



Tiger Tales

Terra Nova High School
Class of 1965

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Well hello everyone! Believe it or not, I am sending another newsletter. I can't believe it's been 7 months since I last sent one out. I've just had some things on my plate that were more important at the time. The first thing was that I was in a play in January, "Marvin's Room," which I've already told you about. It was a fun experience and seems like yesterday. After that I had lots of work to do in my position as President of the Orinda Woman's Club. I was quite happy to hand off the gavel to someone else in May. It's a great club—many wonderful women and many opportunities to do meaningful things and raise funds for deserving organizations, as well as to have fun. More important than those things, my stepmother was dying of liver cancer and I wanted to spend time with her. I'm so glad I did that because she took a sudden turn for the worse and passed away in June. On a bright note, a week later we attended our son Ben's graduation from UC Santa Barbara which was truly wonderful, and a week later we had a big celebration for him at our home in Orinda. And last, but not least, one week later we had our TN class picnic which was such a treat. Anyway, I'm back and glad to be able to get this newsletter to you.

THE CLASS PICNIC, JUNE 28, '03

I hope I'm speaking accurately when I say that I think the picnic was enjoyed by all who attended. It was extremely foggy at the coast, but at the back of the valley in Linda Mar we couldn't have had more beautiful weather. The **Lencis, Fasslers, and Barnharts** arrived about 10:30 to cover the tables and others arrived in a steady stream from 11:00 a.m. on. We all ate lunch and sat and talked all day. As usual when you're having fun, the time went all too fast and 5:00 p.m. arrived in no time. Unfortunately, no one remembered to take a group picture until after a number of people had already left, but we decided to do it anyway. The same thing happened the year before. Please, next year someone knock me on the head and remind me to organize a group shot when most people are there. At the end, about ten of us who were left decided to have dinner together, and we gathered at the Moonraker in Rockaway Beach for a good meal and continued chatter. When dinner was over, most people left, but Paul and I and Sharon Day Rathbun went to Nick's for a nightcap and to listen to a really fun band that was playing. So it was a long, but treasured day. I am sorry that not everyone can attend every year, but am very pleased that so many do.

There were several people who have never been to a class reunion or picnic since graduation, including: **Mark Stephens** who attended with his incredibly wonderful new wife Judi, **Bunny (Roma Lee Clinton) Gleason** who came all the way from Indiana and attended with her dear TN friend **Gaye (Lois Picillo)**

Alander, who came with her husband and granddaughter. It was so great to share see you all again and share time with you.

Others who haven't attended a class function for a long while were **Tom Turner**, who attended with his wife Bonnie, and **Suzan (Christensen) Getchell-Wallace**, who attended with her husband, and **Karen (Boyington) Silva**, and **Don Montgomery** and his wife Toni. Wonderful to see you all again too!

Others who attended were: **Linda (Shultz) Cain – class of '66; Dave Crass, Gayle (Zaft) and her husband, Frank Dilles (class of '64), Joyce (Reed) Giosso, Ed Harrison, Stan Jacobs, Charleen Mueller, Donna (Hill) and her husband Doug Roberts (Class of '62), Lou Siegel, Scott Tait, Jackie Coleman, Ron Montgomery who attended with Bill Orth (class of '64). Wayne Cardelli, and Pam (Langendorf) Shaw.**

(NOTE FROM JEAN: Please forgive me if I've forgotten anyone or their partner/spouse. I admit that I didn't get everything written down as the day went on because I was having fun visiting too. I do want the records straight though, so please contact me with any corrections or additions.

Those of you who said you were coming, but didn't, I hope there was nothing bad keeping you from coming. You and all those who couldn't come for one reason or another were missed, and we hope you can make it next year.)

About the Picnic:

From Don Montgomery (thedon@mavsurfer.com) : "I enjoyed our gathering together very much and look forward to next years' with great anticipation!"

From Mark Stephens (mark.j.stephens@gte.net) : "Just wanted to say thank you for organizing and taking care of the gritty details of the picnic. It was great to see some old, old friends for the first time in over 30 years. And what a beautiful setting. I really enjoyed the walk that Paul, Greg and I took back to the old trout farm. I was amazed at how much some people did not look at all like they used to, and how some have changed very little. My god, I would know Pam Langendorf and Gayle Zaft anywhere. Their faces have not changed one fricking bit. Time treats us all so differently--how we age is a function of our genetics and our life experiences, I guess. We really would have enjoyed staying for dinner (Joyce emailed me that you all had a nice time @ Moonraker), but these days are pretty hectic..."

From Gaye (Lois Picillo) Alander (hummingbirdgrasshopper@yahoo.com): "Hi Jeannie: the picnic was really a lot of fun. It is interesting to see classmates after such a long time...!!!! Let me apologize for this note.. i am still figuring out how to do this e mail stuff!!!! You did a super job of organizing the picnic and I am looking forward to the one next

year....take care and hope to hear from you soon...if you ever need help or there is anything I can do, let me know..Gaye (Lois) Alander (Picillo)

GENERAL CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE NEWSLETTER:

From Greg Fassler (gfassler@pacbell.net):

There is an extraordinary website that I'd like to share with all who enjoyed growing up on the coast. Log onto www.californiacoastline.org. Then fill in the **Latitude N37, 36.13 minutes** and **Longitude W122, 30.47 minutes**.

Hope you enjoy,
Greg Fassler

Fun from Ed Harrison (ed@timberlinehvac.com):

30 Years Difference

1972: Long hair; 2002: Longing for hair.

1972: The perfect high; 2002: The perfect high yield mutual fund.

1972: KEG; 2002: EKG

1972: Acid Rock; 2002: Acid Reflux

1972: Moving to California because it's cool; 2002: Moving to California because it's warm.

1972: Growing pot; 2002: Growing a pot belly.

1972: Trying to look like Marlon Brando or Liz Taylor; 2002: Trying NOT to look like Marlon Brando or Liz Taylor.

1972: Seeds and Stems; 2002: Roughage

1972: Killer Weed; 2002: Weed Killer

1972: Hoping for a BMW; 2002: Hoping for a BM.

1972: The Grateful Dead; 2002: Dr. Kevorkian

1972: Going to a new, hip joint; 2002: Receiving a new hip joint.

1972: Rolling Stones; 2002: Kidney Stones

1972: Being called into principal's office.; 2002: Calling the principal's office.

1972: Screw the system; 2002: Upgrade the system.

1972: Disco; 2002: Costco

1972: Parents begging you to get your hair cut; . 2002: Children begging you to get their heads shaved.

1972: Passing the drivers' test.; 2002: Passing the vision test.

1972: Whatever!; 2002: Depends

Just in case you weren't feeling too old today, this will certainly change things. Each year the staff at Beloit College in Wisconsin puts together a list to try to give the faculty a sense of the mindset of this year's incoming freshmen. Here's this year's list:

The people who are starting college this across the nation were born in 1984. They are too young to remember the space shuttle blowing up.

Their lifetime has always included AIDS.

Bottle caps have always been screw off and plastic.

The CD was introduced the year they were born.
They have always had answering machine.
They have always had cable.
They cannot fathom not having a remote control.
Jay Leno has always been on the Tonight Show.
Popcorn has always been cooked in the microwave.
They never took a swim and thought about Jaws.
They can't imagine hard contact lenses are.
They don't know who was or where he was from.
They never heard: "Where's the Beef?", "I'd walk a mile for a Camel." or "de plane Boss, de plane."
They do not care who shot J. R. and have no idea who J. R. even is.
McDonald's never came in Styrofoam containers.
They don't have a clue how to use a typewriter.
Do you feel old yet? Pass this on to the other old fogies in your life.

(NOTE FROM JEAN: A very sincere thank you to Ed for a generous donation to our class activity fund. If anyone else would like to contribute to help defray costs of activities, particularly the next class reunion in 2005, please make your check out to TN '65 Reunion Fund and send it to me (Jean Barnhart) at 27 Parklane Drive, Orinda, CA 94563

FROM NICK LA BASH (Class of '64) (nlabash@sears.com):

I thought I would let you know of a major loss in Pacifica. But before I begin, just to let you know, Frank Dilles (Gayle's husband) has been kind enough to forward me your newsletter. Again, just because I graduated in 64, there are so many people from 65 that I was friends with and enjoy hearing about what is going on.

Anyway. The Seavue theater has officially closed. Now I don't know if this would be relevant to you or people who are far removed from Pacifica. Since my parents still reside on Cervantes and my sister lives on De Solo, I spend a lot of time in Pacifica. So when I was visiting this past weekend I was saddened to see the Tribune headline that the Seavue ran it's last movie last week. I know that I spent considerable time there. I recall first dates there and seeing A Hard Day's Night and From Russia with Love. It was the only theater on the coast, but with multiplex movie houses springing up everywhere, they couldn't; compete. Last March they decided not to repair or replace the marquee and I knew the end was near. What is a theater without the famous marquee? Just what the town needs another eye sore.

So I thought I would share that and if it brings back any memories for anyone else, great.

Nick Labash TN-64

FROM DONNA (CARLSON) WEST (DONKEWEST@aol.com) as of April:

Hi all,

As of May 1, 2003 Keith is retiring. It seemed like it never was going to happen but the time has come and we are so excited! Keith went in to work one day last week and told the boss that it was his last day and he was retiring. The boss thought he was joking. Keith picked up his tools, shook his hand and left. They all thought that was so cool! Of course if you know Keith he was planning on doing this all along, no parties, etc.

We leave tomorrow for Atlanta for 5 weeks. Dana is due April 22 but thinks the baby will come sooner. We get back May 15 and will await the birth of Kim and Jamie's daughter (Due July 2)

This is going to be a busy year as we will be selling our house in Clayton and moving up to Lakehead, CA where we bought a house on Shasta Lake.

We are both so excited that we can spend more time with our family, friends and be able to do what we want to do!

Best wishes to you all,

Donna and Keith

(NOTE FROM JEAN: And best of luck to you as well, Donna! I'm sure I can speak for all when I say that we are so happy things are going so well for you.)

FROM VICE-PRINCIPAL GEORGE HINKLE (geohinkle@juno.com) as of April '03:

Life is going well here in Modesto, except for the air quality, which is so bad that my doctor has suggested rather strongly that because of the two collapsed lungs that were part of my problem when I had the heart valve replacement, I should look for another area to live in. My brother and sister-in-law, where the "party" was have already moved up to Oregon and are now in process of encouraging me to move up there.

I was interviewed a year ago regarding my fitness philosophy and living style and ended becoming part of a book (one page) entitled AGE LESS by Edward L. Schneider, M. D. and Elizabeth Miles. It is now in the book stores; and I must say the two authors did a fantastic job.

Still teaching at the YMCA--and still volunteering with the Healthy Aging Association.

More from George as of June '03:

Will not be able to make it (again) this year, but not because of any broken bones, etc. A herniated disk slowed me down a little this spring, but I'm up and walk/running again--(Boston is still a few marathons away!) Will have three reunions on that day--my high school--which I won't be able to make due to a planned family get-together.

Life continues to treat me first class--still teaching senior fitness and strength training at the Y and have now been inducted into the FITNESS EDUCATORS OF AMERICA and will be on a panel discussion on senior fitness and how to

recover from various kinds of injuries and illnesses.

This weekend I will be doing the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life fund raising event--doing 8.2 miles--a mile for each year. **(George means that the 8.2 miles is symbolic of his 82 years, not that he is 8.2 years old, of course.)**

I was very pleased to receive the latest Terra Nova news, the e-mail addresses many students, and most of all reading how well everyone is doing. All of you are to be congratulated on your successes--Proud to have been connected with such a wonderful group.

Most Sincerely

George

P. S. If I can still refer to all of you as "kids", then can call me George!

FROM A.J. WOLFF (JEANIE BUSH) (ajwolffie@yahoo.com):

Dear Friends and family,

I just finished a new website. This is one for helping me in my job search as I complete grad school. Tell me what you think....thanks www.ajwolff.net Love, AJ

(NOTE FROM JEAN: Jeanie was in 9th/10th grades at TN)

A POSITIVE OUTLOOK FROM PAULA (GAGNON) FORGEY (pforgey@jps.net):

I don't think things quiet down as we get older. It is incredible that we **are** getting older. I feel wonderful and not **older**... there is **so much to do!!!** (sure, I have those physical drawbacks) but look at all we've seen and know....I'm so active in my "older" life that I just don't know where to start...sure, "start." We have to get those projects done...albums, going to see grandkids do EVERYTHING and take care of our parents, for those who are lucky enough to still have them. I think it's wonderful that we can still do the things we wanted to do...and enjoy life. We are so lucky!

I really wish we could be at the picnic and I will miss it, but I just can't do everything I want to!!!

With love, (.and I truly mean that. I think we grow to cherish and love special people. Thank you.)

Paula

FROM LINDA (ROOKER) THORNROSE (gmomgator@earthlink.net):

Thanks Jeanie. I sure hope everyone has a great time at the picnic today. I will be thinking of the fun all are having. Living in Florida makes it more than a little difficult to attend.

I will be in San Francisco for a conference in August and tacking on an extra week for a short vacation before returning home to Florida. After being seriously ill and off work nearly three months this winter, I did not think I would get to make my annual trip home to see my family. I feel so blessed. I just returned from a conference in Baltimore where I hooked up with my brother, Mark, who lives in Richmond, Virginia, for a few days, so I managed to get some time in with family in spite of my illness. Thank God I do have something that is curable; however the "cure" nearly killed me a few times, so I am very grateful to be alive. I will finally be finished with treatment in another month.

My husband and I celebrated our 33rd wedding anniversary in February. Who would have thought? My son, Tim Cooper, Jr., continues to live in Ohio with his wife and two children. My family sure has spread out and it becomes more difficult to get to see them as often as I would like to. My mother is still able to come out and spend 3-4 months with me each winter much to our delight. She has been widowed since 1986. She married Margaret Stenstrom's (class of '66) father in 1968 so we have been sisters ever since. They live on adjoining property in the foothills outside of Marysville, California. Margaret is going to be a first-time grandmother this coming January. She is still a very good friend as well as a sister.

Well, that is my little "update" for now. I will try to write more later. I sure do enjoy your newsletters and have saved all of them. Thank you for your efforts on our behalf.

Linda (Rooker) Thornrose

FROM MICHAEL MAGGI (michaelmaggi@hotmail.com):

I just finished a job in Russia, 75 miles north of the Arctic Circle, and have returned home to Bangkok. I won't be able to get to the picnic. Russia was interesting, actually it is two countries: Moscow and the countryside. Moscow is a modern European city with all the fashion, attitudes, and lifestyle of Berlin, Paris, or London. The countryside is more like a developing country. The Russians in the countryside are 50 years behind their cities, not just in attitudes, but in things like education, roads, electricity, consumer goods, income, etc.

Good luck and have fun with the picnic.

Michael Maggi

FROM SHARON (WITZEL) WILLHOIT (rswillhoit@cableaz.com):

Hi we just came back from Pacifica. We were there for two weeks . Had a great time. Sorry maybe next time.

Sharon Witzel. Willhoit

Ps have a great time

(FROM JEAN: Sharon, we haven't seen you since high school. Sorry to miss you but hope to see you next year!)

GRANDBABY ANNOUNCEMENT:

Ray & Sherry Lenci are celebrating this year with the birth of their second grandchild, Thomas Anthony Lenci. Like many of you, the Lencis are doting grandparents. And what lucky grandchildren to have such wonderful grandparents. Congratulations to all!

FROM SHELLIE GARRETT (garrettenterprise@earthlink.net):

Unfortunately I can't make the reunion as I am now in Washington, DC on business, and will be until the 4th. Hope everyone has a great time. My wife tells me the weather's nice on the coast so I hope it holds for the weekend (it generally does in the back of Pedro Valley). Say hi to everyone for me.

I've promised to write something about what I've been doing since 1965 (gee, that's a long time ago). I looked at some of the works and it seemed too big for me. Let me give you a shortened version of what I've been doing since our graduation, June 18, 1965, which was also the 150th anniversary of the battle of Waterloo.

From 1965 to 1970 I went to the University of San Francisco. I started as a chemistry major but changed from that to history, which accounts for the extra year. I graduated in 1970 and was also commissioned 2nd Lieutenant in the Army. From 1971 to 1974 I was on active duty with the Army and was stationed at Fort Benning, GA and Fort Lewis, WA. In 1972 I married Anne Weisner from Modesto, who graduated in 1972 as a nurse from USF.

In 1974 we moved back to the Bay Area and bought a home in Daly City (on Skyline Drive, just above FDR School and near Fairmont in Pacifica. In 1977 our first daughter, Stephanie, was born. She is now married and living in Houston, TX with her husband and newborn son (our grandson). Our second daughter Sarah was born in 1983 and has completed her sophomore year at CSU Stanislaus in Turlock, CA. She is studying business. I received my Masters in Business Administration from USF after we moved back. While working on my MBA I was Executive Director for the San Mateo County Republican Party, back when Republicans could get elected in this area. I also was the campaign manager for Congressman Bill Royer, who won a special election after Congressman Leo Ryan was murdered in Guyana. Since 1981 I have been a representative and file partner with Voter Contact Services, a firm which maintains and enhances computerized voter files throughout the United States. During that time I have worked in political races for offices at the local, state and federal level, including President. I also do district vote and demographic analyses for candidates, which is like marketing except you use precinct election history and voter file demographic information. Besides politics we enjoy going to the opera and symphony, travel (especially to spoil our grandson) and golf. I am a past president of the Lincoln Park Golf Club in San Francisco. Both of my parents have died, and Anne's mom died on Labor Day last year. We try and visit her dad as often as possible. It's made easier because he lives in Modesto

and Sarah is at school in Turlock.

Well, that's a bit longer than I thought, but it gives all the details. Again, have a great time Saturday and say hi to all.

Regards, Shellie

(FROM JEAN: I think this is the first we've heard from Shellie since high school. I located him on classmates.com and am thrilled to be back in touch again. Hope to see you next year if not before, Shellie.)

FROM CLIFF RATHER (ratman98@comcast.net)

Joanne returned home too late to go to the picnic. We are still in the process of selling our home. Were taking a few weeks break in the market, our contract was up with zipRealty Sunday. After I get back from Utah, mid July, I'm helping Janea move into her apartment, the one she was renting got sold. We will put the home back on the market. As you can tell, I have been unable to work on the TNT web site like I would like. If there is some one who would like to move it to their home page, drop me a note. I'll bundle it up and send it to them. I'll take a stab at adding the pictures [from the picnic] that are sent to me :)

The Terra Nova website has changed to: <http://home.comcast.net/~ratman98/>
Cliff

(NOTE FROM JEAN: I knew Cliff had a lot on his plate so I asked him if he wanted to continue taking care of the website he developed for us. I didn't want him to think I didn't want him to continue, but only to relieve him if he needed it. I am waiting to hear from him on that. If any of you are able to be our webmaster, please let me know just in case.)

FROM KERRY (SEMENZA) ORTIZ (Klo@svlg.com) as of July 1, 03:

So sorry I missed the picnic. I was hospitalized on Friday and diagnosed with colon cancer this weekend. I go in for surgery next Thursday, July 10th to remove the cancer. Everything will be just fine.

Anyway, I'm so sorry I missed everyone! Maybe next year.....

Take care,

--Kerry

(FROM JEAN: Kerry, I know everyone joins me in wishing you a speedy and complete recovery! Do take care of yourself and let us know how you're doing.)

NEWS OF TN CLASSES '62, '63, '64

I have been notified by Lynn (Staley) Bendik, class of '64, that she is involved with Phil Trahan in various projects including a newsletter for classes 62-64, developing a CD Rom of the yearbook for those years and selling it to raise money for Terra Nova. For more information, contact Paul Trahan at PTrahan500@aol.com or Lynn at sweetpea@govisalia.com. Below is Lynn's contribution to our newsletter:

In 1974 I divorced my ex-husband and 6 weeks later I moved from Nevada where I was managing and worked as a hair dresser in a local salon. Phillip, (who was my love and fiancé when I was a senior in 1963-64) and I married a week later. Two years later, we bought a 40 acre orange grove and moved down here to Tulare County in the rural area of Lindsay. We used to grow Sun Kist oranges and Lindsay Olives. We sold off the grove and kept one acre and the house and went back to work in the public sector.

Phillip works in what used to be the Tulare County Superior Court, in the Tulare, Exeter and Porterville courts. Since the state took over all of the courts in the state of California he is now a California State Employee with the Superior Courts in Tulare County.

I am medically retired from the Tulare County. I started off in the Assessors Office, promoted to the Probation Departments Accounting Services, and then transferred to the DPSS (Welfare Department) in Porterville. I couldn't handle the stress of the abuse from my supervisor and I snapped after 6 months. I went onto Worker's Compensation and now on Social Security Disability.

My son Dennis is 36 yrs old married to Kim and after 10 years of marriage they now have a one year old daughter Lauren Rose.

Christina "Chrisi" would have been 33 now but was killed in an auto accident in Fresno less than hour after becoming engaged to her long-time boyfriend from college, who happened to be one of her professors for one semester. Before she left the Fresno area where she had her own businesses at the age of 23. She had her own Advertising and Public Relations business and also had her own weekly half-hour television show that aired on NBC's Fresno affiliate station. The name of her show was New Home Showcase. She took her viewing audience on a video tour of the model homes of the new home developments in the San Joaquin Valley from Merced down to Bakersfield. It aired for two years until she decided to close down her business and the TV show and moved to Pacifica. Her heart belonged in Pacifica. She moved there to be with my mother-in-law and to work in San Francisco. It has been 6 years now,

For the past year and a half I dedicated my time to the organization of our combined class reunion, which turned out to be a huge success. We had around 125 show up. We all had such a wonderful time visiting everyone that the band complained that no one was on the dance floor dancing, and they stopped playing. While Terry (Russell) Almond from the class of '63 and I called out the raffle ticket numbers, not everyone was even listening for their number. Everyone tells me that is an excellent sign of success.

Since the reunion is over, and I am still identifying the guests in the pictures for the flip album, I am now scanning the year books for 1962, 1963 and 1964 to burn onto CD ROMs as a fundraiser for the Terra Nova High Swim Pool fund,

The temperature reaches into the triple digits during the summer months down here in Lindsay, so my time is limited on the computer.

The rest of the time I spend with my dogs Sparky who is a Dalmatian incognito. He wants everyone to think he is a pit bull. I think he has a split personality. Ha ha. Goldie and Rusty are sisters and part Chow and part your guess is as good as mine.

I also repair and refurbish donated computers and then donate them to a senior citizen and teach them how to operate it and the e-mail so they can communicate with others outside of their homes. I found it has helped to bridge the gap between several generation. It has helped to lift them out of a senior depression. I thought I would tell you a little about what I have been doing, especially my fundraiser for the Terra Nova Pool.

Have a wonderful summer, and if I am in the neighborhood during one of your plays that you appear in, I'll be sure to go see it and see you too. Take care and keep the dreams alive.

Hugs to you both
Lynn (Staley) Bendick class of 1964

FROM PAUL THOMPSON (thompzach@alaskalife.net):

Hello all. Jeannie says she wants more people to send in their life stories. Well gee. I thought I'd already done that, but who am I to argue with our newsletter empress? Anyway, here goes. One (run on) sentence.

After graduation, my Ph.D., my Nobel and Pulitzer prizes, my Olympic gold medals, my stints as advisor to Lyndon, Dick and Jerry, my liaisons with Briget, Liz and Raquel, I returned home to Alaska (I believe I mentioned I lived there before Terra Nova), where I worked as a carpenter for about twelve years, spending some time working on the Alaska oil pipeline, investing my money made there in Microsoft, making myself financially secure so got married and returned to school to become an RN, which I have been working as since.

More recently however, I've been taking it easy. My son Jeff returned from his first year away at school (I won't bore you with where). I look up at him, as I have for several years. He finally got a job for the summer, about which we (my wife Mary and I) were quite happy. Better yet, he has to be at work at five AM. This gives me a certain amount of parently, smug, sinful satisfaction. Katherine, my daughter who is sixteen, has been having a real vacation, doing a lot of sleeping in as well as a lot of backpacking with friends. They are trying to get in shape for a trip over the Chilkoot Pass later this summer. Mary, who will be going along as a driver (It's about eight hundred miles from here), has been hiking with her too. Good for them.

I've been doing more mundane stuff, replacing a deck on our house and doing a bunch of deferred maintenance on our cabin in Kasilof. I'm a little on the stiff

side. As you all no doubt know, or will, it is terrible to be getting old. Speaking of the deck, while you were relaxing in the balmy breezes in San Pedro park, likely quaffing cooling beverages, playing bocci ball or badminton or volley ball, I was working in the killing heat here (sixty-five degrees!) putting the finishing touches on the deck.

It is now the next day. It rained overnight and has been cloudy today. Which means, I suppose, we've had our two days of summer. Mary and I took a climb up the local popular mountain last night, Flat Top. Think North Peak in Linda Mar only higher. It was a beautiful evening so there were a lot of other climbers on the trail. People we met there, adults, old people, were calling me "sir". What gives? Do any of you notice this disturbing misplaced deference?

This about all I've got to say. Not really an interesting or exiting life here, but that's really okay with me.

Paul

(FROM JEAN: What a great sense of humor Paul has. I just love reading his stuff!)

FROM LORNA (WILLS) BAZZANI (BazzaniY@aol.com):

Hi Jean..... sounds like the picnic was alot of fun....sorry I couldn't make it... we just put our little miniature beagle, Molly-B to sleep... she was very ill with cancer ... she was so much a part of this family , we will miss her so much !! My husband Tom has been sick with that viral flu for weeks and is having a hard time gettng rid of that awful cough... it has been very hot here , thank god for air conditioning... and our pool.....

(FROM JEAN: Lorna, I certainly hope things are looking up for you! So sorry to hear about your little dog.)

FROM DONNA (HILL) ROBERTS (donnaree20@aol.com):

Dear Class, Jeannie requested that I provide a brief summary of what I've been doing since High School Graduation.

I entered Bay Cities College and studied to become a Dental Assistant. Once done, I went to work as a chair side assistant for various dentists in different fields, surgery being my favorite.

I married young to a wonderful man and we had three sons, Matthew, Mitchell and Daniel. I worked part time and most times not at all. If any one has had three boys, you know why.

Over the child rearing years we raised several breeds of dogs, quite a few flocks of chickens and a few goats. We love animals as you can see. Also, I feel there is a lot for kids, to learn from raising animals.

In my late thirties I discovered physical fitness, which I am still dedicated to. I needed strength raising three teens, and it is a great stress relief.

At forty, I went back to school to earn my cosmetology license at Skyline College. It's been sixteen years and I now have a successful in home salon. I love my work, it satisfies my creative side and I meet a lot of interesting people.

Of all the fun things Doug and I have done the most rewarding was raising our children. I must say they are happy, successful, honest, productive men. What more could a woman ask for?

We have six grandchildren and more to come as our third son will marry this fall and they are planning a family. I'll need a bigger table.

We have traveled a lot and there is more to come. We love it.

I have a wonderful life. Living in Vallemar is heaven. Yes, sometimes the fog gets to me.,but over all it's a beautiful place to live.

Sincerely, Donna Hill Roberts

FROM CATHY (BOOTH) AND MICHAEL LA FONTAINE La2happy@aol.com:

Sooooo, how did the picnic go? Haven't received an update as to who was there and what is going on with anyone. How was the weather?I now have another grandson to add to our collection - 8 boys and 3 girls. Got to go, hope to hear from you soon

Cathy

(FROM JEAN: Congratulations to you on your new grandson! You and Mike have quite a collection!)

REMINDERS:

--The new URL for the class website is: <http://home.comcast.net/~ratman98/> Check it out and help us identify people in pictures. Don't know if this year's picnic pictures on there yet, but keep checking. Contact Cliff Rather at ratman98@comcast.net if you have any suggestions, feedback or contributions.

--If you already have a 2004 calendar be sure to mark the 4th Saturday of June for the next annual picnic. Hopefully, it will be at the same location, San Pedro Park at the back of the valley in Linda Mar. Of course, you will receive updates next year.

--If you haven't already, please send me a blurb about what you've done since high school. If you have already sent me a blurb, send me an update about what's going on for you now. If you enjoy reading these newsletters, you can be sure that many other do as well.

--If you would like the email address of someone not already included in this newsletter, just let me know at pbbj@pacbell.net.

Some people have sent me emails with pictures attached. I will send those to all of you as attachments in a separate email or two.

Enjoy the summer everyone. See you in the movies!

Jean (Rogers) Barnhart (and Paul too)

P.S. I thought you'd all like to know that the people who couldn't come to the picnic had to say and I forgot to include their comments in the newsletter, so here you go:

--We won't be able to make the picnic as we have a wedding to attend that day in Sonoma and will be staying with my daughter in Windsor until the baby is born. Tell all hello from us and hope to see you all next year.

Donna (Carlson) West (DONKEWEST@aol.com)

--I won't be out to California any time soon. Thanks for the update and all that you do to keep us connected. Lesley Goranson (lesleyg3@yahoo.com)

--We will not be able to attend the picnic. We will be at our daughter's home in Utah at that time. Anyway you now have our email address. Wanted to tell you that we had so much fun the last time we were all together. Maybe next time...

Take care,

Heidi (Rigoni) Senger (steveheidiretired@yahoo.com)

--Have a great time at the picnic this weekend. We are off to Pismo . We love it down there. Here is the new address La2happy@aol.com. MSN is really slow and hard to connect with. Please send any corresponds we love hearing about everyone. Bye for now, **Cathy (Booth) and Mike LaFontaine** (La2happy@aol.com)

--We can't ever do Sat. things because of our Kodiak Jacks job. We would love to but we will only be able to think of all you guys having fun.

Thanks anyway.

Diane and Tom Leslie

--I will be on vacation that week and will miss the picnic, however keep up the good work on the newsletter and I look forward to seeing all sometime soon. Tell all hi for me.

Carol Cline, Tafuri, Ekstrom (agentpeach@earthlink.com)

--Due to unforeseen circumstances neither Jim or I will be able to attend the picnic this year.

Barbara (Thomassen) Charnley (jbandjb@nccn.net)

--We will not be able to make. Hope all have fun. Pass on our hello's.

Tony and Jeanette Chavez (goldengaterz@yahoo.com)

--Frank and I can't make it but we hope it's a success. Maybe next year! I love that you are keeping the class connected! You are terrific for doing that. ... I hope all is well with everyone and you connect with Andy Fenyes and the others

that have been "lost." It was wonderful to see him again when I went to the dinner and picnic last time.

Thank you again,
Give my love to Sha!

Paula (Gagnon) Forgey (pforgey@jps.net)

--We are doing ok, maybe a weak-fine :) Our daughter, Janea (Ja-na-ya) is out from Utah for her internship in SF for the summer as part of her Masters Program. Janea has expressed interest and if Joanne is back from Oceanside, we should make the Picnic, so three for us. I'll be in Utah next week moving Janea's stuff into storage and also looking for a new place for her to stay when school resumes in August. It seems they sold the Duplex Janea was renting, so I need to take care of some loose ends.

Our home has been on the market just short of two Months now, lots of lookers but no check-books yet. So as you can guess, I haven't located any employment so far. I have been working Pro-Bono (equity) for a place in Redwood City, OpenCountry to fill the massive gap in my resume. But it don't help pay the bills.

Hopefully the house will sell soon so we can pay all our friends and relatives back and have some left over to buy a smaller home.

See ya at yesterday's play-grounds...

Cliff Rather (ratman98@comcast.net)

--We will not be able to make. Hope all have fun. Pass on our hello's.

Tony and Jeanette Chavez (goldengaterz@yahoo.com)

--Boo hoo . . . I'll be out of town that weekend. Dang!

Oh well . . . next time.

I trust you are well. I'll send you some kind of personal update in the near future.

Take care . . .

Jeannine Janson (jeanninejanson@aol.com)

--I am sorry, but I am unable to attend as I am not able to go to California this month. I hope everyone has a great time!

Linda (Rooker) Thornrose (gmomgator@earthlink.net)

-- Sorry to be so late, but this is to let you know I will not be coming to the picnic. I expect you figured that out by now. Looking at the list of folks who will be there makes me wish I was coming. Ah well. There's always next year. I will be south for a quick trip the third week of July to visit family and friends.

Paul Thompson (thompzach@alaskalife.net)

-- Want to but I m not sure I can, I will be at Fall River mills on Sat for a golf tournament and driving home sat night, sorry, give my best to everyone and see you all next year. I will try and do one of your newsletters about my life soon, it is not much. I really wish I could come. talk to you soon.

Ron Coleman (RON5352@aol.com)

--I'm afraid that this year Sal and I will not be able to attend the picnic. Our names will be on the **Definitely Not Coming** list. I wish we could be there. Maybe next year! Hope you have a ball.

Take care and say, "Hi," to the others for us?

Ed (Bud) and Sally (Wellman) Hart (ELFTALER@aol.com)

-- It's nice to hear from you. Yes, I received the picnic notice and it sounds fun. However, Kevin and I are celebrating our 37th wedding anniversary with a trip at that time. My, but the years fly! We just attended the 63/64 Terra Nova Reunion at Nick's in Pacifica a couple of weeks ago. A very nice event and so fun to see old friends. This group has now begun a newsletter. 40 years!!!!

Theresa (Foley) and Kevin Roberts (Kevin is class of '63) (Jammers4@aol.com)

--Sorry I haven't responded before now. I'm getting the invitations, but won't be able to make it up there. We don't get to the bay area too often - sort of stay on the eastern side of the Sierras when we're traversing California. We've got several other local social commitments on that weekend. Right now we're going a little nuts because we're running our LA golf club's Palm Springs tournament next weekend. Only about 40 people, but everything keeps changing, and I'm fixing buffet dinner for everyone. We also have 3 other couples as house guests on various evenings for the weekend - makes it fun, but a little hectic. The desert heat has also started a little early this year, so the environment has been kind of wierd - lots more little bugs, and most of our larger koi pond occupants went belly up last week with the pumps not working enough hours. The Salton Sea is also producing a nasty smell downwind - all the plankton or something die occasionally and let all of the Coachella Valley know about it. Fun in the sun!!!

Hope you all have a good time at the picnic. Looks like you have a few So.Cal. folks with Sharon and Stan on the list.

Alice (Fadenrecht) Hand (abhand@earthlink.net)

--Hi! Would love to come but I live in Atlanta area now so won't make it.

A.J. (Jeannie Bush) Wolff (ajwolffie@yahoo.com)

--Sorry to say that we won't be able to make it. We actually did have a trip planned this summer that would have allowed us to be there then, but things change and we are postponing our vacation until October.

It's always fun and sometimes sad at the same time to hear about our classmates. The good thing is folks are trying to stay in touch. I assume the the next big reunion might occur in 2005, so I am going to make sure that we leave our plans open and make it a point to be there.

Say hello to all for me.

Bud Carlson (bud@easthawaii.net)

--We are going to have to miss the Class Picnic again this year. I need to be at a swim meet with my son and Lyn and my daughter will be at a dance competition. Hopefully next time we can make it.

David Walker (walkerdavid@comcast.net)

--We will be attending the second wedding of the summer for one of our sons. The other will get married May 10. But we send our love and a big hello to all. Hope you have a wonderful time! Love, **Ann (Cunningham) Ribera** (drravioli@earthlink.net)

--The only thing that could keep us from attending would be our daughter in the hospital giving birth to our 2nd grandchild. (NOTE: Tom and Bonnie did attend the picnic and their grandchild was born that day before they came-- CONGRATULATIONS!)

Tom and Bonnie Turner (tbrenrut@pacbell.net)