



Alumni News

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Ms. Prez Ponderings.....



Hi, I would like to introduce myself, my name is Sherry L. Chavez. My maiden name was Antrim and I graduated from Highlands High in 1965. First of all I want to thank each and every one of you who voted for me. This is a two - year term and I am very excited about accepting the challenges that are before me. Now, I was there that day the Alumni was created at the Olson's. I am very passionate about this Association becoming a great organization. I have two really high priorities at this time and the first one is membership. I hope by now all of you have received our first membership cards. I want to thank Diane Nix for creating and mailing them to our members. The next priority is getting our website up to date. We need pictures from the Alumni to put on our website and all upcoming events that our classmates may be planning. I am looking forward to seeing all of you at our next General Meeting, April 5th @ 5026 Don Julio Blvd (old SMUD building) where you can voice your opinions and bring new ideas and expertise to this great Association.

Sherry Lou Antrim Chavez 1965



Memorial Day Parade

By Phil Olson 1965

Do you want to meet up with old friends and make new ones? If you do, join us in this year's North Highlands/Antelope Memorial Day Parade. It is great fun. Remember, you don't have to be a graduate from Highlands, you just needed to have attended the school. For sure the Red Hot Scots (local chapter of the Red Hats Society) will be joining us in all their flair.

We will meet at 8:00 am on Monday, May 25, at the Family Community Church's staging area on Watt Ave. and I Street. This location is also the starting point of the parade, which will start at 10:00 am and finish at approximately 12:00 noon. If you have a classic car, pickup, motorcycle, or any other vehicle of interest, bring it. If you don't, don't worry, just come and join us in the parade.

The city expects over 1000 participants and a few more thousands will be viewing it. This is really a great way to keep the alumni in touch with the community. From dignitaries to marching bands to scout troops to us and many others. We'll be part of one of the largest Memorial Day Parades in the Greater Sacramento area.

The following is information on the Parade:

- 1) Parade Theme: Land of the Free, Because of the Brave
- 2) Parade Date and Time: Monday, May 25th 2009, beginning at 10:00am
- 3) Staging and Parade route beginning: Watt Ave at I Street going South to A Street.
- 4) Staging and Formation time: 8:00 am.
- 5) Trophies will be awarded in each category and a participant ribbon will be given to each individual participating in the parade.
- 6) The Veterans of Foreign Wars (Post 4647) is proudly sponsoring the 43rd annual Parade.
- 7) After the parade, all are invited to the VFW Hall- 3300 U Street, North Highlands for socializing and food provided by the VFW.

Hope to see you all there - Highlands Alumni Association

Check out the last 2 pages for the TWIRP Dance reservation, and the Alumni Application forms



LOU'S CORNER

By Sandra Cooper Lansdon
HHS/FHS '66

This is the first "Lou's Corner" column, and we're hoping to publish it quarterly, listing those classmates who showed up for lunch and stayed for laughs. We're hoping to include pictures and stories of what's happening on these Saturdays at Lou's. So if you go, take pictures, jot down some of those folks you talked to and a short story about what's happening at Lou's and send them to the newsletter editor, me.

Loreene Sheppard from class of 1967 is the master-mind of these meetings and she is anxiously waiting to hear from you or see you at the next lunch. She is also putting together a memorial database, so if you know of classmates that have past away, please let her know by emailing her at tomboy_1967@yahoo.com.

Just remember, it's not about the best hamburger you can find anywhere, but it is about folks hanging out with their old buds to share stories of way back when and what's happening in their lives today. They share happy times and sad times. This is a place where they not only have a connection with others, but something in common.

We need YOUR help!

By Sandra Lansdon Cooper HHS/FHS 1966

The alumni association has come a long way since that summer day in August, 2007 in the Olson's front yard. A lot of time and effort has been put into getting the association official and classmates to join. We have raised money for the scholarship fund and the 50th Anniversary Gala by doing T-shirt sales, yard sales, bake sales, raffles, car washes, and through donations. We have also participated in the N.H.'s Memorial Day Parade, have had two Christmas parties, a golf tournament, and a after-Gala Social.

We have planned the upcoming TWIRP dance and are in the planning stage for other spring and summer events. But what we really need is YOU. Over the last 18 months, most everything has been accomplished by the same 20 or so members. All of these folks are just like you. They have jobs, families, and other responsibilities to tend to, but they know that this association is on the right track by trying to help the school meet some of their financial goals and to award worthy students with college scholarships.

We need members with fresh ideas, willingness to help and who are looking for a little fun along the way. You don't have to attend every meeting or end up on the clean-up committee. Just email Sherry Antrim Chavez, president, and see what needs to be done. We do have a couple of vacancies on the board as well.

TWIRP Dance
file attached



Highlands' & Grant's Class of 59 Reunion

By Diana DeCaires Lansdon 1959

Highlands and Grant High Schools, class of 1959 are having a combined class reunion. The dinner dance will be held on Oct. 9, 2009.

The reunion will kick-off with a no-host social at 6:00 pm and dinner at 7:00 pm, at the Dante Club, on Fair Oaks Blvd., Sacramento. Admission is \$40 per person.



In addition, a picnic will be held at Carmichael Park on Oct. 10, for \$15 per person.

"Save the Date" notices were sent out and invitations to make your reservation will be mailed in May.

If you did not receive the "Save the Date" notice or if you need more information, contact John McMichaels, at (916) 989-3962 or email him at jvmcm2000@aol.com.

Reporting on Treasury Report



General Fund.....	\$2,922.34
Scholarship Fund.....	\$2,725.00
TOTAL	\$5,647.34

Not included are recent proceeds from T-shirt sales and tickets to the TWIRP dance.



For more and updated information, click on
<http://highlandshighalumni.com/events.shtml>

Events with ** means there's more information in this newsletter issue.

- ▶ General Meeting - April 5, 1:00-3:00 p m, 5026 Don Julio Blvd., North Highlands
- ▶ HHS 1st Saturday Lunches at Lou's - **
- ▶ TWIRP Dance - April 25, 4:00 - 11:00 p m, **
- ▶ The Twilight Golf Tournament - TBD - planning committee needed, **
- ▶ Participate in the North Highlands Memorial Day Parade - May 25, 8:00am-12:00 p m **
- ▶ HAA Fundraising Yard Sale & Car Wash - TBD
- ▶ Highlands Picnic in the Park - TBD - planning committee needed, **
- ▶ Highlands' & Grant's Combined Class of 59 Reunion and Picnic - October 9&10 **

If you would like to post an event, please contact Sandra Lansdon Cooper, Newsletter Editor by clicking on
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RON'S LIGHTER-SIDE

The gene pool could use a little chlorine.

Consciousness: That annoying time between naps.

Ever stop to think, and forget to start again.

Being "over the hill" is much better than being under it!

WRINKLED IS NOT ONE OF THE THINGS I WANTED TO BE WHEN I GREW UP.

Ron Aspenson, class of '66, submitted the quotes to brighten our

TWIRP Dance
file attached



Bringing you up to date....

Just in case you missed it, we voted in new officers in January, 2009.

We are sorry to see our leaders step-down and we are forever grateful for all their help in getting us established, organized and on track to make this association the best it can be.

So many thanks to *Daryl Sullivan*, President, *Tom Bastion*, 1st Vice President, *Phil Olson*, 2nd Vice President, and *Juanita Pardun*, Treasurer. We certainly could not have done it without them and they will be missed.

On the other hand, welcome and thanks to those individuals who elected to run for office and won, they are: *Sherry Lou Antrim Chavez*, President, *Jim Warrick*, 1st Vice President, *Kristine Kouw Mann*, 2nd Vice President, and *Linda Ballard Eastburn*, Treasurer.

Hip, Hip, Hooray!!!

We're still in business.

Who's Who/Offices

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President

Sherry Antrim Chavez, HHS 1965

1st Vice President

Jim Warrick, HHS 1967

2nd Vice President

Kristine Kouw Mann, HHS 1965

Secretary

Shirlene Lansdon, HHS 1963

Treasurer

Linda Ballard Eastburn, HHS 1965

Membership Chair

Diane Aspenson Olson, HHS 1967

Newsletter

Sandy Lansdon Cooper, HHS/FHS 1966

Webmaster

Rick Swan, HHS 1965

Historian

Kristine Kouw Mann, HHS 1965

Scholarship Chair

Jim Warrick, HHS-1967

Social Secretary

Alida Gonzales Steinbrecher, HHS 1967

Other inquiries

Sandra Lansdon Cooper, HHS/FHS 1966

YA ALL COME TO OUR TWIRP DANCE

APRIL 25, 2009



DO YOU REMEMBER THOSE SADIE HAWKIN'S DANCES YOU WENT TO WAY BACK WHEN? WHEN GIRLS ACTUALLY ASKED BOYS TO DANCE AND A KING AND QUEEN WERE CHOSEN FOR THE EVENING. WELL, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE ONE OF THOSE.

GIVEN BY: HIGHLANDS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

WHEN: APRIL 25TH FROM 4:00 TO 11:00 P.M.

WHERE: NORTH HIGHLANDS VFW HALL, 3300 U STREET, N.H.

THERE WILL BE GRITS AND GRUB TO EAT, A LITTLE MOONSHINE TO CHUG, GAMES TO PLAY AND TOE-TAPPING TUNES TO BOOGIE TO, SO DONT MISS OUT ON THIS ONE.

THE KING AND QUEEN WILL BE CHOSEN ACCORDING TO WHO HAS THE BEST LIL'ABNER AND DAISY MAE GET-UP. THIS COULD BE AN OLD PAIR OF CUT-OFFS OR OVERALLS YOU HAVEN'T WORN IN YEARS, OR MAYBE A SEXY LITTLE BLOUSE THAT TIES IN THE FRONT, OR A COWBOY SHIRT THAT SHOWS THOSE MUSCLES. MAYBE A FRECKLE OR TWO MIGHT HELP.

SO DON'T HESITATE, FILL OUT THE FORM BELOW OR GIVE ONE OF OUR GALS A CALL AND LET US KNOW YOU'RE GONNA BE THERE.

PLEASE CONTACT ALDA STEINBRECHER AT (916) 991-7260, OR SHERRY L CHAVEZ AT SHERRY1547@SBCGLOBALNET OR (916)331-1864, FOR MORE INFORMATION.



TO ENROLL BY MAIL, FILL OUT THE INFORMATION BELOW AND MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: HIGHLANDS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION (HAA), AND SEND IT TO P.O. BOX 623, ELVERTA, CA 95626 BY APRIL 18, 2009. IF YOU MISS THE DEADLINE PLEASE CALL ALIDA OR SHERRY SHOWN ABOVE TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATION.

NUMBER
OF GUESTS

_____ @\$15 EA HAA MEMBERS - NAMES: _____

_____ @\$20 EA NON-MEMBERS - NAMES: _____

_____ @\$25 EA PARTY/2009 MEMBERSHIPS - NAMES: _____



Membership Number

HIGHLANDS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

WWW.highlandshighalumni.com

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Come join the fun!!! Highlands Alumni Association (HAA) is looking for you. The Highlands Alumni Association was started by a small but enthusiastic group of former students in August of 2007 and has really taken off. Our association supports school activities, funds a scholarship program, assists class reunion efforts, and has several annual fund raising activities as well as social events.

Annual membership fee is only \$10.00 per member with the option of a three-year membership at \$25.00 or a five-year membership at \$40.00. The membership year runs from January through December.

If you are not an alumni association member yet and would like to join, **please** fill in the information needed below and mail it to Highlands Alumni Association, P.O. Box 794, N. Highlands, CA 95660 along with a check for **appropriate dues** made out to the association.

Current Last Name _____

First Name _____

Last Name in School _____ Class Year/s (if applicable) _____

Mailing address: _____ Home Phone number _____

Email address: _____

Would you like to be a committee member for future events? Yes No

Do you have information about others who may like to become an HAA member? (Provide contact info on back)

Is it OK to share your contact information with others? Yes No If no, is it OK to use it to notify you of upcoming events, such as class reunions and Alumni Association events? Yes No

Membership fees enclosed: 1 Yr. 3 Yr. 5 Yr.

Optional Contributions: Scholarship Fund General Fund