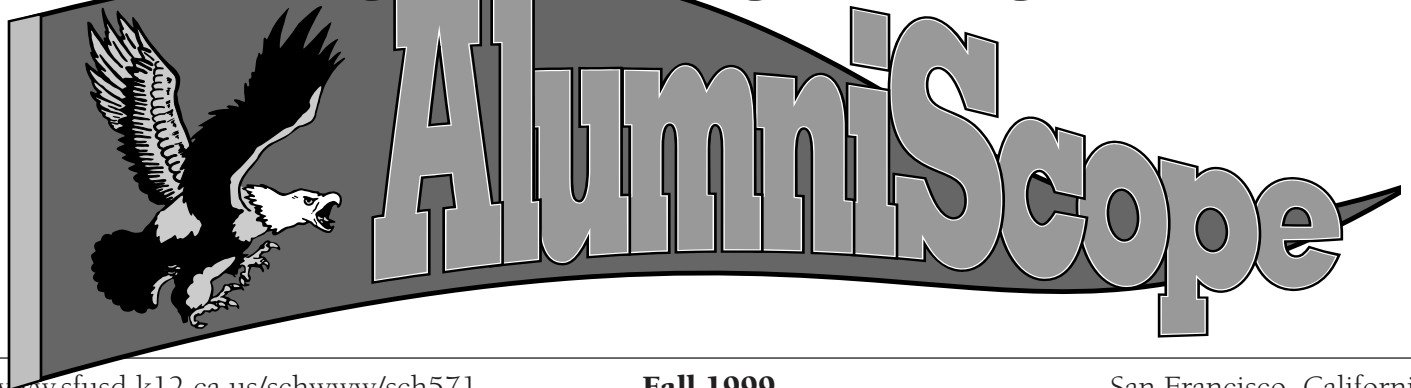


# The George Washington High School



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## From the President

The 1998–1999 school year has begun, and with it comes all of the challenges facing the public education system. The GWHS Alumni Association plays a very important role in ensuring the continuation of quality education at our school. The Constitution of our association spells out our goals and purposes very clearly:

1 To promote and maintain a high standard of excellence in education for the benefit of the students and the community in which they live—in cooperation with the Principal and staff.

2 To assist worthy graduates of GWHS through the granting of various scholarship programs established and/or administered by the association.

3 To encourage continuing contact among the Alumni of this high school by providing assistance in organizing class reunions and by publishing the *AlumniScope*, the association newsletter.

4 To select worthy individuals for induction into the Hall of Merit of George Washington High School.

5 To develop the financial resources necessary to enable the association to carry on its programs through fundraising campaigns and prudent capital accumulation and investment.

6 To play a constructive role in the larger community within which GWHS, students, teachers, and alumni are significant participants.

In this time of crisis in our public education system, it is necessary to remind ourselves of our goals and purposes. In order for us to succeed in our efforts, we need the support of each and every mem-

ber of our association. We have enclosed an envelope with this *AlumniScope* so that each of you can make your contribution for this school year. Try to imagine what it would mean if all 5,000-plus members of our association would send at least \$10 each year to support the important work of our association. Your support is critical to our ongoing efforts. Please send us your contribution today—it will be put to good use.

We are pleased to announce that the family of **Mel Hausen** has donated an initial \$7,500 in his memory. The interest from this fund will be used to provide a scholarship for an outstanding art student on his or her way to college. This year our Alumni Association was able to award almost \$6,000 in scholarships to outstanding graduating seniors.

At our last Board meeting we elected **Wendy Leung S'80** as our Treasurer. We want to keep Wendy *very* busy, so please do send along your contributions today!

Our Board has reelected me as President of our Association. This marks my 25th year as President. I want to thank our Board for their continuing confidence and support. We should all be united in continuing our good work. Thank you very much to all of you! Go Eagles!

John F. Rothmann  
President

## Treasurer's Report

Our new Treasurer, Wendy Leung, is currently putting our books in order. Her first Treasurer's report will appear in the Spring 2000 issue.

## Principal's Report

My first year at George Washington High School has been a memorable one. I have had the pleasure of working with and getting to know the staff, students, parents and alumni. It has also been a year of transition for all of us.

Having said "goodbye" to retiring staff, we also welcomed new staff to GWHS. Thus, it became a year of striving to build a new sense of community that would ensure that Washington maintained its tradition of excellence. In true Washington style, we all pulled together and worked in various ways toward achieving this common goal for the benefit of our school and our students.

Thank you for your support and willingness to go the "extra mile" to ensure success. I look forward to working together this year.

Camille Morishige  
Principal

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## New Alumni E-Mail!

Alumni can now send e-mail to the Alumni Association at gwhsalumni@yahoo.com

You can direct general or specific inquiries, ask for reunion planning suggestions, and submit changes of address and *AlumniScope* submissions to this e-mail address. Please be patient in awaiting an answer, and as always, include your complete name, graduating class, and if applicable, your mailing address and/or phone number.

We are pleased to provide this service to our alumni and join the information highway!

## Paul Revere Masonic Lodge Supports GWHS' Advanced Placement Program

On the Friday evening of June 11, 1999, Paul Revere Lodge No. 462, F&AM, presented a generous check in the amount of \$5,000 to the Alumni Association for the benefit of the Advanced Placement program at GWHS. Joel H. Spring III, a member of the Alumni Board of Directors, accepted the check on behalf of the Alumni Association, and introduced Camille Morishige, GWHS' Principal, and Rosemary Jacobs, the Director of the AP program.

The Lodge learned that Ms. Jacobs was raising funds in order to furnish scholarships to enable students to take the various Advanced Placement examinations. The exams cover such areas as history, English, mathematics, and the advanced sciences. Each exam costs \$75, and a significant number of students take as many as three subject exams during their senior year. The students will be required to perform some kind of school or community service to qualify for the scholarships.

The Masons have a long history of supporting the free public schools, starting with Benjamin Franklin, Horace Mann, and in California, John Swett, who was the first Superintendent of Public Instruction in the 1860s. California Masons today present four-year college scholarships and administer the Masonic Student Assistance Program to assist teachers in recognizing students at risk, and offer a Child ID service to parents.

## 1940s Classmates Gather in May

Our prolific anonymous contributor sends this photo from a gathering in May 1999 of early 1940s alumni.

These alumni meet from time to time at an alumnus' home. This particular gathering was at Charlie Zink's home.



Left to right: Bob Amore S'42, Phil Ships F'43, Ed Slade S'42, and Charlie Zink S'42.

## In Memoriam

**Coriene (Pfaeffle) Luke F'42** sends word that her brother, **Clay M. Pfaeffle F'44** died on December 18, 1998, in San Francisco. He owned and operated N. J. Cohen Plumbing for 27 years. He is survived by his wife Martha, four daughters, and four grandsons.

We have just been informed that **Arthur Groza S'60** died last year. Following GWHS Arthur continued his studies at Santa Clara University as well as Lincoln University School of Law. He is survived by his sister Gail, brother Michael, and several nephews. Contributions may be sent to the Columbia Park Boys & Girls Club, 333 Valencia Street, Suite 410, San Francisco, CA 94103, or other charity of your choice.

**Col. Robert C. Dart, Class of 1939**, died April 17, 1999, in Lake Monticello, Virginia. Col. Dart graduated from West Point on D-Day 1944 and was commissioned in the field of artillery. He was assigned to the 65th Infantry Division which went to France. He served in two combat campaigns and was awarded the Bronze Star for valor. Col. Dart also served in the Korean and Vietnam wars and was awarded the Legion of Merit. His last duty was as Professor of Military Science (Army ROTC) at the University of Virginia. He is survived by his wife Jeanne and four children. Condolences can be sent to Jeanne at 19 Bunker Blvd., Palmyra, VA 22963.

Shirley McDonald sends a check for the Endowment Fund in memory of her husband, **Robert Angus McDonald S'41**, who died on April 25, 1998. A graduate of Stanford University, he is also survived by three sons. Shirley adds, "Bob was extremely proud of GWHS and his classmates." Shirley also thanks the Alumni Association for its good works. Condolences may be sent to Shirley at 10 Sunny Hill Drive, Petaluma, CA 94952, 707-762-4308.

**Jack Duane Redman, Class of 1945**, died on December 26, 1997, in El Paso, Texas. Jack was a Major in the US Army and served in Vietnam, Korea, Europe, and Okinawa. He received the Bronze Star and many other military honors. He was also an assistant History teacher at UTEP. Jack is survived by his wife Janice and several cousins. Condolences may be sent to Janice at 6717 Morningside Cr., El Paso, TX 79904.

**Thomas F. Richards, Class of 1957**, and a professor of Political Science at Brookdale Community College in Lincroft, New Jersey, died on December 21, 1998. Thomas was a recipient of the Barringer Award for Excellence in Education in 1997. Influenced by the loss of two grandparents in the Holocaust and the civil rights and anti-war movements of the 1960s, Thomas wrote many articles about human rights along with the book **Cold War at Rutgers University**. He is survived by his wife Ann Hermann-Richards, one son, and one stepson.

# Reunion Central

## Spring 1939 ● ● ● ● ● ●

The Pioneer Class of Spring 1939 will be holding their reunion Sunday Brunch on October 10, 1999, at the Villa Hotel in San Mateo. Alumni from other classes are always welcome! Contact Annabelle (Marsh) Piercy at 650-756-1530, Myron Harband at 650-637-9742, or Helen (Adams) Shannon at 707-542-2985.

## Class of 1944 ● ● ● ● ● ●

The Class of '44 will hold a special 55th anniversary reunion on Saturday, October 9, 1999. For information contact chairman Barbara Weinberger Levey at 15 Scenic Drive, Novato, CA 94949, 415-884-2330.

## Spring 1953 ● ● ● ● ● ●

The Class of 1953 held their 45th anniversary reunion on September 4, 1998. The event, a picnic on Bill Middleton's island in the Delta, was a big success with a good turnout, said Chairman Lula (Tamaras) Ossipoff. More details will be given in the next issue.

## Fall 1954/Spring 1955 ● ● ● ● ● ●

These classes will be holding their 45th anniversary reunion on a Hornblower Cruise Line boat. The dinner cruise will depart from Pier 3 on The Embarcadero, San Francisco, on Saturday, September 23, 2000. These classes are trying to update their address lists, so if you are one of their fellow grads or if you know the whereabouts of one or more of them, please contact Paula (Moore) Delahunty at PDelahunty@aol.com, Geri (Greenberg) Soroken at SatinDawg@aol.com, Courtney Minehart at 524 Leona Drive, Livermore, CA 94550, or Ann (Castro) Ritch at 997 Manton Court, Galt, CA 95632, 209-744-8951.

## Fall 1969 ● ● ● ● ● ●

The Class of 1969 will be having their 30th anniversary reunion on February 19, 2000. They are continuing their attempt to locate all 178 graduates of their class. If you are one of them, contact Joel Silverstein at 415-564-2819, or Susan (Weil) Lakatos at 415-564-5162.

## Spring 1979 ● ● ● ● ● ●

Contact Joanna Lee at 510-568-5641.

## Spring 1989 ● ● ● ● ● ●

The Class of 1989 is currently planning their 10-year reunion. Committee chairman Hallie Ness can be contacted at 2374 38th Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94116, 415-551-3976. The reunion will be handled by Reunion Masters, 408-448-7888 or 800-359-7888.

## GWHS Alumni Vidal and Faraone are 1999 Prep Athlete Hall of Fame Inductees

**Alison Vidal S'86** and **Frank Faraone S'44** were two of seven former prep athletes honored at the 1999 Bay Area Hall of Fame Awards. Alison and Frank were inducted at ceremonies held on May 18, 1999.

Alison's tennis records still rank as one of the highest in San Francisco high school tennis history. She was the No. 1 singles player from 1983 through 1986. During her high school years, she was in the Top 20 in Northern California Junior Tennis, San Francisco Junior Open Tennis Champion in 1986, Converse Player of the Year in Northern California Junior Tennis and National Tennis

Clay Court Champion in 1985 and 1986. She was also a member of GWHS' cross-country team and took 6th place at the 1986 All-City Meet, as well as a member of the 1984 varsity softball team!

Alison resides in San Francisco and is the Promotions Department Marketing Coordinator for the San Francisco Giants baseball team.

Frank Faraone, at a height of 5'9", was the unanimous All-AAA and All-NorCal choice in leading the unbeaten 130-lb. GWHS basketball champions in 1943 and 1944. He was again named All-AAA as well as the 1945

Prep Player of the Year. That same year he went on to be named the first San Francisco Junior College Champion and won the captancy of the All-Tourney team award. Frank also won letters in swimming and tennis at GWHS.

Frank is retired after a 30-year career in the public relations department for General Motors and is currently a public relations consultant in San Francisco. He can be contacted at 3 Nina Court, Mill Valley, CA 94941, FRFARAONE@aol.com

# Alumni News

**Barbara L. Schieck**, former GWHS faculty member, writes a nice note complimenting Denise Joseph on her wonderful job as Editor-in-Chief. Miss Schieck adds that she has been involved with the San Francisco Zoological Society's Educational Department for 14 years as a docent and the librarian for their research library—a wonderful dedicated group with an excellent teaching program. Miss Schieck can be contacted at 166 Meadowbrook Drive, San Francisco, CA 94132, 415-681-4473.

**Marjorie (Gross) Salin, Class of 1939**, sends us an article from the Sacramento Bee, reflecting on her life and the various articles and books she has written about the Beatniks. Marjorie became an expert on the North Beach artist colony. Those interested in contacting Marjorie may do so at P. O. Box 304, Point Reyes, CA 94956.

**Rita Applegate F'41** writes that she and husband Coe are both retired and very involved with roses. They grow over 355 rosebushes of different varieties and are past Presidents of several Rose Societies. Rita also corresponds with Betty Goulart, who informed her about our *AlumniScope*.

**Lucille (Morse) Bennett F'42** attended a musical at GWHS at the insistence of her granddaughter Charlotte Davis. Lucille had not been back to GWHS since graduation. She and husband of 52 years Leon have five children, and after his retirement he worked with Lucille in Bennett's Buffet which she ran for years in Marin County.

**Dorothy (Cruse) Bass, Class of 1942**, writes that she and husband Hoyt celebrated their 54th wedding anniversary in April. They are both now retired; Dorothy after 15 years with her needlepoint shop, and Hoyt from Getty Oil after 33 years. Their daughter Betty is a Residential Treatment Director at a Los Angeles medical facility and also does work for the Salvation Army. Dorothy can be reached at 3780 Pastel Place, Studio City, CA 91604. Her sisters **Marie (Cruse) Gillingham, Class of 1953**, is at 155 Muir Circle, Woodland, CA 95695, and **Helen (Cruse) Bertolini, Class of 1955**, is at 2645 Donegal Avenue, South San Francisco, CA 94080.

**Alice (Schleimer) Clay S'45** has retired as a volunteer librarian at St. Gabriel School in San Francisco after 20 years of service. Alice has joined the Doelger Senior Center and the Golden Gate Senior Center. She was invited to Alamo School as a 60-year alumna of the class of '39. Alice asks if anyone knows about **David Richardson, Class of 1943**. Alice has heard that he passed away but would like to confirm if he has or not. Alice can be contacted at 2739 40th Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94116, 415-566-5059.

**Evelyn (Fricke) Flournoy S'45** expresses her appreciation for composing, time spent editing and all else involved with getting the *AlumniScope* out to the alumni. [thank you, Evelyn!—PBP and TA] Evelyn adds that her brother, **Ernest Fricke S'48**, was contacted by one of his classmates, **Jacob Arnautoff**, recently. In the "small world" area, she writes that **John Lopeman S'44** has been her neighbor since 1990. Evelyn retired in 1990 but has been working since then in a probate law office and continuing her education. She has one daughter and two grandchildren. She can be contacted at 350 Gilmore Road, #30, Red Bluff, CA 96080, 630-529-1757.

**Richard (Dick) Mannini S'51** has retired from football coaching and teaching after a very successful 38-year career. After coaching at Alan Hancock College in Santa Maria (where he and his college teammate John Madden worked together), Dick became head coach at various high schools and colleges in California, ending his great career as Head Coach and Associate Athletic Director at San Francisco State. He and his wife Sandra can be contacted at 19154 Superior Drive, Twain Harte, CA 95383, 209-586-2562.

**Victor Freeman S'51** sends a note with his address update. Victor and his wife are moving to Del Webb's new development near Roseville so they can be closer to their grandchildren in Sacramento. Victor says he still comes into San Francisco regularly to attend USF Board of Trustees meetings and to see friends. Victor can be reached for just a little while longer at 474 Panorama Drive, Benicia, CA 94510, 707-745-5466.



**Corinne (Gidal) Leister S'51** sends the above photo from a March 1999 mini-reunion of herself and fellow S'51 alumni **Dick Miller, Lou Rosso**, and her husband **Ray Leister**. She also corrects the Spring 1999 information about Lou, in which his name was listed as Russo [our apologies—Ed.]. Corinne and Ray also spoke with another classmate, **Stan Lyman**, last year, before Stan jetted off to Paris. Corinne and Ray can be reached at 9432 Brynmar Drive, Villa Park, CA 92861-2602, 714-921-9279.

**Princeton N. Lyman S'53** retired from the U.S. State Department in January 1999 after 37 years of service. His most recent position was Assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs. He is currently Visiting Fellow at the Overseas Development Council and will become a Senior Fellow at the U.S. Institute of Peace in October 1999. Princeton may be contacted at 8607 Springdell Place, Chevy Chase, MD 20815.

**Don Morrison F'55** writes that he was very surprised when he opened the Spring 1999 *AlumniScope* to find his oldest and dearest friends, Sid, Barbara and Claude, along with their families and his friend Georgia Franklin and Denise featured in photos. Claude and James Davis were witnesses when Don married Christine Barrett in 1959. Don can be contacted at his work address, VASCOR Ltd., c/o CNW Ramp Office, 225 S. Kress Road, West Chicago, IL 60185, or home phone 630-241-2659.

**Jim Sochor F'55** updates us on his illustrious career since his induction to the GWHS Athletic Hall of Fame and Hall of Merit. After retiring as UC Davis' head football coach, he was the offensive coordinator for three years for the NFL Europe's Scottish Claymores. He also adds

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another meritorious honor as he was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame in South Bend, Indiana, in August 1999, on the strength of his coaching success at UC Davis, where he amassed a 156-41-5 record, with 18 conference titles, from 1970 to 1988. Congratulations, Jim! He is now a consultant with the Professional Player Management Group in San Rafael. Jim can be reached at 1018 Kent Drive, Davis, CA 95616.

**Carol (Thompson) Hall S'55** has retired from her position as an elementary school librarian and lives on the Oregon coast. She would love to hear from classmates and they can write to her at P. O. Box 1137, Depoe Bay, OR 97341, retx2@newportnet.com

**Sharon (Liggett) Marquez, Class of 1958**, writes that she and her husband recently celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary. Sharon married while still at GWHS. She attended her class' 40th reunion in October 1998 and would like to know if the photos taken at the reunion are available for sale. She also would like to know if there will be a directory of reunion attendees. Sharon can be reached at 2196 Shurtleff Avenue, Napa, CA 94559, 707-252-1825.

**Father Donald D'Angelo S'59** was assigned in July 1999 to the Pastorate of Holy Name of Jesus Parish in San Francisco. He returns to his boyhood parish from an assignment as parochial vicar at Church of the Nativity in Menlo Park.

**Judy (Hass) Lawrence S'62** would like to know what any of her classmates might be doing these days. She writes that she has not noticed submissions by members of her class. Judy is a retired computer programmer and grandma and would love to hear from you. She may be contacted at 1915 Alderbrook Lane, Santa Rosa, CA 95405, judy\_hass@ap.net

**Nan (Korens) Van Dam S'64** says that she has been married for 31 years, and she and her husband have lived in Marin County for 25 years. They have one son and one daughter, and Nan works part-time as a receptionist for Coldwell Banker. **Robin (Parsons) Diner S'65** and Nan are still best friends after 44 years! Nan also wishes to send a special hello to Anne Irvine. Nan can be reached at 31 Catskill Court, San Anselmo, CA 94960, 415-461-3220.

**Diane Christine (Thomas) Meyer S'65** writes that she is an RDA and has been working in the dental profession for over 20 years. She is a divorced mom of three children and has two grandchildren. Diane writes that her youngest son passed away in 1995. Diane can be contacted at either home 650-347-4349 or work 650-375-8708.

**David Simon S'67** gives us an update on his highly interesting new career. David is the President and Chief Operating Officer for Dreamworks Television Animation Studios in Glendale, California. Prior to Dreamworks, David was Senior Vice-President and Managing Director for the Broadcast Group of Walt Disney Television International in London, England. Following graduation from San Francisco State, David has spent most of his career in the television industry. He is married and has one daughter. David can be contacted at 712 North Beverly Drive, Beverly Hills, CA 90210-3322, DSimonUK@aol.com

**Stephen Lundberg S'67** writes that he joined the San Francisco Police Department in 1970 as a police officer and has been an inspector for the last 19 years.

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## HALL OF MERIT NOMINATION FORM

Candidate's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Year of Graduation \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate's Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

**Reason for Nomination** (Please be specific about area of endeavor, titles, or degrees earned or conferred or any other pertinent facts and information. If there is any printed information you would like to include, please attach to this nomination form.)

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- Prerequisites:**
1. Candidate must be a graduate of GWHS.
  2. Fifteen (15) years must have elapsed since candidate's graduation.
  3. Candidate must be worthy of emulation by current Washingtonians.
  4. Each candidate must satisfy one of the following criteria:
    - a. candidate should be known and recognized by public at large.
    - b. achievement of position of the candidate is such that it merits recognition in or of itself.
    - c. candidate must have the endorsement of his/her peers.

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All submissions are welcome. Please keep submissions brief and legible. Please include a self-addressed stamped envelope with any originals (newspaper clippings, photographs, etc.) you include and would like returned; **however**, safe return of your originals is not guaranteed. Submissions may be edited. Please send submissions to the address below.

**Include your legibly printed or typed name and return address on every submission.**

**POSTMASTER:** Please send Change of Address information to **GEORGE WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**, George Washington High School, 600 32nd Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94121.

## 1950s Classmates Reunite With Counselor

by Denise Joseph

On Wednesday, June 16, 1999, a group of GWHS grads of '53 & '54 who had also been classmates at Roosevelt Junior High School met for dinner to visit with Lionel Marcus, who had been our counselor at Roosevelt. We dined at Ristorante Ecco in San Francisco—the food was terrific and the evening was fun for everyone.

How does Lionel do it??? He looks wonderful and is full of energy and vitality. Lionel retired as a counselor from GWHS in 1984 where I had the pleasure of being a colleague as well as a former student of his.



**Left to right:** Denise Joseph, Helen Cruse Bertolani, Bob Bertolani, Lionel Marcus



**Left to right:** Roger Mann, Barbara Cassell Lewin, Denise Joseph, Helen Cruse Bertolani, Bob Bertolani, Lionel Marcus, Jeannette Sanquinetti Rizzo, Rich Rizzo, Diane Rueben Lubich, Sid Lewin, Joan Weinshenk Mann

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