



HUSKIES TRAILS

The Official Newsletter of the Reno High School Alumni Association

We Apologize

For the delay in publishing this newsletter. Our agenda is to try to publish the newsletter at least three times per year.

The winter newsletter should have gone out at the same time that we sent you the information on the Annual Meeting or when we sent you the ballots for the Election of Trustees.

This year, we got behind and were not able to publish the letter on time.

Our goal is to publish the letters in the Winter, Spring and fall, along with information on election of officers, upcoming reunions, and any other information that we think you would be interested in.

If you have an idea for a good story that you think would be interesting to all of the alumni, just send us an e-mail to our web site at

www.renohighalun.com

And we will research the information and use it for a future newsletter.

Again, we apologize and

The Presidents two cent's worth

Oh what fun it is to work the Reno High School Alumni Association Center !!!

Wasn't sure what to expect when I wrestled this job away from "Hook & Ladder" Joe Granata, but by golly I am having a great time.

Many times when I am in the building, I meet someone who has stopped by for the first time. At first there is curiosity and then amazement at what we have there. These contacts have covered every class from the 1930's to the present and what interesting people they are. In spite of the obvious growth, Reno is still a small town and when people start reminiscing, it's amazing who knew whose parents, grandparents and friends.

We are continually making better use of the alumni center, and especially since summer is the prime time for reunions we are able to, through our web site, to con-



Several classes held planning sessions in the building and used it as a gathering place for one of the days of celebration.

Our collection of memorabilia is growing and creating quite a challenge to be able to display it properly. We recently acquired needed assistance of a "curator" the person of Grace (Brown) Fujii class of 1958. (See related story)

We now brag on having 10,011 profiles in the computer, 719 active members and 74 life memberships.

All in all, this relationship with the RHSAA is keeping me busy and out of trouble.

If anyone wishes to make comments, give advice or in any way whatsoever contribute to our association, we are eager to hear from you.

Please take care until the next time we meet.

Daryl Pelizzari
President RHSAA

Bud Beasley

In August of 2003, Bud Beasley went to the doctor to have a check up. When the doctor inserted a tube to look down his throat, it somehow damaged Bud's esophagus, and also damaged the valve in Bud's throat that does not allow food or beverages to enter the lungs. Because of this, Bud ended up with pneumonia.

As you all know, Bud is a macho guy and didn't complain about anything, just kept going to all of his meetings and events as usual. Finally in October, Nellie had Bud admitted to the hospital. First to Washoe Medical, then shortly thereafter, to St Mary's..

Bud was in St Mary's for about four months where the staff took good care of him and he flirted with the nurses. Doctor Jim Atcheson, RHS class of 1957, cared for him until he felt that Bud could be transferred to Physicians Hospital an extended care facility located on Silverada Blvd. Across from the old Wards clothing store.

Bud was in Physicians Hospital for only a month, and he seemed to be relapsing so Nellie, being concerned that Bud was not getting the attention that he needed, called Doctor Atcheson and asked him to come and see what he could do.

It turned out that Bud had an infection in his throat and Doctor Atcheson had him transferred to Washoe Medical for treatment.

As of February 24th, 2004 Bud's infection was getting much better, and his lungs were almost completely clear from the pneumonia that he had earlier. He is still very tired but has enough energy to do his daily therapy .

Nellie is with Bud every day from eight in the morning until seven at night, and has been since he was admitted in October. It's pretty hard on her, and she appreciates, as does Bud, all the past students and friends that come to see him and check on his well being.

The day that the pictures were taken, Bud had already finished his therapy and had



**Eunice (Nozu) Oshima class of 1944
And her daughter visit Bud at Washoe Med.**

Class of 1944 And her daughter Georgia came to visit and give Bud a gift, ten minutes later, Art Kess class of 1961 entered the room.. In less than 20 minutes, Bud had six visitors.

Although it doesn't look good, the tube going into Bud's throat is there to produce a mist to keep his throat from drying out since he is still being fed intravenously and cannot swallow. When the infection is gone and the valve is working properly, the mist tube will be removed. Nellie also gives Bud eye drops every couple of hours to help keep his eyes moist.

I know that you are concerned, and Bud has a long hard fight ahead, so just keep Bud in your prayers and if you get a chance, go say hello !

The web site for the Reno High School Alumni Association has a section to update you on Bud's health. If you want to keep up on what's happening, just go to

www.renohighalum.com

Joe Granata





Reno High Band September 27, 1947

This picture was taken on the steps of the State building. This is probably one of the many civic functions that always included music and were held in down town Reno. This particular day the Reno High School Band was performing for an unknown function but we know that it was right after the start of the school year.

"OUR" RHS Band was a natural selection since it was the only high school in Reno at that time. Now, with eleven high schools in the Reno area, you would have to implement a rotation system just to create the air of fairness.

Please search your memory banks, Do you know

The State Building was built ? Well, it was built as the central location for the activities surrounding Nevada's Transcontinental Highways Exposition from June 25 to August 1st 1927.

Do you remember what was in the State Building ? There was the Nevada Historical Society, as well as the many artifacts such as the "Mummified Mermaid" which was actually a monkeys head sewn onto a fishes body. How about all the many artifacts that were found all across Nevada and the Black Rock Desert, left by the pioneers as they traveled towards the green pastures of California, but many times ended their quest right here in Truckee Meadows. These artifacts included everything from oxen yokes to travel trunks and dia-

The Nevada Historical Society is celebrating their 100th birthday this year

Washoe County Library is celebrating their 100th birthday this year and they were also in the State Building along with the Justice of the Peace – Bill Beamer– who presided over ten thousand weddings (10,000) and even took pictures of many of the happy couples.

One more thing that I remember, was the day I had to go up there and take my drivers license test. There was the grouchy, rotund license inspector that made you uneasy as you took the test, then as we were walking out to the car for the driving part I thought to myself, " I hope he likes me, because I know that if he doesn't, it's hard to get that drivers license.

Nostalgia – Let's see how good your memory is !!

1. What was the name of the Café that was in the form of a rail road car, located at 820 W. 4th St.

2. What was the name of the Bike & Gun shop at 26 W Douglas Alley where Douglas Alley and Fulton Alley met Telephone # 4528 there from the 1930's well into the 1950's (1938 City Directory)

3. Name the used car lot located at 941 S. Virginia Street in 1955. Telephone # 2-1559 (1955 Telephone book)

4. What was the name of the drive in at 349 N. Sierra Street, and who was the owner. In 1953 Telephone # 4529 (1953 Telephone book)

5. Name the Motorcycle shop located at 119 E. 4th Street in 1955

6. Remember buying that good old ice cream in cones or by the gallon ? What was the name of the establishment at 245 & 249 West Street ? Telephone # 23456

7. Remember the sign with the little shoe cobbler hammering nails into shoes ? What was the name of the shoe shop, and address. (1942 City Directory)

8. What was the name of the movie house that had the double lovers seats every other aisle on the ends, and where was it located in the 1950's (1952 phone book)

9. Name the bakery at 339 N. Virginia Street Phone # FA-36178
(1959 Telephone book)

10. Where could you go to listen to records in a private room with your friends, before you bought them, if you did indeed buy them. What was the name of the establishment and location ?
(1952 Telephone book)

11. Here's an easy one ! Name the swimming pool that you could smell before you could see it. Telephone # 2-6211

12. Name the Drive in at 2225 B St in Sparks Telephone # 5-2727

13. How many of you remember eating at the cake shop next to Sears ? What was the name and address ? Telephone # 3-4392

14. Where did you go to buy presto logs when they were 5 cents apiece and what was the name of the establishment ?

15. There was the first drive in restaurant in Reno, located at Stewart and South Virginia St. What was it's name

16. Specks McKenzie owned a service Station. What was it's name and address.

17. Where was the Zoo located in Reno

18. What was the name of the ice cream parlor at 719 S. Virginia St.

Volunteers

Help!
volunteers, where are you ?



Here we are again, asking for more volunteers to help us. Volunteers are needed to help staff the Reno High School Alumni Center where visitors are invited on Fridays from 2 pm until 5 pm or Saturdays from 10.am until 2 pm.

Volunteers are asked to greet visitors, answer questions about the association, the alumni center, and it's displays

A minimum of one day per month is all we are asking for, but if you want to give more time, it will be welcomed.

If you are interested in helping, please call the Trustee/ Volunteer Chairman Betty Jo Baker at 851-3203 or leave a message at the alumni center in person, or calling 825-2586

Thank you,

1958 Alumna steps up to the plate

Grace (Brown) Fujii Class of 1958 and Association member, has Committed to help the Association do a better job of itemizing and keeping track of information and memorabilia coming in to the Alumni Building.

Grace worked for the

Delts

We are looking for lost memorabilia

Do you remember the "Delts" the Delta Sigma Fraternity, a boy's organization that was not recognized by Reno High School, but was a part of the social atmosphere from the early 1920's until 1956 or 1957.

Two items were associated with this group, a large varnished wooden paddle that had been signed by all of the presidents, and in the 1940's the Delts presented a memorial plaque in the honor of Norman Whiddet, a well liked athletic manager who had passed away. The plaque was awarded to the outstanding athlete of the year. We know that the plaque was last awarded in 1955 as shown in the 1955 REWANE.

If you have any information of either one of these two items, please contact the Alumni Center

For many years before deciding to retire this year. Well, you know how that works, Grace will still be giving a few hours a month to the WCLS but has also agreed to help us.

Grace has many good ideas, and will be working with Sheryln Hays Zorn, the Registrar of the WCLS to upgrade the ways the amateurs (RHSAA) has been keeping records for the last four years.

It will be a pleasure working with Grace and fun watching the system improve.

Golden Huskies

It's the year of the Class of 1954 at the Reno High School Alumni Association Center as members, that group will be recognized as Golden Huskies.

And in a parallel program just adopted by the Board, those belonged to the Class of 1979 will be the first recognized as Silver Huskies, 25 years out of school

Each class will be asked to provide memorabilia for a separate display case in the Center to bring back memories of the good times in the "new" Reno High School, the sprawling red brick structure that now has served students for 53 years.

The Golden Huskies program was begun last year when 1953 graduates contributed photos, a gavel, and other memorabilia that filled the display case just inside the Center's principal meeting room.

A representative of each designated class will oversee arrangement of chosen items, following their approval by the Association Board of Directors.

Looking ahead, the classes of 1955 and 1980 which will be spotlighted during the Alumni Association's 10th anniversary year, which also will coincide with the next all-class Alumni Picnic.

Plan now to be there for the big doings, likely to be held sometime in August 2005, on the Reno High School campus, which in the past has generated over 1800 alumni gathering for fun and good food.

Len Crocker

A sponsor is needed !



Frances Humphrey
Lecture Series

In 1994, the State of Nevada Museum established a lecture series in the name of Frances Humphrey, a long time teacher at Reno High School. Frances worked closely with the Nevada State Museum providing information and donating objects to the Maute/Humphrey family collection. Many of these items are on display throughout the museum for school children and visitors to enjoy as they walk through.

Roland Melton once wrote, " that Frances Humphrey had a wonderful career and life."

Indeed, she did have a wonderful life and touched the lives of many people. She loved her state and was willing to share her family's heritage with future Nevadans. She was a great person and her love of Nevada's history will continue to be shared with the public through the Humphrey lecture series for many years to come.

The Nevada State Museum is starting the eleventh year of the lecture series and has done over 120 programs in Nevada History, archaeology, anthropology, and a few shows on natural history. In able to continue to show the series to a larger audience, the Nevada

Articles from the Red & Blue

Knittin' Needles (3/1/50)

The former quietness of the Reno High study hall has recently been shattered by the staccato clicking of knitting needles, and murmurs of "knit two - purl two...knit two - purl two..."

The effect of this craze is also felt by the boys when they compare the flashy colors and intricate designs of their hand knitted argyles.

Obviously, the girls of RHS have had another inspiration. This time knitting everywhere, in the class study hall, and while dashing madly down the hall. Also, the lessons are conducted in the study hall at noon, and sometimes after school for the new initiates to the R.O.O.K.O.A.

What the heck was the

Television in Reno, Carson City, Dayton, Minden, Gardnerville, and Lake Tahoe.

Although the program is free to the public, there are some expenses to the Nevada State Museum in the amount of around \$1100.

If you feel that you would like to donate all or a portion of this amount for the project, Please send a check to the Reno High School Alumni Association and specify that it is to be used for the Frances Humphrey Lecture Series. We will deposit the check and then send a check from the RHSAA to the Nevada State Museum.

Still from the Red & Blue

Huskie Holler

By Janet Regnell

Where we eat

Some of the favorite hangouts for the RHS lunch eaters are: RHS study hall, price for milk, chocolate milk, or orange drink. The lunch is supplied by yourself.

Another eatin' spot is the Mapes Rexall Fountain where a hamburger and a milkshake is the order of the day. The Remos Drugstore also feeds the hungry mouths usually with a tuna sandwich and a glass of milk. Those wishing more substantial food can get a lunch consisting of soup, main entrée, hot rolls, and a drink for only 50 cents at the Cameo. Next issue, I'll review the more popular spots for the guys and gals after a game or show, so you better start getting your appetite in trim.

After school

The RHS gang demonstrates a variety of after school interests. Some of those are: At work at Washoe County Library, (probably engrossed in the latest novel rather than getting material for a report), Window shopping, just getting home (for those that live down the Carson way or somewhere else in the boondocks), and at home meaning the city slickers.

Orchids & Onions

Posies today for the football team who has done a wonderful job this year. All RHS is really cheer happy about the conference champions. Thanks for bringing home the bacon boys.

The rooting section also gets a vote of thanks from the team for the support they got, especially at the end of the season.

Onions however, to the rain which made a lot of people stay at home during the Reno-Vegas game -----

Alumni Election

“You’re doing okay” was the word from the Reno High School Alumni Association members. Co-founder Bud Beasley and former Treasurer Al Cartlidge had decided to leave the Board, but members re-elected co-founder Len Crocker, plus Treasurer Virginia Zorio and Board Member Betty Jo Baker. for a one year term to fulfill the vacancy created by resignation of Joyce Vannucci, voters chose Rozann Logan, who was known in high school as Ann Heim.

The result is a 13-member Board, with two vacancies that may be filled by appointment if anyone from the Association’s membership roll steps forward to say, “I’m willing to contribute some time and energy to help.” Those terms would run through December 2006.

If you meet that lone qualification, please contact the Association by e-mail at www.renohighalum.com By snail mail at P.O. Box 5807 Reno, NV. 89513, or leaving a message on our telephone answering machine number 775-825-2586 (826-ALUM).

“Coach” Beasley has opted to accept the title of Director Emeritus where he joined early Board Member Albert B Solari, the man who donated an office for the Association headquarters for several years prior to construction of the campus Alumni Center and also was a major financial contributor.

In January, The “new” Board re-elected

Looking for old athletes male & female

It’s time to break out your old baseball shoes and that flat hard mitt you used while in high school. The Sparks Senior Leagues for both males and females is starting practice in March.

The Senior Huskies over 50, over 60, and over 65 teams are looking for players. There is no female Husky team, but if there are enough people interested, we could start one or two next year. If you are female and interested in playing ball, Sparks Recreation last year started a league for you.

If you would like to play

This year, there will be a spot in the Senior Leagues for you

I played in the Senior League’s in Sparks for seven years before my knees finally told me “that’s enough.” It was so much fun that I still go out and watch and once in a while, I fill, in even though I can’t run very good anymore.

If you are interested, Call the Sparks Recreation, or if you want to play for the Huskies Senior teams, call me at 425-6777.

Joe Granata

Daryl Pelizzari as President, Co-Founder Joe Granata as VP for Operations, Len Crocker as VP/ Membership. And Joanne Petre has until the end of 2005 in her present term. With their re-election in December, Crocker and Zorio are ticketed through 2006.

Other Board Members and their terms are.

- Betty Jo Baker 2006
- Ralph Casazza 2005
- Neal Cobb 2005
- Alex Kanwetz 2005
- Larry Pizorno 2004
- George Smith 2004
- Joe Granata 2006

A reminder,,: the Board meets on the fourth Thursday of each month in thew campus Alumni Association Center on Booth Street, beginning at 4 p.m.

You are invited to come to the meetings and make suggestions.

17. Idlewild Park right next to the California Building
16. Snappy Service Station at 510 W. 2nd. St. Telephone # 3-8324
15. Q-ne-Q Owned by Harvey Majors 500 S. Virginia St. Ph # 3693
14. White Pine Lumber Co. 235 Ralston St. Telephone # 2-2121
13. Dainty Lady Cake & Creme Shop 237 N. Sierra Telephone # 3-4392
12. Ray's Drive In book Phone # 2-6211
11. Hot Springs Pool on Carson City Highway according to the phone 2nd & West Street. Saviers Building
10. Stampfl's Record Room at 200 W. Welch's Bakery
9. Tower Theater at 236 S. Virginia Street
8. Commercial Shoe Shop 220 N. Sierra St Phone # 6807
7. Chism Ice Cream
6. Bud Odens Motorcycle Shop Hudson Lee.
5. Pio's Used Cars Pio Mastroianni
4. Lees Drive In owned by
3. Lee Arthurs Bike & Gun Shop J.R. Lemille
2. Diner Cafe – Owned by

Nostalgia Answers



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