**Class Notes**

**CLASS REUNIONS**

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“**Marty Griffin**, probably our most awarded class member, received two more awards in the fall. In September, the Friends of the Russian River honored Marty with a Lifetime Achievement Award “for a lifetime of advocacy for the Russian River.” In October, Slide Ranch awarded Marty their 2013 Slide Ranch Silver Trowel “for his tireless efforts to protect the Marin and Sonoma coasts.” The Slide Ranch School and Community Group Program provides hands-on lessons for 4,000 students on the biodiversity of the Bay Area coast. Sadly, we lost two of our key members in September: **Keith Lee Silcox Derian** and **Corwin Johnson** (see In Memoriam).

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**Jim Rorabaugh** writes: “1) The love of my life, Laurie has passed although I still live in my house. 2) Got a call from **Dave Matteson**’s family that Dave passed away on 9/19/2012, but happily his widow Betty is well and lives in her home—nearby daughter Pat checks on her regularly. 3) **Lee Burns** and his caregiver wife live in Ft. Belvoir, VA. He retired from the Army as Lt. Col.

“Told me my earlier notes, my son Jim bought 37 acres from the Dragoon Mt. Ranch east of St. David, AZ and built his home there. Retired from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service before all the “sequester stuff” kicked in and happily does a lot of volunteer work with ecological groups and is coauthoring a field guide in English and Spanish on reptiles and amphibians of Southern Arizona and Northern Sonora. Daughter Pat teaches hydroponics, a very old method for growing plants but increasingly a favorite method today with sophisticated green houses springing up everywhere. It’s a great way to grow edibles in all weathers and with little need for water and stoop labor.

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**Anne Gordon Ward** reports from her home in Lafayette, where she has lived for 51 years, that while gardening brings her much pleasure, her own garden and two gardens in Walnut Creek that bear her name, Japanese flower arranging is her passion. She has a teacher’s certificate in that art. Every year at Big Game time she looks forward to getting together with her Theta group.

Now living in Framingham, MA, **Doris Stinson Soujanen**, remembers graduating from San Leandro High when it consisted of 34 portables. She met her husband, Wayne, when he was working for his Ph.D. at Cal and where he later taught in the Economics department. She and Wayne had two sons, one grandson, and five granddaughters, one of whom is a Cal grad. Doris, a widow, may be considering a move back to the West Coast, for most of her grandchildren seem to be making moves to “Go West.” She spent many years as a counselor after getting her master’s in counseling.

According to **Doris Duncan Mattos**, who lives in Arlington, life with her husband, Edward, a concert pianist, was fascinating. Edward, combining his concerts with his position in the Cultural Affairs section of the Foreign Service, served with Doris and their three daughters in the Philippines, Spain, Malaysia, and Canada. The grandmother of six, Doris retired from a career as a director of personnel for several volunteer programs. She now lives alone in her own home, still drives, and very much enjoys attending operas and the theater.

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**45-47** **Harry Wolf** of Walnut Creek worked for 30 years as a Human Resource Specialist for the federal government. He then taught at Golden Gate University in the graduate school of Public Administration. Later he was named Dean of Graduate School. He retired in 1990. Three of his children are Cal grads.

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**Don and Georgene Bergland** are new residents at The Forum at Rancho San Antonio in Cupertino, a senior residence on the peninsula. Don was in finance at Lockheed Missle and Space Company and formed three companies that invested in real estate. They raised four children and Jean is a current member of a retired WAVES unit.

Cal’s Wall of Fame welcomed **Leon Litwack**, Pulitzer Prize-winning historian. A professor at Cal for 43 years, he did more than recite facts and figures. He was a storyteller, bringing his subjects to life with quotations, photos, and popular music as he guided students through American History from 1865 to the present. Litwack taught more than 30,000 students, wrote five books, and never lost his passion for the truth.

**Marie Wiley Ross**, who lives in Livermont and is enjoying a busy life there, is involved in DAR, Symphony Guild, Genealogy Society, and a big… etc. A great-grandchild will arrive this year at Big Game time she looks forward to seeing good times together.

Send in your notes to your class secretaries. Your classmates are eagerly waiting your news!

**Class Secretaries:** **Elyane McCrea McCabe**, 23500 Cristo Rey Dr #503H, Cupertino 95014, elayne.mccabe@yahoo.com; **Carolyn Robinson Storer**, 2838 Saklan Indian Dr, Walnut Creek 94595, cjstorer@gmail.com

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**Nadine Ehrenberg** and Dr. **Bernard Monetta** of San Francisco, married for 60 years, have two married sons and five grandchildren. Nadine’s career included working for the Zellerbach Paper Co. and then as a social worker for the City of San Francisco in the “Aid to Needy Children Department.” She enjoys playing Mah Jongg and golf.

**Jean Arthur** and Robert Huston ’48 of Oakland, have four children (three attended Berkeley). They lived in Orinda during the 1950s. After receiving an Elementary...
Teaching Credential from Berkeley in the 1960s, Jean taught grades 1–3 at Berkeley’s Washington School and Bob worked at UCB’s Department of Soil and Plant Nutrition. They enjoy reading, walking, good movies, trips, and seeing friends. Jean has worked weekly at her church’s thrift shop and takes frequent trips to the local library as well as participates in Apple Computer classes. She and Bob are working on a family history. Their grandson, Michael Huston, is in his senior year at Berkeley, majoring in math.

Marily Farnsworth Johnson and Tom ’53 live in Berkeley and are both retired. They celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in February 2013. They are enthusiastic, loyal Golden Bear fans!

Ed Regalia and his wife, Gwen, of Walnut Creek, joined friends following the deaths of Robert Kennedy and Martin Luther King Jr. and established a scholarship fund for low-income minority students in Contra Costa County, which honored these two men. The Kennedy-King Memorial College Scholarship Fund has helped send more than 600 Contra Costa community college students to four-year universities, raising more than $3.5 million.

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Allan Humphrey, served two years in the Air Force as a physicist before returning to Cal for a master’s degree in mathematics. This led to long stints in the computing field with Chevron, UC’s Institute of Library Research, and Alameda County, after which he went into private consulting, specializing in software design. After retiring he has pursued his hobbies: tennis, bridge, and hiking in the Sierra (over 5,000 miles since the 1940s). For over 35 years he has played the clarinet in a concert band in Oakland. He was in the Cal band for five years, as was his son. He enjoys going to Cal football and basketball games, rarely missing them when at home. He and his wife, classmate Evelyn Watson, have two children and two grandchildren. They have lived in Berkeley since 1958.

We are a year and a half from having our 60th Reunion! We are just beginning to put together a reunion committee and would love to have all classmates, who are interested in participating, contact one of the class secretaries. Our addresses are below. We need many classmates to contact other classmates to make this event a big success!! You will have many opportunities to lend you ideas and talents. Let’s hear from you! Thanks and Go Bears!!

Class Secretaries: Bob Leslie, 40 Windward Hill, Oakland, CA, 94618, relarbmed@aol.com; Rosemary Mehin Mein, 3748 St. Francis Dr, Lafayette 94549, fax 925/289-2318, rose mein@comcast.net

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In partnership with the Class of ’56, the Library’s Preservation Department, under the direction of Barclay Ogden, offered an opportunity to talk to Cal’s conservators and see the work the Library undertakes to preserve its 11 million–volume collection during Alumni and Family Weekend in October. This event included a presentation and video clips from a project the Preservation Department calls the “California Audiovisual Preservation Project.” This project has a goal to preserve and make Web-accessible California’s unpublished historically significant moving image and sound recordings from the 20th century. Most of the nearly 700 recordings have never been seen outside the archives. Some were from the Panama-Pacific International Exposition in 1915 to the Tournament of Roses parade in 1955. Our class is proud of our endowment for the Preservation Department.

Charles and Nancy (nee Elliot) Mack are having fun working and playing. Nancy serves on the Commission on Ministry for the Episcopal Diocese of Northern California, where she helps screen candidates for holy orders. Charles serves as Canon Chancellor for the Diocese, providing legal advice and representation. They find their service busy, active, engaging, and satisfying. This summer they spent time in England and Scotland. Highlights included Evensong at King’s Chapel in Cambridge, tracing family history in East Yorkshire, and studying Charles Rennie MacIntosh in Glasgow. They found that bartenders in London are more difficult to teach the art of martini mixing than those in Jerusalem. They returned home to the family farm in Maine for a month of relaxation. They are enjoying having a grandson live with them while he is a law student. His grandfather says he always comes running when he hears the martini shaker.

John and Ann Mason visited Myanmar (formerly Burma) last February. Most of their time was spent on the Irrawaddy River, visiting villages and many Buddhist temples, which was a unique experience for them. They continue to travel and always learn something new along the way.

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Elizabeth Gibbons Van Ingen, has recently published a memoir titled Kismet: From the Joy of Romance to the Agony of Alzheimer’s.

In response to popular demand, photos of our 55th reunion luncheon on Cal Day in April can be viewed at: campaign.berkeley.edu/giving-opportunities/reunion-campaigns/reunion-class/2013-1958.cfm. If you have not had an opportunity to contribute to our 55th Reunion Campaign, we encourage you to consider one or more of the three foci: The Class of 1958 Achievement Award Program (TAAP) Scholarship Fund, The Mark Twain San Francisco Sketches Fund, and The J. Christopher Stevens Memorial Fund. While each of the foci has considerable merit, we are especially eager to reach the $50,000 goal for The Class of 1958 TAAP Scholarship Fund since that is the minimum required to endow said fund and provide annual benefits to the recipients (low-income, high-achieving TAAP scholars receive upwards of $6,000 per year, a laptop upon matriculation, and a suite of CAA support services). For making gifts to the TAAP Fund or the Mark Twain Fund, go to giveto-cal.berkeley.edu/ and enter “class of 1958” in the search box. For making gifts to the Stevens Memorial Fund, search for “Christopher Stevens” in the same place. Your Class Secretaries received many responses from the questionnaire that accompanied the invitation to the reunion in April. Thank you, one and all! It is not practical to include all of the updates in Class Notes. If you have not yet received the responses by email—or if you have additional updates to submit—write to
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The celebration of our 50th anniversary inspired a project that is now bearing fruit. Bill Ausfah and Peter Frazier spearheaded our ambitious goal of funding the Class of 1961 Collegium Chair. (The last $1 million is now being raised.) The first recipient is Dr. Craig Evans of the Mathematics Department. He is an accomplished scholar and teacher who will represent us very well in support and innovation of undergraduate teaching. His letter to the class can be found on our class website (see URL at end).

Our concern for undergraduate education at Cal has also kept us involved with scholarships. The sixth year of the George Link TAAP scholarship has gone to Lucia Garcia. Lucia has come to Cal from a large family in Compont. Her older siblings have dropped out of school, and she wants to be an inspiration for her younger siblings.

Two members of our class, Jerry Brown and Tom Bates have been selected for the Berkeley Wall of Fame. Certainly we should add some more: berkeleywalloffame.org

Jim Stonehouse has had a long service to the Boy Scouts of America. In July he was on staff for the Jamboree and got to take a tour of the new 10,000-acre permanent site in West Virginia. All types of sports have state of the art facilities, including one of the largest skateboard parks in the country. This was also the first jamboree that included some girls.

To see more about our fundraising, chair and scholarships, and biographies of your fellow classmates, visit our website kindly hosted by Bruce Kane: www.kaneprod.com/ Classof61.

Class Secretaries: Sandra Mitchell, sandra-mitchell@com; Douglas Moore, Jr., 1 Shanley Ln, Ross 94957.

Class of ’68 Gatherings: Class of ’68 quarterly gatherings on campus continue on December 7, 2013 and in 2014, and are open to all classmates and interested members of the Berkeley community. Contact Cal68@blueconnect.org.

Family and Alumni Weekend 2013: Class of ’68 members gathered on Friday, October 4, for an evening reception from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Morrison Library. Reconnecting with classmates, great speakers, and an auction of Cal memorabilia made this a very special event.


Check out www.gspp.berkeley.edu. Click on the Class of ’68 icon, learn about the Center on Civility & Democratic Engagement, founded by the Class of ’68 at the Goldman School of Public Policy, and listen to webcasts of past Homecoming and Cal Day lectures.

Make a contribution—fundraising for the center is ongoing. Many thanks to Class of ’68 members and others in the Cal Community for their support. Contact Cal68@blueconnect.org or visit www.gspp.berkeley.edu.

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I haven’t received any notes from classmates over the last couple of months, so I will have to give some family news. Our two sons, Mike and Will, who are in their fourth year at the University of Arizona, came up from Tucson for the Cal/Arizona football game in November. It was the first time Cal and Arizona had played in Berkeley since they went off to school. Our daughter, Cathy, is a USC grad (Don’t hold it against me, it was not my idea) and we have a rivalry football weekend every fall, so it was great to have another opportunity to fight with our kids. Please send me a note with news about your children or grandkids.

Respectfully submitted,
Dick
Class Secretary: Richard Carter, 99 Florada Ave, Piedmont 94610, richard.carter@cal.berkeley.edu

Bruce Murphy, Ed.D., has been named President of Nicholls State University in Thibodaux, Louisiana, with a start date of January 15, 2014. While at Cal, Bruce was President of Zeta Psi fraternity and Cadet Colonel of the Golden Bear Brigade (Army ROTC).

Class Secretary: Debbie Klohs DeZarn, dezarn@cal.berkeley.edu, 6469 Moss Cir, Arvada, CO 80007, 303/424-1498

Howard Steven Pines, MSME, just published his debut sci-fi thriller. In the spirit of Carl Sagan’s Contact and Steven Spielberg’s Close Encounters, The Whale Song Translation is a story about sound: sounds of language, sounds of songs, and the sounds that kill. When the Navy’s controversial sonar experiments begin to destroy Maui’s humpback whales, engineering professor David Dmitri’s quest to decode the language of whale songs shifts into high gear. But others are determined to stop him, whatever the consequences. Go to www.HowardStevenPines.com for more information and to buy your copy.

Katherine Wall, Ph.D., professor of pharmacology, is now chair of the Department of Medicinal Chemistry at The University of Toledo College of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences. Wall, who was the vice chair of the department, will lead the department for a fixed term of three years. Highly regarded for her research in cytokines in myasthenia gravis and currently NIH-funded for research in Glycopeptide-Based Cancer Antigen Vaccines and CD38 and NAD Metabolites in Lymphocyte Signaling, she brings to the role of chair her rich and vibrant leadership experience. Wall presided over the graduate program in the Department of Medicinal and Biological Chemistry and currently directs the college’s Honors program.

Class Secretary: Ric Brucia, 3153 Cherry Valley Cir, Fairfield 94533

Inner-City Arts today announced the appointment of native Angeleno Robert Smiland as its new president and CEO. Smiland joins Inner-City Arts after nearly three decades of service as a volunteer and board member for multiple youth service and educational nonprofit organizations. Smiland also brings more than 30 years of business experience as a CEO, executive, and chairman for private and public companies.

Class Secretaries: Jamie Wells Behrendt, PO Box 514, Ross 94957-0514; Karl Keller, 7504 Brentwood Dr, Stockton 95207

Suffolk University Law School Professor Kate Nace Day has been chosen as one of the “Top Women of Law” by Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly.

Bill Willie Hincherger continues to pursue his journalism career in Paris, France, having moved there after living and working many years in Sao Paulo, Brazil. Occasionally posting to the Mabuhay Gardens Facebook page, he continues to love Vin Scully, the Los Angeles Dodgers (and hating the SF Giants), and the LA Lakers while lamenting the Cal Bears’ football woes.

Flying into town from a business trip in South Korea, Mike Quigley attended the Cal/Oregon State football game and had a reunion with fellow alums Leo O’Farrell and your Class Secretary, Kevin Johnson.

Mike Neal remains a rabid Bears football enthusiast and reports that he hopes his now-unborn grandchildren will be able to watch Cal in the Rose Bowl sometime this century.

Class Secretary: Kevin Johnson, 232 Tern Pl, Davis 95616, kjrjohnson@ucdavis.edu

Robert Agosta was appointed Dean of the School of Engineering at the Universidad Catolica Argentina.

Tim Curran, after a decade as news director of OutQ, the gay channel on SiriusXM, has returned to his previous career as a TV documentary writer/producer in New York. He’s recently been promoted to Supervising Story Producer on the Investigation Discovery true-crime hit Stalked: Someone’s Watching.
Lorraine Fleming, Ph.D., has been appointed the Interim Dean of the College Engineering, Architecture and Computer Sciences at Howard University.

Nancy Young has recently published Strum, a sweeping multicultural novel that crosses two centuries and four continents in search of truth, love, and a family legacy.

Carolyn E. McAloon, DPM, was installed as the 101st president of the California Podiatric Medical Association during the organization’s annual House of Delegates held in Anaheim. McAloon is in private practice at Bay Area Foot Care, and is also an adjunct clinical assistant professor in the Department of Podiatric Medicine at the California School of Podiatric Medicine at Samuel Merritt University in Oakland.

Sarah Elizabeth Richards has recently published The New Frontier of Egg Freezing and the Women Who Tried It. In this book, Richards chronicles the journey of four women who attempt to preserve their fertility through the groundbreaking science of egg freezing.

John Villanueva Nepomuceno, M.A. ’09, married Texas Longhorn Natalia Anciso, MFA, at the San Jose Catholic Church of Austin. They held their reception in The Grand Ballroom at Natalia’s alma mater, The University of Texas at Austin. Cal alums included John’s best man and younger brother, Joseph V. Nepomuceno ’06; and groomsmen Julio Magana ’01, Matt Koken, J.D., and Julian Thomas ’07—all representing Berkeley faithfully in the middle of Longhorn Country. The couple spent their honeymoon at South Padre Island, TX, and San Diego. John is currently Academy co-director and teacher at Mandela Law & Public Service Academy at Fremont High School in East Oakland, and his wife is an art director at the Boys & Girls Clubs of San Francisco. They currently reside in Oakland.

Jason D. Nicholas, Ph.D., an assistant professor in the Michigan State University Department of Chemical Engineering and Materials Science, has received a National Science Foundation CAREER award. Funding from this five-year, $400,000 grant, which began Aug. 1, 2013, will support Nicholas’s research to reduce operating temperatures, improve performance, lower costs and extend the operational lifetime of Solid Oxide Fuel Cells (SOFCs).

There are now more ways to catch up with your classmates than ever before.

**ONLINE:**

Look for your class notes online at alumni.berkeley.edu/classnotes. Join @Cal, Berkeley’s secure, online social networking site, and connect with your friends right away. There are never any deadlines, and posts can be of any length and style. @Cal also offers career networking opportunities.

To find out more, visit cal.berkeley.edu.

**CAN’T FIND YOUR SECRETARY?**

Email classnotes@alumni.berkeley.edu or call 510/900.8258 for names and contact info. We currently have no information for the following classes: ’29–’31, ’35, ’04, and ’06 on. Please call us if you are the class secretary.

Secretaries: Email your notes to classnotes@alumni.berkeley.edu with your class year in the subject line. Or fax your notes to 510/642.6252 or mail a hard copy to Class Notes, California magazine, CAA, 1 Alumni House, Berkeley 94720-7520. Please bold class members’ names. Each class is limited to 250 words. Please read our submission guidelines at alumni.berkeley.edu/classnotes. Class notes may be posted on CAA’s website.

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**SUBMISSION DEADLINES:**

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Arthur William Carson, June 5. Arthur was believed to be the oldest living California Bear. At Cal, Arthur joined the Naval ROTC and majored in Economics. He also played offense and defense for Cal’s football team wearing the number 13. He was awarded the Andy Smith Memorial Trophy for playing the greatest number of minutes of conference football during the ’31 season. He was nominated for All American in Football and was known as the “Iron Man” of the Bears. Art was a member of the Big C Society for football and the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity.

Krueger “Jake” Jacobsen, April 2, in Walnut Creek. After a degree in History and Economics, Jake joined the Key System Transit Lines in San Francisco and was instrumental in setting up their shuttles at the 1939 World’s Fair at Treasure Island. He served as a Lieutenant in the Navy in WWII, and started his 31-year career with the California Retail Hardware Association in 1948. He retired to Rossmoor to enjoy golf, traveling, and flag display after holding the position of Secretary-Manager for many years. He is survived by his wife, Stephanie.

Helen Elizabeth (Scott) Mulcahy, May 16, in Menlo Park. At Cal, Helen was in the Blue and Gold Editorial Staff. She is survived by children Patrick, Nancy, Michael; granddaughter, Nora ‘00; and great-grandchildren William and Elizabeth.

Perry Connor, July 28. At Cal, he was a member of the ’37 Thunder Team, the last Cal football team to win the Rose Bowl. After graduating he joined the Navy, where he earned the rank of Captain, dedicating 20 years to the Naval Supply Corps. After earning his MBA at Harvard, he was stationed at various Naval bases, including Pearl Harbor. Upon retiring from the Navy, Perry worked for the Chancellor’s office, and later ran a business-consulting firm in San Luis Obispo. He retired and moved to Walnut Creek with his wife, where they had previously lived with their two children. Donations can be made to Cal Athletics, 195 Haas Pavilion, Attn. Lynn Davis.

H. Corwin Johnson, Sept. 14, in Los Gatos. At Cal, Corwin was a member of the Chi Psi fraternity, Naval ROTC, Scabbard and Blade, and The Daily Californian. After graduating, he entered active service with the Navy and received the Silver Star Medal and two Purple Hearts for heroic action in battle. His career was with Linnany Company, where he eventually became CEO, as well as serving as President of the Farm Equipment Wholesalers’ Association. He volunteered for the Rotary Clubs, Boy Scouts, and Lincoln Child Center, among others. Additionally, he was a staunch and active Cal supporter. For many years he served as leader of his class, ensuring that the class came together for reunions. He also supported fund raising and funded The Class of ’42 H. Corwin Johnson Alumni Scholarship. He is survived by his daughter, Carolyn Johnson Foster; two granddaughters; and five great-grandchildren.

Keith Lee Silcox, Sept. 19, in Napa. At Cal, she was active in Pyrtanean, and as director of the Bureau of Public Relations and president of Alpha Xi Delta in her senior year. For the ’42 class, she served as chair of hospitality at several class reunions. She was an enthusiastic fan of Cal sports, and enjoyed golf and lawn bowling. At Cal, she studied music, which was an important part of her life as a teacher and pianist/organist for churches and clubs. Yet her main passion was her family, and she took pride in being one of four generations of Cal alumni. Her survivors include her children Steven ’74, Donna, and Diane; grandchildren Evan ’11, Sara, and Laura (now juniors at Cal), Todd, Pam, Jimmy, and Nick; and four great-grandchildren.

Harry L. Gaver, May 12. After graduation, Harry was called to duty as an ensign in the Navy. He was a member of the original commissioning crew of the newly built USS Siskon Bay, CVE 86. After WWII, Gaver remained on active duty in the Navy. In 1946, he married Ellese Hopson. Harry served with pride in the Pacific, the Caribbean, and the United States. He retired from the Navy in 1967 with the rank of captain, USN. Harry then worked for several years by TWA in logistics at the Kennedy Space Center. In 1970, he married Elaine Walker and in 1972 he received a Master’s of Business Administration from Central Florida University.

John H. Murray, Aug. 28. John was injured in a forest fire when he was 18, and was hospitalized for a year and a half. He began his Forest Service career doing research on the UC Campus where he met Marjorie Snell ’44. Their marriage in Dec. ’45 produced four sons: Christopher ’70, John ’72, Randal (deceased, age 5), and Robert. John retired from the Forest Service at age 55, and was in private practice as a Registered Forester for an additional 10 years. John is survived by his much-loved wife and sons, five grandchildren, including Kathleen Murray ’10, and two great-grandchildren.

Jeanne Howard, Sept. 9, in Oakland. Until recent years, she was an active volunteer in numerous civic and community organizations in Berkeley. She is survived by her children Tino ’80 and Suzanne.

Robert G. Howard, July 13. While at Cal, Bob also worked as a pipe fitter building Liberty Ships for troop transport in WWII; then he crossed the Atlantic as a solider on one of the Liberty ships. After the war, thanks to the GI Bill, Bob received his education at the College of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (now UCI Medical School). After graduation, he joined a general practice in El Monte, and later returned to USC Medical School in the LA County Hospital for a residency in anesthesiology. He spent the rest of his career as an anesthesiologist.

Gene Pickette, July 30. On graduating high school Gene earned an athletic scholarship to Cal, where he majored in history and was a star football player. Gene and Betty married in 1944. Ten weeks later, Gene served in WWII as an Army infantry officer stationed in Italy. On his return, he worked for Schmidt Lithograph as a traveling salesman, often accompanied by his new family. In 1952, Gene acquired Marker’s Preserving Kitchen. The business, adjacent to the family home in Downey, was well known for its gift packs of homemade jams, jellies, and candied fruits. The success of his business landed Gene on the cover of Business Week in 1959. He eventually transitioned into commercial real estate and in 1967 moved to Balboa Island, where he and Betty lived for the rest of his life.

Lauro R. Quiros, Sept. 12. A ’45 Honor Society graduate of UCSF School of Dentistry, he was a member of the “Old Zip House.” Lauro served in WWII stationed in Vienna as Captain in the Dental Corps at age 22. Lauro filled his life with teaching dentistry at UCSF, his private practice in San Francisco, and fellowship in multiple dentist organizations. He was received multiple professional awards including being the Medal of Honor as distinguished Alumnus of UCSF and with the UCSF Outstanding Teacher Award. Lauro was a passionate Old Blue, and had many happy times at the Lair of the Golden Bear and Cal football games, where he coined the phrase “Bite ‘Em Bears.”

Mary Louise (Jungjohann) Praetzel, May 6, in Redwood City. Mary grew up in Crocket. After two years at Cal, she earned a nursing degree at UCSF in ’46. She worked for about ten years as a nurse at Sequoia and Kaiser Hospitals, mainly in maternity. She is survived by her loving husband, Conrad ‘41; six children; seven grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Olive Premo Shaner, July 30, in Kensington. Ollie double majored at Cal in public relations and accounting. She was a representative-at-large when the students were responsible for hiring and firing the football coach. She retired as a principal accountant from Cal in ’82. Ollie was a lifelong Bears fan and knew all the statistics of the football and basketball players. She loved people and many guests passed through the Shaner household doors.
She is survived by her husband, Bob ’48; children Sue ’71 and Doug ’74; grandchildren Sherri, Paul ’99, Michelle, Greg, Alex, and Jordan; and four great-grandchildren.

Madeline “Lindy” Marcia Boyes, May 11, in Walnut Creek. Lindy was born in Piedmont and returned to the Bay Area in 1999 from Honolulu, where she worked in public relations for the Hawaii Visitor’s Bureau. After Cal, Lindy earned her pilot’s license and became the aviation columnist for The Oakland Tribune. She flew solo or as co-pilot until very recently, participating several times in the All-Women Transcontinental Air Race, as well as shorter races. Lindy founded the Hawaiian chapter of the “99s,” a women’s pilot association founded by Amelia Earhart. She was passionate about travel, history, fine arts/culture, and philanthropic causes.

Stuart “Bart” Bartholomew, M.A. ’53, July 12. He spent the first 35 years of his career in the private sector working on large-scale projects such as Dhakra Dam in Punjab, India; Karnaphuli Dam in Bangladesh; port and rail facilities in Port Hedland, Western Australia; and the Bay Area Rapid Transit system. On retiring in 1983, he was vice president and member of the board of directors for the Pru-Con Corporation, a construction management company. In 1984, Bartholomew and his wife, Margaret, moved to Chico, where he began a second career teaching in the Department of Construction Management at CSU, Chico. He served on a number of university committees, and he published several college textbooks on construction engineering.

Laura (Ryan) Caldwell, July 1, in Cincinnati. Born in Canada, Laura earned a nursing credential before pursuing a science degree at Cal. After graduation, she went to UCSF for another nursing credential. A devout Catholic, Laura met Bill Caldwell at Berkeley’s Newman Center, where they eventually wed. While moving a great deal for Bill’s jobs, Laura continued to nurse, volunteer in various charities, and press for social change. In Tennessee, she was instrumental in the racial integration of a local swimming pool, and as a co-founder of the National Association of Layity she helped implement Vatican II changes while still agitating for reform within the Catholic Church. She is survived by two daughters, nine grandchildren, and 12 great-grandchildren.

Joseph Frank Cravotto, Aug. 2, in Livermore. After serving the Army during WWII, Joe enrolled at Cal and earned his bachelor’s in civil engineering. He worked the majority of his career as an engineer for Bechtel Corporation. A longtime resident of Albany, Joe spent his retirement years playing the piano and visiting with family. He is survived by his wife, Norma; three children; and several grandchildren.

Fridolin William Heer, M.D., April 3. After Cal, Fridolin began graduate studies in experimental embryology and genetics. After completing the NROT program, he was commissioned in the Marine Corps and later served with distinction in Korea. The Marine Corps remained a major influence throughout his life. Upon Bill’s release from active service in 1952, he returned to San Francisco and married his former classmate, Lola Griffin. The same year, he entered medical school at UCSF, earning his M.D. in ’56. Heer practiced general surgery at several San Francisco hospitals and served as Chief of Surgery at both Ralph K. Davies and St. Luke’s and as Chief of Staff at Davies.

Aldo H. Nelson, July 2, in Oakland. A native of Magnet, NE, Aldo lived all but the first nine months of his life in Oakland. He was an alumnus of Allendale Elementary, Hamilton Jr. High, Fremont High School, and, as reported by the Oakland Tribune in 1943, never missed a single day of school. He served in the Army Air Corps during WWII, flying B-29s. After Cal, he earned his master’s at SFSC. He taught (1949–1969) and was Director of Athletics (1969–1982) for Oakland Public Schools. He also directed the basketball Tournament of Champions and was instrumental in bringing back the high school state basketball championship. He served as Commissioner of the California Interscholastic Federation and the Oakland Parks and Recreation Commission. Aldo is survived by his wife of 62 years, Edina ’51 (née Heagerty); five children; and five grandchildren.

Leonard Schlussel, Sept. 22, in San Jose. He is survived by two children.

Eleanor Ann Reid Hastings, Jan. 12, in Los Gatos. She earned a degree in political science and was an active member of Delta Zeta sorority. She was a devoted wife to C.W. (Bill) Hastings ’50 for 61 years and raised seven children. She lived in Los Gatos most of her life, where she worked in the town library and was a devout Catholic. She is survived by Molly ’76, Reid, Liz, Meg, Tom, Dan, and Dave; 16 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Jane Koll, Sept. 11. After Cal, Jane received a master’s in counseling from CSU-East Bay in ’75 and an Ed.D. from Nova University in ’88. After a whirlwind romance at the Lair of the Bear, Jane married Mike Koll in 1950; they were married for 53 years. Jane spent her summers at the Lair. She often remarked that some of her happiest days were spent at the Lair, skiing at Tahoe, and fly-fishing in the back-country. Jane was a professor of Psychology and Human Development at College of Alameda, and served as the President of the Academic Senate in 1994. She devoted her free time to her grandchildren, CAA, Town & Gown, and Cal football and baseball. Donations can be made to the Mike and Jane Koll Scholarship Fund at CAA, 1 Alumni House.

Nancy Marsh Repp, April 17, in Lafayette. Nancy earned her bachelor’s in history, anthropology, and classics. In 1950, she married Gordon Repp ’50, Ph.D. ’55. She taught elementary school, liked to travel, and was very active in her church. She is survived by her husband of 62 years; children Daniel, Timothy ’82, and Jeanette ’83; and five grandchildren.

Nan Stormont Vaaler, March 13, 2012. Nan exaggerated her age to qualify for military service. She joined the Navy WAVES in Feb. 1944 as a LINK Trainer, teaching celestial and radio navigation. After receiving her B.A in decorative arts at Cal, she earned her master’s in library science in ’65. Moving to Napa in 1953, Nan worked for the Napa City-County Library in 1965, and, after helping to establish the Lake County Library, became the Napa City-County Library director in 1979. She held this position until retiring in 1990. Kind and generous, Nan always had time for her friends and for the many charitable causes that she intertwined her life with.

James A. Frost, Dec. 19, 2012, in Lenexa, KS. Jim was employed at Continental Grain Company until his retirement in 1994. He was a past Chairman of the Kansas City Board of Trade. He is survived by three sons and five granddaughters.

Carolyn Stone, Aug. 1, in Oakmont. She worked for many years as a ticket agent for United Airlines and as a secretary for Safeway. An avid traveler, Carolyn visited gardens all over the world and contributed articles to Pacific Horticulture under the name of Thenie Pearsall. She loved music and was a member of the Mensa Society. Carolyn is survived by her husband, George Waters.

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The following members of the Class of 1952 were listed in the Summer 2013 issue of the Haas Business School “In Memoriam” section: Jack Dickman, Jack Hays, Taketsugu Takei, and John Thompson.

Stephan Kilburn Jones, March 27, in Alamo. Upon graduation, Steve served three years as a naval officer and then became a partner at the investment firm of Shuman Agnew, and later Smith Barney. He was a director of John Muir Medical Foundation and Lesher Center of the Arts. He was president of the Diablo Service District and named Diablo Outstanding Citizen. Steve was an avid Cal basketball fan. He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Lowrey Hardin Jones ’55; three daughters; and four grandchildren.
Barton Mills, June 3. In 1950, he served aboard the USS Lenawee, during the Korean war, then spent 33 years at Lockheed in Burbank, working on almost all commercial and military aircraft programs during that period. Always involved in technical and community organizations, Bart recently lent his expertise to the Santa Susana Field Lab Cleanup committee.

Walter De Maria M.A., July 24. De Maria was an artist whose sculptures combined the simplicity of minimalism with a love of scale. His installations were noted for creating a sense of awe in viewers at locations as varied as the New Mexico desert and New York City. De Maria’s art was more widely known abroad than in the United States with major exhibitions in Japan and Europe. His survivors include his mother, Christine De Maria; and his brother, Terry.

Lee R. Petillon, J.D., July 26, in Palos Verdes. Petillon served as an officer in the Air Force. He was a securities attorney and an expert on small business financing. He drafted seven bills passed by California Legislature that helped small businesses. He authored a widely used book on start-up companies and generously shared his expertise with entrepreneurs and academic, legal, and business groups. He practiced law with a passion for 53 years. Petillon loved to travel and visited five continents with his wife of 53 years, Mary.

Thomas Roderick, Ph.D., Sept. 4. He graduated from the University of Michigan in philosophy in ’52 and zoology in ’53. He then joined The Jackson Laboratory in Bar Harbor, ME, as a staff scientist in genetics, where he remained for 37 years. His research included the effects of radiation on DNA, behavioral genetics, and bioinformatics. From 1973–1975 he worked at the Atomic Energy Commission. He is credited with coining the term “genomics” and helping to develop the first online genetic database. He co-directed the Annual Short Course on Medical and Experimental Mammalian Genetics and co-founded the Center for Human Genetics in Bar Harbor.

Lannes Gael McLaren, Aug. 8. He served in the Army for two years and was honorably discharged as a lieutenant. He returned to Cal to earn a degree in civil engineering. On June 28, 1958 in Chico, he married Lavonne Hamilton. In 1971, they settled in Aptos, where he worked for Granite Construction Co. and retired in 1995. In addition to his wife, survivors include two grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Donald A. Sandstrom, Sept. 5. Inspired by National Geographic and wanting to return to the Bay Area from Southern California, where he was a corporate personnel manager, Don convinced Joanne ’59 that they should build a boat and sail around the world. They and their sons, Donald ’89 and Erik, spent five years doing just that—perhaps the first Cal family to complete a sailing circumnavigation. Upon their return, they built a home in Montclair. An industrial psychology major, Don became proficient at construction. While at Cal, Don was a member of the Californians, Rally Com, and Men’s Executive Board, and president of the Inter-fraternity Council. He made lifelong friends at Theta Xi. In addition to his wife and sons, he is survived by two grandsons.

Fred Goldner, Ph.D., Aug. 19, in Somers, NY. Born in New Haven, CT, he had a long and varied career, working in academia and public and private corporate healthcare as well as being an active member of AAPOR. He later swam competitively and won numerous medals. He is survived by his ex-wife, June; and children Saren and Paul.

Margaret Poynter Goldsmith, Sept. 26, in Ithaca. After Cal, newlyweds Maggie and Bill Goldsmith ’68, moved to Ithaca, where Maggie earned an M.A.T. and a Ph.D. in theatre and English from Cornell. As a middle and high school theatre teacher she never turned a student away. For years her students wrote and directed productions in the amphitheatre named after her. Maggie frequently lived with her family in Latin America and Italy. In retirement she taught and tutored troubled and imprisoned youth. A legendary cook and seamstress, Maggie also backpacked, sang in choruses, reviewer and classmate of Lucille. Published more than 70 academic papers on topics ranging from the function of lizards’ patial “third” eye to his pioneering description of the ring-like distribution of the Ensatina salamanders around the San Joaquin Valley.

“He did not get large grants. He was not doing cutting-edge science, but he was doing solid natural history basic research, which is extremely important,” said Ted Papenfuss, a herpetologist at the MVZ who was one of Stebbins’s last Ph.D. students. “His contributions are far more lasting than a lot of the fleeting research that goes on, where in ten years it will be considered obsolete. His natural history study is priceless.”

A meticulous artist who got his start selling illustrations to his high school classmates for 25 cents each, Stebbins published his first field guide in 1966. His guides, filled with painstakingly detailed color paintings, became classics in their field, to the point where the guides (now in their third edition) are now simply referred to as “Stebbins.”

“You don’t say Field Guide to Amphibians and Reptiles of Western North America. You just say, ‘I identified it with my Stebbins,’” said Papenfuss, who added that the books encouraged amateur naturalists. “They were scientifically accurate but they weren’t terribly technical. In other words, an amateur person that enjoyed nature could carry them with them and use them to identify species.”

Stebbins wrote all his books out long hand, and his wife, Anna, typed them up. Stebbins and Anna-rose, who were married for 72 years, often shared their home with various reptiles: He once woke her up in the middle of the night to watch salamanders mating, and in 2006 he described his wife as endlessly accepting of the “frogs, toads, and salamanders in the refrigerator, and tortoises on the sun deck and in the living room.”

After his retirement in 1978, Stebbins focused on preserving the natural world for the next generation. Concerned with the destruction that off-road vehicles caused in the desert—home to many of the creatures in his guides—Stebbins advocated for certain parts of Southern California deserts to be designated as protected spaces. His contributions helped lead to the passage of 1994’s California Desert Protection Act. Stebbins’s last book, Connecting with Nature: A Naturalist’s Perspective in 2012, encouraged parents and teachers to share the outdoors with children, in a world that he described in 2005 as “being paved over bit by bit.”

Stebbins is survived by his wife, sister Rosalie Darling, son John Stebbins, daughters Melinda Broadhurst and Mary Stebbins, six grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren.

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acted, sketched, wrote poetry, and played the recorder. She is survived by her husband, three children, and four grandchildren.

Marjorie Jane Cornelius, Aug. 3, in Montrose, CO. Marjorie received a master’s in education. She became a well-respected teacher in the Mount Diablo School District. She was a lifetime member of CAA. She is survived by Jerry and Robert ’69, two grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Edward Carter Maddox Jr., J.D., May 16. Ed attended LA High School, UCLA, and Boalt Hall. He was often times the first African American to serve in a senior position. Some highlights include Senior Member of President Jimmy Carter’s advance team, executive president at BET, and most recently, Senior Director of Communication for LA County Supervisor, Mark Ridley-Thomas. He is survived by his sons, Justin and Edward, and an extended family.

James Edwards O’Donnell, Feb. 20, 2012, in Altadena. Jim was very active throughout his career in anything related to geosciences information. Jim’s legacy includes numerous library assistants and newly minted librarians who benefitted from his mentoring over the years. In 1986 Jim went to Caltech from Trinity University in San Antonio, where he had been the science librarian, to manage the Geology and Planetary Sciences Library. In 2004 he was promoted to Head of Collections, Information, and Research Services. Jim is survived by Ben Perez Arriaga, his partner of eight years, and an extended family.

Virginia Griffith Frank, July 22. Virginia received a master’s in physical therapy from Hunter College. Her patients loved her gentle healing touch. Her friends and family remember Virginia for her wonderful spirit that inspired her dance and art. She is survived by her husband, musician David Frank; and two children.

Gordon W. Gregory, M.B.A., Aug. 6. He graduated with a B.A. in economics from USC in 1975. Gordon earned an MBA in finance from Cal where he met his wife, Gayle, while earning a J.D. from UC Hastings in 1978. Gordon was managing director of ProVisors, a leading organization of advisors and professionals. He also founded and was managing director of Mosaic Capital LLC and Mosaic Capital Securities LLC, an L.A.-based investment firm Gordon started his career at KPMG Peat Marwick. He then opened his own law practice in Los Angeles, specializing in business transactions and tax planning.

Patti Louise Kearney, Sept. 1, in Kingston, WA. She was a graphic designer, superbuy wife, wonderful mother, and loving friend. Patti is survived by her husband of 31 years, David Bangs ’77; and their two children.

Kimberly A. (Schulze) Peter, Aug. 12, in Napa. Kimberly was a political science major and member of the Alpha Delta Pi sorority. She discovered her passion for early childhood education as a Head Start volunteer at Cal. Her experiences as classroom helper, Brownie and Girl Scout Leader, Parent Club President, and mother informed her teaching, where she opted for 4th/5th grade because students “got her jokes.” She is survived by her daughters, Lauren and Stephanie ’05.

Walter Evans Cunningham, M.A., Ph.D., May 14, in San Francisco. From a small town in rural Virginia, Walter won a scholarship to Oberlin where in 1970 he earned a bachelor’s in organ performance as well as bachelor’s degrees in music and German. He taught at Emma Willard School in Troy, NY, where he was awarded an Andrew Mellon Foundation grant to study at the Haarlem Summer Organ Academy in Holland, and to do research in France. His career as an organist included concerts in New York City and throughout Europe. Walker survived two bouts with AIDS and 29 years of HIV. When AIDS brought an end to his performing career, Walker became a technical editor and writer at Cisco Systems, and later a consultant.

Maiiq Nixon, Sept. 21. A Cal sophomore, Maiiq died unexpectedly at Stebbins Hall, the Northside co-op where he was living. He volunteered for Cal Berkeley Democrats, interned at the Gender Equity Resource Center, and worked on multiple campaigns for the campus political party CalSERVE. This year, he was already ahead at work volunteering for CalSERVE Senator. He is survived by his parents, Nina and Thomas Nixon, and an extended family.

Patricia Buffler, M.A ’65, Ph.D. ’73, Sept., 26. Buffler was an internationally esteemed researcher known for her work on some of the world’s largest studies on childhood leukemia and environmental health. She was also a dean of Berkeley’s School of Public Health. At the time of her death, Buffler, who held the Kenneth and Marjorie Kaiser Chair in Cancer Epidemiology, was leading several programs related to childhood cancers. Among them is the California Childhood Leukemia Study, which Buffler launched in 1995 to investigate the relationship of leukemia to diet, genes, infections, and environmental exposures. Buffler was also principal investigator for the Center for Integrative Research on Childhood Leukemia and the Environment. Donations can be made to the Patricia A. Buffler Memorial Fund, payable to the UC Berkeley Foundation, School of Public Health, 417K University Hall, Berkeley 94720-7360; or online at giftocal.berkeley.edu/buffler.

Robert N. Bellah, July 30. An eminent scholar of religion, bestselling author, and Cal’s Elliot Professor of Sociology Emeritus, Bellah was one of the world’s most influential sociologists. He was a Harvard-educated social theorist who taught for three decades at Cal. Famous for his scholarship on how religion shapes cultural, ethical, and political practices, he earned many accolades including the the Sorokin Award of the American Sociological Association, The C. S. Lewis Foundation Faculty Forum Award for Distinguished Lifetime Contributions in Faith and Scholarship, and the Berkeley William Sloane Coffin Award. He was loved and respected by students and peers.

Roderic Park, Sept. 6. A professor of botany and plant biology whose leadership spanned three decades, Park served as a department chair, the provost and dean of the College of Letters and Science (1972–1980), and held the campus’s second-highest administrative post (1980–1990). Following a three-year stint at Boulder, he assisted in the founding of UC Merced, returning in 2006 to serve for a year as acting chancellor. He served for five years as chair of the Board of Visitors and Fellows in UC Davis’s viticulture and enology department, and on the Harvard Board of Overseers. At the time of his death, he was chair of the trustees of Cal’s Jepson Herbarium. Park earned a bachelor’s in biochemistry in 1953 from Harvard College, and a doctorate in plant biochemistry and geochemistry. While at Cal, he published 84 research papers, and was the first to identify quantasomes, in 1962. Donations can be made to the Roderic B. Park Memorial Fund, UC Berkeley Foundation, PO. Box 774, Berkeley, 94701-0774; or to Friends of the Jepson Herbarium, 1001 Valley Life Sciences Bldg., University of California, Berkeley 94720-2465.

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