

CLASS REUNIONS

More details are in your class's notes.

Class of 1950:

68th reunion on May 23, 2018

Class of 1953:

65th reunion luncheon on Oct. 12

Class of 1958:

60th reunion on Friday, Oct. 12

Class of 1968:

To help with 50th Reunion events and giving, email Cal68@blueconnect.org.

39 **Charlotte Anderson Nichols** celebrated her 100th birthday on Nov. 27 with family and friends. Charlotte was a teacher and worked in a medical clinic for many years. She closely follows the Bears as well as the Raiders and A's.

41 **Whitney Elmore Lawrence**, B.S. in chemistry, celebrated his 100th birthday on Jan. 26 with his family in Paradise, CA.

44 While many Napa homes were lost in the wildfires last October, **John Dunlap** reports that his home was spared. John continues to participate with the Napa bocce team competing against Glen Ellen. He and Mary Lou recently toured the far side of the Sierra, visiting towns along Highway 395. From his longtime home near the UC Campus, **Joe Mixer** has always been a leader in campus activities, especially anything involving the Class of '44. He has served as ASUC President and has been a leader in most Class of '44 activities. Currently he is making a study of various types of nonprofit organizations, their activities, purpose, and effectiveness.
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46 **Jacqueline Hasling Welch** majored in social welfare, and her husband graduated in 1942 with a chemistry degree. They moved to Saratoga in 1949 when he was hired as chemistry teacher at Los Gatos High School. Now widowed, Jackie resides at Saratoga Retirement Community.
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49 Last summer, **Phyllis S. Willits** enjoyed visiting CAA's Camp Oski, where two of her grandsons, Charles and Peter, were on the staff. Phyllis and her late husband Joe Willits '48 took their children

to Camp Gold for many years, and their son Richard has gone with his family to Camp Oski for over a decade. **Richard C. Anderson**, a Marine Corps veteran of WWII and the Korean War, published his book, *A Western Agnostic Explores the Koran* in Aug. 2017. The book's 20 chapters include Moses, Jesus, Mohamed, women, war, and the hereafter. Each chapter is mostly quotations on its subject, selected from one of two English translations of the book. Added commentary expresses thoughts suggested by the quotations. The book's motto: "Let the Koran Speak for itself!" It is available on Amazon.

Class Secretary: Gilbert Pavlovsky, 41 Moncada Way, San Rafael 94901

50 Class President **Dick Ingraham** announced that the 68th Reunion of the Class of 1950, last class of the Greatest Generation, is a gala luncheon, on May 23, 2018, at the University Club atop Memorial Stadium looking down on the football field with a great view of the Bay. A distinguished speaker, the Cal Band, and Oski will join us.
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51 Energy abounds in the Joyce '52 and **Jim Blamire** Victorian home in Alameda where attending grandchildren's weddings has been a major part of their activities. Barbara and **Jack Crossman** of Cupertino have just returned from the American Airlines Captains reunion in San Diego. Jack sends cheers to his Kappa Alpha brothers. The CAA Fund Society is a group of alumni and friends who create a lasting connection to Cal through their commitment and affinity for the Cal Alumni Association. **James G. Wong, Mavis** and **Donald H. Hoffman, Daphne** and **Bruce Geernaert**, and **Elayne McCrea** are among the members. Any thoughts for our 68th reunion in 2019?
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52 We celebrated the 65th anniversary of our graduation from Cal in fine style. Reasonably good turnout and much enthusiasm. It was a beautiful day, and Trader Vic's provided fine fare. We were serenaded by members of The University of California Marching Band, and Oski came along to hug all the ladies. We were seated at tables of eight, and conversation flowed. Thank you to all of you who responded to the brief questionnaire; I now have good material for future columns. **Bonnie Ritzenthaler Wilson** wrote from La Jolla her regrets at being unable to

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attend, but she sent regards and hoped we would sing "All Hail." We did that! We ended the day's festivities with singing led by **Bill Callender** who earlier led us in "The Stanford Jonah." A campus representative told us that Berkeley now has 40,000 students, and our class is among the top five in total donations to our University. Fiat Lux!

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53 Hard to believe, but the Class of '53 graduated 65 years ago! And, yes, we are celebrating: Friday, Oct. 12, on campus during Homecoming. We've planned a luncheon 11 a.m.–2 p.m. in the Student Union Tilden Room. Watch the website and class notes for details. Meanwhile, mark your calendar to save the date. And contact Beth and Ollie, your class secretaries, with your personal news. Let classmates know that our 65th reunion is set and all classmates are invited!
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54 We are still getting positive feedback on our Oct. 20 special event at I-House where we confirmed the award of our Class of '54 Endowed Chair to Professor Richard M. Allen (see Alumni Gazette). **Beryl Voss**, our class representative to The Achievement Award Program (TAAP), reports that our newest beneficiary is a young Nigerian-American woman who entered Cal as a junior majoring in public health on a pre-med track. We have sponsored a TAAP student every year since 2003. **Bonnie Kerby-Miller** sponsored a TAAP student most recently. We've also sponsored a Leadership Award scholar annually since 2000, including two students last year. **Midge Zischke** is scheduled to represent the class on March 8 at the Leadership Award Luncheon in the Pauley Ballroom.

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55 We should all be very proud of our class for endowing three CAA Leadership Award Scholarships, which are given out each year. Our outstanding recipients are Kirsty Choi, Class of 2021, from Diamond Bar, majoring in chemical engineering; Laura Smith, Class of Spring 2020, from Anaheim Hills, majoring in computer science; Zoe Merz, Class of 2021, from Carlsbad, majoring

in chemical biology. Our best wishes and congratulations to these outstanding students!
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56 Our classmate **Joan Didion** is the subject of a documentary, *The Center Will Not Hold*, on Netflix. Directed by her nephew, Griffin Dunne, it includes interviews from Joan herself as well as family and friends, reflecting on both her remarkable career and personal struggles. The film was shown at the Woodstock Film Festival this past Oct. to rave reviews. Our class endowment that helps support the Library's Preservation Department and our Class of 1956 conservator, Emily Ramos, were major contributors to the library's exhibit, *Love Across the Global South: Popular Cinema Cultures of India and Senegal*, by preserving ten vintage Bollywood posters that were falling apart.
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58 Our 60th reunion will be held Homecoming Weekend on Friday, Oct. 12, in the Pauley Ballroom. Gather for a reception at 11 a.m., followed by a luncheon and program featuring a talk by Chancellor Carol Christ. The weekend will afford an opportunity to attend lectures, performances, and special events, including the Cal-UCLA football game on Saturday. More information will be in the mail. If you have any questions or would like to attend future planning meetings, email **Roger Samuelsen** at rogsam58@aol.com. Roger has recently completed an oral history of his life and career as an attorney and University administrator, under the auspices of the Oral History Center in the Bancroft Library. He served for a number of years as Director of the University's Natural Reserve System and was involved in site selection for the tenth campus. The second of ten two-hour interviews focuses on our undergraduate years at Cal, including voluntary ROTC, the emergence of SLATE, the dissolution of the Pacific Coast Conference, Billy Graham in the Greek Theatre, and groundbreaking for the new student center. The transcript can be read online at digitalassets.lib.berkeley.edu/roho/uch/text/samuelsen_roger_2017.pdf.
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61 Big Game day is always special, but in 1984, at the Cal and Stanford viewing party in Washington, D.C., our now Class President, Dori Robbins, met Bob McCue, a Stanford alum. On August 26, 2017, Dori became **Dori Robbins McCue**. This is Dori's first marriage and Bob's second. They have

been living in La Jolla since 2004. Big Game day must be interesting in that household. **Heather McCune Thompson** has been hiking with a group of friends from AAUW since the 1970s. The activities have changed a bit (as have the members and their bed requirements) from the original Sierra Trekkers to the Hilton Hikers. There are monthly hikes in many locations with women taking the trails at their own speeds. Future trips include Jackson Hole, Yellowstone, and Jenny Lake.
Class Secretary: Sandra Mitchell, sandramitchellphd@gmail.com

66 Having completed his MBA, **Steven Aronoff** became a mutual fund manager for Scudder Stevens and Clark. Now retired, he volunteers as an investment portfolio manager for a charitable organization, which subsidizes healthcare for the working poor. He is married, has a son and a daughter, and three beautiful grandchildren. **Chris and Linda Baker Carlson** married in Sept. 1966. They have three children (daughter Katherine graduated from Cal) and five grandchildren. In 1982, Linda completed a master's degree in communicative disorder, leading to a career as a speech language pathologist in Santa Monica-Malibu schools and Westside Regional Center. Married to Donna Marie Cook while pursuing his MBA at Cal, **Stephen Wood** served two years in Vietnam. For 36 years, he worked in labor relations for Shell Oil, with assignments in New Orleans, Houston, Bakersfield, and Rotterdam. They have three children and two grandchildren, and live in Lafayette. He currently serves as Co-President of the Berkeley Haas Alumni Network. **Richard Winger** was fascinated with election law while getting his degree in engineering, so he changed careers in 1985. He publishes an election law newsletter, "Ballot Access News." **Patricia Burton Stryker** describes herself as a "non-traditionalist" who has worked in male-dominated fields, including managing port development, security permitting, and construction. An active retiree, she is a scuba instructor and volunteers in nonprofits. She was widowed at 50 when her husband, John Stryker '67, passed away. They have one son.
Class Secretary: Mary Beth Mulvey Buck, 212 East 63rd St, New York, NY 10065, mabuck1@aol.com

68 Join in Cal '68 Quarterly Gatherings: On Dec. 9, former Cal Chancellor Robert Birgeneau spoke to class members and friends about the state of higher education. Join Gatherings on March 10, 2018, on campus, June 2 in the North Bay Area, and June 9 in the South Bay Area. Email Cal68@blueconnect.org for details. The Goldman School of Public Policy Center on Civility & Democratic Engagement (CCDE), founded by the Class of '68, promotes debate and encourages current and future leaders to engage people

of diverse viewpoints and backgrounds in resolving public policy issues. CCDE has been involved in the recent and ongoing efforts to promote free speech and dialogue on campus. CCDE's Faculty Director Dan Lindheim will chair Chancellor Christ's effort to create campus discussions between prominent people of divergent viewpoints. For all CCDE programs or to donate, see gspp.berkeley.edu/centers/ccde/. Many thanks to Class of '68 members and other friends of Cal who have contributed.

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69 **Les Hausrath** is part of a Class of 1969 group that sits behind **Dick Carter** at the Cal football games. Les was one of the founders of the Public Service Center in 1967 while a Cal student and was honored as one of the co-founders at a celebration in October. He graduated from Boalt Hall School of Law in 1973 and is still working as a partner at the Oakland law firm of Wendel, Rosen, Black & Dean. Les started his career with the Legal Aid Society of Alameda County, but has been with the firm for over 36 years. He serves on multiple nonprofit boards and is on two committees for the Napa Land Trust, is co-chair of the Oakland Chamber of Commerce Land Use Committee, and is a mentor for an Oakland college student through the East Bay College Fund. Les married fellow Berkeley alum Linda Clerici 46 years ago and they have one son who graduated from medical school at UCSF and is doing his residency at Stanford (The only disappointment in Les's note).
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72 **Linda Clerici**, who goes by Linda Hausrath, received her MBA from Haas School of Business and is the principal of her own urban economic consulting firm, Hausrath Economics Group, based in Oakland. Linda has done significant work related to development and was recently the project manager for a large study analyzing the economic impact of imposing development impact fees upon new development in Oakland. She is working with a number of the developers doing projects in downtown Oakland. Linda is active in the Chamber of Commerce Land Use Committee.
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74 **Charles Weeden's Poems of Yosemite** is finally done after 40 years of working on it. It joins his other poetry book, *Doing Shots*, and his Bildungsroman, "Dao Jones." He admits he spent more time than he should've in Yosemite during and after his UC years and it has been difficult to capture that attachment. His next book is about the Bay

Area in the '60s and early '70s. **Cynthia (Abruzzini) Brian** has published her 7th book, *Growing with the Goddess Gardener*, first in a series of nine. Her 8th book is due for publication in 2018. Cynthia hosts a weekly lifestyle radio broadcast, *StarStyle*, and produces a youth show, *Express Yourself!* both on the Voice America Network. She is the founder and executive director of the literacy and positive media charity, *Be the Star You Are!* Award-winning author **Susan Alcorn** takes us on two less-crowded Camino de Santiago routes—the Caminos Norte and Primitivo. Through cities and remote villages; along beaches and up mountains; tapas, vino tinto, pulpo, and sidra; solitude and camaraderie. The author's quest was to walk 750 miles while facing challenges with aging and family care.

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78 Rudy Fischer was elected as chairman for Monterey One Water (a regional wastewater services and agricultural and drinking water provider). He is also on the City Council in Pacific Grove and is on the board of Carmel Valley Manor. Rudy retired in mid-year from the Navy's 10th Fleet Cyber Security Group. He spent over 30 years working in high technology; his last position as VP of administration for Pulse Link in San Diego. *Class Secretaries: Jamie Wells Behrendt, PO Box 514, Ross 94957-0514; Karl Keller, 7504 Brentwood Dr, Stockton 95207*

79 Susannah McKay has been accepted as a new Epidemic Intelligence Service (EIS) officer at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). McKay is part of the 2017 incoming class of EIS officers at CDC, where she has embarked on a 2-year on-the-job training and service fellowship in field epidemiology. About 70-80 EIS officers are selected each year from a highly competitive candidate pool. As an EIS officer, McKay will be working in CDC's Division of Viral Diseases branch, focusing on MMR, herpes, and polio. McKay's MPH advisor, Art Reingold (professor and division head of epidemiology), was also an EIS officer.

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80 Your Class Secretary had a wonderful visit with **Susan Wilcox** who visited UC Davis last fall. We caught up on the happenings since our wonderful stint at Ehrman Hall in the 1976-77. After a distinguished career in public service, **Leo O'Farrell** retired as head of the Cal Fresh program for the City and County of San Francisco. Leo spent time visiting with Michael Neal '81 and Jeff Templin '81, two prominent dentists in

Sonoma County. A distinguished tax lawyer in Korea, **Michael Quigley** was married at a beautiful wedding last summer in the Napa Valley. Your class secretary visited with Cary Zeitlin '81, who recently moved to his new home in Vallejo.

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90 David Ribble, professor of biology at Trinity University, has been named associate vice president for Academic Affairs: Budget and Research. He will oversee budget and research priorities for the University. Downey Brand partner **Andrew Collier** was named Best of the Bar 2017.

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91 Cartwheel/Scholastic has acquired **Michele Wong McSween's** board book series *Gordon & Li Li*, in which two panda cousins, one from Beijing, and one from Brooklyn, introduce readers to basic Mandarin words. Each page spotlights a single word in English and pinyin along with the Chinese character and phonetic pronunciation. *My First Mandarin Words with Gordon & Li Li* is slated for 2018.

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93 Rachel P. Paras is the Associate Program Director for the Alameda County Public Health, Nutrition Services Program in the Community Health Services division. She works to advance health equity in the communities in which she lives and works. Rachel remains active in the campus Pilipino American Alumni Chapter. She lives in Union City with her husband and two children. Via social media, Rachel reconnected with fellow graduate, **Angelica G. Garay**. They are the only two Reseda High School students from their class who matriculated to Cal. Angelica earned her B.A. in psychology and is a Social Services Program Manager for the County of Santa Clara. She was one of the pioneers in creating and implementing the Affordable Care Act in Santa Clara County in 2013. She continues to follow her passion of advocating for the most under-represented in our communities and is a member of organizations that defend and give voice to groups that are discrimination targets. Although Angelica is originally from southern California and enjoys living and working in Santa Clara County, her wish is to retire in Berkeley. Angelica and her sons, Angel (21) and Javier (18) are Cal football fanatics and attend many games, both at home and away. Rachel also reunited with her freshman dorm mates, **Alice "EE" Wang Kachinski, Maureen A. Salas, Karen Dere** and **Maria Magallanes**. They rented an Airbnb in Berkeley and gallivanted throughout the Bay Area attending the Grace

Rualo Asuncion Memorial/Life Celebration on campus, dancing silent disco at the Hardly Strictly Bluegrass Festival in San Francisco, and clubbing at the DNA Lounge. They even managed to visit their rooms in Cunningham Hall where their friendship started.

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95 Denise Orpustan-Love, who has a Master's in Social Work, recently published a book, *The Mill House Speaks: Seven Pathways to the Ancestral Basque Homeland*, with a foreword by Angeles Arrien, from the Center for Basque Studies Press, at the University of Nevada Reno.

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01 In summer 2017, **Amy Frieden** studied traditional ecological knowledge of the Makushi and the potential of local wisdom to guide conservation initiatives in Guyana. Amy, a teacher at Spiritridge Elementary in Bellevue, WA, took the graduate course in pursuit of her master's degree from Miami University's Advanced Inquiry Program. *Class Secretary: Christina Noz, 800 W Panorama Rd, Tucson, AZ 85704-3912, 520/577-5559, chrismnoz@yahoo.com*

11 Send in your class notes to **Lizz Campos**, a proud Golden Bear who works for the Cal Alumni Association.

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We currently have no class secretary listed for the following classes: '29-'31, '35, '41, '49, '04, '06-'08, '10, '12-'14, and '16. If you are the class secretary, please contact the magazine office at 510/642-5981.

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