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The Official Newsletter of the Reno High School Alumni Association

THE PRESIDENT'S TWO CENTS WORTH

Welcome summer! About this time of year I like to remember my years growing up in Reno, especially my joyous few years at Reno High. As you find yourself thinking about your years at Reno High, please stop by the museum to visit and reminisce. The museum is open on Fridays from 2-5 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. except we are closed on holiday weekends. You will be amazed at the artifacts you find that will bring back some of your cherished memories of your years at Reno High. Our docents have done a wonderful job of organizing and displaying the many historical items.

Our Board of Trustees meets once a month on the fourth Thursday of each month at 4 p.m. To accommodate Brien Karlin and my football coaching schedule in the fall (we have games on Thursdays), we will have our monthly Board meeting on the fourth Wednesday at 5 p.m. for August, September, and October. You are welcome to attend these meetings to see what goes on. You may consider becoming a Board member.

We are beginning to plan our triennial all-class picnic that will be held next summer (2014). This reunion will coincide with the school's 135th anniversary. We will inform you of the date and location of the reunion in the coming months.

We need your help! We are looking to increase our number of paid members. Many of your friends and family members have either never been members or have let their paid membership lapse. Membership dues and donations are our main source of income to maintain the museum, pay for our website, and award scholarships to graduating seniors. There is a membership form on the back page to encourage your classmates to join the Association. Please pass this form on to any Reno High graduate

Finally, the Washoe County School District, headed by Superintendent Pedro Martinez, is proposing to put a chain link fence around Reno High campus. In a survey, 98% of staff members at Reno High and 100% of Alumni Association Board Members are opposed to this. If you also have concerns about this fence around Reno High, contact the Superintendent or school board members. Enjoy your summer!

Scott Jordan
President, RHSAA



BLAST FROM THE PAST- Bud Beasley

The following article appeared in the September 21, 1945 issue of the RHS Red and Blue entitled "Psychology Pitching Pay off for Reno Teacher." In the summers, Bud Beasley pitched for Sacramento Solons and Seattle teams in the Pacific Coast League.

"Bud L. Beasley, Reno High PE instructor and assistant coach was recently featured in the Sporting News, the country's leading baseball magazine, garnered an outstanding pitching record during the current season.

Beasley's unorthodox style is making history in the baseball world. By studying every player who will face him, Beas is able to take advantage of the other's weaknesses.

Some call it clowning; the batters cry, 'Voo-doo!' Whatever his methods, they certainly bring results.

Bud has been known to pitch to one batter for 10 minutes before striking him out. During this interval, Bud's antics keep the fans amused.

In a typical 10 minutes at the plate, Bud changed balls five times, juggled them, tied his shoelace intermittently, conferred with his catcher, and strolled nonchalantly over to the dugout for a drink of water. Before the pitch he strode to the plate borrowing his opponent's bat to remove dirt from his cleats. Just by way of variety, he requested that the umpire dust off the plate. The fans were wild with glee. However, the batter was in danger of losing his mind.

Bud has made many new friends among his teammates and has become the most popular player on the west coast."

Bud Beasley was a teacher and coach at Reno High from 1937 to 1969. He also was a co-founders and original trustee of the RHS Alumni Association. Bud passed away in July 2004.

SAD PASSING (JOKE)

Please join me in remembering a great icon of the entertainment community. The Pillsbury Doughboy died yesterday of a yeast infection and trauma complications from repeated pokes in the belly. He was 71.

Doughboy was buried in a lightly greased coffin. Dozens of celebrities turned out to pay their respects, including Mrs. Butterworth, Hungry Jack, the California Raisins, Betty Crocker, the Hostess Twinkies, and Captain Crunch. The grave site was piled high with flours.

Aunt Jemima delivered the eulogy and loving described Doughboy as a man who never knew how much he was kneaded. Born and bread in Minnesota, Doughboy rose quickly in show business, but his later life was filled with turnovers. He was not considered a very smart cookie, wasting much of his dough on half-baked schemes. Despite being a little flaky at times, he still was a crusty old man and was considered a positive roll model for millions.

Doughboy is survived by his wife Play Dough three children, John Dough, Jan Dough and Dosey Dough, plus they had one in the oven. He is also survived by his elderly father, Pop Tart. The funeral was held at 3:50 for about 20 minutes.

2013 RHS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS



Lindsay Hand–Jake Huneycutt–Trent Jackson–Christina Newcomb

Lindsay Hand – Gonzaga University majoring in Business Administration and Political Science.

Jake Huneycutt – University of Nevada majoring in Engineering and Mathematics.

Trent Jackson – University of Nevada majoring in Civil Engineering and Theater

Christina Newcomb – University of Oklahoma



Betty Jo Baker- KatiaVarela

Westover Family Scholarship

Katia Varela was awarded the Pauline E. Westover Family Scholarship by Betty Jo Baker, Class of 1951, on May 15, 2013. Pauline Westover was an RHS graduate, Class of 1925, and became a renowned photographer. The RHSAA assists in the awarding of this scholarship for the Westover Foundation. Katia plans to attend DePaul University



Stephen Barnes - J.D. Schnabel

RHS Alumni JROTC Leadership Award

The RHS Alumni Association awarded a medal and certificate to Cadet Sergeant **Stephen Barnes** for his outstanding leadership abilities. The award was presented by LT COL (Retired) J.D. Schnabel, RHSAA Vice President, at the JROTC Awards Night on May 23, 2013.

Around the RHS Campus

- Kris Hackbusch, RHS Principal, provided the following statistics for the class of 2013; 370 graduates, 3 U.S. Presidential Scholar Candidates, 9 National Merit Scholarship Semifinalist, 8 National Merit Scholarship Finalists, 14 students who maintained a 4.0 GPA, 130 were members of the National Honor Society, 12 students achieved perfect attendance, and the class was awarded \$2 million worth of scholarships.
- The Varsity Baseball Team won the Division I North title but lost in State competition.
- “We the People” Team representing Nevada placed 19th out of 56 teams in the nationwide competition in Washington D.C. RHS Unit 4 team placed first. The theme of Unit 4 was, “How have the values and principles in the constitution shaped American institutions and practices?” Congratulations to their teacher and coach, Mr. Richard Clark, and the entire team.
- The golf and swimming teams were first in state for academics.
- RGJ and 4A Division 1 Athletes of the Year include Garrett Hampson for Baseball, Ben Lerude for swimming, and Robert Eardley for track.
- Alex Cordisco won state in the Hurdles.
- RHS Senior Army Instructor, Lt Col Scott Maryott, was selected to be the new WCSD Director of Army Instruction (DIA). He will now supervise 11 high school ROTC programs in the district.

Huskie Trails by e-mail

If you would like to receive your copy of the our quarterly Alumni Association newsletter, Huskie Trails, by e-mail, please contact us by phone, (775) 825-2586, by mail, P.O. Box 5807 Reno, NV 89513 or by e-mail, rhsaa@renohighalum.com. Make sure you include your name and e-mail address.

Also, please notify us if you have a change of address. We have between 10 to 15 newsletters returned to us each quarter because of address changes or mail being held because alumni are temporarily away.

Student Body Officers

Attention Reno High School Alumni! Can you remember your student body officers while you were in attendance at Reno High? We are trying to compile a complete list of student body officers – president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer. Please check the list below to find years for which we have no record. If you can help fill in the missing information, we would appreciate you sending us the missing information to RHAA, P.O. Box 5807, Reno, NV 98513 or e-mail: rhsaa@renohighalum.com, attn.: Joanne Petre.

1908-1910, 1913, 1927, 1933, 1940-1942, 1944, 1945, 1949, and 2000-2005.

2013 RHS Hall of Fame Fall Inductees

- Dave Dungan – 1952 – Football, Basketball, Baseball
- Jeff Morby – 1955 – Football, Basketball, Track
- Lynn Stiles – 1959 – Football, Track
- Craig Morrison – 1959 – Football, Basketball, Baseball
- Steve Johnson – 1973 – Tennis
- Dan Peters – 1976 – Swimming, Cross-Country
- Melissa Padgett – 2000 – Basketball
- Megan Nunn – 2001 – Basketball, Softball

The induction dinner will be held on Saturday, September 7, 2013 at the Eldorado Hotel & Casino. Contact Tina Rooker in the RHS Athletic Office (755-321-3109) for reservations and further details.

RHS Athletic Hall of Fame Selection Committee:

Brian Rothe

Jim Pace

Daryl Pelizzari

Scott Jordan

Jeff Tomac

Contact these members if you have a recommendation for the Athletic Hall of Fame.



HERB FOSTER'S LETTER

Last quarter's RHS Alumni Newsletter contained a letter from Herb Foster to Dave Ryan, Class of 1947, prior to Herb's death in December 1948. The letter also mentioned the members of the 1948 football team as follows;

“Centers are Fife, Sandorf, Harrigan, and Marshall. Guards are the Watermans, Lazovich and his little brother, Akert, and a couple of sophomores. Tackles are Manson, Dietz, Gerbatz, Gadda, and Cauble. Ends are Mendiola, Cline, Morrison, Evans, and Larralde. Quarters are Hilts, Richards, Art Davies and a couple of others. Left halves are Pickins, Carano and a new comer named Kronemyer. Right halves are Fox, Marks, and Kottinger. Full backs are Vietti, Coleman, Rusk, and Styris.”

ALUMNI NEWS

1. Former Senate Majority Leader, **Bill Raggio** was honored at the Legislature by declaring March 27, 2013 as, "Bill Raggio Day." Bill, Class of 1944, died in February 2012.
2. **Ty Cobb**, Class of 1958, appeared in two recent articles in the RGJ. One he wrote was about the Vietnam War being over for 40 years and the aftermath that followed. He mentioned that he was the last American back from Vietnam and was the first American soldier to meet with the North Vietnamese and Viet Cong after the ceasefire was signed. Ty was also the first to go to Hanoi to begin the release of our POWs and the implementation of the Peace Accords. In the other article, Ty commented on the death of Former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher. As a national security aide to President Ronald Reagan, he had great insight into their relationship.
3. An article appeared in the RGJ on April 16th about two Reno High graduates and RHS Alumni Board Members, **Neal Cobb and Jerry Fenwick**. The two are preparing a second volume of their popular 2008 book, "Reno Now and Then."
4. Master Sergeant **Bob Ridderbusch** died in April in Salem, Oregon. He was the Reno High JROTC Senior Army Instructor and Rifle Team Coach from 1973 to 1990.
5. **Judy Vasconcelos**, Class of 1956, died on April 7th. From 1974 to 2003, she taught English, theater, and led RHS debate teams to many State titles.
6. **Ralph Casazza**, Class of 1946, died on April 4th. Over the years, Ralph and his firm specialized in the design of shopping centers, jails, schools, public buildings, banks, industrial facilities, casinos, postal buildings and churches. Closer to home, he designed the RHS Alumni Center building and was a member of the Alumni Association Board.
7. The RGJ profiled **Michael Fischer**, Class of 1967, who was a Gardnerville dentist and has a lifelong fascination of Nevada history. He belongs to a number of Nevada history-related groups and has given performances portraying Governor John Sparks. Michael has also given presentations on the early years of Center Street in Reno and the 1934 disappearance of banker Roy Frisch – one of the city's most enduring unsolved mysteries.
8. Judge **Edward C. Reed Jr.**, Class of 1942, died on June 1st at the age of 88. Reed served as a legendary District Judge for almost four decades, was president and member of the Washoe County School District School Board for many years, and Reed High School in Sparks was named for him. He was an all-state basketball player for Reno High and UNR. Reed served in the Army during World War II, was captured and imprisoned by the Nazis but later escaped. He graduated from Harvard Law School in 1954. Governor Brian Sandoval said of Reed, "Judge Reed served as mentor to me and was one of the finest judges I have ever known."
9. **Glenn Little**, Class of 1958, known as "Reno's Music Man," was honored by having his name added to the Wingfield Park Amphitheater. Little was a member of the Reno Municipal Band since he was 14 and died in November 2012.
10. **Cathy Trachok**, Class of 1976 and daughter of Coach Dick and Fran Trachok, was featured in the RGJ concerning her paintings being featured in the June issue of American Art Collector magazine.
11. **Rusty Crook**, Class of 1951, announced that after 50 years, he and his wife, Susie, will be closing their south Reno day camp for children called, This Is It Ranch .



The purpose of this non-profit association shall be to identify and recognize the accomplishments of the alumni, students, and staff of Reno High School. Equal attention shall be paid to academic and non-academic phases of high school activity, in order that a well-balanced picture may be presented to the public. Your information will be entered into our database for future use and never given to anyone without your permission.

Current Last Name: _____ Middle Init.: _____ First Name: _____

Class of: _____ Years attended From: _____ To: _____

Last Name While in school {Maiden}: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Home Phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

E-mail address: _____

If an administrator or staff, years worked. From: _____ To: _____

Occupation: _____ Retired? Yes ___ No ___

Membership Fee

	1Yr	2Yr	3Yr	5Yr
Individual	\$20	\$35	\$50	\$75
Couple	\$30	\$58	\$80	\$125
Individual Life Member.....	\$300.00			
Couple Life member.....	\$500.00			

Spouse's maiden name: _____ If Reno High Graduate, Year _____.

Would you like to be involved in RHSAA? Yes ___ No ___

If Yes, would you like to be officer, board member, trustee or volunteer? YES ___ NO ___

What would you be willing to help with? {Museum, membership, yearbooks, etc.}

I hereby authorize duly elected RHSAA trustees to spend non-designated funds as they deem appropriate. Signature: _____

Date: _____

Please make checks to: RHSAA MEMBERSHIP
Mail to: RHSAA MEMBERSHIP
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Member Date: _____



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