

Skyline News Note



March 2023

The **Reunion Committee** is about to rev up for the 60th, tentatively planned for September 7 or 14th, 2024.



If you are interested in being part of this committee, please let Carol or Shayne know. We were fortunate not to have Covid interrupt our 55th event as it did for the Class of 1965, 66, 67. However, with Zoom entering all of our lives, it is now possible for those geographically challenged to participate in the conversations, although they might not be able to enjoy our potluck planning luncheons in person.



We are repeating our "survey of preferences", so please take a few minutes to complete the form. Your responses are automatically saved, so please, just fill it out and let us know. Just click on the "Your Feedback Matters!" picture.

Quarterly Zoom Call - March 6, 2023
1:00 pm



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March 13, 2023

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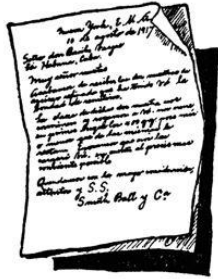
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Have something to share with us? Please drop Shayne a note at the address below.

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On the road in Florida: Dali museum, Ringling museum, Bishop science

and saw 3 manatees the day they were being released into the wild after 1.5 years in rehab. Drove to Ford and Edison winter homes on way to Florida city. Did the airboat ride near Everglades at an alligator farm, went to Everglades National Park with interesting surprise of Nike missile site that was set up and operational within 72 hours of Cuban missile crisis. Drove to Key West— had Kermit's key lime pie, toured Hemingway home, Truman's little White House, went to Fort Zachary Taylor, walked Duval Street and went to southernmost point of continental US.

(Note sent from Miami airport where planes were delayed)(again).

Martha Gooby Micks

My dogs are aging gracefully. I try to follow their example.



I completed the Columbia Cupids Chase 5k run and spent the rest of the day in bed. I finished

last! But, I got a rousing cheer from the workers as I crossed the finish line. Likely because they could then pack up and go home. Still, a memorable achievement.

Name	Time	Place	Division	Age	Gender
ETUDE HANDEHILDE	00:39	10:00	F40-54	5/23	94/205
STAN LORE	1:00:16	30:02	M70-90	3/7	130/170
STEPHANE TORRES	1:02:17	30:03	F40-49	24/74	105/120
STEPHANE ROSE	40:45	14:07	M40-49	11/10	160/100
STEPHANE ROSE	35:37	11:28	F40-49	13/34	95/105
SILVIA DAVIS	54:51	11:10	F40-49	3/6	70/100
SURANAH COULTER	42:14	12:36	F40-49	11/10	100/100
TANAKA SALZBERG	44:54	14:26	F40-49	15/10	100/100

Stan Lore

When older people say,
"Enjoy them while
they are young."
They are talking about
your knees and hips
not your kids.

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Dave Siegle



Michelle Reynolds Frost



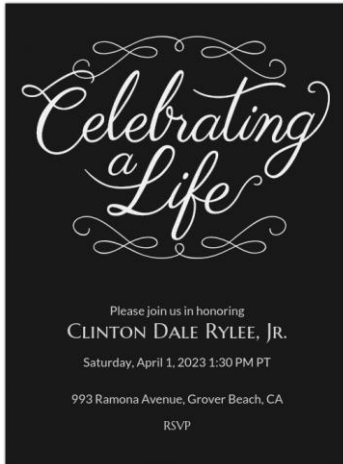


Pictured (l to r) Don Sarver, Clint Rylee, Susan Nicholson Wood, Millie Caldwell Swafford, Cynthia Young and Doug Harrison at 50th Reunion.

[Clinton Dale Rylee Jr. Obituary](#)

We are sad to announce that on February 5, 2023, at the age of 76, Clinton Dale Rylee Jr. of Arroyo Grande, California passed away.

Clint's sister also posted a notice on the Class of Skyline 1964 Facebook page.



Hi Shane, No he was not sick. He was recovering from some surgery but was doing fine until he was not. He died in his sleep so it was peaceful for him I guess but quite a shock for me. I have lots of support and I am doing okay. I will be closing his email soon so please make note of my email below if you with any further information. There will be a Celebration of Life down here on the Central Coast on April 1st. Thank you for contacting those who knew him through the years. He always enjoyed getting the updates and going to the reunions. Lia



February 5, 2023

It must have been a Skyline64 event in the world beyond because **Joan Burckhardt Gielow** also passed that day.



"Slow News Day"

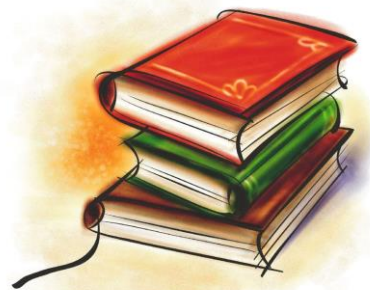
1. Favorite Beach Boys Song?
2. Beatles or Stones?
3. Favorite teacher at Skyline?
4. If you could invent a holiday, what would it be?
5. What book or series did you wish you could live in?

Want to add to the "fun"? Email me!!!

Author's Corner

**We have many authors in our class.
Let us know if you are one, and we will be happy to add you.**

[Carol Kay Attia](#)
[Joan Freiburghouse Bannan](#)
[Clyde D. Batavia](#)
[Keith R Brehmer](#)
[Renee Cameto](#)
[Dhyanis \(Diane\) Carniglia](#)
[Shayne Del Cohen](#) and also OURSTORYINC.COM
[Marilyn Copland](#)
[Janet Streb Greenwood](#)
[Ann Hitchcock](#)
[Mark Kamena](#)
[Tom La Marre](#)
[Bruce Quan](#)
[Nataile Reid](#)
[Dave Siegle](#)
[Kent Willis](#) and his [second book](#)
[Jennifer Foreman de Grassi Williams](#)





SPARK PLUGS?—Janice Kroesen, Judith Plennmons, Judith Tonini listen to instructor Norman Gibbs explain the purpose of spark plugs and watch him remove them for cleaning and adjusting.



GEARS MESH?—Lorraine Pierre studies cut-a-way transmission to learn how different gears mesh and transfer power to axle and differential.

28 Skyline girls learn about guts of a car

Twenty-eight Skyline high school girls are apt to upset the old cliché about women drivers not knowing the difference between a carburetor and a crankshaft.

In fact, some of their boy friends may have to brush up on auto mechanics to keep conversationally current on hot-rods.

This has all come about by permitting girls to enroll in the first all-girl automotive laboratory at Skyline High school.

It all started very innocently when Norman Gibbs, auto shop teacher at Skyline, found girls in his homeroom interested in cut-a-way models, charts, and automotive teaching aids in his auto-shop classroom.

Several asked why girls couldn't sign up for auto and Gibbs, stumped for an answer, referred the question to Dr. George Bliss, the principal.

Bliss couldn't find any regulation prohibiting girls from enrolling and with approval from the superintendent's office

opened a section for girls.

Approximately 90 girls expressed interest and one section of 25 students was started. After six weeks, several of the girls are now asking if they can take the advanced course.

Course content consists of a study of fundamentals of the automobile: the engine or source of power, the framework that supports the engine, the wheels, the chassis, care and maintenance, lubrication, and functions of fuel and oil.

Since purchase of a car generally represents a substantial investment, the course includes a unit on how to buy a new or used car.

Laboratory and shop work includes cleaning and adjusting spark plugs, changing a tire, engine tune-ups, warning signals of possible mechanical failures, and proper care of the finish.

According to Gibbs, one out of every seven persons in the United States makes his living from the automotive industry, including women in the clerical and

sales division. Since our economy is closely allied with this industry, and since women play an important part in many phases of the automotive business as well as being very influential customers, a working knowledge of auto mechanics by women is not far fetched, he added.

Gibbs admits that this girls is one of his most interested and capable classes. Some of the girls are professional drivers and are considered as competitors in the annual auto troubleshooting contest held annually

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This is far from a great picture but in all my years of hunting it's the only one I've found of Devil's Punchbowl. It's filled in now and part of the "new" Merritt College campus. It used to be accessed by following the York Trail, which begins just past the Leona Lodge on Mountain Blvd. I can still recall the first time I visited this legendary Oakland landmark. I wanted desperately to hike down to the bottom but was convinced I wouldn't be able to get back out.

Oakland History Facebook Page by Jerry Cooper



Waiting for artists to claim this site!

Sculptors, Photographers, Glass Blowers, Painters, etc
All Welcome to post here!!!



Anyone know where we could find **Steve Fuller**?



Poodle skirts. Socks with a bobble shaped like a bunny. Those were a couple of my friend Nick Blackshire's memories of school. I remember threatening to step on a boy's white shoes.

INK WELLS & PENS: Nick remembers ink wells in school desks. For writing, pieces



of wood with a point were passed out. Then came something fancier...it was a pen that you put into the ink well. It had a little switch which sucked in the ink if you pushed down; pull up and it locked.

DRESSES: Girls wore skirts and dresses to school. I went to Davis for college '64 to '65, and we wore them on bikes. I have a picture that shows about 50 girls on bicycles, all wearing or a dress or skirt and blouse, surrounding Pierre Salinger, who was running for Senator. I went to Berkeley the following year, and I think jeans and slacks came in with the Free Speech movement.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: "Under God," was added in 1954. After the pledge we sang either, "Star Spangled Banner", "America the Beautiful", "God Bless America," and "My Country Tis of Thee".



READING: No phonics. You memorized the words. We read about Dick & Jane & Spot and the little White House. Nobody had heard of dyslexia. I didn't have it, but I had trouble learning to read anyway.

NUCLEAR BOMB DRILLS: "Duck and Cover" is what we were told, says Nick. I just remember hiding under my desk.

"SKATE-BOARDS": Nick says there were skateboards, but the kids made them. You took apart your roller skate (remember the key?) and attached them to the top and end of a 2 x 4 board. Do I remember right that you could lock the skate and walk with it?

Nick also remembers a soap box derby. He crashed. Sorry, Nick.

KOREA: I remember Dad wearing a uniform and commuting to a place called "Mare

Island.” He was in the Naval Reserves and was called up in 1950 to work at the Naval Shipyard near Vallejo. My Aunt went to Japan as a WAC.

MOMS: Many women were stay-at-home mothers during grade school. They might have worked during the war, but after it, women were asked to let the returning men have the jobs. My mother worked part-time as a writer.

CARS: Cars had generators (which had brushes and contacts) and carburetors (per Nick.) Now they have fuel injection and alternators. (also per Nick). Tires had inner tubes and are now radial, which meanswell, no inner tubes.

FUN FACT: You could rotate the front left tire to the back right, and the right front....etc. You can't do that now. The front left has to go to the back left. I forget why. Sorry, Nick.

AND: remember the little triangular windows on the front doors?



RADIO: Nick and I remember junky toys were made in Japan, But the Sony transistor radio which came out in 1957 changed our view of Japan, and it was more reasonably priced than the 1954 American radio.

CALCULATION: Pencil and paper or slide rules. I was deathly afraid of slide rules. In '72 Texas Instruments came out with the TI-2500-Datamath 4-function calculator (which had to be plugged in) but for a few years it was out of my price range. I wanted it for when I went out on business trips. In the office we used comptometers which had about 15 rows of numbers and calculated with a clunkety-

clunkety-clunk.

AIRPLANES: When I was a baby, my mother took me on a plane. She had me on her lap and managed to get chewing gum in my hair. Gum was recommended for the unpressurized cabins.

TWO-LANE HIGHWAYS: For several summers when I was in grade school, we would visit my grandparents in Seattle, Washington. My Dad had to use his two-week bank vacation for his Naval Reserve duty, so he would drive us up to Weed and take the Greyhound back bus, and then my mother drove the rest of the way. Cars weren't air-conditioned, and I remember stopping at gas stations and using their blue paper towels for window washing to mop my face. Then we would get behind logging trucks for miles while my mother tried to get the courage to pass, although nice drivers sometimes signaled when it was safe.

Marylaird Wood



Picture sent by Mr. Adams



**“Nobody cares how much you know,
until they know how much you care.”**

— Theodore Roosevelt



March

- 01 Al Newman
Diana Robinson
- 03 Martha Gooby Micks
- 04 Mildred Caldwell Swafford
Judy Card
Dennis Bushell
Delsa Pauletich Ham
- 05 Sharlyn Brennan Tucker
Doug Bartman



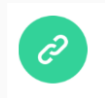
April

- 01 Barbara Uhlig Harbidge
- 03 Kathy Costa Rocco
- 05 John Briggs
- 06 Diane Breen Helman
Bob Bevier
- 08 Linda Barkas
- 09 Don Sarver
- 10 Gail Gershanov Eiselman
- 13 Cindy Gibbs Parker
- 16 Gerhard Brostrom

Tina Illick Coolahan
08 Michael McGarry
10 Renee Cameto
11 Roy Langridge
Jim Tompkins
16 Sally Holmes Voyles
21 Diane Cecil Laspina
Rod Bengston
23 James Pashayan
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Larry Helzel
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28 Dennis Bruns

18 Judy Long Lofing
19 Sharon McWalters
20 Melissa Silverman Willaby
23 Dave Siegle
24 Gary Montgomery
Sherri Gribben Hester
Tom Simpson
25 David Niemand
27 Gary Caso
29 Mark Kamena

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