



SANTA ROSA HIGH SCHOOL FOUNDATION NEWSLETTER

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Remember when . . . 1976

by Rick Blaine

We graduated the year SRHS was 100 years old, and you could say that does make 1976 a special class.

High school education began in Santa Rosa in 1875 when 10 students entered the John C. Fremont School on Fourth Street and took up study on the second floor. All 10 students graduated three years later from the only high school in town. In 1976, 490 of us marched into Bailey Field for commencement, and so did the graduating seniors at the two other high schools. Public education in the U.S. was 300 years old when we began our last year, and the largest senior class ever would graduate that spring, about 3.1 million of us.

The nation's bicentennial anniversary was big news our senior year. American flags and other patriotic art seemed to pop up everywhere we looked—on buildings, on billboards, on water towers, on the sides of buildings and even on automobiles. I remember Mr. Von der Porten talked it up quite a bit, and I guess a 200th birthday was a remarkable event.

A first-class stamp cost 13 cents in 1976. Solar energy was called the "wave of the future." President Ford made an appearance up at the Geysers in support of alternative energy sources.

The shortage of gasoline two years earlier was still a strong memory, so the auto manufacturers came out with high mileage cars like Mustang II, Maverick and Chevy Chevette. Although gas was 61 cents a gallon, the lines to fill up were not like they were. You could buy a used '74 Pinto Run-about for \$2995 at Niles Buick. Or a sexier '75 Plymouth Duster for \$4388 at Bishop-



Fremont School - the original location for High School in Santa Rosa - Echo 1932

Hansel Ford. But few of us had that kind of money then. What did you pay for your last car?

More of us were encouraged to go to college, and although many of us made plans to do so we could get training at SRHS for jobs that didn't require college.

SRHS had lots of shop programs. Mr. Norris taught auto shop, Mr. Philipsen was in metal shop, Mr. Diez was in wood shop (remember his boomerang project?) and the ag students learned welding and other skills. Girls could take clothing and learn other home-making skills from Ms. Panizzera or Ms. Carpenter. Does SRHS still offer those courses?

You could also enroll in work experience. That was a program in which you could earn graduation credits for working after school. You just turned in a time card. Talk about easy!

The Car Caravan happened in October just before the Big Game. Many clubs decorated trucks and entered them in the competition. I think teachers did the judging. We crammed those trucks full of students and drove them down Ridgway to Armory Drive to Steele Lane and back to campus on Mendocino. I bet you couldn't load a flatbed that way today and drive around.

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The original Santa Rosa High School - it was consumed by fire in 1921- Echo 1932



Since 1925, SRHS's home - www.srhsf.org

The primary objectives and purposes of the Santa Rosa High School Foundation are to serve as a charitable organization to unite SRHS graduates, parents of current and past students, faculty, staff and interested community members for:

- ~ Preserving and documenting the history and traditions of SRHS
- ~ Providing financial support to the school
- ~ Promoting community involvement

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President's Message



I hope you've seen the DeSoto Building that I mentioned last issue. This new structure makes such a wonderful impact on the campus! The Board of Education made the right decision when it decided to match the architecture with the rest of the campus. Other schools may experience envy, but we like to say they've always been jealous of SRHS. I am always so overwhelmed at the positive structural change on the campus. I commented at the building's dedication that SRHS is a beauty now but certainly was no beauty when the Foundation started in 1988. Now the buildings are all fully restored and all additions have enhanced the original beauty of the campus. If you're planning a reunion, make sure that you plan an afternoon or morning at the campus. Ask ahead for a guided tour by the ubiquitous Tony Negri. You have heard us praise him many times, but truly he seems to be virtually everywhere, and he loves doing the tours of the school. He loves the school and his pride is contagious. Panther Fever is all over the campus. Speaking of doing a great job, our new publisher, Alicia Hodenfield, class of 1985, is doing a wonderful job. We couldn't be more pleased. By using her significant organizational skills, she has improved the front page of the newsletter and much of the layout of inside pages. Much appreciated! While I am talking about Alicia, I want to thank Mike Daniels, class of 1959, for his continued efforts with the Foundation. Since his retirement from the SRHS classroom, he has re-dedicated himself to Foundation projects. I'm sure he would say, like so many retirees do, "I don't know how I had the time to work." And then there is Mary Testorelli, class of 1947, who, it seems, serves on every committee. Of late, she and Mike and Dave Thompson, class of 1992, are continuing their efforts in the new museum. Thanks to these three and to all our Board members. I also want mention Jim Ward who has joined the Board and agreed to take over Mary Schaefer's job as treasurer. Jim is a 1962 grad and has worked in accounting, so we are in good hands. We are so grateful to Mary Schaefer, class of 1976, for her work. She came on board at a critical time for us and has guided the Foundation to a new level of success. We were fortunate to have her skills and dedication to the Foundation as we began to attract larger and larger numbers of members. Because we gave over \$100,000 to SRHS last year, we really have to look upon our operation as a small business. So, we are thankful for Mary's work and for Jim's coming in to take her place. Combined with our wonderful Board and with the anticipation of Doug Pavese, class of 1958, as President in July for a two-year term, we are in great shape.

As we approach the end of the school year, it is remarkable how many activities at SRHS involve the Foundation. On any given weekend or weeknight the school is used by one group or another. But it's been that way since SRHS was the only high school in town. In many ways SRHS can still be considered the heart and soul of Santa Rosa. So go on down and visit the school if you haven't and, as always, thanks for all your support.

Mike Grace, President

About the Foundation

The Santa Rosa High School Foundation, a chartered non-profit organization with the State of California, was established in 1988 to provide financial support for and community involvement in the school's activities and to preserve its rich traditions and heritage.

The Foundation also functions as an alumni association, sponsoring activities for graduates, but membership and activity participation is not limited to SRHS graduates.

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The SRHS Foundation Newsletter invites submissions. Letters should be 150 or fewer words. All submissions are subject to editing. Please identify photos and provide credits where applicable. Please mail your articles and photos to the above address or e-mail to mdaniels@sonic.net.

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Giving Through The SRHS Foundation

There are many ways to participate in providing a lasting contribution to the Foundation.

1. Establish your own fund (anonymously or in your name) with a gift of \$5000 or more
 2. Establish a Scholarship Fund with a gift of \$10,000 or more
 3. Include a bequest or other planned gift in your estate plan
- A wide variety of gifts are accepted including:

- Cash
- Publicly traded securities
- IRAs or life insurance policies with the Foundation as beneficiary
- Remainder of a Charitable Remainder Trust

For further information, please contact: Doug Pavese, SRHS Foundation P.O. Box 11002, Santa Rosa, CA 95406; or call Doug at 707-524-1037 (days)

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* Founding Directors - Doug Pavese, Mike Daniels, Mike Grace & Donna Dennes Peterson

We beat Montgomery that weekend, and the football team placed second in the NBL. Do you remember how the Block S boys kept a 24-hour watch on the bell so that Monty wouldn't try to steal it?

Was it the Montgomery game when Pandy stumbled and fell and lost his head? Pandy's identity was always a secret, but everybody knew who he was that night.

Old teams left the NBL and new teams came in. The Napa and Vallejo schools went to new leagues, and we played Cardinal Newman and Rancho Cotate for the first time.

Title IX was changing sports that year. The girls could compete with the boys on "non-contact" teams. Mr. Shea, the football coach, also coached swimming that year. If you were on the swim team, you probably remember he didn't seem to want the girls around. One girl earned a varsity letter in swimming. She was the first to do so. What was her name? I've forgotten. Maybe she'll write the Foundation to tell me.

While some of the P. E. teachers and coaches didn't want girls competing with the boys, other teachers were encouraging. I remember Mr. Brown and Mr. DeSoto talking to the girls about the opportunities in athletics.

Mr. DeSoto. "Mean Gene the Grammar



"The Brillo Pad"



"Car Caravan"



"The Bell"

Machine," we called him. But inside he was such a softie. If you got through his class, taking college English was a breeze. Same for science if you had Mr. Stone. We were fortunate, I think, to have so many good teachers who really cared about us.

Did Mr. Vine ever call you "Goody-Two Shoes?" He did me. While his humor was biting, he loved being with us and was good for us. He was the senior class advisor. We students often taught his class. Ms. Waco also was a big help. She called the girls "women libbers" when she praised them and when she encouraged them to do away with

Memories of SRHS - Echo 1976

double standards. If ever there was a "libber" at SRHS, it was she.

We could enroll next door at SRJC and take some classes there instead of at SRHS. If you did and if you cut classes on both campuses, you weren't alone. The local newspaper said unexcused absences could cost the schools money, but the administration admitted cutting classes was "traditional."

Did you ever miss class and "sprint to Bo's" for breakfast? Lots of us did. The campus was open, so we could make choices about where to eat. You could walk across the street to Perry's Deli or Farmers' Market. You could walk down Mendocino to Roger's Hamburgers or Taco Bell. If you had a car, you could make it to Eat & Run and get back in time for class. After football games, you could go to Denny's and stay until late. Denny's was open all night, wasn't it?

Today a McDonald's is across Mendocino where the railroad tracks used to be. In 1976 you could buy a McDonald's burger for 20 cents. Where was the closest McDonald's, anybody know? Probably in San Francisco, I think.

We went to the movies, usually the Star-Vue Drive-in, because if you knew the secret

you could get in for free. That wasn't easy at the Village Drive-in. We saw "Revenge of the Pink Panther," "Jaws" and "The Happy Hooker." Did "The Exorcist" frighten you?

We went ice skating at the Redwood Empire Ice Arena, and we played poker until really late. We tooted Fourth Street and parked up on Parker Hill or Grace Heights where the

paved roads had just been built. On warm days we went to the river, to Healdsburg or to Hacienda. Did you go to the beach at Palomar above Healdsburg, where the inflatable dam was? That was such fun!

On television we laughed at "Get Smart" and "All in the Family." Some of us wondered about "Mary Hartman, Mary Hartman." What was her problem?

We wore ski clothes to school. Why did we do that? "Mix and match" was a big style for the girls and so were pantsuits and coordinates. Girls could buy "pant coats" for \$12.88 at the White House on 3rd Street. The dress code was changing, becoming less strict. Girls could wear pants and boys could wear t-shirts and their hair could grow long. Boys also wore bell bottom Levi's and tried to grow sideburns. Do you remember that massive beard Mr.

Upson grew? His appearance frightened some younger students.

Do you remember Senior Character Day? Do you remember the "Brillo Soap Pad" that won a prize? That was fun too! I hear Senior Character Day doesn't happen anymore and that the convention to elect student body officers doesn't either. That's too bad because I know we learned much about the electoral process and politics because of the convention.

The prom was fun. Did you go to the Villa for dinner? Did you ditch your date? I know two girls who did. They ran into their dates later. I wish I had seen that.

The Senior Picnic was at Morton's Hot Springs near Kenwood. We rode buses to Disneyland for Grad Night. Those buses were sure quiet on the way back. We were all asleep. Charles Schulz of "Peanuts" gave us a graduation party. That was special.

It was a good year. I think we turned out well. Maybe we really were a "good" class.



Mr. Upson 1976 Echo

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

When submitting photos for the newsletter, be sure to provide the identity of the individuals in the photos, the year the photo was taken, if you would like the source of the photo identified and any other relevant information regarding the photo.

Article submissions are invited. Letters should be 150 or fewer words. All submissions are subject to editing. We also invite your submissions to Panther Patter. Please provide information about Santa Rosa High School graduates including information about their family, work and what they have been doing since high school.

We accept submissions of photos and text by email, or through our website as well as by mail.

Student of the Month Lunch

Jacky Schalich and JoAnn MacDonald of the SRHS Foundation and Dan Goforth, Vice Principal at SRHS had the pleasure of taking the following students to lunch in December. Some are pictured to the right. **Yamuna Maharjan, Kirk Erickson, Josh Fossgreen, Sandra Barbosa, Ian Vonseggern and Daniela Alcala.**

The following students were honored at the January 10 Student of the Month luncheon at Chevy's Restaurant in Santa Rosa

Kirk Erickson, a senior who plays varsity football and baseball, will attend Stanford and plans to become a physician. **Joshua Fossgru**, a senior, plays in the band and in a local rock group. He's involved in Artquest and will attend SRJC. Senior **Sandra Barbosa**, a leader in Hispanic

club activities, volunteers at Kaiser Hospital. Living in the U.S. for the past four years, senior **Danilla Alcala** is also active in Hispanic activities and tutors her classmates. Her special interest is world history. **Yamuna Maharjar**, a junior, moved to Santa Rosa from Nepal a year ago. She loves her art class and hopes to become a nurse. **Ian Vonseggern**, a freshman, is a bright mathematician who plans to continue his education in science.

Anna Guzman from SRHS and JoAnne McDonald, Chris Zeek and Mike Grace from the SRHS Foundation attended the Student of the month Luncheon in February with a wonderful group of students. One young woman, **Ping Zhang**, was back for her second year. Since she is a sophomore, she could be a "4-

peat." Very good conversations, good food and wonderful kids as always. Other attendees included **Robert Garland, Cliff Russell, Jacob Pangborn, Claire Ramey, Luis Santos, Jose Sandoval.**

This is just one of the ways the SRHS Foundation supports the students of Santa Rosa High School. It is one of the most important and favorite ways of showing support to the students.



Some of the December Student of the Month Lunch attendees



These Panthers gathered for lunch at Michelle's Restaurant last December - Bill Archer '62, Mike Bogue '61, Bob Muelrath '61, Darrell Steele '61, Rick Wallstrum '61, John Correia '61, Jerry Gromer '60, Bob Yates '61, Jim Ward '62, Bill Clegg '62, Bob Berretta '61, Bill Veluntini '62, Jim Peterson '62, Harold Gervais '61, Jack Sanguin '62, Tom Gutsch '61, Mike Hawes '61, Jim Grace '61, Jerry Gervais '61, Mickey Bertozzi '61, Mike Grace '65.



Principal Tony Negri speaking, with four of Eugene DeSoto's six sons seated on stage (Doug, Jan, Chris and Dennis), at the ribbon cutting for the new DeSoto Building at SRHS



Block SR - 1952 Echo. May Wing is seated on the bottom right (see letters to the editor)

Project Update By Chris Zeek '68

As usual, the Foundation is very involved with the many projects evolving on the SRHS campus.

The project on which we've been working the longest is the construction of the Ammirati Barn, recently dedicated in honor of Sonoma County Agri-businessman, John L. Ammirati. This project should have reached completion by the time you read this column.

At this writing, the framing on the west side of the barn is in place, ready for the metal panels that will be sheared by Clyde Wiggins '52 of Lux Metals. A crew of students will attach the panels to the framing.

Barry Friedman of Friedman's Home Improvement supplied and delivered the electrical materials. Ron Cox Electric volunteered the labor for installation that will complete the project.

The auto shop project is coming together because of the combined efforts of instructor Vic Colli '65, Gina Follansbee '89 and me. We've gathered benches and stools for work stations and N.A.P.A. training materials. We've secured plans for a new classroom that will free up working space in the existing shop. Gina and local automotive shops have donated materials, equipment and vehicles.

The Foundation, together with the support organization of parents of baseball players, have been working to repair and upgrade the campus baseball field. In addition to the SRHS players, the many community baseball organizations that use this field will benefit greatly. Wheeler Zamaroni Landscaping helped with infield soil. The Foundation and the Ruben Beseda Memorial Fund helped with funding. The recently deceased Ruben Beseda coached baseball and taught p.e. and math at SRHS for many years.

The Foundation and many SRHS organizations are very grateful to the businesses and individuals who have helped with pricing, materials and labor. Many other projects need an additional combination of community efforts. If you have questions, ideas or would like to make a donation, please contact the Pandy Line at 707-571-7747.

PENNIES GROW INTO FOOD

From the beginning of classes in September for the past several years, SRHS social science teachers Terry Swehla and Art Horner and their students have teamed to gather spare change that they convert to food.

Each day before the Winter Break, the teachers and students drop what pennies and nickels and dimes they can spare into a glass container. When the container fills, no matter the period, instruction ceases and they count and wrap the coins.

Once a total of \$100 is reached, they trade the coins for a hundred dollar bill, which is placed in a safe in the business office.

On the first Monday of the Winter Break, the teachers and the students and often some parents meet and shop for non-perishable food at G&G Market on West College Avenue. Market management adds a sizeable donation that swells the amount of canned goods, pasta and other nutritious foods.

This year, students gathered over \$1300 and purchased 1200 pounds of food. Three pickup trucks and a van were required for transportation to the Redwood Empire Food Bank.

This annual event exposes students to a number of valuable learning activities beyond the classroom. There's a bit of simple mathematics, of course, but far more valuable lessons occur in cooperation and shopping wisely—that is, getting the most nutrition for the dollar.

The Redwood Empire Food Bank, which distributes the food to charities and free kitchens for those in need, consistently expresses gratitude and praise for the efforts of these SRHS students.



Art Horner and Terry Swehla's students donate over 1000 pounds of canned goods to Redwood Empire Food Bank

Annual Marissa Imrie Memorial Scholarship Pasta Feed

Sunday, June 4
1:00 to 5:30
on the SRHS campus

\$15 - per person
\$5 - 8 years and under

Enjoy ravioli and pasta, salad, garlic bread, desert, dessert and beverages—all prepared by Chef Ray Lazzini and his Staff who donate their services for this important fundraiser

For more information contact
526-2844

SRHS Calendar of Events



April 6 - ArtQuest Showcase
April 13 - Dance Performance

May 5, 12 - CMEA Music Festival
May 6 - Prom
May 18-20 Dance Concert
May 23 Spring Band Concert

June 1 - Senior Awards Night
June 9 - Graduation

Check the SRHS website to find out about your favorite sporting events

www.santarosahigh.org

Thank you for supporting SRHS and our students,

Terry Swehla
Faculty Liaison

Panther Project Fund Grants

2005-06 school year

The Panther Project Fund has been able to give over \$71,000 so far this school year because of your generous donations.

Special Education - Bowser's Barkery Start Up Costs - Vocational Program	\$ 1,200.00
Athletic Dept. - Offset Cost of Purchase of a Shotmaker Tennis Trainer Ball Machine	\$ 1,000.00
Freshman Orientation - Refreshments For Students and Parents	\$ 167.58
Industrial Arts -Automotives	
Directed Gift for Engine Scanner and Analyzer	\$ 5,817.42
Alldata Pro Online data Subscription	\$ 1,048.13
Science	
Nine Low-Pressure Experiment Sensors - AP Biology	\$ 1,023.00
Five Hookes Law Spring Sets - Physics Lab	\$ 407.40
48 Replacement Crucibles For Chemistry Lab	\$ 388.49
Social Science	
Wall Maps And Atlases - US and World Geography	\$ 1,932.93
Fifteen Photo Sets - History Class	\$ 550.00
Ammirati Barn Project	\$37,567.08
Project Graduation - Offset Cost Of Event	\$ 2,000.00
Fine Arts - Photography - Tuff Shed For Expansion Of Existing Classroom Space	\$ 1,500.00
Artquest	
Video - Offset Cost To Purchase Professional Video Camera For Advanced Students	\$ 1,000.00
Matching Funding For Artquest Building Signage Along Mendocino	\$ 1,562.50
SRHS Museum Project	\$ 7,841.60
Administration	
Offset Costs of Dedication of New DeSoto Building	\$ 1,000.00
PE Clothing and School Supplies For Students in Need	\$ 500.00
Health Services - Replacement Wheelchair	\$ 377.75
Wood Chip Landscaping For The Immediate Area Around the Music Building	\$ 707.94
Math Dept.	
PreAlgebra and Algebra Curriculum Aids	\$ 151.24
Calculus in Motion Software For AP Exam Prep.	\$ 167.00
Custodial - Phazer Mobile Floor Care System And Initial Finish Supplies	\$ 867.24
World Languages	
Two Recorder/Headsets For Language Training Center	\$ 781.16
35 University of Chicago Spanish Dictionaries	\$ 455.26
Marsha & Jessie Carney Memorial Scholarship (Annual)	
05/06-Jessica Reiner, Elena Vaaldivia-Fortuna (\$500 each)	\$ 1,000.00
English Dept. - 35 Webster's Dictionaries	\$ 570.15

Total to date \$71,583.87

Attention Golfers Save this Date!!

The Santa Rosa High School Foundation will hold its **11th Annual Golf Tournament** on **Friday, September 15, 2006** at the Oakmont West Golf Course. We sure had a great time last year and this year will be bigger and better. Start arranging your foursomes and if you would like to serve on the golf committee or sponsor a hole, please call Doug Pavese at 524-1037 (days) for details. *We look forward to seeing you there!*



Dear Members of the SRHS Foundation-

On behalf of the over 200 FFA members and agriculture students, I would like to thank you for your support of this program. If ever there was a guardian angel or fairy godmother for SRHS it is all of you - your devotion and dedication to providing a better educational environment is unwaivering and should be a model to other public schools. Personally, it was the sheer belief in agriculture that has touched me so deeply. The outward show of support and recognition of the SRHS FFA/Ag Program means more than words can express. I know that it is not much but if there is ever anything I can do for you - never hesitate to ask.

Many, many thanks

Sincerely,

Lisa Piehl, SRHS Ag Department

Dear SRHS Foundation,

Thank you for your support throughout the years. This year the Girls' Golf Team placed 3rd in the North Bay League. Four girls qualified for the NBL Championships and two qualified for the NCS Championships. The team enjoys helping at the annual Golf Tournament and is looking forward to helping again next year. Thank you (for) being an alive presence here at SRHS. It makes a big difference knowing you care.

Sincerely,

Brenda Pagliari, SRHS Golf Coach

Dear SRHS Foundation;

Thank you for purchasing low-pressure sensors and spring sets for our science department. This additional equipment will allow our students to apply advanced technology to some important concepts in biology and physics.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Lori Simerly and Matthew J. Davis

SRHS Foundation:

I would like to again express my appreciation to the foundation for its continued support of my classroom. This past year I made a request to purchase critical thinking exercises and oversized historic photos for use in my classes. I just received the materials late last week and look forward to implanting them and enhancing my curriculum. I feel fortunate to teach at a school that has an involved foundation that supports teachers and students in ways that make a difference.

Thank you again for your continued support,

John Cortopassi

Dear Foundation,

Thank you so much for the two cassette recorder sets for the language lab!

Sincerely,

SRHS World Language Department

Who was your favorite teacher from SRHS? Who won the Homecoming Game the year you graduated? What was your favorite memory from SRHS - drop us a line at mdaniels@sonic.net or by mail **P O Box 11002 Santa Rosa, CA 95406** - Photos are also welcomed! (please identify individuals and credits)



Foundation Board Member **David Thompson '92** recently learned Ernie Nevers' widow, Margery, is alive and well and living in the Bay Area. Dave bundled up some copies of photos, took along Board Member **Mike Daniels '59** for a several hour visit last October . . . **Pandy** recently received a '27 and '28 Echo from **Vera Rowsy** of De Anza High School in Richmond. They will be housed in the museum on the SRHS campus. Thanks, Vera! . . . Working hard on the 65th reunion of his class, **Bill Penrose '41** has fond SRHS memories of journalism teacher Ken Cooperider and math teacher Docia Patchett and of his classmates . . . Piner High School in Santa Rosa has organized an athletic hall of fame, and among the first group to be included is **Jim Underhill, Jr. '49**, long-time P. E. instructor and track and field coach at the school . . . Retired now for 11 years, **Bob McGinnis '57**, after attending SRJC, enlisted in the Air Force, then returned to college before working 31 years with Pacific Bell/Telesis/SBC. Bob now lives in S.R. in the family home on Morgan St. The recent newsletter piece about SRHS in the 50's by classmate **Mike Brickner '57** reminded Bob how motorcycle policeman Homer Lee hid himself and his bike on Morgan St., waiting to ticket the miscreant teenage driver as school let out . . . Just before Christmas, a group of Panthers met for lunch and to share stories at Michele's Restaurant in Santa Rosa. **Mike Bogue '61** and **Bob Yates**

'61 organized the event that attracted over 20 alums. An outstanding athletic group, the '61 class won the NBL in football and basketball. **Tom Gutsch '61**, recently retired SRHS auto shop instructor, **Bill Archer '62** and **Jim Ward '62** shared stories of what made SRHS special to them. **Larry Steele '68**, who had a football career with the NFL Denver Broncos, served as photographer to the group that vowed to make the meeting an annual tradition . . . **Jann Mitchell '62**, a journalist and author of 4 books, has 3 kids and lives in Sweden

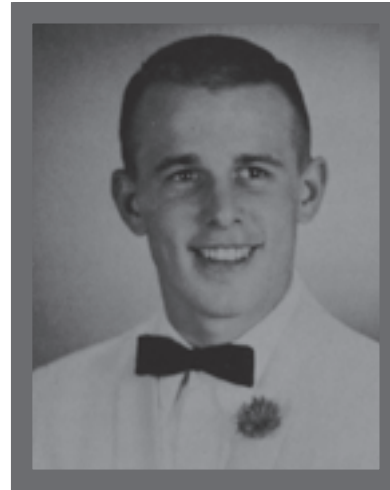
with her doctor husband. They also work in Tanzania, East Africa on AIDS projects. Jann manages Grandma-2-Grandma, a program to assist grandmothers raising orphaned grandchildren. For info, email jannmitchell@aol.com . . . **Elizabeth Temps Hansen '85** graduated from San Jose State U and works for AT&T. She and her husband Erik have 2 daughters and 2 kittens and live in Discovery Bay, near Sacramento . . . News from the **Class of '86:**



Jennifer Turbeville 1986 Echo

Jennifer Turbeville Higgins who studied biochemistry at UC Davis is the winemaker at Lancaster Estate in the Alexander Valley and **Louise Bassett** is at Gundlach Bundschu Winery. **Erhan Ceylan** studied at Bosphorus University in Istanbul, Turkey guided American tourists in Turkey, and founded ELT Center there, where he now teaches English. Erhan's married and has two sons . . . **Mona Li '87** graduated from UCLA and the Medical College of Wisconsin. She completed her residency at MCW and worked there as a member of the trauma/critical care surgery faculty for two years. Just now Mona is in

Belgium where her fiancée is on fellowship in critical care. They both will be at U. of Rochester in New York upon their return . . . **Lisa Resnikoff Buerger '96** graduated from Chico State in Health Sciences. She now teaches health at Casa Grande High School in Petaluma but lives in S.R. with husband Dave and dog Floyd . . . **Teralyn Pomerinke '96** considers the Prom to be her favorite SRHS memory . . . **Tricia Hannon Karriker '96** graduated from UC Davis and taught elementary school in Sacramento before moving back to S.R. Now teaching in Petaluma's Waugh School District and living with her husband in Windsor, she is expecting her first child in March . . . **Jose Galvan '97** says he's working and having fun but he'd like to get in touch with classmates **Gustavo Martinez, Jose Romero** and **Blanca Gonzalez**—"my first and only love!" declares **Jose**. (Remember, you can post a query about your classmates on the foundation's web site message board at www.srhfsf.org (It's a great way to set up overdue communication!) . . . Another Panther working to significantly better lives in Africa, **Kjerstin Erickson '01** has taken a leave from her studies at Stanford in order to raise funds and to enlist university students in order "to create programs that empower refugees in Africa to find solutions to their countries' problems." You can find more information about this unique program by visiting www.forgeprogram.org . . . **The Class of '06** produced four National Merit Scholarship winners: **Kirk Erickson, Hannah Story, Austin Hendricks** and **Terri Hoberg**. Go Panthers! . . . **Marlene Callen**, SRHS principal's secretary, notes the special pride that **Sondra Tapia '07** takes keeping the trophy case in the foyer of the main entrance so sparkling clean. Sondra is a third period TA in the main office, and Pandy and the main office staff appreciate her efforts. Very much...



Bill Archer - 1962 Echo

Reunion Updates!

Classes of 1934 - 1938

Date: TBD (summer 06)

Location: Ledson Winery

This will be the 5th consecutive year our classes have held a reunion. Last year we had about 85 alumni at our reunion. Alumni from before 1934 and after 1938 are also invited this year.

For more information please contact: George Conners, Class of 36' at: (707) 431-1419

Class of 1941 - 65th

Date: June 17, 2006

Location: Wild Oak Saddle Club

For more information contact:
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Fred Pedersen (707) 542-5296

The Class of 1951 - 55th

Date: August 26, 2006

Location: TBA

For more information contact
Carol Acuff Underhill (707) 894-9416
Barbara Nielsen Johnson (707) 996-9992

Many classmates are still missing! Let your reunion coordinator know if you know the whereabouts of classmates! And have you posted your bio? Visit the website at www.srhsf.org to post and find out up-to-the-minute reunion information including dates, links, reunion coordinators, etc.! www.srhsf.org

Class of 1956, 50th

Date: August 26, 2006

Location: Flamingo Hotel - Dinner & Dancing
Grad Night Friday, August 25th - Location TBD

On Sundy, August 27th there will be a tour of the school & Nevers Field, plus a BBQ. We need current addresses! Please call or write to JoAnn MacDonald at (707) 546-6185 or email Carol Guanella at carolguanella@pon.net. We are missing many classmates. Please help us find them!

Class of 1961, 45th

Date: Tentatively August 11, 2006

Location: TBD

We need your help!

For more information contact:
Ann Hutchinson Porrino
3305 Jeremy Court, SR, CA 95404 (707) 575-4745
e-mail: porrinopad@aol.com

Class of 1966, 40th

Date: October 14, 2006

Location: Fountaingrove Golf & Athletic Club

Friday Oct 13 will be Grad Night - location unknown at this time. Any suggestions? Tour newly remodeled SRHS, mid-day, Saturday October, 14th. Dinner/dance at Fountaingrove the 14th...cost/time to be determined. Contact: Leigh Hutchinson Heyer. email me any contact info, address changes or other vital information. leighheyer@yahoo.com or phone: (707) 539-1120

Class of 1971, 35th

Reunion Date: August 12, 2006

Location: Geyser Peak Winery Picnic area,
Geyserville

Grad Night:: August 11, 2006

Location: TBD

We are still looking for classmates - Please fill out your BIO on the SRHS Foundation website. Please contact Carol Williams at SRHS1971@aol.com

Class of 1976 & 1977, 29th & 30th

Date: Saturday August 12, 2006

Location: Flamingo Hotel

Contact Lee Miller for more information:
lwm@surewest.net

Class of 1986, 20th

Date: Saturday, August 5th

Location: Fountaingrove Golf and Athletic Club

Check out website for details and who's missing www.srhs1986.com; email srhs1986@gmail.com or call Tod Samson (916) 419-0765

Class of 1996, 10th

Date: October 28, 2006

Location: Doubletree Hotel Sonoma County

We are currently planning our class reunion. Feel free to contact us: Michelle Crosbie (Nelson) mcsr96@gmail.com and Arthur Chung rt1manparty@yahoo.com

After the reunion, tell us all about it! We would love to share your stories and photos. We'll be happy to link your photos on our website, too!



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