



Lassen High

Alumni Association

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APRIL 2016

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



HOWDY!

The Spring Social was held at the Susanville Senior Citizen Center on Wednesday March 9, 2016. The social was well attended and everyone truly enjoyed a great potluck meal.

Thank you to **Deanna French**, Social Chairperson and her committee of **Kim Brown**, **Kathryn Dempsey**, and **Sunny Miscione** on the well-planned event.



David French

It is the tradition of the Association to induct an Honorary Member each year during the Spring Social event. Congratulations to Mr. **Bob Wall** on becoming the new Association Honorary Member. During the social, Mr. Wall was recognized for his many accomplishments during his long career as a Teacher/Coach at Lassen High School.

Our annual Alumni Picnic will be held on Saturday June 18, 2016 at the Lassen County Fairgrounds (Jensen Hall) beginning at 11:00 AM. Please return your completed picnic registration form (located within this newsletter) at your earliest convenience. The picnic is going to be a big event that you won't want to miss.

As always we appreciate hearing from our Alumni Members, so please keep sending those letters and e-mails. Also, remember that we are always looking for new classmate members to join our Association.

Have a great spring and summer and I will see you all at the Annual Association Picnic.

~ David French

Calendar of Events

APRIL 2016

General MeetingApril 13th, 2016
Board of Supervisors Room, 707 Nevada St at 5:00 PM

MAY 2016

Scholarship Selections.....May 4th, 2016
Board of Supervisors Room, 707 Nevada St at 6:00 PM

JUNE 2016

General MeetingJune 8th, 2016
Board of Supervisors Room, 707 Nevada St at 5:00 PM

Annual PicnicJune 18th, 2016
Lassen County Fairgrounds — Jensen Hall at 11:00 AM

JULY 2016

No General Meeting



Merchandise

Framed Drawing.....	\$50.00
Visors	\$10.00
Hats (gold or purple)	\$18.00
Polo Shirts	\$22.00
Purple T-Shirts	\$10.00
Scarves (gold and purple)	\$ 7.00
Knitted Hats (gold and purple)	\$ 5.00
Mittens (gold and purple)	\$ 5.00
Headbands (gold and purple).....	\$ 5.00
Mouse Pads	\$ 5.00
Stylus Ink Pens	\$ 3.00
Magnets	\$ 2.50
Ink Pens	\$ 1.50
Antenna Balls	\$ 1.00

REMEMBERING TERRY WOOD

by Kim Brown & Sandy Mineau

“Only one man comes to mind when talking about the history of Lassen County Sports. He’s a man who has followed local sports since he was in grade school and through the years has played an intricate role in making sports more than just an ordinary aspect of the Susanville community. He’s a man who has helped transform county sports into something the community can identify with. In a way, he has been the unofficial spokesman of Lassen sports.” Rob Brockmeyer – Lassen County Times

Terry Wood was born in Susanville. He attended the local grammar schools, where he showed himself to be an outstanding student. While at Lassen High School, he served as the Sports Editor for “The Grizzly” for two years. He graduated in 1965 and was the recipient of the Lassen College Lysle Trabert Journalism Scholarship. His love of sports and writing continued there, when he became the Sports Editor of “The Cougar”. After graduation in 1967, he attended Fresno State College where he received his Bachelor’s Degree in 1969. Upon his return to Susanville, he was hired as the Director of Music, News, and Sports for KSUE. Four years later, he became the Sports Editor for the Lassen Advocate.



Terry was a true PR man for Lassen county sports. His style of writing was always positive and he would include as many names as possible so that everyone was mentioned. In Terry’s eyes they were all heroes and worthy of recognition.

Some of **Terry’s** numerous accomplishments include promoting the newly formed Bobby Sox league through his reporting and attendance, even traveling to the Nationals to add his support and keep stats. He also served as President and coached for Babe Ruth. For 45 years **Terry** was the “voice” you heard at basketball, softball, and volleyball games at the both the high school and the college. If there was a game in town Terry would be there to announce, keep stats or just lend support. He also volunteered his time to mentor and tutor students for the LCC journalism class.

For his selfless dedication **Terry** has received numerous cards, letters, certificates, plaques, t-shirts, jackets, and jerseys from the athletes, coaches, schools, and parents. In 2007, the Lassen High Alumni Association selected him the Alumni of the Year and in 2014 the announcer’s booth at Memorial Park was named in his honor.

Terry was an avid Giant’s and 49’ers fan; he had a large music collection and an extensive baseball card collection which he started in 1959. He also loved to

participate in the Diamond Mountain karaoke night, winning first place in several of their competitions.

He was a man that was loved by many and his enthusiasm and dedication will be missed by all whose lives he touched.

The family would like to establish a Memorial Scholarship Fund in memory of Terry. If you would like to contribute, please send to: LHAA, PO Box 471, Susanville, CA 96130.

Remember When?

by Tim Purdy

I thought I would provide a brief history of the Susanville Elks Lodge. After all, it has a long association with high school activities, and of course, has been the scene of numerous class reunions.

In 1884, J.G. Leonard, a dentist purchased the vacant lot for \$450. Leonard, who originally studied to be an architect, designed the building. All the rooms initially were octagonal, with the exception of the kitchen/dining area. In November 1884, Leonard hired local contractor, Charles Odette to build his residence. In February 1885, Leonard moved into the house, but it was not finished, and he would never complete it. In 1890, Leonard filed bankruptcy and William Greehn took possession of the building. Greehn used it as a rental, charging \$15 a month.

In 1908, Joel Swain, who changed occupations from farmer to bar owner purchased the residence. It was Swain who finally completed the residence and made substantial improvements to the property. Tragedy struck the family, when Joel died in the 1918 influenza epidemic. His wife, Annie remained in the house raising their four children.

In 1921, a group of Susanville businessmen formed an Antlers Club, the first step towards an Elks Club. In 1922, they approached Annie Swain and she sold the house to them for \$13,000. Annie retained a parcel to the south and built a new home. In 1924, the Antlers Club received their charter to become Elks Lodge No. 1487.

Over the years it has been remodeled and in 1948 the current hall was built. In 1971, the north wing was constructed to provide a kitchen and dining area.



The new lodge hall as it appeared in 1949.

DEARLY DEPARTED

Since the Alumni are scattered everywhere, whenever you hear of the unfortunate passing of one, please let us know, so we can relay that in the newsletter.

Margery Ross Larrea.....	1940
Robert DeWitt.....	1941
Luella Fraley Katen.....	1944
Harold "Hal" McClelland.....	1944
Leopoldo Preciado.....	1950
Stanley Huhtala.....	1951
Charles Taylor Tolton.....	1953
Carol Drake Martial.....	1954
Velda Reid Danielson.....	1958
Bruce Hight.....	1958
Robert L. Grohs.....	1959

Peggy Rigsbee Mankins.....	1959
Sharon Smith Bauman.....	1964
Terry Wood.....	1965
Tom Cook.....	1967
Albert Valadez.....	1971
Rocky Mace Tow.....	1973
Jeff Bauman.....	1983
Kenneth Bauer.....	1984
Elliott Dow.....	2002

NEW MEMBERS

Carol Cramer.....	1964
Terry Contival Cerduain.....	1966
Patricia Toland Senn.....	1969
Susanna Uptegrove.....	1977
Bob Wall.....	Honorary



Memorial Donations

Donations help to support our association and there is no required amount. Acknowledgements are sent to the donor and to the family members. If you can provide the names and addresses of the recipients it would be greatly appreciated.

Donor

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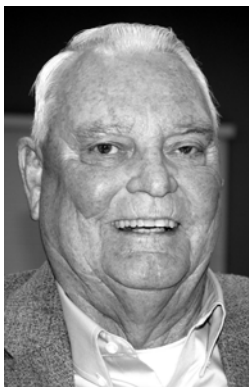
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Glenda Quarisa.....	Glenn Wemple, Darrell Bottini, Jimmy Edwards, Elliot Dow, Curt McFarland, Billy Neely, Velda Reid Danielson
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Phillip Dow.....	Dave Foster
Raymond Reed.....	Dick Hart
Annarae Luevano.....	Bobby Grohs, Sharon Heard
Verna Wemple.....	Luella Fraley Katen, Hal McClelland
Bob, Garnie & Rob Pinneo.....	Hal McClelland
Joe & Ginger Fitzgerald.....	Hal McClelland
Tim Purdy.....	Jimmy Edwards, Dave Foster, Elliott Dow
Linda Kennedy.....	Dave Foster
Ross Butler.....	Dick Hart, Margeret Mitchell Butler, Katy Mitchell Murillo, Mark R. Butler
Carolyn McKenzie Schaeffer.....	Pat Butler Corum, Ruth Miller Williams, Gino Tonin, Fred Ithurnburn, Jodell Diggle Wilson
Norma Farano.....	Rocky Tow
Nancy Wemple.....	Glenn Wemple, Fred Ithurnburn, Donna Warner Castleberry, Denny Elledge, Hal McClelland
Sue Farstad.....	Elliott Dow, Hal McClelland, Bob DeWitt
Dana Wemple.....	Hal McClelland
George & Donna Sargent.....	Carol Cox Carver, David Foster, Dorothy Tassi, Sharon Heard, Terry Wood, Nicholas Allen Jones, Wendy Sanchez Ithurnburn
Ken & Shelia McCullough.....	Lorraine Langley Yarbrough, Terry Wood
Kim Brown.....	Bob DeWitt
Jim Chapman.....	Terry Wood, Dave Foster, Ed Giacomelli, Denny Elledge, Leo Gutierrez, Wendy Sanchez Ithurnburn, Rocky Tow, Sharon Heard, Marge Larrea, Nicholas Jones

2016 Spring Social

by Maria Fregulia and Kim Brown

The Lassen High School Alumni Association held their annual Spring Social on Wednesday, March 9, 2016 at the Lassen Senior Center. There was a variety of delicious food, lots of socializing and laughter and of course many shared memories. **Bob Wall** was chosen as the Association's 2016 Honorary Member.

Bob began his teaching career at Lassen High School as a Social Science and Physical Education Instructor in 1966. He taught and coached for 37 years before retiring and he had a profound influence on many of his students and athletes.



He started and coached Girls Cross Country, Track, Basketball and Golf. His dedication of time and energy to girl's athletics opened up the world of sports for young women at Lassen High School. He was the Head Coach for Track & Field and Cross Country for years, exhibiting the organizational skills needed to run track meets at Arnold Field, many times in the cold and windy days of a Lassen County spring. He also was an assistant coach for Girls Softball for two years.

Bob has been married to his wife Carol for 50 years. They have two children, son Mike and daughter Denise. Mike, who is a 1986 Lassen High School graduate, is a teacher and coach at Folsom High School. Denise, who graduated in 1989, is a Professor of Nursing at Sacramento State University.

He and Carol now spend their days attending their grandsons' numerous sporting events. Bob's new hobby is playing golf and being the "team" photographer for his grandsons' sports teams.

Mr. Wall was presented with a plaque, membership card, guest book, and an alumni stylus/ink pen.



Above, *l to r*, **CAROL WALL**, **BOB WALL** and **MARIA FREGULIA**.

Below middle, **MARIA FREGULIA** presenting the 2016 Honorary Member **BOB WALL** with his plaque .

Below bottom, *l to r*, **CLARENCE TRIPP**, **JACKIE TRIPP**, **GAIL VALCESCHINI**, **PORTIA KORVER**, **SOPHIA WAGES**, **JEAN MARINONI** leading the line through another outstanding potluck prior to the ceremonies.





Left, the role played by Coach Wall, along with Coach Lytjen, in promoting girls athletics at Lassen in the late 1960s and the 1970s was shared by Sophia Wages and Wanda Bushong.



Above, one of the Story Boards created by Maria Fregulia celebrating the career of Coach Wall's teaching and coaching at Lassen High School.

Above, A Story Board created by Maria Fregulia sharing some of the members on teams coached by Bob Wall.



Left, Coach JIM LYTJEN, JAY RICE, Coach BOB WALL and SOPHIA WAGES.



Left, *l to r*, RON HARRISON, ELVIRA HARRISON, LINDA KORVER and DONNA SARGENT.

Right, Coach JIM LYTJEN and Alumni Vice President KIM BROWN.

Below, former members of teams coached by Bob Wall during his career at Lassen spoke of the impact he had on their lives, *l to r*, JIM CHAPMAN, LEROY KIRBY, SOPHIA WAGES, BOB WALL, WANDA BUSHONG and JAY RICE.

photos by Jim Chapman



MAIL BAG

by Sandy Mineau

Good Afternoon. I was so pleased with the article about Dugan that I shared it with a friend that does a daily newsletter, Shayne Del Cohen. Shayne was familiar with Dugan's work and was delighted to include the article in her newsletter. Shayne is a consultant to many Tribes for cultural and financial support and The Journal has a distribution of over 1500, many Native Americans, but also political, academic, and journalists.

I hope you do not mind. I wanted to share a LUHS success story. I really enjoy the newsletter and read it as soon as received. Thank you for your hard work.

— **Leila "Kay" Thompson**, Class of 1956

In August of 2015, the class of 1940 held their 75th reunion. Before Ronald Trussell passed away, he made Alfeo Dal Favero promise to continue the reunions. Beginning with the 71st reunion, the alumni have met yearly in the Sacramento region, where a significant number of the classmates settled. Each year when I accompany my mother, Eva Giraldo Cramer, I am amazed at how many classmates attend, write letters, or call. They enjoy sharing WWII stories and memories of their experiences at Lassen High School. The story of the Spanish teacher, who taught them very little Spanish, is always entertaining. There will continue to be superior teachers and weak teachers. Of course, all of them bemoan the fact that the old high school was torn down. May the class of 1940 continue to enjoy their reunions.

— **Carol Cramer**, Class of 1964

Surplus Annuals Available!

Thanks to the high school, we have an inventory of new yearbooks for the following years: 1989, 1990, 1992, 1994, 1998, 1999, 2001, 2002, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2013, and 2014.

They are available at Margie's Book Nook, 722 Main Street, Susanville, CA 96130. You can eMail the store at: margiesbooknook@citlink.net. Additionally, you may mail your order to LHAA, P.O. Box 471, Susanville, CA 96130. We are asking for a donation of \$10.00 plus \$5.00 for shipping.

All donations will benefit our scholarship fund.

Special Thanks . . .

We would like to thank **Valerie Simmons** and **Ted Brown** for donating yearbooks to our collection. Valerie sent us a copy from 1962 and Ted sent one from 1968. We would also like to thank **David Teeter** for storing our new yearbooks and for assisting us with the inventory and distribution.

Reunions

Attention **Class of 1951** alumni. The class reunion for the class of 1951 will be held at the Diamond Mountain Casino and Hotel on June 18, 2016 at 6:00 PM. A buffet dinner will be served and the cost of the buffet including gratuity will be \$26.60. If you plan to attend (and I hope that you will) please contact me, **Nick Osa** at; H (916) 652 6302; C (916) 677 9420 or email nosa@starstream.net

The **Class of '56** will be celebrating their 60th year class reunion on Saturday, June 18, 2016 (the evening of the Alumni Picnic) at Lassen Ale Works (Pioneer, uptown Susanville). Reservations are due May 2, 2016. For more information contact **Charlene** at 257-4758.

Lassen High School **Class of 1981** presents, 2nd Annual Lassen At The Lake, an "All Classes Reunion" Saturday, July 9th, 2016, 2p.m. – 10pm, Eagle Lake West Eagle Group Campground on Gallatin Rd., BBQ Potluck & Journey Tribute Band, \$20 per person. Bring your own meat to BBQ plus a generous side dish for the potluck BBQ. Bring your own beverage and lawn chairs. All classes invited to attend. Camping is available. For more info on this awesome event and to pay for this awesome event go to www.lassenhighreunion.com Contact: **Kathleen Jones** at 707-357-2806 or **Marcie Kliewer Adams** at (530)474-3960 or you can email marcieadams1962@gmail.com.



Several Alumni recently had a blast participating in a "Cork & Canvas" event at the Lassen County Arts Council re-creating Claude Monet's "Water Lilies". The event was led by Alum **DAVID HOLSEY '68**. Those participating included (l. to r.) **NANCY WILLIAMS HOLSEY '75**, **David Holsey**, **BARBARA GENTRY '70** and **JIM CHAPMAN '72**.

ALUMNI PICNIC REGISTRATION FORM

DUE JUNE 4, 2016

INFORMATION:

Date: June 18, 2016 **Location:** Jensen Hall (Lassen County Fair Grounds)
Time: 11:00 am – 4:00 pm **Cost:** \$18.00 per person

Menu: BBQ Tri-Tip, Chicken, Cheesy Potatoes, Chili, Caesar Salad, Potato Salad, Rolls, Watermelon, assorted Cookies, Sodas, and Water.

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_____ *I can help with the setup*

_____ *I can help with cleanup*

\$ _____ @ \$18.00 for lunch

\$ _____ +\$2.00 Scholarship donation?

\$ _____ **TOTAL Enclosed**

Return you Registration Form by June 4th to:

Lassen High Alumni Association
PO Box 471
Susanville, CA 96130

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Please help us make your picnic a memorable one. We must have your registration and payment by **June 4, 2016**. This will enable us to have pre-printed nametags, LUHS placemats and sufficient food for all of our attendees.

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