Getz '78 of Pollock Pines.



Hiroshi Uchida, 83, patriarch of an early PG family, died peacefully in his home on Jan. 17, 2011, after battling cancer and most recently a stroke. He was born in PG on Aug. 26, 1927, the youngest of seven children born to Kakataro and Yae Uchida who settled in PG in 1906.

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World War II broke out while Hiroshi was attending PGHS with the class of 1944. The family was interned in Poston, AZ, where he graduated. After the war the family returned to the Peninsula. Hiroshi worked six days a week, right up to his illness at Pacific Grove Cleaners,



the family business founded in 1926 and presently operated by the fourth generation of Uchidas. He loved sports, and he and his wife attended all the sporting events of their children and grandchildren. Survivors include his wife Shigemi, two sons, Jeff and Bob, and five grandchildren. He was preceded in death by four brothers, Henry '35, Kiyoshi '38, George '40 and Hideo '41.



George Edwards Toole Jr., 86, died in Tulsa, OK, his home of many years, on Jan. 29, 2011. He was born Sept. 5, 1924 in Roseburg, OR, graduated from PGHS in 1942, and attended Tulsa University after serving in the U.S. Army. George was a comptroller with the U.S. Army, and active with the



Kiwanis Club, Boy Scouts of America and Lambda Chi Alpha. A dedicated member of PGHS Alumni Association since 1964, he contributed often in memory of his classmates. George was preceded in death by his wife, Lois Mae Toole on August 15, 1999 and brother Robert '48. He is survived by his sons, Lyle Toole, of Salinas and George E. Toole III of Tulsa; 1 granddaughter, 6 great grandchildren and 3 great-great grandchildren.



Thomas Mark Tolen, 54, died unexpectedly in his Antioch home on Feb. 11, 2011. Born in Ray, CO on April 4, 1956, Tom moved from Huntington Beach to PG in the summer of 1970 and entered PGHS as a freshman. He was on the PG High basketball team all four years, and on the football team his sophomore and junior years. After

graduation in 1974, he attended MPC, Orange Coast College, and UC Irvine. After two years in the Peace Corps in Morocco from 1980-82, he attended Monterey Institute of International Studies from 1984-86. Tom worked in the



lighting business at the Home Lighter in PG from 1984 to 1990, and had his own business, Illuminating Concepts, from 1990-92. He moved to the Bay Area in 1992, and worked for Ely Associates in San Francisco, and AfterImage/Design+ in Berkeley, and in 1999 founded his own lighting design business, TMT Associates. He was very active in professional lighting and engineering associations. Tom is survived by his wife, Donna Wheeler Tolen, his mother, Donna Tolen, sister, Anne Tolen Furlong, and brothers, David, Christopher, and Patrick. His father Richard died in 2010. Tom will always be remembered by PGHS alumni as a great friend who was nice to all, really loved a good laugh, and was an ardent fan and student of rock music. He will be missed by all who knew him. A memorial ceremony will be held by his friends in Pacific Grove on March 12, 2011. For information regarding this ceremony, send an email to: tom@shymanski.com

PG WAS LUCKY TO HAVE DON GASPERSON BY PHIL BOWHAY '47

Flashing back, when I write about Don Gasperson I also write about Pacific Grove. I suppose there are a few old timers around who have lived in P.G. more than 80 years, but not many gave any more to our hometown than Don.

He was a living piece of history, climbing on the rocks at the beach in the '30s, high school in the '40s, married to Jayne and raising kids in the '50s, fireman in the '50s and '60s, city council in the '70s and beyond.

Whenever my memory stuttered and stammered, I called Don for reference, and he always knew. How many church bells on Sunday? Name of the fountain next to the candy store next to the theater? Was it Ruby's or Johansen's where Peppers is now? When did the Woman's Club burn? Who bummed rides on the train from Asilomar? And lots more. And remember the Rat's Nest in the sand dunes? Oh boy!

Best I can remember, Don and I played

together before we were 5 at the playground down at Caledonia, and then on up through the years, grammar school, high school and beyond. We were on the same track team, in the same senior play, and held the same memories. We talked about Pacific Grove as it was then, and now, some changes huge, and some not at all.

He was the leader of our Pacific Grove High School Class of 1947, making sure we all stayed in touch. Couldn't make the last lunch he planned for us, but we felt like he was with us. Just two weeks ago.

We remembered the Del Monte Express train whistle, the cannery whistles calling the crews to work, and he was one of them, early. We really did like the smell of cooking sardines, and looked in awe at the Navy planes over the bay.

It was only natural for Don, growing up here, to develop a sincere responsibility for the community. Over the years, he knew almost everybody, and those he didn't know, Jayne did.

Once upon a time, when he was running for council, my mother sent him 10 bucks for his campaign. By return mail she got a handwritten thank you note. She never forgot it.

By coincidence, he was on duty and answered the call when my dad died. This almost poetic, since dad, a retired fire chief, would show up at fires and shout out advice, very unnecessary, and Don, always polite, would shout back, "Thanks, chief. We'll take care of it!"

I know a little about firemen, and it was just natural for Don to wind up as chief. He told about jerking sodas at Johansen's, and when the horn blew, halfway through constructing a banana split or not, he was out the door and up the hill, the station then part of the old city hall.

He said on those nights, on duty alone at the station, with a call coming in at 3 a.m., he seriously considered another line of work. Not possible. He felt responsible for every structure in Pacific Grove and he was quietly proud of his record. He knew every street and alley, and almost every tree, from Lovers Point to the top of the hill, from the Butterfly Grove to Eardley. Said his most painful loss was the Woman's Club, but he and his "laddies" saved so much more.

During his time on the council, his only agenda was what was right for the town. For the councils that followed him, he had mostly praise. Mostly!

So, end of another era. Don was lucky to have Pacific Grove, and boy, was Pacific Grove lucky to have Don Gasperson. Well done, chief!

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Corrections

Our new member '70 Kathy *Shirley* Hunter, should read, Kathy *Shirey* Hunter. I'm sorry Kathy, didn't mean to give you a new maiden name.

Letters to the Editor

Lafayette

Hi Joanie!

Am enclosing my dues to the PGHS Alumni Assn. With a BIG thank you to you for the great job you're doing with the Knockout II!

I also want to thank you (belatedly) for sending me the copy of my Valedictorian speech at our 1945 class graduation. How you happened to have that copy I can only guess—Miss Swift, our English teacher?

Sorry to have missed the 2010 annual reunion weekend, which would have been my 65th since graduation from PGHS. Alice and I also missed our 60th Stanford class reunion this fall. But it seems our old friends are either dead, divorced or just weren't interested. So you know what we did? We left SF on a Princess Cruise ship and headed for Sydney, Australia, via Hawaii, French Polynesia, Pongo Pongo, Figi, New Zealand on a wonderful 32-day cruise. And we had a wonderful time. Keep up the good work!

Best regards, Donald Booth '45

Santa Maria

I wanted to let you know how much I enjoy the Knockout. I read every word of it as soon as it arrives. I am retired (about 11 years now). It has taken me quite awhile to accept being retired and to begin to enjoy it. My husband, Lou, of 56 years died in August of last year. It is lonely without him, but I have a wonderful family, 3 children, 9 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. I am sure I am not the only alumni with great-grandchildren! I have lots of pleasant memories of my time in PG and at PGHS with my wonderful friends; Inez Owens Kirkman '52, Pauline *Nonella* Russell '52, Anne Allen Vucina '52, Pat Annand Bispo '52 and many others. Memories of going to Lover's Point with Lolly in the rumble seat of her neat blue car, dances at the USO, and sleep-overs at Ann's house (where I think she and Mike still live), lunches downtown (can't remember the name of the cafe) etc. Pauline and I loved jazz (I still do) and went some places we should not have gone just to listen to the jazz. Those were good times. Thanks for helping me remember those good times when life was so safe and carefree. Good wishes to all PGHS alumni and families.

Love, Marjorie "Margie" Courtney Kraft '52

E-mail: dosquesos@verizon.net

Chico

Joanie,

Good Job on the Knockout II. Enjoy the news of PG. Visted Roy '43 and Bea Parker in Auburn this past summer. We were going to have lunch with Margaret "Sis" Giles Strangman '40 but she had to cancel. I found out that she and I are related. Not sure the history but seems we had the same cousin, through the Scoble line. Small world!

Gene Grant '42

Editors note: Gene, I sent a letter off to Sis as we have 2 Scoble's in our alumni data base and I hope she will be able to help me trace them through her records. If I find anything out I will let you know. Joanie

Carmichael

Knockout !! is a knockout indeed! You folks just keep getting better and better. It's either that or nostalgia is overcoming me to a greater and more serious degree. I especially enjoyed the words about Miss Evelyn Gardner. Because she was a family friend as well as my teacher, I knew her for many years and have grown to appreciate her more and more as memories pop up at odd times. She was always very dignified and "proper". But she also had a twinkle in her eye that made her rather endearing. As a teacher, she was one of the best. Very tough, but we Learned! It's been 70 years(!) since I took Spanish but I can still speak enough to get by without causing hysterical laughter in the Spanish-speaking world.

I always picture her rolling in her grave at my attempts.. No, she is saying, with pointed finger, "Vaya a la biblioteca, ahora!"

I will be sending my renewal check by snail-mail and am sending enough to get me up through my 90th year. Then I will have to see if I have any money left. If I do, I'll renew again. Thank you for all you do.

My best wishes, Dorothy Nybro Geduldig '43

Editors note;

If you are wondering what Miss Gardner said to her, it was, "Go to the library, now!"

Cloverdale

Hi Joanie,

Knockout received (and read.) I was interested in the piece about Evelyn Gardner. I did not know her as she had died the year before I started PGHS, but certainly heard about what a wonderful teacher she was. I was honored to receive the Evelyn Gardner Scholarship when I graduated in 1952. It was paid by Mr. A. B. Ingham at the beginning of each semester I attended Cal. This amount, in what would be a very modest amount in today's dollars, paid for all my books, and the student fee! (No tuition in those days.)

Jane Osgood Snibbe, '52

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On March 1st there were only 300 shopping days till Christmas

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Bandon, OR

Hi Joanie,

Just mailed our dues for the next two years. We still fight over who gets the Knockout first. I won today and kept quiet about the pictures, color no less, that were included in this issue. So much fun, thanks! I also read where Terry Fink was in his last year. I've enjoyed his stories and comments at the start of the paper and always get a kick out of his kitty sagas.

We had a couple of mini reunions this summer with 1964 PG alumni. Elena Castro Walker and Paula Aytes Sardina came for a wonderful visit. Sheryl Smith Napier was able to join us for a BBQ and stories and laughs. Den asked "why wasn't I invited to your slumber parties in high school? Now that I'm old, you guys sleep over at my house." We got a good laugh out of that one.

John Kern '64 came by in September and was able to go salmon fishing with Den. They went with our friend and local charter boat owner and at one time all three of them had fish on. John was able to take a salmon home and had a good time, I'm sure.

With Den's Multiple Sclerosis we probably won't make it to another reunion but we sure enjoy the Knockout and seeing pictures of old friends. Thanks for all your hard work. Oh yeah, by the time you read this our beloved Oregon Ducks will be National Football Champions!

Hopefully..... Dennis and Vicki Osborne Falke '64

Medford, OR

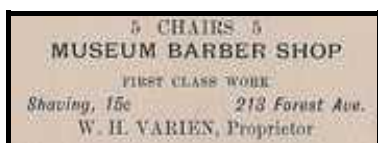
Afternoon Joanie,

As confirmed earlier when I received your email version of the Knockout for September and just today sent in my reservations for next year (2011) reunion so I am sure to attend. Anyway, my question is I could not find on the E-Version of the Knockout, where I stand with my membership dues....or I cannot find the date on what I received. Could you let me know when I am due to pay my annual dues?

I hope you had a wonderful Christmas and wish you a very Happy New Year for all that you do for the Association and for the membership. It is a joy to read and remember the past and those members who pass on...time is so short we should never miss a re-union for it brings us closer together.

Thank You, Paul Richards '56

Editors note; I sure hope you all take after Paul and get your reservations in early! Our annual dinner and dance event this year is going to be GREAT!



Here is an ad from a 1904 Sea Urchin.



Contributions	\$ 3,652.00
PGHSAA Scholarships	\$ 1,180.00
Dues in trust 2011-2036	\$ 3,195.00
Postage contributions	\$ 30.00
PGHS Senior Yearbook Fund	\$ 175.00
2010 Membership dues	\$ 8,395.00
Alumni Scholarships and Special Projects	\$ 4,323.00
2010 Total Income	\$ 20,950.00
Operating Expenses	
Knockout II, Roster & Membership Renewal	\$ 8,590.00
Operating Expenses	\$ 1,649.00
PGHS Program Disbursements	\$ 4,630.00
Scholarships	\$ 5,800.00
Total 2010 Expenses	\$ 20,669.00

PGHS retiree turns trash into Christmas trees.

By Dennis Taylor

To those of you, it looks like a cardboard box, or a cheap plastic



Curtis Bennett '62

strawberry basket, or an empty creamer container. To Curtis Bennett, those things look like Christmas.

The longtime Peninsula resident has made a hobby of assembling throw-away

items into ornate holiday cheer —

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a pastime born from a suggestion his mother once made during a coast-to-coast holiday trip.

"We were driving from New York to California, just enjoying the holidays, when she gave me the idea to make cardboard boxes look like bricks, then make them into fireplaces," says the 67-year-old Bennett, now retired after working the past 19 years in the local hotel industry.

"I started collecting little plastic creamer cups, cleaning them up, removing all the paper, and mounting them onto cardboard in the shape of a Christmas tree."

He does the same thing with ordinary plastic baskets used for packaging strawberries and cherry tomatoes, assembling them into pyramids to resemble festive evergreens.

His methods have evolved over the years. He now covers the cardboard base with cloth to eliminate glare in photographs. He affixes tiny Christmas lights — some that blink, others that don't — and hangs ornaments and pine cones from fishing line.

"The biggest challenge is getting the materials together," says Bennett, who cautions that it isn't easy to find a few zillion empty creamer cups. "But after you start making them, it's like eating M&M'S. You can't stop."

He also has made what he calls "a military rainbow" out of popcorn, and once built a lamb out of beer cans.

Christmas trees could be his calling, though.

"One of my trees won first prize at the Monterey County Fair," Bennett says. "I got a blue ribbon and five bucks."

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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!"

PGHS Andrew Miller '77

Chief Andrew Miller came to Monterey from the Pacific Grove Fire Department during the consolidation in 2008. Miller has 30 years fire service experience, including nine years as Fire Chief in Pacific Grove, and Chief of both P.G. and Carmel-by-the-Sea from 2005 - 2008.



Andrew Miller '77

Miller has served as Assistant Fire Chief in Monterey for the last two years. During that time, he was instrumental in the Monterey / Pacific Grove fire merger and oversaw the highly successful operational transition of the Monterey and Pacific Grove fire services.

"It is an honor to lead the Monterey Fire Department in providing fire services to the citizens of Monterey, Pacific Grove, Sand City, Carmel-by-the-Sea, the Presidio of Monterey and the Naval Postgraduate School. Our goal is to provide professional, responsive fire services to all of the communities we serve."

Andrew Miller is a resident of Pacific Grove, where he has lived for the past 48 years. He is a graduate of PG High School, Monterey Peninsula College, and Cogswell Polytechnical College, the National Fire Academy Executive Fire Officer program, and he is a California State Certified Chief Fire Officer. Miller is married and has 4 children ages 12-24.

RUBY's STORY

By Wynette Walker Cowen '41

Ruby Johnson was born in Wichita Falls, Texas in 1920 and moved with her family to Pacific Grove when she was in the second grade. She attended Pacific Grove Elementary School (now Robert Down) where she played the viola and "talked baseball" with her instrumental music teacher, J. F. O'Hanlon (who taught grades K thru 12 for decades). Her baseball/softball playing days actually started when she was 12 years old. By the time she was in high school, she was playing somewhere every weekend.



Ruby's graduation picture 1938

Ruby graduated from Pacific Grove High School in 1938. She sincerely cared for all she met there and in the city she served and loved for so long. Quote from PGHS 1938 yearbook "Sea Urchin": "Her love of sports is exceeded only by her friendliness". In her

Senior year her peers voted her the "Best Girl Athlete" and a member of the Hockey, Soccer, Volleyball, Baseball, Basketball, Speedball, Badminton and Ping Pong All Star Teams. She was a school Yell Leader and served as Treasurer for the Girls' Block PG among her many activities.

Her love for softball topped all sports and continued after her graduation. Her favorite position was catcher. She played on the Peninsula Women's Softball and the Alameda Women's Softball Teams. When a National Women's Softball League (ala the movie "A League of Their Own") was formed in 1938-1939, she played as a member of the **World Champion Women's Softball Team** sponsored by Bay Meadows Racetrack. That same year she was honored as the **All American Catcher**.

She loved our city of Pacific Grove and served as Recreation Supervisor from 1952 until her retirement in 1980. During those years, she was the Pacific Grove "Rec" Club (Youth Center) Director. Any and all PGHS students who went there during those years won't ever forget Ruby as she loved and cared for each and every one of them, always being there for them in good or bad, happiness or sorrow. Martin Nodilo, the Pacific Grove Police Juvenile Affairs Officer, and Ruby were a great team. (They were married in 1956 until his untimely death in 1972.) There wasn't a kid in Pacific Grove who didn't know Martin and Ruby would both make every possible effort to always be there for them. They really, really cared!

At the time of her retirement, a Monterey Herald newspaper article, dated April 22, 1980, quoted Ruby as saying "If Martin had a youngster with a problem, or if I did, we'd talk about it and come up with a solution".

After her retirement, she moved to Bend, Oregon to be near her son, Bob Roberts (PGHS 1964), and his family. However, she managed to find

time to drive down to PG in her trusty camper to visit often.

One of those visits was in August 1996, when the newly built "Youth Center" on 17th Street was officially opened and appropriately named "The Nodilo Building" honoring both Martin and Ruby. Recreation Director John Miller (PGHS 1971) introduced Ruby with these words; "She ran the "Rec Club" for three decades and was mother, disciplinarian, and friend to hundreds of teenagers. She saw "good" or sought "good" in every kid who passed through those doors. She had only one son, but was blessed with many children who I see here today. The youth center had a special place in her heart, just as she has a special place in the hearts of those who are privileged to know her."

A story titled "Pet Parade Founder, Ruby Nodilo" written by Dixie Layne (PGHS 1966) in 2005 for the Pacific Grove "Beacon" noted: "In 1952, as activities director at Caledonia Park, she came up with the idea of a Pet parade to "keep the children off the streets". This proved to be so successful that the City asked Ruby to plan all activities for the Recreation Department and manage the "Rec" club, the gathering place for Pacific Grove teenagers. In 1958, Ruby's close friend, Elmarie Hurlbert Dyke (PGHS 1913), who with her husband, Clyde, was instrumental in reviving the "Feast of Lanterns" asked her if the Pet Parade could become a permanent part of that event. Today this seemingly small part of this annual July event draws some 2000 participants and spectators. Until her retirement, Ruby continued as the Grand Marshall."

A few of the many awards to honor her were from: PTA; California Parks and Recreation; Pacific Grove Peace Officers; and Pacific Grove-New Monterey Lions Club.

She was interested in ALL things having anything to do with PGHS.

She helped with the year long preparations for the reorganizational PGHSAA meeting, April 1, 1962, at Asilomar where with a group of past PGHS Yell Leaders, she led the guests in familiar school yells. She has been a continuing member ever since. She also was an ex-officio member of "The PGHS Stadium Fund Committee" (that raised money and provided labor for the Lights and Bleachers at the Sunset Drive Campus Stadium) from 1962-1967. She was largely responsible for the idea of the money raising project of selling "Stadium Lots".



Rec Club 1950's



Ruby Johnson Nodilo

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Seaside
Greetings,

As you probably know Les Ysazaga '54 has a great mid-50's Chevrolet that he exhibits at car shows. His car, pictured below at the annual Marina Air Faire and Auto Show a few months ago, is dedicated to the late Eddie Esteban '56. Les and Eddie were very good friends in high school and after. Bob Coble '56
Editors note: What a nice tribute to a long and special friendship.



This car is dedicated in memory of
Edward "Eddie" Esteban
friend and fellow classmate of
Pacific Grove High School,
class of 1956.
Eddie passed away on June 27, 2004,
leaving a wonderful legacy to all
who knew and loved him. Eddie will
be sincerely missed by everyone
whose life he touched.



THEN AND NOW PICTURES FROM AROUND TOWN.



A & W 1975



Patisserie Bechler ~ French Pastry 2011



Forest Hill Variety Store

Owned by Joseph Ravanelli 1953 ~ 1961

The father of Don Ravanelli '63 and Judy Ravanelli Johnson '66



Vito's Italian Restaurant 2011

The
Radcliffe
\$2.50

Shoes for Women at a price
that astoundes. Made
by a famous factory
that has aston-
ished the
shoe
men
of the

country by
its low price
and high quality.
You will understand why when
you see the Radcliffe Styles. Call.
Golden Rule Bazaar

Another ad that was in
a 1904 Sea Urchin.
Gee, wouldn't we all
love to be able to buy
shoes for \$2.50? Of
course I am not so
sure about the style.

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I have been searching through old pictures and finally found this one, of Jan Stevens '56 (left) and my brother Pat, taken in 1980 at a crafts fair at Pirates Cove, Ipan, Talofofo, Guam. I bought the batik and it hangs in my living room with another batik that Jan had made earlier. Bob Coble '56

DID YOU SEE WHAT I SAW?

I was thinking about how many web sites there are now, and how much the World Wide Web (WWW) is a part of our everyday lives. In a survey that was done in 2007 the Netcraft Web Server found 108,810,358 distinct websites. WOW !! And if that isn't enough information for some of you, how about 29.7 billion pages on the WWW as of February 2007. I wonder what that count might be today?

The web site I invite you to go checkout today is, www.zillow.com It's a national real estate site and is chalk full of information. Search your house on it and see what you find. Better yet, search your address when you lived here in PG and see what you find. Have fun and good hunting.



PGHS Class of 1956
8th grade graduation.
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Grace Godbold
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Gail Swengel
Jean Parsons
Suzanne Barto,
Sally Stockton
Diane Davis
Judy Carpenter
Pat Dolter

2011 SUMMER ROSTER

The 2011 roster will be published this summer. This is the "full" roster. Meaning, everyone who is a current member of the alumni association will be included. Please, check your information in the 2009 full roster or the 2010 supplement roster, so if we need to make any changes before the 2011 roster is released in June, we can. If I do not **hear from you by May** I will assume your information is correct. I work very hard to ensure your information is correct, but I'm only as accurate as the information I'm given from you, the member. So, I need your help too!

Thank you, Joanie Hyler '68

PGHS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REUNION WEEKEND

SATURDAY EVENING October 8th 2011

Club Del Monte, Barbara McNitt Ballroom, at the Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey
NO HOST COCKTAILS 6:00 PM • SIT DOWN DINNER SERVED 7:00 PM • MUSIC & DANCING 8:00PM – 11:00PM

SUNDAY BUFFET BRUNCH October 9th 2011

Club Del Monte, El Prado Dining Room, at the Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM

CONTACT PERSONS FOR EVENT & RESERVATIONS

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RESERVATION DEADLINE - THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 15th 2011
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NUMBER	DINNER MENU CHOICES			TOTAL	PGHSAA USE
	Beef	10 oz Charbroiled filet mignon, wrapped in bacon and served with a red wine forest mushroom sauce.	\$55.00		
	Chicken	The Chef's signature baked breaded chicken breast stuffed with mushrooms, Monterey jack cheese and savory herbs smothered with a mushroom sauce.	\$55.00		
	Vegetarian	Penne pasta. Tossed in olive oil, sweet basil, julienne of sweet peppers, artichokes, herbs and mushrooms.	\$55.00		
	Sunday Buffet Brunch	Chilled fruit juice and fresh cut fruit. Breakfast sausage, apple wood smoked bacon or grilled ham steak. French pastry, assorted muffins, croissants, scones, brioche or Danish. Farm fresh scrambled eggs or French toast with berries. Grilled potatoes. Gourmet teas and fine coffee.	\$21.00		
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Our Bylaws state that you must be a current member in order to attend our annual dinner and brunch.
Annual dues are \$15.00

DO NOT USE THIS FORM TO SUBMIT DUES

*If you are joining the Alumni Association to attend this reunion
please call or email Joanie Hyler 831.375.3040 joanie@pghsaa.org*



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A letter from the Editor



What a busy few months it was for me! Most people think of Thanksgiving and Christmas around the end of the year. I tend to think birthdays. 4 of my grandchildren celebrate birthdays in that span, specifically: November 18th, December 23rd, 27th and 30th. So you can see where my time gets spent.

Once again, the dues mailing I put out in December and January was very successful. Of the 531 members who needed to renew,

only 61 haven't yet. I say yet, because I'm hoping they will come back. We have 7 brand new alumni who joined us for the first time; through Marabee Boone Rush '60, 4 of those alumni are from the Class of 2010 - our youngest members. I'm also pleased that we have 6 alumni who returned to the association.

We had our election last September, and I'm pleased to report that we have 4 new board members: Joan Dean Wootton '55; Jerry Beach '57; Henry Garcia '57; and Marabee Rush Boone '60. Welcome to all of you! It's good to have you on board. For a

complete list of your Officers and Board members please refer to Page 2.

I could use someone who might be interested in joining me to restart our Then and Now column. Some research would need to take place, and living here locally would help so you could easily access the PG or Monterey Library. The story we did on the post office, Bratty building, and the old trolley were very well received and readers have asked for more. I'd like to do stories on the old Methodist Church (when it was downtown), the snack stand at the beach, the bowling alley, the rec club and the list goes on and on. So, please, don't be shy. Give me a call and let's begin to document our high school days.

By the time our next KOII is published in June it is my hope that we will unveil our new logo. Tim Nixon '76, a graphics designer, has taken on this project pro bono and is doing a great job. Once this logo is completed our plan is to offer PGHS Alumni items like sweatshirts, ball caps, bumper stickers and the like.

Have a great spring and see you in June.

All the best!

Joanie Hyler '68