

Watch this space for exciting news about Class Notes. We'll be sharing some new developments in the Fall issue as we modernize the CAA website and add new functionality to make sharing news and updates with classmates easier than ever.

Class Secretaries: Email your notes (classnotes@alumni.berkeley.edu) with "Class year" in the subject line. You can also mail a hard copy to Class Notes, California magazine, CAA, 1 Alumni House, Berkeley, CA 94720-7520. Please **bold** class members' names; each class is limited to 250 words. Read our submission guidelines at alumni.berkeley.edu/classnotes. Class notes might be posted on CAA's website.

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50 Our fellow vintners are continuing to produce outstanding wines. **Dick Hafner** and his family have built a long list of satisfied clients from their estate in Healdsburg and avoided the fall fires in that area. **Sally** and **Dick Ingraham** received ribbons for their "Best of Show Whites" and "Most Visited Pouring Station for White Wine" at the Home Winemaker's judging in Napa with their Mockingbird Hill Chardonnay. **Paul McKnight** continues to enjoy his home in the Rossmoor section of Walnut Creek. Bring your dog by for a special treat for Paul. With fond memories of our 68th Class Reunion at the stadium.

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51 At last! The prospect of greeting 2021 with renewed vigor as the COVID-19 vaccine is in our midst. The following members speak well of surviving the 2020 experience: **W. Lloyd Roberts** of Redlands tells of a new residence with his wife at a senior retirement home where great effort was taken in their care. Lloyd retired from a career with the California Teachers' Association. He obtained a pilot's license to keep tabs on all the state activities. "Teacher's Guide to School Law" and "Grievance Manual" are his writings. **Marcia MacDonald Marling**, who resided in San Mateo for many years, now calls Eureka home. Despite the loss of brother

Jack, Marcia enjoys three generations of family with great-granddaughter Terra observing social distancing rules. Now, may we hear more from our class and the survival skills we have all implemented? We are vital alumni greeting 2021, our 70th graduation year!
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52 Hail to California! And happy birthday to all of you who (like me) turned ninety in 2020. Perhaps your celebrations (like mine) were mostly on Zoom. Thanks to technology we can at least see each other smile even when the comments overlap and the sound gets kind of fuzzy. The written word is still an option, and thankfully the mail does go through. Write me a note so this column will have greater interest. In the meantime, best wishes to each of you and cheers for the Golden Crew of '52! Fiat Lux!

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54 **Jack Ken** enjoys reading Class Notes and thought he'd fill us in on some of the alums who live at the Sequoias of Portola Valley. During the pandemic, to make up for the inability to eat or drink together, they're allowed to hike or walk through their semi-wooded campus and the adjacent park trails. Due to their lack of personal contact, Jack said they just learned that **Barbara Kinkead Dolliver** had died in July. **Alice Anderson** and her husband Forest '57 are well; Betty '53, Jack's wife, is holding her own; and Jack is carving large abstract sculptures. What's so unusual about eleven Cal dudes gathering monthly for a confab? They're all octogenarians and widowers, or previously widowed! Seven of the following eight widowers are from the Class of '54: **Bob Denison, John Gwynn, Bob Merrick, Bill Prucha, Don Putnam, Jim Riewerts, Jim Wieking**—and Tom Taylor '55. Three of the widowers are remarried: Dwight Barker '56, Frank Brunk '50 (a nonagenarian), and Pete Newell. **Carole Gerhardt Keim** writes: "Forever grateful for education and lasting friendships made at Cal, and 3 summers on the Lair of the Bear staff. Married to Russell Keim B.S. '50 and M.S. '57, we had 4 children, the youngest ('91). In the years following Russ' death in 1971, I taught in the San Diego Public Schools. In the '70s a 'call' to ministry came and I enrolled in the Pacific School of Religion and was ordained in 1980. Subsequently, I served as regional minister of three regions of the United Church of Christ. Fully retired now,

I live in my beloved Sierra Nevada and enjoy the beauty of the Lake Tahoe region while writing my history in gratitude for my abundant, rich life."

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58 **Ronald Robie** reports: "I am not retired. I am still working as a Justice of the 3rd District Court of Appeal in Sacramento." Ron has been a judge for 38 years—19 at the trial court and 19 at the Court of Appeal. In addition to the court, he has been the Chair of the California Supreme Court Committee on Judicial Ethics Opinions for several years. Ron's wife (of 61 years), Lynn, passed on in 2019. Lynn served as a member of the Sacramento City Council for 13 years. She was only the second woman elected on her own. She was also an active nurse at her death. All this law and politics rubbed off on their children. Son Todd is a lawyer in private practice in Sacramento, and daughter Melissa is a paralegal for the California Attorney General. **Nancy Belling Boyarsky** relates that before early retirement, she took an extension course in mystery writing. She finished her first novel in 1998, but couldn't find a publisher. Looking at the heap of rejection letters, she decided this wasn't fun anymore and turned to painting. Her artwork appeared in a number of shows, including the international exhibition at Filoli in Woodside. In 2013, she decided to self-publish her rejected mystery, *The Swap*, on Amazon. A review attracted a publisher who took over publication of *The Swap*, which won a gold medal in the Eric Hoffer book awards and was an eBook best seller. She has since had four more mysteries published and is working on the next, which will come out next year. She is also director and producer of her husband **Bill Boyarsky's** ('56) podcast, *Inside Golden State Politics*, found online. Bill retired as city editor of the *Los Angeles Times* in 2001. He has since taught at Cal's journalism department, USC, and Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern. In addition to his previous books, he's written two biographies during retirement and is working on a third. **Roger Samuelson** and his wife, Jeane, lost a precious son a few months ago. Jamie Samuelson was a respected and much loved sports announcer in the Detroit area. A few days before his death, he told his audience he had stage-4 colon cancer and urged everyone to have a colonoscopy. We embrace the family in our thoughts and hearts.

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61 Heather McCune Thompson was in Berkeley years before most of us. She has fond memories of watching Cal football games in 1949 from her home near Panoramic Drive above the stadium. She joined other kids who were allowed into the stadium for the games' ends. She recalls the strange sight of Pappy Waldorf being carried on players' shoulders after a win. **Priscilla Spires Wegars** has been using this "lockdown" phase of life publishing another book, *Polly Bemis: The Life and Times of a Chinese American Pioneer*. Polly was brought to Idaho Territory when she was 18 in 1872. Her life had been romanticized, and Pris wrote this book to counter the stereotyped and untrue legends which have been in circulation. The cover features a recently found photo of Polly (Caxon/AACC, 2020). **Joy Holmes Maguire** reports that the class council will be starting Zoom meetings to discuss ideas and examine options for our 60th anniversary before the Reunion Committee begins its work. Life continues! Let us know how you have put this strange year to advantage.

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66 Belinda Shigley Farrell has authored a book that could be a coping mechanism for the pandemic: *Find Your Friggin' Joy*. Published by Balboa Press in 2013, it draws on Ancient Hawaiian Teachings to teach us how to bring our lives into balance and unleash our personal potential. A certified Master Hypnotherapist/Past Life Regression as well as a Certified Reconnective Healing Practitioner, Linda practices in Santa Cruz. Broderick Perkins calls her a "New Millennia Renaissance woman offering good health and holistic healing." Under the leadership of **Marilyn Howekamp** and **Michael McGinnis**, the Class of 1966 Endowment Committee has just sent a letter urging our classmates to contribute anew to the Class of 1966 Library Endowment. Now worth almost \$1.3 million, this endowment has "provided support crucial to the Library in pivoting to provide virtual services during the COVID shut-downs." One of the projects it supports is a pick-up service called the "Oski Xpress," which makes material accessible not already available in virtual form. A user can make a request from one of 24 libraries, and then the material is retrieved and made available for touchless pick-up outside Moffitt Library. What a boon for anxious scholars during the pandemic! **Betsy Erkkila** has published her book, *The Whitman Revolution: Sex, Poetry, and Politics*, a collection of influential essays on pairings such as Marx and Whitman, Dickinson and Whitman, and Melville and Whitman.

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67 This has certainly been an interesting year, full of adaptations and surprises. I have found I can order everything online to be delivered and have discovered a new way to attend Catholic Mass—virtually. I now "go" every Sunday to some locations as far away as India, where a recent hymn was set to the music of Peter, Paul and Mary's "500 Hundred Miles!" Here's what's been happening in the lives of some of our classmates: **Sandra Sayre Flattery**: We sold the house we built 20 years ago and moved into a new condo in the town of Ketchum, ID, where we can now walk and bike everywhere and have more time for travel once the pandemic is under control. Like all of you, we have had many challenges in 2020 but pray for a less divisive country and a return to a more normal life in 2021. **Allan Gold**: I'm still hanging in there (most common phrase besides "You're on mute" and "I'm Zoomed out"). I have been working at my school psychology job in Tiburon both remotely and in-person this school year, trying to adapt my services to work with kids and adults behind plexiglass screens and with masks on, and supporting families who are really struggling with keeping their kids engaged with distance learning. We haven't been anywhere at all this fall and winter and will continue to stay hunkered down until we get the vaccine. I'm hoping that because I'm an educator I'll get the vaccine relatively soon. I won't be 75 until August so I'm a little too young for that criterion (first time I've been too young for anything in over 50 years). Of course, there's a lot of Netflix to watch and Zooming with friends, so that has kept us amused. Like everyone, I miss the face-to-face contact with friends, going out to eat, traveling, etc., but I often am thankful that I'm this age. I can't imagine losing everything that we experienced in the '60s at Berkeley. Having lived this many years, we know that even these awful times will end and I am amazed at how resilient and flexible we really can be. **Sheryl Wong**: I have nothing for you.....sigh.....except hoping for a better year in 2021 than 2020! And as always..... Go Bears! **Julie Banning Allen**: I'm hunkered down with dogs and cows, wearing a mask when I leave the ranch and washing my hands relentlessly. I miss Rotary lunches, four days a week at the gym, and public meetings, not to mention dinners with friends and hugging grandchildren. But it has been a pretty good stretch for someone alone on the ranch with a dozen nice Angus cows, a couple of dogs, and a small "pod" of friends nearby. Forced solitude has given us all the opportunity to reevaluate what is important. Otherwise, the ranch hums along especially well now that we are between bulls. For now, all fences are intact and all is peaceful in the pasture. "Rediscovering" art has been my great joy. I set up a "studio-cum-gym" with several sturdy academic easels and lots of tablets, pastels, charcoal, paints, and canvases. I take great comfort grounding

myself in this ground, in this landscape that invents and reinvents itself continually. **William C. Powers, Jr.** was posthumously named President Emeritus of The University of Texas at Austin following a unanimous vote by the UT System Board of Regents in November. A longtime teacher, legal scholar, and advocate for diversity in higher education, Bill served as the president of UT Austin from 2006 to 2015. He was widely known for his scathing 2002 report detailing the collapse of the Enron Corporation. Bill continued teaching until his death in March of 2019. *Class Secretary: Diana Powers, 100 Marin Center Drive, #14, San Rafael 94903,
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68 Class of '68 gatherings continue. Gatherings are for classmates, all alums and friends of Cal. Given the current reality of keeping flexible with schedules, there will be more information on upcoming Gatherings in the near future. To join the Class of '68 email list, please contact Cal68@blueconnect.org and tell your friends. The Goldman School of Public Policy (GSPP) Center on Civility & Democratic Engagement (CCDE) Founded by the Class of '68: The GSPP/CCDE Civility Fellowships Program continues to provide funding availability for eligible Advanced Policy Analysis (APA) projects advancing the Center's mission. Criteria for projects include engaging an APA client and crafting a scope-of-work that is a solid fit with the Center's mission and the Fellowship's purposes. This includes: strategic-management studies of "trailblazer" organizations in civic engagement; design and/or evaluation of citizen-driven projects in local government; and policy analyses addressing challenges to civility and/or engagement and recommending necessary reforms. CCDE continues to provide funding support for Cal undergraduates attending the UC in Washington DC (UCDC) program. Three Cal students will receive funding awards for the Spring 2021 semester to be held virtually for both classes and internships. Photos, bios, and essays by these students and those who have received funding from the Center in the past are available at: <https://gspp.berkeley.edu/centers/ccde/program/uc-in-washington-dc-fellowships>. For CCDE programs, including digital recordings of public lectures, see: <https://gspp.berkeley.edu/centers/ccde/public-events>. Thanks also to those who contributed to The Big Give last spring and those who contribute to the Center ongoing. See: <https://gspp.berkeley.edu/centers/ccde/give-to-the-center>.

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69 Alan C. Mendelson retired from Latham & Watkins LLP effective Dec. 31, 2020, after 47 years of law practice.

Alan expects to serve on the board of directors of at least one public biotechnology company and as a special advisor to several other life sciences companies. He has also joined the Board of Trustees of the Buck Institute for Research on Aging and is continuing to serve on the Board of Trustees of the UC Berkeley Foundation, the board of the UC Berkeley Library, the board of advisors of the UC Berkeley College of Chemistry and as a member the University of California Innovation Council.

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70 Steven Pope recently self-published his first novel, *And Like More Perfect*, at age 72. His book, which features tales of time travel, crime, isolation, and exile, can be found at: <https://amzn.to/3tG6YgB>.
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74 Susan Alcorn, has announced a new hiking book, *Walk, Hike, Saunter: Seasoned Women Share Tales and Trails*, based on interviews with inspiring women hikers—all of whom are ages 45 or greater. Meet Elyse ‘Chardonnay’ Walker, the first African-American woman to earn the Triple Crown of hiking (an award for hiking the

Pacific Crest, Appalachian, and Continental Divide trails). Read about Marcia ‘Got-taWalk’ Powers, the first woman to walk across the U.S. on the American Discovery Trail. Learn about three women who are also “trail angels”—they’ve helped hundreds of PCT thru-hikers. Hiking can be rewarding at any age; planning, training, and otherwise preparing greatly increase the likelihood of a successful outing.

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75 Jennifer Keller, a nationally prominent attorney at Keller/Anderle LLP in Irvine, has been named to the list of “Top Women Lawyers of 2020,” as selected by the Los Angeles and San Francisco Daily Journals. This is the twelfth time Jennifer has been selected for the Top Women Lawyers award.
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78 Dan Harder has published his novel, *Rancho de Amor*, with Berkeley publisher West Margin Press. Kirkus Review calls this debut romance “an entertaining, thoughtful take on the odd-couple romance.” Harder is a poet, playwright, and is currently working on a libretto about the life of Paul Robeson for the Oakland Symphony.
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83 Steve Carr, Ph.D., has won an Editor’s Choice Award from the journal *Genome*, Canada’s most prestigious genetics publication, for research on the “persistence of ancient Beothuk and Maritime Archaic mitochondrial DNA genome lineages among modern Native American peoples.” His research establishes connections between culturally extinct inhabitants of Newfoundland and modern indigenous peoples. The work was done in cooperation with the local Mi’kmaq community, the Miawpukek First Nation. **Mitch Rosenberg** has qualified for Top of the Table, a coveted milestone achievement for their membership in the Million Dollar Round Table (MDRT). Mitch’s membership equips him with tools and resources to better serve his local community.
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85 Matthew Mauldon, an associate professor of civil and environmental engineering in the College of Engineering at Virginia Tech, has been conferred the title of

associate professor emeritus by the Virginia Tech Board of Visitors.

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96 Diana Farid has published her debut trade picture book, *When You Breathe*. It is a timely picture book about the biology of respiration using poetry and art, published by Abrams.
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04 Pinar Karaca-Mandic co-founded the University of Minnesota COVID-19 Hospitalization Tracking Project, and has been tracking hospitalizations across all states, publishing peer reviewed papers and posts, and also providing the visualization of trends and rates. The Project was able to analyze new hospital facility data from HHS and release a county-level visualization of the percentage of beds occupied by COVID-19 patients for the first time in the country. Pinar has met with the *New York Times*, *WSJ*, *NBC Universal* and *NPR*, helping their data teams work with these data as well.
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05 Nguyen B. Pham has been appointed to Mensa Education and Research Foundation’s Board of Trustees. Nguyen joined American Mensa in 2010 and helped with annual fundraising events. “We officially raised \$100,000-plus for the Foundation, and that’s astounding,” said Nguyen. “I love that I’m a part of that milestone. I share that milestone with so many incredible volunteers.”
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10 Jeff Goodman published his debut children’s book, *Feel Like Eggs?*, earlier this year. Featuring playful rhymes and charming illustrations, the book is a light-hearted introduction to social-emotional learning for the little ones in your life. A former *Daily Californian* sports editor, Jeff was inspired to write the book—which centers around a carton of a dozen eggs, each with a different emotion—following the birth of his daughter in late 2019.

We currently have no class secretary listed for the following classes: '29-'31, '35, '39, '41, '49, '06-'08, '10, '12-'14, and '16-'20. If you are the class secretary, please contact the magazine office at classnames@alumni.berkeley.edu or 510/642-5981.

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