ANNUAL PICNIC ATTRACTS OVER 400
ATTENTION REUNION COMMITTEES & ALUMNI AT LARGE!

This annual event just gets better and better and as word gets out, more and more alumni are realizing that this is something not to be missed. On August 21, 400 guests enjoyed a delicious barbecue lunch on our beautiful park-like campus.

An array of beautifully handcrafted purple and white table decorations permeated the picnic area. The wonderful food was again catered by former Sequoian, Jeremy Sowers, of Emergency Barbecue and Catering of San Carlos.

Preceding lunch, a ceremony was conducted officially dedicating the baseball field as “Bob Andersen Field” in honor of the former coach and educator (1950 – 1980) and 1941 graduate. Alumni President Ken Rolandelli, Alumni Athletic Review Committee chair Ed Nordness and 1956 graduate Dr. Irwin Haydock spoke of Bob Andersen’s many accomplishments as an athlete, coach and mentor for his students. Bob Andersen appreciatively accepted the honor in front of approximately 200 people including his family members, many traveling some distance to be there.

Attendees of the dedication ceremony also observed a newly installed electronic baseball field scoreboard valued at $8,000 sporting the name “Bob Andersen Field” donated by the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (I.B.E.W.) Local 617. Alumni president Ken Rolandelli acknowledged the attendance of Mr. Dominic Nolan, Business Manager for Local 617, and thanked him and the union for their “incredible generosity”. (Note: please see article elsewhere in this newsletter regarding the “Bob Andersen Field” dedication and accompanying fund drive).

Alumni Association founder, Dr. Jeff Filippi, was the announcer and DJ throughout the day. The Sequoia High School cheerleaders performed both current and vintage cheers thanks to a collaboration with 1951 alumna Marilylou Andrews Graziani. Sequoia Principal, Bonnie Hansen greeted the guests. San Carlos grad and Sequoia Union High School District employee, Larry Trice, conducted an interesting and extensive tour of the campus.

The Alumni Association honored two very special individuals as this year’s Purple Patriot Award winners, Rosemary Lopez Alvarez (1965), a long-time Sequoia volunteer and Nancy Lebkicher Oliver (1957), Centennial Celebration coordinator and volunteer. (Note: please see detailed article elsewhere in this newsletter regarding the Purple Patriot Award and what our honorees did to deserve it). The Golden...
I thought I would use this space to reflect on the past and provide a brief early history of our beloved high school. This text is part of the orientation materials developed by the Alumni Association for new Sequoia students and their parents. The sources are The Cherokee Manual, Sequoia Union High School, Second Edition, 1930 and Third Edition, 1941 (A handbook for Sequoians published by the Associated Students of Sequoia Union High School) and the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form prepared by Kent L. Seavey/Preservation Consultant, on behalf of the Sequoia High School Alumni Association, September 1, 1994.

After Stanford University opened its doors in 1891, the people of this community wanted their children to have an equal opportunity with others to attend this new university, so a group of twenty-one citizens, elected to represent seven elementary school districts, met at the San Mateo County Court House, August 24, 1895, and proceeded with the organization of the Sequoia Union High School. They followed closely the advice of Dr. David Starr Jordan, then the president of Stanford. The first principal selected for Sequoia was David A. Curry, who developed facilities at Yosemite National Park.

After Redwood City had been decided upon as the site for the school, the name Sequoia was chosen as the most fitting to stand for the district as a whole. Sequoia, the name of the great redwood, is named after Sequoyah, the great Cherokee Indian scholar and inventor of the writing system for the Cherokee language.

School opened September 16, 1895 with an enrollment of 53, and as it was the only high school on the Peninsula between Santa Clara and San Francisco, a five-dollar tuition fee was charged to students from outside the district. Classes were held upstairs in the old Central School building, which was razed to permit the construction of the Sequoia Theater, presently the Fox Theater, on Broadway in downtown Redwood City. In 1899 Frank Rossiter, the principal of the Redwood City elementary and grammar school, became the principal of the high school. At that time that building held all the school children of Redwood City as well as the high school students. In 1900 the University of California accredited the school.

In 1904 the High School District constructed a building on Broadway between Middlefield and Jefferson, and except for the reconstruction period after the 1906 earthquake, that building housed Sequoia’s students until completion of the present plant in 1924. Immediately this new structure on the present campus was famous for its Spanish renaissance architecture. At the time, its spacious auditorium was the largest theater with modern equipment between San Francisco and San Jose.

S. P. McCrea became Sequoia’s third principal in 1905 and A. C. Argo followed as the fourth principal in 1921, a position he held until 1948. A. C. Argo’s contribution, and that of the faculty he hired between 1923 and 1945, was not only a modern physical plant for Sequoia High School, but also the expansion of the institution’s educational scope. The Bell Tower is named in Mr. Argo’s honor.

In the Spirit of Sequoia,

Ken Rolandelli, President
Sequoia High School Alumni Association
Grads in attendance (class of 1960) were recognized. 50-year commemorative pins were available for their milestone accomplishment.

Sequoia notables in attendance in addition to Bob Andersen were former Congressman Bill Royer, class of 1938; former basketball coach and student (class of 1956), Fred Mitchell; former teacher (1957 – 1986), Robert Kirch-gatter; former football coach (1955 – 1964) and member of the Sports Hall of Fame as a coach, Joe Marvin; former teacher and student (class of 1957), Darlene Keith and former Choral Director (1960 – 1989), Jay Selby.

A big thank you goes out to the committee that put this wonderful event together. Committee members were Rosemary Alvarez, Pat Bernard, John Castro, Jack Conklin, Rosemary Fischer, Carolyn Livengood, Sally Newman, Nancy Oliver, Elena Reynick, Julie Salas, Marian Wydo and committee chairman Ken Rolandelli.

We ask that classes planning reunions and classmate get-togethers to please consider incorporating your event into this one. All the work is done for you. All you need to do is to buy tickets and attend. Equally as important is that you would be supporting the Alumni Association by contributing to this vital fund-raising event so we may continue to communicate with you and continue to benefit Sequoia High School with grants, scholarships and support of various high school programs, projects and activities.

This is an opportunity to reconnect with your high school. It is also a coming-together of the Sequoia community as witnessed by those participating. There are alumni, the Sequoia Boosters, the Sequoia Foundation, The PTSA (Parents, Teachers, Students, Association), Sequoia District and Sequoia High School administrators and teachers on hand for this event.

The annual theme of the picnic is “Celebrate Sequoia! Remember the past, look to the future”, our intent being to honor and perpetuate Sequoia’s rich and proud heritage while at the same time supporting Sequoia today and into the future.

We hope to see you at next year’s picnic.
Reunions
Reunion chairmen: Please contact our Reunion Liaison, Pat Bernard, if you're planning a reunion for your class: (650) 366-1457 or e-mail <sequoiahsalumni@earthlink.net> or mail to: Sequoia Reunions, P.O. Box 2534, Redwood City, CA 94064-2534.

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Attention all “Golden Grad” (50 years plus) reunion chairs: Could you arrange to have the 50-year pins and disks at your next reunion? Just contact SHSAA to make arrangements!

* Classes of 1951 & 1952 - Aug. 19-20, 2011 - Please forward e-mail addresses (yours and other members of ’51 & ’52) to Bob Caspar (see above) to help reduce the banquet cost by reducing mailing expense. Picnic on the 20th includes campus tour.

* Class of 1956 - Aug. 19-21, 2011. Fri: get together at Pete's Harbor (now Waterfront) with no-host bar/complementary hors d'oeuvres, 6:00 to 9:00 pm. Sat: attend the SHSAA picnic on campus from 11:00 to 3:00 pm. Sun: brunch at the Redwood City Woman's Club, 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. Contact Ken Pellizzari at ken.pellizzari@squaglia.com or at 650-366-4761. Let Ken know if you will be attending the annual picnic at Sequoia on August 21st. The reunion committee will be there and we will be happy to reserve a place for you at our table.

* Class of 1961 - We are looking for a lot of missing classmates. If you have information on the whereabouts of any of our classmates or for more information about the reunion, please contact Dee Rowan Eva 650-368-4800 or at dee@deeeva.com. We look forward to seeing you in 2011!

SEQUOIA PERFORMS!
Sequoia High School Visual And Performing Arts
Dates for 2011

- All concerts and Fri/Sat theater performances at 7pm
- All Sunday theater matinees at 3pm
- All performances are in Carrington Hall on the SHS campus (unless otherwise noted)
- All music concerts include Orchestra, Choir, Jazz Ensemble, and Band

Spring Music Concert Tuesday, March 22
Spring Play #1: (TBA) April 8, 9,10, 2011
Spring Dance Show (TBA) April 29, 30 at 7:30 pm
IB Art Show (TBA)
"Pops" Concert Thursday, May 12
Spring play: Student Showcase May 19th (Subject to change)

- Tickets: Available at the door, or contact Linda Gordon (lgordon@seq.org)
- Questions? Contact Jane Woodman at jwoodman@seq.org

Memorabilia Donations:
Thanks to all who have donated memorabilia to SHSAA. If you would like to donate items, contact SHSAA. We are always glad to have these items, which we use for research and for occasional displays.

- **Dick Sommer** (1950) – “1907 Songs of Sequoia” booklet that he found in a little antique shop in Marysville, CA. There are a couple of songs by Otis Carrington plus many others.

- **Class of 1949** donated $1500. to the Sequoia Alumni Association to be used where needed.

- **Angela Brockamp Torassa** (1947) – newspaper articles of Sequoia sports during the 1940’s.

- **Cathy Kalteren** (1960) – brought photos and four yearbooks to the picnic.

- **Marty Wayne**, grandson of deceased 1934 alumna **Elsie Trevillyan Peard** gave his grandmother’s scrapbook to **Gertrude Petersen Paul** (1936) to deliver to SHSAA. The scrapbook holds Elsie’s graduation invitation, certificates from CSF membership, dance programs from the Girs Jinx dances, clippings from school clubs, and programs from the Sequoia Players and the Paly Game, among other items.

- **Bob** (1941) and **Jim** (1946) **Andersen** donated seven yearbooks.
Sequoyah Statue Project

The Sequoia High School Alumni Association is proud to announce the Sequoyah Statue Project, to have Sequoyah’s image depicted in either a bronze bust or a full statue. The finished sculpture will hopefully, be erected either directly in front of the school entrance or close to Carrington Hall. We are hoping to raise from $50,000 - $100,000 depending upon whether we have a bust or the full figure sculpted.

We have chosen four highly qualified artists to submit their bids, one of them an outstanding Sequoia alumni. Two of the artists mentioned that the project will take up to one year, from acceptance of their bid to the unveiling. Before we can begin our project, we will need to raise the necessary capital.

Sequoya High School was indirectly named after Sequoyah, the legendary creator of the Cherokee syllabary, a system of writing for the Cherokee language. One of Sequoyah’s great-great-granddaughters spoke recently, saying that “Sequoyah’s accomplishment of creating a syllabary for his people has ‘never been equaled’. She also mentioned that “He valued knowledge and education, and by writing the syllabary, he enhanced the education process and influenced the establishment of the Cherokee Female Seminary.”

All of your donations, regardless of amounts, will be greatly appreciated, and will be recognized in future issues of our Smoke Signals. In this issue, we recognize our first donors (See Donations page) and thank them very much for their contributions.

The Sequoia High School Alumni Association is a 100% Tax Deductible 501(c)3 nonprofit association. Please forward your donation to SHSAA-Sequoyah Project, C/O John Castro, 1452 18 th Ave. San Francisco, CA 94122-3409. Phone 415-566-6038 or 415-728-3332, cell phone, for further information, or e-mail sequoiahsalumni@earthlink.net.

Donations
May 23, 2010 - December 4, 2010

The Sequoia High School Alumni Association wishes to send a big THANK YOU to all who have donated to our special programs. Anyone who wants to make additional donations, please see “The Returnable Page” near the back of this issue, or go to sequoiahsalumniassoc.org and make a donation via PayPal.

SPIRIT OF THE SEAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND:
Richard & Sara Thompson .................................................. 1951
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TEA GARDEN FUND:
Clarissa Bowman Dyer .................................................. 1940
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Patricia Johnson Nugent .................................................. 1942

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Alan Rehbock ............................................................. 1944
Harold Alphonse ........................................................... 1949
Joe Marvin ................................................................. Former Faculty

CARRINGTON HALL BRICK:
Hazelle Seaberg Mills .................................................. 1937

2010 Spirit Of The Seal Scholarship Winner

The winner of the 2010 Spirit of the Seal, Carmen Olmedo is an outstanding student who plans to go to UC Merced and study medicine.
GERMAN VISITORS: In October, 23 students from Sequoia’s partner school in Frankfurt, Germany and two teachers each shadowed a host student from Sequoia. Most of these students speak some English, so they participated in class activities. The students enjoyed experiencing the American way of high school life.

SEQUOIA’S GIRLS WATER POLO TEAM has qualified to play in the Central Coast Section championship playoffs. This is the first time that a Sequoia girls water polo team has qualified. Great job Lady Cherokees!!

SEQUOIA’S FOOTBALL TEAM made the Central Coast Section Division 2 playoffs. Sequoia had won the Lake Division undefeated, 9-0! They then won the first playoff game with Los Altos 20-13 and the semifinal playoff against Leland 27-14! Unfortunately, they lost the final game against Willow Glen 47-14. Several alumni were in the stands to root for the team.

STUDENTS WORK WITH STANFORD RESEARCHERS: Sequoia High School students are the first to reproduce a cutting-edge technique for creating fluorescent proteins in jellyfish outside of a living organism. After many months to prepare and refine the experiment, Stanford chemical engineering professor Jim Swartz and graduate assistant Cem Albayrak worked with Sequoia biotechnology teacher K. C. Jones and his four biotechnology classes at Sequoia to run the three-week experiment with students, who also visited Stanford for a tour of Swartz’s lab and a lecture. The technique of creating the green fluorescent protein outside of a living organism, which can then be used to mark proteins in living organisms, may eventually lead to being able to construct new vaccines. (from a news story by Jess McNally of the Stanford News Service.)

JOIN THE NEW GYM’S GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION All alumni are invited to attend the grand opening celebration of the fabulous new spectator gymnasium at Sequoia on Wednesday, January 12 at 5 p.m. The Athletics Boosters and PTSA are working with Sequoia Administration to plan the food, entertainment and formal program for the opening event, and school and district leadership, along with local dignitaries, will be on hand for the celebration.

Following the festivities, the boys varsity basketball team will play its first game in the new gym, against San Mateo High.

The new 18,000-square-foot, 1,400-seat spectator gym features a tournament basketball court, a tournament volleyball court, two practice basketball courts and eight badminton courts. The environmentally-friendly (LEED Gold Certified) facility also includes a glass-enclosed lobby and an area for food concessions and booster sales.

The Measure J bond project also includes new athletic plazas, refurbishing of the existing gyms, and a special exhibit space for display of the donor bricks in the walkway leading to the foyer of the main entrance to the new gym. Inquiries about donor bricks should be directed to Ricardo Cooke, Administrative Vice Principal, at (650) 369-1411, ext. 6286 or rcooke@seq.org.

FLAMINGO FLOCKING FUNDRAISER: The Sequoia High School Grad Night 2011 Committee has an entertaining fundraiser. Upon your request, and a donation of $20, members of the Class of 2011 will descend upon the yards of your friends and neighbors with flocks of friendly pink flamingos! The funds support a Safe and Sober Grad Night.

To arrange for your flamingo flock, send in your name, phone number and e-mail, along with your donation of $20, and give the name of your friend (victim?) and the physical address of your friend to host the flamingo flock. (Note, flamingos cannot flock on public property or apartment complexes. Also, the flocking should be in the general attendance area of Sequoia–Redwood City, San Carlos, etc.) Also let the committee know if you want your friend to know who ordered the flamingo flocking. Send do: Sequoia High School PTSA, 1201 Brewster Ave., Redwood City, CA 94062, ATTN: Grad Night Committee.

Questions? Contact Judy Draper at 650-780-9809 or at jdraper517@yahoo.com. [Alumni—if you want a flyer, contact SHSAA.]

CRAB FEED: Sequoia High School’s 2nd Annual Crab
Spotlight On Sequoia

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Dinner is on Saturday, March 19th at Mount Carmel! Come and support our Booster Club while you enjoy great crab as well as a silent & live auction! Any questions, please contact Nanette Silverman at (650) 780-0714 or at nsilverm@pacbell.net. [Alumni-contact SHSAA if you want a flier about the Crab Feed.]

SARAH SINGH (2012) is featured on a Sequoia District YouTube video praising Sequoia, talking about the various clubs she has found at the school, and how she instantly felt welcome. You can see her at www.youtube.com/?v=4JNzORwrxIQ.

Kudos

I just received the new issue of Smoke Signals by e-mail and LOVE IT! Nice job and thank you so much for all you do. I like the format of the reader and the new website is also very nice. Good job everyone!

---John Fried ‘59

Just a quick note of thanks for a masterful job. And yes, it came through [on e-mail] just fine. Not being a computer geek, I still managed with a little practice, to turn the pages and read it all. A very nice and lengthy newsletter containing a lot of good information. It is certainly news welcome and appreciated by someone like me, out of State, in this case, living in Oregon.

---Richard Harrison ‘52

We continue to enjoy the Smoke Signals; it is always viewed with great interest. You guys to a great job.

---Bob Gaughran, ’53

Kudos to the committee members who worked hard to plan & worked at the picnic...Good program & excellent BBQ! Congratulations to all for a job well done!

---Claude DeMoss, 1952

I do enjoy getting the Alumni newsletter. Keep up the good work. It’s always fun to read about “the good old days”. I’m afraid I must have missed a class reunion or two.

---Evelyn(Williams) Parsons, ’63

I wanted to let you know what a great job you did on the Smoke Signals. This issue shows one heck of a lot of time and work. Hats off to you and your helpers if you have any.

---Julie Salas ’61

Really nice job on line, everyone. Thanks so much! The trees thank you too. :-) ---Judy Kirk ‘60

Alumni In The News

On June 5, 2010, the San Francisco Olympic Club recognized Sequoia alums Rich Donner (1954), Bob Gaughran (1953), Jim Gaughran (1950, Art Lambert (1953), and Boyd Mickley (1950) as “Legends of the Game of Water Polo.” The honor was bestowed in recognition of their playing on the Olympic Club teams that won the National Water Polo Championship in 1957 and 1959, the first national titles won by the Olympic Club since 1920. These winning accomplishments by the 1957 and 1959 teams became the stimulus for the Olympic Club to become the dominant power in the sport of water polo on the national and international level for the past 50 years. The presentation to the team was made at the Eleventh Annual Cutino Awards at the Olympic Club. The Cutino Award is to the collegiate sport of water polo what the Heisman Award is to college football.

Elections 2010

At the Annual Meeting on July 27, results of the ballot for the election of Board of Directors were given. Congratulations to Pat Schath Bernard (1944), John Castro (1960), Carolyn Abbott Livengood (1952), Nancy Lebkicher Oliver (1957), Ken Rolandelli (1963), and Marian Aragon Wydo (1964) who were elected by your mailed ballots to serve another two-year term on the Board of Directors of SHSAA.

Attendees enjoyed refreshments as President Ken Rolandelli and other chairs gave a brief overview of SHSAA and its various activities. The meeting was then adjourned and the regular Board meeting was held.

Officers Elected

At the September 28 Board Meeting, officer elections were held. Elected to serve for the 2010-2011 year are: President, Ken Rolandelli (1963); Vice-President, Leah Schmuck (1954); Secretary, Nancy Lebkicher Oliver (1957); and Co-Treasurers: Sally Coelho Newman (1956) and Marian Aragon Wydo (1964).

New Members

(May 27, 2010 - Dec. 1, 2010)

Sequoia

Francine Arrigoni Nelson ............................................................... 1949
John (Bob) Poole .......................................................................... 1949
Roger Flynn ................................................................................. 1954
Lee Hunter Gamma ...................................................................... 1955
Andrea (Andy) Lerios Bredesen ...................................................... 1962
Betty Hyde Paris .......................................................................... 1965
On October 9, 14 additional Sequoia student athletes and coaches were inducted into the Sequoia Sports Hall of Fame during our banquet held at the Redwood City Veterans Memorial Building. The Sequoia cheerleaders entertained the crowd with cheers, making for a nostalgic evening. Our honorees this fall bring the number of Sequoia Sports Hall of Fame recipients to 261.

The honored athletes and coaches represented nearly 50 years of athletic excellence at Sequoia, ranging from Class of 1937’s Bob Taylor to Mercedes Marchbanks, class of 2005!

The guest list included 13 current SHS Sports Hall of Fame athletes, and four Hall of Fame coaches, as well as some illustrious leaders in peninsula high school athletics! One attendee, Coach Joe Marvin, coached the Sequoia football team in a 33-game undefeated streak in the 1960’s. He holds the record for most undefeated high school football games on the peninsula to this day! Another Sequoia Athlete Hall of Famer in attendance was Gary Beban, the only Heisman Trophy recipient ever from a peninsula team.

Master of Ceremonies for the evening was well-known radio announcer Pete Liebengood, who has over 27 years as sports and news anchor for several television stations and who also writes, films, and produces sports shows for TV.

The list of Silent Auction items was a Who’s Who of sports, with baseballs signed by Willie Mays and Willie McCovey, Willie Mays’ recent book “The Life & Legend” was autographed, as was a John Madden NFL football, and photo. Three Oakland A’s baseballs were autographed, plus several from the Anaheim Angels and one from the SF Giants, & a San Jose Sharks hockey puck.

Congratulations to the new inductees. Thank you to Pat Lovell who headed the Sports Selection Committees and Ed Nordness who chaired the banquet committee. Volunteers Marian Wydo, Nancy Oliver, Rosemary Fischer, now deceased, was one of Sequoia’s most versatile athletes. He achieved the unique distinction of All-PAL status in two football positions—first-team tackle in 1941 and first-team halfback in 1942. He was also a 4-year baseball letterman and president of the Block “S” Society. He played baseball with the Army Air Corps in California and Puerto Rico throughout the 1940’s.

Ron Boicelli (1978) won all-league honors in golf twice and led the Cherokees to the school’s first SPAL golf titles in 1977-78. He also played golf at Canada College.

Larry Bullivant (1939) was a three-sport performer. He was named an All-PAL football guard in 1938 and distinguished performances in baseball, basketball and track. He achieved a PAL record in discus throw and excelled in broad jump. Later, at Modesto Junior college, he won all-league honors as a guard.

Linda Elkins Shinshiro (1979) established herself as a versatile sprinter and hurdler and was an SPAL standout her freshman year and reached the California State Meet in 1978 and 1979 on Sequoia’s outstanding sprint relay teams. In 1978, her hurdle time of 48.8 led the Central Coast Section. At Cal Poly, San Louis Obispo, she competed in the 400-meter hurdles and relays, winning the 1982 Division II National Championships. She also played in centerfield for the softball team in 1983-4, and coaching girls softball in Redwood City and San Carlos after graduation.

Wally Harder (1939), now deceased, was known as one of the region’s superb softball players, serving as...
captain of the 1938 softball team that won the PAL title. An accomplished softball hitter, he excelled at the World Tournament level with the Redwood City Merchants.

**Tony Maffia** (1994) led the Cherokees to the baseball CCS Division 2 Championship. Besides his high .414 batting average, he led the SPAL in steals and runs scored. All-league recognition in 1993-4 presaged his ‘94 all-county election. at College of San Mateo, he was first-team all-conference then had an all-league season for the Culver-Stockton College in Canton, MO.

**Mercedes Marchbanks** (2005) is one of the most accomplished all-around athlete in Sequoia history, earning MVP honors and multiple all-league levels in three sports—track, basketball, and volleyball. As a high-scoring all-court player, she was captain of the basketball team for three years and led track and volleyball teams between 2002 and 2005. At UC Berkeley, she captured the track teams and the number six triple jump in Cal-Berkeley annals.

**Archie Milton** (1955) was an outstanding boxer throughout the West Bay in the fifties, when “Boys Night” was an eagerly-anticipated event at Sequoia. He also participated in football and wrestling. At San Jose State, he won the NCAA heavyweight championship twice and was runner-up the third. His 1958 team is in the San Jose State University Hall of Fame. He also participated in the U.S. Olympic Boxing Trials.

**Dean Mitchell** (1983) was a three-sport star, earning multiple all-league honors in football. His exploits in basketball and baseball translated to MVP selections. At Canada College he posted record-breaking batting averages then received a scholarship to attend San Jose State. He coaches youngsters throughout the Redwood City community.

**Bob Poole** (1949), known as “Mr. Baseball,” was a two-time all-leaguer in the frosh-soph league championship in 1949 and varsity titlist in 1949. He played collegiate ball at College of San Mateo and San Jose State, and was a member of of a powerhouse team with the Quantico Marines and with the Pacific Ocean champions at Pearl Harbor. He also coached Woodside High baseball, football, soccer, and cross-country for 25 years. He also served 32 years as a major league scout (18 with the Phillies and 14 with the Astros), owns a World Series ring and three National League championship rings, and is currently the West Coast senior advisor for the Astros.

**Charlie Sturz** (1938) now deceased, captained the Cherokee basketball team during the 1937-8 season. He was also a starting tackle on the football team and won a letter in track. He had four noteworthy years of basketball at San Jose State and was voted “most Dependable” as a freshman. As a senior, he helped the Spartans end San Francisco State’s nine-game winning streak. Due to his actions in saving several shipmates on a badly-damaged destroyer in the Soloman Islands, he was honored with the Silver Star, and Navy and Marine Corps Medals.

**Bob Taylor** (1937), now deceased) was hailed as one of the best tackles famous Coach Len Casanova had at Sequoia. He played four seasons, was part of the 1935 league co-champion team, and was named all-league after his final two seasons. He also played tackle at USF.

**Lou Tully** (1961) was a three-time all-leaguer and captain of the 1960 SPAL water polo championship team. He won a league title in swimming and went on to a water polo career at San Jose State. He’s served as head coach at various high schools in the Bay Area and is currently varsity women’s water polo coach at San Jose State.

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**Calendar**

Check with our web site for updates: www.SequoiaHSAlumniAssoc.org

**January**
12 - Opening of New Gym, 5 pm. (see p. 6)
25 - SHSAA Board Meeting *

**February**
22 - SHSAA Board Meeting *

**March**
19 - Crab Feed (Sequoia Boosters) see. p. 6)
22 - Spring Music Concert at 7 pm, Carrington Hall
29 - SHSAA Board Meeting *

**April**
8, 9, & 10 - Spring Play #1 (TBA)
26 - SHSAA Board Meeting *
29 & 30 - Dance Show at 7:30 pm, Carrington Hall (Adults $10; Students, $7)

* Sequoia High School Alumni Association meetings are held on the fourth Tues. of each month (except December) at the Sequoia District Board Room, 480 James Ave., Redwood City, at 7:00 PM. All SHSAA members are welcome to attend. (Always double check with SHSAA beforehand, (650) 592-5822, or e-mail: sequoiahsalumni@earthlink.net , as changes sometimes occur.)

**May**
12 - Pops Concert at 7 pm, Carrington Hall
19- Spring Play #2 (subject to change) TBA
24 - SHSAA Board Meeting *

**June**
28 - SHSAA Board Meeting *

**July**
4 - Fourth of July Booth at RC Festival
26 - SHSAA Board Meeting *

**August**
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26 - SHSAA Board Meeting *

**August**
19 - Reunion, Class of 1951 **
19-21 - Reunion-Class of 1956 **
20-21-Reunion-Class of 1961 **
20 - ANNUAL PICNIC at Sequoia
23 - SHSAA Board Meeting */
Dons’ Doings

Current information about fellow San Carlos High alumni.
(To contribute your news to this column, please see the Returnable Page, inside back cover.)

LOOK AT ME NOW...

Wade Pellizzer (SCHS 1963) spent one year at the College of San Mateo before becoming a sheet metal apprentice. He is the owner of Virginia City Rail Corporation of Redwood City and has been in business for 26 years. Virginia City Rail Corporation is a full-service, private rail charter provider and corporate events production company. All of their services are centered in and around a fleet of fully restored luxury, vintage railcars from the early 1900s. (See website at vorail.com.) Wade is a member of the Redwood City–San Mateo County Chamber of Commerce. He is also involved with the Rotary Club, St. Anthony Foundation and the Make-A-Wish Foundation. His hobbies include model railroads, photography and camping.

Gino Gasparini, (SCHS 1970) started out as a residential trash collection driver and is now the Community Affairs manager at Recology, San Mateo County, the largest employee-owned company in the solid waste industry. He is an active member of the Police Activities League (PAL), the Redwood City–San Mateo County Chamber of Commerce and the city’s Pride and Beautification committee.

WE’RE RETIRED...

Mary Sodini Mazza, (SCHS 1964) retired June 2010 from her administrative assistant position with the Sequoia Union High School District where she had worked for 24 years.

James Ellenberger, (SCHS 1964) is now retired and serving as President of the AFL CIO Retirees Association. He served 4 years as Deputy Commissioner of the Virginia Employment Commission and 29 years with the AFL-CIO in a variety of capacities. He earned his degree at San Francisco State University.

IN MEMORIAM

San Carlos High School

Dale Beirne Gordon .................................................. 1965
Mary Pool Swanson .................................................. 1966
Larry Soher ............................................................. 1972
Victoria Ashby Gil ..................................................... 1974
Kenneth J. Meeker ................................................... 1975
Cynthia Pierce Simpson ........................................... 1975
San Carlos Former Faculty

Joan Elinor Conlon ................................................... FAC
Helen Ann Reidelberger ........................................... FAC


Larry Soher (SC-1972) served in the U.S. Army for 10 years, then worked at many different jobs over the years. Before he died, he worked for Redwood Chapel for 10 years. He was a member of American Legion Post 105 in Redwood City.

Victoria “Vikki” Ashby Gil (SC-1974) attended Canada College. She was a homemaker who was very active in her daughter’s activities, volunteering for field trips, Brownie meetings, and transporting her to classes and sports activities. Vikki volunteered at the voting polls, had a great passion for music, and was very creative and crafty.

Kenneth J. Meeker (SC-1975) passed away May 8, 2010 in Stockton, CA after a courageous battle with a lengthy illness. He was 52 years of age and was born on July 9, 1957 in Baltimore, MD. He was active in San Carlos Little League as well as Babe Ruth. After graduation, he attended CSM. He worked for the WP, SP and UP railroads, as well as the Altamont Commuter Express. He was an avid rail fan and collector of railroad memorabilia and antiques.

Cynthia Pierce Simpson (SC-1975) had worked for the city of Turlock for five years and returned to school, attending the Institute of Technology from May, 2009 to February, 2010, staying on the dean’s list throughout her schooling.

FACULTY

Joan Elinor Conlon, age 73, died at her home in Midpines, CA, on April 3 after living bravely with cancer for a year. Friends and family knew Joan as a woman of principle, integrity and determination, whose enduring commitment to social justice and fairness fueled her work on behalf of others, her community and the environment. Joan was an advocate for people with mental illness in Mariposa County, serving several terms as chair of the Mariposa County Mental Health Board and as the Patients’ Rights Advocate. As a board member of Mariposas for the Environment and Responsible Government (MERG), Joan helped bring about a Mariposa County General Plan Update that has strong protections for agricultural land and the county’s rural character. Joan earned a degree in Economics at Stanford, followed by master’s degrees in Education and Marriage and Family Counseling from UC-Berkeley. Joan taught and counseled for two decades at San Carlos (CA) High School. After teaching, she dreamed of designing and building her own house, and in 1983, did just that in Midpines, working with an all-woman crew. In Mariposa County, Joan worked in Yosemite National Park and later as a Yosemite Institute administrator, a job she loved because it gave her contact with young naturalist instructors. Joan was passionate about politics, learned photography, explored...
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her ancestry in Ireland and wrote haiku. She was an avid sports fan, particularly of Stanford and their women’s basketball team.

Helen Ann Reidelberger, worked at the U.S. Post Office to support her family while she earned a Masters degree from Washington University in St. Louis, MO. While teaching at San Carlos High, Helen earned a second Masters in English as a Second Language. She was renowned as a published reading specialist, and served as chair of the English Department. She was often named Teacher of the Year. She loved to travel and had taught overseas in Germany. Her final work was teaching English classes for newcomers at the San Mateo senior citizen center.

Sequoia Legacy Society

Become a member of the Sequoia Legacy Society with your planned gift!
Planned giving through trusts and annuities can provide lifetime income and tax advantages to the donor, and later provide perpetual support for Sequoia High School through the efforts of the Alumni Association. Gifts of highly appreciated assets, such as stocks, bonds, and real estate will help the donor avoid paying taxes on the capital gains.

How you can give:

Wills: Bequeath a percentage or designated amount of your estate.
Stocks And Bonds; Charitable Gift Annuity; Charitable Remainder Unitrust; Charitable Remainder Annuity Trust; Deferred Gift Annuity

The entire alumni board thanks you for your interest in helping the preserve the Sequoia Legacy. The Sequoia High School Alumni Association will work with your tax/financial advisor to assist you in planning the method(s) that you find most desirable.
All Planned Gifts are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.
For more information about planned giving through the SHSAA Legacy Society , contact SHSAA.

Advertise In Smoke Signals

Help SHSAA offset the costs of printing and mailing Smoke Signals by advertising your business in our newsletter.

Certain restrictions imposed by the U.S. Postal Service for nonprofit groups DO NOT allow ads from insurance, travel, or credit card companies!

Also, the U.S.P.S. requires that the advertising be related to the nonprofit group by offering some type of promotion or benefit to the membership.

Business card size ads are $50 per issue. If you would like to let you fellow alumni know about your business(not travel, insurance, or credit card companies), send your business card, promotion or benefit to members, your grad year (and whether Sequoia or San Carlos H. S.), or if you are a Friend of Sequoia, along with a check for $50 per issue, payable to “SHSAA-Ads” and mail to same at P. O. Box 2534, Redwood City, CA 94064-2534, or see the Returnable Page, inside back cover of this issue.

SHSAA would like to thank all of the businesses that have already placed ads to help defray our newsletter expenses.

IT’S TIME TO SEND US YOUR ANNUAL DONATION FOR 2010
Please show your support for our programs and projects:
• Our newsletter, Smoke Signals, with alumni news, reunions, school events, etc.
• Other mailing, communications, and Web site.
• Scholarships.
• Cherokee Grants to Sequoia programs, & other awards.
• Honoring notable Sequoians and community members.
• Storage locker to house merchandise, records, and artifacts.

Make your tax-deductible 2010 donation (Tax ID #94-2967009) for the General Fund to support these activities. Contributions of any amount are most appreciated. See Returnable Page on the inside back cover, or use the special envelope enclosed in the mailed issue to send your donation, or go to www.SequoiaHSAlumniAssoc.org and use PayPal for your contribution.
CENTURY CLUB CHARTER MEMBERS
The Sequoia High School Alumni Century Club is comprised of business, community, and alumni members who donate a minimum of $100 each year to help fund scholarships.
All who joined by June 30, 2006 are Charter Members. Renewal letters have been sent.

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15-year membership
Ellen Stok, C

Bronze ($1,000)
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Bob & Wally Arends
Chyrsal Kerstan Goss, C
Gordon & Betty Moore (new)

Sustaining ($100)
Pat Bernard*
Malcolm “Meb” and Jean Buchanan, C*

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Donate to Sequoia High School Alumni Century Club

For more information, please contact Paul Sanfilipo, scholarship chairman and Century Club founder, at 961 Woodside Road, Suite D, Redwood City, CA 94061-3644, or phone (650) 365-2144 or (650) 366-5171. Fax: (650) 365-3481 e-mail: AmericanCoast@msn.com

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Please make checks payable to: Sequoia High School Alumni CENTURY CLUB, and mail to same:
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Purple Patriot Awards 2010

The Sequoia High School Alumni Association’s Purple Patriot Award is given annually to honor an individual or an organization demonstrating outstanding service to or providing a significant benefit directly to Sequoia High School. Here are the recipients for 2009-10. Their names have been engraved on the perpetual Purple Patriot Trophy that is displayed during the year in the hall case near the library.

Rosemary Lopez Alvarez is a 1965 graduate of Sequoia High School and a parent of three Sequoia graduates. She worked for the Sequoia District Adult School for 40 years, and because her office was across from the Sequoia Library for 33 of those years, Rosemary was a wonderful liaison between the school and the Alumni Association.

Rosemary was very active with many of the school organizations. As a member of the Parent-Teacher-Student Association she helped organize and serve at teacher luncheons and staff potlucks, as well as representing PTSA at Back-To-School and Open House tables. As a member of the Boosters Club, she sold merchandise at games, assisted at sports banquets, created and sold Homecoming Game corsages, prepared flyers for Night-At-The-Races, collected tickets at sports events, and sold food at the Snack Shack at games. Rosemary even made purple and white flags used at graduation ceremonies.

As a long-time member of the Sequoia High School Alumni Association, Rosemary has been co-chair of the Merchandise Committee, served as a Board member, helped at the Centennial Celebration in 1995, and worked at the car show and the Fourth of July booth. She is on the Annual Picnic Committee and organizes all the items at the silent auction. She also assists with our Spirit of the Seal scholarship selection committee.

Although her last child graduated in 1996, Rosemary agreed to serve on the committee to plan the first Community Hall of Fame induction ceremony for Sequoia High School. She acted as the liaison between that committee and our Association.

One person who nominated Rosemary for this award commented that Rosemary has been a great ambassador for Sequoia High School. Her enthusiasm for the school, and her efforts to help Sequoia in so many ways have truly benefitted our alma mater!

Nancy Lebkicher Oliver is a 1957 graduate of Sequoia High School. She has been a board member of the Sequoia High School Alumni Association since it was founded in 1985; she was its founding secretary and has served as president. Nancy is the editor of the Alumni Association’s newsletter, “Smoke Signals”.

One of Nancy’s most notable accomplishments relative to Sequoia High School was coordinating its grand party, the 1995 Centennial Celebration commemorating the 1895 founding of Sequoia High School. She began as coordinator in 1991, recruiting over 100 graduates to help with the planning of the events. Over the four-year planning period, Nancy held many meetings, sending out hundreds of postcards as meeting reminders. She generated ideas through “Smoke Signals”. Nancy helped form the ideas into workable events and oversaw the various committees for the 4th of July Parade entry, Variety Show, Football Half-time show, Centennial Quilt, Dinner Dance, and the Centennial Picnic attended by 1,500 people.

Nancy has been involved in many activities and events sponsored by the Sequoia High School Alumni Association that have benefited or highlighted Sequoia High School such as the El Camino Gate dedication, Sequoia Seal dedication, Carrington Hall fundraising and the “Diamond Jubilee”, 75th anniversary of the present high school campus, in 1999. She has served on committees for awarding grants to Sequoia teachers through the Alumni Association’s Cherokee Grants program, the Woodshop Open House and a number of teacher’s breakfasts. She served as liaison with the committee for the Treble Clef’s 100th Anniversary Concert in 2007. She is often the only board member representing the Alumni Association at Sequoia’s yearly Back-To-School Nights and Open Houses. She wanted parents to know that Sequoia had the only Alumni Association in the District, until Woodside started one this past year.

Nancy tirelessly advocates for publicity about Sequoia to be in the local newspapers, often “nagging” school personnel to send in press releases about events or special programs. She sends notices to alumni and other friends notifying them of plays and concerts at Sequoia, as she is keenly aware that attendance at these events supports the students.

Nancy served on the board of the Sequoia High School Education Foundation, serving as their president for three years. She oversaw fundraisers such as the Dessert Social and Silent Auction, and the yearly appeals for donations. She also represented the Foundation at Back-To-School Nights and Open Houses, sharing the same table with the Alumni Association.

Further promoting Sequoia High School and its rich history, she contributed an extensive chapter about Sequoia in a book entitled Redwood City, A Hometown History, a book on the history of Redwood City published by the Archives Committee of the Redwood City Public Library.
Our Sequoia Teams Need Help

Just before the Sports Hall of Fame Banquet was held, SHSAA received a plea to help the Sequoia Football Team obtain new helmets. So many students came out for football this year, there were not enough helmets for each player.

Ed Nordness and his Alumni Athletic Review Committee recommended that $2,000 be donated (to be taken out of the proceeds from the banquet) in order to purchase 10 new helmets, at $200 apiece. The request was approved by the SHSAA Advisory Board.

Ricardo Cooke, Administrative Vice-Principal wrote the following letter:

"On behalf of the athletic department and the football program, I would like to personally thank the Alumni Association for their generous donation and support of Sequoia athletics. The money will pay for the much needed football helmets.

We are growing as a program and we appreciate your assistance. We hope to see you and other alumni at a future football game or other sporting event. The football team will be in touch shortly.

Again... we are fortunate to have a group such as the Alumni Association supporting our programs."

As part of the Hall of Fame Banquet, Kohl's Department Store provided servers for the dinner and also donated a check for $500, to be used to help with youth activities. At the last Board meeting, the Athletic Review Committee chair Ed Nordness presented a request from the football coach for assistance with the team's weight training equipment. There was also a request for help with equipment for Track & Field and Cross-Country teams. The Board voted to use the $500 Kohl's donation to be given to the Track & Field request, and to use another $500 from the Banquet proceeds to be given to the football team's weight-training needs.

NOW---CONSIDER THESE:

You could also help with some of the needs of Sequoia's teams!

WRESTLING

Greetings Alumni!

As Vice Principal of Sequoia, I have been fortunate to be able to help Coach Parks with the wrestling team. The team has grown substantially since Coach Parks took over in the 2000-2001 school year. Coach Parks started with eight wrestlers that year, and this year we are looking at having fifty students come out for the team.

To support that growth we need to have a second coach (I only count myself as half a coach because my duties prevent me from being there as often as I would like). Fortunately, we have recruited John Peavlor to be the assistant coach. John is a class of '89 alum and wrestler who took second place in state the year he graduated. He went on to wrestle at Fresno State (a Division 1 school for wrestling), and was a contender for a spot in the 1996 Olympics. John is willing to take a voluntary leave of absence from his job at Parks and Recreation in Redwood City.

Unfortunately, there is no money to pay for a second coach. The team needs to raise $3,500 for a second coaching stipend for wrestling. We are hoping that there are some former wrestlers and wrestling enthusiasts who can help by donating to the program. Any amount will help.

Donations are tax deductible. Checks can be made out to “Sequoia High School Wrestling” and mailed to Sequoia High School, 1201 Brewster Ave., Redwood City, CA 94062, Attn: Mike Kuliga

If you are interested in upcoming wrestling events, please e-mail me at mkuliga@seq.org and we will put you on our e-mail list.

TRACK & FIELD / CROSS-COUNTRY

As I'm most sure you know, Sequoia High School has an outstanding reputation and tradition as an excellent public high school in the heart of beloved Redwood City. Sequoia’s Athletic teams carry on that tradition each and every year as they battle through the ranks of the tough Peninsula Athletic League. In particular, the past few seasons in Track and Field have been exceptional. The 2003-2005 seasons produced three consecutive CCS and State Meet showings in the triple jump and long jump events for Mercedes Marchbanks. Now, after competing 4 season's for UC Berkeley's women's track team (2006-2010), Mercedes is back this season at her old stomping grounds (Sequoia!) as an assistant jumps coach.

Both 2006 and 2007 Sequoia seasons generated even more growth with numerous PAL Champions and 8 CCS qualifiers each season...most notably at the league meet with James Byrnes’ 1st place finish in the varsity boys 400m ('07) and the winning varsity boys 4 x 100m relay team ('07). 2008 and 2009 brought in some tremendous young talent with up and coming frosh-soph athletes like Gabriel Ortiz (Sprints), Will Langi (Hurdles and Jumps), and Mele Langi (Throws). The young talent continued through 2010 where the Sequoia track team

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saw its largest group in quite some time with over 90 athletes. Freshman twin phenoms Alex and Alyssa Bliss as well as newcomer Gaia Bouchard-Hall came on to pace the girl’s squad, and sophomores Jesse Boyle and Varsity Football newcomer James Beekley led the boys.

This upcoming 2011 season, it’s my goal as head coach to bring this team even further than they’ve ever been, and we could greatly use your much-needed help. The school’s Athletic Boosters have been instrumental in the past by contributing funding for new starting blocks and high jump repair kits. My hope for this year is to provide our team of 100-110 athletes with the following:

1. Nike Team Men;s and Women’s Sublimated Uniforms (for 110 athletes) - $4,600.
   (Team uniforms were last purchased in 2005)
2. Samsung High-Definition Camcorder (video analysis and finish-line timing - $300.
4. 200’ Fiberglass Open-Reel Tape Measure (Qty: 3) - $25.00 /ea.

Our Track & Field program is very grateful to accept any donation you can provide. I’d like to thank you in advance for your time and consideration of this request. Your support, although much needed, is greatly appreciated. I invite you, your family and friends to come out to a meet this season and enjoy Sequoia Track and Field at its finest! Thanks again for your support, and I hope to see you on the track.

Sincerely,
Adrian Dilley (1998) and Sequoia Head Track & Field Coach, adilley@seq.org (650) 773-6096

For information about Sequoia High School, visit www.sequoiahs.org
For information about Sequoia Athletics, visit www.sequoiahs.org/?id=1006

Presentation Of $1,400 Check For Music Program

Alumni Association president, Ken Rolandelli, and Jay Selby (former Sequoia High Choral Director, 1960 – 1989), attended the December 8, 2009, Sequoia High School Winter Concert for the purpose of handing over a $1,400 check to Visual and Performing Arts Director, Jane Woodman. Jay Selby made the presentation on behalf of the Alumni Association.

A few years ago, with the knowledge that Sequoia’s Treble Clef, which began in 1907, Jay approached the Alumni Association to be a sponsor of an anniversary celebration. Jay initiated and organized an extraordinary event, recruiting former Treble Clef members from over the decades for a 100th Anniversary Concert, which was held in the fall of 2007 in Carrington Hall.

Being a sponsor, the Alumni Association collected monies from ticket sales and donations. The $1,400 represented the net profits from this event. Of course, these funds would have never been collected were it not for Jay, so it was most fitting that he make the presentation. Thank you, Jay.

Tea Garden Maintenance

The Tea Garden Maintenance Committee meets throughout the year to prune trees and plants, rake leaves, pull weeds, and generally tidy up the beautiful area. Tea Garden Work Days are usually on a Saturday morning (mostly once a month, weather permitting). You can come for an hour or stay the whole time (until about noon or one o’clock).

If you would like to help with the Tea Garden Clean Up, contact SHSAA via e-mail: Sequoiahsalumni@earthlink.net. Or call 650-592-5822 to add your name to the notification list.

KEEP YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESSES COMING!

Thanks to all the members who have sent in their current e-mail address. However, We still do not yet have e-mail addresses for many of you!

Please send us your e-mail address, either via our e-mail address, sequoiahsalumni@earthlink.net, or mail via the Returnable Page, on the inside back cover of this issue. If you send the address via e-mail, please be sure and give your name, and if possible, your membership number, which is on the top of your mailing label on Smoke Signals. That will help us to find you in the database!

(NOTE: The policy of SHSAA is not to give out your contact information except to your class reunion committee.)
Current information about fellow Sequoians. 
(To contribute your news to this column, please see the Returnable Page, inside back cover, or e-mail: sequoiahsalumni@earthlink.net.)

Fred Bausch (Menlo Atherton Class of 1952) writes:
“My wife and I have owned CLOCKSmitH in San Carlos for over 44 years now, and in 1979 we sold the senior class at Sequoia the new Grandfather Clock that is in the Sequoia library foyer. It was the senior class gift to the school. I have been tending this clock as needed thru Florian, the librarian, ever since, all at n/c to the school in appreciation of the education I received there. Through our web site, we sell clocks all over the world.”

Eldon Kelley (1957) owns and operates Rancho Polhemus, tucked away in the hills above San Mateo, CA. Intentionally run without electricity, the facility nonetheless supports a kind of deeply felt vitality that nurtures the soul, where one can enter another dimension of human existence simply by passing through a gate.

Eldon says, “I'm what you would call sure nough a cowboy, and I've been around horses my whole life. Up North, where I worked cattle, they call us buckaroos, and I've been known as “Rooster” for years. I'll tell you the story sometime.

“I grew up on the Peninsula, and I remember when it was filled with orchards - you could look out over the valley in the spring and see nothing but pink. My family raised horses and farmed hay in what is now East Palo Alto. Our house is gone now, and the hayfields are flood zones or industrial parks, but when I drive over the Dumbarton Bridge I can still spot the old palm trees that once grew in our yard.”

Rancho Polhemus specializes in teaching beginning riders and also in helping those who once acquired a fear of horses to once again enjoy riding.

Larry Gottshamer (1958) lives in Guatemala where since 1985 he has owned and operated the Valhalla Experimental Station, a macadamia nut plantation that supports reforestation and provides income for the local community. The Macadamia nut food and oil products have health benefits and can be utilized by people in a number of ways, and the trees themselves help to fight the effects of global warming. Larry was retired in the line of duty as a Fireman in Redwood City in 1972. He went to Costa Rica to learn the Macadamia nut industry before settling in Guatemala.

Cody, Wyoming, Maintenance Foreman Frank Palazzolo (1966) retired in June from Wyoming Department of Transportation. He served as Cody maintenance foreman since 2004 and he nearly 29 years of service with WYDOT. Prior to moving to Cody, Palazzolo, 62, of Powell, worked on the Riverton maintenance crew for 13 years, eventually being promoted to Riverton maintenance foreman. After high school, he earned an AA degree from Skyline College in San Bruno, Calif., in 1971. His volunteer activities include serving on the Wind River School Board in Pavilion, serving as a volunteer firefighter and chief of the Morton-Kinnear Volunteer Fire Department, and as an elected board member of the Fremont County Fire District.

Sharon Uhlenberg Stubs (1972) has returned home to Claresholm, Alberta, Canada, after a life experience spending a year and a half in Ghana, Africa. Her husband was a medical advisor for 900 missionaries for the LDS Church.

Jeff Adair (1975) recently starred in his fourth show with Broadway By the Bay, a production of La Cage aux Folles. He has danced professionally with Hallelujah Hollywood, MGM Grand Hotel: Lido de Paris, Stardust Hotel, Beach Blanket Babylon (for which he designed many hats), and the 1989 Academy Awards, seen by 1.1 billion people worldwide! When he’s not dancing, Jeff is the proprietor of “J Floral Art“ in Menlo Park, seen on the web at www.jfloralart.com, on a facebook profile, and 13 movies of his work on YouTube.

Dan Mabry (1973) earned his AA at Golden Gate University College, majoring in finance and economics. He now lives in Redding and is an insurance salesman.

Denise M. Cooley Nagel (1976) is in real estate in Burlingame. When not working, Denice is involved in volunteer efforts with The Make-A-Wish Foundation Habitat for Humanity and The American Cancer Society, the Healthy Cities Project, the San Mateo Historical Society, San Mateo Sunrise Rotary, San Mateo & San Carlos Chambers of Commerce, Coyote Point Museum, & The Samaritan House.

Shane Mohler (1987) runs a public records firm (Brass Services) in Redwood City and finds people for a living—whether a skip trace for a private detective, a genealogy project for a private client or someone needing process service.

Jake Messina (1990) has been named head football coach for Golden Valley High School in Merced, CA. Jake played football at Sequoia and later at the College of San Mateo. He began his coaching career at Sequoia in 1994.
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and was a line coach at Palo Alto before moving to defensive coordinator at Merced High School in 2002.

Marin Aldrich (1993) teaches history at Woodside High School. While attending Whitman College in Walla Walla, WA, Ms. Aldrich studied Environmental Studies and Politics. She also became fascinated by international relations, specifically in the Latin American region. After college she served as a Peace Corps Volunteer in the Philippines, where she taught environmental education and lived in a hut made of bamboo. Upon returning home she was lucky enough to get a job teaching at Woodside High School while being able to simultaneously backpack, bike, and volunteer as a whitewater rafting guide as much as possible. Her love of teaching and being outdoors has often led her to combine the two activities, and in 2005 as part of her Master’s program in International Education, she rode her bicycle from Panama to Tijuana. Now, she is back at Woodside High coordinating the Green Academy and is excited to be starting a bike repair shop on campus this year.

Nirshila Chand (2001) is one of the 2010-2011 Sally Casanova Pre-Doctoral Scholars, representing California State University, Northridge. She is a graduate student in health education, interested in working with Pacific Islander populations in California. She is a participant in the 2010 Asian-Pacific Global Health Summer Institute offered by the University of Hawaii at Manoa and the School of Public Health, University of California at Berkeley and is a 2010 volunteer with Fiji-Aid International.

Jose E. Toledo (2007) graduated from Army basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C. on June 30, where he studied the Army mission, history, tradition and core values, physical fitness, and received instruction and practice in basic combat skills, military weapons, chemical warfare and bayonet training, drill and ceremony, marching, rifle marksmanship, armed and unarmed combat, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice system, basic first aid, foot marches, and field training exercises.

Maritza Nuñez-Pereda (2010) was crowned as the 2010 Queen of the North Fair Oaks Community Festival sponsored by San Mateo County Sheriff’s Office. Maritza graduated from Sequoia High School and is committed and actively involved in the community with programs such as the Boys and Girls Club of Redwood City. She is now attending Notre Dame de Namur University with the professional goal of studying the law.

LOOK AT ME NOW...

John (Bob) Poole (1949) of Woodside, CA, is a baseball scout for the Astros. ... Brian Burns (1957) makes classical and flamenco guitars in a large shop in Fort Bragg, CA; he also teaches guitar making (lutherie) and has been teaching flamenco guitar playing since the early 1960’s. Betty Hyde Paris (1965) of Sunnyvale, CA, teaches Special Education; she enjoys working with students, dancing, and water skiing, ... Michael Gino Andreozzi (1970) is Supervising and Managing Attorney in Bryan, Texas; he graduated from Claremont McKenna College, got his JD in Law from the University of Santa Clara, and has been practicing law in Texas for 30 years.

WE’RE RETIRED...

Roger Flynn (1954) of Leavenworth, WA, really likes to fish and caught 33 salmon in a week. ... Lee Hunter Gamma (1955) of West Chester, PA, was a technical publications manager for a satellite telecommunications co. but now enjoys playing and teaching bridge, community volunteering, her grandchildren, and is secretary for the Class of ’55. ... John Kirk, Sequoia (1960), is retired from the College of San Mateo where he taught economics. His wife, Judy Seely Kirk, (1960) is retired from Sequoia High School where she worked after 27 years of teaching and working in the administration of the Redwood City School District. ... Andrea (Andy) Larios Bredesen (1962) of Westlake Village, CA was an elementary school teacher and a real estate agent; she now volunteers with the Assistance League and is in a banjo-singing group.

Sequoia Authors Project

We have received four more books for the Authors Collection (books by or about Sequoia students and faculty) at the Sequoia High School library. The first two are books about the history of Redwood City. They are Images of America - Redwood City and Redwood City Then and Now. Both are autographed by Nicholas A. Veronico, Betty S. Veronico (nee Bradshaw, Class of 1975), Reg McGovern (Class of 1939), and Janet McGovern.

The second two were donated by Jim McCord from the Class of 1961. The first is With Corroding Fires: William Blake as Poet, Printmaker and Painter by James McCord (Class of 1961) and is “A Descriptive Catalogue Of An Exhibition Held at Scribner Library, Skidmore College from April 21 to May 11, 1980, and Schaffer Library, Union College from May 12 to June 15, 1980.”

The second book, Building Relationships - Selected Works of Jim McCord and Bruce McColl (poems by Jim McCord and art by Bruce McColl) was a project conceived several years after they met and experimented with writing “a poem that occasioned a painting, which in turn, inspired a second poem, then a second painting”.

We are pleased that our collection is growing and gladly accept donations of books by or about Sequoia students or staff. If you wish to donate or have questions, please contact Dee Eva 650-368-4800. Books can be mailed to Dee at 1021 Arlington Road, Redwood City, CA 94062-1850.
“Bob Andersen Field” Fund Drive

The Sequoia High School Alumni Association is delighted to report that the Sequoia High School baseball field was officially named and dedicated, “Bob Andersen Field”, on August 21, 2010, at the Alumni Association’s fourth annual picnic. An ambitious and highly worthwhile fund raising drive accompanies this project.

Bob Andersen is a member of the Sequoia Sports Hall of Fame, both as an athlete, graduating in 1941, and as a coach. He is also a member of the San Jose State and San Mateo County Sports Hall of Fame. He was one of the most versatile coaches in Sequoia history with tenure at Sequoia between 1950 and 1980. His first love was baseball, which he coached to winning seasons, including a number of league championships, from 1951 to 1964. Five of his players went on to play professionally. He excelled in motivating players and was a wonderful role model for them.

Bob Andersen’s success as a baseball coach would have more than qualified him for the honor of having the baseball field named after him, but what he meant to the lives of the students he taught and coached transcends how many league championships his teams may have won or his high winning percentage. His mentoring and advice had a positive and lasting influence on the lives of many Sequoia students. He is a hero to many and many attribute his influence as a contributing factor to their success in life. Bob resides in Redwood City and was present at the August 21 dedication ceremony.

The accompanying fundraising drive is like nothing the Alumni Association has ever attempted. Typically projects have exclusively had something to do with a physical improvement benefiting Sequoia High School. I.B.E.W. (International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers), Local 617 donated a new baseball field scoreboard valued at $8,000 as part of this effort. Funds from this drive have already been used for the scoreboard installation. All remaining funds will be used to benefit athletics at Sequoia by helping economically disadvantaged Sequoia athletes, providing uniforms and attendance at sport camps for years to come. Considering Bob Andersen’s heart for kids, this effort is considered to be most fitting.

The goal is to raise $56,000 over a one-year period. Whatever funds are raised during that time period will be used for the purposes described. The Alumni Association asks that you please help meet this challenge associated with the legacy of Bob Andersen by making a donation to this fund.

Donations can be made by writing a check payable to the Sequoia High School Alumni Association (SHSAA), P.O. BOX 2534, REDWOOD CITY, CA 94064-2534, noting on the check and/or envelope, “Bob Andersen Field” Fund. Donations may also be made via Pay Pal on the Alumni Association’s website at www.SequoiaHSAlumniAssoc.org, clicking on Merchandise which will take you to the Donation Opportunities page, and utilizing the box entitled “Bob Andersen Field” Fund.

Yet another option would be to purchase a brick with an inscription for $100, a tree with a plaque for $1,000 or an engraved stone bench for $3,000 for placement in the newly named “Inspiration Grove”, a stand of Redwoods outside the Business wing of Sequoia and in close proximity to the baseball field. Bob Andersen can be honored for his inspiration and lasting influence on the donor’s life or any teacher, family member or friend may be honored, who did the same. (They need not have attended or taught at Sequoia.)

To purchase a brick, tree or bench, please complete the form below and send it with your check for $100, $1,000 or $3,000. Please make all checks payable to: SHSAA (Sequoia High School Alumni Association). Please note on your check that your donation is for the Bob Andersen Field fundraiser.

Tax-deductible donations should be sent to:
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Brick/Tree/Stone Bench Information: Please allow a space for word breaks and periods. Please print and indicate capital and lower case letters with a maximum of 20 characters per line.

YOU MAY HONOR ANYONE YOU WISH ON THE BRICK, TREE OR BENCH, WHETHER OR NOT THEY TAUGHT AT OR ATTENDED SEQUOIA.

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IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT: Dee Eva, Phone 650-368-4800 E-mail: dee@deeeva.com
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Fischer (1967)
Ken Rolandelli (1963)
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Linda Imagen Beauty Salon
Rudy Video
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Christine Cheshire
Paul Sanfilippo (1967)
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LOOKING FOR

If you have contact information for any of the following people being sought, please contact SHSAA. (See The Returnable Page).

YEARBOOKS: Pat Putnam Lasserot (1965) lost her yearbooks during a move. If you have any extra 61-65 yearbooks, contact Pat at 510-673-4381 or patlasserot@att.net.

Ron Martin (1961) is looking for Linda Sanderson. If you have contact information, contact Ron at 3309 Lakeview Dr., Nice, CA 95464 or at (707-739-7134.

Elsie Klaus Carr (1962) is trying to locate Mary Beth Kern (1962). If you have any contact info about Mary Beth, please contact Elsie at else316@att.net.

Eli Hruska (1962) writes: “One of the teachers that I have always held in high regard and who was most inspirational was William (Bill) Carpmill. He taught German and French when I was at Sequoia. I enrolled in his German I class as a freshman in 1958. I planned to study two years of German. At the time I wanted to become a doctor and German was the language my pediatrician had recommended for a medical career because many scientific articles were published in German.

Mr. Carpmill made the German language and culture come alive. We not only studied the language, but the poetry, the history, and we learned about the contributions of the great German poets. I decided to continue with German III and IV. At the time I was the only student taking German IV. Upon graduation I was accepted to a special summer program at Reed College that focused on German language and culture, the Deutsche Sommerschule am Pazifik. When I started the Fall at UC, Berkeley, I continued to study upper division German literature as a freshman.

Through the language I gained an appreciation for the contributions that Germany has made to western art and philosophy as well as science. In later life I developed other interests and my career path took me in a totally different direction. Nevertheless, Mr. Carpmill’s enthusiasm and inspiration made my life richer. To this day I have fond memories of Mr. Carpmill and his style of teaching. He was a great teacher.

Does any one know when he retired? Was he still teaching at Sequoia when he retired? I am sorry I did not return to thank him because over the years I have thought of him often with deep gratitude.”

Angie Wagner Sessions (1972) asks: “Would you happen to have any information on Mr. Vernon Faut? He taught in the business department of Sequoia HS for many years. He was absolutely one of my favorite teachers. I would love to know if he is still living and if he is how I might be able to write to him. Any information you could give me would be great. Thank you so much.”

WE’RE ON FACEBOOK!

The Sequoia High School Alumni Association is on Facebook! Since our page began early this year, over 200 fans have joined. Check it out!

Search for Sequoia High School Alumni Association on Facebook to find us.

Lost Members

The following members are lost. If you know their whereabouts, please let the Alumni Association know. (See contact information on p. 2 or on the Returnable Page.

Elizabeth Bowles Herren .....................1931
Marjorie Treviyan Whitney ...................1940
Geraldine Jackson Camerotto ...............1945
Joyce Bevlockway Romero .....................1947
Leon Alto DeMars ................................1949
Donna Dunn Shurtleff..............................1951
H. Greg Fowler ..................................1954
Richard Pitcher ..................................1957
William Boswell ................................1962
Kathy Fitzgerald Campbell ...................1964
Diane Feala Hughes .............................1965
Margaret Powers Johnson .....................1969
Knut Lyssand ....................................1971
Susan Burr McBrayer ...........................1979
Knut Lyssand ....................................1971
Barbara Gordon ..................................1986
Tamara Stuart Borges ............................1987
Robert Oseguera .................................1991
Rigo Anthony Hartmann .......................1994
Stephani Lauren .................................1994
Jason Hess .........................................1998
Sherry Jones ......................................1998
Nirshila Chand .....................................2001
Helen Navarro .....................................2004
**In Memoriam**

Key: FS = Former Student (Not Grad), FAC = Faculty, FR=Friend

### Sequoia

**Dorothy Lyons Zeh** (1925) was a graduate of San Jose State and taught school in Redwood City and Belmont. She was very instrumental in the restoration of Sequoia’s Japanese Tea Garden during the Centennial Celebration in 1955. Her parents owned a five-acre farm on Roosevelt Ave. in Redwood City, which is now known as Lyons St.

**August (Gus) Arthur Holland** (1943) served on the Destroyer USS Rowe in WW 2. He then worked in his father’s store, Belmont Hardware, taking ownership with a partner and building it into the “builder’s preferred source,” until he retired in 1992.

**Mae Lillian Lum Fong** (1943) earned a degree in Commerce at San Jose State. She lived most of her life in the Sacramento area, teaching school and becoming involved in the business community where she earned numerous honors, including Sacramento Businesswoman of the Year.

**Charles Kent Mabie** (1951), a graduate of San Jose State, served as a medic in WW II. He taught science for 35 years, a Boreal Middle School in San Mateo. He was an active participant in E. Clampus Vitus and Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

**Ken Della Santina** (1959) was a volunteer firefighter for Woodside for many years. He was the owner of Hoagies Deli in Redwood City, swim meet starter at Red Morton Park, sales rep at Sears. He was a U.S. Army veteran.

**Richard Ward Lennen** (1955) served with the Seabees 58th battalion in Vietnam. He then opened Lennen Masonry and worked on the Peninsula for more than 35 years. He also taught at Sequoia High School and Kennedy Middle School. He was a 13th generation Californian.

**Stanton Joseph Price** (1957) developed his lifelong passion for social justice at UC Berkeley and Harvard Law School. After working for the State of California and clerking for Judge Judy Hufstedler, he then worked for progressive organizations, including the Western Center on Law & Poverty, Venice Legal Aid, Housing & the Elderly. He entered private law practice and also worked pro bono for the Center for Health Justice and many other groups helping the disabled and underprivileged; he helped these groups even after a serious illness kept him housebound.

**David Baross** (1960) served from 1970-1988 in the San Mateo County Sheriff’s Department, eventually reaching the rank of Sergeant. His numerous assignments included Patrol, Corrections, and Special Agent in Undercover Narcotics. Upon retirement in 1988, he formed his own investigation company, David Baross Associates, as well as a security and consulting firm, International Risk Management. He earned a BA from USF and held a life California State Teaching Credential for Criminal Justice.

**John Buck** (1960) earned a BA and Ph.D. at UC Berkeley. He joined the Penn State University Department of English in 1969, where he served as director of the honors and business writing programs. He was visiting professor at St. Xavier University, Chicago, from 1987-89, where he established their honors program. He received several awards for his work in teaching and advising. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa, and several literary organizations.

**Renee Montague Lucero** (1952) worked as a psychiatric nurse and wrote a suicide prevention article that was printed in Readers’ Digest and later reprinted by Ann Landers. The same article has been quoted by suicide-prevention professionals and teen help aids for 25 years, as well as being reprinted in newspapers, magazines, books, and online and has been translated into many languages. She is credited with prompting many people on the brink of suicide to consider their options.

**Don Roesch** (1957) held a BA from Columbia and a Law degree from Hastings. He practiced law for over 40 years, served with San Mateo County’s Public Defender Program, taught law at the College of San Mateo, and was president and legal counsel for Kings Mountain Associates.

**Richard (Rick) Milam** (1962) graduated and earned a P.E. teaching credential from San Jose State. He taught an Homestead High and coached track and cross-country. He was involved in the track and field community for over 30 years, winning many awards for his dedication to the sport.

### Sequoia Faculty

**Glenn Michelson** taught Math and German from 1965-2000. He held a BA in Mathematics from Northwestern University and an MA from Stanford University. He was advisor to the California Scholastic Federation at Sequoia for 23 years, and served as State President of CSF/CJSF from 1999-2001. He was Sequoia District Teacher of the Year (1985), San Mateo County Teacher of the Year (1986) and was listed in Who’s Who Among American Educators in several editions. As a 13th generation descendant of the Pilgrim William Webster, he was a member of the Society of Mayflower Descendants and a founding member of the San Mateo County Genealogical Society.

**San Carlos**: See the “Dons’ Doings” page elsewhere in this issue.
Bob Andersen Field Dedication

The alumni picnic August 21, 2010, featured good weather, good food, many wonderful memories, and for Sequoia coach Bob Andersen, a legacy of memories for his children, their children, and the hundreds of athletes he coached and mentored over a thirty-year career. Many of those former players were in attendance on his special day. Among those recognized were: Irwin Haydock, Ken Pellizzari, Don Weiseman, and Ted Mitchell. A number of Hall of Fame athletes present included Dick Cesarin, Rich Donner, John Doolittle, Joe Greenbach, Pat Lovell, and Bill Royer, plus Hall of Fame coaches Joe Marvin and Fred Mitchell. Other special guests were Sequoia Principal Bonnie Hansen and members of the Sequoia faculty. Speakers were Alumni President Ken Rolandelli, former Sequoia baseball player Irwin Haydock, and Alumni Sports Chair Ed Nordness.

Bob Andersen introduced his family and gave thanks for all the athletes he coached and the many wonderful memories they had given him. Bob also gave credit to the Sequoia coaches who preceded him and provided him with valuable mentoring and who were a positive influence on his 30-year coaching career.

In Praise Of Bob Andersen.....

“Dear Coach Andersen,

I do remember so vividly meeting you when I was an exchange student at Sequoia in 1978. And Darryl [Morrison, All-American pitcher 1938-2004] was attending Menlo College on a baseball scholarship. The whole Morrison family spoke so highly of you!

Unfortunately we lost Darryl to cancer in August, 2004. Thank you for all you did for him.

My very best wishes,
Laura Morrison”

Note: They are donating a brick at Sequoia in honor of Bob Andersen, from Darryl Morrison, 1956.

Tim Burkhart (1972) writes: “Just a quick note along with my donation for “Bob Andersen Field.” I’ve known Bob since I was a little kid, and seeing Bob every day at Sequoia while I was there was always a treat. He always had a good word for everyone.

I saw Bob at Harry’s Hofbrau not long ago, and he was telling me about the way the field, his field, had been professionally manicured. He is so proud of that field. It is only fitting that the field e named in his honor.

I played a fair number of games on that field back in the late ’60s and early 70’s, whether it was Babe Ruth league games or for Sequoia. the field then got a lot of use, and it seems that it gets more now. It was long overdue for a ‘makeover’ and as I walk by now, it is so good to see how it looks, and to still see kids playing for the love of the game, which is what Bob taught us.

I played ball with his son Bob during our years together at Sequoia, as well as for many years after. In young Bob’s nature, one can see that the acorn did not fall far from the tree. Although I can’t attend the ceremony for the dedication, I will be there in spirit, and thanks for bestowing this honor on Bob.”
The Returnable Page

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Enclosed is my business card & benefit to members, for SS ad @ $50/issue　　$__________

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• Athletic Honors Committee Fund $__________
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• Sequoia Veterans Memorial $__________
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• Books by/about Sequoians Collection $__________
• “Bob Andersen Field” Fund $__________

Total $__________

For the following items, feel free to use another page if needed:

My News for Cherokee Chatter or Dons’ Doings (circle one) ______________________________________________________________________

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WANT TO SERVE? ____ on the Board? ... or on the following committees:

__ Smoke Signals __ Athletic Review __ Special Events

__ Cherokee Grants __ Labeling for Mailing __ Merchandise

__ Archives & Display __ Annual meeting __ Help in booth (July 4th or Picnic)

Mark your Calendars for the 5th Annual Alumni Association Picnic August 20, 2011

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*My interests/hobbies are: __________________________________________________

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- R-1 Sequoia Replica $5
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- H-1 Purple Baseball-style, w. embroidered Alumni Logo $18
The Carrington Hall Benches Have Arrived!!

If you haven’t been in Carrington Hall of late, the SHSAA invites you to come and see the two new benches in the foyer. They are magnificent!

Funds for these lovely benches were donated by Pat McMillan Pellizzari (1959) and Ken Pellizzari (1956). Tim Von Nieda of Neoclassics in Half Moon Bay created the benches for the SHSAA Carrington Hall Committee project. They are truly works of art featuring a relief carving of a majestic Sequoia tree evocative of the tree that is pictured on the Sequoia seal. The benches are designed in the arts and crafts style to complement the era of Carrington Hall.

Come and sit on these glorious benches next time you visit Carrington Hall. Relaxing on them may prompt some great memories of your years at Sequoia!

About Our Bench Donors...

It’s doubtful you’ll ever see Pat McMillan Pellizzari and Ken Pellizzari (pictured left) appear on stage to accept an award or accolade for their kindness and generosity. In fact, when informed they were in nomination for an award, they politely declined. They felt others were more deserving than they. The Carrington Hall Committee had to engage in some serious arm twisting for them to even allow their names to be placed on the bench plaques.

The Pellizarri’s are quite simply amazing people that give from the heart without any expectation of thanks or acknowledgment of their contribution to Sequoia. They exemplify the great alums that proudly call themselves Sequoia grads.