

Skyline News Note



June 2020



SDC's ZOOM PARTY NOTES

“It was the best of times. It was the worst of times.” But they zoomed in from Washington, DC area, Minneapolis, Texas, Washington, Oregon and points all over California. Some stayed the entire 2.5 hours; other came and went with phone calls, construction in their house, other commitments, but hopefully no boredom!

Bruce Quan did it properly; he went to Kaspers, got a hot dog and prominently displayed it while consuming it. **Don Sarver** gave an update on the Titan Trust and mentee Kevin.

Gay Parker, who had “set up” outside had to relocate as it started to rain in Oakland. **Cynthia Young Harelson** displayed a subdued screen because of lighting angles. **Mildred Caldwell Swafford** checked in with no shower after a two hour tap dance session - no one noticed. No one confessed to wearing jammies, but it surely was good to see faces, **Carol LoDolce Donato** seeming to have the most glow and got the most “you look just the same” exhortations.

There was laughter over memories and incidents and many confessions, from **John Close and XXX (John won't tell)** drilling holes from the boys dressing room to the girl's at Montara as well as having a crush on **Heidi Johnson Stolp** who also had a few great stories in response.

There were tears over lost consorts, friends/relatives and a memory of Clem Daniels: "He could run backwards faster than I can run forwards"....**George Papagiannis**...who, as the assemblage shared life vignettes, also had a tale about dumping Janis Joplin's ashes over the Bay.

There were creative ways of describing marital status: "priors". Snippets about children, grandchildren and even great grandchildren.

We got to meet **Dave Schendel's** dog and hear of his very full life. We got glimpses into the broadcast rooms of all (no one muted video) and the journeys of **Neal John Evans, Jessamine Gibbs, Martha Gooby Micks, Kipi Rawlins and Marsha Standish; Gary Sommer** remained silent but the Shadow knows.

Several experienced technical problems for which I hope you consult with **Carol Vierra Szymkiewicz**, the most competent and gracious moderator of this experiment. There are several in the class who have had stellar careers in a variety of far-reaching technology, but those guys did not zoom in.

Debbie Agee Roessler put the march of technology in perspective when talking about her job at Wells Fargo ("when it was a good bank"). She was in a unit that was being trained about a new thing called Master Card. "The whole idea that there would be no money handled was sci-fi to us".

Because Carol and I keep the Skyline'64 Roster but do not share contact info unless so authorized, we do know those that live in close proximity but have not yet discovered one another at the PO or grocery store. **Nancy Glazier Price** had the best tale of all. When she moved to Rossmoor, she walked her dog along one of many routes. As dog walkers do (or did, pre-Covid), she began to chat and walk with another person who was staying at Rossmoor to help out his mom. They only knew their first names until years later, when in conversation with some others, discovered that they had both gone to Skyline and "he" was **Ted Garfinkle**.

On the subject of roster, we heard of **Dave Siegle's** relocation from Idaho to Placerville. Please remember to keep your contact info up to date. And **Stan Lore**, several wanted to be in contact, so please check in next time!

Speaking of Rossmoor, **Mary Wood** confessed to not attending the exercise classes taught there by Kathy Steen, **Rick's** wife.

After an hour and half of spirited conversation with the assemblage, **Dick Johns** convinced **Barbara Lauck Johns** to join in (actually she had been upstairs baking) both sharing adventures of their son, a DEA agent in Saipan.

I was one that had to leave before the final farewell but not before **John Close** strummed his guitar and played the Ode to Skyline he had composed.

Many incidents in life may never be repeated but there can be variations on the theme. We will do this again in June 15th ... Monday at 2pm...so get ready to zoom in. If you'd like to get a sense of the casualness, moments of mayhem and the overall experience of this unique class, [go to here](#) (if you have the time). Pre-loading (free) Zoom on your device will make checking in a few click process. sdc



Do you have something to add to our conversation or know someone in our class that needs a virtual hug?

Please send Shayne an email at shayne@sprintmail.com

Of Covid Confinement, **Joel Kuechle** writes "My carpet's wearing out from putting practice."

Mary Wood

I am doing well. I think it is because at the core of my being I am a couch potato who likes nothing better than to read and talk although preferably over lunch at a restaurant but phone is ok and less calories.

Bob Blesse Well, I still have a flight booked from Florence to SFO on 24

June. I think I'm not going to let it happen, though. I can't imagine getting on an airplane either.

The following two are old "**Classmates**" posts, a reminder to update your post or send updated info to Carol or myself. sdc

Janice Johnson McIntyre:

"Life I married in August of '64. (I went right from homework to housework). I had our first son in June of '65, and a 2nd son in June of '68. My career as a working woman has been very sketchy. I have worked part-time over the years as a secretary and an accountant, but mostly I've been a full-time Mom and homemaker. I have had my own business preparing income tax returns for 25 years, and this year I decided to retire. My husband was a journeyman die-maker for GM for 31 years, and a CAD-CAM programmer. When they closed the local plant 7 years ago he took an early retirement. We now spend our time taking care of our rental properties, occasionally babysitting for our 4 grandchildren, and doing some world traveling. I Have come to love cruising (saves the unpacking), but I haven't found just

going too difficult. I hope all of you are doing well.

Maryann Collins Anderson:

I left Oakland in September of 1964 to attend Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah. Two years later I met my husband and have been married for 38 years. We have 5 sons who are all now married. We have 11 grandchildren, seven of whom are girls! We've lived in various places in Utah all our married life. We've been in Springville (pop. 22,000) for 18 years. I love it here! We have a foundry here in Springville and one in Calcutta, India. I worked as a bookkeeper for our foundry (MACA Supply Co.) for 15 years. For the past 11 years we've had the opportunity to care for my bro-in-law who has Down Syndrome. It's a joy and a blessing. At least yearly I get together with Elaine Henrikson, Linda Roesch, Marti Heath, Shelley Mason and Karen Juul. We have great times.

Editor's Note:Ya-Ya
Sisterhood Rules!

A shout out to **Tom LaMarre** for adding to our **Titan Trust Class of 1964** total. We should be hearing

from the East Bay College Fund committee soon regarding our mentee for 2020-2021. They are still in the interview stage at this time. Tough business, doing it all remotely.



From **Stan Lore**:

You will appreciate this clip if you were/are a MONK fan. I was/am.



Click on picture to see Phil's video

We asked and you came though.

Here is a short video **Phil Bateman** shared with the Class of 2020. It was used to close the virtual graduation ceremony for Skyline.

**Inside the First Edition of the
Skyline Newspaper ??? shown in
Phil Bateman's Video Above**

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**A Couple of News Stories of
Interest From that First Edition
???**

Students To Vote On New

Mascot Now that the students have started school at Skyline, they are faced with the important problem of deciding on school colors, a mascot, and a name for the yearbook and the school paper.as part of the traditions. Many ideas have been contributed already. For the mascot: Billy Goats, Stallions, Colts, Grizzly Bears, Gladiators, Falcons, Skylark, Cardinals, and Eagles. Cielo Vista, High View, The Horizons were possible names for the yearbook, and Skyliner for the paper. Red & White were the most popular colors. (Phil note: At least they got the colors right and Skylarks turned out to be the name for the Ladies Chorus).

Skyliners; Meet The

Coaches Head coach Paul Berger with Ira Call, Alvin Kyte and John Marks will teach PE for the boys. Roberta Bedell will head the girls program. Coach Berger came from Oakland High and Coached the OAL Champions in football in 1959. He will be Assistant football coach and also coach track. John Marks was the Head football coach

at Oakland High and will coach football, wrestling, golf and tennis. Coach Kyte will be the basketball and baseball coach coming to Skyline from Richmond High. Coach Call from Oakland High will coach swimming and gymnastics. Coach Bedell, also from Oakland High, is in charge of the girls physical education department. (Phil note: The football jv team defeated Emeryville on the road in their first ever game on Sept. 29, 1961. They ended their first season with a record of 5 wins and 2 losses).

Skyline High School Class of 2020 graduation ceremony became a virtual hug. Alumni, including some from our class, participated in this Zoom Party. You can watch it in it's entirety.



Thank you to the Class of 1964 who added to this tribute.



Kasper Dates
CANCELLED

Zoom Party #2

June 15, 2020

2:00 PM Pacific Daylight Time

11:00 PM Oslo, Norway and Florence, Italy

10:00 PM London

6:00 PM San Paulo, Brazil

Zoom Party Information:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83403489413>

Meeting ID: 834 0348 9413



We met on Zoom May 11 at 1:00 PM

You can watch the entire three hours right here. We laughed, we cried, we are doing it again. Come for a minute or stay the whole time!

If you have been reluctant to use Zoom because of news items about lack of security, please be assured that we are using a purchased seat in Zoom; all the security features are

included in the purchased seat. Please join us with no fear that your computer or phone will be hacked!!

If you need any help setting up Zoom, please contact me. You are welcome to call me too at 408 835 0156 carolszy@gmail.com



With this issue of our newsletter, we begin our "We Care Corner".

This month, we shout out to **Don Jones**. The Class of 1964 sends love and support. Keep meeting your challenges like a warrior!

Thoroughbred in front.

Sorry, **John Evans**. It is what it is.

John Close



We are sad to inform that **Beth Beeby's** little sister, Kathleen succumbed to COVID-19 last month. We offer our sincere sympathy to you, Beth.



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15	Sandy Tyler
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