



# SANTA ROSA HIGH SCHOOL FOUNDATION NEWSLETTER

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*The mission of the Santa Rosa High School Foundation is to serve as a charitable organization to unite Santa Rosa High School alumni, parents, faculty, staff and interested community members in order to provide financial support for SRHS programs and students, and to preserve and document the history and traditions of SRHS.*

## **SRHS Athletics: a family tradition** by Mike Daniels '59

During its 139 year history Santa Rosa High School has enjoyed the athletic accomplishments of a great number of its student body, both male and female. Some have gone on to acclaim at the collegiate and professional levels, some brothers and sisters have made big contributions to Panther athletic glory, and some families have done so for generations. Consider, for example, three generations of the Grace family.

**Tom '21** graduated from the Humboldt Street campus. He was captain of the 1920 football team, the pre-NBL Northwestern League championship team that included Ernie Nevers. He starred at left and right halfback, right end and quarterback. He was on the basketball team where "in his shooting and passing he has proved to be a wonderful forward." He played first base on the baseball team and was awarded an All-Star sweater. Tom went to Stanford and later to graduate school at Harvard.

**Frank '23** also was a three-sportman. He played tackle on the football team, guard on the basketball squad and centerfield in baseball, and he earned his letters. In baseball "his ability to smash the ball gave him a reputation as one of the leading hitters in the line-

up." He worked in family businesses after graduation.

**Jim '25** was known for his skills as center in basketball and as outfielder and first base in baseball. He threw the shot and the javelin on the track team, setting a record in the javelin. He also qualified for an All-Star sweater and was captain of the baseball team in his senior year. Jim went to the University of California at Berkeley where he continued to play basketball. Sadly, he lost his life in combat in World War II.

**Jack '27**, whose SRHS records are sketchier than those of his brothers, left SRHS and graduated from St. Mary's High School before attending St. Mary's College where he "played a nice game at end for the St. Mary's frosh." He was forecast to be a "main cog on the college varsity squad." At both SRHS and St. Mary's he played football and basketball.

**Bill '31** played football, basketball, baseball and track. In basketball, he was said to have "made a number of shots from half court." He quarterbacked the Panther football team and was selected as All-League in his junior and senior years. He was also noted as a "triple threat player who passes and punts the ball well besides carrying the pigskin in a credible manner." After SRHS Bill worked in family businesses and competed in AAU sports.

**Jim '61** earned five letters in basketball, baseball, swimming and football and was known as a great rebounder and a good shot in basketball. Jim lettered in basketball at SRJC and at San Jose State was named intramural athlete of the year. He taught at Ygnacio Valley High School in Concord where he coached the basketball team to a California State championship game.

**John '64** also earned many letters in basketball and football. He competed in track and was selected to the All Tournament team at the annual basketball event in Gridley. In basketball he was "mean on the boards and a good shooter." John went to Chico State University and today is active *Continued on page 2*

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# President's Message

Happy New Year from SRHSF.

This year bring some activities and events that you will be proud to be a part of as a member of the SRHS Foundation.

First is the Fourth annual Crab Feed held on Jan. 19 at Santa Rosa Veterans' Building. This year the SRHS Cheerleaders were there to raise funds for their activities and uniforms. The next newsletter will provide the results of the event. The other fund-raising events are the annual Polenta Feed on April 26 and Golf Tournament on Sept. 13 of this year. You can visit the SRHS Foundation web page ([www.srhsf.org](http://www.srhsf.org)) as a convenient way to get informed of these events.

The Panther Project Fund (PPF) has funded over \$90,000 to date to various requests from SRHS administrators and faculty. These requests were for educational field trips, dance floor and computers (Elmo computers). The most recent funding is for a school-wide poetry competition put together by two teachers, Will Lyon and Jessica Dennis, of the English department. This event is experiencing increased interest. Last year the event had 40 participants.

I've had recent inquiries regarding the structure of SRHS Foundation, therefore the reason for some explanations. The Foundation was formed 25 years ago and is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. The mission of the Foundation is to preserve and document the history and traditions of SRHS; provide financial support for the school and its programs; promote community involvement in the school's activities. The Foundation has 25 board positions with 23 positions filled. There are 12 various committees that meet on a regular basis to maintain the operation and the various events and activities.

If you would like to be more involved or consider joining the Foundation, let us know. We are very excited about our most recent board member, Dan Bribiescas the class of '87. Not only did Dan graduate from SRHS, he coached the men's soccer team and currently his daughter is a student. Welcome aboard, Dan. We are looking forward to

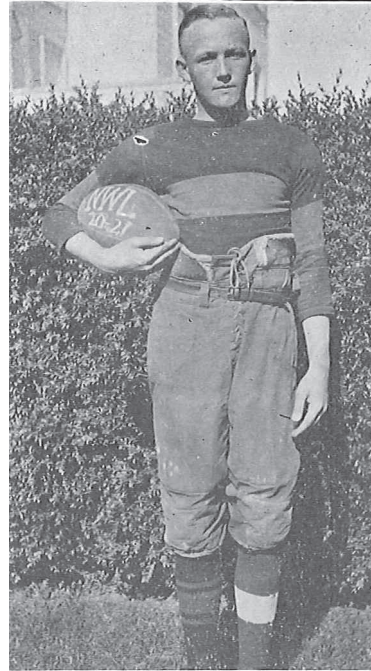


your enthusiasm.

Jim Ward  
President 2012-2014

*Continued from first page* in the Sonoma County wine industry.

**Mike '65** set a SRHS record in the discus throw, played football and basketball in addition to competing on the track team. He earned a white All Star sweater and was elected student body president. He set another discus record at SRJC and went to UC Davis where he competed in track and field. After teaching for a number of years, including a stint at SRHS, and operating a landmark local restaurant, Mike today makes his living in real estate.



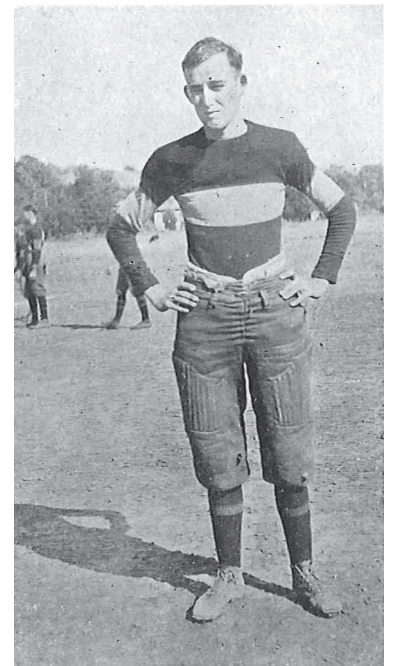
Tom Grace '21  
photo 1921 *Echo*

**Joshua '89** played on the NBL Championship 1987 JV basketball team, was second in the

NBL Finals in the discus and won the discus throw at the All City Meet. He lettered in basketball and track. Josh went to Cal Poly and today works in the wine industry.

**Ben '95** earned letters in track as a sophomore and as a junior, competing in the discus throw. Ben went to Chico State and today is a graphic designer in Santa Rosa.

**Jamie '01** also threw the discus for SRHS and lettered on both the track and soccer teams. She went to UC Davis and to



Frank Grace '23  
photo 1921 *Echo*



graduate school at Yale University.

Another multi-generation sports family to compete at SRHS is the Noonan family. Records here too are sketchy because of--among other reasons--the 1921 fire that destroyed the school. Can another family claim more than 23 Panther athletes?

Early on there was **Henry '92** (That's 1892, the first year of SRHS football.), **William '94** or **'95**, **Patrick '96**, and **Benjamin '99**.

**Leo '11** played quarterback, competed in track and played football afterward at UC Berkeley. He was said to be "one of the fastest and best" players on the SRHS squad. (Interestingly, another Patrick, this one an infant, was the mascot

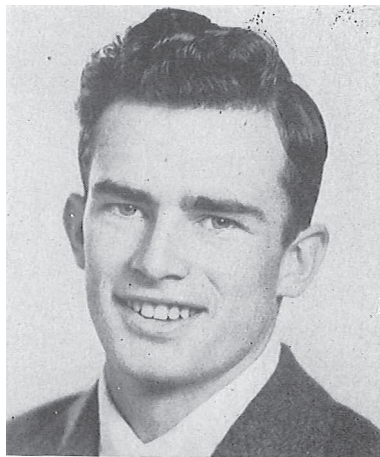


1924 basketball team. Markham Noonan '25, captain, holds the ball.  
photo 1925 *Echo*

of the Class of 1911.)

**Andrew "Grog" '23** competed in football, basketball and track. After high school, he played basketball on an American Legion sponsored team.

**Harry '24** played football and basketball; **Markham '25** was captain of the basketball team in Orb Fortier's first year at SRHS; **John '29** competed in swimming and diving; **Benjamin '34** was on the swim and basketball



Ed Noonan '44  
photo 1944 *Echo*

teams.

**Joe '37** played football, basketball and track. At St. Mary's College he "became a star" in basketball.

**Janice '42** demonstrated her skills in dance as there were no opportunities until Title IX was passed in 1972 for girls to compete in interscholastic athletics.

**Ed '44** played football, basketball and was on the track and golf teams. He earned a number of block letters and an All-Star sweater and was president of the Block S Society. Ed held the NBL shot put record for a



Ginger Noonan  
photo 1957 *Echo*

number of years.

**Bill '49**, another All-Star sweater recipient, competed in basketball, baseball, golf and tennis.

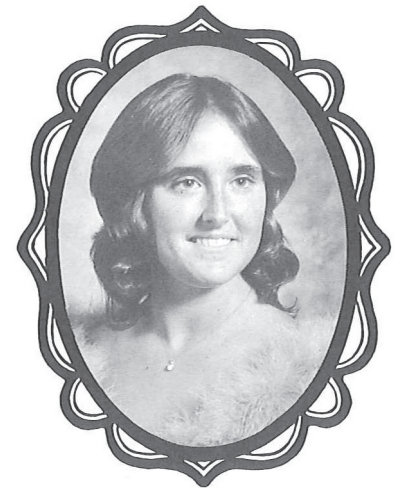
**Nancy '48** was active in GAA and dance; **Gary '55** played basketball; **Mark '70** competed in swimming and the new to SRHS sport of water polo; **Jim '74** was on the football and basketball teams; **Andy '75** played baseball and ran track.

**Ginger '57** found her athletic output in dance and song leading.

**Maridee '76** is especially notable because while on the swim team she was the first female to earn a block letter--made possible

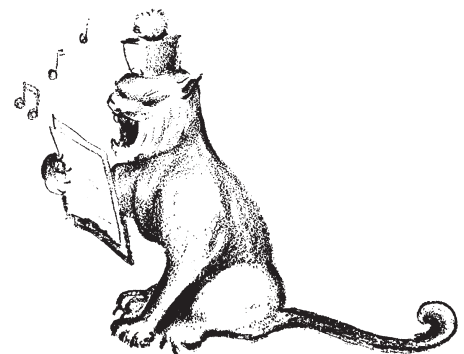
not only because of her ability but because of Title IX, the 1973 federal legislation that equalized athletic funding for both sexes. That letter qualified her to join Block S, a milestone achievement at SRHS.

**Carrie '77** was a swimmer, a cheerleader and competed in gymnastics; **Patrick '82** played basketball and baseball.



Maridee Noonan  
photo 1976 *Echo*

(Quotations above are from the *Echo* and the *Santa Rosan*.)



# Letters to the Editor

Editor:

We thank the Foundation for funding the purchase of Elmo projectors. They caused much excitement when they were delivered.

Upon hooking them up, we found them easy to use and instantly showed our students new and exciting items to help them learn the material we teach.

The Foundation's support means more than it can know.

SRHS Social Science Department

Editor:

On behalf of the social science and health departments, I want to thank the Foundation for its generous donation of newspapers. Our students can now access news, write current event reports, conduct job searches and make economic lessons more applicable.

The teachers in these departments truly appreciate the Foundation's generosity as the computer labs are not always accessible. Having a newspaper in their hands is a rarity as many students do not receive it at home, and some students do not have internet access at home as well.

Terry Swehla  
Social Science Instructor

Editor:

Interesting piece on WW II history in the winter newsletter. I thank author Steve Hart. Here are a couple of sidelights.

Bodega Head, out where the sand dunes were and where the San Andrea fault cuts across was used for WW II airborne target practice. (Remember? They were going to build a nuclear power plant there.) When I was in high school, I could walk out there and find 50 caliber machine gun bullets in the sand.

Off Valley Ford Road there was an installation called Two Rock Army Station. My maps now show it as a Coast Guard Training Facility. It really was a secret radio intercept station disguised as a ranch. It had lots of antennas and most of the operation was underground. It was active when I was a Cub Scout, and I guess it was built in the early 1940s.

I hadn't realized Fred Duey taught naval aviators during the war. My dad, a professor of California History at City College of San Francisco, spent the war teaching aviators how to get out of aircraft downed in the sea. He had been a champion swimmer at UC Berkeley and was Executive Officer at Del Monte Preflight, now the Monterey Naval Postgraduate School. That's how I came to be born in Carmel.

Dad died of cancer right after the war was over, and Lloyd Wood hired my mother as Dean of Girls at SRHS. That's how I came to Santa Rosa.

Bob Parker, 1963

Editor:

Thank you for the wonderful article ("Teachers go to war," winter issue).

In regards to Viet Nam I would like to recognize Dale Davis, Sergeant U.S. Army Infantry, who was killed in action on October 15, 1968 at Kien Hoa, South Viet Nam. I am sure there are more.

Thank you and God bless all the Viet Nam vets who received no thanks or recognition for what they did for this country.

William Pisenti, Jr., 1966  
Sergeant, U.S. Army 1968-71

Editor:

Regarding Robert Ripley's front door, tell Ed Pisenti to talk to Bill Fulwider, '39. Bill told me about the door two Polenta Feeds ago. He said he lived in the Ripley house on Orchard Street and that Ripley drove up in a limousine and purchased the front door. That would have been about 1930.

As an old "Orchard Streetian" from 1931-42, I was always interested in this story. Bill, his dad and brother Bob often walked past our house on their way downtown. Maybe his mother did too, but I never knew her.

Great issue #2. Hey, all of them are! Keep up the good work.

James Miller, 1940

Editor:

I read the reference to Viet Nam classmates in the Foundation newsletter. Sadly, I have another name for you—Charles "Skip/Skipper" Catelli, Class of 1968, who was killed in action in 1970.

Skipper was an only child, and I grieve for his mom who was denied the opportunity to see him mature into the promise of his life and goals, marry a sweetheart and have grandchildren to hug.

In memory of Skipper, I volunteered at the local draft board for "readiness implementation" from 1982-2002. My daughter took my spot after my twenty-year time limit was up.

You may be shaking your head over the reference to "draft board" since the draft has not been in effect for many years. Not to get political, but our young men are still dying on foreign soil.

Roberta "Candy" Rexford Wrzesinski,  
1967

P.S. I really enjoy the connection to SRHS with the Foundation newsletter—many years after my graduation and many miles away in Maryland!

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## 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 alumni.

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- 2.) Establish a Restricted Scholarship Fund with a gift of \$10,000 or more
- 3.) Include a bequest or Planned Gift in your estate plan
- 4.) An Unrestricted Cash Gift of any amount that the Foundation Board will direct to a current need program

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 Trust

The Santa Rosa High School Foundation is organized as a 501c3 non-profit corporation. For further information, please contact SRHS Foundation, P.O. Box 11006 Santa Rosa, CA 95406, e-mail [donations@srhsf.org](mailto:donations@srhsf.org) or call the Pandy Line 707-571-7747

Please always speak with your tax advisor when considering making a charitable contribution.

## NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Article submissions are invited. Limit to 850 words and letters no more than 150 words. All submissions are subject to editing and become the property of the Foundation.

Please submit articles and letters without anchors and in unformatted text. Submissions are also invited to Panther Patter.

Please submit photos and graphics separately from text but do provide identity of subjects and other relevant information.

Submissions can be made through U.S. Postal Service to PO Box 11006, Santa Rosa, CA 96406-1006 or through e-mail to [mdaniels@sonic.net](mailto:mdaniels@sonic.net).

### NEXT DEADLINE:

July 1, 2013 for the  
August, 2013 mailing

### In Memoriam

| In Memoriam              | Instructor |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Vince Whitcomb           |            |
| Jeanne Thurlow Miller    | 1929       |
| Louise DelCarlo Lee      | 1934       |
| Stanly Leete             | 1937       |
| Dale Diekmann            | 1940       |
| Ralph Hayes, Jr          | 1942       |
| Luella Kimmel McClintock | 1943       |
| Frank Crossfield         | 1944       |
| Ernest Thompson          | 1949       |
| James Cotta              | 1952       |
| Ernest Pegg              | 1952       |
| Warren Ahr               | 1953       |
| Donald Smith             | 1957       |
| Sandra Perry Loughan     | 1958       |
| Robert Siptrott          | 1959       |
| Gary Lytel               | 1961       |
| Lisa Neisingh            | 1964       |
| Marta Inong Idica        | 1968       |
| John Daw                 | 1970       |
| Kathlene Johnson Fehrman | 1971       |
| Mark Barton              | 1979       |
| Thomas Harrison          | 1979       |
| Daniel Turner            | 1981       |
| Paul Ronchelli           | 1993       |
| Jonathan Glass           | 1994       |

The good news to share with all of you is that the Foundation continues to grow by welcoming 14 new members and receiving 121 membership renewals since the last newsletter. Contributions and memorial gifts this period total \$2,133. Thanks to all of you who include the Foundation in your gift giving.

The following members and friends contributed additional funds over and above their membership fees:

|  |                                   |                                |
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| Robert Black '60                         | Bill and Joan Mills '49           | Elaine Thompson '58            |
| Merrilyn Cassil '56                      | Kenneth Niles '55                 | Janet Tompkins '49             |
| Sally Weeks Gard '57                     | Cynthia Norman '57                | Jean Tosten '58                |
| Mary Hallock '41                         | Dennis Morgan '67                 | Robert Tuttle '40              |
| Richard Heidebrink '64                   | Johanna Oloughin '64              | Dennis Tyler '53               |
| Margaret Hougén '41                      | Michael Panas Friend              | Herman Velasquez Friend        |
| Brigitta Hunter Friend                   | Allan Pangborn '67                | Ilona Mayer Williams '64       |
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LIFETIME MEMBERS: We welcome new Lifetime Members Bonnie Panizzera '63, Mark Mathewson and Catherine DuBay Friends, Michael Gutzman '71, and Marian Sheppard '63

If you have friends who are interested in joining the Foundation, encourage them to do so by using the form in this newsletter or by going on line at [www.srhsf.org](http://www.srhsf.org) to make contributions and join. Concerns or questions about membership or contributions should be directed to Ilona Mayer Williams '64 at 707 568-4157 or [lwillie888@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lwillie888@sbcglobal.net)

## Memorial & Special Contributions

### *The Gary Alexander Memorial*

Beverly Alexander '45  
Beverly O'Brien '45  
Mary Testorelli '47

### *The Holly L. Arrowood Memorial*

Richard Arrowood '63

### *The Nello Bassignani Memorial*

Joe and Jacky Schalich '46 and '57

### *The Don Bertino Memorial*

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Ray and Kathy Lazzini '48

### *The Doug Campbell Memorial*

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### *The Louis Zamaroni Memorial*

Mary Testorelli '47

### *The Donald Bud Zanolini Memorial*

Jack and Marilyn Swire '53

(Note): If you wish to have your donation acknowledged to the family of the memorial honoree, please include an address for that purpose.

## Letters to the Editor continued

Editor:

Robert Schulze '68 died serving his country in the Viet Nam conflict. He was a year behind me at SRHS. I was manager for varsity football, so I saw him during practice and at games.

He was a lineman and had a good personality, not brash or aggressive. He was pretty typical for most high school kids.

Reports of his death in Viet Nam say non combat injury. No one was ever charged. I won't speculate on what he was doing at the time.

Allan Pangborn, 1967

Editor:

I was very sad to read about the death of my favorite high school teacher, Douglas Campbell. I think I must have been one of his first students in 1947 or 1948 in the journalism class. Helen Gunheim (1950) and I were co-editors of the *Santa Rosan* in 1948-49. We both adored Mr. Campbell for his journalism expertise. He introduced the April Fools spoof edition called the "Rantin' Sosan." It was a big hit with the student body.

I last saw Mr. Campbell at one of our reunions five or six years ago. We never knew he was a war hero in addition to being our hero.

Please extend my condolences to the Campbell family, who are so fortunate to be related to such a fine man and wonderful teacher.

Janet Mosure Tompkins, 1949



## ONE THOUSAND PANTHERS



### *Please join the Parade of Panthers!*

Today's students immediately benefit from the Foundation's tireless efforts to improve SRHS.

Tomorrow's students will recognize the names of the supporters.

Our newest supporters -

Michael '71 & Kim Gutzman

Bill Ruehmann, Retired Mathematics Teacher

Loving Memory of Shirley O'Brien Hutchinson

(an on-going 'pooled' memorial donation - please contact us)

ONE THOUSAND PANTHERS is a fundraising campaign of the Santa Rosa High School Foundation to raise \$1,000,000 in permanent endowment funds that will benefit students and programs at SRHS for years to come. The goal of the campaign encourages 1,000 SRHS alumni, parents, faculty, and other SRHS supporters to contribute \$1,000 or more in support of the endowment fund. Gifts to the Fund are tax deductible as the Foundation is a 501c3 nonprofit corporation. The Tax ID # is 68-0195375. If you have questions, please email [donations@SRHSF.org](mailto:donations@SRHSF.org) or call the Pandy Line at 707.571-7747. Visit the Foundation web site for complete Foundation information: [www.srhsf.org](http://www.srhsf.org)

The ONE THOUSAND PANTHERS Campaign has raised over \$100,000 with 102 donors to date!  
We are committed to our goal!

We accept 'pooled' donations - Enlist your team, class, club or friends to become donors. Call or visit us online [www.srhsf.org](http://www.srhsf.org)

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## The Annual Campaign 2012/13: Direct donor funding to the classroom



The third year of the Annual Campaign has once again been successful in providing funding for enhancing the student educational experience at SRHS. Donors have been quite generous and, in addition to the earnings from our endowment fund and fundraisers, the Foundation Board has been able to direct over \$95,000 for multiple department and program needs.

Recipients included English, Math, Social Science, Science, Fine Art, ArtQuest, Foreign Language, Physical Education, Special Education, Career Technical Education, Administration and Newspaper/Life Skills.

Donors can contribute directly to a department or program by completing the enclosed response card and writing in the department or program of most interest to them. Other donating options are listed on the return card. The Donor Recognition newsletter this summer will list all of our donors and specific grants made for the 2012/13 school year. Thank you in advance for your continued support. For further information, you may contact the Foundation by e-mail at [donations@srhsf.org](mailto:donations@srhsf.org) or phone the Pandy Line at 707-5721-7747.

### Annual dinner scheduled

On May 8 the Druids' Hall in Santa Rosa will once again be the site of the annual dinner to honor the "students of the month" for the academic year 2012-13.

Nominated by their instructors, these students are recognized not only for their academic achievements but, more importantly, for their positive roles in their classrooms. They each have demonstrated true Panther spirit as they set high goals for themselves and were productive, helpful and became positive role models

Each month a group of nominated students are treated to lunch at Chevy's restaurant in Railroad Square and are accompanied by Foundation board members. For some students dining in a restaurant is a rare experience, but they all eat as well as only growing teens can.

At the annual dinner the individual students are again recognized, an occasion made special as they are accompanied by their parents who beam with pride.

This annual year-end event and the monthly luncheon are one of the many ways the Foundation seeks to honor students and to strengthen the positive bonds students have with SRHS. The Foundation is proud to sponsor this valuable program.

## Reunions: Details, Dates and Announcements

Visit the Foundation website for more information: [www.srhsf.org](http://www.srhsf.org) and click on "Reunion Details"

### 1958 Reunion – 55<sup>th</sup>

Grad Night - Fountaingrove Inn

August 16, 2013 5:30 – 10 pm

Tour SRHS campus

August 17 at 10 am

Dinner Oakmont Quail Inn

August 17 5:30 – 10 pm

BBQ Howarth Park

August 18 10 am

Information: [dougpavese@hotmail.com](mailto:dougpavese@hotmail.com)

### 1963 Class Reunion – 50<sup>th</sup>

Grad Night - Villa (appetizers, no host bar)

August 9, 2013 6 pm

Tour SRHS campus

August 10, 10 am

Dinner and Dance - Fountaingrove Inn

August 10 cocktails 5 pm, dinner 6:30

Information: Jean Cleek Howard  
[cleek072611@hotmail.com](mailto:cleek072611@hotmail.com) or 707 525-8021

### 1968 Class Reunion – 45<sup>th</sup>

Grad Night Cattlemen's combined with Piner High School

October 11, 2013 6 – 10 pm, \$12

Dinner/Dance Quail Inn, Oakmont

October 12, 2013 Cocktails 6 pm

Dinner 7 pm, \$45

### 1993 Class Reunion – 20<sup>th</sup>

Hilton Wine Country, Santa Rosa

October 12, 2013

Information: [www.srhs1993reunion.myevent.com/](http://www.srhs1993reunion.myevent.com/)





# Crab Feed revisited

by Jacky Schalich '57 and JoAnn MacDonald '56

Where were you on January 19? Well, 427 graduates, faculty, school board members and friends were at the fourth annual Crab Feed sponsored by the SRHS Foundation.

The Panther cheerleaders greeted the guests, and their energy sparked everyone who came. They entertained on stage and throughout the room. Their silent auction was well received and netted them over \$3,000. The cheerleaders offer their thanks!

Randy Apel, Elmo Rossi and Jim Uboldi prepared the dinner that included ceviche, clam chowder, Caesar salad and all the crab you could eat, followed by a chocolate mousse for dessert. SRHS students were the servers.

The evening concluded with a live auction of three-liters of zinfandel from Michael David Winery, a St. Francis Winery food and wine pairing and a Seghesio Family Vineyards food and wine pairing. Also auctioned were two tickets to the Santa Rosa Symphony at Sonoma State's Weill Hall and dinner at Trattoria Due Amica, donated by Mel and Karen Petersen, who also donated a case of Peterson wine. Katie Bartlett donated a bottle of Twomey Cellars wine; Tom and Ruth Lincoln donated a Beechcraft

airplane flight to Half Moon Bay; and John Meislahn donated a weekend stay at Sea Ranch. The auction ended with two abalone dinners donated by Andy Brennan, Randy Apel and the Foundation. The auction raised \$20,798 that will support SRHS academic, arts and sports programs.

Thank yous are extended to Lagunitas Brewing Company,

Franco American Bakery, Doug Pavese, Mike and Katie Barlett of Michael David Winery, Jeff Bertoli of Tre Amici Winery, Lee Miller for Evolve and Field Stone wines, Sylvia Strong and Clarence Younger, Todd and Mary Beseda, Marvin and Karren Reyburn for Geyser Peak Wine, Jim and Anita Forchini of Forchini Winery, Melinda and Marilyn Murray of Peterson Wine and Korbel Champagne Cellars.

The SRHS Foundation works really well as a team. This large fundraiser required lots of time and the many talents of board members and the membership for its success. Special thanks are due the Crab Feed committee, whose efforts were tireless.



## Panther Project Fund Grants 2012-13 Academic Year January - March

|                                    |                    |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| ArtQuest – iMac computers          | \$5,700.00         |
| Social Science – newspapers        | 140.00             |
| Dance – costumes                   | 600.00             |
| Counseling – Elmo projector        | 564.00             |
| Science – field trip               | 556.22             |
| Department grants -- \$500 each    | 7,000.00           |
| Mathematics – calculators          | 553.07             |
| Mathematics – graphing calculators | 1,054.77           |
| Mathematics – Math Fair            | 2,217.00           |
| Track – equipment                  | 3,211.00           |
| English – Intolerance Program      | 650.00             |
| English – wireless access points   | 3,298.70           |
| Ceramics – shed                    | 1,081.42           |
| Video Arts – camera                | 1,000.00           |
| Photography – Elmo projector       | 611.94             |
| Yearbook/Journalism – convention   | 2,998.00           |
| Autoshop – software                | 1,060.00           |
| Administration – marquee sign      | 5,000.00           |
| Project Grad                       | 2,000.00           |
| Science – field trip               | 332.06             |
| Vocational Ed – competition        | 1,500.00           |
| Visual Arts – glasses              | 212.00             |
| Music – English horn               | 2,000.00           |
| National History Day – competition | 2,500.00           |
| Nevers Field logo                  | 5,000.00           |
| <b>Total</b>                       | <b>\$50,840.18</b> |
| <b>Year to Date</b>                | <b>\$91,840.18</b> |



# SANTA ROSA HIGH SCHOOL FOUNDATION 18th ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT



## SAVE THE DATE

Friday, September 13, 2013  
Oakmont West Golf Course  
Check-In begins at 11:15 am  
Shotgun start 12:45 pm



- Golf Cart, Range Balls, Lunch with Drinks
- 18 Holes of Golf - 4 Person Scramble (Men's, Women's & Co-ed Flights)
- Dinner and Auction Following in the Quail Inn, Guests Welcome

Tee Prizes \* Raffle Prizes \* Silent/Live Auction

- Top Foursome Awards – Men's, Women's and Co-ed Flights
- Longest Drive - Men, Women and Seniors (65 and over)
  - Closest to Pin - Men and Women
- Free Putting Contest – 11:30 am to 12:30 pm

For a registration form or information about sponsoring opportunities:  
Call the Pandey Line at 707-571-7747 or e-mail [golf@srhsf.org](mailto:golf@srhsf.org)  
You may also visit the SRHS Foundation website at [www.srhsf.org](http://www.srhsf.org)  
All proceeds benefit SRHS sports and academic programs

## Foundation celebrates 25 years

In 1988, eight SRHS alumni brought their common desire to support SRHS to a meeting intended to explore methods by which to accomplish that desire. The result of that meeting and several more became the SRHS Foundation, a successful and emulated model of what a public school support organization could be.

The growth of the Foundation over its 25 years is both remarkable and enviable. With a constant membership of around 1,300 alumni, parents and supporters of SRHS, the Foundation is administered by 23 volunteer, unpaid directors, four of whom have

been with the organization since the beginning.

Over the years, the Foundation has found a huge number of ways to enhance the high school experience for SRHS students. It has granted a total that is fast approaching \$2 M to administration, faculty, staff and students for educational projects and campus improvements. The money results from membership dues, fundraising activities and donations.

The Foundation currently is pursuing the development of a project that will result in a \$1M endowment, the earnings of which will financially benefit SRHS in perpetuity.

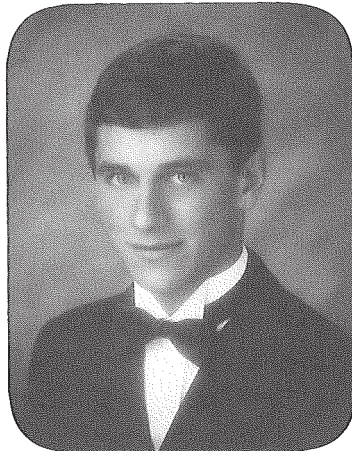
The partnership between the Foundation and SRHS is unique among public schools, one that sets a standard difficult to match. It is a reflection of the pride and dedication of SRHS alumni, parents and the community.





by Pandya

In museum news, the award-winning SRHS History Club borrowed artifacts and photos to build a display in the entrance to the main building. You may remember that the club last year competed at the national level in Washington, D.C. after winning county and state History Day honors . . . In a museum donation, **Nadine Wiggins Smedshammer '59** gave a photo of the graduating class of '53 that includes sister **Delores**. The soon-to-be alums are proudly posed in caps and gowns on the outdoor stage . . .



Kent Pearson  
photo 1987 *Echo*

Another museum donation came from **Carol Anderson Grimes '52**, who gave a smattering of *Santa Rosans* from 1949-51 and some football game and drama production programs—all much appreciated . . . The Class of 1960 for years celebrated its reunion with the Montgomery High '60 class. **Jeanie Dahlgren Benefield**, who spent the last two years of her high school career at the eastern campus location, donated some memorabilia to the museum that included a book about the combined 45<sup>th</sup> reunion, newspapers and football programs . . . In February **Lynda Trombetta Angell '59** was named 2013 president

of the Historic Railroad Square Association in Santa Rosa . . . . Riding the wave of technological innovation, **Kent Pearson '87** and wife **Melanie Freeland Pearson '90** have successfully developed and marketed swim masks, ski goggles and other such items that each embeds a tiny camera between the eyes of the wearer of those items. Called Point of View, or POV, the cameras allow people to film such activities as skiing or surfing or snorkeling as they see it. Pretty cool! The Pearsons' company, Liquid Image, is headquartered in Santa Rosa at 5610 Skylane Blvd. You can get more info at [www.liquidimageco.com](http://www.liquidimageco.com)... **Kent Pearson Sr. '59**, a retired physician, is rightfully darned

proud of those two . . . . A number of retired SRHS instructors who treasure their tenures at SRHS attended the recent Foundation Crab Feed. They included **Jack Rackerby**, science (a '50 alum); **Pat Gallagher**, art; **Ralph Peters**, math; **Ken Boyrie**, wood shop; **Roger Stone**, science; **Bill Reuhmann**, math; and **Jim Tonna**, English as a Second Language . . . Did you miss the March performance at the Weill Hall on the Sonoma State campus with percussionist **Paul Dooley '03**? Paul performed with the SSU Symphonic Wind Ensemble. He's completing his doctorate at the U. of Michigan and has won awards for compositions that include "Point Blank," which was the featured composition at a national conference of college band directors . . . Congratulations are in order for **Robin Swinth '85**, who was appointed in late January to

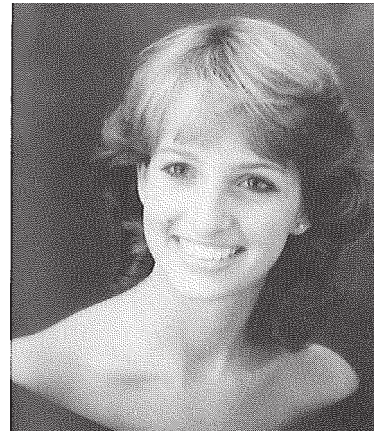
the Santa Rosa City Council to fill the term of a departing council member. Robin earlier served on the Planning Commission and the Board of Public Utilities . . . **Hannah Sourek '12** is a starter on the Sonoma State University women's basketball team. Coach



Melanie Freeland Pearson  
photo 1990 *Echo*

Mark Rigby said, "Her play was the bright spot for us" . . . **Nicholas Gray '89**, after serving in the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Kidd, now lives in Osceola Mills, PA with his wife Amy and five sons. Nick now works for

Veolia Environmental Service . . . In a twist of sad irony, **Herman Schulze '58** has distinct memories of communicating with the family of **Robert Schulze '68** as their mailman. Robert, who died serving his country in Viet Nam, and Herm are not related, but Herm remembers when he delivered the terrible news to the family. . . In a gesture of wonderful sweetness, **Donna Dennes Peterson '67** and



Robin Swinth  
photo 1985 *Echo*

her twin sister **Diane Dennes Keegan '67** took their mother, **Peggy Leiser '41**, to Hawaii for her 91<sup>st</sup> birthday... **Justin Eggert '02**, an acclaimed master of Wushu, donates time teaching how its movements

communicate meaning to the Mandarin classes offered at Monty High School. Eggert has earned national and international recognition as a Sifu, or master of Wushu, and he operates the Wushu Academy in S.R.



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