



Reunited

...and it feels so good!

Acceptance of aging
will add peace to your path
And you will be
all the more beautiful because of it.
-Author unknown

A Newsletter for the Awesome AHS Class of '59 Volume 8, Number 2 - August 2007

THE CLASS OF '59 IS CRUISIN' TO HAWAII
NOVEMBER 6 - NOVEMBER 21, 2008



Aloha Hawaii
The vacation we all deserve!



Aloha! We have eight classmates, plus spouses and friends (shown below) already signed up for the AHS Class of '59 Hawaii Cruise. We hope you will join us on this 15-night Cruise and see the country's 50th state (since August 21, 1959) up close and personal. Visit the Pearl Harbor USS Arizona Memorial, the Punchbowl Cemetery, the Hawaiian Cultural Center, and the North Shore of Oahu. Take a glass-bottom boat, check out the waterfalls on the big island, go on a scuba dive (Kona, Hawaii), check out the volcanoes on the other side (Hilo, Hawaii), attend a luau on Ka'anapali Beach on Maui, zip along the tree line, or just walk along the beaches. There is plenty for everyone's interest and budget. We have had classmates who are thinking about sharing a cabin. Let me know if you might have a similar interest.



The specific numbered rooms that we had reserved have expired, but there is still space on the same, or other decks. We had initially held space for 18 staterooms. That number will continue to be held until December 1, 2007, at which time Celebrity can start releasing those for which they do not have a deposit. A deposit of \$900 is needed, per stateroom. It is due in full on August 28, 2008. We have earned one discount for the 8 staterooms reserved so far. A second discount will be earned at 16 staterooms. Total discount dollars earned will be split among those signed up. Our travel agent will stay on top of any other special rate offers and will get us the lowest fare possible. We will also get a "favor" from our agent—the last time (*Alaska 2001*) we received red tee shirts proclaiming, AHS "Cruisin' at 60."

To make a reservation, call **Linda Scott at 972-625-2439**. She will need your name, address, phone number, email address, credit card number, etc. Be sure to say you're part of the AHS Class of '59. **YOU WILL NEED A PASSPORT** for this Cruise, as we do stop in Ensenada, Mexico for one hour on the

way home. If you have any questions, you can email me at the address below or Linda at lindal.scott@mindspring.com. Please copy me on emails to Linda if you are asking questions. I would like to stay informed so that I can pass the answers on to the entire group. If you'd like to look at the deck plan or shore excursions, you can go online at www.celebritycruises.com.

I have set up a Distribution List for all who have expressed an interest, or who went on the Panama Canal Cruise last year and, therefore, would be eligible for the Celebrity Cruise Line's Captain's Club. If you know of any other classmates, family, or friends who would like to cruise with us, forward the information to them and let me know so I can add them to the general Hawaii Cruise Distribution List. *Come Sail Away*



DATE:	November 6, 2008 – November 21, 2008
SHIP:	MERCURY - Celebrity Cruise Line
COST:	US Dollars per person, based on double occupancy
	Inside (Category 11) \$1,263.79
	Ocean View (Category 7) \$1,463.79
	Balcony (Category 2A) \$2,353.79

ITINERARY

DAY	DATE	PORT/CITY	ACTIVITY	ARRIVE	DEPART
Thursday	11/06/08	San Diego			5:00 PM
Friday	11/07/08	At Sea			
Saturday	11/08/08	At Sea			
Sunday	11/09/08	At Sea			
Monday	11/10/08	At Sea			
Tuesday	11/11/08	Honolulu, Oahu	Docked	3:00 PM	
Wednesday	11/12/08	Honolulu, Oahu			8:00 PM
Thursday	11/13/08	Kailua Kona, Hawaii	Tendered	7:00 AM	5:00 PM
Thursday	11/13/08	*Mt. Kilauea Evening Sail	Cruising	11:59 PM	
Friday	11/14/08	Hilo, Hawaii	Docked	8:00 AM	7:00 PM
Saturday	11/15/08	Lahaina, Maui	Docked	7:00 AM	7:00 PM
Sunday	11/16/08	At Sea			
Monday	11/17/08	At Sea			
Tuesday	11/18/08	At Sea			
Wednesday	11/19/08	At Sea			
Thursday	11/20/08	At Sea			
Friday	11/21/08	Ensenada, Mexico	Docked	1:00 AM	2:00 AM
Friday	11/21/08	San Diego		7:00 AM	
		*Active Volcano			

The following classmates, plus spouses & friends have already signed up for the cruise: Roy & Cathy Garr, Vern & Shari (Akerlund) Jobst, Betty (Stiefbold) Romanick, Alan & Jill Purvis, Ed & Janet Wahl, Bill & Marlene Neurauter, Doug & Anna Marie Yates and Bob & Kathy Wake.

Thanks, Bob Wake
630 337-6019 Cell; 630-718-9264 Home
bobwake@wideopenwest.com



GATLINBURG MINI-REUNION
OCTOBER 10-15, 2007

Let's See Tennessee!

**IT'S NOT TOO LATE
 TO MAKE RESERVATIONS!**

HERE ARE THE DETAILS (one more time): <http://parkvista.com/>

- Park Vista Hotel & Convention Center, 1-800-421-7275
 - Mention: Arlington Heights High School Class of 1959
 - October 10-15, 2007 (5 nights)
 - Single, Double, Triple, or Quad.....\$109/Night
 - One Bedroom Suite.....\$185/Night
 - Two Bedroom Suite.....\$330/Night
- (Plus 12.5% Sales Tax)

So far, forty-six people have signed up for this great get-away. If everyone finds one more couple to join us, we would have an unbelievable turnout. I will be contacting all the attendees personally in July to make sure everyone is signed up for their preferred activities. It is very important for anyone staying at a hotel other than the Park Vista to let me know. I want to make sure you are included in all the activities.

You will be paying for three events through me:

- Biltmore Estate (includes bus, entrance fee, (and bag breakfast) -- \$60 / person
- Chimney Tops Picnic -- \$5 / person
- Country Tonight Show -- \$18 / person



It is imperative that we confirm head-count by October 1 to qualify for price breaks. Therefore, please send your checks by **October 1, 2007, payable to:**



Michael Kauffman
 339 Thompson Lane
 Rutledge, TN 37861
 865-828-8976
kauff@frontiernet.net

All other meals and activities are on an individual basis and preference, with the exception of the Welcome Party on Wednesday evening and the Continental Breakfast Thursday morning, which I will be providing.

I will be sending letters to all attendees in August with added information, suggestions, and travel tips. Please let me know if you are flying or driving. For those flying, we will try to coordinate a pickup or van/taxis from McGhee-Tyson airport in Knoxville to Gatlinburg.

We hope to see YOU in Gatlinburg!



Thanks,
 Mike & Pat



The world is a great book...they who never stir from home read only one page. -St. Augustine

ROCKY MOUNTAIN CHAPTER

Out to LUNCH!

Lunch Bunch!

The Colorado Chapter of AHS gathered at *The Cheesecake Factory* in Boulder for a delightful lunch on a beautiful day in June.



Beginning in the right foreground are guests from Illinois, Sherrill & Al Sander, Jean (Sullivan) Fischer, Roland Kehe, Jim Timmermann '58, Jan (Lunsmann) Acker, Cindy Elterman, and June (Hall) Timmermann.



June, Cindy, Jan & Jean

The ladies are planning a lunch together sometime in August. If any ladies care to join us, the more the merrier. *Brasserie 10/10*, another Boulder restaurant, has been suggested.

Jan (Lunsmann) Acker has generously offered her mountain home in Silverthorne for a AHS-Colorado get-together in 2008.

HOMETOWN CHAPTER



HomeTown Picnic!



A little rain didn't dampen spirits at the HomeTown Picnic held on June 23, 2007. Joining in on the fun and fellowship were Bob & Kathy Wake, John & Marj (Ibbotson) Kelly, Jeff Inkley, Doug & Anna Marie Yates, Sally Carl, Dan Schmeichel, Al & Jill Purvis, Charlie & Sharon Buckeridge, Bill & Marlene Neurauter, Mike & Pat (Goebel) Kauffman, Carol (Schoenfeld) Bohn, John & Robin Kruk, Vern & Shari (Ackerlund) Jobst (pictured above), Gary & Nancy (Deming) Snell, Gene & Karen (Flack) Sandstrom, Tom & Carol (Haegle) Thompson, Russ Johnson and Pat (Mahler) McDonald.



Jeff
 Inkley

Mike
 Kauffman

It was especially nice to see Mike & Pat (Goebel) Kauffman who drove all the way from Rutledge, TN just to attend the picnic. They set up a table loaded with brochures and maps for those of us planning to make the mini-reunion to Gatlinburg this October.

*The most wasted of all days
 is one without laughter!*
 -E.E. Cummings

CLASSMATE SPOTLIGHT BILL EVANS



Hi to the AHS Class of '59,

This is Bill Evans, one of your fellow graduates. My, how time flies when you're having fun, raising a family, and making a few shekels.

Just a few biographical notes: in 1980 I made a very sound decision. I quit the world of business where I had been working since graduation from the University of Illinois in 1964. Most of my early teaching experience was at Trinity College of Vermont (1985-2000). During that time, I received my doctorate in Cincinnati (1994), and subsequently, during the 1990s, had two Fulbrights serving in Romania and Bulgaria in Eastern Europe. Unfortunately, Trinity College of Vermont announced its plan to close in 1999. I was thunderstruck. You all can figure my age in that year. I was simply too young to retire and too old to once again begin the tenure track process. I had to accept one or more Visiting Professorships at Colleges and Universities. I moved to Ithaca, New York and visited Ithaca College, Cornell University, and SUNY Cortland. I retired from teaching in 2006.

Can a hobby become your primary pursuit? Yes! It can—at least in my case, it did. During most of my teaching career, I did a lot of picture taking. Before long, I bought darkroom equipment and began to develop my negatives and to produce large prints of these photographs. Then I joined an arts cooperative with its own gallery. I have belonged to two galleries like this: one in Vermont and one in Ithaca, New York. Recently, I moved to Albuquerque, New Mexico, where I will, this month, have a gallery show of some of my photo output.

I have only one piece of advice for persons nearing retirement. Retirement from a job or a career can be very disturbing to our ego department. It certainly was to mine. Fortunately, I will never have to retire from my new pursuit. My advice to today's managers, teachers, etc., is to have your own beloved hobby, one that rivals your own profession for your attention. Then, when retirement comes, you simply move your hobby into the numero uno position. Of course, the opportunity to spend more time with friends and family is always a plus.

My daughter and her two children also live in Albuquerque. My first wife, Carole, lives in Santa Fe. I have already had wonderful days with all of them!

One last piece of advice, not everyone our age may be able to participate in sports, but if you can, you should. I bicycle nearly every day in warm weather and ski and snowshoe in the winter months. Pick your own sport! Running, walking, golfing, tennis—the list could go on forever. We can't go on forever, but we should enjoy our lives while we can.

Bill Evans



WEBSITE INSIGHT

Visit our website at:
www.arlingtonhigh59.com



Seven years ago, our classmate, Janice (Johnson) Brazeau, (Florida) created our website. In doing so, she provided us with an outstanding way to share our lives and adventures, as well as post news (some sad, some glad) and pictures of our classmates. This highly successful effort has earned Jan several awards, as well as the love and respect of our entire class. The website has been visited many thousands of times and has been the reason so many of our classmates have been found and have become active.

In recent months, Jan has found it increasingly difficult to keep up with the demands of the job of Class Webmaster. Her computer equipment is no longer able to run the necessary programs and her health requires a less vigorous and stressful personal schedule. Therefore, Jan has agreed to work with and train Bill (Willy) Neurauter (Illinois) in the job of Class Webmaster.

Bill started his new job by downloading all the programs Jan has created and has asked for help from other computer savvy classmates. Bill and his team feel that our site, with the possibility of some new looks, will be up and running by early fall this year.



We wish Bill well in his work and thank him for taking on this massive job. To Jan, we say THANK YOU for a job well done. Without your efforts, we would simply not be the outstanding group of friends that we are today. Your long hours and countless late nights spent posting pictures and trying to get people to tell you who is third over from the left in the back row are appreciated more than we can say. To know that you did all this for us while confined to your home due to very serious health issues, is simply beyond our ability to thank you enough. We know you will keep close eyes on Bill to make sure that our website continues to be the outstanding communication tool that you created. Thanks again to both of you.

John Torrens

...and now, a word from Willy: "I'd like to extend a big THANK YOU to Jan for her patience and support while guiding me through the intricacies of our website. She is a great mentor and I'm looking forward to the task in front of me! I am going to be working with a Website Team and our primary goal will be to keep the high standards that Jan has created. Our hope is to add new features, including links to Newsletters, Reunions, Chapter Events, etc., and also forms for updating personal information, such as address & email changes. New ideas and suggestions are welcome." willyneu@comcast.net

Willy Neurauter

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to **MARY O'CONNELL OLSON** and husband, Don, on the birth of their newest grandchildren, **Sarah Elizabeth** and **Eva Elizabeth**. Sarah Elizabeth was born in Milwaukee, WI on March 9 to their older son, Mike, and his wife Amy. Eva Elizabeth was born May 7 in St. Paul, MN to their younger son, Jim, and his wife, Julie. They are delighted and feel especially blessed with two girls so close in age.

IN OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS

Our Prayers and Get-Well Wishes to:

To our classmate's mate, **JOHN KELLY**, husband of **MARJ (IBBOTSON) KELLY**, who is undergoing Cancer treatment.

Our Deepest Sympathy and Prayers go out to:

To our classmates **GARY & NANCY SNELL** and family, on the death of Gary's sister, **Gail A. Voeks**, 50, of Batavia, IL. Gail passed away on February 21, 2007.

To our classmate, **MARTHA MILLS PAPAS** and family, on the death of Martha's mother, **Muriel A. Mills**, 86, of San Antonio, TX. Mrs. Mills passed on February 23, 2007. She and Mr. Mills (Bud) had been married 66 years. Mrs. Mills founded the Youth Center at Recreation Park and most of us attended Cotillion classes under her direction.

To the family of our classmate, **SARAH J. MURAN TOTZKE**. Sarah passed away from Cancer on March 9, 2007. She will be remembered as a wonderful wife, mother and grandmother, as well as a friend to many. She was a gifted artist and loved shopping and crafts. Sarah is survived by her husband, Thomas, of over 47 years, three children and three grandchildren.

To our classmate, **JOHN COCHRAN** and family, on the death of John's mother, **Eleanor "Billie" Cochran**, 94, of Arlington Heights, IL. Mrs. Cochran passed on May 20, 2007. She is survived by her husband of 68 years, John, four children, seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

To the family of our classmate, **CATHY HEFLEY RICHEY**. Cathy passed away on July 2, 2007. She was the beloved mother of three and grandmother of four. She was active in Wauconda Township Senior Services. Cathy had been ill for a number of years.

DUES & DON'TS

THANK YOU

DO: Pay your dues (only \$10 / year)
DON'T: Procrastinate (Gary's waiting)

Send your checks made payable to **AHS Class of '59** to:

Gary Snell
604 Can Dota Avenue, Mt. Prospect, IL 60056

Please Keep in Touch!

CARDINAL CLASSMATES '59

Maiden/Last Name:	
First Name:	
Married Name:	
Spouse's Name:	
Home Address:	
Phone Number:	# of Children:
Email Address:	# of Grandchildren:
Occupation:	
Return to: John Torrens 2958 Middle Two Rock Road, Petaluma, CA 94952 TwoRockent@aol.com or at 707-763-6480	

Be mindful that happiness isn't based on possessions, power, or prestige, but on relationships with people we love and respect.

What's Up?

KEEP THOSE EMAILS, CARDS & LETTERS COMING!

We've had a great response to the new "What's Up?" column and we would love to hear from YOU. Please send a short note and/or photo letting us know what you've been up to lately, and then look for your note in the next Newsletter. We reserve the right to edit for space, taste, and bad jokes. First come, first served, is usually the way it works.

Call or send your note to:

Patty (Mahler) McDonald
213 South Green Street, McHenry, IL 60050
815-575-1959 or pattymcj@aol.com

Don't delay-Let us know "What's UP" today!



We received this happy photo from **FRED HURST**, (Aloha, OR). Fred and his wife, Donna, were in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida for a couple of weeks and stopped in to visit an old friend and classmate, **FRED STIERLE**. Here are Chuck & Fred on top of Fred's boat.

Hi Patty, after 37 years at the University of Delaware, I am in the process of retiring. I am done teaching, and will have a one year end-of-career sabbatical that will carry me through August of 2008 when I am finally off the payroll. It's been a good ride at a fine university. **BOB TAGGERT** (Newark, DE) (Ph.D. at Michigan, 1970).

Hello from **DIANE (JANSSEN) DAVENPORT**, (University City, MO): After 42 years of teaching performing arts, I have retired. We are traveling to places that my husband had visited as a trombone player with The St. Louis Symphony Orchestra in their world tours. We are off to Europe in May to visit a family who lives in Cambridge, England. The mom of this family was an exchange student with our kids in high school. We will then go to Geneva, Switzerland where my sister and her husband live. I am one of those graduates of the class of '59" who still does not have married kids, but are happy in their relationships. I chose teaching in the arts as my passion in education...many exciting experiences—grants from The Kennedy Center, The Rockefeller Fund, and many visits to universities around the country to talk about the importance of the arts in kids' lives. My daughter, Lora, owns a wholesale gift business in New Orleans. She moved to St. Louis after Katrina to save the business and returned to New Orleans in August of



last year. Our son, Jeremy, is a jazz musician who sings and plays the trumpet. He also moved back to St. Louis as an evacuee and performed here until he returned to The Ritz in New Orleans where he is the resident musician. If you are in New Orleans visit The Ritz, meet him and tell your connection to the "mom." Check out his CDs on jeremydavenport.com. I will also share with you that Gary and Nancy Snell attended a great concert in Chicago at Orchestra Hall that featured my Jeremy, along with many great New Orleans musicians who are touring to benefit the hurricane relief fund. Support New Orleans. They need it! Now that I am retired, I hope to be more involved with activities of this great class!

Look out American Idol! On Saturday, March 3, 2007, members of the HomeTown Committee, met to mail out the March Newsletter. After stuffing, labeling, and stamping almost 500 newsletters, we all went out to Joey T's Restaurant in McHenry, IL for some well-deserved D & K (Dinner and Karaoke). There we met up with Doug Leicht, Al & Jill Purvis and Russ Johnson. After dinner, a few brave souls sang solo (Jeff, Doug, Russ, Bill and Marlene). Not to be outdone, The Class of '59 took center stage as a group and sang two old standards, a Sonny & Cher favorite, "I've Got You Babe" and "Bye, Bye Love" by the Everly Brothers.



Moments To Remember ...or "Try" To Remember

Seated from left to right, Bill Neurauter, Marlene Neurauter, Al Purvis, Jill Purvis, Kathy Wake, Bob Wake, and Carol (Schoenfeld) Bohne. Standing from left to right, Al Sander, Doug Leicht, Shari (Ackerlund) Jobst, Russ Johnson, Nancy (Deming) Snell, Gary Snell, Pat (Mahler) McDonald, John Kelly, Marj (Ibbotson) Kelly and Jeff Inkle.



We heard from **JON WEISENBACH**, (Libby, MT): When we retired in July of '94, we sold our place in Norman, Oklahoma, had an auction, sold all but our personal stuff, and put the balance into storage. We bought a new 33-foot long RV, a new pickup, a 4-wheel drive Tracker and hit the road for the next five years as full-timer RV'ers. After a few laps around the country, we decided we wanted a house that didn't "roll." We spent the final winter in Yuma parked on a lot cruising the Internet for possible places to buy. We had been through Libby, MT a couple of times and really loved the people and the mountains so, after six months looking everywhere from Arkansas, Missouri, Minnesota and everywhere in-between, here we are. We bought a small place in Libby with enough room to build a 900 square foot woodshop and filled it with all the tools I ever dreamed of having. This year, we have finally finished remodeling our entire house, which includes all new cabinets throughout with a lot of new wooden furniture and ceramic tile everywhere! I was a cabinet builder and tile contractor prior to retiring. Now, it's just fishing for us from here on. We have one adopted son, Tom, who is 36. Tom has three beautiful children, a girl 6, and twins, a boy and girl 5. The picture is of the Kootenai River where the world's record rainbow trout was caught; however, we still much prefer Walleye. Sadly, there ain't none even close, but that's okay. We can always take a trip to find 'em.



Life is good

GARY & NANCY DEMING SNELL (Mt. Prospect, IL) wrote to tell us about the different, but very special vacation, they had this year.

We gathered in our church's parking lot on April 21 eager to share our gifts with those who suffered loss in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. It was some 20 months ago that Katrina left her mark of devastation on the Gulf shores on August 29, 2005. Four vehicles loaded with work clothes, food for lunches, supplies for Katrina victims, and 13 people drove in caravan almost 1000 miles before reaching Camp Victor in Ocean Springs, Mississippi.



The devastation that still exists along the Gulf Coast is unbelievable. When we told local people why we were there, they were quick to respond with a sincere "thank you," saying that the rebuilding effort would not be nearly as far along as it is without the volunteer work. Volunteer efforts have mostly been by churches from all over the country and are still vital to reconstructing the area. FEMA is a dirty word along the Gulf Coast. We heard many horror stories, heard many jokes and read many tee shirts in store windows about FEMA. We were there as part of the Lutheran Disaster Relief effort. We can attest to the good work being done by this agency and other church-related institutions in the wake of Katrina.

We felt good about helping. We worked hard. We laughed a lot. We were very blessed by the people whom we met and for whom we worked. It was one of those rare life enriching and changing experiences.

Our very happy (yet still in shock) avid golfer, **SHERRY (CHIMIS) HILGER**, (Roseville, CA) wrote to share her very exciting news with us.....golfers or not!

Yesterday, I had **HOLE IN ONE!** You cannot imagine how exciting that is—especially when you least expect it. I was playing at my home course on an extremely windy day with wind gusts up to 40 mph. It was on hole #6, which is a par 3, and the green is surrounded by water. I hit my ball into about a 35 mph headwind. We all watched in amazement as the ball landed on the green and rolled into the hole! We met the foursome behind us at the turn and they asked if someone had a HOLE IN ONE because they heard all the "yelling and screaming" on hole 6. I think the gals in my foursome were just as thrilled as I was when the ball rolled into the cup! I'm sure glad they were with me, because I still find it hard to believe it really happened.

Our classmate, **JACK RUFFER** (Palm Desert, CA) is one of the principal characters in a newly released non-fiction book, **Lions of Medina**, by author Doyle Glass - Coleche Press, <http://www.lionsofmedina.com>. The book describes a pitched battle during the Vietnam war in which Jack's outfit, Charlie Company, C/1/1 found themselves surrounded and outnumbered by elements of a NCA Regiment. Out of ammunition, they distinguished themselves in horrendous hand-to-hand close combat that lasted throughout the night of 12-13 October 1967.

Jack retired after twenty-two years of Marine Corps service (six years enlisted, sixteen as an officer), completed graduate school and began his second career as a senior manager for Apple Computer. He and wife, Pat, retired to the Coachella Valley of Southern California from the Silicon Valley to be closer to their three children and eight grandchildren. Jack is frequently asked to lecture on the subjects of management and leadership. He is currently working on his own book, **Ruffer's Rules for Leaders**.



Semper Par, Jack



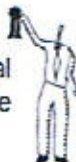
If you enjoy the Opera, you will not want to miss **DEBORAH VOIGT'S** performance of **Die Frau Ohne Schatten** (The Woman Without a Shadow) coming to the 2007/08 season of the Lyric Opera of Chicago. Deborah, the daughter of our Classmate, **BOB VOIGT**, (Plano, TX) is widely acknowledged as the preeminent dramatic soprano today. Deborah Voigt has made her mark on both the operatic and concert stages in a remarkably varied repertoire.

"Ms. Voigt, clearly in her prime, is astonishing. Her sound is at once earthen and gleaming... Simply glorious." —The New York Times

<http://www.deborahvoigt.com> www.lyricopera.com



FRED HERDT (Fountain Hills, AZ) reports this exciting news: My wife, Cheryl, is pregnant with our third and final child. Our little bundle of joy is due in December. Tell the boys that I am still "DA MAN!"



TIP YAGER (Oakland, CA) sent us this update: Our son, Paul, is a crime scene investigator with the Oakland Police Department; our daughter, Kristi, is an environmental scientist with an environmental consulting firm in San Francisco. My wife, Jan, an environmental health scientist, recently retired from the Electric Power Research Institute. She continues to keep busy part-time as an adjunct professor at the University of New Mexico plus working on research projects with US EPA. I am fully retired and enjoying life at our homes in California and New Mexico, as well as great summer fishing and loafing up in Michigan! Best wishes to my AHS classmates!

Here's a note from **JANET (CLOUD) VARNEY**, (Brunsville, MN): The good news is, I will become a grandmother for the first time next month, August 16th. My daughter, Victoria, and husband, Eric, are the proud expectant parents. Secondly, I will be retired by the end of the month!

I'm looking forward to the cruise next year. Even though I've been to Hawaii twice, it should be lots of fun with a group.

I thoroughly enjoy the newsletter and think you all do a magnificent job. It's really unique that our class has bonded together so well and you folks are the reason, along with Janice, of course. Keep up the good work.

A note from **SUSAN & JERRY KOUZMANOFF** (Palos Verdes, CA): Not much new from the Kouzmanoffs, other than we're spending a lot of time in San Diego this summer watching my cousin, Kevin Kouzmanoff, who is the starting 3rd baseman for the San Diego Padres. Keep up the good work. Hope all is well way back in the Midwest.



Update from **MARTY MIELKE** (Granger, Indiana): I retired from doing accounting work for the last 44 years at the end of February 2007. I'm sure most of our class has also retired, but that is not my big news. Here is the story. I took a summer part-time job operating the scoreboard for the South Bend Silver Hawks, a class A minor league baseball team in the Midwest League. For the last 19 years I have been paying them money to watch baseball, and now in their 20th year, they are paying me to watch baseball and operate the scoreboard. Minor league teams play a 140 game season with 70 games at "The Cove" Stanley Coveleski Regional Stadium in South Bend from April 1 to August 31. This scoreboard operation has also let me keep score for some high school games, including the state regional tournament. As some of you might know, I was "born into baseball." My dad played minor league ball for the CUBS in 1939, 1940 & 1941. It says so right on my birth certificate, "Occupation of Father - Professional Ball Player." You can't beat that for a summer job. I hope to continue doing this for many years as long as I can see and hear the umpires.

A note **MARJ (IBBOTSON) KELLY** (Bloomington, IL): John, and I have been relatively healthy all of our lives, but on May 17, our world turned upside down. Within days of celebrating 44 years of marriage, John was diagnosed with ten brain tumors. Since there were multiple tumors, the brain cancer was secondary, and John needed a CAT scan to find where the cancer started. The primary cancer turned out to be two spots in his upper right lung. We later learned that it metastasized to several areas in his bones, and a few lymph nodes above his lungs, as well as his brain.



We know that we are loved by God and He is with us, whatever the outcome. God says to take our cares to Him because He cares for us. So, believing in the power of prayer, we asked Patty to send out some emails to classmates asking for specific prayer (to find the right hospital, the best doctor, the best treatment). We feel that those prayers were answered when we were led to Dr. Kathy Albain (a lung cancer specialist), and Loyola's Cardinal Bernardine Cancer Center (a teaching hospital). Dr. Albain is a devout Christian, so she understands about the prayers that are being lifted up for John. The staff also talks about the miracles that have occurred at Loyola. John has completed his brain radiation, and is now undergoing chemotherapy. He has good days and bad days with some complications, but most days are relatively good. We have been overwhelmed with the response from our classmates. Everyone who received the email has been so kind, caring, supportive, and loving. We are so grateful for everything, especially the prayers.

Not everyone has email, and that is why Patty asked if I wanted to open my request to the entire AHS class of 1959 through this Newsletter. The answer is a grateful YES! Jesus said, "Love one another as I have loved you." We are being uplifted by that love and your prayers at this difficult time. I hope each one of you will also feel that love and support as we face the challenges that will one day lie ahead for all of us. But don't worry about John. He likes being bald (think Telly, Yul, Bruce). He thinks he might even keep this new hairstyle. Of course, the weather is still warm. He might think differently come next winter. Meanwhile, please pray for John to tolerate the chemotherapy, and for it's effectiveness.

Again, thank you to the entire Class of 1959. You are all special, and we are so grateful for each one of you.

JAN (LUNSMANN) ACKER (Silverthorne, CO) sent us this nice note: Just two bits of information from me: New baby girl born to my daughter Lynn Lannin of Boulder, CO. Sienna was born March 30, 2007. Lynn is the one who went on the Class of '59 Cruise to Alaska with me. My daughter, Ann, was married on June 2, 2007 in Keystone, Colorado. We're up in Alaska right now and just left Skagway—always a fun little town to visit. We enjoyed seeing all the cruise ships that were in port.

Aloha from **CAPTAIN JEFF HEINTZ** (Kona, Hawaii) who is still fishing everyday: Thanks for staying in touch with us over the years, even if we live on an island in a third world country called Kona, Hawaii. Since so many '59 grads live in California, I thought you might like to put a notice in the newsletter about the GREAT ALBACORE TUNA fishing we have here in Kona. If you go to my web site lindasue2.com you'll see the picture of our latest 24hr. fishing adventure, 7/2/07, showing the LARGEST ALBACORE IN KONA for 2007.



ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL "THE LADY IN RED" A

new documentary film celebrating the history of Arlington Heights and Arlington High School premiered on June 2. About 20 of our classmates got together to see the film and later enjoyed a nice dinner at Regina's in Arlington Heights. The theater was filled to capacity with various graduates from the 1930s on up. If you didn't have the opportunity to see this film the first time, it will be back by popular demand for a 2nd screening on Saturday, November 3, 2007 at 2:30 and 5:00 PM. Tickets are \$10 and will go on sale after Labor Day through the School District 214 Community Education Department (847-718-7702). Our classmate, Mary (O'Connell) Olson was interviewed for the film, as was her mom, who also graduated from Arlington High School. All proceeds benefit District 214 Community Education Foundation and Arlington Heights Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association K-9 Unit fundraising drive. For more details, contact: The Sullivan Group at AHSfilm@yahoo.com and to view portions of the film, go to www.myspace.com/AHSfilm. DVDs are available.

"Learning makes a man fit company for himself."

—Young (WISE WORDS ON THE WALL OF AHS)



Mark Your Calendar!

DATE	EVENT
September 1, 2007	Karaoke at Joey T's
October 10-15, 2007	Gatlinburg, TN Mini-Reunion
November 3, 2007	AHS Lady In Red Film
November 6, 2008 – November 21, 2008	Cruise to Hawaii
Sometime in 2009	AHS Class of '59 - 50 th Class Reunion



THE CUPBOARD IS BARE! - BY BOB WAKE

We have found another 15 Classmates since the last Newsletter, for a Grand Total of 73. Several classmates took the time to drop me an email after the last Newsletter (Kathy Willson, Mary Kraus McKinney and Cliff Skarr), and I want to thank them. All the "Clues" they sent were researched and we were able to add a couple more "finds" to our list. But now, "when I went to the Cupboard (for clues), the Cupboard was bare and so I have none." Without a few bones from you to work with, we are stuck where Mother

Hubbard was...with none. WE NEED YOUR HELP! If you know a middle name or initial, a (female's) married name, where they may have lived, whether they have a brother or a sister that we might look for, or anything else for that matter, please drop me an email. Our continuing goal is to find everyone before the 50th Reunion. Check out the LOST LIST below and type that email today. Some of our newly found classmates are already participating in events and are so

happy to know they've been found at last, because they didn't know what they had been missing.

If you have any information on the missing classmates listed below, please contact:

Bob Wake, 630-718-9264 -- bobwake@wideopenwest.com

Thanks, Bob Wake



List of LOST Classmates



Adamski, Arlene	Holvek, Joyce K.	Phillips, Phyllis Jean
Allen, John F.	Immerdini-Jaggers, Angie FOUND, 04/06	Price-Schultz, Susan J.
Allen-Gaides, Patricia FOUND, 04/07	Jansen, William	Roeske, Carol Ann FOUND, 09/06
Anderson, Thomas E.	Johnson, Charles Durk	Reichard, Phyllis Ruth
Berbaum, Steven FOUND, 09/06	Johnson, Jeffrey Allen FOUND, 08/06	Reynolds, Walter Robert FOUND, 12/06
Bevan, Barbara Janice	Johnson, Mary Lou Cole FOUND, 08/06	Richter, Allen
Beyer, Arthur FOUND, 03/07	Kanak, Barbara Marie	Richter, William Charles DECEASED
Blecke-Landau, Juanita FOUND, 02/06	Kay, Evelyn	Roberts, Shelia Ann
Bliele, John FOUND, 02/06	Kemman, Raymond F. FOUND, 05/06	Robertson, Janet Marie
Boedeker, Fred Bruce DECEASED	Keppen, Judith Anita FOUND, 03/07	Roesler, Leonard, Jr. DECEASED
Boettger, Edward FOUND, 08/06	Knox, Nancy Lee FOUND, 04/07	Rousseau, Roy Vance
Bonn, Jerry	Knoblach, Gail FOUND, 03/06	Rudolph, Marilyn Kay
Born-Schacht, Marcia FOUND, 05/06	Kochan, Sue Jeanne FOUND, 05/07	Rumpf, Mary Jean
Bower, Nancy C. FOUND, 03/06	Koenig-Hallberg, Joy FOUND, 05/06	Ryan, Teresa Maria
Broderick, Thomas R. FOUND, 06/06	Konvinka, Milton	Schneider-Johnson, Patricia Kay
Bullock-Davis, Linda Ann	Kozlowski, Timothy W. FOUND, 06/06	Schummer-Tasson, Lynnae Carol
Burger, Diane Elizabeth	Kummerie, Esther	Schutz, Thomas Robert FOUND, 04/07
Burns, MaryAlice	Lambert, Michael Francis	Sedlak, Stephen J. FOUND, 09/06
Campbell, Karen Sue FOUND, 06/06	Laz-Coryell, Delores Ann FOUND, 03/06	Serbin, Wayne Raymond FOUND, 04/07
Carpenter, Stephanie	Lippencott, Martha Jean	Siech-Sullivan, Barbara Ann
Clark, Loren Collier FOUND, 08/06	Long-Boyd, Sherrie Dee FOUND, 03/07	Sliwa, Jerry-Louis FOUND, 04/07
Conrad, David Joseph FOUND, 05/06	Loy-Coryell-Dradi, Bonnie DECEASED	Smith, Mary Elizabeth
Coryell, Thomas George	Lyons, Edward Jr.	Soenksen, David Allen
Dembinski-Friedrich, Delores FOUND, 05/06	MacAllister, John W.	Sorensen, G. Douglas
Dempewolf-Lovett, Judy FOUND, 09/06	MacDonald, Sandra Jane	Stach, Virginia Mary
Deubel, Jack Richard DECEASED	Manta, Carole Ann	Stafford, Margie
Devitt, Patricia Ellen or Eileen	Martin, Robert Keith	Steinmeyer-Westbrook, Ellen FOUND, 08/06
Domquist-Santostefano, Joann DECEASED	McCord, Thomas Murray FOUND, 04/07	Sternal, Judith Barbara
Dreiske, Diana	McDonald, John Francis, Jr.	Stiefbold-Romanick, Betty FOUND, 08/06
Erickson-Stanek, Lois Jean Evelyn	McKinney, Loren A. FOUND, 08/06	Swan, Eileen Marie
Ferrell, Diana-Rae FOUND, 07/06	Mead, Mary Francis	Szymanski, Barbara Ann
Fletcher, Carolyn FOUND, 02/06	Meller, David Victor FOUND, 05/06	Terry, Peggy Sue
Franciskovich, Mark	Metcalfe, Billy Joe	Thompson, Barbara A.
Gallee, Karl FOUND, 05/05	Meyer-Hjalmar-Frank FOUND, 05/06	Thoms, Patrick George
Gaul, Dennis-Raymond FOUND, 05/06	Mihalek, Judith Ann	Vander-Vort-Kreimeyer, Claire DECEASED
Glennon, William C. FOUND, 05/06	Miller, Jacqueline Elizabeth	Vene, Patricia
Gould, Ralph Reynold FOUND, 05/06	Mockenhaupt, John Paul FOUND, 02/07	VonBoeckmann, Tom FOUND, 04/07
Gross, Theresa DECEASED	Morgan, Arthur FOUND, 09/06	Walden, Bill
Gum, Bonnie C.	Moses, Don S.	Walker, Deborah Lee
Hadzima-Rosen, Joanne FOUND, 06/06	Myk, Catherine	Warren, Sallianne FOUND, 06/06
Haegeler, Carol Ann FOUND, 09/06	Nelson, Ellen	Weller, Thomas FOUND, 04/06
Haenggi, Gerald Arthur DECEASED	Nelson, Charles Jay FOUND, 05/07	West, Neal FOUND, 02/06
Hannon-Rink, Virginia FOUND, 08/06	Nelson, Lee	Westerlund, Suzanne FOUND, 04/07
Hayden, Andrew Domas DECEASED	Nilson, Darlene A.	Wilson, Barbara Carol
Heimsoth, Alan R. FOUND, 09/06	Ocasek-Barnett, Jean Ann	Witkowski, Mary Elizabeth
Hein, William H. FOUND, 05/06	Page, Bernadine	Witt, Harold FOUND, 02/06
Herr, Kathleen Marie FOUND, 09/06	Pate, Dwight Wilbert FOUND, 03/06	Wolf, Ellen M. FOUND, 03/06
Herzer, Margaret Helen	Patterson, Michael S.	Zbalski, Marilyn H.
Hibbert-Reynolds, Susan FOUND, 05/06	Pennington, Lee Roberts FOUND, 04/07	

*Although our detectives found Loren A. McKinney, they discovered he was in the AHS Class of 1960.

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