

Class Notes

Class Reunions

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Class of 1950

Planning finale Reunion, May 23, University Club

Class of 1952

65th reunion, Nov. 17, Trader Vic's

Class of 1958

60th reunion in planning for luncheon in the Pauley Ballroom, the Friday of the Reunion and Parents weekend, Fall 2018

Class of 1962

55th Reunion Dinner, Oct. 20, Faculty Club; register by Oct. 6.

Class of 1968

Quarterly gathering Dec. 9th on campus. 50th reunion planning underway

44 Virginia Anderson, our Class Secretary, has enjoyed her top floor apartment in Saint Paul's Towers in Oakland for many years. She has a sweeping view of the city, especially beautiful Lake Merritt. She enjoys program lectures by Cal professors with many other Cal alumni. The last we heard from our tennis champ, **Betty McGee Cookson**, she was facing worrisome surgery on her leg. It caused considerable concern. Everything went well and she is back full steam. She recently won the USTA finals in Los Angeles for the "over 80" category. (They don't have an "over 90" division.) **John Dunlap** is no longer captain of the Napa Bocce team. However, he is still active as they compete against the team in St. Helena. Last fall John traveled to North Carolina to attend a family wedding.

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50 Class President, **Dick Ingraham**, announced that our finale Reunion will be held on May 23, 2018 at the University Club high atop Memorial Stadium. **Ernst Valfer** graduated with a bachelor's degree in engineering and was initially employed for five years in that field. He then went on to earn a master's degree and a doctorate in social and behavioral science from CAL. In 1990 he founded a not for profit clinic that provided psychological and psychiatric services. He retired as director in 2010. **Diana** and **Andre**

Tolegin live in Sonoma and their children reside in the east. Their son graduated from Cal and their daughter from Northwestern. Planning is ongoing for the Reunion on May 23 at the University Club high atop Memorial Stadium.

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51 [Notes from a mystery graduate who forgot to sign his name while attending our 65th Reunion.] Spent three years in the Army Corps of Engineers in Korea. He worked with Kaiser Engineering Co. for 35 years, has three married children, five grandchildren, and a great grandson. **Bill Rhone '51** retired his architectural license in January after 59 years but still consults and advises on projects. A favorite hobby for Bill is sitting in medieval towns and sketching. He has been married to Louise for 63 years with three children and five grandchildren. Bill didn't say where he is living but last count shows British Columbia, Canada as home. **Larry Peirano** of Lafayette is adding to Lefty Stern's comment in the last issue that, "Our class members who played on the Cal team were members of the only class in Cal history whose football team members attended the Rose Bowl every year they were eligible to play football for Cal." *Class Secretaries: Elayne McCrea, 23500 Cristo Rey Dr #503H, Cupertino 95014, elayne.mccrea@yahoo.com*

52 Time to celebrate! Plans for our 65th Reunion are complete and all we need is you. Invitations are either in the mail, or may have been received by the time this publication arrives. Do plan to attend, bring a guest if you wish, and be prepared for great festivity. We will have a serenade by the California Marching Band, a talk by a representative of the University, and a three-course lunch. It will all happen at Trader Vic's in Emeryville in a lovely room with a view of San Francisco Bay. Registration and Social Hour 11 a.m., Lunch and program at 12 p.m. on Friday, November 17, 2017. Be there! News from Classmates: In April **Bob Rowell** accompanied his granddaughter to Portofino, Italy, where she competed in water polo with her high school team. Lots of wins, and a loss to an Italian team that had several Olympians. A great trip! In the world of the theatre, **Bill Callender** starred as Romeo in a local production where he lives in Marin. No word from Broadway—yet! Please keep in touch and share your achievements, adventures, etc. See you at the Reunion!

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56 Classmate **John Mason**, who conducted the Cal Marching Band at our reunion, played clarinet in the Ojai Summer Band. He was a member of Cal's band while attending Cal. He and his wife Ann have visited all 7 continents. They recently returned from Cuba and now are spending a month in Europe. They enjoy traveling and let their interest and curiosity lead them. A cruise to western Australia is next. A year ago we celebrated our 60th reunion. Visit reunions.berkeley.edu/class/1956 and select the Honor Roll button to view the names of all our classmates who contributed to the future for Cal and also supported the Class of 1956 Humanities Preservation Endowment for the Library. \$62,465 of our '56 Reunion Gift Campaign's total of \$2,650,888 went to support our Class Endowment.

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58 **Richard Kamler** writes from San Francisco about his 40 years as an artist focusing on socially engaged public art, installations, drawings, interventions, performances, and presentations. In 1980, his experience as an Artist-in Residence at San Quentin impacted him profoundly. His work has been shown nationally and internationally, leading to an NEA Visual Arts Fellowship, California Arts Council Fellowship, and Artist in Residence grant. He also received the Adeline Kent Award from the San Francisco Art Institute and the George Soros Open Society. His most recent piece is *The Table of Voices on Alcatraz*. Richard is married to Joya Cory, an improvisational artist, and they have one son and one grandchild. From **Roger Samuelsen** we learn that the 60th reunion committee met and is planning a luncheon in the Pauley Ballroom in the MLK Student Union on the Friday of the Reunion and Parents weekend in Fall of 2018, dates to be determined by the University later in the year. Those attending the reunion planning meeting were Larry Brackett, Mary Floris Commanday, John Cox, Nelson Enmark, Caroline Fechter Giers, Don Kosovac, Kaz Mori, Pete Peterson, Janet Walker Rosefield, Roger Samuelsen, Jack Saroyan, Carolyn Demeter Sheaff, and Marston Watson. After the meeting ASUC President Will Morrow toured the group in the new Eshleman Hall and renovated Student Union.

If you would like to participate in future meetings and/or receive periodic updates, contact Roger at rogsam58@aol.com.
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59 **Tom Silk** was married to Kathleen Foote, chief of the antitrust section of the Californian AG's office this summer on June 3. Silk and Foote had originally met in the '70s but reconnected and are now blissfully happy together after a honeymoon in Hawaii. **Mark Bloome '59** has been involved with human rights for decades. His work has been recognized by the National Organization for Women (NOW), the African American "Call to Conscience" (where he was the first white person to be co-chair of their annual event), and B'nai B'rith, that brings teenage Israeli/Ethiopian Jews to the USA to improve race relations between the African-American communities and the Jewish community. He was a very early funder of gay rights organizations and built communities where gay and straight men could come together in brotherhood. He works full time and provides economic resources to human rights endeavors. His latest effort on behalf of human rights is an organization called War Against Racism (WAR). Mark was part of the team that got the Regents [<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bDt92XP8B1M>] to agree that certain portions of anti-Zionism are forms of Jew hatred, which is growing in voice and actions on UC campuses. Separate standards of tolerance are used to exclude Jewish students from the same protections against discrimination that are offered to other minority students. In his spare time, he skis, bikes up hills, scuba dives, and climbs 10 stories of stairs every week. He is blessed with 3 well-balanced children and 6 grandchildren. He lives in Seattle, collects art and has a wonderful woman he loves as a companion.

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61 **Don Alves** recently set up a scholarship fund in the name of his late wife, Pat Riley Alves. This will ensure that Pat will be remembered with scholarships in the future. The endowment awards one scholarship a year to an outstanding student in need who is studying arts and humanities. There is also a group recognized as **Builders of Berkeley**. The Builders have each contributed over \$1 million (or current equivalent) to the Berkeley campus. Our classmates who are Builders are **Ralph Andersen, Bill Aushahl, Frank Baxter, David Epstein, Robert Feibusch, David Fisher, Pete Frazier, Ruth Ann**

Hague Hornaday, Virginia Chan Lew, Wei-I Li, Ruby Lord, Harry Miedema, Laurie Cockburn Morrison, Sheldeen Osborne, and Annette Ramelli Ryan. A monument memorializing these donors can be seen on the Doe Library Terrace.

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62 At 55 years out and still going strong, the class of '62 is preparing for its Reunion Dinner to be held Friday, Oct. 20, writes Brian Van Camp, permanent class president. It will be held at the Faculty Club on campus, beginning at 5 p.m. with beverages and your old friends on the patio overlooking Faculty Glade, then will move inside for dinner, memorabilia, appearances by Oski, the Band, the new Chancellor and the "Cal Fight Song," led by Head Yell Leader, George Goldberg. You may reserve by going to homecoming.berkeley.edu and clicking on the Class of '62, or calling 888.UNIV.CAL (888.864.8225). Please register by Oct. 6. **Dottie Ahlburg Johnson** is heading a program on campus at 11:30 a.m. on October 20, featuring class notables—watch your email for details. Last, please consider making a donation to our Class of '62 Endowment, for which we raised over \$1.5 million for our 50th year Reunion. Our committee of **Ann Turner Flinn, Vic Willits** and **Fred Gregory**, have designated this year's gifts for undergraduate programs at both the Moffitt undergraduate and Bancroft Libraries, although gifts made to any Cal-related program will count toward our total class gift. Hope to see you in October!

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66 The Chancellor has congratulated our class on the stellar Reunion Gift Campaign, which has raised \$21,015,063 for Berkeley (of which \$329,743 goes directly to the Class of 1966 Library Endowment). **Mary Madland Drew** received advanced degrees from UC Davis and Cal State Hayward, and has had varied careers in education and the print industry since then. She is still a technical recruiter for software engineers and leaders in the IT domain and recently moved from San Francisco to Stockton/Lodi. Mary was a delegate to the Harvard leadership forum in Shanghai, China in 2003. **Nancy Tyson Taylor** and her husband, Carroll, moved to Hawaii. While raising 5 daughters she worked in several positions over the next 35 years, including Bank of Hawaii as its Government Program Specialist and at the East West Center as Assistant to the President. Although "retired," she continues to serve

on several boards including the Waikiki Aquarium. After 7 years of university teaching, **Elias Hruska** became a certified financial planner and shifted careers from romance languages and ethnic studies to investments and finance. A self-employed financial advisor focusing on sustainable and socially responsible investments, Elias and his wife, Maria, have two daughters and a son. Married in 1969, **John and Roxana Stamme Upton** recently moved to West Sacramento. John is a general contractor (and completed 150 projects) and very active in community affairs, serving a total of 28 years in local elected offices. Roxana taught elementary school in South Lake Tahoe, where she later owned a bridal boutique and served for many years as Soroptimist Club Treasurer. Now on their third motorhome, they have travelled to all 50 states and 8 Canadian provinces.

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68 An upcoming gathering is planned for December 9th on campus. Join us and catch up with former classmates and hear campus speakers including faculty, staff, and students. Email Cal68@blueconnect.org for details on quarterly gatherings, now in their 12th year. Class of '68 50th reunion discussions are underway on how classmates would like to celebrate the 50th, which is also the 150th anniversary of Cal. You will be hearing soon from the Class of '68 Reunion Committee about reunion events and giving to Cal. To add your thoughts, email Cal68@blueconnect.org.

69 **John C. St. Simon** graduated from the School of Design intending to be a museum curator but got sidetracked. He lived abroad after graduation and was the English language coordinator for Panasonic in their overseas training division. He returned to the Bay Area and lived with his wife Sara in Berkeley until 2000 when they moved to Antigua, Guatemala. They live on a beautiful property that they think would be an excellent resource for Cal students, and are trying to bequeath it to Cal for a campus abroad. This is a novel approach as most properties are sold and not held by the university. John says he was one of the quiet ones who never got involved with campus activities, but he is trying to do something for Berkeley and its future students. Go Bears, John! **Marilyn Thompson**, retired from the Piedmont School District and moved to Carson Valley, Nevada where she designed and supervised the construction of a new home that has beautiful views of mountain ranges in all directions. She is enjoying an active lifestyle skiing, hiking, fishing, and playing tennis.

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70 **Ann P Meredith '70**, an internationally acclaimed lesbian writer, director, producer, cinematographer, Arts and Human Rights activist, adjunct professor, and founder of Swordfish Productions has been awarded the 1st West Hollywood WEHO Hatch Digital Creative Grant to begin her new project, titled "Lost Girls—Re-Discovering Genetically Born Female Lesbians and Lesbian Culture."

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78 **Christine Evelyn Volker (Cordi), M.B.A.**, retired from her SVP position at Bank of America and is devoting herself to writing. Her first international mystery, *Venetian Blood: Murder in a Sensuous City*, was published in August. It's a captivating tapestry of murder, betrayal, and family. The book draws on her living experiences in Italy, banking knowledge, and wild imagination—such as the money-laundering empire of the dead man—a banker. If you love Venice, mysteries, or are just intrigued, her website www.christinevolkerauthor.com, provides highlights. In her spare time, Christine is President of the Friends of the Richmond Public Library and writes on sustainability for a local neighborhood council.

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96 **Alex Weingarten** was recognized by *Variety Magazine* in their 2017 Legal Impact Report as one of the top entertainment litigation attorneys in Hollywood. He was also selected as a finalist for the 2016 Leaders in Law Award by the *Los Angeles Business Journal*, has been chosen as a Southern California Super Lawyer every year from 2014 to 2017, and a Super Lawyers Rising Star from 2008 to 2013. Alex was previously honored as one of the Top 20 Lawyers in California under the age of 40 by the *California Daily Journal* in 2014. He is a partner with Venable LLP where his practice focuses on entertainment, trust and estate, and business and commercial litigation.

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98 **Richard Rifenburg '98** and '01 has joined AmLaw 100 firm Polsinelli LLP as a principal in the firm's Los Angeles office. Mr. Rifenburg is a health care attorney. He counsels clients on health care fraud and abuse issues including the False Claims Act, Stark Law, and the federal Anti-Kickback

Statute, as well as on mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, and physician contracts.

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01 **Richard Chung**, who received a bachelor's degree under ceramic artist Richard Shaw, now has his work included in the permanent collections at the Daum Museum of Contemporary Art and the Neriman Museum of Contemporary Art.

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03 **Annabel R. Chang**, who received a bachelor's degree in political science, has been named by the Alaska Airlines Group board of directors as vice president of the Bay Area. Annabel joins Alaska Airlines from Lyft, where she previously served as director of public policy.

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04 **Jenny D. Williams** has a debut novel, *The Atlas of Forgotten Places*, that was published by St. Martin's Press in July. Part political thriller, part love story, *Atlas* is loosely inspired by Jenny's time working in Uganda, South Sudan, and the DR Congo. She'll be sharing stories of her travels and the novel's journey to publication on September 17 at 5:00 pm at the HERE Collective in the San Francisco Mission District; you're all warmly invited to join! Connect with her at www.jennydwilliams.com.

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10 **Nehal Naik**, who earned his bachelor's degree from Berkeley in 2010 is now a fourth-year medical student at the Virginia Commonwealth University School. He spent a year in Peru with the NIH's Fogarty Global Health Program helping to develop devices to manage tuberculosis and improve patient care. Before that, he conducted research in Ecuador as a first-year medical student. "It's a girl!" A 9-month-old labraheeler puppy, named Heidi was rescued from a San Diego animal shelter by **Matt Gillooly** (Cal Band Trombone '08) and is his first dog. Heidi has proved a worthy Cal pup. She's sweet, intelligent, full of energy, and just when you think you've seen everything she goes and chews the entire arm off a couch just to feel alive. Heidi has good company with Theresa Whitchurch's '11 (Cal Band Trombone '07) wire-fox terrier, Duke. Go Bears and Whoa "Bones" from San Diego!

11 **Jonathan M. Sturtevant** is currently a math teacher at Granada Hills Charter High School in Los Angeles and helps coach the school's Academic Decathlon team. This year the team won the sixth national championship in seven years, and Jonathan has coached for the past three. They defeated a team from Highland Park, Texas at the national championship in Madison, Wisconsin. California teams have won fifteen years in a row. They scored 54,507 out of a possible 60,000 points, and their topic for 2017 was "World War II and its milestones, from the Nazi invasion of Poland to the U.S. atomic bombing of Nagasaki, Japan." *Los Angeles Daily News* quoted Jonathan saying "These kids are amazing. Very amazing." In 2015, **Sana Naeem Shaikh** married Rayhan Shaikh and their wedding was covered by *The New York Times*. They relocated to Haddam, CT, in 2016 where they bought a house together and proudly became first-time homeowners! In May 2016, Sana Shaikh also graduated from Brandeis University with a master's degree in social policy. She is currently a fourth-year Ph.D. candidate at the Heller School for Social Policy & Management and in June of 2017 she successfully defended her dissertation proposal.

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