2011 MEMORIAL CEREMONY

The Cleveland High School Memorial Forest was closed for reconstruction of new restrooms so there was no trek to the Forest this year. We had to look elsewhere for a site to hold our annual ceremony (normally the Friday before Memorial Day) to honor fallen heroes from Cleveland High School who lost their lives while serving in the military. Memorial Forest chairman, Bernie Moskowitz '57 (photo right), also happens to be the lead bugler at the Tahoma National Cemetery in Covington, South King County. Bernie requested and received permission to have our memorial ceremony in one of the larger shelters of the National Cemetery.

The Memorial Ceremony was attended by Cleveland High School alumni from graduation years of 1942 to 1968. We missed having the high school students in attendance and we missed several of the loyal veterans who have always participated in our annual trek at the forest to pay homage to their lost comrades. However, we were pleased to see new attendees with us for the first time.

Bernie Moskowitz spoke about the forest and also about the National Cemetery. Other Alumni refreshed our memories regarding the Memorial Forest and the role the Alumni Association has played in preserving the forest as originally intended when Ray K. Imus purchased the land at auction on behalf of the CHS students.

The program closed with an Army National Guard rifle squad (photo left) from Joint Base Lewis-McChord firing a military salute in honor of our CHS ‘fallen heroes,’ Taps was played, there was a folding of the flag and it was presented to Phyllis Ronnie '55.

Coffee and muffins were served after the ceremony thanks to the efforts of CHSAA Board member Jim Southcott.

HELP US STAY GREEN !!!
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DOLLARS FOR ATHLETES

On May 19TH I had the privilege of accepting a plaque on behalf of the CHS Alumni Association (CHSAA) commemorating CHS student athletes’ appreciation and recognition of the recent contribution CHSAA made in support of CHS student athletic programs. I conveyed our thanks to the assembly and spoke a bit about CHSAA’s continuing commitment to support CHS student athletic programs, as well as other areas the Board judges to be worthy. During this past academic year CHSAA has subsidized the entire publication cost of the Cleveland Journal, $2500, and we have awarded $10,000 in scholarship awards to recognize outstanding academic achievement by CHS students.

The CHSAA contribution for athletics is based on a system that tends to match funds raised by the athletes during the school year. To date CHSAA has contributed $2600 to CHS athletic programs this year, not including a forthcoming donation to the Track and Field athletes who just finished their season by participating in the recent State Tournament. This means of support will hopefully prove successful because it both encourages and rewards students based on the initiative they demonstrate with their fund raising activities and it has the additional benefit of affirming the values of hard work, teamwork and goal setting. Part of CHSAA’s objective is to support and encourage positive values that provide a foundation for lifelong success and achievement and to support student activities and programs that contribute to that goal.

The CHSAA Board is looking for new ways to make a real difference to the CHS students and to make the high school experience at Cleveland high school as full and as rewarding as it can be on every level. The challenge for the Board is to continually strive to keep pace with the ever changing world and to maintain the relevancy of its support of present, as well as, future CHS students and programs. Athletics, on the other hand, continue to be a traditional and constant mainstay of school spirit and a positive high school experience.

Ben Wakefield ’62,
CHSAA Board Member
2011 EAGLE 100 CONTRIBUTIONS

GOLDEN EAGLE ($500-$999)
1954 John & Mary Lou (Zarkades) Barton
1957 Thomas McArthur

SILVER EAGLE ($200-$499)
1943 George W. Miller
1944 Stanley G. Ridings
1945 Lois (Allan) Olson
1947 L. Dale & Jeanette (George) Erickson
1952 Forrest (Bill) Bullington
1954 Neva (Aversano) Sexton
1957 Ralph Yocum
1959 Sam & Sharon (Robinson) Ronnie
1963 T. Lewis Anderson
1967 Maryanne Reichle

BRONZE EAGLE ($100-$199)
1940 Helen (Cleveland) Koenig
1942 Gordon J. Glockner
1945 Helen (Cooper) Evans
1946 Shirley (Madsen) Yellam
1947 Antoinette (Desimone) Ruppin
1948 Violet (Zandt) Meinzinger
1949 Donald Armeni
1951 Claudia (Sims) Anderson
1952 Olive (Wattum) Hughes
1953 Loretta (Vanzile) Cook
1955 Evelyn L. (Fish) Griffin
1956 Jean (Giacarini) Backman
1958 Dorothy (Bosnich) Clausen
1959 Kathleen (Gemmill) Stremick
1960 Patricia (Bosnich) Reindel
1963 F. Ross Burgess
1966 Amy (Okazaki) Maki
1967 James W. McArthur
1970 Allan J. Ohlsen
1973 James Raffaele Dilonardo
1974 Patsy J. (Aragon) Connors

Bob W. Tessandore
Carol (Resner) Tinkham
Robert E. Desjardins
Michael G. Mason, Dr.
Frances E. (Brunie) McDaniel
Ronald & Virginia (Crisp) Fairbairn
Daniel E. Lowe
George Edw. Manil
Warren C. Shukis
Susan (Araki) Yamamura
James F. Walters
Lawrence R. Bosi
Martha A. (Hedgcock) Cantwell
Randy T. Hikida
Rosann M. (Smith) Lewis
Robert J. Baugher Jr
Edna N. (Harrison) Whalon
Amy (Okazaki) Maki
Allan J. Ohlsen
James Raffaele Dilonardo
Patsy J. (Aragon) Connors
David J. Everitt
SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS
FOR 2011
By JoAnn Victor Smith ’56

This year the CHSAA board voted to give $10,000 in scholarships. There were a few more applicants than usual and the field was very good.

All seniors must present a Senior Project as a condition of graduation. A panel attends their presentation and rates them. Work begins in the fall and is very intense and structured.

The following 5 scholarships were awarded.

**Alexander Tong** won $2500. In a recent conversation with him, he said he will attending summer classes at the University of Washington. His intention is to major in Mechanical Engineering/Automotive Technology, though he acknowledges his interest may change. During his high school years Alex received multiple awards and honors including the One World Now program, being a reading coach as well as a Perfect Attendance award. Extra curricular activities include CHS swim team, Seattle Chinese Athletic Association activities and U of W Upward Bound. He enjoys reading, playing the cello, fishing, and community service. Homelessness was the topic of Alex’s Senior Project.

**My Hoa Nguyen** is enrolled at the U of W-Bothell Campus. She is leaning toward a pre-med or Biology major but is undecided. She has done community work in the area of blood drives, Jefferson Community Center Halloween events and has been active at school as a Key Club officer, Upward Bound, cross country and was on the varsity tennis team. She enjoys reading, cooking swimming, volunteering and tennis. My received $2,500. Her Senior Project addressed Foreign Aid. She also took several Advanced Placement courses.

**Kanisha Baker** is a mature young woman who stepped in and helped her family by working as a sales associate, in addition to maintaining a high grade point. She will attend the U of W and major in Business. Her high school activities included track and field, volleyball, the school newspaper and yearbook. She worked in the community as a volleyball coach to 8-12 year old girls and participated in many church activities. Extra curricular activities included UW Upward Bound, Young Executive of Color and was instrumental in starting the Black Student Union at Cleveland. Kanish received $2,000 toward her continuing education. Her Senior Project researched Domestic Violence.

**Cecille Del Rosario** was a $1,500 scholarship recipient. She has shown a high level of commitment and academic ability. She has strengths in math and is appreciated for her open-mindedness and being a critical thinker. She has maintained a 4.0 GPA and intends to study Computer Science at the UW. Cecille has participated in tennis, a Mock Trial, speech, choir and math and science camp. She’s also involved in a mentor program which is a Southend Pipeline to Success Program, middle-school recruitment and various Filipino activities. Laws on Immigrant Victims of Domestic Violence was the topic of Cecille’s Senior Project.

**Jasmine Cheatham** will be attending Washington State University. She received $1,500. She intends to fulfill her basic requirements and declare a major later. Jasmine has filled many leadership roles in high school. She was ASB president and she was instrumental in starting a program where students talk out their problems and solve them so that they weren't brought to school. Gang activity and student deaths were some of the issues that needed to be talked out and resolved. Jasmine was involved in community activities including a program called Youth Voice dealing with youth violence. Negative Effects of Truancy in Seattle Public Schools was Jasmine’s Senior Project topic.
From the Principal’s Desk

Graduation

This year’s graduation ceremony was my third since becoming principal three years ago. It was also my favorite. Okay I admit I’ve said that each year, but this time I really mean it. There are several reasons why. First, the student speeches were beautiful and poignant. One student talked about not wanting to come to Cleveland because of its (then) negative reputation and now leaving Cleveland being proud of how its reputation has changed and his pride in being a Cleveland Eagle. Another spoke of the quality of the teachers and all the support she’d received in her four years at Cleveland. Yet, the most beautiful part of the ceremony, in my opinion, was the support that each graduate gave their peers. Those who struggled through tears to complete their speech were encouraged with positive affirmations and applause. It was the most uplifting graduation I have ever attended, anywhere.

What’s going on this summer?

We have several programs going on at Cleveland this summer. The building is busy hosting Pearson Online courses for Cleveland and Franklin High, Secondary Bilingual Orientation Classes, MESA’s summer program, a Driver’s Ed class and ASOUKA, (a student entrepreneurial program).

One program has been created in partnership with the East Madison YMCA. The 206 Program targets incoming 9th graders. It is giving them the opportunity to get a head start working with the project based learning they will be facing in the fall. Monday through Thursday sixty students work together in math science and reading/writing classes to complete projects.

In another program offering, in collaboration with the Manufacturing Industrial Council, students will be building a house in our parking lot! Students will be working with real engineers and construction professionals, getting real hands-on experience.

What Else

Some teachers and the administrative team will be participating in the New Technology Network professional development workshops in Grand Rapids Michigan July 17th through July 21st. We hope to bring back additional project based strategies and ideas to enhance our Science Technology Engineering and Math program.
ANYONE FOR GOLF ???

It’s that time of year again. Time to make your plans for the 10th Annual Cleveland High School Alumni Association Golf Tournament.

YEE-HAW !!!

The tournament will take place on Saturday, August 13th at Jefferson Park Golf Course. All proceeds from this fundraiser will go to the CHSAA college scholarship fund for CHS graduates.

This year’s tournament will feature a reverse shotgun start. If it’s anywhere close to last year then we will have about a dozen 4-man teams competing for the best team score. The entry fee is only $100 per player and includes:

- Your greens fee
- Golf cart
- Coffee & donuts on arrival
- A hot lunch
- Prizes (if you win)
- Fun !!! Fun !!! Fun !!!

This is a great activity to spend with your classmates, meet other alums from the 1940s through the 2000s, and play some friendly, competitive golf.

If you have any questions about the Tournament, please email: Barbara VanEynede vaneynde_family@yahoo.com

The registration form is on page 7. We look forward to seeing your smiley face !!!

TREASURER’S REPORT

We are pleased with the ongoing contributions. As mentioned in the May newsletter, we have already given $2500 to CHS Journalism and $2500 to CHS Athletics. This year we are awarding $10,000 in scholarships compared to $6,000 in 2010.

Allen Storaasli
REGISTRATION FORM
2011 CHSAA GOLF TOURNAMENT

Date:    Saturday, August 13, 2011
Time:    7:30 AM, Reverse Shotgun
Format:  4 Person Team
Where:   Jefferson Park Golf Course
         4101 Beacon Avenue South
         Seattle, WA 98108
         Tel: 206-762-4513
Entry Fee:   $100 per player by July 20th
             $110 per player after July 20th

Essential Information:
• Golfers receive: green fee, golf cart, morning coffee & donuts, and a hot lunch at end of tournament
• Prizes will be awarded for both individual and team achievements
• All profits go to our tax-exempt 501(c)(3) CHSAA Scholarship Fund
• Sponsor a hole for $200 and receive a sponsorship sign on a hole and program acknowledgement too!

Annual CHSAA Golf Tournament Entry Form

Team Captain ___________________________ Year Graduated _________
Address ______________________ City ________________ State _____ Zip ________
Phone ______________________ E-mail ____________________________

My Team

1. ________________________________(Team Captain)   _____________
2. __________________________________________    _____________
3. __________________________________________    _____________
4. __________________________________________    _____________

Important: Each team must have an entry form. Be sure to enclose your entry fee of $100 per player or $400 per team. If you do not have a full team we will pair you with another partial team. Make checks payable to CHSAA and note 2011 Golf on the memo line. A Mulligan Package for $10 can be purchased on-site during registration. A Mulligan Package consists of two (2) Mulligans.

Mulligan packages can be added to your registration fee. Limit: One Mulligan package per player.

Mail entry forms to: CHSAA
c/o Barb VanEynde
2625 183rd Avenue NE
Redmond, WA 98052

Entry forms must be received no later than Wednesday, July 20th, 2011.
Late entries will be charged an additional $10 per player.

Sponsor: Yes ____ , I/my [company/class] would like to sponsor a hole at this year’s Annual CHSAA Golf Tournament. Enclose a check for $200. Please include company logo or information for tee sign/banner.

For more information contact:

Barb Mar VanEynde ‘71: Phone 425-861-7442 or email = vaneynde_family@yahoo.com
CLEVELAND CLASS OF 1956
The classes of '55 and '57 are also invited.
Join us on September 24, 2011 at Foster Golf Links from 12:30 PM until 5 PM.
13500 Interurban Ave S., in Tukwila. Lots of free parking.
We'll have a delicious buffet lunch. No-host bar
If you were in the classes of '55 and '57 please join us.
The cost to you will be $15. The deadline is September 15th.
Please send your check made out to “CHS Class of 1956” and mail to:
JoAnn Smith 4512 196th St SE  Bothell, WA 98012
Jo Smith - josmitty3952@yahoo.com or 425-487-3952.
Jerry Rosso - rjerryrosso@gmail.com or  206-762-4375

CLEVELAND CLASS OF 1959
70th Birthday Celebration Luncheon
Museum of Flight at Boeing Field
September 24, 2011     11:00 AM - 3: PM
Buffet Lunch $47.50   Cost includes admission to the museum.

Further information contact:
Dennis and Pat (Neumeyer) Primoli 253-445-1645  lucyleno@aol.com
or  Dick and Karen (Scheule) Frank  rk_frank@msn.com 425-413-0322

CLEVELAND CLASS OF 1971
What:                    40th Reunion
Where:                 Club Sur located at 2901 – 1st Avenue South in Seattle’s SODO district
When:  August 20, 2011
Time:                     6:30 – 12:00 Midnight
6:30        No host Bar
7:30        Buffet Dinner
8:15        Program
Who:  Fabulous people (you!), great music, fine entertainment,
delicious food, and exciting fun for all !!!
Cost:                      $65.00 per person before August 1st.
After August 1st, cost will be $75.00.
Attire:                    Casual
Questions:           chs.class1971reunion@gmail.com

CLASSES OF THE 70s GATHERING
Saturday, September 17 at 6:00 PM
New Hong Kong
900 South Jackson St #23
Seattle, WA
$25.00 per head for a 6 course family style plus dessert (upgrade from last years buffet style). Dancing and Door Prizes and Raffle - CASUAL DRESS IT BE!
Payments by check payable to Richard Tada, 3717 260th Ave SE, Issaquah WA 98029
For those who prefer PayPal, payments can be sent to richtada@comcast.net
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71 - Peggy Soong Yaplee  jsoong@comcast.net  206-723-4138
72 - Tom Hoshikawa  tom@ogishima.com
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74 - Dottie Chin  dottiechin@yahoo.com
75 - Warren Moy  larryvolvo@aol.com
75 - Kathy Yee  fishyees@comcast.net
REUNIONs 2012 OR LATER

CLASS OF 1967 REUNION
Date: July 13-15, 2012 (Next Year)
Place: Seattle, WA

The 45 year reunion is in the planning stage. If you are interested in the reunion or contacting a classmate, please send an email message to chs67reunion@gmail.com. Or call Charlene or Cathy. Your help is needed in contacting classmates.

Committee: Marcia and Ross Rogers, Charlene (Tsuji) Grinolds (253-630-2279)  
Cathy (Dahl) Bossett  (206-322-1947)  
Harry Huey
If you are not receiving the CHSAA newsletter, please contact Charlene Grinolds 253-630-2279 and/or JoAnn Smith chsaaseattle@yahoo.com

CLASS OF 1962
The class of 1962 reunion will be held in September 2012. The location will be the greater Seattle area. Other details have not been determined at this time.

To join the planning committee, to provide your current Email and/or USPS address, or with questions you can contact the reunion committee via Email  ( CHS1962@juno.com )

Updates for the event will be posted on website as they become available:
  http://www.freewebs.com/aschuehle/

PLEASE HELP LOCATE OUR MISSING 1964 CLASSMATES
Our 50th Class Reunion in 2014 is only three years away. We have located and updated contact information on 175+ classmates to date but we still have large number of missing classmates. We need your help in locating these individuals.

A list of our missing classmates is organized into two separate groups – “Gals” and “Guys.” If you know any of our missing classmates have them contact Alison Sing at eagle64aws@comcast.net or call 425-742-1782 (home). “Guys” will be printed in the next issue.

Also, encourage them to visit our Class Facebook page registered under “Alison Sing” with a profile photo of our Eagle mascot. They can also check our Alumni Association website at http://www.clevelandalum-sea.org for reunion news.

Jean Rambo, Shirley Morelli Reed, Joan Richardson, Arlene Rillera, Terry Antonelli Rodrigues, Sandy Sawyer, Carol Schwartz, Connie Shelton, Judy Shoup, Judy Owens Smoot, Jessica Sato Sorenson, Sandra Perovich Spurrier, Claudia Harrel Stoltman, Joan Schultz Thompson, Donna Laverdure Torez, Karen Tweet Tvedt, Olivia Kinamoto Uyeda, Jeanne Grendahl Wilson, Karen Wolfe, Barbara Workman, Marsha Yambao, and Veryl Yarnes.
Handling of bin Laden’s death, burial divides CHS students

By Agaisha Yancey [NOT EDITED]
Cleveland Journal reporter

Osama bin Laden, America’s most wanted terrorist since the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks, was killed May 2 in Pakistan after years of searching. The news made headlines around the world and many Americans at home and abroad celebrated. Many families felt relieved. President Obama called his death “the most significant achievement to date in our nation’s effort to defeat al-Qaida.” That bin Laden was killed — rather than captured — was seen as a victory for U.S. officials, who had feared the prospect of a long legal battle if the al-Qaida leader was taken into U.S. custody alive.

But bin Laden’s death affects not just America but Muslims as well. Cleveland High School is home to a number of Muslim students. Some thought that bin Laden’s death shouldn’t be celebrated, while others believed he deserved to die.

September 11 affected not just those living in New York, D.C. and Pennsylvania, but the country as a whole. It affected the families who lost someone, the way we travel, how we view other races. It scared Americans into thinking the country is no longer safe. Muslims also felt the effects, but from a different perspective.

“I felt that after 9/11, I was seen as a terrorist, that all Muslims were seen as terrorists. I no longer felt comfortable around non-Muslims,” said junior Rooda Dhoble. “Now that Osama bin Laden is dead, many people are celebrating, and I think that is wrong. We shouldn’t celebrate someone’s death. I’m speechless. I don’t know how to react to the celebrating that has happened across our country.”

There is much debate and conflict around bin Laden’s death. People are debating the facts surrounding his death, whether or not the government should release the graphic pictures of his body. Some are asking if he’s even dead at all. A proper burial for Muslims calls for the deceased’s body washed, wrapped in a clean sheet and buried without a casket. Bin Laden was buried at sea the day after his death.

Hamdi Malin, a junior, said, “Either he didn’t die, or America didn’t kill him and he was found dead. Death is not something that should be celebrated. America based an act of one person onto all of the Muslims. Even though he is dead, we are still going to be treated the same. Nothing is going to change. This has been going on for 10 years. It’s not going to change now after all that time. Also he shouldn’t have had his body just dumped in the ocean.”

Dhoble agrees that bin Laden’s body should have been buried in a proper way. “I think they handled his death wrongfully, they shouldn’t have thrown him in the sea,” she said.

Administration officials said the burial at sea was necessary because arrangements couldn’t be made with any country to bury bin Laden within 24 hours, as dictated by Muslim practice. But it was said the U.S. also wanted to avoid creating a shrine on land that would attract his followers.

Junior Shaquille Turner thinks otherwise. “They handled his death in the right way,” Turner said. “He deserved to die, but I thought they were going to give his body to Pakistan so he could be hung.”

Junior Bashawn McCants offered another solution on how they could have handled bin Laden’s body. “I don’t know much about Muslim culture, but I feel like they could’ve cremated him,” McCants said.

Cremation is not allowed under Muslim beliefs.
Your family’s income can determine your future
Abby Gadia [NOT EDITED]
Cleveland Journal reporter


When it comes to college readiness and the programs offered, it’s not as easy as it looks to get accepted into them. Family income plays a huge role in getting accepted into certain college readiness programs. I fear rejection, especially when they are opportunities that can benefit my future. My mom jokes that she wants to quit her job, just so I can get into the college readiness opportunities offered and receive other benefits. Why does money have to be a make-or-break-you factor when it comes to education?

In high school, it’s time to think about college, but it’s not only about good grades. It’s about being involved in extracurricular activities and programs that make you stand out as a well-rounded student.

When you look at high school students who come from lower income families, you see them getting into college readiness programs such as Upward Bound and the College Success Foundation. What gets me the most is seeing some of my peers who qualify for these college readiness programs take them for granted.

I remember my sophomore year in Mr. or Mrs.? Adam’s class, we were all required to apply for Upward Bound no matter the amount of our family’s income. The packet wasn’t that thick, but groans filled the room. Some of my classmates already made up their mind that they didn’t want to apply for this program because of the essays that were required for the application. Seeing that lack of drive makes me wonder what makes them not want to take advantage of the opportunities provided them? Is it a lack of guidance, perhaps?

Programs offered that don’t ask for family income are tough to get into because the application pool is often higher or it requires a fee. Just because students are considered a “higher” income, doesn’t mean they’re rich. Maybe the student is an only child, and the mom works overtime a lot making just enough to be considered middle class. My family income is structured in that way, and for those in a similar situation, what are we supposed to do to get these types of opportunities? Family income doesn’t define knowledge.

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R U Tlk'n 2 Me? Text talk taking over the English language
By Agaisha Yancey [NOT EDITED]
Cleveland Journal reporter

Today, texting is one of the most popular activities teenagers enjoy. During a walk through school halls, you are guaranteed to see students texting in between classes. Often, that texting language carries over into the classroom. Students might talk how they text or write in shorthand like they text. Language arts teachers often read students’ essays and assignments written in shorthand.

Adam Burden, a sophomore language arts teacher, thinks texting is a form ofsudo communication that impacts both written and verbal communication. “I think texting is a quick way of communication, but it causes drama because it’s hard to establish a ‘voice’ through a text,” he said. The problem is not exclusive to lower grade levels, Burden said. Even in the higher grades he teaches, “It’s still as frequent to see students using emoticons such as lol, jk, omg, and so on. The most frequent abbreviations I see are ‘u’, ‘y’ and ‘b4.’ Words that are made up of letters and numbers that sound like what they are. It’s not about sounding educated, necessarily, but knowing how to communicate with your audience through language, tone and how you’re dressed.”

Knowing your audience is very important. When you are with your friends, you talk differently than if you were talking to your parents or your siblings. Knowing the right time to use a certain type of communication is crucial. Talking in slang in front of certain people can make you seem ignorant and dumb while to others it’s a natural way of talking.

Texting can get you in trouble, especially with sarcasm. Since texting is only words being read off of a phone, there is no way to tell if someone is being sarcastic or decipher the tone in a message. Burden said, “It causes drama. People can take what you say in the wrong way, and that is what causes issues.” You would think that as you got older, you would be able to decipher the appropriate times to write or talk in shorthand or slang, but Burden has seen otherwise. “As I have taught higher grade levels, the use of emoticons has not diminished,” he said.

Appropriate language is something people should be aware of, especially high school students since they are going to have to write essays for college applications apply to jobs and start their own life away from home. Be aware of your audience and be aware of how you present yourself. If you use inappropriate language in certain settings, it can make it more difficult for you to accomplish things or excel in life.
IN MEMORIAM

1934  Russell Rafanelli  *
1939  Bob Traina
1941  Gordon S. Smith  *
1942  Mildred (Epp) Hawkins  *
1947  Robert J. McCaffree
1949  Richard L. Bullock
1951  Derald C. Baskin  *
   Daniel Desjardins  *
   Robert Hadley  *
   Donna (Roedel) Kessler
   Lynn (Smith) Redmond  *
1953  Hoover Chambliss
1954  Ronald F. Henkel
   Josephine (Zingarella) Seidl
1956  J. Richard Neese  *
   Robert VanAmburgh-Whitney
1959  John J. (Jack) Donovan  *
1961  Charlene (Roberts) Ahl  *
   Michael J. Crosby
   Alfonzo E. Desimone  *
   Barbara M. (Rosten) Elliston  *
   Donna M. (Amidon) Fisher  *
   Paul D. Garner  *
   Janet (White) Genther  *
   David R. Haney  *
   Jeffery D. Ida  *
   Dewey Matthews  *
   John C. Prevette  *
   Alfred L. Rucks  *
   Dale L. Sewell  *
   James Tidholm  *
1962  Audrey (Fong) Kobuki
1963  Donald C. Cooper  *
1964  Keith T. Chan
   Ronald J. Riccetti
1966  Sue Watson Casey
1974  David Brown  *
1976  Carl Ervin

* Those who passed prior to 2011

Ron Henkel, class of 1954, passed away unexpectedly on June 14th. Ron was married to classmate Janet Furlan. An Eagle 100 donation was made in his memory by classmates John and Mary Lou (Zarkades) Barton.

Evelyn Fish Griffin ’55 contributed to the scholarship fund in memory of her brother Dennis Fish class of 1956. Dennis passed away in March of this year. Dennis was a retired teacher.

Two members of the class of 1964 passed away this year. Ron Riccetti passed away in February in San Diego and Keith Chan in May in Hoodsport WA. Bob Baugher honored their memories with a donation with the comment ‘the gang misses you both’.

Good friends lost but not forgotten
PHIL ACOSTA STILL LIVES

Seldom does one get the opportunity to read his or her name as deceased. I am happy to report that I am very much alive and well, living in Black Diamond, WA. on beautiful Lake Sawyer. I am an avid fitness enthusiast and my apparent demise was with much surprise to those who had seen my name and called to express their condolences. To those few I am grateful and now truly know who my friends are.

I have been married to my wife Paula (Rainier Beach) for 44 years; we have four adult children, six grandchildren and a great-grandson. Most of my working career was as marine clerk, working cargo vessels at the Port of Seattle. Paula and I are retired and spend our winters following the sun. I love to golf and fish and most of all I am appreciative of this wonderful extension of life that I’ve been given.

Your fellow alumnus,
Philip Acosta ’64

BILL CARSON - Still Kicking

Bill Carson ’64 joined the Navy after high school and finished as an E-5 pipefitter.

He married his best friend, Darcy Tarwater, and they have three boy, Ron, Kevin & Dave, and 4 grandkids.

Bill worked at Lockheed Shipyard in Seattle while attending the UW where he graduated with a BS in Chemical Engineering in 1973.

As an engineer he has worked for DuPont, BCS Engineering, Boeing, Arthur Forsythe Co., and Crown Zellerback.

He started his own company in 1985, Carson Engineering, and eventually merged with Direct Contact Inc in 2005. The engineering office is located in Renton where Bill works as the chief engineer. He is a licensed professional engineer in both chemical and mechanical engineering.

BENNETT YEE - Alive & Well

Bennett Yee ’64 is alive and well. He was the 2010 winner of the Marco Polo Award, which was given in recognition of his outstanding work in exporting US products abroad.

He lives in Maple Valley with his wife, Haihong. They have two children, a seven-year old boy and a nine-year old girl.

He continues to work and contribute to exporting US products, and he strives to consult with and help people who are interested in World Trade.

WE GOOFED !!!

In our last issue we erroneously listed the three gentleman shown on this page as being deceased. We thought that the best way to make it up to them was to give them the opportunity to provide a brief update on their lives. They seem to be doing very well.

A fourth person, Veryl Varnes ‘64, was also listed as deceased but we have been unable to contact her. We would like to publish a brief update on her life as well.
ON HIS DEATH BED, CARL ERVIN DISHES ONE FINAL ASSIST

By Jerry Brewer, Seattle Times staff columnist

On the last day of his life, Carl Ervin did what came natural. It was his finest moment and, yes, that includes his memorable game-winning shot in the 1976 state tournament championship game.

On the last day of his life, Carl Ervin did what came natural. Bladder cancer couldn’t alter his essence. Through the pain, he remained the unselfish point guard he had always been.

This time, there was no basketball to share, however. So Ervin, the former Cleveland High School and Seattle University star, spent Saturday passing his love to friends and family. He made sure everyone knew just how he felt about them. He seemed to be on a mission, and he had no use for complaints or pity or blame.

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"It was an experience that I’ll never forget,” said Washington men’s basketball coach Lorenzo Romar, who played against Ervin in college, befriended him and visited the hospital the morning Ervin died. "It was, ‘How can I make you guys feel better?’ He wasn’t in that bed saying, ‘Woe is me.’ He was still entertaining.”

Ervin died at about 5 p.m. Saturday. He was 53. He was too young and too likable to die. But he was also too resourceful to live with regret.

I wish I had known him longer, but it seems best to honor Ervin by appreciating that I knew him for a little while. In the past three months, I had the privilege to enjoy two long visits with Ervin to learn about the history of Seattle basketball. One afternoon, we talked for two hours at his house. One morning, we spent five hours at the Rainier Vista Boys and Girls Club with former Franklin High School star Trent Johnson, who is now the LSU men’s basketball coach.

Those experiences were invaluable. They turned this vast metropolitan area into a lovable small community. They included jokes about a young Romar, tales of epic pickup games from stars of the 1970s and, of course, arguments over the city’s greatest high-school hoops squad — the Cleveland teams that went 50-1 in 1975 and 1976, or the undefeated Garfield High “Super Dogs” of 1974?

“I’ve had this argument so many times that I’ve perfected it,” Ervin said, smiling. “I know all the countermoves that I need to make. We were the best.”

That’s the closest Ervin really came to bragging. He was a humble, understated man who used his charisma to make others feel better. He was the consummate point guard. No excessive flash, just results. He was the floor general for those great Cleveland teams, keeping happy a squad blessed with four Division I college players (Jawann Oldham, James Woods and Eli Carter were the others).

The Eagles entered high school with unprecedented hype. They went 88-0 at Asa Mercer Junior High School. They learned how to be stars before they learned how to drive. They won the Class AA state title as juniors; then they moved up to AAA and won again as seniors. In the 1976 state final, Ervin helped the Eagles avenge their only loss of that 50-1 run by making an 18-footer in the closing seconds to claim a 42-41 victory over Tacoma’s Lincoln High. He also set a tournament record with 35 assists in four games.

Then Ervin went to Seattle U. from 1976-80 and left the school with 1,304 career points and 534 assists. In 2009, he was inducted into the Seattle U. Hall of Fame.

"His senior year, he was the best guard in the state that did not play for the Sonics,” said Romar, who was playing at Washington at the time.

Ervin went on to be a seventh-round draft pick of the Sonics, but he didn’t last in the NBA. He became a coach, and his career included bookend jobs as an assistant under the great Al Hairston — first at Seattle U. and finally at O’Dea High School, where he was part of a coaching dream team that also included Steve Hawes.

"His greatest strength may have been that he had an ability to break down walls and communicate,” said Hairston, whose résumé includes five state titles at Garfield. "He had an electric personality.”

Just as Ervin kept quiet about his accomplishments, he hid his illness. He battled cancer for three years, but he rarely discussed his struggle. He’d rather ask about you or tell a joke. Everyone underestimated how sick he was. He was unfailingly positive, and so was his wife, Penny, a lifelong friend whom he married four years ago.

At the end, Ervin lay in a hospital bed, enjoying Coca-Cola. The medical staff told him that he could only take sips of his preferred beverage, but his friends and family decided to surprise him with a two-liter bottle. Ervin caught them as they tried to smuggle in the treat.

“’That’s what I’m talkin’ about!” he said. “Aww, suki suki now!”

On the last day of Carl Ervin’s life, everyone around him laughed. The consummate point guard had saved his most incredible assist for last.

Note: Ervin is survived by his wife, Penny, and 10-year-old daughter, Karlee. Funeral arrangements were not yet finalized when this article was first published.
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