Class of '66 2006 Class Updates



David Alexander

Here is a brief outline of what I have been doing since graduation from Ukiahi. After graduation from Santa Rosa JC in 1968 I found work in Palo Alto tuning and testing microwave devices, including amplifiers, which are used in airborne anti-missle systems. In 1978 I joined Hewlett-Packard and in 1991 my group moved to Santa Rosa. We were caught in the telcom bust and in early 2002 was laid off after 23 years of service. I joined JDSU

that year doing final inspection of solid state lasers. That group moved to San Jose in early 2006. I am now back at JDSU as a temp supporting a clean room operation that makes special glass that is used as a video filter in high definition TV sets made by Sony in China.

I like to travel and have been to Europe several times as well as Tahiti, Australia, China, Russia and my favorite destination of Jamaica. I've been in Jamaica 15 times since 1984 and am going again this October. I spend my weekends on board my sailboat, JAMAICA 3, that I keep in Alameda. I am very active in the yacht club and write a social column for our newsletter. Our clubs webmaster has made a website for me that features pictures of the boat and friends.

We recently have added my pictures and story about my survival of the worlds worst aircraft disaster, which occured in 1977 in the Canary Islands. As you may recall, this accident involved 2 747's which collided on the ground. If you are interested, log on to: http://www.jamaica3 .com and click on Tenerife. I am still single and am having a good time with life. Its hard to believe that I'll be 60 soon. Maybe I'll find a woman to share it with. In the meantime, I'm going sailing! I hope you are doing well and look forward to seeing you at the reunion.





THOMAS E. "TOM" BETTINI

children: Michelle, Tom, Ronda

After College, I joined the Air Force in 1971 and retired in 1995. I had some very exciting tours of duty and some that were not so interesting, but I managed to survive it all. Did run into Ron Wegesser several times... we managed to kill a few brain cells drinking beer together.



Life after the Air Force brought me to Turlock, Califonia were I live with my wife of 36 years. I've been teaching school for the past 11 years. This coming school year, I'll be teaching 7th grade Math and Science... who would of thought.

Looking forward to the reunion... hope I can make it this year.



BONNIE BISHOP

Children:

Son - Darin Austin - 37, Meat cutter, Susanville, Ca., one son, Jordan 4.Daughter - Dena Kivirahk - 35 (husband Mark), Licensed Vocational Nurse, Plano, Tx., One daughter - Cathryn 15, Two sons - Alex 14 and Evan 2

Daughter - Mandi Waite - 30 (husband Joe), Sales Associate with Macy's, Deltona, Fl., One daughter - Kourtney 18, Three sons - J.T. 15, Klint 14 and Jeramy 7



After graduation I stayed in Ukiah and worked as a telephone operator. Married Ed Austin in the spring of 1967 and moved to Willits for a year. After moving back to Ukiah we had our son. I worked for Bank of America for 4 1/2 years and had our oldest daughter. Left B of A to be a stay at home mom for three years

then had our youngest daughter, moved to Fort Bragg 6weeks later.I went to work for the Savings Bank of Mendocino County for over three years until my husband was transferred to Lakeport where we have lived forthe past 27 years. I worked for the Lake County Office of Education in the Special Ed department as an instructional assistant working with children with severe and multiple handicaps until injuries forced my retirement after 20 years of service. Since that time I have enjoyed taking care of my grandchildern while their mothers worked...that is until June of 2005 when our youngest daughter moved to Florida and our oldest

daughter moved to Texas one week later. I've spent the last year missing them all! But luckily I've had Annie (Bruton)Parks to keep me occupied...those old friendships are so special!!!! Thanks Annie!!!

Our oldest grandaughter, Kourtney, lived with us this year to complete her senior year of high school, graduated in June and Ed retired from P.G.& E. after 40 years prompting a celebration with all the kids and grandkids to come home for a week long reunion, most likely the best week of our lives! (Have pictures...will travel!)In mid September Ed and I will be embarking on a 6 to 8 week tour of the country, sightseeing and visiting with friends and family along the way. Especially looking forward to visits with our daughters and their families and one of my best friends from high school, Barbara (Hinds) McDermott and husband Mac in Wyoming.

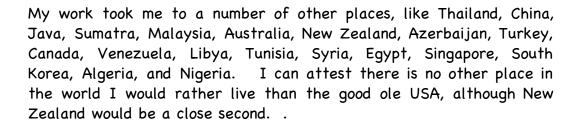
We are also working to get our house ready to sell (hopefully in the spring) so we can move back to Ukiah where my parents still live. We're looking forward to coming home!



WILLIAM BRISTER

What have I been doing since 66?

I started college at Cal, then got married to Barbara Bailey (Class of 62) in 1967 and went to SRJC for one year. I transferred to the University of Oklahoma and graduated in 1970 with a degree in petroleum engineering. I began my career with Continental Oil Co. (later Conoco, then ConocoPhillips) in New Orleans. Both of our Sons were born in New Orleans, Mike in 1972, and Jeff in 1974. I had a great 33 year career with Conoco, where we worked, lived, and traveled around the world. We lived in New Orleans, La. (2 times), Lafayette, La. (2 times) Houston Texas (3 times), Lake Charles, La, Dubai, United Arab Emirates (3 times), Siracusa, Sicily, Stavanger, Norway, Midland, Texas, Casper, Wyoming, and Anchorage, Alaska, In addition to these assignments, I spent 2 years in Vietnam on a single status assignment, spending about half of my time there, and the other half working out of Houston where my wife Barbara was keeping our home together while I was away.



I retired from ConocoPhillips in 2003, and we are still living in our home in Houston Texas, where we were living when I retired. We have become avid Nascar fans, and travel around the country in our motor home taking in about a half dozen races a year. This year we have caught races in Las Vegas, Bristol, Tennessee, Dallas, Texas, Infineon, California, and will go to Bristol again, and then Martinsville, Virginia before year end. Barbara is also an avid bowler, so we went to Women's Nationals this year in Reno, and Men's Nationals in Corpus Christi, Texas (yes, women bowl in men's nationals, but men don't bowl in women's nationals-go figure).

Driving a 40 'motor home back and forth across the country probably doesn't make much sense, but it is the easiest way to take our two cats along with us. My sister, Nancy Busch, still lives in Ukiah, so I do come back occasionally to visit. I am looking forward to the reunion, since it will be my first in 40 years, although I have made two of my wife's reunions. I am looking forward to seeing everyone.





SHIRLEY BRUNT

Spouse: Richard

Children: Rich & Rachelle

Richard (Class of '64) and I are celebrating our 39th anniversary this September. After living in the San Diego area for 32 years, we moved to the great Northwest 6 years ago. We are blessed to live near our daughter and son-in-law, Rachelle (31) and Chet (31), and our two grandchildren Makenna (3 ½) and Micah (15 months). They are the apples of Papa and Grandma's eyes. Our son, Rich (35), also moved to the Portland area from Chico. How great it is to all live near one another and share life on a daily basis.

I was a stay at home mom until my kids were in high school and then worked for a dermatology office for several years. I now watch the grandkids two days a week and work parttime at a local antique store. The antique store is a perfect place for me since I love antique dolls and have a whole room full of them at home. We look forward to the next step, retirement, in the next few years.

Unfortunately, we have never been able to attend any of our class reunions, but I look forward to reading about my fellow classmates.



Ann Bruton

Spouse: Donald

Children: Scott 31, Michael 27, Patrick 23, Tim 21, Brooke

14, Raj 40 (adopted son)

After graduating, I went to Southern California, Mt San Antonio College in Walnut, my first year and then transferred to Chico State. I majored in Home Economics and Art.

I came to Ukiah for a visit, applied at Ukiah and got a job. I taught at Ukiah High for 9 years—Art, PE, Foods, and Clothing. Those were fun years for me and I throughly enjoyed teaching.

I have six children ranging from ages 40 to 14!!! Yes, I have the daughter I waited for after all the boys!!

I started my own business in 1980, A Stitch In Time. I sold and serviced Singer and Bernina sewing machines. I sold the business in 1997.

In the early 90's I attended Sonoma State and obtained my Special Education LH Credential. Then I went to Dominican College and completed an Elementary Credential. I substituted in the elementary schools for a while.

I am semi-retired. I have a traveling sewing machine repair business now--A Stitch In Time On Wheels. It is working out very well and keeps me plenty busy.

I am looking forward the this reunion and to seeing lots of old friends, eating, maybe a few drinks, and especially the dancing!!





DON BURGER

After high school I joined the Air Force in 1967. I spent a tour of duty in Vietnam from Nov. 1967 to Nov. 1968. I spent 2 1/2 years at McChord Air Force Base, Washington.

I went to college for 2 years in Oakland, California. Got a job as a welder in Berkeley, California making grape picking machines. I lived in Ukiah for awhile then to Napa, back to Ukiah and then to Brookings, Oregon.

I worked on the Alaska Pipeline in 1974, at Prudoe Bay, Alaska, 150 miles north of the Arctic Circle.

I am currently in Brookings, Oregon, where I won and operate a Blacksmith, welding & machine shop. I live on the Chetco River where I can fish out my back door.

I enjoy fishing, hunting, and my grandchildren. I have another grandson due at about the same time as the reunion. So, not sure I will be in Ukiah.

I'm going to Nome, Alaska to do some fishing with my brother, Ken and a friend at the end of July.

I've been married twice and am currently single. I have a son and a daughter as well as, 4 +1 grandchildren.





GEORGIA BUTT

The Great Class of 66......Gee, it is already 40 years ago that we were so excited about graduating from Ukiah High School to go out and start a new chapter of our young lives. We had our first 10 year class reunion (I was unable to attend due to a terrible car accident that I was in) and everyone was most likely trying to impress each other of what great accomplishments we did since we graduated. Then we had the 15,20,25,30 and 35 year reunions and the first few we were still trying to show how well we have done and now we have reached 40 years. I think that we are at the point now that we are what we are and no reason to impress our classmates. We have all had our ups and downs with life and who cares if I am fat and have lost all my hair, I am what I am. Can you believe how fast time has flown by and all the things that we have all been through, weather it was the Viet Nam War, college, family, divorce, children, grandchildren, jobs, loss of loved ones and all our mistakes that we wish we could of done a different way? I know I have had these thoughts at one time or another. I always tell people how lucky I was to have such a wonderful group of kids that I grew up with and went from kindergarten through 12th Grade with. Not many kids can say that this day and age. I feel blessed.

During the past 40 years I have lived in Texas for 37 of those years with the same husband. Have always had the dream of coming back to Ukiah, but now my boys are here and I have two granddaughters. Rebecca is 9 years old and Dylan is 21 months, so how could I leave and not see my girls grow up. The boys can go where they want, but leave the grandchildren. Ha! My oldest son Roger is 29 and Peter is 27. We lost our precious Richard in the car accident that we had in 1976 and at that time he was 7 months old.

I just retired after 23 years with Clear Creek Independent School District as the Payroll Supervisor. It is a large school district of 32 schools, 3 high schools, 7 middle schools and the rest elementary. Another high school will be ready in 07-08. At the opening of 06-07 we have 37,000 students. Needless to say I am enjoying retirement and away from all the politics that goes along with working with a school district. In between CCISD and having children we owned our own business which was called Clear Lake Coins and Stamps Inc. This was an interesting adventure of 8 years and then we had to get out of it due to my husbands health. I continued doing the books for the store for many years until it was taken over by someone else. At the present time the company is still doing well.

The only traveling that I have done is mainly back to California where my family lived and to New Jersey where my sister lives. We did go to Iceland where my first granddaughter was born. My oldest son, Roger, was in the Navy. That was a real interesting place and I would love to return someday. Since my mom moved to Texas two years ago maybe now I can travel to other parts of this world. Mom built a house very close to mine, in fact I can see her house from my house. Her moving here was a very hard decision to make since she lived in Ukiah for 59 years and my brother lives in Sonoma, but once she made up her mind she was ready to move. Mom and I have a lot of fun together and seem to always be busy. It is wonderful to have her close by instead of 2,000 miles away and I am sure some of you can relate to that.

Now that I am retired I plan to take one day at a time and live it to the fullest like we should all do. Hopefully I can stay healthy and will be able to continue to do this.

Am looking forward to our 40th Reunion and hope to see a lot of you there. Georgia Butt Smithwick 424 West Hubert St.
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RAYMOND CHADWICK

Children: Maureen (25)

Jordan (23)

I never got very far from home. In 1972 I signed a contract to teach middle school in Rohnert Park. While I was visiting my parents that summer, Roger Wren called me to ask, "I hear your a teacher. Do you want to come work for me at Pomolita?"

I taught social studies and English at Pomolita for 21 years. Following that, I was an assistant principal at Ukiah High, Director of Continuing and Alternative Education, principal of Pomolita, and an Assistant Superintendent. I am currently entering my 3rd year as the Superintendent of Ukiah Unified.

My wife Patsy and I recently celebrated our 30th anniversary.

Forty years! They've passed in the blink of an eye.





JOE COWAN

Did odd jobs for a couple years then uncle sam gave me a tour of Asia. 3 years of college with no AA. After 10 years and 3 ex wives in Reno, jumped on my motorcycle, hit highway 1 and ended up in San Diego. 3 years later got bored and moved to Belize C A.. Got ran over by a boat so had to come back to SD. Bought a sailboat. bike and a Zodiac, and became a sailor. Delivered boats from Canada to Mexico for the last 15 years. Traveled to most of Central America and Cuba plus the U S twice. Now have 5 shoe shine booths on the beach and recycle cans on the side. Favorite place. the Port of Indecision in Mexico. Not sure why I left there. Hobbies, Me. Long range plans, tomorrow. Regrets, leaving the Mustang Ranch. That about sums up 40 years of fun.





ERNEST CRAWFORD

After a short stint at Santa Rosa Junior College, I joined the USMC in 1967 and was trained as an Avionics Technician at Millington, TN. While there I married the former Jolene Ramsey, also of Ukiah. From there we were stationed at MCAS El Toro, CA. We got out of the Corps in 1971 and returned to Ukiah for almost four years. Not finding what we were looking for, we rejoined the Corps in 1975. During the next 22 years we were stationed in CA, AZ, HI, NC, VA, MD, Okinawa and Japan. I was promoted to Warrant Officer in 1978, retiring in 1997 as a Chief Warrant Officer I spent about a year as a 'beltway-bandit', designing web sites from home for the Navy and the Corps. Tiring of that, we spent about 8 months touring the US in an RV looking for a place to settle. That place turned out to be Selma, OR. We bought a 'fixer-upper' on 40 acres and have turned it into our own piece of heaven. Jolene remains a homemaker and I have been driving school bus for the Three River School District for the past 5 years. I am presently the dispatcher/lead driver for our office.



Jolene and I have two children, Shane living in MO and Trisha living in VA. We have a granddaughter in NC, a grandson in VA, two granddaughters and a grandson in MO.

Ernie Crawford



RICHARD DAVIS

Spouse:Tonni

Children: Jackie & Jenni



After graduation at Ukiahi, I enlisted in the Navy for four years and was sent to Vietnam on the USS Ranger. Many memories of the war; some great, some not-so-great. I must admit, R & R (rest and relaxation) was in Hawaii, and that was great!

I married Tonni in 1980. We met at a Ski Club in Fresno. She loved to snow ski and I loved to water ski. So we met between seasons. We have now been married 26 years, Whew! where did the time go?

We have two girls; Jackie age 24 and Jenni age 20. They were both born in California. Jackie has finished college and Jenni is still plodding along. They are our joy.

We all moved to Florida in 1987 to help our company grow. I had planned to be four years; however, I am still here! This is a water systems company and Florida has plenty of water, over 30 inches of rain each year where we live. We hope to return to our California home in a few years. My twin sister, Diane, is here also with her family.

Golf is fabulous in Florida. Seems there is a golf course every 10 miles. My golf buddies play once a week and at a different course each week. We have even won several tournaments each year.

Another hobby of mine is sound systems. I manage the sound board at our local church. Orchestrating a successful service is rewarding.

In 1995 my father passed away and my mother joined him in 2002.

We visit California about once a year for weddings, reunions and to check on our home in the Sacramento area.

Look forward to seeing everyone at the 40th!



LINDA DIXON

I have been teaching elementary school in Fremont, California, for the last 36 years. I have two sons and an adopted Korean daughter. My husband and I enjoy traveling and cruising.





Jeanne Egan

I've been married for thirty seven years to Doug Barrett (class of 1967). Doug and I dated in high school until our marriage in 1968.

We have two sons, Matthew would be 32 years old now, but died of cancer when he was 17 years old. Christopher is 26 and is a CHP officer in San Jose.

Doug is retired from the CHP. He was an officer for thirty years.

After graduation from high school, I obtained my cosmetology license and worked for approximately six years before starting my family.

During Doug's career, we lived in Fairfield, San Mateo, Pleasanton, Rohnert Park and for the last nineteen years in Redding.

I've been doing volunteer work for the American Cancer Society for approximately thirteen years. I started a program that provides wigs and services for women undergoing cancer treatment. It has grown quite large and takes in several Northern California counties. I am also involved with volunteer work for the local Hospice program.

I have enjoyed having these reunions every five years. I am always excited to see how everyone is doing.





LINDA ERIKSEN

What I have been doing the past 40 years.....WORKING!! One thing we all have to do in order to RETIRE!! Which I did this year. I have been a Hair Stylist for 32 years and a Salon owner "The Elegant Touch" for the past 11 years.

I sold my business in January 2006. We sold our home in Clearlake, Ca and bought a new home in Sweet Home, Oregon. We plan on traveling for as long as our health {and money} hold out. My husband, Ron retired about 3 years ago. He was with Safeway for 32 years and a Firefighter with Lake Shore Fire Protection District for 14 years.

We have been married for 30 years in December. I hope you all have had as wonderful a life as I have. Linda "Eriksen" Walker



BRENDA FIELDEN

Spouse: Lawrence

Children: Tonya - 34, Kevin - 30

After graduation, I left in August traveling to San Antonio, Texas, to attend International Bible College. I fully intended to attend for 4 years, graduate and go into ministry, and then I met my husband, Lawrence, and after a 6 month courtship, we were married in July 1968. Following our honeymoon, we traveled to Pennsylvania, his home state, where we have lived for 38 years.

For the first two years of married life, I worked in retail sales. After moving to a different area of the state, I got a great job at the local hospital, working in the admitting office and emergency room office – what an experience! Later, an opportunity opened at my church, and I worked as an executive secretary to the pastors of the church for 10 years, as well as being involved in the music ministry and other ministries of the church. For the past 18 years I have worked in the construction industry, and am currently a contract administrator for a mechanical contractor. I enjoy photography and scrapbooking. My husband is a truck driver and we enjoy spending time with our children and friends, and traveling when schedules permit.

We were blessed with 2 wonderful children, Tonya, 34 and Kevin, 30. Tonya relocated to Charlotte, NC 11 years ago, met a wonderful southern guy and was married in 2003 at a beach wedding in the British Virgin Island of Tortola. They recently blessed us with our first grandchild, Jackson Gage, on May 12, 2006. What a joy to be a Grandma!!!! In addition to motherhood, she is employed in orthodontics as a treatment coordinator. Kevin lives nearby in Lancaster, is self-employed as a hardwood flooring contractor and recently was married to Kelli in March 2006. After a honeymoon in Italy, they have settled in a new home with their puppy, and are expecting their first child in January 2007. Another grandchild......yeah!!!!





Rodney "Rod" Garrison

Children:

Michael (34)

Donica (30)

Rodney (28)

Theodore (3)

1966... let me see. After Graduation, I moved to Fort Bragg over on the coast. My Father had been commuting from Ukiah to Fort Bragg and down the south coast to Stewarts point, delivering for a Bread company so we moved. I continued to play music after we moved, and played in a local Fort Bragg band for a short time. I worked in a Gas Station for a few months, before starting to work at a new restaurant that was opening soon. I worked in the restaurant for three years, cooking and managing for a brief time.

In 1969 I Married my first wife Laurie, we had a son Michael A. in March of 1972; divorced in 1974. In 1970 I went to work for Georgia-Pacific working at various jobs. I married my second wife Karla in 1975 and we had a daughter Donica J. in 1976 and son Rodney A. II in 1978. We divorced in 1980.

In 1989 I married Cynthia Diane Ceriani my true love. I worked in the Drying Department as lead man from 1973 until 2002 when the Georgia-Pacific mill closed. Despite losing my job a wonderful thing happened that year, the conception of our son Theodore Lane Garrison, born May 20, 2003.

From 1970 to 1989 I played in a band with my brothers, Tom, Dan, and Steve

known as the Garrison Brothers Band.

I'm currently working for Fort Bragg Unified School District, for the past 3 years Driving Special Ed School Bus.

I have 4 Grandchildren and my hobbies are playing guitar and singing, metal

detecting, gardening and working on my 81 jeep cj5, when I am not chasing after my energetic 3 year old.

I am looking forward to the 40th reunion.





CAROL GARTH

Spouse: Mike Ferrell

Children: Callie Watts and Mike Ferrell, Jr.

Wow.... How do we find the words to tell what we've been doing since 1966! I moved in the fall of 66 to Sacramento and went to school at American River for two years, living the high life with both old friends from Ukiah (you all know who you are....) and new friends from school. Somehow, I ended up married to Dan Watts (fellow Ukiahi classmate) and living in Santa Rosa by about '71 and we went about securing our future with steady jobs and raising a family.



Unfortunately, we went separate ways in the early 80s and I eventually Married my current hubby Mike. We just celebrated our 22nd year together. Our children are grown now - Callie's a professional musician who's been accepted at the prestigious Los Angeles Institute of Music so will be moving away (sniff!!) in a couple months, and Mike Jr.'s still home at 20 and painting houses for a living.

Mike and I have built a new life for ourselves, in the absence of school concerts and Little League games, as musicians! He's in two bands and I'm in one of them with him, though I'm with him at every gig with the other band, too, (Poyntlyss Sistars, everyone - come and see them sometime for excellent oldies with a twist). keyboards and sings and I sing and bang on percussive gadgets. We run ourselves ragged and probably have no business out on the road late at night (or early in the morning, I should say), but in ways it's keeping us young - or perhaps sending us to an early grave, haha! I still hang out with some of my oldest friends from Ukiah and cherish each and every one of them, and due to my rather obsessive Paul McCartney/Beatles fixation, I've met a lot of new friends from all over the world and those relationships are priceless, too.



God bless all of you! I love you all!

GARY GREENOUGH

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LIFE: after graduation, went to SRJC and then into the service. Navy for the next four years, two years in Beeville Texas, two years on USS RANGER CVA61. Got out, went back to school and got hired by Sonoma County Regional Parks and was a park ranger for 18 years. Tired of working every weekend and holiday, transferred to the Permit and Resource Department for 10 years as a Code Enforcement Inspector. Bought my four years of military time for a total of 32 years and retired. Work part time as a transporter of cars for numerous car dealerships, paperwork, money transfers, deliveries to customers, etc.

HOBBIES: living history docent at Santa Rosa Rural Cemetery; member of Pacific Coast Air Museum and work the annual airshow as a ramp boss for all military jets; Harley Owners Group/Redwood Empire Chapter member; American Legion Riders; and American Legion Motor Escort Team. Since the Iraq war, another member of the American Legion Post 21 Santa Rosa and I have put together the only uniformed Motor Escort Team in the nation. We escort the hearse and family from the airport to the mortuary in five counties, with courtesy escorts for two others. A sad duty but one done with great respect and honor. We carry the American Flag and also the flag of the service of the deceased. Also involved with the Patriot Guard Riders, a group of people across the nation to counter, not confront, protesters who are showing up at military funerals and who protest the war, shout nasty thing towards the grieving families and try to disrupt funerals...wrong time, wrong place.

FAMILY: divorced twice, there will not be a third time. Single now and enjoying it. One daughter, pole vaulter, record setter, and at this writing, is about to embark on her new adventure to UC Fullerton on a pole vault scholarship; also a straight A student, going into the medical field, she is 20.





Michael "Mike" Hall

Michael D. Hall, single, children: none that I know of

I am going to do this in reverse and start at the present which is the most Two years ago almost to the day I was presented with the biggest challenge and subsequent recovery of my entire life. Late July of 2004 I had a stroke on the right side of my brain which left me blind. A week later I had a second stroke, this time on my left side which left me without control of speech aphasia). The probability of a third stroke was high. I followed the Doctors suggestion, taking care of all of my personal business and turning control of everything to my family. In this dark time (literally) I took the high road, looking inward for my healing and recovery. Believing in yourself is a powerful thing. I turned to alternative therapy for my healing. I had been involved with Reiki, Acupuncture, Acupressure and Massage for a number of years. I turned to three wonderful woman for help in my healing, I received therapy from them intensely at first and then on a weekly basis for eight months. I continue on with Acupuncture twice a month, I give myself Reiki and massage therapy as needed. The Western Medicine side of my care, after months of test could not give an answer as to the reason for the strokes. My heart and circulatory system were perfect. My answer is that I had a "Poker Hand Stroke", Fate. In August 2005 I started outpatient therapy at Memorial/Saint Josephs Hospital in Santa Rosa. In December of 2005 I started 18 weeks of therapy with a NeuroPsychologist in Santa Rosa. I now work (volunteer) with the NeuroPsychologist as a Brain Injury Coach, I am in continuing rehabilitation....remember when we learned how to read?....Get the picture. My life started over in the summer of 2004.

I went off to college after High School graduation and got caught up in the tide of social change which occurred in the late 60s and early 70s. I managed a small cattle operation at Black Point, learning how to milk cows by hand, deliver calves, make cheese and butchery. I took off on my motorcycle on an 8 month trip through Mexico, Guatemala and Belize. Returning to Ukiah/Redwood Valley to work for my father as a carpenter shortly before our 1976 reunion. In 1983 at the age of 35 I returned to school to be trained as a main frame computer programmer. Fate would have it that I would never wrote a line of code. My life experience and education came together and I went to work as an Account Executive for a mid sized computer data processing firm in Oakland. in 1989 one of my clients offered me a management position at a small but growing company in San Francisco. While there I learned accounting, and the fine art of

negotiation and in the process built an advertising agency. By the time I left that job I knew what accomplishment meant. After that I worked at numerous jobs until my life changed in 2004.

As for travel I have been to Mexico and Hawaii more times than I can count. Î have been to London and Amsterdam numerous times, Paris, Venice and Rome once each, But my "on the edge" travel adventures were to Bosnia and Croatia (twice) soon after their wars of independence, to Albania right after it was opened to Americans and Greece.

I hope to live as full and rich a life with this (second chance" as I did in my first 55 years. Now lets have a good time.





KRISTINE HARRISON

Can it really be 40 years? Wow - I'm not half finished yet!

I got married.

Had 2 kids, well actually 3 counting Clint.

Went to college and got my degree in nursing.

Became a not very famous artist.

Raised 2 and _ kids (ok, 2 out of 3 isn't bad, is it?)

Kids (all 3) left the nest.

Started careers in fashion and magazine advertising for a not very famous magazine.

Became event coordinator working on next career making many friends in the business community of Santa Rosa.

Started next career in Hotel/Hospitality where I became #1 sales director for a not very famous boutique hotel & conference center. Loved the perks!

Sat on some very (not) important boards of directors

This year I've been lured away from the hotel business to return to Health Care for the very famous Santa Rosa Memorial Hospital for my newest career asking important people for lots of money to fund wonderfully important projects that will be valuable for us aging baby boomers.

Presently living in Healdsburg and when I'm not working, I'm dreaming of my next career which will include travel, good food & wine with interesting people,

Oh, by the way, the best career of my life is being "Mamae" to my 2 grandchildren. Just ask me to show you pictures.

Married you ask? NO, just keeping all those guys pounding on my door guessing.





WILLIAM HESS

I still love to play all sports. I bowl and golf all the time.

Thanks to all the classmates who have made our reunions the best ever. Without them, our stories would not be told.

With Love Always,

Bill





JOAN HOPPER

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Well here goes.....

I have two Children from my first marriage.

Married yes To: Edward Jones February 14, 1997

Jo-An's Kids Tawni Ward 38 Martin Ward Jr. 36

Ed's Kids Chris 39 Jenny 36 Amy 33

We married in 1997. Live in Nice California...We bought a home here about 7 years ago and just love it. It is not far from Ed's business, our family and friends in Ukiah.

All of our kids live in Sacramento and one in Grass valley... They all know each other and between the two of us we have 4 grandchildren and another on the way... I have lived in Alaska, Marysville and Cloverdale. You know sometimes it takes a lifetime to find your (soul mate) perfect partner... I have found mine ...We love camping and our children and grandchildren...and spending time with one another....Who ever said good things only happen once in a life time...? I have my Kids, my grandkids and best of all the love of my live to keep me company till the end of time... I will be looking forward to seeing all of you again in August...Best wishes to each and everyone....



LINDA HULL

Spouse: Gordon, celebrated 38 years in April.

Children and their spouses: Martin and Deborah Thompson. Dave &

Deanne Fisher

Grandchildren: Megan 5, Kathleen 4 1/2 and Ethan 2 1/2

The first 17 years of our marriage I was a stay at home Mom that did a LOT of volunteer work at Oak Manor School, 4H and the Mendocino Historical Society. Later when we moved north, I carried on the volunteer tradition to include Jacoby Creek Elementary School, the Genealogical Society 4H again in Humboldt County. In fact so much volunteer work that once my children were in high school I decided if I ws going to be gone all of the time maybe I should get paid for awhile. I got a job at the Humboldt State University Bookstore where I have been for the past 23 years or so. I have held various positions in the Bookstore, but spent most of my time there as the Computer Department Manager. It has been a very interesting job that allowed me to learn a huge amount and do quite a bit of US travel. I have I served as the Chair of a national organization. Recently, I accepted the Director's position at the Bookstore. The HSU Bookstore also manages the College of the Redwoods bookstores.

I love the work I do for my church. I am fortunate to serve as the Women's Ministry coordinator. I am working on installing a computer area at our church so the neighborhood children can have a safe, supervised place to do their homework. I serve on the "Family Life Center" committee to help coordinate how our new gymnasium is used. Our church is located in a neighborhood with quite a few latchkey kids. I attend Christian Women's club whenever possible. I have been fortunate enough to attend three Women of Faith conferences in as many years. They are a wonderful experience! Nothing quite like 20,000 women worshiping God at once!

Gordon and I like to spend time at Trinity Lake whenever possible during the summer. We have a boat there and Gordon likes to fish and after a week of high stress at work, I like to watch the eagles fly and the clouds float by.

In my spare time I love to knit, crochet, sew or embroidery. I have a lot of fun with computers too. Creating films and such of my grandchildren.

I really enjoy working with the reunion committee, helping to make our reunions just a little bit special! We have an awesome class and I am thrilled to call so many of you friends!





NORMA HUMPHREY

I lived in Ukiah, married to Steve Satterwhite until summer of 1986. Moved to Happy Camp in 1990, when to work for Larry's Market as Head of Bookkeeping, then promoted to ad coordinator. Set up all to computers for weekly ad's. In 2004 moved to Shady Cove, Or. Am semiretired now, doing some in home computer work.



Norma (Humphrey) Swaim



APRIL HUNTER

Dear Classmates,

It is hard to believe it has actually been forty years. In some ways High School seems like yesterday; in other ways, it seems so far away that it must have been some other young, naive girl and not me.

Life has been good to me. I have been married nearly 34 years to Tom Allen (class of 64). Our marriage has certainly been a challenge, but with God's help we make it through the bad parts and actually have wound up as friends!

Tom and I have 3 grown sons, all married, productive, kind and loving. They are great human beings and we are very proud of all of them.

We have 4 grandchildren and one more due Christmas Eve!

If I could ask for anything more to enrich my life, it would be to see my children and grandchildren more often. Our middle son, Geoff, his wife and 3 children live in Wales, UK. Telephone hugs aren't too fulfilling.

I do childcare in my home for a few children to replace those long distance hugs. It is quite a learning experience.

All in all, my life is peaceful an dhappy. What more can I say!

I wish you all happiness and good health!

April Hunter Allen 3074 Shamberger Ct. McKinleyville, CA 95519 707-839-9405



DONNA JOHANSEN

This is such a great idea. I am now living in Wetumpka, Alabama. Can you believe my journey took me from Ukiah to Wetumpka? I have one son, David, who is 23. And I have a beautiful granddaugher, Lily, who will turn 5 in September. I work for the State of Alabama – accounting for money collected by the Licensing Board for General Contractors. As I told Lawrence, I broke my knee cap in May, and I am so sad not to be there for all the fun. I am Donna Johansen – I changed my name back from my married name of Jones. The Moe part in my email address is in memory of my step Dad, Art Moe. He was with the Sheriff's Department there in Ukiah for years. I am really looking forward to seeing all of you on the DVD!





Michele King

Michele King Norfolk , Married 40 yrs.-2 daughters---Tonya 39 & Dawn 35 5 Granddaughters.

Tonya, living in Calpella, has been married to Ron Roysum formerly of Willits for 18 yrs. and has 2 girls, Alisha 17 & Erica 14, They attend Ukiahi as a Sophomore and Senior. Dawn, living in Brentwood, has been married to Shawn Ross formerly of Rohnert Park for 12 yrs. She has a step Daughter Lindy, who is 17 and just Graduated from Brentwood High, Shelby 13, a freshman and Morgan 11 is in the 6th Grade.

I married Dan Norfolk, class of 62 of Ukiahi on Memorial day weekend our senior yr. It's hard to believe we celebrated our 40th anniversary this yr. Dan and I left for Chico in the fall after my Graduation so he could finish getting his B.A. Degree. We landed in Santa Rosa by the spring of 67 with Tonya, who had been born in Chico in Nov. Dan was employed by P.G.& E. By then, and recently retired after 39 yrs. We bought our first home on Santa Rosa 2 weeks before our second Daughter was born in 1971. I still remember our house payment was \$212.00, and of course, we were starving, well nearly. We were not "dinks" like Michele Sanchez Scudero and John. You know, double income no children. At that time they were traveling to places like China or Japan while we would keep an eye on things for them. Our children were in the 2nd and 6th grades when we moved to Sebastopol. I had a neighbor that talked me into getting a job as a school bus driver which gave us enough income to move. After starting School bus driving I moved onto driving men to work at the Geyser power Plants. I loved the driving but the hrs. were beyond horrible. I slept away 9 yrs. Of my life trying to catch up on sleep from the lousy hrs. Our main entertainment was taking the girls to swim meets and water skiing at Lake Mendocino. Our Daughters, their husbands and Grandchildren live very active and responsible lives that we can be proud of. Dawns family is very deep into swimming and her girls are getting fantastic grades to help out towards getting scholarships through swimming. Tonyas children are in 4-H, High School Rodeo, & FFA. Tonyas husband, Ron, Is always out helping do rescue work for the fire dept. in the Ukiah area. He recently got to travel to Texas with other men who worked on the flood in Ukiah. They recieved an award for their swift water resque work. I do not know how he puts in all the hrs. he does for everyone else. I never knew what these volunteers do for the community until I ended up with Ron in our family. Not only do they volunteer, but there is a lot of their own money coming out of their own pockets. Ron is a Supervisor for Pachatte Cons. In Santa Rosa but lives in Calpella. Dawns husband works for Mountain Cascade out of Livermore as a Superviser. He has seen and lived through his share of disasters but hangs in there like a trooper. I quess I live through the accomplishments of my family. It is easier to talk about someone else and I am proud of them all. We recently sold our house and are retired on the family Ranch between Hopland and Cloverdale. We have exciting things happen here Like, a plane crashing a few feet from our roof on x-mas eve, we never heard a thing until the fire department came knocking on our door, fires, car wrecks, road slippage. Our kids, and Grandkids came up with their 7 horses and took a little ride around the other weekend while I rode in our mechanical Mule, it doesn't buck or need that much steering. I have wondered our intire marriage if we would end up out here and here I am. The land is very beautiful but at this time very dusty and hot. The most amazing thing that has happened to me recently was having Robin Goodwin look me up on Classmates.com. A bunch of us thought she might have died. We had no way of contacting someone to find out anything about where she may have moved too. My husband wondered if she had gone back to Australia and he turned out correct. We got together with Michele Sanchez, Sandy Downey and Karen Tutle while she was here spring. Robin will be at the reunion and I hope a lot of you make it also. Well this is more then enough for our book, so I'll sign off----- Hope to See you there Michele





LARRY LAING

Larry Laing class of 1966.

I haven't been to a reunion in a few years not sure if I will make this one. For the past several years I have been in San Diego what could be better. I work as an inspector for the Division of State Architect. Very busy in Southern California lots of new schools to keep up with all the population.



Forty years and out of that I have been married almost 38 to Sandy. We have the one son and 3 grandchildren. Dylan 12, Brittany 7, Hunter 3. When we do get time off it's travel time rather driving across the Untied States or seeing the grandchildren or flying our life's are busy.

Our plan is in a few more years to be able to slow down and travel more.



BEVERLY LAMBING

Married to Don Hooker, 19 years Children: Melisa, 30 and Aaron 27

Step Children: Don II, 35 and Joe, 32

Grand Children: Avery Elizabeth, 2 1/2 years and Morgan

Kylee, 1 1/2 years. Both are Melisa's daughters.

I've been retired from Pacific Bell since Dec. '94. Don retired 2 years ago from the Wonder Bread Bakery Diesel shop in Sacramento. We moved into our new home in Meridian Idaho, in March of 2005. It is located a couple of miles from my daughter and her family. We enjoy spending time with Morgan and Avery, watching them grow and change daily.

We enjoy traveling and camping. We've taken trips to Washington, Oregon and California to visit friends and family. We have gone on a couple of cruises, also.

We like living in Idaho. The culture is different; much slower and relaxed. Family values are upheld and people and property are respected. Wonderful clean air!

Don and I go to the gym regularly. In addition, I take advantage of the yoga and pilates classes they offer. I thank my Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, for all the blessings and opportunities he's given me.





KAREN LONG

I grew up with a carefree attitude, my responsibility as a child was to be a child. I was raised by the Donna Reed Show, Ozzie and Harriet and Father Knows Best. I went through school without any major glitches. I attended Nokomis Elementary School, Pomolita Junior High School and Ukiah Union High. After high school I went to Chico State where I quickly decided that college was not for me. I got a job with Pacific Telephone Company and worked there for one year. I married at the age of nineteen where I quickly became a wife and mother. I had two children Dena Cherie Finn and James Erik Finn. I enjoyed family life, gardening and in general homemaking. This marriage lasted sixteen years.



My new life as a single mother began with finding full time employment, I got a job at the Savings Bank of Mendocino County. While employed at the bank I was a teller and then a secretary. As a secretary I learned how to type, take dictation and office management skills. In my personal life, I began to blossom. I developed more self-confidence and I learned how to enjoy my own company. I also learned how to better manage my financial issues and how to cope with being a single parent with two teenage children. As a single parent I was always looking for ways to earn extra money. On top of working full time at the bank, I worked odd jobs. I was a courtesy clerk at Albertson's and during the summer months I packed pears. I also worked for a local cater, Jeanette Stroh. It was while working with Jeanette that I met John Moon my current husband. John and I were married in July of 1998 and have now been married for seventeen wonderful years.

1993, I left the bank and returned to college. In May of 1997 I graduated from Sonoma State University with a Liberal Arts Degree; I was 49 years old. I then attended Dominican University where I received my teaching credential. I have now been teaching at Nokomis Elementary School for eight years. I love my job and I am hoping to pursue this career for another eight years.

John and I do love to travel. We have traveled within the United States and numerous foreign countries. We try to go out of the country every-other-year. Our favorite countries are France, England, Italy and Portugal. We enjoy the excitement of meeting new people with different cultural values. We look for adventure, fine food and great wines while traveling.

My children are now married and have given us four grandchildren; all boys. Their ages range from 2 to 10. I absolutely love being a grandmother. As have grown older, white hair and all, I hold on to my family values. I still enjoy my family, gardening, homemaking and now teaching.



CYNTHIA LUIZ

Not too much has changed. Married Richard White on Feb 11, 1967. Had our daughter Johnna Marie April 10, 1969. Dick and I split in May of '69. Divorced in October of 1970. Met Bill Silva Sept of 1969. We opened an Auto Repair Shop in May of 1970 and closed it in December of 1999. Bill and I had a lot of good times. We married in June of 1978. Bill went to every class reunion with me and I will miss this. Bill passed away in August of 2005. He was born April 3, 1930. I have 1 granddaughter named Kayla. She was born Oct. 30 1991. That's about it. See ya at the reunion!





CHERYL MEADOWS

Spouse: Robert

Children: Michael and Allison

After I left Ukiah, I spent seven semesters at Sac State. I started out as a French major then switched to Biology. I couldn't kill the frogs so that was the end of that. I finally settled on Art. I got married at the end of my seven semesters and moved to Concord, Ca. I completed my studies at Cal State Hayward and graduated in 1972. I did a post graduate year and was awarded an early Childhhood Teaching Credential. I substituted for several years but there were no teaching jobs availabe in the early 70's. My son Michael was born in 1973. I decided to change careers and went to a two year nursing program that took me four years to complete. During that time my daughter Allsion was born. I became a Registered Nurse in 1979. I worked at County Hospital in Martinez on every floor doing just about everything. I was divorced in 1979.

I was remarried in 1985 to a very special man and we moved to Santa Rosa for a short time. We moved back to the Bay Area and I stated work at Napa State Hospital. My Mom always told me she would send me there if I didn't straighten up. I worked with deaf children and adolescents for ten years. I sustained 11 assaults requiring two back surgeries and one neck surgery. Yes, it is as bad as you have heard. I retired from there in 1997. The next monday I began as Director of Nursing for a small clinic in Vallejo and continued doing part time work at Juvenile Hall in Napa. In 2002 I startedmy dream job with Partnership Health Plan of California. I am a nurse in the quality department. I am a Department of Health Services Certified Trainer auditing medical offices in Solano, Yolo and Napa counties for compliance with Medi- Cal Managed Care standards. I do site reviews in Sonoma county for our commercial product. In my spare time I am the Project lead for the Awareness and Access for Children and Youth with Epilepsy Project and a HEDIS abstractor.

I became a grandmother for the first time in August of 2005. Mason Michael is the joy of my life. See you all at the reunion.





LAWRENCE MITCHELL

What has happened to me and my family since 2001? We passed a few mileposts during this period. My son Timothy graduated from the University of California Santa Cruz in May, 2002, with a degree in photography. His then girl friend (my daughter-in-law now) Emily graduated from California State University at Humboldt in May, 2004. In May of 2005 we celebrated their wedding and merge two families, the Lewis's from Merced and ours. We're very proud of our children and their accomplishments. After school Timothy's first job was with the Ukiah Valley Medical Center, working in the new outpatient pavilion and in the emergency room doing patient admitting. Emily is working as office manager for a heavy equipment dealership and at the same time attending Dominican University, pursuing her teaching credential in special education.

As my prior words indicate, much of our attention was been focused on our children, but we (Debbie and I) were still able to spend time on the Mendocino coast whale watching for a time in February or March each year, we were able to participate in lobster feeds on the beach in Santa Cruz each year with extended family and friends, and celebrate our years (36) together. We were able to spend time in the Sierras each year with family and friends. We have been active in church activities holding various positions of responsibility. I am currently serving my 3rd term on the executive board of the New Life Community Church and Debbie and I together help produce the communion service twice a month. Debbie currently works for the Savings Bank of Mendocino County and is an executive secretary to both the Controller and the President of the Bank. I continue to practice architecture and am a partner in my own firm. Architecture in Ukiah (small town) allows me to do a lot of different types and sizes of projects.





FRENCH MORGAN

Spouse: Lee Ann Children: 2 boys

Still in San Luis Obispo, since 1966:-Electronic Engineering at Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo-Biological Sciences (med tech) at Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo-California State Teacher Credential (both primary & secondary) ... for mom. Electronics tech at a local company.

Got married electronics/electro-mechanical tech at Cal Poly (Biological Sciences)-2 boys (now 26 & 20) ... both local ... no grandchildren-past Computer Science Department lecturer (they were hurting for people to teach :-)-past Extended Education computer science instructor-equipment/systems specialist at Cal Poly (Biological Sciences)-department website that I maintain: http://www.calpoly.edu/~bio/ -my department website (minimal): http://www.calpoly.edu/%7Efmorgan/-still have my marbles from 6th grade ... fun to show local kids how to play pots & chasies ... and my collection of agates, perries, boulders, peawees, cat eyes, chinese spinners, etc ... still in my old Savings Bank of Mendocino County money bag

http://www.akronmarbles.com/marble_industry_history.htm

http://www.marblecollecting.com/

http://www.marblealan.com/

http://www.inquiry.net/outdoor/spring/marbles/names_of_marbles.htm

-remember clackers?

Just sold my Honda Goldwing Aspencade ... honeymooned on it with a trailer .. almost 3,000 miles ... western US-still ride my 1972 Suzuki Savage 250 trail motorcycle on occasion-ride my mountain hardtail bicycle to work & home ... along the railroad tracks in part ... I hate the streets, cars, cell phones, & students when "grouped" together-still have my American Flyer electric train ... always wanted Mike Howard's Santa Fe PA engine-have been a volunteer health services instructor & instructor-trainer for the local American Red Cross for 38 years ... including 1st Aid & CPR since 1976-3 cats, 2 dogs, & lots of gophers (from the field at the side & behind our house)-live in an expensive area (but who doesn't), in my little old house, waiting for a pile of money to come my way so I can seriously fix it up :-) ... instead of just patching it up here & there-

WISHED I would've saved A LOT MORE of the photos that I used to toss into the extra-photos-drawer in the SEM building darkroom, while taking pictures for the yearbook (junior & senior high school years)-I'll never forget Rodney Denham's beer can wall & pop top chain in the dorms as a freshman at Cal Poly-I'm going to turn to dust before I leave Cal Poly ... no, I don't bleed green & gold (school colors) ... it's just one of the better CSU schools to be working at and not a bad environment-as small as San Luis Obispo is, I do miss growing up in Ukiah ... when you could walk across the street without being run over ... when it was smaller too





DAISY NELSON

Forty years, oh my, has it really been that long. It seems like yesterday I was riding the bus, running to classes and trying to be cool. I was married in Ukiah in 1966, and as a result have two beautiful daughters. Catherine lives in Vermont and Jennifer lives in Modesto Ca. I have one grandson Jacob. Jacob will be a sophomore at Downy High School in Modesto this fall. We moved to Marina California (outside of Monterey) in 1972 and lived their till 1980 when I moved to Frazier Park California with the girls (Divorced in 1978). I continued my banking career in Frazier Park working at California Republic Bank, a small locally owned bank, which eventually became California Bank and Trust. After the third buy out in five years, I accepted a package, and stayed home for nine years. This last year I went to work for Kern County Engineering and Survey Department. I work in Frazier Park 5 hours a day (love my job and hours) the only other employee is the building inspector for this area.



In 1990, I married Don Cuddy and we celebrated our 16th wedding anniv*ers*ary June 23. Our family at home includes Crockett (McNab/Border Collie), Mitizi (Queensland) and Fred (one demanding cat). My Mother lives in Frazier Park; sadly, my father passed 5 years ago. My brother also lives in Frazier Park with his family. Don's family is one of the early pioneer families of the area. We live on his great grandfather's homestead in Cuddy Valley.

I guess I must love to volunteer, as I have been involved with many organizations in various roles. Now I only volunteer for the local museum. One of our projects at the museum is restoring an 1852 log cabin constructed by Don's Great-Great Grandfather, John Fletcher Cuddy. Don and I love to go to Hawaii and have been there five times. The next vacation we are planning, a cruise to Alaska.



ADRIANE NICOLAISEN

Bob Dylan, poet laureate of out generation said, "he not busy being born is busy dying." Here we are, the first post W.W.II generation, privileged beyond any before us, standing on the threshold of the dreaded "middle age" of our lives. Some of us did not make it this far, but for those of us who did, a 40th reunion is upon us.

After finishing my BA at Berkeley, I moved to Mendocino where I continued to live until I bought a house in Fort Bragg. For nearly 20 years I worked as an artist, a "fiber artist" to be specific. My work began to take me to shows all over the country including the Smithsonian and the Philadelphia Museum of Art. With the Dot Com crash of the late '90s, I began to see that the market for the work I was doing was shrinking and that it was harder to get paid by the galleries that bought my work.

Around this time and during my passage into this exalted state of "middle age", 9/11 occurred. This event woke me up to the fact that life is short and not always as comfortable as once planned. This was a great turning point in my life. I might have gotten a face lift, a tummy tuck or a small red sports car, but something else came to mind that I found even more compelling. I chose to leave the little town of my dreams where I had spent nearly 30 years, and come to Philadelphia to attend graduate school.

This summer, after two years of study, I'm doing the research for my master's thesis. In December I will complete an MS in Textile Design at Philadelphia University School of Engineering and Textiles. This has been a most exciting time for me because I always wanted to go to grad school but never knew what I wanted to study. Here I am preparing for a late-life career in textiles and product design. The job possibilities are thrilling for a designer and include jobs that can take one all over the planet. Hopefully there will be a planet earth but that's another subject.

I'm sorry I couldn't make it to the reunion, but my thesis deadline is looming (no pun intended) and tuition fees are going up steadily. Hope you are all well and looking forward to more good times in your lives. I know I am. My website gives more information about my work at Philau for anyone interested. <www.adrianenicolaisen.com>



Linda Parks

Forty years is a lot to cover: protesting at UC Berkeley, graduating and becoming a math teacher, taking my first adult vacation by trekking in Nepal, fear heights so I jumped out of an airplane, married, and widowed. I am now Director of the Mathematics Assessment Colloborative, which is comprised of 40 school districts in Marin, San Mateo, Alameda, Santa Clara, and Santa Cruz Counties. I plan and write professional development materials for elementary and middle school teachers to improve math education, oversee testing and report writing for 80,000 students, and research how students think about mathematics. My job allows me to do a lot of travel to attend and speak at conferences. In the fall I am going to speak at Oxford (and manage a side trip to Stonehenge).



In the past three years, I have looked at tortoises and blue-footed boobies in the Galapagos, climbed through the ruins of Machu Picchu, and attended the opera and ballet in St. Petersburg, Russia. On Sundays, I like to hike along the bluffs by the ocean, then go out for brunch and work the Sunday crossword puzzle. My favorite music currently is blue grass. I am a big independent film buff: my current favorites being "Kinky Boots" and "Kiss,Kiss, Bang, Bang". My major news source is the Daily Show, maybe not very accurate but entertaining. I love to cook and think company means "new recipes". So for the 4th, I learned to make a good chimichurra sauce.

I live in the mountains near Santa Cruz, so I am blessed with temperate weather, good restaurants, and a nice view.



RICK POWERS

Loved the video of the 2001 reunion... I remember so well (and reminded of it every year) that JFK was killed on my 15 birthday while I was in a math class. Anyway, after graduation I moved to "the city" for a short while and worked. That didn't last long. Moved back to Ukiah, and eventually went in the military - Vietnam was the biggy then. Who would have thought many years later, my nieces and nephews would be telling me they read about Vietnam in their "history books" (if one can survive that "blast from the past", I guess life goes on!). So, I spent 3 years in the Army, and went to Vietnam as a Communication Specialist. That was in the "dark ages" before computers. Since I had two years of typing at good ole Ukiahi, I helped the teacher in my military class do testing for the ones that were just trying to learn. Anyway, after about 6 months of a 12 month tour in Vietnam, I was sent home on emergency leave, and 3 weeks later my dad passed away from cancer. Eventually I finished my 3 years, moved back to Ukiah, worked at "nothing jobs" for almost a year, and re-enlisted, only this time in the Air Force. From there, I lived around the world in many places, two tours in Korea, all over the USA, and four years in England (owned my first home there). Still in communications, I wrote programs for new systems (Control tower systems, etc). I went back and forth to Germany on a C-130 about every 2 months to get new "forward sites" ready for my squadron. Did a lot of traveling in Germany, learned a bit of the language, I think... been so long ago, and made some new friends, one american captain and his wife from France, who became very good friends throughout the years. My mother and one of my 3 sisters came to stay with me in England for a month and I "toured" them all over, London, Scotland, Germany, France, et al. When I had 20 years in the military (total) I retired, and yep, moved home to Ukiah. I would have loved to retire in Europe, but having many sibs who basically never left Ukiah, I didn't want to be so far away. A couple years after I retired in 1988, mom passed away, and the siblings adapted. A year or so later, my Catholic auntie thought it was time I married, and proceeded to fix me up with a local girl. A year later we were married in the catholic church, and I took a big part in starting to raise her kids. After about 6 years, we divorced... I never had kids of my own, but that was ok by me as I had lots of nieces & nephews. After the divorce I moved to Santa Rosa, I was never really a small town person, even though Ukiah has always been "my roots" basically. I did a lot of changing in the following 5 years period, changed careers (had been in administration for 20+ years), went to Santa Rosa Junior College and took the CNA (Certified Nursing Assistant) program, and the state board. I currently work in a local hospital, and after about a year there, became a Telemetry Tech (monitor EKG patients on a computer at the nurses station), and still help out "on the floor" as a CNA to keep my skills up. I'm thinking of maybe next year doing a "bridge program" to CNA to nurse so one day, if I ever retire, I can work where I want to even a couple of days a week as a nurse. I love my career, and as hard as life gets at times, I can go to work, start taking care of my patients, and feel good about myself again. OH, maybe this isn't the place for it, but after all, it's MY story - at the rite old age of 54, a few years back now, I decided to come OUT, and told my family and friends I was gay. My sisters reaction was "what took you so long, it's about time, and who cares as long as your happy and at peace with yourself". I had met a great quy (a nurse of course), and we have been basically "on & off" in our relationship for over 5 years now. I don't try to guess where my future will take me, but I'm still "here", so I suppose for some reason, my work isn't done yet. Don't know if I will make it to the reunion, the only one I did go to was, I think, the 15 year one, which was fun. I wasn't all that popular in school (being a redhead back then was "geeky".. thank goodness that's past). But the reunion I did go to was nice, even way back then - at our age, peer pressure is a thing of the past. Life goes on, one day at a time, and just too bad it takes us so many years (for some) to get "quality" from it. My best to all my classmates... and to those who have gone "to their ultimate reward and gone home", a prayer of peace. Thank you.





GLEN RUSSELL

Children: Brooke

After surviving a horific motorcycle accident in the summer of '66, the military didn't want me, so I went into construction in Ukiah....

Ended up doing long-haul trucking from Ukiah, Marysville, to eleven of the Western states.....to include Canada....after several years of runnin hard, (Phew!!!) I bought my own truck and ran all over Calif, Nevada, Utah and Oregon.....

Got married in the early '70s, had a daughter Brooke who is now teaching 2nd grade bilingual up in Willits.....recently married, she is living in Ukiah....

Got divorced, and remarried Janet Walker, still driving truck......After running sand and gravel for a few years, I turned my truck into the GRR Water truck, and have been delivering water to California residents ever since...

I work on a regular basis with CDF (sometimes), and other fire crews, putting out forest fires......

I'm workin on a 49 Willys Jeep......it's runnin.....anyone need a Jeep? It's for sale for the right price......

See you at the reunion, unless I get called out by CDF.... (that's what happened in 2001.....)



LINDA SAMS

Well how do you put 40 years into a small space of time when it has been a life time, well I have been married 4 times same as the last time I was at the 20 year reunion.

I was runner up for the most times married. this time it took. I had only one child. no grand children but still hopeful.

I have been a hairdresser for 38 years and still love it. Finally bought a piece of property and remodeled into a small but very nice salon. haven't been around the world but plan to start next year. better late than never.

Lots of memories but will share them with anyone who wants to listen. I have been blessed with good health which counts a lot these days.

I am Sunday school teacher for toddlers at my church which is the most fun. So until I see you all.





Michele Sanchez

Spouse: John

Children: Ashley 26, Tyler 20, Tara 18

After high school I attended college at San Jose State University and graduated with a BS degree in Nursing. During college, in June of 1969, I married John Scudero (Ukiahi class of 1962). We met through Dan and Michele King Norfolk, water skiing at Lake Mendocino.

After college, John and I traveled several times to Europe, Asia and went on a couple of cruises. Once we started having children we bought a motor home and went camping with the family. We especially enjoyed the beaches of California. Our youngest daughter just graduated from high school, so we are ready travel again. But with two kids in college, I'm not sure how far we can go!

I am working for Santa Rosa City Schools as a School Nurse. I work with middle and high school students. John is a builder/ developer. He is currently building a home in Forestville. We also spend a lot of time remodeling our own home.

Through the years we have kept in contact with Dan and Michele Norfolk. We have vacationed on a houseboat in Lake Shasta a few times!!! Ask her about the moons of Shasta. I was so happy last year to meet up with Robin Goodwin again. We had not seen or heard from her in over 20 years. She is living "down under" but will be here for the reunion. Suzie Skillet Hansen and I still write at Christmas. I have so many memories from high school and it is so fun to see old friends and see where life has taken us.

How can we be having a 40th Reunion? It just doesn't seem possible. Thank you to all of you that have worked so hard to make this event a special weekend for our class.





ROE SANDELIN

Spouse: Linda (Lindy) Jones Sandelin (Ukiahi Class of 1968)

Children: Brooke (Ukiahi Class of 1989) and Chelsea (Ukiahi Class of 1996)

I just completed reading 26 other stories included in this collection. What a joy to read a little of what others in my class have experienced in their lives. I thank you for sharing and encourage others to do the same.

Lindy and I recently celebrated our 31st anniversary. We still live at our old home (built in 1900) at the corner of Smith and Dora Streets and have invested a big chunk of our lives trying to make the old house do new tricks. I would say the results have been good...and I really have enjoyed every minute of the work. I'm not sure Lindy would (actually, I know she doesn't) feel quite the same way.

After graduation from Chico State University I enlisted in the Army Reserve and decided to pursue a career in the fire service. At the time I told myself I would not, repeat...would not go back to Ukiah to live. Too small, too many people watching me, not a very exciting place to live. As luck would have it, I was offered a job with the Ukiah Fire Department and, being unemployed at the time, I accepted the position. I figured I would stay a little while, gain experience and find a better job somewhere else. Right! I retired 28 years later as the Fire Chief.

Before it was torn down, the apparatus bay doors of the old fire house faced onto School Street. One of the simple pleasures for me was watching the cute girls walking to and from work each day. Lindy worked in the Finance Department at City Hall. She parked her car in the vacant lot across from the fire house. At the time she was married to Glen Russell (Class of 1966) and had a daughter, Brooke. Glen and Lindy divorced after a time. I started dating Lindy and the rest is history.

Today, Glen and wife Janet, Lindy and I, and daughter Brooke and husband Roland enjoy a really nice friendship. One of my greatest joys was when Glen and I together escorted Brooke "down the aisle" at her wedding. We both were grinning from ear to ear. It doesn't get any better than that!

Lindy is a talented jewelry artist. She recently retired after operating her own retail shop for over 14 years. She is also a gifted teacher of "the trade". She still creates wonderful jewelry pieces out of her home studio.

Today, we share a passion for rock collecting and hunting for wild mushrooms. Many of the mushrooms we find end up in the amazingly tasty gourmet dishes Lindy prepares. She is a fantastic cook! Our search expeditions take us to some wonderful outdoor places. We continue to be wowed by the great beauty of God's creation.

Another exciting part of life for us involves our summer jobs. We work for a company that provides helicopter management services at large wildfire incidents. When called, we respond within two hours, totally self-contained, anywhere in the state. We often leave in the middle of the night. Each call-out is a new adventure, very challenging and rewarding.

This part of my story is now at an end. Another installment in five years. In closing, I want say to those who are reading this story but could not make the reunion, "You really missed a good one"!

Five years ago we had about 140 attend the main event. This time we had over 190 attend! Our reunions are successful because people come and share themselves with others. Next time will be even better if you join us.





PAUL SHIMMIN

After high school I attended and graduated from Santa Clara university in 1970. I married Linda Younce in August 1971. Linda graduated from UCLA in 1972. I started my banking career in 1973 with United California Bank. We moved back to Ukiah in 1977 and I worked for the Savings Bank for 29 years. January 1, 2006, I retired.



Linda still owns and operates Larkin Younce Appraisals. I'm still involved with the High School Boys and Girls golf teams. I enjoy working on the class reunion committee, because it reminds me of how special our class is.



Susan Skellet

After I graduated from Ukiah High School I married my wonderful husband, Ken Hansen, in 1967 and we recently celebrated our 39th wedding anniversary.

In 1971 I received my BA degree in business from CSUSF. Our three children Larry, Julie and Deanne are all happily married and have given us seven beautiful grandchildren.

We have visited my relatives in England three times over the years with visits to Scotland, France, Germany, Switzerland, the Netherlands, Italy, Sweden and Denmark on the way back home.

Throughout my life I have enjoyed volunteering in our children's schools, being president of the Sacramento Easter Seal Guild, being chairman of Christian Women's Club, and leading women's bible studies. My hobbies are gardening, knitting and needlepoint.

We enjoy living in our condominium in San Francisco, using our summer cabin at Lake Almanor, and working on our retirement home in Sacramento where we are members of Del Paso Country Club.

I am thankful that my parents brought me to California for the many opportunities available here in America. But mostly I am full of gratitude to Jesus for dying on that tree for my sins, because all these worldly things brought no lasting satisfaction. I asked Jesus to forgive me and to come into my heart and be my personal Savior in 1975 and He did. God gave me inner peace, joy and eternal life in heaven. What a reunion that will be!





KAREN SPANGLER

Karen Spangler Sheets Kaman

Married in Jan.1968 to Robert Stephen Sheets. We had two wonderful children. Russell born in August 1974, and Deanna, born in August 1976. Our marriage ended in divorce in July 1995, and Bob passed away in March of 1996.

Bob and I lived in Sebastopol, CA until 1987. At that time we moved to Shelton, WA, where I still live.

My son lives in Oakville, WA with his wife and two sons. My daughter lives in Fort Morgan, CO with her husband and six children. My life has been very blessed with my children and grandchildren.

For the last 14 years I have worked as a para-educator at a local school.

In August 1996 I married K.Paul Kaman.

I have been blessed with the world's best two sisters (remember, I am a triplet:) two wonderful children, 8 grandchildren, a loving and caring husband, and a wonderful marriage.

I have great peace and contentment in my soul, a savior to live my life for, and have come to a great time in my life.

Paul and I will not be attending the 40 year (IS IT REALLY 40????) class reunion as we will be celebrating our 10th. anniversary, along with attending my nephew's wedding.



DIANNE STIPP

Spouse: Richard

Children: Michele

My parents moved me to Sacramento four days after graduation as my dad had been transferred there and my mom stayed in Ukiah so I could graduate with my class. So it was an adjustment but I attended American River College and Medical Assistance School. I married Richard in 1969 and in August we will celebrate 37 years of marriage. I was a stay at home for several years and then I worked for CIGNA Insurance Company and enjoyed a great job there but I am now retired. We have one daughter and two grandchildren, Spencer 9, and Taylor 7 who keep us busy and enjoying their activities. Michele and her husband live near by so it's fun. Richard is retiring in about 2 weeks so we plan to enjoy our two acres here in Wilton where we have 2 horses, 2 cats, 2 dogs and two chickens. travelling and horse activities and plan to do more of both when we are both retired. I loved growing up in Ukiah and graduating from Ukiah High School and look forward to the reunion and seeing you all there.





KAREN TUTTLE

Spouse: Bill, Children: O (unless you count the cat)

It seems like just yesterday since we graduated. I have some great memories of events and relationships from my school years in Ukiah (which is pretty remarkable in and of itself, since I can't even remember what I had for lunch on many days!) So many of us began in grammar school and ended our high school years together. In fact, many of us were even born in the same hospital and our parents either worked together or did business with each other in our little town. I always look forward to our reunions as it is more a "family reunion" than simply a high school reunion.



My life has taken many turns since I graduated from Ukiahi. As many of you may remember, I married Coy McCluskey during my senior year and moved to Fort Bragg, CA. I completed my high school requirements by applying for all of the curriculum from Ukiah High and was able to return to Ukiah in June 1966 and graduate with all of you, my classmates. It was something I set my mind to and was very proud that I was able to accomplish, as I would have been so disappointed if I had not been able to be there with all of you on our special day. Unfortunately that marriage ended (although we remained friends until his death some years ago). I moved back to Ukiah and worked a few odd jobs until I decided to pursue a future as a para-legal. I worked for a law firm in Ukiah to get my training and then moved to San Francisco, where I worked for some very interesting law firms for about 6 years.

At the ripe age of 24, I had a solid foundation in the legal field, but decided to put that occupation on hold for awhile and spread my wings (both figuratively and literally) and venture into the life of an airline hostess.

I traveled throughout the world with an airline that served as both an international airline and a military carrier (during the Vietnam era). Flying passengers to vacation destinations all over the world and also flying troops in and out of Vietnam. We also brought many of the Eur-Asian babies out of that part of the world to America. After my stint in the air. I landed back on the ground, living in various cities (including Honolulu and Kahului, Hawaii) and returning temporarily to my occupation as a para-legal for several more years.

I considered many other avenues of business until (fast forward), I met my current husband, Bill and we started our own business in Promotional Advertising, which we still operate here in Santa Rosa. I also spent some 15 years as a private Fiduciary to three of my family members, handling both their personal and financial affairs.

I feel my life has been very full and I have experienced so many things. I'm looking forward to whatever lies ahead!



GARY VENTURI

Have been an Innkeeper for a Bed & Breakfast the past 13 years in Calistoga, Ca. Prior to this, 3 years as a Restaurant Manager at a restaurant here in Napa Valley; prior to that, Manager at Fetzer Valley Oaks Ranch in Hopland.





RON WEGESSER

Name: Ron Wegesser

Spouse: none

Children: Ronie, Daniel, Theresa, Ana, Thomas

What I have been doing since 1966:

Went to American River JC in Fall of '66 and roomed with Dan Crofoot and Dave Brooks for a year....

Transfered to Santa Rosa JC for the next year, got married in Mar 68, joined the Air Force in June 68.....and had first child Ronie in Aug 68....I spent 21 years in the Air Force, starting out as a communications specialist, switching to administrative specialist after a few years, and was stationed in Phoenix, AZ; Keflavik, Iceland; Alamagordo, NM; Denver, CO; Rapid City, SD; Hofn, Iceland; Torrejon, Spain; and Sacramento, CA....Spent 3 years in Iceland, and 10 years in Spain.....while in Spain, I was sent to various European countries (several times) to assist in Temporary Duty at Kings Cross, England, Kaiserslaughten, Germany, Andravita, Greece; Incirlik, Turkey; and Aviano, Italy.

Ronie is 38 now, married and living in Tenn, has a doctorate in school psychology. Son Daniel, died in 1996 of an inoperable brain tumor.......Theresa is 26, just graduated from UCD with a degree in Environmental Toxicology, is going after her Masters/PhD in Pharmacology, will be married this July and is living in Sacramento.... Ana is 23, and is pursuing a nursing career here in Ukiah.....Thomas is almost 21, just finished his first year at SRJC, and just moved back to Ukiah.....

After retiring from the AF in 1989, I spent 5 years at UCD working in the Environmental Toxicology Department, typing scientific journals, course curriculum, tests, etc...Moved back to Ukiah in 95, worked at Public Health, Mental Health, WIC and Social Services as their bilingual translator.....quit in 1999 to take care of my mother....After mom passed away in 2002, I retired from working.....ha ha ha....I recently bought a 1936 Buick Coupe, that is completely stock....and rides like a dream.....still have 3 motorcycles in the garage, all street bikes, (dirt hurts !!) and the ole 71 Jeepster Commando......Two years ago, I bought a parrot, an Umbrella Cockatoo who keeps me very busy, trying to keep him out of trouble (and out of trees !!!) He is my buddy, and goes everywhere (except Mass) with me.....we visit two convelescent homes each week and he brings a smile to the faces of those he meets....Have been having a lot of fun helping "our gang" get this reunion off the ground....trying to find missing classmates....Hope to see ALL of you real soon.....





BARBARA "BJ" WILSON

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Manager/Primary Therapist for Attitude Development Services I've been working as an Addictions Specialist for the past 12 years. I love every second of it.

My husband of 38 years, Phillip (Mac) McFeaters, is the civilian Chief of Facilities Operations at Buckley Air Force Base.

Our oldest son Christopher, 34, lives in Aurora also. His claim to fame is his avocation as a drummer for Lost Banos Bandidos. His day job is in management for Costco.

Our youngest son, Micah, 31, lives nearby in Lakewood. He and Sarah Burgmanis just became the proud parents of our first grandchild, Blaine Aiden McFeaters, 1 month. Micah is a supervisor for Cobe International. They make heart-lung bypass machines.

After living in Ukiah for 17 years, we moved to Aurora, CO. We've been in the same house since moving here.

I decided to go to college and became an addictions specialist. It has been so rewarding and I can't imagine doing anything else.

We just recently started talking retirement and purchased a second home in Cotopaxi, CO where we run to regain our sanity as often as we can.

I'd like to say hello to so many people. Anyone who would like to contact me, please email.





CLINT WILSON

Fiance, Marcia Chadbourne

Children: Todd & Kellie

Kris (Harrison also class of '66) and I were married soon after school for 24 years. We have two great children, Todd and his wife Anna live in Menlo Park, he works as a financial consultant for Merrill Lynch in the S. F. office, Anna works for the Alumni Association at Stanford. They have a lovely 140 lb Burmese Mt dog.

Kellie, she and her husband David Magna live in Napa. They have our two grandchildren, Gianni and Ruby. Kellie works as the Event/Catering manager for Tra Vigne Restaurant in St. Helena, David owns his own hair salon in Napa, David's Workshop, and on his downtime is a musician and singer, rather rock!

I have basically been in the real estate business, beginning in the early 1970's. Currently I am a land developer, along with a long time partner developing properties for Sonoma Family Homes, a company owned by my Partner's daughter. My partner and I purchase and develop the lands, his daughter builds the homes. We recently finished projects in Cloverdale, starting new ones in Healdsburg and Lakeport. Marcia and I have been together for 8 years, recently completed our home in Kenwood, and looking forward to doing it again on another property soon.

Love to travel, have had the fortune of traveling around most of the world, and look forward to more. I can be reached at:

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JENNIFER WREN

My journey of forty years has been fantastic! After college I met and married a Texan. We relocated to the Pine Forest near Dallas where my first child was born. The country lifestyle suited me all except the racism. After five years we traveled back to Nor.Cal. where my most fulfilling adventure began . New baby in tow, I became a soccer mom. I was active in Willits Soccer, Little League, Scouts, and PTA. Parenting is the ultimate. Being active with my children helped me develop a healthy lifestyle.



My spouse was offered a promotion with the State of California, if we moved near San Diego. I did not realize it was in the desert until we arrived during August. The transition was made easy by getting involved in a new teaching job and my children's education. Continuing on a path to improve my spirituality, I became a Eucharistic Minister, Contemplative Group coordinator, and a CCD teacher. All of which helped as I was faced with some obstacles over the next few years, when I became a single Mom. My children encouraged me to follow in the path of many in my family and I continued my education and I earned another degree from San Diego State University.

I came to a major fork in the road at forty, I began managing my friend's dental office. This was a path I never saw myself on but the dentist was progressive and valued serving others. After several years of developing a team in the office, we married and blended our families. I had the fortune of gaining two more children and a grandchild. This allowed us to have many adventures traveling for work and pleasure. In our business we have tried to lower our tax bracket while provide excellent dental service. We have received several service awards over the past few years. With regards to serving those with dental needs we recently had a 12 day mission to Israel. We worked in the morning at a dental clinic where we educated and treated children of at least five nationalities and we had the afternoons to sightsee.

My interests in fitness have changed over the years. I was a runner for ten years and now my favorite activities are hiking, biking, and Ashtanga Yoga. My family is full of good golfers. They all have handicaps that are single digits. To encourage the youngsters of our community and keep our youngest competitive, my husband organized the Imperial Valley Junior Golf Program. We ran the program for five years giving boys and girls a foundation in tournament golf. When it was over, I longed for a new challenge. I found it when I was the only woman in a large group who climbed some rugged peaks in Mexico. The last being 4000 feet in elevation. Currently, I am training for the Susan G. Komen 3-day Breast Cancer Walk. My inspiration to walk came from my daughter, who has been in treatment the past year. I am walking for my daughter and my mother who is a survivor. Check out my web site at: www.the3day.org/SanDiego06/jenniferyturralde/



DIANN ZIMMERMAN

Children: Sarah 33, Jessica 31, Alex 21

I was married for 30 years and lived in Oregon 20. I've lived in Ukiah for the past 2 1/2 years taking care of my dad. He had a couple of strokes and has cancer. I have hereditary alopecia areata and lost all my hair 9 years ago. I love older people and clean houses for them. I am a Eucharistic Minister for Saint Mary's Catholic Church and take Holy Communion to 18 people in rest homes and private homes weekly.



I am blessed with 3 children; Sarah teaches inPortland, Oregon, with a Masters Degree from the University of Portland. Jessica lives in Connecticut, graduated from Oregon State, formally a nanny for triplets plus one. She works now for an interior designer, and did Simon and Garfunckel's houses.....

Alex is a Sergeant in the Army stationed at Fort Riley, Kansas. He just returned from Iraq at the end of December, and it was the hardest year of my life. He received an award for treating another soldier while they were under attack....He was spared by sitting in a different seat than usual....

I thank God for his life and the power of prayer. I love to visit my children and my dream is to go to Italy and Medjugorje, in the former Yugoslavia.

See you at the reunion......



Chet Hardin

131 Elmwood Drive Forsyth, MO 65653 July 26, 2006

Ukiahi Class of 1966,

Thank you for your kiind invitation inviting me to your 40th Class Reunion. I wish I could be there, "cause I still have fond memories of all the students I was forunate enough to work with over the years at Ukiahi.

Perhaps some of you might remember that Vera and I taught in Ukiah from 1958 thru 1962, when we took jobs teaching for the Bureau of Indian Affairs in Point Barrow, Alaska. They flew us to this remote village, located at "the top of the world" -- the northernmost village, in Alaska, about 400 miles from the nearest road -- gave us a years supply of food, and brought us out at the end of the school year. So you see, returning to Ukiah was a little like entering Heaven!

You guys and gals were juniors when we returned in 1964, and you were a great group of people! In fact, the students at Ukiah were so great to work with that we continued to teach there for the next twenty-six years.

We returned to the Ozarks, where we were both born and raised, after our retirement in 1990. We have family here and many friends from both our high school and college days. However, our daughter, Jeanne Yttreness (Class of 69) still lives there, as do most of our friends from the past 48 years. If we ever returned to California, we would definitely return to Ukiah. While the location of Ukiah makes it a great place to live, it's the people who live there who make it so special to Vera and myself.

You guys an gals enjoy this special evening. We wish you all the best in all your endeavors. We will be visiting in Ukiah again in November, and are looking forward to seeing as many of you as we can. We would appreciate hearing from you, as the students in Ukiah were such a great part of our lives for so many years!

With fondness and respect,

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