



El Segundo High School Class of 1947

The Elder Eagle

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Classmate News



Dolores & Walt Puffer

Dolores Puffer

Dolores passed away peacefully at home in El Segundo on February 17, 2012

. Active in many community activities including the Children's Hospital Auxiliary, Dolores was the consummate stay-at-home mom, teaching Sunday school, a Den mother for Scouts, driving the children to sporting contests and practices, chaperoning, and assisting at school. She managed the household and her social life with love and great skill, and had an ever increasing circle of friends. She loved the outdoors and was an enthusiastic member of tennis, golf, and bridge teams. Dolores loved competition, and excelled in all endeavors. Dolores was an active boater and member of the Corsair Yacht Club for 42 years. She loved to travel, and enjoyed our frequent trips to Catalina Island and several trips cruising to Mexico. She is survived by Walt, her loving husband of 62 years; her son, Dr. Jim Puffer; daughter, Debi Koppel; her sister and brother; eight grandchildren; and three great grandchildren. She was predeceased by her son, Michael. On behalf of Dolores, her family would like to extend a special thanks to May Beltran, our caregiver, for her dedicated and excellent service. A Celebration of Her Life is planned for Saturday, March 3, 2012 at the M Restaurant in Avalon, Catalina from 1 to 4 PM. All of her friends are welcome. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to a charity of your choice .

Please sign the guestbook at www.dailybreeze.com/obits.
by W. Dolores Puffer

Class June 2011 gathering



Don Jurk, Bun Franklin, Arlen and Shirely Cannon

Fifteen class members met for lunch at the Embassy Suites Hotel in mid- June 2011



June Caldwell, Pat Preston, Naomi Short, Patty Meistrell, and Carolyn Jurk.

History

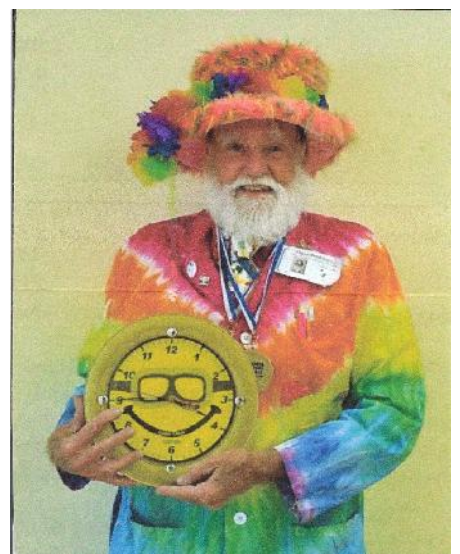


Chuck Riley and Walt Puffer at Walt's house in the 40's

This picture from Walt in response to who is the unknown th last editions football team picture. The unidentified person was Chuck, who, by the way, is very hard to find these days. Note the open fields in the background. El Segundo of many years ago.

More Class News

Frank Armbruster showed some of his latest inventions at the Las Vegas, National Hardware Show. Above is his get up to attract attention to his booth.



Frank Armbruster as Rainbow Man

Betty Lou Collins Whelchel died 24 April 2010 according to her son Gregg. She was last with us at the 2007 Reunion



Betty Lou at Reunion 2007

Harold Travers died about 7 years ago, we just learned from a friend of the family who knew his brother and reported this information to the Alumni Association Web Master, Rich Crowell. Harold suffered from severe asthma most of his life and

apparently lived in Arizona at the time of this death.



Harold Traverse from Annual Picture

Lost Classmates

Time is running out in our effort to find some long lost classmates. Any clues will be followed up on. We are still looking for the following: **Marguerite Babcock, Barbara Bell Runion, Don R. Berube, Virginia Coats Pederson, Marion Deloris Edwards, Duncan Ferguson, Willis E. Foersterling, Gary Hoefler, Doris Arlene Horn, Robert Smith Jordan** (recent calls to the last listed phone number in Janesville, WI are not being answered and Emails are being returned), **Charlotte Kelly, Joan Stichka, Marilyn Lee, Charlene Kissell, Jim Opolzer's** (mail is being returned. He lived in Grants Pass, OR for many years), **Betty Jean Roberts, Donald Frederick Thompson II**

Email & Address Changes

Don Dornblaser has a new Email address:
chardornblaser@frontier.com.

Beverly Westover Pendleton no longer has an Email Address, but her phone number and address remain unchanged.

June Murphy Caldwell has a new address and phone. Anyone liking the new information, contact the editor for details.

Marian McKenzie Zahler has moved from Homer Alaska to Elk Grove, CA

Julian Franklin has moved back to Houston, TX and is living with his youngest daughter, Julie Ann. He had a home in El Segundo where he was working..

Class of '47 Reunion News

The next Class of '47 Reunion, our 65th, is planned for October 5-7, 2012. Consideration will be given to holding this reunion jointly with the classes of 46', 48', 49, with whom we have had joint reunions before. A reservation form is included with this newsletter. Bob Meistrell is generously hosting a Saturday afternoon party, and is offering the Body Glove Yacht, for a "dolphin viewing", outing on Sunday morning. Reduced rate rooms are being reserved at the Courtyard-Marriott on E. Mariposa Ave. this year.

New Football Field



The new football field and stands were initiated during Homecoming in the 2011 football season.

News from Other Classes

Bob Hughes (48) has been inducted into the USC Athletic Hall of Fame for his swimming achievements, which include a world record in the butterfly breaststroke and water polo Olympic participation.

Benni Drosty Haley's (49) husband **Bill Haley** (44) died in January 2012.

Shirley Bruce Bickel(51) died January 14, 2012. She had been very active in her class activities over the years.

Alumni Association News

The Association, under the leadership of **Suzanne Fuentes(75)** has made great progress this past year. Twelve to 15 Alumni Representatives attend

each Board Meeting. The elsegundoalumni.org, Web Site, with the Web Master guidance of Rick Crowell(65), has been a resounding success and I hope all of you with computer access have visited the site The site contains many items of interest to all alumni. We have increased registration of our class members during the last year. There is no cost for registering. The funding of the Association currently is entirely on a contributor basis. There is an opportunity to make contributions and thus support the newly energized Association when you return your paid up Reunion Registration forms. The Board usually meets every other month, with the Annual Meeting to be held in October. You can join these meetings either by personal attendance at the El Segundo Library or by conference call-in. The conference room, where the meetings are held, now has a Conference Phone, which makes for much improved communication for those who participate via phone. I, Wilton Kanode, am but one of several, now attending each meeting from home.

Hall of Fame

Last year two alumni were inducted into the ESHS Alumni Hall of Fame, **Bob Meeker**, Class of 48, and **Derryl Cousins**, Class of 64. **Bob Meeker** owns Vision Group Inc., a business consulting firm of national prominence that deals with major national companies. Information about him can be obtained from a Google search. **Derryl Cousins** was a Major League Umpire and has many Google search citations His bio is featured in Wikipedia. He umpired some 4000 Major League games before retiring.

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