



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.

Editor's parting words

by Mike Daniels '59

Time to throw in the editorial towel. I've been involved with the SRHS Foundation and its newsletter from the very beginning. One afternoon in the spring of 1988, Mike Grace and Rick Call and six other SRHS alumni met in the offices of SRHS parent Alan Milner to discuss support for SRHS. In addition to Grace and Call, the eight included Kathy Daniels Grace, Bev Dixon Swan, Doug Bower, Doug Pavese, Donna Dennes Peterson and me.

Once the Foundation became a reality, the task of attracting membership was tackled. The idea of a newsletter to communicate with membership emerged, and I volunteered (was I drafted?) to create it. Today, over 26 years later, the Foundation is known around the country and is the envy of other high schools. Its newsletter is a vital part of building that success. I'm very proud to have been a part of both. And so, this edition is my last one.

In writing about SRHS history through the years, I've learned about many stellar graduates and where



Pandy cartoon art by
Doug Bundock '46
1957 *Echo*

many of the high school's skeletons are buried. I have exposed some but others I know are better left buried. Best of all, I've learned that SRHS has truly a storied and distinguished past.

Because my family, like so many others, has deep roots at SRHS—my parents, my siblings, cousins, aunts, uncles, the inlaws and the outlaws all are Panthers--and because I had the good fortune to teach English there for many years, the motivation to dig into SRHS history naturally emerged. While in graduate school I saw how professors inspired their students to research topics for them, so I did the same with mine. In the mid-80s I taught how to write the term paper by using SRHS history.

My students uncovered lots of material that I used in newsletter articles, including the riot in the streets of Petaluma after a 1943 SRHS football victory and the strike of 1942 when students refused to attend class one afternoon in support of a first-year teacher who faced dismissal because she said she was unmarried when in fact she was. (Female teachers could not be married until they earned tenure back then.) Mary Frances McKinney Treewitt passed away in 1983. I missed talking to her by just a couple of years.

But others I didn't miss. One important one was Douglas Campbell, who taught English and *Continued on page 3*

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President's Message

Welcome to the New Year as we march into the spring of 2015.



The first thing on your mind may be the absence of the annual crab feed. What happened? Well, the board, after much discussion, decided it is time for a breather from activities. (Also the assurance of enough available crab was always iffy.) But you can count on the annual golf tournament and the annual polenta feed to continue. Stay tuned as the board is very ambitious, and you'll hopefully see another event formulate.

Regarding events, the Foundation golf tournament back in September was the best yet! Doug Pavese and Sue Bolt and the committee were again outstanding in organization and operation. Over \$22,000 was netted, an amount that will directly benefit SRHS and its students.

The Panther Project Fund (PPF) granted requests from faculty in every department, student organizations and the administration. Those grants paid for field trips, equipment and supplies, educational materials, uniforms, activities and publications. Your contributions and those to One Thousand Panthers (OTP) and earnings from the endowment fund totaled over \$52,000 through the first month of 2015. I envision that this year will be the most successful ever in raising funds and granting requests.

This edition of the newsletter is the last one Mike Daniels will edit and write. He is shifting his energies to otherwise benefit the community. He helped create the SRHS Foundation and now volunteers in the SRHS library and at the Welcome Center in Railroad Square, and he serves on the board of directors of the new Historical Society of Santa Rosa (HSSR) and edits that newsletter. Mike will continue to conduct campus tours and spearhead the annual Author's Night presentation in the auditorium and, we hope, contribute an occasional article for us.

The Foundation will miss Mike's commitment to producing an outstanding newsletter, but it is fortunate that board member Hillary Wooton will chair the newsletter committee and will continue the excellent and informative publication. Hillary, a former English teacher herself, was in Mike's English class her senior year of 1985.

New board members: Mark Walsvick '74 will bring his expertise as a financial advisor and tax service to the finance committee. Richard (Dick) Owens '72 will provide his management experience gained from serving on

various non-profit boards. Sue Burch, a parent and friend of SRHS, served recently as president of Student-Teacher-Parent (STP). Her leadership with that organization created the very successful 140th SRHS birthday celebration last year. The Foundation is very honored to have such talented individuals serve on its board of directors.

The board recently lost retired member Pat Ogden Myers '52. Pat was an avid supporter of SRHS and lived with the spirit of Once a Panther, Always a Panther. She was the consummate cheerleader. I feel so privileged to have known and served with Pat in community activities. I extend my personal condolences to Pat's husband, Duane, and her family as she will be missed but never forgotten. I will always remember her warm smile.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the Polenta Feed in April, the greatest All-Class Reunion in Sonoma County.

Jim Ward
President 2012-2016



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• Annual Polenta Feed date set •

• by Donna Peterson '67 •

• It's almost time again for the Annual SRHS •
• Foundation Polenta Feed, to be held on Friday, April •
• 24 at the Santa Rosa Vets' Building. The social hour •
• begins at 5:30 pm with dinner at 7:00 pm. Tickets •
• are \$35.00 per person. •

• Tickets go on sale beginning February 1 and are •
• available for Foundation members only until March •
• 15. After March 15 tickets will be available to all •
• supporters of SRHS. Order tickets by calling the •
• Pandy Line at 571-7747. Leave your name and •
• phone number and your call will be returned by the •
• following day. Tickets sell quickly, so mark your •
• calendar now to make that call after February 1. •

• Join the fun with other SRHS alumni of all ages... •
• you won't want to miss this fantastic event! •

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High before moving to the district office. Doug was witty, insightful and many times enjoyed sharing the educational lore of SRHS and the school district.

George Alves, Class of 1941, also comes to mind. In our talks I learned much about how really small Santa Rosa was in his youth. He grew up in the Ripley Street area and remembered the open area for play that now is filled by Highway 101. In a very touching note, he recently rekindled a friendship with Barbara Bassett Duncan, a former classmate, after attending a class reunion. (Reunions have been known to spark such connections.) I learned that Barbara was a close high school friend of one of my aunts.

Irene Waters Maxwell was a joy to interview. Her infectious nature and recollection of events small and large were invaluable. Irene was a freshman the year of the 1921 fire that destroyed the school, and she lived just blocks away. She slept through what must have been lots of commotion. She was a member of the first class to graduate from Mendocino Avenue, 1925. If ever there was a loyal Panther, it was she.

Ray Clar, a senior the year of the fire, was another significant resource. He rode the train back and forth from his home in Guerneville and in lengthy letters contributed much information. He became State Forester for California.

I feel as though I know well some of the long-ago giants of the faculty—Frances O’Meara, Lucy Spaulding, “Genial” Jim Underhill, Wes Jamison, Orb Fortier, Bill Larkin, Joe Walter and so many others.

I did get to know well some of the latter day giants—Eugene “Coacher” DeSoto, George Vine, Barbara Noel, Emmitt O’Neill, Elmer Brown and so many others.

And pranks! Some I learned may or may not have actually happened and some, if they took place today, would result in the perpetrators being tossed in the clink or something worse. Societal norms have changed perspective as to what’s accepted today. And memory can be selective and cause events to grow in significance.

At any rate, I learned, for instance, how the kidnapping of the 1925 senior bench in front of the campus auditorium by the junior class ultimately evolved into the lower-key annual class competition Junior-Senior Brawl.

Long ago, the sports rivalry that counted in Northern California was SRHS vs. Petaluma High. The annual football game was known as the “Big Game.” Some misguided pranks of the time resulted in vandalism that fueled the rivalry to the point that some revenge was considered necessary. An example is the destruction in 1938 of the huge promotional paper-mache chicken that

sat at the southern entrance to Petaluma. SRHS students were said to have been the dynamiters, and the act may have motivated the Trojans to etch the initials “PHS” in the front lawn on Mendocino Avenue.

Cooler heads ultimately tempered the rivalry and more peaceful pranks resulted. The “kidnapping” and holding for ransom of the schools’ respective student body presidents prior to the football game in the early 1950s is one.

In a heart-felt desire to heal scars and painful memories, the board of education attempted to locate and honor the 26 SRHS students of Japanese descent who were interned in camps during World War II and therefore prevented from graduation. Foundation member Ann Pugh headed the effort, and I was fortunate to assist. Honorary diplomas were awarded during the 123rd commencement exercise in 2006.

It’s appropriate that I now unmask a regular contributor to the pages of the newsletter. Rick Blaine has written 18 “Remember When” articles. Often, a member of the year Rick discussed wrote to praise his recall of events but expressed dismay at not remembering Rick. That’s because there is no Rick Blaine.

Former Foundation director Bob Dale came up with the “Remember When” idea. He thought it would be fun and important to write nostalgic copy about a specific year and to write under a pseudonym. Bob’s first article, written in 1998 under Rick Blaine’s name, was about his senior year, 1958. The articles became very popular. When Bob retired as Superior Court Judge and as a Foundation director, I assumed Rick’s identity. I immensely enjoyed the research and the writing.

Whence the name “Rick Blaine?” The origin is a large part of the joy. Rick is the Humphrey Bogart character in everyone’s favorite film, “Casablanca.”

It’s been great fun for Bob and me to keep the secret. When we decided to share it with readers, Bob said, “It’s time to let Rick out of the shadows. Let our alumni know that Rick and ‘Remember When’ will fade into the past—with our thanks.”

And now it’s time for me to offer my own thanks and appreciation to the SRHS Foundation members, loyal readers and contributors over the years to a publication I consider pretty darned good.

It’s also time for me to offer a boatload of gratitude and thanks to Alicia Hodenfield, a 1985 alumna, whose admirable abilities have created the excellent visual quality of every issue for many years.



Small Change Helps for a Change

by Penny Hastings '59

On the last day of the 2014 fall semester, retired SRHS English teacher Mike Daniels was invited by Art Horner, SRHS Social Science teacher, to a special event dear to Daniels' heart...filling dozens of grocery baskets with food for the hungry and delivering it, along with the help of SRHS student volunteers, to the Redwood Empire Food Bank.

It all started 26 years earlier, when Daniels noticed that some students habitually lost or even tossed their small change on the ground. So he brought a quart jar

Instructors Terri Swehla and Dave Franzmen threw in their support in 1996 and 2010 respectively, while Daniels retired from SRHS in 2005. "What Mike started has now become a tradition," said Horner.

"This past year we spent about \$900, including a donation from G and G, which always kicks in some cash (plus cookies and juice for the kids!) said Horner. "Connie Petersen at G & G is our contact, and is always helpful and encouraging. We usually shop with about 20-25 kids."

Connie gives them a lesson in what kinds of foods the Food Bank needs and how to find bargains. Then the kids do the shopping, making the decisions about what to buy. "It's quite a sight in the supermarket the day we shop," said Horner.

A special time was when Chris Smith mentioned in his Press Democrat column that the Small Change kids were going to G & G, and a stranger showed up with a matching check for about \$1000.

While the less fortunate benefit from this unique teaching, so do the students. They learn about simple math, about counting and rolling change and caring for others, and that it takes effort by everyone to help the community. While a solid tally has not been kept, Daniels estimates that at least \$1,000 a year has been collected since 1988. Multiply that by 26 years, and you are looking at a conservative estimate of \$26,000 dollars in food for hungry people on just a pocketful of change.



SRHS students, G & G personnel and SRHS staff line up the boxes of food

to his room on the second floor of the main building and invited the students in his classes to empty their pockets. "I thought it was a good idea to expose kids to the idea of helping others, even in a small way."

"Let's see how much we can raise before the holiday break," he challenged them. Each day students put in their spare change. When the jar filled up, Daniels would stop teaching and the students counted and wrapped coins. When there were enough, he went to the bank and exchanged coins for a \$100 bill, then passed it around in his classes for the kids to see what they had accomplished. Then, the empty jar would start filling up again. And on the first day of Christmas break, Daniels, a few parents and students would shop for food and take it to the Food Bank.

Social science teacher Art Horner became part of the coin drive in 1994, when he joined the SRHS faculty.



Have you included the Foundation in your estate plan?

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
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- Cash
- Publicly traded securities
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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.

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March 1, 2015 for the
April, 2015 mailing

In Memoriam

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Renata Chiapello Jordan	1937
Dino Grossi	1941
Fred Pedersen, Jr.	1941
Lewis Sprague	1941
Thomas Farrell	1944
Leo O'Sullivan	1944
Marie Gebhart Wallace	1946
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Anthony Camozzi	1952
Walter Dolgireff	1952
Patricia Ogden Myers	1952
Betty Deghi DiBez	1953
John Brodnansky	1956
Karen Onsrud Camilli	1959
Raymond Eliggi	1959
John Fountain	1959
George LaFranconi	1967
Michael Piloni	1968
Kathleen Shimmin Chosa	1971

The good news to share with all of you is that the Foundation continues to grow by welcoming 31 new members and receiving 153 membership renewals. Contributions and memorial gifts this period are \$13,564. 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:

Authors Night	Doug Erker '69	Norma Rettinhouse '55
Class of 1959	James Francis '57	Gwen Stebbings Rigby '64
Class of 1974	Kim and Brian Glynn, parents	M. Candace Roney '66
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Norma Costalin '49	Stephen Olsen '61	Dennis Yaeger '61
Sylvia Cullivan '54	Ann Hutchinson Porrino '61	
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LIFETIME MEMBERS: We welcome new Lifetime Members: Janet Koby '62, Justin Toby 2017, Celestino Fernandez '68, Lisa Klerman '84

If you have friends who are interested in joining the Foundation, encourage them to do so by using the form available in this newsletter or by going on-line at www.srhsf.org to make their contributions and join. Any concerns or questions about membership or contributions, should be directed to Ilona Mayer Williams '64 at 707-568-4157 or LWILLIE888@SBCGLOBAL.NET

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Art Valencia '59

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The Berta Wiggins Scholarship

Oren and Nadine Smedshammer '59

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"Many people will walk in and out of your life, but only true friends will leave footprints in your heart."

-- Eleanor Roosevelt



Santa Rosa High School Foundation
ONE THOUSAND PANTHERS

**A Development Committee Campaign
An Unrestricted Endowment Fund**



We are into our 5th year, keeping our eye on the goal. Have you joined in our Parade? Our year-end campaign added 30 new Panthers.

Our campaign continues to add unrestricted capital to the SRHSF Endowment Fund by promoting donations to reach a goal of \$1 million. The campaign began in 2011 and will continue until the goal is met.

The earnings on these unrestricted funds will ensure an ongoing annual means of providing financial resources for SRHS student academic and athletic enhancement programs. The Foundation's Board of Directors approves funding requests made by students, faculty or administrators through a monthly grant process.

Donations can be made with cash, checks, and credit cards from individuals and groups (pooled) or employer matching funds and can include pledges over 2, 4, and 5 years. Marketable stocks and IRA distributions directed to the Foundation are another choice. In addition, you can join a fund as an individual. Just designate that you want your donation to join the ONE THOUSAND PANTHERS Pandy Fund.

We appreciate any donation as we reach for our goal!

Ann Hutchinson Porrino, OTP Chair



**Thank you - ONE THOUSAND PANTHERS
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Wright Currie 1958

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The Class of 1949

The Class of 1964

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John Nacol, Kenneth Niles 1955, Lois Tipton 1955 &
Charles 1953 Read

* Denotes multiple donations

Ed Note: **George Alves '41** rummaged through a box of collectanea and found the following note about his brother **Robert Alves '39**. An excellent artist, Robert contributed much of the artwork in the 1939 *Echo*.

TO: Santa Rosa Alumni Association
FROM: Dennis Kuba, Class of 1964
RE: Art work of Bob Alves, Class of 1939
DATE: October 29, 2001



Dennis Kuba
1964 *Echo*

talent and friendship.

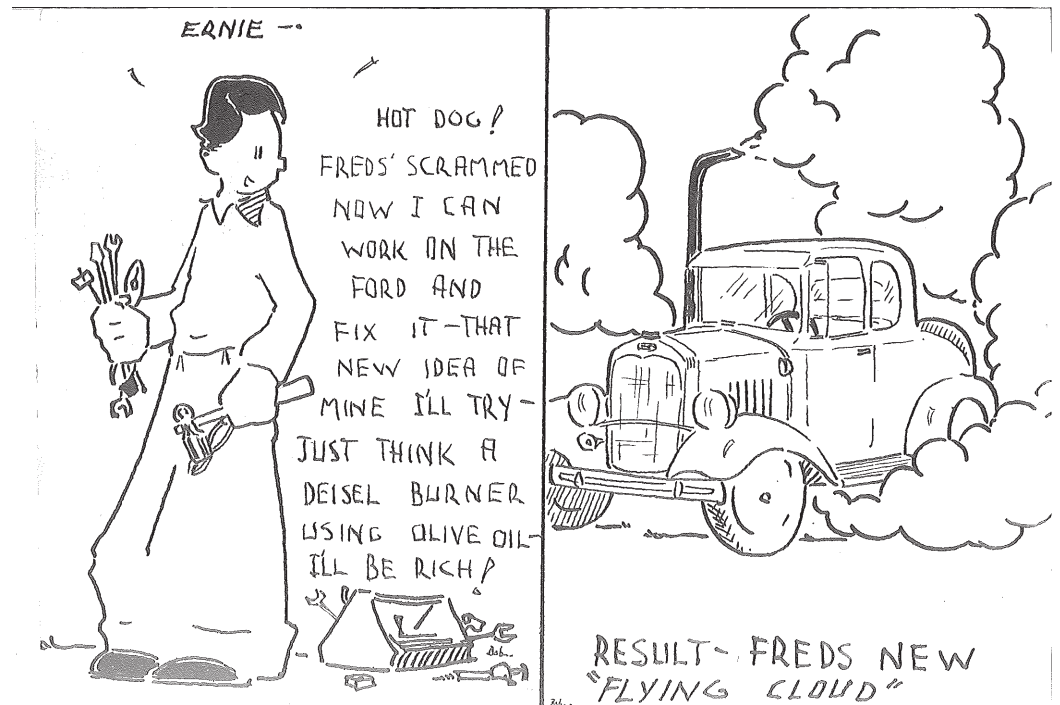


Robert Alves
1939 *Echo*

At the recent Homecoming festivities, my father, Ernie Kuba, Class of 1938, noticed on the 1938 poster a drawing by Bob Alves for the *Echo*. In among the photos and other memorabilia my father saved from his army service during World War II is a card drawn by Bob, a friend and neighbor. Bob realized my father's penchant for working on automobiles, which was his life's work after the war. This card relates to my father's work on a car belonging to his brother Fred Kuba, Class of 1935. The Foundation Archives has requested this card, and my father is pleased to make the contribution.

While my father and Bob Alves served with distinction in the war, Bob did not return. He was commissioned as a pilot in the United States Army Air Force and flew B-25 bombers in the Pacific Campaign. While on a mission, he was killed in action.

Thus the drawings in the *Echo* and this card are what remains as evidence of his wit,



The "Flying Cloud" cartoon by
Robert Alves

Ever wonder what's going on at the SRHS campus? Ever wonder how life there differs from your time in school? You can find out by subscribing to the Santa Rosan, the SRHS student written and produced newspaper, on campus since the first issue hit the stands in 1925. The newspaper today is 100% student funded, so your subscription will help keep this important publication in business. Advertising space is also available for your personal or business message.



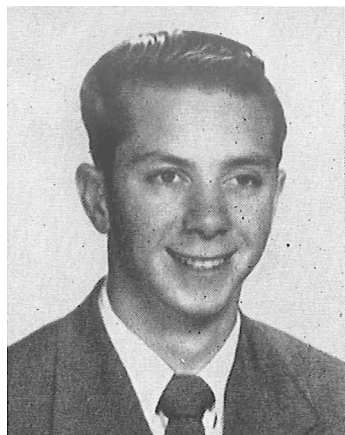
The writing is first rate, well edited, and covers a variety of topics important to the student body—from campus events and athletics to local and larger issues. The students have something to say and they say it well.

More information is available at santarosan@gmail.com.

Ed. Note: The following memory is by Victor Hawkins, son of long-time math teacher Sy Hawkins. Victor attended Lewis School, SR Junior High and SRHS. He served in the Marines, went to Chico State College and earned his DDS from UCSF Dental School. Today, he still practices dentistry and lives in Sacramento.

Sylvester Hawkins, SRHS math instructor 1943-1973

By Victor Hawkins, '53



Victor Hawkins
1953 Echo

My dad always went by Sy or Vester, and when he needed a middle name, he signed S.V. Hawkins. Born in a log cabin in 1911 near Sulphur, Oklahoma, he milked the family's 12 cows twice daily in addition to other chores on the farm.

After graduating from high school in 1932, he earned his BS at East Central State College in 1935. He taught high school science and

math for two years, then served as an elementary school principal for four. He earned his MA at the University of Oklahoma in 1940.

While visiting my mom's family in Oakland, Dad applied for a California teaching credential, received it and in 1941 he accepted a job teaching math, science and surveying at Orland High School, north of Sacramento. When the war broke out, we worried that Dad would have to go into the military, but he was exempted.

Dad received an offer to teach math at Santa Rosa High School in 1943. Santa Rosa was closer to Oakland and family, so Dad took the offer. We bought a house on Carr Avenue, as no rentals were available. The house was small, but the four of us—Dad, Mom, my sister Martha, and me—managed to squeeze in. The back yard was big enough to grow a "Victory" garden and keep chicken and rabbits. This was important as the government rationed most staples, and we had little discretionary cash.

Early on at SRHS, Dad signed up for a night school class in wood working taught by shop teacher Bill Larkin. I went with Dad to the shop on Saturdays, helping to hold things and sanding the wood. We made all the bedroom furniture and the living room tables. They were so

well made and beautiful that Mom and Dad used them throughout their lives.

Mom and Dad were religious and joined the First Methodist Church. Several teachers also belonged to that church, including principal Fred Duey and vice principal Wilfred Rankin. The family regularly attended Sunday services, and Dad served the church in a number of positions.

Besides teaching, building and volunteering, Dad found the time to serve as assistant coach for the Panther basketball team. He loved the game and had played in high school and college. I was able to ride the rooter buses to out of town games, and I have very fond memories of those times.

I remember Dad's love for teaching. Reputed to be a strict disciplinarian, he was always fair with his students, quick to praise and compassionate when correcting behavior. If a student was having difficulties, Dad offered to stay after school to help and to counsel. He also met many times with students at home in the evening. He loved making a positive difference in students, his help always coming from his heart. Asked a number of times to become an administrator, Dad always said no because he wanted to teach.



Sylvester Hawkins
1953 Echo

From 1949 to 1951, Dad and I built our first house. We did everything—foundation, framing, electrical, plumbing, etc. I helped him build two more before I joined the Marines in 1954. In all, Dad built seven houses. He passed away in 1996.



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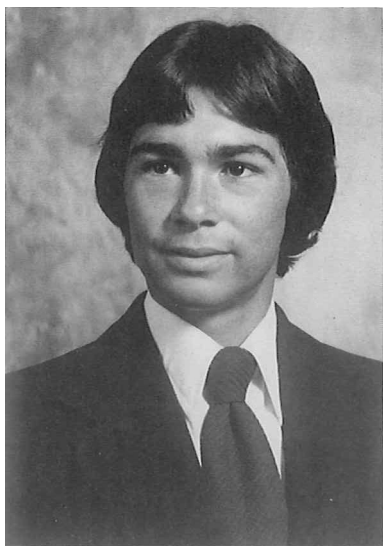
The SRHS girls' tennis team last season captured its first NBL league title in 20 years. The squad concluded league play with an enviable 12-2 record. Six seniors led the team: **Lindsay Bribiescas** (daughter of former Panther soccer coach and current Foundation board member **Dan Bribiescas '87**), **Caroline Chu**, **Haley Lyons**, **Chloe Maybrun**, **Laurel Ockenden** and **Cat Padilla-Schoop**. The girls have been friends since they were students at Hidden Valley Elementary School—true Panther pals, you might say . . . More accolades for the Bribiescas clan: **John Bribiescas '66**, retired SRHS English instructor, recently received the Charles DeMeo Spirit of Community Award and the 2014 American Red Cross Real Heroes Award for Education . . . Donations: **Sheri O'Hara Watton '64** gave a Pantherette uniform that will find its way onto the mannequin in the campus museum. What's a

Pantherette, you ask? During the height of the precision marching craze of the late 50s and early 60s, SRHS fielded an all-girls squad that admirably performed in parades and at football games . . . **Gary Vice '58**, a stellar athlete during his SRHS days, donated his white Block S sweater. White sweaters were awarded to Panther athletes who earned three varsity block letters, and Gary's is notable because he earned his three while a sophomore and then piled more letters on in his junior and senior years . . . **Ed Caughey '60** donated a discipline paddle used by long-time ag teacher and SRHS alum **Wes Jamison '26**. Ed reported that while corporal punishment (padding) was banned in the early 1950s, Jamison eluded that ban by having transgressors swat each other. If two students were talking during class, for example, they would be ordered to get the paddle and swat each other. Because the ag classes in those days were 100% male, it's easy to imagine the energy that filled the room. In a side note, eight females in 1959--in a ploy to remain at SRHS and not be forced

to attend the new Montgomery High, which didn't offer ag--decided they wanted agriculture classes. As a result, school superintendent Mitchell Soso told Jamison to teach the all-female section. It's not known what discipline difficulties he faced, but he did turn the class over to another teacher after one semester . . . **Bill Anton '88** was named Principal of the Year for the entire state of Vermont. Among his accomplishments, he expanded the early childhood education program to include three-year-olds and initiated the first International Baccalaureate primary school program in Vermont primary schools. He is principal of Dover Elementary School.



Ed Caughey
1960 Echo



Dan Bribiescas
1977 Echo

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