



Huskie Trails

The Official Newsletter of the Reno High School Alumni Association

President's Corner

Fellow members and friends:

Well the third quarter is in the books, the summer is over, and it is time for another installment of the President's Corner. I would like start right off by, as is my standard procedure, inviting you, your family members, and friends to come on down to the Association Building and Museum for a visit. We have some new display cases, new memorabilia, and something of interest for all who come in. This is the best kept secret in Reno. The kids love it when the bell is rung (Have them plug their ears, the bell is loud!)

I really have to bring everyone's **attention**, again as always, to the life blood of our association. Membership, membership, and yes membership!!!! When I took this position I had one goal on my mind. **You guessed it.** Well I guess I am not focused on the right procedure or people to make this important thing happen. Let me try again and see if I can connect.

In each of the past two newsletters I have asked for new members. People read the newsletter, set in down, and that is that. The bottom line is that is my fault and I take full blame for this. Let us try something different and see what happens. Let us all share the newsletter with other **alumni** (friends, sisters and brothers, kids, grandkids, co-workers-you get the idea) and encourage them to join us in support of the Association and Museum.

Again I would like to emphasize the unique place we occupy being the only association that has its own building and museum independent of the High School on campus. If you know of another I would certainly like to hear about it and visit it!

On another note, I would certainly like to take this opportunity to give a very HEART-FELT THANK YOU to Mr. Mel Allard for his very generous monetary gift to the Association and Museum. His name will soon be on the wall as a silver level sponsor. Again-THANK YOU VERY MUCH on behalf of the Association and Museum.

We now have a Facebook page being primarily managed by our newest board member, Pat Thomas. If you are on Facebook, please like and share our page.

At the present time we are looking for a few new trustees for the board. As a trustee, you would attend a board meeting once a month on the fourth Wednesday with some real fine volunteers. Once you are trained, you would host an open house at the museum once a month either 2pm to 5pm on a Friday or 10 am to 2 pm on a Saturday. You choose the day that works best for you. We are open every week to the public. We also accept museum donations-both monetary and physical. If being a trustee doesn't sound like your cup of tea, how about helping us around the building? We are also looking for a few folks to help organize and display our donated items. These folks meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month. If you are looking for something to volunteer for, come join us, meet some fellow Huskies and have some fun.

Contact the Association at (775) 825-2586 and just leave a message. We will get right back to you.

In closing I would just like to mention Dr. Bruce Pendleton and how much he is missed. I wish to thank his family for sharing him with us. Bruce served many years with us on the board for which we are very thankful. This notice is belated due to the timing of the newsletter but none the less this feeling is sincerely expressed by all the board members.

JOHN M. WATSON
PRESIDENT RHSAA

Meet the Board Members

In each quarterly newsletter we will highlight some of the board members

Betty Jo Baker – Trustee Class of 1951



Occupation ~ J.R. Bradley Company, Washoe County School District, Reno Musicians Union, Eldorado Hotel & Casino Catering and Conventions, Office Manager for Lifetouch National School Studios.

Education ~ Graduated from "old" RHS in 1951. UNR, Journalism major.

Family ~ Happily partnered with George Gadda for the past 23 years. Raised 3 wonderful daughters. Now enjoying the company of 3 grandchildren and 4 great-granddaughters. Am proud of having 3 generations of Reno High graduates. My father, Hoyt Martin 1925, daughters Margaret '73, Susan '74, and Jennifer '78.

Experience ~ Active with the University of Nevada Alumni Association. Served as President in 1980. Received an Outstanding Service Award in 1996. Was active with the PTA on the local and state level as a member and officer. I hold a Lifetime Membership. Volunteer with St. Mary's Hospital Guild and the Reno-Sparks Convention Authority. Member of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Past President of the Tri Delt Alumni Association. Assisted and active on the National level. Past President and current Trustee of the RHS Alumni Association.

Current Interests ~ Involvement with the RHS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, gardening, NFL Football, Warriors Basketball, and spending time with friends and family.

Bill Newman - Trustee Class of 1976



In May of 1976 while still in high school, I joined the US Army's delayed entry program. In August I left for a three-year adventure. My first stop was Ft. Leonard Wood in Missouri for basic training and then off to the military police academy at Ft. McClellan in Alabama. I finally arrived at my permanent duty station in Mainz West Germany for the next two and a half years.

I left the army and returned to Reno only to leave to go to school at UNLV. After receiving a degree in hotel administration, I came back to Reno and went back to UNR and received a degree in business administration.

I then moved to Los Angeles for eight years playing on the beach and working in Beverly Hills while going to law school. I was active in the UNR Southern California Alumni chapter as the scholarship chairman. I moved back to Reno and then moved back to Las Vegas for another fifteen years. I worked for the Clark County School District as a substitute teacher and still have my teaching license today. I went to work for the welfare office and stayed there for ten years. Then I transferred to the prisons for four and a half years and was giving training to inmates reentering society. I took a promotion back to welfare and moved up to Reno again. I am currently a business analyst testing computer programs for the last three years.

I am an original member of the founding board of the RHSAA in the late 1990's and am back on the Board of Trustees for my second time! I have been the President of a small home owners association in Las Vegas and serving concurrently as a director on the Double Diamond Ranch Master HOA board here in the Reno area for the last year.

Barbara (Trimmer) Kinnison – Trustee Class of 1961



Occupation ~ Retired Sutter County, Deputy County Administrative Officer, Financial and Budget Analyst. Currently, consulting in Sutter County for the County Administrator.

Education ~ Graduated Chico State University; CPA

Family ~ Married Mike Kinnison, 1961 Sparks High School graduate, 55 years ago. We have two sons, Steve and Jeff, both college graduates and two grandchildren both in college with our granddaughter, Caitlin, attending UNR in the Fall.

Experiences ~ I married shortly after high school and while my husband graduated from UNR and Medical School, I worked and then attended college, graduating from Chico State 20 years after high school graduation. While in the Air Force we traveled all over settling down in Northern CA, returning to the Reno-Sparks area 40 years later. We love being back 'home'. We believe in giving back to our community and are involved in many local volunteer activities. We are avid sports fans and enjoy both high school and University sports.

Pat Thomas – Trustee Class of 1982



Education/Occupation ~ After studying print journalism at the University of Nevada, Reno, as did both my parents, I fell into broadcasting. I was a top 40 DJ in Reno for several years at stations including KCBN and KWNZ, then went into news radio, anchoring at KOH and hosting a talk show on the now-defunct KRNK-FM. I did news radio in Sacramento for a while after that, then moved back to Reno, made radio commercials for a few years, then got back into news on the TV side, writing and producing. I now oversee the digital content for KOLO 8 News Now in Reno. In 2013, I was inducted into the Nevada Broadcasters Hall of Fame.

Family ~ I have a grown son, Kevin, and am stepdad to his three older brothers and sisters, and grandpa to their awesome kids. I have been married to Mary Lee since 2008 and am stepdad to her two grown children, one of whom also has an amazing little boy.

Interest ~ I love the summer over the winter and enjoy bicycling, reading (a lot of Stephen King and showbiz behind-the-scenes books), going to movies and listening to recorded and live music, mostly pop and classic rock. I still have a large vinyl collection (and turntable) at home, I'm a huge fan of the Bee Gees (not just their '70s stuff), and I have a pet tarantula. My motto? Weird is good; normal is boring.

RENO HIGH SCHOOL
1961
THE WAY IT WAS
Barbara (Trimmer) Kinnison

Hi All Reno High School Graduates, as a Trustee for the Reno High School Alumni Association, it was requested that we each write an article. For me, this was a tough assignment as, it appears, my memory is faulty when it comes to my high school years. So I reached out to my classmates and here are some of their memories (I could not write some of the things I was told). Maybe it is a good thing that I cannot remember!

- Being most thankful I had the same locker all 3 years so I could use the same combination all three years...saved me hours of time not having to wonder what combination I had selected this time around.
- Huskiette skirts hemline had to touch the floor when we kneeled-no upper leg could show!
- In all classes we had to sit in alphabetic order.
- Girls were allowed to wear pants only on Fridays. All other times, it was skirts/dresses.
- We could not walk under the rotunda until we were Seniors.
- For the Olympics at Squaw Valley in 1960, we were excused from school one afternoon
- We were sent home if our skirts were too short. One friend returned wearing a granny/maxi dress and was sent home again.
- One classmate had a party the night before a big football game and many of the players came and we lost the game. Coach Bob Benson was very angry.
- Dances at the State Building downtown. After it was torn down (now the Pioneer Building) dances were held at the California Building in Idlewild Park.
- Yummy cinnamon rolls in the cafeteria.
- Alcohol in flasks, no way.
- Lanz dresses, matching cardigan and sweaters, dickies, poodle skirts, and, of course, bobby socks and saddle shoes
- Wonderful teachers - Mrs. Brown, Miss Campbell, Miss Bulmer. When I moved into the dorm at UNR one of my suite mates was the niece of Miss Campbell and boy was she a different person than I had for Geometry in high school.
- Cruising Virginia Street on Friday nights.
- In PE we had to get checked off for taking a shower!
- In 1961, Sparks High students burned a 'S' on the football field
- Student Body Officers Fall: Steve Walther, Dave Ricks, Barbara Beesley, and Charlotte Eschante; Spring: Art Kess, Bruce Menke, Andrea DeSantis and Elaine Hill.
- Senior Class Officers Fall: Dave Irish, Dennis Farnesi, Sally Short and Elaine Hill; Spring: Leonard Howard, Martie Hawkins, Barbara Trimmer and Yvette Borda
- Red & Blue Editor: Tim Anderson
- Re-Wa-Ne Editor: Carol Hansen with Senior Class Editor Joyce Sausser
- In 1961 Huskies brought home the Basketball Zone Trophy and Baseball brought home the Zone Trophy and played in the State Championship.
- Many of us have been friends since pre-school, Jr. High School and still friends at 75.

AROUND THE RENO HIGH SCHOOL CAMPUS

THE CLASS OF 2018

With the class of 400 students we have: 148 Honors diploma candidates/ 73 Advanced diploma candidates-156 Honor Society members

This class attempted 207 AP exams, possesses 1 National Merit Finalist, 5 Commended Scholars. 38 Students earned the Seal of Bi-literacy, 79 students completed the Career and Technology program and 8 of them are dual completers.

8 students have maintained a 4.0 gpa all four years and we have 18 students with a weighted gpa of 5.0 or higher. 19 students have perfect attendance and many of our seniors contributed to multiple athletic and academic championships. This year alone they won 6 athletic regional championships, 5 state academic championships. We have 1 NIAA top 10 athlete and 4 individual state champions.

Our We the People program won back to back regional and state titles and finished 18th in the Country.

Our Rifle team is currently ranked 11th in the nation. They went to the national competition and finished 19th overall.

Finally our Speech and Debate Program has won regionals 23 straight years.

The total amount of scholarship money accepted by this group of scholars is just under \$4 million.

It should be noted we have many students attending various post-secondary options like service in the military, community college and trade schools.

We also have students attending the following institutions: University of San Diego, Loyola Marymount, University of Arizona, University of Washington, University of Utah, BYU, Emerson College, Colorado School of Mines, Graceland University, University of Denver, Laguna College of Art, University of Oregon, University of Wisconsin River Falls, Ottawa University, University of Dublin, Ireland, Oregon Institute of Technology, Willamette University, Cal Poly, Valley Forge Military College, Long Beach State, Whitman College, University of San Francisco, University of Idaho, The United States Air Force Academy, Dominican University of California, University of Texas Rio Grande, Carlton College, Arizona Christian University, Eastern Washington University, Lewis and Clark, University of Southern California, Humboldt State, Montana State, Cal Lutheran, Butte College, Colorado Mesa, Northern Arizona, Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, BYU Hawaii, University of Hawaii, San Diego State, Cornell University, University of Akron, University of Florida, Savannah College of Art and Design, Texas A&M, The United State Military Academy West Point and the University of Nevada.

CLASS REPRESENTATIVES

Class Reps are points of contacts for their classes in planning and coordinating their class reunions. The RHSAA maintains a list of class representatives and assists them in advertising their reunions through our website and newsletters. We also direct alumni who call the office looking for information about their reunion to these class reps. There is a need of class representatives for the classes of 1948, 1991, 2000, 2004 and 2009 to the present. If you know someone who would like to represent these classes, please again call Betty Jo Baker.

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2018 Reunions

Contact Betty Jo Baker at 775-851-3203 to post your class reunion on our website.

| Year | Contact | Phone | Date | E-mail |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|--|--|
| 1968 – 50th | M.C.. Kilian | ###-###-#### | Aug 24th-25th Friday, 24th, 5:30pm @ Lil Wall Saturday, 25th, 5:30pm @ The Grill | kilroy9791@sbcglobal.net or Kathy@kfka007@aol.com |
| 1951 - 67th | Betty Jo Baker | 775-851-3203 | August 11 th | |
| 1953 – 65th | Joanne Petre | 775-323-7770 | August 17 th | |
| 1955 - 63rd | Linda Church | 775-972-0671 | June 21st 1 ^{pm} – Lunch @ King Buffet | |
| 1956 - 62nd | Jerry Smith | 775-826-8994 | October 20 th -5pm @ TRBG | geraldsmith38@gmail.com |
| 1958 - 60 th | Jerry Gribble | 775-882-3004 | Sept 8 th – The Coney Island Bar | {Details to be sent by e-mail} |
| 1968 - 50 th | Chris Kilian | 775-815-7165 | Aug 24-25 th – The Wall & The Grill | |
| 1963 – 55 th | Gayle Carlson | ###-###-#### | Sept 29- tba | pgcar745@sbcglobal.net |
| 1973 – 45th | Karen Manca | 775-720-1863 | July 14 th @ 19 th Hole | karenmanca@gmail.com |
| 1978 - 40th | Diane Swanson Robby Einstoss | 775-626-0881 775-750-9814 | August 3,4,5 | library@coralacademy.org robby.williams@sbcglobal.net |
| 1993 – 25 th | Taylor Reese | 775-691-9761 | t.b.a. | |
| 1998 – 20th | Jamie Gonzales | 775-750-0703 | July 13 th -14 th Whitney Peak Hotel, 3rd Floor Ballroom 6pm | studiojg@yahoo.com |
| 2008 – 10 th | Kyle Stodmeister | 775-826-5113 | July 21st | bekyle21@yahoo.com |

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ALUMNI NEWS



Come in and visit us.

Open Fri 2-5pm & Sat 10am to 2pm

Need Help finding classmates?

RHSAA MEMBERS can request help from us via E-mail. Just Ask!!!
We have access to Beenverified, Ancestry & Newspapers websites.

We can find help them!!!

**BUILDING AVAILABLE FOR
REUNIONS/MEETINGS!!!**

VOLUNTEER WORKERS NEEDED

We are again asking for your help.

There is a great need for museum volunteer workers.
Their job is to meet twice a month for a few hours and sort, arrange and properly display donated memorabilia in a professional manner.

This is a great retirement position and if you want to help,
contact Betty Jo Baker at 851-3203.

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From the Archives
Re-Wa-Ne 1941



Band And Glee

At the state music festival this year, Reno High music students reached a new standard of achievement. The local musicians entered eleven of the events and won seven first places . . . Showing marked improvement during the year, the boys' glee clubs sang before the student body, the parent-teachers, and other community gatherings . . . Always competent as a singing group, the girls' advanced chorus performed publicly several times. For particularly accomplished work at the festival, the chorus received a high rating ... As in past years, the band performed on several occasions both for the school and for the public. Especially generous with its support during the football season, the band helped to create enthusiasm on the grandstand and to provide much color on the field at half-time. The group won creditable ratings at the district music festival and at the national contests in Fresno.

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| PRESIDENT..... | John Watson | 1965 |
| VICE PRESIDENT.... | Scott Jordan | 1986 |
| CHAIR MEMBERSHIP.. | Nettie Wong | 1956 |
| SECRETARY..... | Brien Karlin | 2001 |
| TREASURER..... | Kathy Wilcox | 1982 |
| TRUSTEES: Betty Jo Baker..... | 1951 | |
| | Barbara Kinnison.... | 1961 |
| | Craig Lemons..... | 1979 |
| | Howard Moy..... | 1969 |
| | Bill Newman..... | 1976 |
| | Daryl Pelizzari.... | 1952 |
| | Cal Pettengill..... | 1956 |
| | Pat Thomas..... | 1982 |