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Among former Normans, stories of lasting friendship and creative collaboration abound



'51 grads celebrate 90th birthdays together -- p. 28

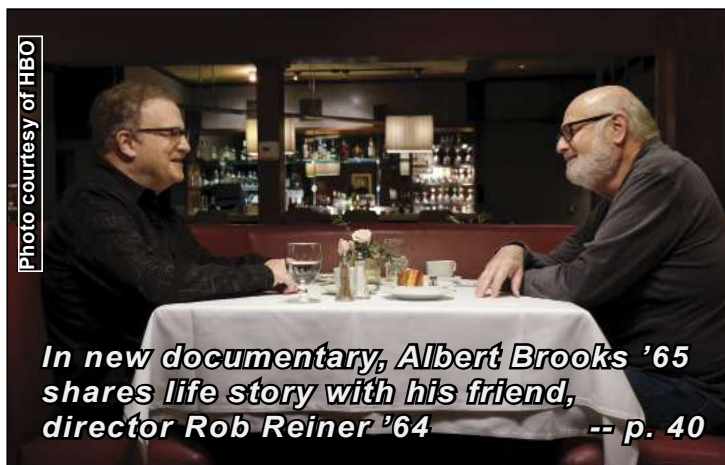


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In new documentary, Albert Brooks '65 shares life story with his friend, director Rob Reiner '64

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On Highlights' masthead is the phrase "Today Well Lived." It is excerpted from the following poem:

Salutation of the Dawn

Look to this day,
For it is the very life of life.
In its brief course lie all
the verities and realities of
your existence;
The glory of action,
The bliss of growth,
The splendor of beauty,
For yesterday is but a
dream and
Tomorrow is only a vision;
But today well lived makes
every yesterday a dream of
happiness,
And every tomorrow a
vision of hope,
Look well, therefore, to this
day.

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President's Message - Josh Gross '91

Hello fellow Normans:

Construction at Beverly High continues. Buildings B3 and B4, which include the K.L. Peters Auditorium and the Salter Family Theater, will hopefully be re-opened by 2025.

But we have some exciting construction news, too. The brand-new, state-of-the-art, totally rebuilt El Rodeo Elementary School opens on Aug. 11 (see superintendent Dr. Michael Bregy's message below).

2024 was a big year for Normans in politics. Craig Corman '77 won a seat on the Beverly Hills City Council (see page 6). Liz Berman Barcohana '01 was elected to

the 42nd Assembly District Central Committee. And Nathan Hochman '81 advanced to the upcoming Nov. 5 election for Los Angeles County District Attorney (see page 38).

Once again I've had the pleasure of working with Melanie Anderson on the production of this edition, which was completed before its deadline and under budget. Melanie previously served as editor of *Beverly Hills Weekly*.

The Alumni Association was founded by the late Board of Education member Bernice Hutter in December, 1977. Our organization has grown significantly since that time. We mail this *Alumni Highlights* to over 18,000 graduates living all

over the world. The financial support of graduates like you has allowed us to become the

biggest contributor of alumni scholarships. Under the direction of Lilly Lewis '74, we awarded \$18,000 to several deserving graduating seniors. Last year's graduating class sent Normans to Stanford, Duke, Michigan and many other top-rated colleges. See the many



Josh Gross '91

prestigious universities our scholarship recipients are now attending on page 4.

In closing, don't forget that you graduated from the most famous high school in the country—probably the world. We need your continued financial support as we help take our alma mater to even higher places. So if you enjoy reading your *Alumni Highlights*, please consider making a contribution and sending in a class note today.

Until next time my friends,
Go Normans!

*Josh Gross '91
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Greetings from Dr. Michael Bregy, Superintendent of Schools

Dear Beverly Hills High School Alumni,

This year I am going to start on a slightly different note and focus on some milestone moments for BHUSD more generally. Built with the most technologically advanced security system of any public school district in the country, the 2024–2025 school year brings the much-anticipated opening of El Rodeo Elementary School! The significant modernization has resulted in a state-of-the-art learning environment placing BHUSD at the forefront of education. With its newly opened mental health BulldogAid Wellness Center, our dedicated Middle School ensures that every student has access to wraparound support. BHUSD has developed over 40+ pathways from TK through 12th-grade allowing students to gain exposure to

real-life career experience and college-level curriculum. This is evidenced by The College Board recognizing BHUSD for academic excellence honoring our students' performance on the AP exams. We were also acknowledged with The College Board Access Award for creating pathways enabling access to the rigor of AP courses.

At BHHS, three outstanding teachers have recently completed rigorous work to be recognized as National Board Certified Teachers (NBCT). BHUSD had seven teachers attain this honor this year, and for a point of comparison, this outpaces 17 states in the number of new NBCTs, a national achievement.

In early 2024, BHHS hosted the Bulldogs to Normans Welcome Night. With standing-room-only, I was thrilled to see the leadership of BHHS create a comprehensive and engaging

opportunity for incoming 9th-grade families to get to know BHHS through curricular and co-curricular showcases. Transitioning 8th-grade students to BHHS, equipped with all of the information they and their families will need to make the leap to high school, can be challenging, but BHHS is demonstrating exemplary finesse in supporting our families as individuals, rather than as a group.

This year the Board of Education has supported our Strategic Plan goals with a specific focus in the areas of academics, attendance, student behavior expectations, social and emotional learning and wellness, and community engagement. I encourage you to review the Board Study Sessions at bhhsd.org/boardmeetings/ to see the commendable progress BHHS is making.

The Visual and Performing

Arts department has, once again, shown their incredible talent which was only furthered by our ongoing collaboration to ensure Pathways between our schools.

For example, the BVMS dance students took a field trip to BHHS to work with the high school students and get real-life experience in this discipline.

I want to take a moment to formally thank our new BHHS Principal, Mr. Drew Stewart (see story, p. 6). Since assuming leadership, Mr. Stewart has brought a dynamic and inspiring energy to BHHS, igniting a sense of purpose and enthusiasm



Dr. Michael Bregy

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Alumni Association presents scholarships to Class of 2023

The BHHS Alumni Association presented scholarships to the following members of the Class of 2023 at the Senior Awards Night ceremony:

Alix Bodden (Diana Isaacs Sturr '78 Endowment Scholarship)

Olivia DeFrank (Tobey Cotsen '76 Scholarship)

Olivia Green (Michael J. Libow '81 Scholarship)

Suhh Yeon Kim (Robert Grossman '75 Scholarship)

Miles Kottler (Lazer-Lewis Family Scholarship)

Givi Mchedlishvili (Michael J. Libow '81 Scholarship)

*Top photo: Olivia Green '23,
Givi Mchedlishvili '23, Michael Libow '81*

*Bottom photo: Mark Rosenthal '78,
Alix Bodden '23, Marc Selwyn '78*



About Our Scholarships

The Beverly Hills High School Alumni Association was established in December, 1977 to raise funds to support scholarships for deserving Beverly graduates. The Alumni Association's Board of Directors represents graduating classes from many decades.

The BHHS Alumni Association is the largest donor of scholarships in the district, offering six scholarships at \$3,000 each. Scholarships are awarded to top students based on a number of factors including merit, academic achievement, engagement in extracurricular activities, finan-

cial need, involvement in the Beverly community and more. Recipients have been AP distinguished scholars and National Merit Scholarship finalists and admitted to selective colleges, including Ivy League institutions and top-ranked UCs. Their talents, areas of interest and academic strengths stretch across disciplines, and students are well respected by their peers.

We are excited to continue recognizing the incredible efforts of our students, and continue engaging with the alumni community.

Send us your Class Notes!

Email bhhsalumni@yahoo.com or mail to:
BHHS Alumni Association | 241 S. Moreno Dr.
Beverly Hills, CA 90212

Where do our scholarship recipients go to college?

BHHS Alumni Association scholarship recipients from the classes of 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023 have gone on to:

Columbia

Georgetown

Harvey Mudd

Loyola Marymount University

New York University

Pomona College

Rice University

San Diego State

Santa Monica College

Stanford

UC Berkeley

UCLA

UC San Diego

UC Santa Cruz

University of Chicago

University of Maryland

University of Michigan, Ann-Arbor

USC

Vanderbilt

Washington University in St. Louis

Yale



Top photos, left to right: Scholarship recipients Miles Kottler '23, Olivia DeFrank '23 and Suhh Yeon Kim '23 with Assistant Principal Kim Decarel

At right, Michael Libow '81 speaks at Senior Awards Night



Have you visited the BHHS website?

bhhs.bhusd.org

Find the menu on the right side of the screen and click on the "Alumni" tab, where you'll find info about upcoming reunions and past issues of *Alumni Highlights*.



A fond farewell to our BHUSD retirees. In May 2023, the school district held a reception for its retiring employees, including Joanie Garratt, Jane Geletko, Julie Goler, Janice Hart, Tracey MacGregor, Sandi Mason, Jeanne Alice McCrea, Joyce Medway, Karen Moses, Reed Pollock, Dominador Popoy, Roland Ramirez, Jo Roberts, Lori Schwartz, David Siskin, Serafin Amado Urizar, and Philip Wenker (retiree names listed in alphabetical order, not by order of appearance in the photo; some retirees were not present for the photo)

Meet Drew Stewart, Beverly's new principal

Last year, the Board of Education unanimously approved the appointment of Drew Stewart as Beverly's new principal. He assumed the position in July 2023.

"I have worked with Mr. Stewart since 2017 when he was a teacher at Beverly Hills High School. Shortly thereafter he was appointed Assistant Principal and most recently, Co-Principal. Over the past six years, he has demonstrated exemplary leadership qualities, an unwavering commitment to our community, and above all he has built a foundation of trust through genuine relationships with students, staff, and parents," Superintendent Michael Bregy said.

Drew Stewart served as Interim Beverly High Co-Principal for the 2022–2023 school year along with Kim Decatrel.

"As you know, in line with our

mission of Educational Excellence, appointing the best leader to our school required the expertise and support of our entire community. You [students, staff, parents, alumni] answered surveys, met with me, sat on panels, interviewed candidates and we even conducted a national search leaning on the expertise of a search firm. This resulted in the most qualified and seasoned candidates in the country applying for this position and was critical in our ability to be objective. Mr. Stewart had formidable competition as he entered the process. Ultimately, it confirmed that here at BHUSD we have the best of the best leading our schools at every level and there is no better candidate to helm Beverly Hills High School. The Co-Principalship has been tremendously successful and I am grateful to Ms. Decatrel for her dedication and leadership throughout this interim period,"



Drew Stewart

Bregy said.

Stewart holds a master's degree in Education, Teaching and Learning from Point Loma Nazarene University and a Bachelor of Political Science from UCSD.

Stewart previously taught College Preparatory, United States History, American Government, and Economics.

Join us for the 110-Year Hawthorne Alumni Celebration, including the final graduating class!

Step back in time on **Fri., May 24 at 8:30 a.m.** as we honor over a century of excellence at Hawthorne. This special event brings together alumni from almost every graduating class since our inception, spanning 110 remarkable years, including the final graduating class. Reconnect with former classmates, share cherished memories, and celebrate the enduring legacy of Hawthorne. Don't miss this opportunity to be part of history.

RSVP to hawthorneclassof2024@gmail.com and join us for a morning of nostalgia, camaraderie, and lifelong memories.

Corman '77 elected to Beverly Hills City Council



Craig Corman '77

Former Beverly Hills Planning Commissioner Craig Corman '77 was one of two candidates elected to the Beverly Hills City Council on March 5, 2024.

Other Normans in the family include two BHHS Alumni Hall of Fame members, Craig's late father Gene Corman S'44 and uncle Roger Corman S'43, mom Nan Morris Corman S'49, and brother Todd Corman '75.

Now accepting: Contributions and Class Notes online!

A NEW DIGITAL OPTION FOR CLASS NOTES AND CONTRIBUTIONS IS AVAILABLE!

For those of you who prefer doing things electronically, we now have options for Class Notes and Contributions.

If you would like to email your Class Notes (and include a photo if you want), please send to:

bhhsalumni@yahoo.com

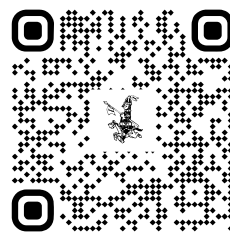
If you would like to make a contribution by credit card online, please use the following link or QR code:

<https://tinyurl.com/90210alumni>

We will continue accepting Class Notes and Contributions by mail as well. Please mail to:

**BHHS Alumni Association
241 S. Moreno Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90212**

QR Code:



To scan the QR code, select the camera app on your phone and focus on the image above. A link should appear, leading to a form to make your contribution.

Thank you for your support!

Upcoming Reunions

Class of 1950

Date TBD

Class rep: Carol Blanchard
carolblanchard@gmail.com,
949-837-5558

Class of 1964

Aug. 31, 2024, 6 p.m.

Beverly Hills Tennis Club

Class rep: Marcy Milan
globalgirl01@gmail.com

For more details, see p. 31

Class of 1974

Oct. 19, 2024, 6 p.m.

Woodland Hills Country Club

Class rep: Randy Sheinbein
randyucla@gmail.com
www.bhhs74.org

Class of 1984

Sept. 21, 2024, 6 p.m.

The Bourbon Room,
Hollywood

Class rep: Tammy Scher
bhhs84reunion@gmail.com
To purchase tickets, go to
www.ReunionDB.com

El Rodeo 50th Reunion

- Class of 1974

Sept. 28, 2024

Private residence

Class rep: Greg Nelson

gregoryanelson@sbcglobal.net

El Rodeo Grand Re-Opening

Aug. 11, 2024

More details TBA

110-Year Hawthorne Alumni Celebration

May 24, 2024, 8:30 a.m.

For details, see p. 6

All other classes

TBA

For current info about upcoming reunions, please visit bhhs.bhusd.org, select the "About Us" tab at the top of the page and click on "Alumni."

Beverly Hills High School Hall of Fame

Edwin L. Artzt S'47
Amb. Nicole Avant '86
Robert E. Badham S'47
Josh Berger '84
Lili Toren Bosse '79
Lloyd Braun '76
Willie Brien, M.D. '75
Jacqueline Orgell Briskin W'45
Albert Brooks '65
Ed Brown '57
Joe L. Brown S'35
Barry Brucker '75
Richard Chamberlain '52
Molly Cosgrave Chappellet S'49
Laura Newman Chick '62
Liz Claman '81
Louise Brough Clapp W'40
Gene Corman S'44
Roger Corman S'43
George Cotliar '50
Donald W. Crowell '52
Cally Curtis S'41
Don Davies S'44
Ian Dawson '85
Walt Dougher '53
Brig. Gen. Frank M. Drew S'48
Richard Dreyfuss '65
Walter H. Dunn S'40
Ed Edelman S'48
Blake Edwards W'41
Mark Egerman '60
Delia Ephron '62
Nora Ephron '58
Mike Fenton '52

Betty Hughes Fladager S'41
Joyce Marcus Flannery '66
Michele Flournoy '79
William F. Fore S'46
Robert L. Fox W'46
Bonnie Franklin '61
Daniel Fried '70
Nolan Frizzelle S'39
K. Hiroshi Fujimoto S'39
Ronald M. George '57
Lunda Hoyle Gill S'46
Joanna Hall Gleason '68
Jonathan Gold '77
Wendy Howard Goldberg '57
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Adrienne Applewhite Jones S'34
Natasha Chapro Josefowitz S'44
Harris Katleman S'46
Herb Katz S'48
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Ken Kreisel '69
William Krisel '41
Ann Reiss Lane S'47
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Laurence Lesser '56

Mel Levine '60
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Justin T. McCarthy Jr. W'41
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George M. Pardee S'33
Hoyt S. Pardee S'36
Jerry Paris W'44
Robert L. Patten '56
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John E. "Jack" Randall W'42
Peggy Rea S'38
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William Reppy W'30
Vicki Behrstock Reynolds '53
Robert Gore Rifkind S'46
Will Rogers Jr. W'31
Jay Sandrich S'49

Michael Schlesinger '60
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Robert B. Sherman S'43
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Walter J. Stoessel, Jr. S'37
Robert L. Street '52
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Meg Whittle Whitcomb S'48
Betty White W'39
Jim Wiatt '64
Wally Wolf S'47
Capt. Robert H. Wolff W'40
Robert D. Wood S'43
Barbara Edelston Yaroslavsky '65
Daniel Yergin '64
Richard S. Ziman '60
Marlene Sudmin Zimmerman '50

All in the Family: 2nd & 3rd generation grads

Members of the Class of 2023 who appear in these photos have parents and/or grandparents who also graduated from Beverly.

Photos courtesy of Beverly Hills Weekly



Riley Behrstock '23, Tony Behrstock '85. Riley attends UC Irvine. Not pictured: the late Roger Behrstock '54



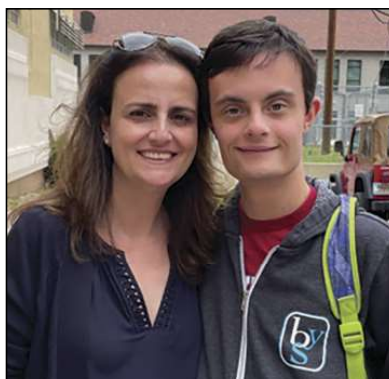
Kayden Shohed '23, Sandy Kamara Shohed '86. Kayden attends UC Irvine



Gerald Baron '51, Richard Baron '85, Evan Baron '23. Evan attends Santa Monica College



Melissa Stein '83, Keren Lifschitz '23. Keren attends Parsons/New School. Not pictured: the late Dorothy Allen Stein '55



Doreece Elihu Artal '89, Ethan Artal '23



Cynthia Court Walker-Rose '66, Charlotte Walker '23, Tristen Walker '91. Charlotte attends the New School



Brian Yeshoua '23, Elena Cohen Yeshoua '92. Brian attends Santa Monica College



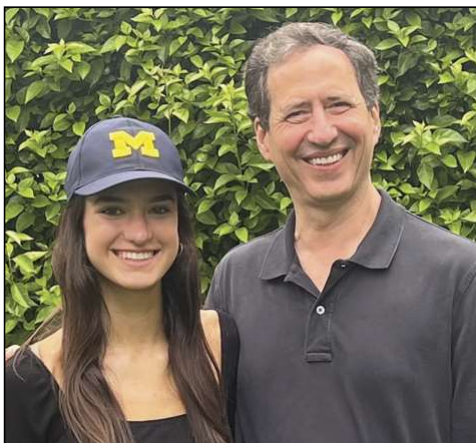
Gabrielle Landau Painter '90, Isabela Painter '23. Isabela attends Chapman University



Sydney Gasmer '23, Cami Simon Gasmer '84. Sydney attends the University of Wisconsin



Yael Massry '86, Maya Rendon '23. Maya attends the University of Wisconsin



Rebecca Katz '23, Steve Katz '81. Rebecca attends the University of Michigan

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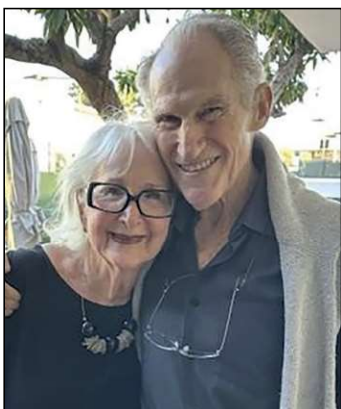
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Thank you for your support!

Class of 1957

Beverly Hills Tennis Club—April 22, 2023



Susann Girdwoyn Bauman, Ron Goldman



Susan Kahn Ansen, John Ansen



Elayne Feinberg Edelman, Biff Naylor, Patty Heyman Wilson, Susann Girdwoyn Bauman, Roger Brown



At left, Reunion Committee:

Richard Lowe, Joan Grolld Beerman, Alice Katsky Lynn, Ila Silverman Grobe, Patty Heyman Wilson, Susann Girdwoyn Bauman, Gloria Shulman, Michael Greenberg, Arthur Kraus

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LEVI	MICHAEL	77	ROCKFORD	PAULA	48	WINTHROP	STUART	68	JOYCE	ELAINE	61
LEVIN	HEIDI	81	ROOS	SYBIL	41	WOWCHUK	HARRY	66	KANTOR, M.D.	GARY	56
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LEVINE	JARED E.	74	ROSS	GLORIA	56	ZALL	JONATHAN	63	KRIEGER	RONALD	59
LEVITT	KEN	54	ROSS	NORMAN	54		EMIL		LEOS	ANTOINETTE	66
LEVY	ARLENE	60	ROTHSTEIN-	DR.	71				LEVINE	ANNE-	56
LOUCHHEIM	MARLENE	50	FISCH	CARRIE R.						MARIE	
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MEHREN	MICHAEL	59	SCHULTZ	NANCY	81	CHORNA	GAIL	85	MUFF	JOHN F.	58
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MITRU	DIANE	55	SHOLEM	FRANKIE	75	ERENBERG	HOWARD	66	POLLOCK	RANDY	67
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BROFFMAN	SCOTT	71	GEORGE	LENORE	52	LANE	ANN	47	REED	ALAN	54
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CONTI	JAMES	61	GOLANT	MAURICE C.	64	LEVY	GRANT A.	80	ROSOWSKY	DR. ANDRE	53
COOPER	CRAIG A.	84	GOLDSMITH	ALICIA	78	LEVY	JOEL A.	52	ROSS	CYNTHIA D.	84
CORDOVA	RONALD M.	64	GOLDSTEIN	ANDI	70	LEWIS	JASON	06	ROSTEN	DAVID	71
COZEN	DR. HARRY	61	GOODMAN	PATRICIA	64	LIEBOWITZ	AARON	60	ROTH	DAVID	87
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ULRICH	ROY	62
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WEISS	STUART M.	73
WEISSMAN	RACHEL M.	90
WILGER	ROD	50
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WOLF	SALLY	56
WOLFSON	ALAN	69
WOLFSON	SUSAN	73
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YATES	ROBERT W.	54
ZIEVE	ANDREA	72
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Athletics/Physical Education Pathways
Sports & Fitness

Audio/Media Production Pathways
Audio Production

Business Pathways
Entrepreneurs
Personal Finance – Beginning
Personal Finance – Advanced

Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM) Pathways
Coding – Beginning
Coding – Advanced
Forensics
Robotics
STEM Engineering
STEM Robotics
STEM Flight & Space

English Language Arts Pathways
Choir
Dance 1
Dance 2
Dance 3
Digital Art
Drama
Musical Theatre 1
Musical Theatre 2
Orchestra – Beginning
Orchestra – Advanced
Photography – Beginning
Photography – Advanced

History/Social Studies Pathways
Current Events
History Through Film

Leadership Pathways
Associated Student Body (ASB)
WEB – Where Everyone Belongs

Multimedia Pathways
Journalism – Newspaper
Yearbook

Visual & Performing Arts Pathways
Animation
Art – Beginning
Art – Advanced
Band – Beginning
Band – Advanced
Ceramics

World Language Pathways

French 1A
French 1B
French 2
Hebrew 1A
Hebrew 1B
Spanish 1A
Spanish 1B
Spanish 2

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NELSON	RICHARD	86
RICHMAN	MICHAEL	78
ROBBINS	MARILYN J.	55
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Superintendent's greeting

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appreciation for the diverse talents and backgrounds within BHHS promoting *Excellence, Community, and Appreciation*.

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Respectfully,

Dr. Michael Bregy
Superintendent, BHUSD

Class of 1958

Roxbury Park Community Center—Oct. 15, 2023



Kit Reed



Irwin Zeke Warsaw



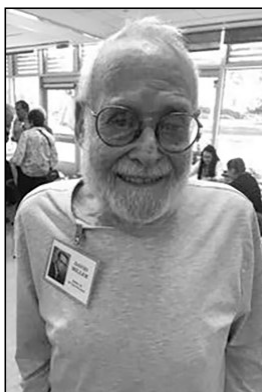
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Santa Monica Brew Works—Oct. 13, 2023



Harry Kraushaar, Ellen Weinstein, Clifford Cutler



Front row: Ellen Weinstein, Diana Bernstein, Maureen Molloy, Brenda Hillman, Ann Goldfeld. Back row: Stuart Weiss, Clifford Cutler, David Roman, Harry Kraushaar, Jeff Wallen, Neal Snyder

Class of 1961

Valley Relics Museum—June 10, 2023



Marilyn Judson, Nancy Lippman, Loraine Geldin Zeidler



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Sheila Yaker Bixby, Carol Greene Herzog, Judy Colman Everts



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Class of 1963

Pepper & Joe Edmiston's Home—Aug. 5, 2023



John Parrish, Pepper Salter Edmiston, Candy Marer Spelling, Hawk Koch



Richard Morris, Carolyn Lockie Hansen, Rosa Lucas, John Parrish, Patti Friedman Serber, Margie Kassel, Cindy Gold Parker



Nancy Greenberg Blumenfeld, Vicki Hoffman Schapiro, Donna Wright Bernstein



Pepper Salter Edmiston, Kenny Riemer, Jane Meltzer Fowler



Richard Morris, Leon Owens, Julie Freeman Crandall, Marlene Selsman, Frank Rubinger



Pepper Salter Edmiston, Vicki Rothberg Faerstein, Julie Freeman Crandall, Laura Plotkin



Larry Shaw, Don Goodman, Steve Webb



Karen Kramer, Ralph Bliquez, Pris Flaster, Robert Siskin



Fred and Julie Freeman Crandall



Randy Miller, Eric Snow



Reuben Snipper, Steve Unger



Ira Nepus

Class of 1973

Annenberg Community Beach House—
Oct. 14, 2023



Alan Kaye, Jim Harris, Leonard Uhley, Shelley Curtis Litvack



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Marc Averbach, Diane Holland, Nevra Shapiro, Jonathan Swerdlow, Pegge Brunk



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Class of 1978

The Warehouse Restaurant—Nov. 4, 2023



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Heidi Cayn, Scott Friedman



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Stacey Fields, Bill Chait

Class of 1983

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Karla Gordy Bristol, Roz Ziser Childs, Nancy Cohen



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Danny Pritikin, Tami Fazekas Adams, Steven Chester, Charles Levy



Aaron Wiley, Kendall Park, Robbie Countryman, CJ Fulwilder, Gordon Grayson, Jeff James, Greg Johnson, Gene Ramos



Christine Good, Eden Small Halfon, Kendall Park, Jamie Cooperstein, Nancy Cohen, Scott Woodward



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Class of 1993

The Hollywood Roosevelt—Oct. 21, 2023



Jennifer Yashari, Dana Marterella, Natasha Wagener Adamo, Nurit Siegel Smith, Maria Micelli Ferrante



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Eugene Wong, Laura Villasenor, Brian Fletcher, Maria Micelli Ferrante, Rachel Damavandi



Karen Goldner, Phil Hong



Brittney Shuffield Rojas, Lisa Pietruszka Polack, Drew Zimmerman



Branden Williams, Jody Barens Moran, Elan Atias



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Brooke Benson, Margaret Miller, Blanca Farrell



Michele Blum, Natalie Ashouri Teboul



Hawthorne Class of '89 at the BHHS Class of '93 reunion



Marisa Lederman, Judith Yadegar Raminfar, Azadeh Azadegan, Lillian Moradi, Sharon Shuster

Class of 2003

The Beverly Hilton—Nov. 4, 2023



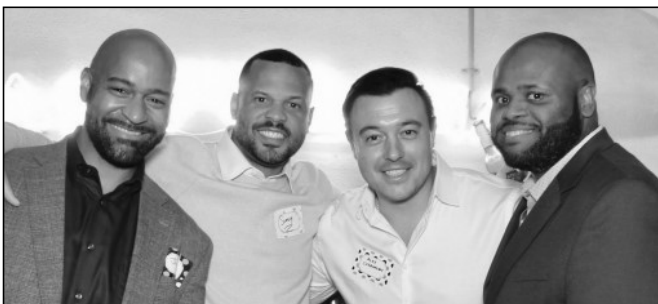
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Class of 2013

Den on Sunset—Nov. 22, 2023



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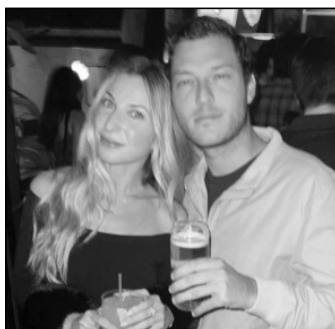
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Savannah Slotkin, Natan Dorenbaum



Shauna Ebrahimi, Dalia Azizi, Rachel Esrael Chanel Taghdis, April Banayan



David Javidzad, Savannah Slotkin



Lili Aghaei, Jack Ross, Jason Friedman, April Banayan



Michelle Akhtarzad Nourafshan, Jack Wagner, Kooshawn Goordnia, Ryan Feinberg, Harrison Margolin, Nathan Aminpour, April Banayan, Savannah Slotkin, Lili Aghaei, Cameron Paysinger, Kyle Dordick

Horace Mann '73

Roxbury Park—Nov. 4, 2023



Michael Karson, Jennifer Singerman



Laurence Rothstein, Philippe Aubry



Leah Prinz, Larry Aronson, Nancy Nagler



Alejandro Mayorkas, retired faculty
Rachelle Marcus



Top row, from left: Foroogh Ziael, Frank Rhodes, Johnathan Hahn, Diane Morgenstern, Tracy Baum, Bob Sipovac, Mitchell Barnow, Peter Mark. Middle row: Becki Levi, Nancy Nagler, Richard Fleg, Pam Paige. Front row: Jackie Siegel, Tzviah Beverly Schwartz, Connie Aronson, Paulette Beckmann, Tica Molloy



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Horace Mann '82

The Chapel at the Abbey—July 29, 2023



Jessica Tourk Friedman, Karyn Blumenfeld, Helene Omansky



Karyn Blumenfeld, Stacey Koff, David Barad, Abby Ayotte



Tiffany Rubin, Adar Bolton*, Karyn Blumenfeld* **Reunion organizers*



Shane Lichterman, Brett Rubin



Jessica Tourk Friedman, Lyena Strelkoff



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1940

Robert Wolff '40 Robert was in Beverly Hills in January for a movie premiere, for the first time in 30 years. He said, "Wow, what a great change!"

Mary Osgood Mayor '41 Mary says she's so grateful to reach her centennial birthday! She has so many happy memories of her days at BHHS and Beverly Vista—so many great friends and wonderful experiences. Mary says back then, 1938–1941, they had superior teachers and adventures. Mary has nothing but praise for all of this! She says thank you so much for keeping us in touch.

Stanley Zimmerman '44 Stanley says from time to time he sees Bobby Lewis '45, Alan Lewis '43 and Bob Nate '43. He turned 99 in January. He can't believe it!

Aaron Eshman '45 Aaron retired four years ago from a long career in financial management working with high net-worth clients assisting them to meet their financial goals. Since then, Aaron has spent time traveling. Last year, his family of 17 went to Cabo San Lucas, where they stayed in a wonderful villa in a gated community. Aaron says he had a fabulous time swimming, eating, and enjoying his family. Up to a year ago, before his back gave out, he played a lot of golf. Now 96, Aaron is enjoying his six grandchildren and his wife of 72 years (Sari, a Fairfax grad). He and his wife spend much time together at their home on the beach, walking, playing bridge, and enjoying their many friends. At the time of writing, they were looking forward to another family vacation.

Arnold Kornfield '45 Arnold says this last year was a year of celebration of birthdays and anniversaries. He celebrated his 96th birthday and his wife Harriet

celebrated her 92nd birthday. Together, they celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary (second marriage). They had a wonderful year.

Harris Katleman '46 Harris continues to echo his mother's adage, "life is a celebration." His published book *You Can't Fall off the Floor* continues to sell quite well on Amazon. Harris has three children, seven grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. His youngest son Michael is the executive-producer and director of *FBI International* on CBS. Harris' older son Stephen is a partner at the law firm of Greenberg-Taurig and his daughter Lisa is a successful tennis player. Harris says they are a truly blessed family.

Lester Wertheimer '46 Lester says once you reach your mid-90s, fewer high school friends remain, including the lifelong friends he had from Beverly. These days he advises fellow architects, as well as writes a variety of essays on subjects that interest him. Soon it will become another published book. Growing old is not always fun, but it's usually preferable to the alternative.

Kenneth Bleifer '47 Kenneth says this has been another year of stress in the United States and the world. There does not seem to be an end in sight. On a more personal level, age has not been kind to him. He says he has too many maladies to list and each day is both a struggle and a blessing to be alive. He still lives in Venice—31 years in two houses he built that still look new when compared to the houses in the neighborhood. Kenneth says Covid did more than just come on the scene as another epidemic; it exposed everyone in the U.S. and the world to how fragile life is and how everyone must prepare for the next assault. Kenneth says we must try and leave politics aside and let science be the guide.

Joan Cox McKenna '47 Joan is living in San Diego in Merrill Gar-

dens Senior Living. She likes it there and enjoys the many friendships with other residents. Joan doesn't know how many from the Class of 1947 are left, but she does keep in touch with Jack Shoemaker and his wife; Joanne Rice Killam; and Rita Montjoy (Lynn's wife). Joan's husband Dick passed away 16 years ago. She misses him so much and their many travels! Joan has 13 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren. Some live out of state but they visit her fairly often. Joan says they're all very special, of course! She has many fond memories of her time at BHHS.

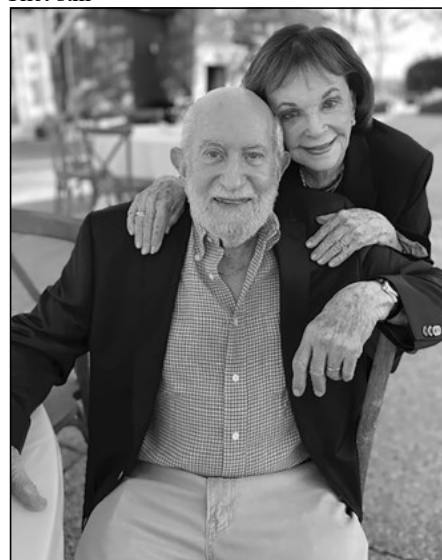
Beverly and Chester Firestein '48 Beverly and Chester are progressing toward their 73rd wedding anniversary (a startling number) and, what a journey it has been with four children (all graduates of El Rodeo and BHHS), 10 grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. They downsized after 54 years in the same home in Beverly Hills but moved close by to enjoy retirement. Going to dinner in BH is still a welcome occasion. They love reading about their schools and classmates in the *Courier* and *Alumni Highlights*. They play a lot of bridge as partners online, and Bev has played in a Mahjong game for over 25 years. Chet still enjoys lunch two times a month with his RO-MEO (Really Old Men Eating Out) buddies, and they try to stay in touch by phone, text, and email with their friends from school and early married years. Their advice to all is just to try one's best to stay healthy and enjoy every day to the fullest!

Jack Shoemaker '47 Jack is still here 77 years since the big graduation day in June 1947. He and his wife Louise just celebrated their 69th



Elizabeth Barbe Vulich '47 wedding anniversary. Jack says he's very grateful for his great classroom and sports experience at BHHS as it prepared him for the many challenges in life. Fun communication with his friend Joan Cox McKenna, a classmate from Horace Mann. Jack keeps busy rebuilding an industrial property lost in a fire. He hopes to be around next year to send a hello message to his classmates.

Margot Wiesinger Smith, PhD '48 Margot Smith is an activist Democrat living in Berkeley. She has a Doctor of Public Health from UC Berkeley and worked as a research social scientist for the State Health Department in environmental health, mental health and survey research; for Stanford in rural health care; and



Chester and Beverly Firestein '48

for UC Davis and the State of Hawaii in health planning. After retirement, she produced political videos. She's lived in Berkeley since 1969, raised four children as a single mother for 10 years, and loves them and her six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. She cares about their futures. She is not a NIMBY or a YIMBY but for smart housing, housing that we desperately need. She cares that people must camp on the street and live in cars because they cannot pay for housing. She is running for California State Assembly District 14 in the 2024 election.

Ralph Marx '49 Ralph and his wife Helen are enjoying driving trips around Arizona because of Covid and high temperatures. They've lived there for over 60 years and are still amazed at all the sights they've yet to see.

1950

George Frakes '50 George still plays doubles tennis at 91 years of age. He says getting players over 81 years is a challenge for their three-times-a-week games. George did some out-of-state traveling for grandchildren events—graduate school graduation and a wedding in New York. George does some writing, enjoys adult learning classes, and fitness exercising, as well as attending plays on Broadway and locally, and music concerts. George wishes his classmates long lives, good health, and enjoyable times. It's hard for him to believe that he has been retired for nearly 30 years. He has a son eligible for social security retirement, and a great-grandson!

Pierre Kern S'50 Pierre is almost 94 years young and still kicking!

Most of his friends are gone. He's feeling fine but had to give up tennis.

Lynn Vale Penoyar '50 Lynn is still enjoying Balboa Island, family and friends. She's grateful for every day.

Joan Rubin Coakley '51 Joan hopes this finds her classmates doing well at 90 years old! It has been way too long since their last reunion. She wishes they could have another one in the not-too-distant future.

Joyce Diller Grunauer '51 Joyce is the grandmother of 13, including spouses, and the great-grandmother of five. She continues to manage an office and lives in Beverly Hills, Lake Tahoe, and Palm Desert.

Jeanne Curry Laye '51 Jeanne enjoyed going to Puerto Rico in April for her granddaughter's

wedding. A fun time! She recently visited Poland and the Baltic capitals, as well as London, Wales, and Scotland. Jeanne is still working as a CPA, doing taxes to keep the mind going. Enjoying life!

Shirley Seams Chestnut '52 Shirley is hoping that all is well with everyone after the tropical storm in Southern California last August. Colorado was lucky and escaped the disasters around the country in 2023.

Lenore Bernstein George '52 Lenore is still living in the desert and missing her house in Beverly Hills. She is thrilled that her daughter Julie George '82 is living minutes away from her. She fondly remembers her days at BHHS.

Michael Glick '52 Michael writes it is with a sad note that his brother Steve Glick '48 has passed away. Steve was a great football player, captain of his team his senior year. Back at that time, Beverly Hills had a great football team and was always in contention for Top Bay League Teams. Steve was top hoover his senior year. He was selected first string all C.I.F. and went on to play at Cal Berkeley. Steve played first string in two Rose Bowls as well. Michael will miss his brother forever.

June Ferrer Pond '52 June hopes all of her classmates have a happy and special year. She is still enjoying Balboa Island and all her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

Marcelina Perry Gross '53 Marcelina is still living in Beverly Hills and speaks to her classmates.

Howard Hirsch '53 Howard is still playing golf but getting worse each week. He has not snowboarded in three years—Covid, then a balance problem. He says he's looking forward to a fly fishing trip to Montana in June with his two grandsons, their wife and girlfriend, and his granddaughter. It will be the first time for the three ladies. He and Ruth missed not

BHHS was a springboard for '49 grad's "life of adventure"

At 92 years, my years at BHHS remain vivid and indelible.

Inspiration came from attending Mr. Case's choral group and Señor Padilla's

Spanish classes; my classmates, Marilyn Gump, Dorothy Brooks, Zena Rochefsky, Naomi



Cooperman, Eddie (Crummy) Cummings, Don Wolf, Sammie Grossman, Lee Hershberg, Stan Styne, and Bob King; and upper-classmates Andre Previn and Lynn Stalmaster, to name a few.

I professionally modeled and participated in a little theater. I married, had two amazing daughters, moved, and lived in Santa Barbara for 40 years.

I was honored to be

recognized by the State of California and the County of Santa Barbara for a life of community service. It was a joy!

I served as a Human Rights Commissioner, V.P. for S.W.A.P. (Small Wilderness Area Preserve), and executive director for an environmental coalition; created a conflict resolution program for city schools; and co-founded the first Organic Festival in the U.S. I re-visited the conflict resolution program and taught in the aspiring teachers program at UCSB. I published a magazine in

Palm Springs and did a "Healthy Living" segment on TV and radio in Palm Springs. Now, I'm envisioning doing a video.

Thank you, BHHS, for being a springboard to a life of adventure!



Estelle Perloff Foster '49 (right) with the late Suzanne Somers. Foster served as publisher of *Going Organic* magazine and Somers appeared on its cover. Above, Foster is holding the issue featuring Somers

Kudos and appreciation to our Alumni Association, executive director Joanna Stingray, staff, supporters and contributors. Be well.

— Estelle Perloff Foster '49

having their 70th reunion.

Marlene Trober Loret '53 Marlene graduated from UCLA in 1957. She worked at the UCLA Med Center as an RN from 1957 to 1961. Then she was employed as a school nurse with LAUSD until 1999, when she retired. Marlene was married in 1972 and had a boy and a girl. Her husband passed away in 2015, and she is currently involved in garment sewing, swing dancing, volunteering as a senior volunteer with the California Highway Patrol, and serving on the PT Advisory Committee at Kaiser W.H.

Valerie Kay '54 Valerie says to give her a shout-out if you are response-able: 310-892-0686.

Stan King '54 Stan says it was another year for him still working full time at Oppenheimer

and finishing 63 years in the business. He went to the UCLA basketball Maui tournament over Thanksgiving week that, because of the Maui fires, was moved to University of Hawaii in Honolulu. Stan says it was a great time had by all, even though UCLA had two losses. Stan says his family is planning their annual two-week family vacation in Maui in late June 2024. His best wishes to all his classmates for peace and health in the new year!

Lynn Morris Kreinman '54 Lynn sends greetings to all '54 classmates. They are approaching their 70th graduation year. What a milestone! Everyone should stay happy and well. Both her sisters graduated from BHHS, one in '49 and one in '51. Both are still enjoying life.



A very special joint birthday celebration. Naomi Zimmerfeldman '51 and Carole Wayne Foran '51 celebrated their 90th birthdays together. Their friendship was forged in their freshman year at Beverly and has been maintained throughout all this time.

Barbara Eisendrath Platt '54 Barbara has been residing in the Palm Springs area for 53 years. She says what was a small town is now a sprawling desert area composing several cities. Many BHHS alums are now living there, and Barbara says they could easily have a multi-year BHHS reunion there. Barb is the grandmother of 13 and great-grandmother of three, how blessed is she! She remains active in community organizations and takes a little time out for golf, local theater, and friend fun.

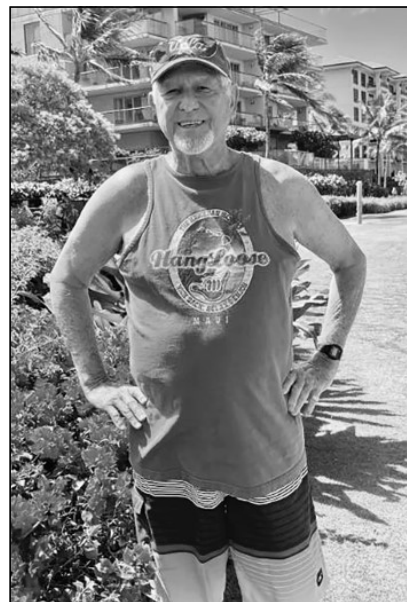
Peter Steven Spencer '54 Peter has nothing new to report. He's still breathing at 88!

Paul Zimmerman '54 Paul is healthy, happy and living in Malibu!

Warren Erbsen '55 Warren spent a year and a half recovering from GBS reaction to flu vaccine and learning to walk again.

Joe Friedman '55 Joe says he just returned from two cruises, one on Crystal Symphony from Venice to Istanbul, and then on Newship Explorer from New York to Quebec. Love cruising! His four kids and 10 grandchildren are all doing well. Joe says he is very fortunate! The second cruise was for his and his wife's 57th anniversary. At the time of writing, they were planning to leave in December for a New Year's cruise, then they will rest awhile! More in 2024, he hopes. Regards to all.

William Ronnie Walden '55 Ronnie and his wife June have been married 60 years and have lived in Culver City for the last 50 years. They have two children and five grandchildren. Ronnie's sister Barbara W. Pomerantz '56 and her husband William Pomerantz '56 live in the Bay Area. Ronnie's sister Leona Walden '59 lives in Albion, Calif. (See Leona's class



Stan King '54

note, p. 30.) They all remember their time at BHHS fondly.

Laurence Lesser '56 Laurence, his sister-in-law JoAnn Rosenberg Lesser, and Michael Burton—all BHHS Class of 1956—gathered at Laurence's home in November to jointly celebrate their 85th birthdays in 2023. Much happy chatter over the dinner table about their BHHS days!

Linda Price Vitti '56 Linda's first great-grandchild was born in May 2023. In June, Linda's beloved husband of 40 years passed away a month after his 95th birthday. In October, Linda traveled to Italy with her two youngest grandsons who live in Boulder, Colo., to attend the wedding of her second oldest grandson. She still skis, bikes, and hikes, but fewer miles and vertical feet each year.

Bob Bard '57 Bob has been raising a family in the Northern California city of Rio Vista since 1971 and has served in various civic capacities including a stint as a member of the city council. Bob was selected to be Grand Marshal of the annual Bass Derby Parade this past October. Bob and his wife Marian boast two adult children and five grandsons!

Frieda Taubman Berlin '57 Frieda's son Joshua Berlin was in the Class of '82 and her daughter Dori Berlin was in the Class of '87. Frieda says her biggest pleasures are her family, swimming every day, reading, and watching good shows on TV until 1 a.m.

Hashim Hanief '57 Hashim has retired from the Las Vegas Police Department, plays lots of golf, has five grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and misses the Jocks Olympics in Westlake Village.

Arthur Kraus '57 Arthur is still appreciative of the wonderful preparation BHHS gave him for college and life. All of them were fortunate to have been so privileged. He sends his best to all his classmates.

Stuart L. Markus '57 Stuart has been married to Ellen Markus for 61 years and has two children, Craig and Debbie, and five grandchildren: Luke, a graduate of U.S. Naval Academy and a jet pilot; McKay, a graduate of University of Pennsylvania; Dean, a USC graduate; Tatum, a graduate of Indiana University; and Sawyer, who is attending high school.

Richard A. Barton '58 Richard sends thanks for all the updates in the *Highlights* and sends best wishes for 2024. His sister, Diane Allen, was in the Class of '54, and his brother, Lloyd "Butch" Barton, was in the Class of '62.

Richard Cohn '58 Richard

is glad he went to Beverly. He enjoyed the 65th reunion and says thanks to those who organized it. (See reunion photos, p. 14.) He especially enjoyed his old buddies who were there. Recently, he also enjoyed visiting Yankee Stadium with his grandson, Joaquin (see photo, next page).

Steve Glaseman '58 Steve and Mary Jayne still live in a remote mountain village, in a house full of stairs. Just getting to and from the garage is almost sufficient to keep them in shape in their 80s! They've been retired for over 20 years, but are still "employed" so to speak. Their volunteer work for the Kern County Sheriff continues—MJ has been Captain of the group for a few years now. Steve is the Training Officer for the local CERT group. And he's not getting any better playing guitar, but the other musicians in the Celtic group seem willing to put up with him. MJ's still winning recognition for her quilts—10 first prizes at last September's Kern County Fair. They were sorry to miss the 65th reunion at Roxbury Park, but Steve says maybe they'll plan better for the 70th in 2028.

Jack Morgan '58 Jack says after all the traveling he and Bonnie did in 2022, they decided to "cool it" last year. Having said that ... here's how 2023 turned out for them! Jack and Bonnie spent the first half of the year cleaning, downsizing

and preparing their Illinois home to be put on the market. Along with all the normal things that had to be done, they also wound up replacing the septic system in the yard and replacing one of the A/C units that had run perfectly for 43



Bob Bard '57 served as Grand Marshal of the annual Bass Derby Parade in Rio Vista, Calif.

years. Finally, on May 31, they signed the agreement and became fulltimers in Florida. They're still paying rent on a 10x20 foot storage unit there in the Village loaded to the ceiling with boxes they'll probably never live long enough to empty! On Aug. 24, they flew to Juneau and cruised the smaller rivers of Alaska for almost three weeks. They then flew home to Florida and spent three days unpacking from the Alaska trip and repacking for a trip to the quad cities of IL-IA in their RV, arriving there on Sept. 20. Three days later they drove to Galesburg, Ill., and boarded an Amtrak train to Reno, so they could attend the wedding of one of their granddaughters. They returned to IL on Oct. 4, and attended two football games at Bonnie's alma mater, University of Iowa. They then drove to Rochester, Minn., to take their annual physicals. Before leaving for Florida again, Jack and Bonnie spent a few days in Davenport, IA, visiting another granddaughter (Karah Howard and her husband, Tom) and their beautiful five-month-old baby girl, Evelyn Faye Howard. That's their second great-grandchild! On Nov. 10, they drove to Ft. Myers, Fla., and took the boat to Key West for a long weekend. While in Key West, they visited the factory that makes and specializes in Key Lime Pies! All Jack can say about that is ... he's sure glad he had his physical at the Mayo Clinic before he went there! They

attended a Thanksgiving dinner at one of their neighbor's homes ... then, like a good neighbor, they hosted a Christmas dinner at their home. Otherwise, they haven't been doing much of anything, Jack says. LOL!

Marcia Ross O'Neill '58 At the time of writing, fall was in the air in Pleasanton, Calif., and Marcia was already missing the summer days and nights. Leaves were changing and falling, and it was a pretty sight. Marcia's husband, John, passed away six years ago. This past year, Marcia became a great-grandma twice. Both Adelyn (Addy) and Isabella live in Ames, Iowa. Marcia wishes they were closer, but they do visit. Her sister, Linda Lombardi '54, and Linda's husband, Bob, live in Southern California, and Marcia visits them. Both are in great shape. Marcia has two grandkids in Iowa and three in Orinda, Calif., when they are home. One is a senior at UC Berkeley, one is a sophomore at TCU, and one is a junior in high school. Marcia still works a few days a month at her city-run preschool setting up themes for the teachers and whatever else needs doing. She started doing that once she retired from teaching preschool. Five mornings a week, she "hits the gym" at 5:30 a.m. to meet friends to work out with—bike, treadmill, and some weights. They've been "at it" for years! Marcia says she's met so many really nice young people there. Her



Joe Friedman '55 (right) and his wife Stevie

life is good, and she feels blessed. She wishes everyone a wonderful year.

Linda Gilbert Thieben '58 Linda is still living in Beverly Grove. She says she's enjoying keeping busy with old friends and new friends. Travel is Linda's passion. In 2023 she went to Australia, New Zealand, Egypt, Jordan, Israel, Albania, Croatia, Italy, and Malta. Oh so many beautiful sights, so many interesting people, so much great food. Linda says the 65th reunion was great seeing so many high school friends after so many years. She says thanks to the committee for putting this together.

Nancy Schwartz Young '58 Nancy says she's all fine, and hopes others are too. *Alumni Highlights* always brings her so many happy thoughts and memories. She looks at the pictures and remembers friends in choir with Mr. Case, eating under the tree on the front lawn. Thank you, *Alumni Highlights*!

John Duffield '59 John and Linda Duffield moved on March 15, 2023 to Arizona. This was after living in their Pacific Palisades home for 57 years. They are enjoying their new life that includes their own private golf course, two blocks away.

Adrienne Schlossberg Rubin '59 Adrienne, at one time a French teacher, started a wholesale jewelry company and wrote a memoir, *Diamonds and Scoundrels: My*

Life in the Jewelry Business. She has dabbled in real estate, buying, remodeling and selling two homes in Westwood, then tore down a third one to build from scratch in the Palisades. She currently lives in Little Holmby with her husband, enjoying family life with her children and grandchildren close by.

Robert Schirn '59 Robert graduated from BHHS, attended Princeton University and then attended the UCLA School of Law and graduated in 1966. He was married to his lovely wife, Zanda, for 56 years and has five wonderful grandchildren.

Leona Walden '59 Leona lives happily on the Mendocino Coast. She continues to do volunteer work for Mendocino Rotary Club and the Mendocino Art Center. A highlight of last year was a trip to Japan with her 14-year-old grandson, Jack. Leona is wishing all a happy and peaceful 2024.

1960

Gene Herts '60 Gene observes we are all getting older and are supposedly in our "golden years." In his opinion they are more like "lead."

Melanie Nourse Jolly '60 Melanie says, in September, her daughter celebrated her 50th birthday with a craft festival in her yard. Family and friends were

invited and encouraged to bring a craft to share. Stations were set up to make shadow boxes, miniature terrariums, tie dye projects using chemicals and ice cubes, ink printing of leaves on ferns, watercolor lessons, sculpting using bricks made of plaster of Paris, and the most popular station had a large box of locks (old and new) on a large table. People loved the challenge to try to open the locks. Over 50 people came starting at 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. ending with some of us relaxing around a firepit.

Jon Quint '60 Jon graduated in Architecture in 1967 from UC Berkeley, and the Class of 1998 from San Francisco Law School. He practiced law until 2020.

Pam Newmark Reed '60 Pam writes, in 2023 she and her husband Phil traveled by ship completely around South America, including the Amazon River (900 miles), Antarctica South Georgia and the Falkland Islands. They are both mostly retired from real estate. They still handle referrals and past clients.

Michael Schwab '60 Michael has been married to Cheryl for 56 years. They have two daughters and one son. Their oldest daughter, Sydney '92, is married to Joey Meller and they have three kids, two girls and a boy. Their middle daughter, Barrie '94, is married to Adam Pivko '96 and they also have three kids, two boys and a girl. Their youngest son, Matthew, is married to Sophie Driscoll and they also have three kids, two boys and a girl. All together, Michael and Cheryl have nine grandkids, which keeps them very busy. He's still a Reserve Police Officer with the Beverly Hills Police Department and has been for over 40 years. Michael says he's probably the 2nd oldest member of the Department. He shares that everything is good and he's enjoying life to the fullest.

Jeffrey Stevens '60 Jeffrey is retired and living in Portland, Ore.

James Conti '61 James has

published his fourth book, *In Search of Where We Are Going*. His website is letmerememberthis.com. He lives in Portland, Ore. where he is the spiritual director of Ananda Portland, a spiritual community within the worldwide Ananda network.

Julie Miller Laska '61 Julie and Paul are living in Indian Wells, Calif., and have been married for 51 years. They have three children, three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Julie is sorry she missed the reunion but is looking forward to the next one.

Susan Marrett '61 Susan says in 2022, NASA experimented with her son's product—two female mannequins which mimic the soft tissues, organs and bones of a human woman. The mannequins were placed aboard the ARTEMIS 1 – ORION spacecraft to measure the effect of space radiation on the human body as it orbited the moon. Back on Earth, over the course of 20 years, Susan lived in Australia, Malaysia, England, the USA, and traveled to Egypt and Morocco. She now resides in Fountain Hills, Ariz., a beautiful desert town of 25,000 people bordering Scottsdale. Susan has two children, eight grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. A former teacher and journalist/editor for newspapers, magazines, and radio, she was also President of AZ Press Women and Associate Publisher of the largest Native American weekly newspaper in the USA. Her most thrilling moment was meeting Walter Cronkite. Then, Susan became a paralegal in Civil Law. A partial list of her adventures include: a documentary film about the English as a Second Language classes she taught in Australia, chatting with Muhammad Ali before he fought in Malaysia, parties at the palace of a Malaysian prince, and a King Cobra at her house in the Malaysian jungle. Susan was the lead in an English play and an extra in *Jerry Maguire*.



Rick Cohn '58 with his grandson Joaquin at Yankee Stadium

By special invitation, she played tennis at Hampton Court Palace in England on the court Henry VIII built there in the 1500s. Her stint as a Special Event Coordinator of an American art fair in England with an air show that featured sky divers led to the BBC televising it to publicize a visit between President Ronald Reagan and Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher. Susan's BHHS Class of '61 60th Reunion in 2023 was very special when she and her first boyfriend shared memories of love at the age of 10! (See reunion photos, p. 15.)

Frank Ponder '61 Frank says it's hard to believe that we left Beverly 63 years ago. Most of us are beginning our ninth decade... We had a wonderful 60th reunion (delayed two years). Our theme was "Relics meet at the Relics Museum" at the Van Nuys airport. It's a fabulous venue for a reunion, with its memorabilia from our high school years and beyond. Neon signs from fun places that are no longer around, and a lot of memories. We all had a terrific time. Unfortunately, too many of our classmates (over 100) have passed away, yet we did manage to find over 75 who could attend, and from what we saw and heard everyone had a fantastic time. On a personal note, one grandchild started college and the other is completing high school. Frank's wife Helen and her daughter Michelle '93 run Art One Gallery on Robertson in Beverly Hills and are flourishing after two years of the Covid economy. We still have our dogs and are looking forward to traveling again.

Stuart Sobel '61 Stuart's new book on the unsolved crime of "Who killed Bugsy Siegel" will be released by Blackstone Publishing. It involves a schoolmate's family that he knew from the 1950s, Robbie Sedway, from Hawthorne and Beverly High. His father was mobster "Little Moe" Sedway and his mother was Bee Sedway. The

title of the book is *Queen Bee and The Killing of Bugsy Siegel*. To find out more, go to his website: QueenBeeAndBugsy.com.

Sherry Berk Tedeschi '61 Sherry says, in May last year, she got an early 80th birthday gift from her son Gary '87—he took her to the New Orleans Jazz Fest. This was Sherry's first trip there, and she had all the food she could eat, from crawfish to beignets. There were spectacular performances from bands big and small; Sherry's favorites were Jon Batiste, Trombone Shorty, Artemis, Herbie Hancock, and Tom Jones, of course. Sherry says seeing the alligators in the Bayou was fun, but the music made the trip magical. Last year, Bob and Sherry spent lots of time with family and loved hanging with the grandkids. Their grandson is graduating from U of Kansas this year with a Psych degree, and as for their two granddaughters—one is in college studying culinary arts and the other is in high school enjoying playing basketball and performing in the marching band to distract from the stress of physics and calculus. Their daughter Denise '84 is thriving as a schoolteacher, and her husband Gerald is an electrical engineer. Their daughter in law, Miyuki, is an executive assistant. In June, they enjoyed the 60th reunion at the Relics Museum; meeting with old classmates over laughs and good food was awesome. Sherry has been keeping busy as a member of the BH Historical Society, serving under President Phil Savenick '69, who's a wizard. When Phil speaks, people pay attention. Sherry encourages everyone to download the app "Beverly Hills Experience." Sherry wants to close with a quote from Martin Luther King, Jr.: "From every mountainside, Let Freedom Ring." **Eleanor (Ellie) Buckman Weinstein '62** Ellie had a wonderful time at her BHHS 60th class reunion seeing many old

friends in September 2022. She enjoys continuing the reunion experience with Zoom meetings online, organized by Rich Reinis. The Zoom meetings are held every other Thursday at 4:30 p.m. She says they discuss and solve all the problems of the world and have a very good time. If you are a Class of '62 grad and you want to participate, contact Rich Reinis or email Ellie at EllieWeinst@gmail.com.

Richard Reinis '62 Richard and his wife Lois celebrated their 60th anniversary this year. They have five children with spouses and 16 grandchildren which makes for a big party.

Gay Durward '63 Gay says they are having great fun watching their children and grandchildren on their varied and fascinating paths. They did not travel much this year because of some health glitches (which are, thankfully, fixable), but still managed to be incredibly busy. She says life is an ongoing adventure!

Jay Fineman '63 Jay is happily retired and still skiing. He recently celebrated his 56th wedding anniversary! They spend time traveling to visit their older son and his family in British Columbia and summer in Sweden. It's nice to have their younger son living near them in Newport, Ore.

Jane Lipson Stiglitz '63 Jane says, the Class of '63 had their 60th reunion last summer which reunited about 100 classmates. (See photos, p. 16.) It was preceded by a smaller reunion in January 2023 with about 30 people, as well as a night before dinner with 16 classmates. Personally, Jane still sees Margie Kassel, Cindy Gold Parker, Bob Perlberg, Sue Kopelov Meltzer, Eleanor Martin Bartman and her sister Michele Martin, I.H. Sutnick '64, Lolly Melnick Krissman '66, and when he is not traveling, Bob Levy. Jane still lives in the same house after 50 years and her family has expanded to include

her son Steve's wife, Marnie, and two adorable granddaughters.

Jan Weiss Buscho '64 Jan would like you to see photos of her artwork on www.jbuscho.com.

Donald Martin Butler '64 Don has been retired nine years from the Beverly Hills Post Office. He spends much of his time at the Roxbury Park Senior/Community Center and participates in a writing and an acting class. No art class at the moment because they conflict. His acting class has taught him a lot about himself and he also presents movies from his DVD library every Tuesday at 1 p.m. He chooses old-school favorites to the delight of the seniors who attend!

Richard Morgan '64 Richard is grateful to be enjoying retirement and family, especially grandparenting. Richard had an unplanned "adventure" in October 2023, during a visit to his son and his son's family in Tel Aviv. This included nine days in a war zone, sheltering multiple times in response to warning sirens and

Class of '64 reunion: Save the date!

The Class of '64 is excited to announce the celebration of our 60th year reunion on **Sat., Aug. 31, 2024** at the Beverly Hills Tennis Club featuring a Mexican fiesta of tasty hors d'oeuvres, a variety of everyone's favorite dishes, wine, beer, margaritas, great conversation, and a renewal of old acquaintances. More than 90 people have already joined the party and we welcome all other classmates who want to enjoy the festivities. Please contact Marcy Milan (globalgirl01@gmail.com). As a bonus, on **Fri., Aug. 30, 2024**, BHHS will provide us with a guided tour of the campus and all the new improvements which will burnish our reputation as one of the best public schools in the nation.

— Fred A. Fenster '64

rocket interceptions by the Iron Dome defense. After multiple flight cancellations, Richard was finally able to leave without using the offered charter flights or cruise ships from the U.S. State Department. As of this note (written in mid-November), Richard's son Daniel, wife Hadar, and their two sons are staying with Richard. He says the silver lining is having both Daniel's family and his daughter Joanna's family close by, including the four grandchildren.

Marty Nislick '64 Marty says to his wonderful classmates: Our 60th class reunion is just around the corner (well, a long corner) so save the date! Saturday, Aug. 31, at the Beverly Hills Tennis Club on Maple Drive. Marty says it promises to be a wonderful night of connection and reconnection to a special group of Normans. Any questions, contact Marcy Milan at globalgirl101@gmail.com or Michael Dellar at mdellar@onemarket.com. Marty is still a practicing psychotherapist and will keep practicing until he finally gets it right. See you in August!

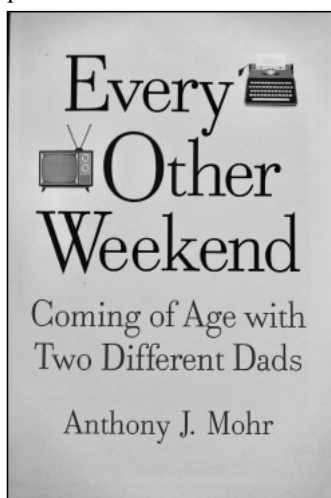
Susan Allenstein Udewitz '64 Susan is looking forward to the 2024 reunion.

Daniel Yergin '64 Daniel is now more than a year and a half into his new job as vice chair of S&P. Yes, one hears about the "S&P" every day in terms of how the stock market is doing, but S&P is actually a global information company. Daniel continues to spend a lot of time on research—most recently, he says, on "critical minerals" for the energy transition and the challenges of the energy transition itself. Daniel says he's often asked what his next book will be, but it's hard to answer since he seems to be living every day the themes of *The New Map: Energy, Climate, and the Clash of Nations*. The subtitle says all! Daniel continues to be deeply appreciative for the education at Beverly, including in English from Miss Lowery, an

accomplished writer herself. Among other things, she taught about the importance of a different kind of "transition"—transitions in writing so readers move seamlessly through the work, whether an article, an essay, or a book! Daniel tries to apply those lessons every day.

Larry Ach '65 Larry is happily living and working in New York City. His travel plans were cut back by Covid, but he and his wife Susan are gradually hitting all their Bucket List spots. He has been a road cyclist enthusiast, with trips domestically and in Europe. Larry says he enjoys seeing BHHS alumni on both coasts. Go Normans!

Anthony J. Mohr '65 Anthony has joined the National Commission of the Anti-Defamation League. His memoir, *Every Other Weekend – Coming of Age with Two Different Dads*, won first place in Nonfiction in the Firebird Book Awards and third place in the Nonfiction-Memoirs-



Personal in The Book Fest Awards. It was also awarded a gold medal in the Literary Titan Awards.

Shari Arnold Brooks '66 Shari



Jim Reuben '64 (center) ran the 2023 New York City Marathon with his sons Eric and Aaron. He is pictured with his family (left to right): Eric, Sheryl, Caroline and Aaron

and Jeff are enjoying semi-retirement in Prescott, Ariz., with their three rescue dogs. They are very active in their synagogue. They volunteer for United Animal Friends and Shari plays mahjong as often as she can.

Antoinette Watson Leos '66 Antoinette and Mark still live by Century City and are busy with their projects. Antoinette is a docent at the L.A. Zoo and Mark just retired from ACSA-R and is raising funds for special education scholarships at Fairfax High School. Antoinette and Mark have done a little traveling (at the Bruin reunion in Colorado) and hope to do more. Many happy vibes to one and all—and may there be peace!

Patty Brown Myers '66 Patty has exciting news! Her first granddaughter is getting married next year. After college, her granddaughter has been working in Seattle (she's from Mission Viejo) and met her fiancé also working in Seattle. The fiancé is from San Diego, and they're moving back to O.C. at the end of the year. Patty says they're wonderful people!

Ronald (Block) Betten '67 Ronald's main residence is Southern Highlands Country Club as his 3-year-old grandson is close by in Las Vegas. His main business office is Raymond James Beverly Hills above Ocean Prime restaurant. He hopes to hear from

his fellow classmates.

Judith Guttman Douglas '67 Judy is enjoying retirement after serving as professor and department chair at Santa Monica College for 47 years. She is spending time with great friends, and family and traveling.

Joan Goldstein '67 Joan moved to a retirement community in San Jose in 2021. It's called The Villages and was built in the '70s. After moving there, she missed her daughter Rachel, son-in-law Jesse, and her two grandkids. She was lucky to find a beautiful one-story condo in the beautiful city of Los Gatos. She loves it there and now is two minutes from her family.

Randy Sue Pollock '67 Randy was installed as the President of the Federal Bar Association, Northern District of California (San Francisco) on Jan. 2. Randy practices white-collar federal criminal defense.

Llois Jeanne Miller '68 Llois says, Aloha from Wailea, Maui. She is an artist and fortunately her artwork was not damaged by last year's fire. Her catalog may be viewed at <https://fineartamerica.com/profiles/llois-miller>. Mahalo.

Ruth Bassman Schriebman '68 Ruth thought it was great seeing old classmates and catching up at the 55th get-together. She's still working in her therapy practice. She's enjoying visiting with

granddaughters and hanging out with friends.

Dan Burstein '69 Dan is pleased with his recently published book about family history, World War I, and the fight against anti-Semitism and racism: *The Iy Hero: The Brave Life of Sergeant William Shemin* (www.TheIvyHero.com), his 15th book and his first for children.

Howard Fisher '69 Howard continues to serve the Beverly Hills community as the City's Treasurer. He and his wife Fran are celebrating 46 years of marriage. They have two wonderful sons: Merrick '04, a celebrity nail artist, and Alex '00, a lawyer who has two sons, Jackson (7) and Parker (3).

Marnee Phillips Foldoe '69 Marnee says this was a big year, and one of transitions. Most importantly, her son married a wonderful young lady. Sadly, about five months later, his father and Marnee's former husband George Chuckrow '69 died unexpectedly. Since retiring for the fifth time, Marnee has started writing books for children and adults, and hopes to start publishing on Amazon soon. She says it's a wonderfully satisfying hobby! Marnee has enjoyed some travel—to New Jersey for the wedding, and to visit her mother in Palm Desert, Judy Strauss '69 in Carlsbad, and Lynn Smith '69 in San Jose. Marnee achieved her goal of going camping, once in Sedona and twice in Las Vegas. She attended the Celebration of Life for Harriet Wrye (former BHHS English teacher - see obit, p. 62). Marnee's furever foster cat Minnie Mouse, who was feral, has slowly become more trusting, affectionate, playful, and quite vocal in the year they've been together. Gardening in the desert continues to be a mixture of too few successes and too many failures. Gotta keep active to keep going!

Jason Newman '69 Jason just welcomed his first grandchild,

Arlo Isabel. Daughter, Katie, is mom and works for 3 Arts. Son, Josh, is an agent working in sports (business development with teams and leagues). Daughter, Sara, is in school. He and Karyn have been married for 32 years. He enjoys many friendships dating back to BHHS and BV.

Mark Tanchuck '69 To all his fellow septuagenarians, Mark says congrats! You made it! Fun fact: When Mark was in law school, he worked in the law library and everyone had big, thick, heavy lawbooks in front of them. One day, Mark saw an unusual sight—a guy was reading a paperback! Mark asked him what he was reading, and it was *Cooking With Mother Nature* by Dick Gregory. Mark borrowed it and ... has been a vegetarian ever since!

Marvin Wolf '69 Marvin and his wife Judy are happy to announce the marriage of his daughter Maggie '09 to Jason Lewis '06, son of Lilly '74 and David Lewis.

Alan Wolfson '69 Alan and Michelle Wolfson became grandparents with the birth of Emily Sophia Wolfson (daughter of Steven and Kelly Wolfson) on Sept. 1, 2022. Steven, Kelly and Emily live in Newport Beach, while Alan and Michelle still live in Carlsbad with their adult children Rachel and Danny. Alan is still active in his CPA practice, also in Carlsbad.

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Scott Broffman '71 Scott muses that another year has passed and still he moves along. He hopes everyone is doing great. He is still traveling as much as he can, but traveling itself is not much fun. It is the destination that is great! His doggies are great, his fish are currently healthy, and he is well, looking forward to retirement and, of course, more great times. By the way, the reunion was so much fun!

David Rosten '71 David was

executive producer to *The Falconer* movie in 2022, the first feature movie filmed in Oman. In the summer of 2023, David was teaching at UC Irvine, social science ethics in Business. He was also just awarded the 2023 Tobis Distinguished Citizen-Scholar Award. His youngest daughter Brooke just graduated from Corona Del Mar High School and is going to University of Washington. His older daughter Annika just received her master's from the California Institute of Integral Studies.

Sandor Schoichet '71 Sandor signed up for the ALOFT tall ship sail training program for his 70th birthday celebration with Call of the Sea in Sausalito. After 25 years of small boat sailing and reading all 23 volumes of *Master & Commander*, it was exhilarating to climb up into the rigging!

Wendie Miller Schwab '71 Wendie has been married to Mark Schwab '69 for 48 years and they're still going strong. They have two children and five grandchildren.

Thomas C. McCarthy '72 Tom is the child of Thomas J. McCarthy '45 and Diann Lee Carlisle '47. Tom entered the entertainment industry in 1975 at the age of 21. During his career, he was a Supervising Sound Editor and Sound Designer on many motion pictures including the original *Ghostbusters*. Tom spent a term on the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences Sound Board, and received a British Academy Award for sound on *Out of Africa* in 1986 and an Oscar for Sound Editing on *Francis Ford Coppola's Bram Stoker's Dracula* in 1992.



Tom retired Dec. 1, 2022, due to his wife's health issues, ending his career as the Executive Vice President of Sony Pictures Sound Department. He is honored with a plaque on the sound department building, naming the office building after him.

Paul Takeda '72 Paul feels lucky, fortunate and healthy so far. He retired in October 2019 after too many years as a CPA. Now he's just enjoying his grandchildren and traveling, and has very few responsibilities! He moved back and redid his parents' home in West L.A. and has no complaints whatsoever!

David Berkowitz '73 David writes, in January 2021, he retired from his 43-year career as an actuary. He has lived in eastern Iowa since 2008. His interests include chess and participating in his Hawkeye Toastmasters Club.

Clifford J. Cutler '73 Clifford and his wife Robin attended the 54th Horace Mann and 50th BHHS reunions. Clifford says they were wonderful! (See reunion photos, p. 14 and p. 17.) He and Neal Snyder brought pictures that "glowed." They were epic reminders of how lucky we truly were! Simplicity and great relationships of truly "happy" times. Clifford says there was so much love and affection it was like they picked up right where they left off at those pictures. Yes, Clifford says, everyone has aged! He hopes to stay in touch with these special people—seeing Gordon (Touchdown) Brown, Louis Bersin, Ellen Weinstein, Harry Kraushaar, Neal Snyder, Jeff Wallen and Stuart Weiss was very special. Clifford is the proud father of son Geoffrey Garrett, daughter Genna, and daughter-in-law Alexa. He and Robin live in Paradise Valley, Ariz. where they own Cutler Commercial and he is a real estate broker. Clifford has a branch office at Turf Paradise Racetrack and feels he's



Diana Berman Murphy '73 (second from right) pictured with Jody Murphy, Sandy Murphy and Malia Day

a lucky man. He can be reached at (602) 228-5063 and doesn't use Facebook nor Instagram.

Diane Holland '73 Diane continues to do her artwork, media-based imagery grounded in pictorial traditions of painting and collage, and she continues to exhibit locally and internationally. In summer 2023, she participated in the 22nd Japan International Art Exchange Exhibition at the Tokyo Metropolitan Art Museum, receiving a Gold Award, and she will take part in the 23rd Exhibition in June 2024. In August 2023, her

work was featured in the juried show, "The Next Big Thing," at Studio Channel Islands in Camarillo. The latter part of 2023 was taken up in the production of a digital collage-portrait of famed art collector—and Beverly Hills resident—Joan Agajanian Quinn, presented in January 2024. Meanwhile, Diane continues to enjoy the frequent company of dear friends from BHHS.

Diana Berman Murphy '73 Diana says she had the very best time celebrating the Class of 1973's 50th reunion on Oct. 14.

(See photos on p. 17.) It was so wonderful to see everyone!!

Elyse Beardsley '76 Elyse says, after 41 years as a locksmith/owner with a store in El Segundo she has finally retired. She has thoroughly enjoyed her career, wonderful customers, her faithful employees and the industry itself! It was very tough to

end her reign, but she sees much travel in her future. She'd like to motorhome around the U.S. and then do more international travel! She is now a great-grandma (thanks to her husband) with two great-granddaughters in Hawaii (and seven other wonderful grandkids!). She still enjoys her Rotary club, where she is the



second longest term member of her club (36 years). Seems like time is flying by, but

she certainly has time to meet for lunch now!

Jimmy Fuhrman '76 Jimmy now lives in Las Vegas with his Thai rescue cat, Ephraim, after spending a decade living overseas in Europe and Asia. He tells anyone who will listen that Las Vegas isn't as bad as it sounds.

Michael Collins '78 Michael is a Beverly Hills native. During his time at BHHS, he actively participated in the Theater Arts Department, focusing on production lighting, graphic arts,



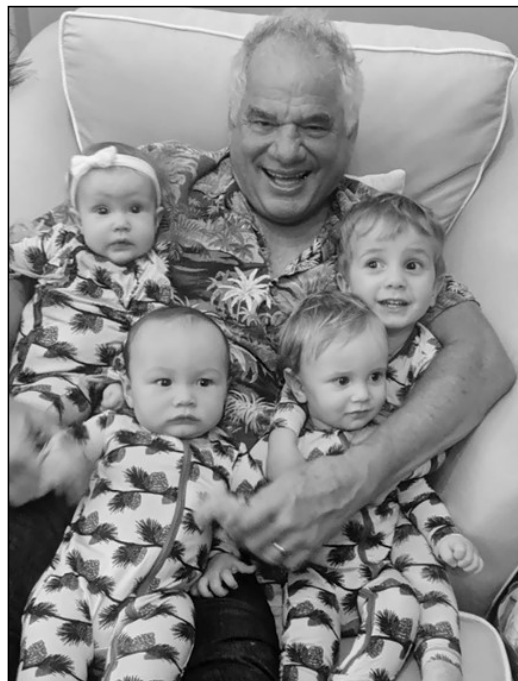
and set design. Following some college, he made a significant change by adopting his mother's

maiden name, Collins, as his own. His career began in the entertainment industry, with roles in public relations, personal management, and ultimately as a television casting director. However, over three decades ago, Michael made the jump to becoming a residential Realtor. He

is an agent at Coldwell Banker on Canon Drive, just a stone's throw away from his childhood home. His exceptional skills have earned him a place among California's top real estate agents. Michael shares his life with his husband of 23 years, Daniel, along with their two rescue dogs. Their residence was specially designed as a "studio/gallery" to house their extensive art collection, reflecting Michael's support for the arts. His office is conveniently located across the street from the old Thrifty's, where a mere 5 cents could buy you an ice cream cone. For more information, you can reach Michael at www.MichaelCollins.com.

Lisa Field '78 Lisa is in the family business with her sister, Robyn Field '82, founded by her dad, Larry Field. She is on the board of Baruch College, LA Philharmonic, and Turnaround Arts. Lisa is still living in Beverly Hills! She sends her regards to her fellow alumni.

Ron Aryel, M.D., MBA '79 Ron continues to run the Albee Aryel Foundation with his wife, Stacey, helping many Fellows by supporting their education. Ron and Stacey have one Fellow that is in graduate school, one that just graduated from nursing school, one that graduated from high school in Reno with honors and now studies Computer Science at the University of Nevada, Reno, and another that is entering her fourth year at the University of Nevada majoring in Kinesiology. They could use help from anyone who wants to contribute: aryelfoundation.org.



James Altmann '73 with four of his seven grandchildren

1980

Jeff Tilem '81 Jeff wonders why so few choose not to donate back to the school we love!

Bob Kay '82 Bob is the Chief of Orthopedic Surgery and of the Autry Orthopedic Center



Ron Aryel '79 (left) with Lizbeth Vega Lopez, who won the 2021 Albee Aryel Fellowship Award upon earning her bachelor's degree at the University of Nevada, Reno in psychology. She is in graduate school at UNR and will earn her master's degree in psychology in 2024. She became a Fellow when she began her college career. Ron's foundation extended her Fellowship for grad school

at Children's Hospital Los Angeles (CHLA). He has been at CHLA since 1997 and unlike the stereotypical "bone doctor," actually specializes in the care of children with special needs (including cerebral palsy) and those with hip, foot and other lower extremity conditions. Bob and his wife, Fori, have been married since 1990 and had a fun time at the 40th reunion, as Bob reunited with old friends and Fori danced with new ones. Their two children, Maddox and Sela, graduated from colleges in New England (Maddox, Brandeis Class of 2018, and Sela, Bowdoin Class of 2023). Maddox heads up social media for thedrive.com and Sela is off to new teaching adventures in Latin America.

Julie Du Brow '83 Julie has had her own communications

business since 2002 (dubroWorks), with special focus on sustainability, as well as architecture, interior design, event PR, and the arts. Prior, she enjoyed working in the music business for 16 years, in artist management and also at Capitol Records. In 2020, she and her art dealer husband bought and updated a lovely 1940 home by the new SoFi Stadium (adding an amazing California native plant garden), after living in Marina del Rey for two decades.

Cyndi Sarnoff-Ross '84 Cyndi has been married to Michael Ross, attorney, for 25 years. She has been a practicing psychotherapist for 30 years. They have two daughters, Abigail (born 2002) and Emily (born 2008). Abby is a senior at UC Davis and Emily is a sophomore in high school at LACES. Cyndi says they love to travel and spend time with family. Life is good!



Dr. Nicole Nourmand '90 (third from left) with her husband Jason Neidleman, her son Joshua Neidleman '21 and her daughter Eva Neidleman '24

David Tobenkin '84 Dave is an attorney and analyst for a federal regulatory agency in Washington, D.C. He is happily married to Anne Crandall Tobenkin and has nine-year-old twins, Benjamin and Josephine Tobenkin.

Stephanie Bloomberg Faunce '87 Stephanie says she and her husband Bill have become snowbirds. They're spending

their time between Steamboat Springs, Colo., and New Smyrna Beach, Fla. Their two boys, Thomas and Christopher, are loving college at SMU's Cox School of Business.

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Dr. Nicole Nourmand '90 Nicole is a founding partner of Premier Pediatrics Beverly Hills. She has been practicing as a general pediatrician since finishing residency at Cedars Sinai Medical Center in 2006. She is honored to take care of the children of so many of her friends and family. She is part of the Covid task force for her synagogue Ikar and for their preschool. She has been honored most recently by Castle Connolly's Top Doctors. Her son Joshua Neidleman '21 is a junior at Tufts University and her daughter Eva Neidleman '24 is a senior at Beverly. Her husband Jason is a political science professor at University of La Verne.

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David Foldvary '01 David and his wife Danielle welcomed son Grant in March 2023 and have called Benicia, Calif. home for the past five years—where David serves as principal of Joe Henderson Elementary School. "Go Normans!"



Greg Rice '83 (right) and his wife Paula recently celebrated their 25th anniversary. They live in Napa Valley

Through Shakespeare, '97 grad cultivates hope and "a sense of the impossible"

Director Ben Steinfeld discusses his new off-Broadway production of "Pericles"

In November, Beverly Hills Weekly interviewed Ben Steinfeld '97 about directing Fiasco Theater's Pericles, which ran from February to March, 2024 at Classic Stage Company in New York.

Tell us about getting your start in theater on the Beverly High stage.

Beverly was a big part of my development. My best friend David was very into theater and I was into music. I sang in the Madrigal Singers [under the direction of] Joel Pressman '67, who died about 10 years ago. He was the leader of the Madrigals for decades and I was very lucky to have him as a teacher. He had a big impact on me and gave me a lot of confidence and a lot of trust. I was in the fall play and the spring musical a couple of times. There were very good [drama] teachers there, [such as] Herb Hall, all of whom I worked with and had a really good time with. There was also a critical mass of really talented and dedicated students in that period. It was just a cool time to be there in the mid 1990s and it definitely gave me a real sense of passion and professionalism. I think those are the two things I took mainly from my time in Beverly. The teachers really gave us a chance to see people who had been in the profession and were really modeling what it meant to take this work seriously, but also a kind of passion and joy. That was very meaningful to me because I felt very passionate about these things, but I didn't know if it was ok to show that. That had a big

impact on me wanting to study theater at college and grad school. **You are directing an off-Broadway production of Pericles in February 2024. Tell us about that.**

This is with a theater company that I founded called Fiasco Theater. We are based in New York, but we don't have a home [or] building. Whenever we want to do a show, we usually partner with a much larger theater that has their own space that's excited

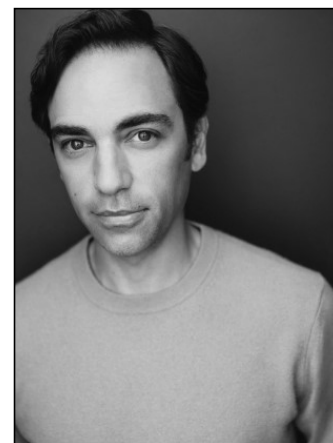
"There were very good [drama] teachers [at Beverly]. ... There was also a critical mass of really talented and dedicated students in that period. It was just a cool time to be there in the mid 1990s and it definitely gave me a real sense of passion and professionalism."

about our work and wants to showcase our stuff as part of their season. This is our second time partnering with Classic Stage [Company]. We were there about six years ago with another Shakespeare production. There's a new artistic director there now, and she saw a workshop production that we did a year ago, and she [was] very excited about it and wanted to put it in her season. I think one of the cool things about the way our work is received in New York is that we're also sort of known as an acting company. That's what our theater is basically—an acting ensemble led by actors. We just do the stuff that we're drawn to [and] that we're passionate about. I think we've gained a reputation in New York as a theater company that does really joyful and really creative

productions of Shakespeare in particular. This is the first new Shakespeare production we've done in several years. So it's really fun for us to get back into looking at those plays again.

What do you like most about directing Shakespeare?

It's got it all. Each moment is a new opportunity where something completely different is happening. Shakespeare is so great about mixing different tones together, different ideas, [and] different language. There's just so much going but the rewards are so tremendous. I like directing Shakespeare because I feel like every time you do, you're given a chance to really say what you believe theater fundamentally is. Every time you can kind of share



Ben Steinfeld '97

stayed and recommitted to being on this journey with us.

Your father, Michael Steinfeld, was the Beverly Hills Public Library director in the 1990s and early 2000s. Tell us about that.

That's why we moved there. I grew up mostly in Boston, and [my] dad was running the [The Public Library of Brookline]. When I was 13, the summer before eighth grade in 1992, he got the job at Beverly Hills. I remember they flew us out there when he was a finalist and they put us in the Beverly Hills Hotel. I was lying there in a robe thinking, *This is pretty great*. My dad joked that one of the reasons he thought it would be ok moving out there, even though it's tough to move across the country, is that the two things I was most excited about at the time were playing tennis and playing the guitar. Obviously, L.A. is a pretty good place to be if you like to play tennis all year round and be in the center of the music world and play guitar. The truth is that it was a pretty smooth transition for me. I can't say that I ever fully understood California, and whether I fully felt comfortable in L.A. But I really did have a great experience there.

I think my dad did some really meaningful things at the library. He created a great afternoon performance series and expanded

that with an audience. I think Shakespeare puts us back in touch with something fundamental that theater can do that no other art form can.

Have you noticed that audiences are more receptive to live theater post Covid?

I would say it's been a mix. Some audiences are so hungry and delighted to be back and so happy to be sharing space again. It really demonstrated an ongoing passion and need for live theater. I think other audience members sort of got addicted to being at home, as we all did. It's been harder for the theater world more broadly to get audiences, donors, philanthropists, and subscribers back. That's been a challenge for theaters nationwide. But we're very lucky that our Fiasco audience here in New York and our producing partners have

the collection. He gave lots of people opportunities to work there. He fought very hard to keep the library free for people who live out of the district. I think there was some sort of concert in the wake of the L.A. riots in the mid 1990s. But I actually conducted a concert that Mr. Pressman was unavailable to conduct. But the Madrigals and I think a gospel choir, maybe from L.A., sang and the event was actually hosted in the Beverly Hills Civic Center. My dad was really involved in a lot of those community events as well, and worked very closely with the Friends of the Library. Sometimes I would get to go in there either before it opened or after it closed and be in the library when nobody was there. That was always cool. Some of my classmates were not clear on what public institutions were. So they would always say, "Hey, your dad owns the library, right?" He also knew [the late Beverly High Principal Ben Bushman]. He was a great guy.

Tell us about your family.

My wife, Kate, is an educator. She's the lower school principal at an independent school here in New Jersey. We've been married for about 15 years. We have an 11-year-old son named Leo who is awesome. He's also into tennis and music. So we live in New Jersey, but my work is in New York.

What do you want audiences to take away from *Pericles*?

One of the things about working on Shakespeare is that no matter what's going on in the world, it always feels like the play you are working on is about that stuff. Given the amount of horror and conflict in the world, I want people to take away a sense of hope, a sense of the impossible. I want audiences to have an experience of something spiritual and miraculous that perhaps feels like it's gone missing.

Maria Tallchief S'42 featured on new American quarter

In October 2023, the U.S. Mint began shipping quarters honoring the late Maria Tallchief S'42 as part of the American Women Quarters (AWQ) program.

"The fifth coin of the 2023 American Women Quarters™ Program honors the life and legacy of Maria Tallchief," Mint Director Ventris C. Gibson said in a statement. "She broke barriers as a Native American ballet dancer, exhibiting strength and resilience both on and off the stage."

Tallchief, celebrated as America's first major prima ballerina, is depicted on the reverse (tails) side of the quarter, along with her Osage name written in Osage orthography. Her name, Wa-Xthe-Thonba, translates to "Two Standards."

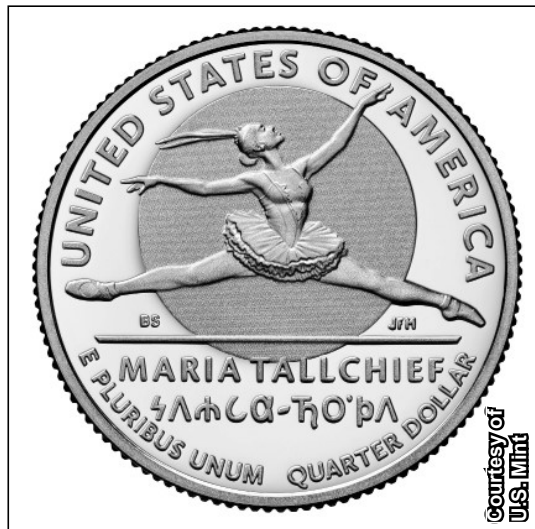
"Although her artistry, precision, and technical skill made her one of the most renowned ballerinas of her time, it is Maria Tallchief's courage, perseverance, and strength of character that I hope are evident in the design," said Ben Sowards, U.S. Mint Artistic Infusion Program Artist, who designed the image of Tallchief. "Her legacy

continues to inspire us to pursue our dreams."

Tallchief, who passed away in 2013 at age 88, shined in productions including *The Firebird* and *The Nutcracker*.

Tallchief's career as a dancer spanned more than two decades, during which she danced for companies including the New York City Ballet, American Ballet Theatre and Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo. She captured the attention of choreographer George Balanchine, who she married in 1946. Their marriage lasted only until 1950, but their collaboration continued. Tallchief danced the role of the Sugar Plum Fairy in Balanchine's first staging of *The Nutcracker* in 1954.

After retiring as a performer in



The Maria Tallchief quarter issued by the U.S. Mint's American Women Quarters program in 2023

1965, she became artistic director at the Chicago Lyric Opera Ballet in the 1970s. Eventually, she founded the Chicago City Ballet, where she was artistic director.

Tallchief, who started dancing at age 3, was born in Fairfax, Oklahoma. Her family moved to Los Angeles so she and her sister Marjorie Tallchief S'43, who had her own successful career with the Paris Opera Ballet, could seriously study ballet.

Both sisters are in the BHHS Alumni Hall of Fame. Maria received the Kennedy Center Honor in 1996.

Through the AWQ program, from 2022 through 2025, the Mint is issuing five quarters each year honoring a prominent American woman on the reverse (tails) side. Other honorees include Maya Angelou, Celia Cruz, Dr. Sally Ride, and Eleanor Roosevelt.

The obverse (heads) side of all AWQ program quarters features a design of George Washington that was originally sculpted by Laura Gardin Fraser to honor George Washington's 200th birthday in 1932.



Photo: Joan Marcus

Fellow honorees Benny Carter (left) and Jack Lemmon (right) applaud Maria Tallchief S'42 (center) at the 1996 Kennedy Center Honors

Courtesy of Beverly Hills Weekly

'67 grad seeks donor for life-changing kidney transplant

Hello BHHS alumni,

I'm Georgann Carman '67. I'm hoping to find a kidney donor for a transplant.

After working as a secretary at several law firms and seeing many of my friends become attorneys, I attended Southwestern University School of Law and became an attorney, too. I live in Los Angeles with my husband of 24 years. We are child-free but love our dog and cat! We love reggae music (in fact, we met in a reggae club), and traveling—we've been to Mexico, Belize and Guatemala, and we've taken a few road trips to Utah and Arizona to see the magnificent national parks.

At my job, I often worked 11–12 hours straight, hit the gym, ate dinner, watched the late-night guys, slept six hours, then started over. That went on for years. I also ran on weekends and competed in a 75-story stair climb on a yearly basis, along with running some short races. Everything was fine, until ...

One day I noticed my calves and feet were swollen, I thought it was because I'd eaten salty food! I Googled

"swollen calves" and several causes appeared, among them, kidney disease. "Well, I don't have THAT."

But when the swelling would not go away, I had to tear myself away from work and see a doctor. A few days later, the doctor called me and asked, "Can you come to the hospital?" Naturally I said, "No, I'm at work." "How 'bout tomorrow?" Long story short ... my life changed.

It turned out I have AL amyloidosis. This rare disease attacks one's organs and in my case, it attacked my kidneys. I received a bone marrow transplant and chemotherapy to try to stop the amyloidosis and am still receiving chemo

"Having a 'normal' life without dialysis would be, in a word, miraculous! I could return to work, travel, get back to the gym, and basically live a normal life."

– Georgann Carman '67

once a month. This likely will last forever, even if I were to receive a donor kidney.

Ultimately, my kidneys failed and I had no choice but to begin dialysis which I've

been receiving for about 2.5 years. Dialysis (which I fondly refer to as "torture") will continue unless I can get a kidney.

The best kidney is from a live, healthy, willing donor. Let me tell you, it's difficult to ask a person to donate a kidney! And even more difficult I'm sure for a person to agree to donate a kidney! No one would come up to a person and simply offer a kidney—so I'm in the precarious position of having to advertise my plight, not something I would normally do.

Kidney disease has caused me excess fatigue. I cannot

work at this time. As the reader may know, certain foods containing potassium, phosphorous, and sodium are to be eaten sparingly. So is ingesting fluids. So, adding insult to injury, kidney disease does not allow me to eat foods that I love, and even drinking coffee and tea must be done with reservation—not daily as I would like. Travel is out of the question unless arrangements are made for dialysis at a remote location. It's difficult even to walk my dog. I miss working out at the gym.

I can hardly believe that my life has changed so drastically. It must be difficult for "normal" people to relate to this plight, as it would have been for me before this happened. Now I



Georgann Carman '67 and her husband Miguel Sanchez

realize that I'm not alone; not only that, but that it's possible for putative donors to give a special gift of a kidney.

Receiving a donated kidney would be a most humbling and gratifying experience for me. Having a "normal" life without dialysis would be, in a word, miraculous! I could return to work, travel, get back to the gym, and basically live a normal life. I would be eternally grateful to any donor who would honor me with the gift of a kidney. Thank you!

To become a living donor, please contact:

The NKR Team
National Kidney Registry
Facilitating Living Donor Transplants
www.kidneyregistry.org

– Georgann Carman '67

Editor's note: At the time of writing, Carman was waiting to be added to the transplant list, pending the results of required tests and approval by a transplant center.

Hochman '81 advances to L.A. County District Attorney runoff

Nathan Hochman '81 will challenge incumbent Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascón in the Nov. 5 election, after advancing from the March 5, 2024 primary.

Hochman is a former federal prosecutor, U.S. Assistant Attorney General, and L.A. Ethics Commission president.



Nathan Hochman '81

The Laemmle Legacy

Antonia Carlotta '06 discusses her great-uncle, Carl Laemmle, founder of Universal Studios

Antonia Carlotta '06 spoke with Beverly Hills Weekly before appearing at Son of Monsterpalooza on Oct. 14, 2023. Carlotta spoke on a panel with Julian Stone about the Universal monsters, the Carl Laemmle legacy, and Stone's book, "It's Alive!"

Your great-uncle Carl Laemmle founded Universal Studios. What made you want to get involved with talking about it through your YouTube channel "Universally Me?"

Growing up I didn't always understand all the great things that Uncle Carl had [accomplished], even though he was a member of my own family. As I got older, [I] started to understand [all the things he had done]. He won a [U.S.] Supreme Court case against Thomas Edison, he started Universal Studios, and he brought over 300 Jewish families from Europe to the United States as Hitler was coming to power. So learning that he had done all of

these amazing things, and I hadn't heard [about them], just seemed a little crazy to me. As I started sharing what I was learning with my friends, I realized that they had never really heard of Carl Laemmle either and didn't know of the work that he'd done. There was something about that that seemed like a great injustice to me. So because of that, I decided to start [my YouTube channel] "Universally Me" to try to get the word out about the work that he'd done [and] how amazing he was [to] keep his memory alive, and hopefully inspire other people as well.

You will be speaking at Son of Monsterpalooza. Tell us about that.

Son of Monsterpalooza is a really cool monster convention for those who're into horror and monster and classic creatures. I'm going to be there speaking on a panel with author Julian Stone, who wrote the book, *It's Alive!*, which is kind of a fictionalized retelling of the making of the

movie *Frankenstein* and the dynamics between Uncle Carl and his son, Junior.

Laemmle's niece, Carla Laemmle [pictured below], lived to be 104. Tell us about that.

She was amazing and one of my idols. She danced in the original *Phantom of the Opera* back in 1925. She spoke the opening lines of the movie *Dracula* and was just so lovely and the most wonderful person you'll ever meet. She was kind, loving, and had the most incredible stories of her time living on the Universal Studio lot as a kid.

Why do you think there is still so much interest in Laemmle when he has been gone for close to 90 years?

I think if he had done any one of the amazing things that he did in life, whether that was winning the Supreme Court case against Thomas Edison, whether that's starting Universal, whether that's saving hundreds of lives, if he had done any one of those things, he would have been an incredible man. But he managed to do all three and more. He created these movies that people relate to, that they love, that they've grown up with. Even though so many people don't know his name, there are parts of his work that are intertwined in their everyday life. I think that's why people should take an interest in him and I think people are starting to discover him more and more now.

Tell us about some BHHS teachers who influenced you.

High school was a special time for me because I was the third generation to graduate from Beverly Hills High School. It was surreal knowing I was walking down the very same halls my mother [Rosemary Hilb '78] and grandmother [Carlotta Laemmle '43] had when they were my age.



Antonia Carlotta '06

I loved taking theater each year at the school, and getting to explore my creative side. I learned so much from Mr. [Joel] Pressman '67 and Mr. [Herb] Hall, and I was always in awe of how great our fall musicals and spring plays were. *[Editor's note: Other BHHS grads in Carlotta's family include her sister Cassandra Tartabull '11, her aunt Heidi Hilb '69 and her great-aunt Constance Laemmle '48.]*

What do you want to do with this in the future?

Some of that I'm still figuring out. I have so many ideas and so many projects that I'm working on. I plan to keep "Universally Me" going for as long as I can. I am working on a biography of Uncle Carl because one has not been written about him since the early 1930s before the monster movies even came out. I am working on a children's book inspired by my Aunt Carla and her time as a child living on the Universal Studios lot. And I am still just looking for every opportunity to share the work of my family to let their legacy live on. Those are some of the projects that I have and some of the things that I'm hoping to do.

To view Carlotta's "Universally Me" YouTube channel, visit youtube.com/user/AntoniaCarlotta.

Courtesy of Beverly Hills Weekly



Clockwise, from top left: Antonia Carlotta '06, Cassandra Tartabull '11, Rosemary Laemmle Hilb '78, Carla Laemmle

The profound, far-reaching legacy of Mallory Smith '10

Nearly seven years after her death at age 25, Mallory Smith '10 continues to touch lives with her own words.

Smith's second posthumous memoir, *Diary of a Dying Girl*, will be published on May 7 by Random House Books for Young Readers.

Smith was only three years old when she was diagnosed with cystic fibrosis, a progressive genetic disease that affects the lungs, pancreas and other organs. At Beverly, she was a stellar athlete and student. She graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Stanford and became a freelance writer and editor and radio producer. She passed away Nov. 15, 2017, two months after receiving a double lung transplant.

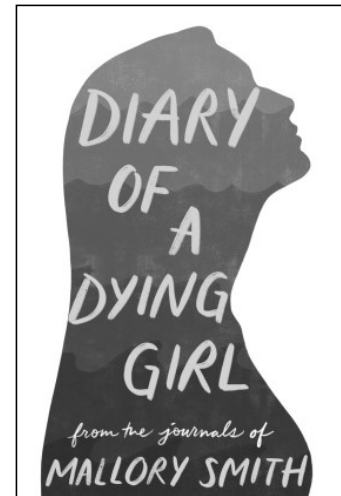
She wrote extensively about her life, leaving behind 2,500 pages of diary entries, and requested that her mother, Diane Shader Smith '77, edit her journals into a book to help others living with chronic illness. Published in 2019, *Salt in My Soul: An Unfinished Life* was Mallory's account of living with cystic fibrosis and her determination to "live happy."

Adapted from *Salt in My Soul*, the new book, *Diary of A Dying Girl*, includes new entries that provide more personal insights about the many pressures faced by teens and young adults.

"*Diary of a Dying Girl* gives us the chance to share Mallory's profound insights with a larger audience," says Diane. "Adapted from *Salt in My Soul*, it includes

additional entries about mental health, the threat of antibiotic-resistant bacteria, and coming-of-age issues. Things like navigating relationships, understanding the implications of alcohol, and confronting body image issues. I wasn't ready to use some of these entries that are deeply personal in the first book but over time I came to understand that Mallory has so much to teach us about the complexity of adolescence. Lessons that will resonate with both young adults and their parents."

In *Salt in My Soul*, Mallory wrote that she had "a strong urge to do something ... that will change people, that will have an infectious influence on the way they think and feel that will last."



The second posthumous memoir by Mallory Smith '10 comes out in May

Salt in My Soul, a documentary inspired by the book, was released in 2022.

Mallory's legacy also includes spreading awareness about a promising treatment for bacteria resistance. Since Mallory's passing in 2017, Diane has been giving lectures to audiences around the world about the need for phage therapy to fight antimicrobial resistance.

When Mallory was 12, her lungs were invaded by *Burkholderia cepacia*, a resistant bacteria that can be deadly for people with cystic fibrosis. Following her double lung transplant, the dreaded superbug *B. cepacia* returned. Mallory's father, Mark Smith, arranged for Mallory to have an experimental treatment called phage therapy, which involves using naturally occurring viruses (bacteriophages) that have evolved to attack bacteria. Tragically, by the time Mallory received the treatment, it was too late to save her.

In 2017, Mallory received the treatment through "compassionate use," since phage therapy was not approved for use in the United States and no U.S. institution was offering it at the time.

Since then, "four universities have

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In new doc, Albert Brooks '65 shares life story with Rob Reiner '64

A new HBO documentary brings viewers to the table as Rob Reiner '64 and Albert Brooks '65—friends since they met at Beverly—discuss Brooks' life and career as a groundbreaking and enduring comedian.

Much of *Albert Brooks: Defending My Life*, which was directed by Reiner, takes place in a restaurant as the two BHHS Alumni Hall of Fame members have a relaxed and intimate conversation.

"I'm going to do something to embarrass the hell out of you

at the beginning, and then we'll go from there," Reiner says in the documentary. "... I've always looked up to you. I'm telling you the truth."

"Oh, my God," Brooks replies.

"I've always looked up to you because to me, there was nobody that did what you could do, you know, with comedy ... and I've always been kind of a little bit intimidated," says Reiner, a comedy giant himself.

RogerEbert.com described the film as "the movie equivalent of a memorial service for a beloved individual who's still alive."

As NPR's *Fresh Air* reported, Brooks is known for writing, directing and acting in *Real Life*, *Modern*

Romance, *Lost In America*, *Mother* and *Defending Your Life*. He is an Oscar nominee (for *Broadcast News*) and has been a standup comedian, a filmmaker for *Saturday Night Live*, and an actor in numerous TV and film projects.

The documentary features clips of Brooks in action, as well as interviews with some of comedy's biggest names, including Larry David, David Letterman, Conan O'Brien, Chris Rock, Jon Stewart and Wanda Sykes who discuss Brooks' impact on the comedy world.

"In saluting and celebrating his friend Albert Brooks, Rob Reiner has made a delightful documentary, one that makes you want to take a deep dive into the comedy films of Albert Brooks," critic David Bianculli said on NPR's *Fresh Air*. "I urge you to do it and to start with *Lost In America*, one of the funniest films I've ever seen."



Albert Brooks '65 and Rob Reiner '64

Zakheim '67*Cont. from
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and we won the national championship my first year there. After my second year, we lost in the final game of the regionals, which would have put us in the World Series two years in a row. So at the end of that year, I ended up signing a contract with the Chicago White Sox and played two years in the minor leagues for them.

David, what will this donation be used for?

David: We set up an endowment in Irv's name to continue to support everything that [BHAAA] has done, which has really grown and evolved. I think one of the things that Irv got excited about was ... BHAAA Assist. [That] has been funding and supporting alumni who were involved in athletics at the high school through these challenging times and paying everything from insurance to rent, to car payments to kind of help them get by. [We started it] during the pandemic, which has been pretty significant and helped us engage with additional alums.

The main purpose of the organization remains to pay for uniforms and equipment for all the teams at the high school. Being able to add BHAAA Assist has been a really nice way to diversify and help others that have a really tight connection to the high school. Then we have four annual scholarships that go to graduate student-athletes. So to be able to help secure the future of the organization and have an endowment in Irv's name that we hope will grow. Just having Irv being more engaged and involved, he is so well connected with people that grew up in the community that want to help. I think it's going to be great and bring more attention to what the organization's doing and the obviously continuous needs of the Athletic Department. But we've grown and expanded into helping the community in other ways.

Irv, what made you want to make a donation of this caliber?

Irv: It started out with them

wanting to do the baseball field and I asked where it was and all those kinds of questions. Then when it came to, "How is it going to get funded?", that's when we started talking about it. I said I'd be interested in donating money to help fund this. When it comes to Beverly High, everybody thinks that we have the best of everything. At the time when I played there, we had probably the worst baseball field not only in our conference but in the city. It was all grass infield at that time and they very rarely mowed it. It was a tough field to play on. You'd think that [we] would have had something much, much better than we did. We



"These things are not built by an individual, it's by many people coming in and helping."

— Irv Zakheim '67

started talking about that and I said, "Yeah, we've needed a new baseball field for a long time." So that actually got my interest there as well. Even though it's 50-plus years later, it's better late than never that we started providing some of the athletic facilities that our kids are playing on.

Irv, how did you end up in Spokane?

Irv: I started Zak Designs in 1976 in LA and my office was in South Central. We did children's dinnerware with Disney characters on it. So Little Mermaid or Pocahontas, all those kinds of things through Disney, Warner Brothers, and Mattel. In 1992 when the Rodney King riots happened, it started in South Central, LA even though it was all over the city. All the buildings around us on Crenshaw and Slauson got burned down. When that was done, I started thinking about moving [and] my wife is from Spokane. I went to the banks up here and said, "Here's my bank loan that I have in LA, if you can match it, I'll be looking to move up here." The bank immediately signed to give me an

even better deal. That was in April of 1992 [and] by November, we [had moved] to Spokane.

Irv, you were inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame with your teammate Ralph Punaro '67. Tell us about that.

Irv: Ralph and I grew up together on the playground at Beverly Vista. We lived about a block apart from each other. We always kicked everyone's butt. Ralph and I, through Little League and everything else, always played against each other. So the beauty when we got to high school, we now were teammates and we played together. We were the two short guards. He's 5'6" and

I'm 5'9". We were very fast and quick. They called us the dynamic duo. Growing up, everybody knew who we were and we played all sports together. So we both played basketball and baseball. He was a great guy. He passed away having cancer and fought it hard, but didn't win that battle. I miss him every day. Usually, when I came down to LA, he would go and see after my mom and sister.

If another alumnus reading this wants to make a large donation. What should they do?

David: BHEF [Beverly Hills Education Foundation] is the steward for the naming rights within the [school] district; they are actually the right contact. I think there's a specific list of opportunities. We have sort of carved out and developed the naming of a few different athletic facilities which weren't part of that initial list. But I know they're in the midst of putting together some really effective marketing tools and a website that has the five campuses that will identify what naming opportunities

there are. For those donors who have already been generous enough to have certain facilities named after them and want to participate, we will be able to highlight and learn about those people and their connection to the school. I think it's great and it has been a long time coming. Certainly, if there are any athletic facilities that haven't already been contemplated by the district, we would be glad to talk to them and sort of facilitate something happening. It's been a bit of a process, but we all want to help with the financial stability and add modern amenities to the high school. We specifically focus on athletics but there are a lot of opportunities there. It would be great to have more engagement from alums like Irv and even current families. I think it's a great way to give back, especially to alums, to show your appreciation for what the school district, and the high school in particular, did for us, that we still value.

Irv: These things are not built by an individual, it's by many people coming in and helping. So it's a community and Beverly Hills is a wealthy community. It would be nice to see people stepping up to do more. The few people that we do get involved in this are going to see a greater amount of people getting involved and improving the facilities, not only on the athletic fields, but at the school, making everything better for the kids that are going to school in Beverly Hills.

David: I hope they're more proactive about getting some of the plans out there so people can see and know what's being planned. I know there are a lot of steps and things that have to happen and there seems to be a lot of positive momentum. They've already done some work obviously on some of the campuses, but the high school needs it. I think it will be great when it's done and hopefully, there aren't any significant hiccups.

Courtesy of Beverly Hills Weekly

Laura Leads

Q&A: Laura Hornwood Margo '87 discusses how a meal donation program she started during the pandemic helped sustain local restaurants and frontline healthcare workers at Cedars-Sinai – and also led her to serve on and chair the Beverly Hills Human Relations Commission

What made you want to join the Beverly Hills Human Relations Commission?

Back when everything was going on with COVID, I started a program called “Meals to Heal” [where people in the community would buy meals from] local restaurants [to] donate food for lunch to Cedars-Sinai staff. [At first, it was mostly for] COVID staff, but then the program grew and grew. My goal originally was to help some of the restaurants stay in business and to help those that were working in a very vulnerable position at Cedars-Sinai.

It started off with 25 pizzas from Mulberry to Cedars-Sinai. I put it on social media and I started calling friends. I [gave out] the number for Mulberry so the money

did not go through me during this program. I [spoke with Beverly Hills City Councilmember Lili Bosse '79], who was in a meeting [all that day], and by the time she checked in, we already had 75 pizzas and she wanted to add 25 to make it 100. But Mulberry didn't even have the staff capacity to do that. So it was exciting to see how that grew. Friends then started calling me and asking what I was going to do next because they wanted to help. [That is how] I started doing this every day for 10 weeks.

Everybody ended up getting involved and certain people really helped in a variety of ways. Michael Lushing [suggested that we put the program on the] Rotary

“We hear a lot of stories about people that are in precarious positions [and I want to continue] increasing help for the homeless and [for] mental health.”

website where people were [able to] buy [the meals] a week in advance and buy from different restaurants. There were a lot of restaurants that said that they were only able to stay in business during that time because of the influx of money from this program. And certain restaurants like the Lazy Daisy, which is down on Robertson, made videos and they took all their tables, pushed them together, and you could see them making 200 meals all in one day.

Gourmando was one of the restaurants. They happened to do Easter, and they put Easter Eggs with candy in all of the lunches that they provided. And then in five of the lunches, they put a \$100 gift card to the restaurant. Porta Via also put it on their website and our goal was to get to 100 meals a day, but in one day they got to 600 meals. At first it was hard to get to 100 meals a day, but Avra [on Beverly Drive] came in and did 10 days of three-course meals on their dime. Everyone just started helping in so many ways.

With that success, [Lili] Bosse was the one that said, “You need to try out for the Human Relations Commission.” So I applied, interviewed and got selected.

Your husband, Noah Margo '86, has been on the [BHUSD] Board of Education for many years. Did that influence you to join the commission?

It was really [Bosse]. It wasn't on my radar to apply for the commission, but as all of this was going on and we were getting some publicity on television, we were on the news a few times, and she brought it up to me. When Lili is passionate about something, you're doing it. But even though this wasn't on my radar, this has been something that's been pure joy for me.

What are some things the commission is currently working on?

I am hoping we will do another Beverly Hills Reads, hopefully two. I love the community involvement and I was really surprised because we had 300 sign ups for that event, and it was nice to bring people together.

We are scheduled to do



Laura Hornwood Margo '87

Kindness Week on Feb. 11, [2024] at the Farmers' Market and we have something scheduled every single day that week. We're going to collect [donations] for four different charities and that's something that we added to what used to go on for Kindness Week. Last year we were [collecting] brand new toys and a lot of things for cancer charities. This year we're collecting for the Alexandria House and the Midnight Mission. It has become a really lovely event.

I would [also] love to do a mental health/suicide prevention walk and partner with a walk that's already existing and possibly with the high school. We are going to continue with our Beverly Hills Outreach Team and I'm going to try and push for more beds. Currently we hear a lot of stories about people that are in precarious positions [and I want to continue] increasing help for the homeless and [for] mental health.

Tell us about the homelessness initiative.

The Beverly Hills Outreach Team (BHOT) comes to [commission] meetings and tells us a story almost every single month. [Recently we heard] about a young man who was hanging out in the business triangle area, and they had approached him a couple of times and he did not want any services. The third time they approached him, he was telling them this story about how his family did

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Laura Hornwood Margo '87 (center) with her family of Beverly grads: Solomon '18, Jax '20, Reese '24 and Noah '86

Prince '76 writes musical adaptation of *Dark of the Moon*

The new production was inspired in part by Beverly High's staging of the original classic play, which was directed by John Ingle and incorporated music



Jonathan Prince '76

Jonathan Prince '76 wrote the book for the musical *Dark of the Moon* that debuted from March 29 to April 16, 2023 at the Rubicon Theatre in Ventura. The world premiere musical is based on the classic play of the same name.

When Prince was a student at Beverly, the late drama teacher John Ingle directed him in a production of the stage play, *Dark of the Moon*.

"One of the things that Ingle integrated into the show was music. Although there are a few traditional songs indicated in the 1942 script by Richardson and Berney, Mr. Ingle added more country and folk music into the piece. Since then, I've been unable to get that show out of my head, and I've always felt that this play could be a full musical. But my career was growing in film and television, so my attention went in that direction. I felt about musical theater the way I felt about Major League Baseball; I loved to watch it but I probably shouldn't be playing," Prince said.

When Prince brought it to producers Michael Jackowitz and Jeffrey Grove, they discovered that he was not the first to see this show in that light. The attorney who represented the rights to the show told them that some of the artists who had tried to adapt

Dark of the Moon into a musical included Marvin Hamlisch, Bob Fosse and Jerome Robbins.

"My concept had been that this musical would be unique in that it would have a dual score—that is, the humans would sing and dance to bluegrass music and the witches' sound would be rock. And the songwriters have delivered," Prince said.

The production was under

the direction of Jim O'Neil, with music supervision by Brad Haak, and choreography by Tony-winner Chris Gattelli.

"I'm coming from the world of TV and film to a whole new experience of storytelling on the stage. Never too late, I guess, to try something new. I wish that Mr. Ingle could see what he inspired," Prince said.

His son, Jackson Prince '15, was featured in the 2023 edition of *Alumni Highlights*, about writing his own musical, *1660 Vine*.

Courtesy of Beverly Hills Weekly

Princes appear on "Back to Beverly" podcast

In July 2023, Jonathan Prince '76 and his son Jackson Prince '15 appeared on the *Back to Beverly* podcast hosted by Dillon Curtis '10 to discuss how their high school years contributed to the success they have achieved in their professional careers.

Jonathan is an actor, director and writer who recently wrote the book

for the musical *Dark of the Moon*. Jackson is a director, producer and writer, and just produced his first musical *1660 Vine*.

"My whole thing about Beverly is, if you want to, you can do everything here," Jonathan said.

View the interview at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LEF2RXan51s>.



Live at Carnegie Hall: David Lawrence '78! On March 18, 2024, Lawrence will perform *A Toast to Steve & Eydie* at Carnegie Hall in celebration of Lawrence's parents, the legendary musical duo Steve Lawrence and Eydie Gormé. Lawrence, an artist, producer, songwriter and Emmy-nominated composer, has teamed up with Tony Award-winner Debbie Gravitte to perform Steve and Eydie's orchestrations with a 30-piece band. "The concert celebrates the incredible music of my parents' career," Lawrence said. "I'm so proud to be doing this at this point in my life." Lawrence and Gravitte previously performed the show at McCallum Theatre (pictured above) in Palm Desert and the Axelrod Performing Arts Center in New Jersey.

LMU Loyola Law School names trial advocacy center for Dordick '80 and his family

LMU Loyola Law School held a naming ceremony on Sept. 21, 2023 for Nava and Gary '80 Dordick after they made an \$8 million commitment to LMU Loyola Law School (LLS). The gift was the largest gift in the school's history and will establish the LMU Loyola Law School Dordick Family Trial Advocacy Fund, dedicated to supporting the school's celebrated advocacy programs, which provide tactical and strategic skills training to aspiring litigators with an emphasis on innovative curricula and a commitment to ethical advocacy.

"Our firm works hard to provide the best possible legal representation to clients who have suffered enormous losses, and we couldn't do that without the preparation of an excellent legal education," Dordick said. "LLS is known for producing great trial lawyers, and we want to ensure that future generations of law students, no matter their background, have access to an LLS education so they can help build

a better world."

Gary Dordick is the founder of Dordick Law Corporation in Beverly Hills, where he works alongside his wife Nava.

According to LMU's campus news, Nava graduated from LMU Loyola Law School in 2023, achieving a long-held dream. Their daughter Taylor '11 is also an LMU Loyola Law School graduate.

"I saw the education that Nava and our daughter, Taylor, received at Loyola Law School, and every person we met at the school had a common goal of doing what was best for students," Gary told LMU's campus news. "Every year we hire law clerks from the law school's alumni base and, without exception, they have been extraordinary. We've been so impressed with everything related to the school that we wanted to be more involved and make a long-term commitment to the education that the law school provides to the community."



Kyle Dordick '13, Dylan Dordick '09, Gary Dordick '80, Nava Dordick, Taylor Dordick '11, Michelle Dordick '09

Margo '87 *Cont. from p. 42*

not want him and he was now on the streets. [They asked him if he wanted to call his] family [and it turned out they] had been looking for him for months.

The outreach team organized a bus trip, gave him clean clothes and packed enough food for the three-day trip. There was a reunion with his family. They took a picture and sent it back to the BHOT. So stories like that really warm my heart and I want to be able to make sure that those programs continue.

Tell us about your family.

My parents [Steve and Roberta Homwood] lived in Beverly Hills and I live in the house I grew up in. I have been happily married to Noah since 1997. We have three

kids. Solomon '18 graduated from college, moved back here and he's pursuing a music career. My second son, Jax '20, is in college and working in retail. My third child is Reese '24, a senior. She is waiting to get into college.

What is one thing you want to accomplish by next year?

I would love to add events to our community work plan. Three years ago, the commission did about three programs a year, and we now do more than 10. So I would love to continue adding to this and make sure that each event is successful so that there's community building and partnerships.

Courtesy of Beverly Hills Weekly

Smith '10 *Cont. from p. 40*



Diane Shader Smith '77 and Mallory Smith '10

established phage therapy centers with others doing the work in a less formalized way," Diane wrote in a 2023 essay published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). "Some of the brightest minds are deeply committed to bring this therapy to patients. The obstacle is money – for research and development, for clinical trials,

and for compassionate use."

In 2023, at the invitation of Deputy Secretary General Mircea Geană, Diane spoke with NATO and the European Commission in Brussels about the impact of antimicrobial resistance (see photo, p. 47).

"It was deeply rewarding to use Mallory's story and *Salt in My Soul* to raise awareness of the [antimicrobial resistance] crisis with world leaders at the highest level. I want the United States Congress to pass the PASTEUR [Pioneering Antimicrobial Subscriptions to End Upsurging Resistance] Act, and for NATO and the European Union to take similar decisive action," Diane said.

Q&A: Rafael Moscatel '95

Moscatel's new book, *The Bastard of Beverly Hills*, explores themes of adoption, home, and forgiveness, and reveals a meaningful lesson from the late BHHS Biology teacher Willie Hale



Rafael Moscatel '95

What made you want to write your memoir, *The Bastard of Beverly Hills*?

I had been sitting on the story of my adoption for quite a while. I needed to do something that would allow me to heal the pain of learning at such a late age that I was adopted. Upon the advice of my wife, she told me to just put it down in words and see if it might help me through the whole experience. I had actually done a documentary on my grandmother, whom I found out was a very famous singer in the twenties. Then I learned my grandfather was a composer who wrote the music to *The Addams Family*. I'd written a documentary about it. But I really hadn't finished the personal piece of it, which was more about family and forgiveness. I decided to do a book instead and talk about adoption and forgiveness.

At age 31, you found out you were adopted and it was kept secret by your parents. Tell us about that.

I always felt a little bit out of place growing up in Beverly Hills. My mother and father were two very eccentric and loving people, but I never felt like I had quite fit into their story. I had marked differences between me and my father. They were Sephardic Jews [and] I was given the name Rafael,

in honor of our family, who was from Spain, through the Isle of Rhodes and Cuba. But I am blond and blue-eyed, and it turns out I am German. I didn't find this out until I was about 30 years old. I was looking through a newspaper and I read about this girl who was the first test-tube baby, and she was a little bit older than me. My mother kind of floated the idea that I was a test-tube baby and I naively bought into this.

Ironically, some years after that, we were living on Beverly Drive and across the street from us was Sharon Osbourne and her husband, Ozzy. My father called the police on Ozzy because he would walk around the block a

"[BHHS Biology teacher] Willie Hale taught me [a] great lesson. You have to be honest if you're going to live any kind of genuine life."

lot. [My father] didn't know he was a rock star and just saw him as a brooding strange man. [The police] came by and explained to my father, there was this misunderstanding, that he was calling the police on his neighbor. But a day later, his wife came over to our home to apologize and introduced herself because they were our new neighbors. In all the years my mother lived in Beverly Hills, nobody had ever come over to the house and introduced themselves. That just wasn't something you did when we grew up. But then Sharon looked at my mother and she looked at me and she said, "Is this your grandson?"

At that moment, I realized that something was wrong because she noticed that there was an age difference between my mother and me that probably couldn't be explained.

Long story short, I learned about the first test-tube baby, and I basically discovered that my mother and father were telling me a lie. I sent a letter to the State of California, and about a month later, this envelope came and it just blew my mind that I was not their child. Not only that, I was the grandson of a bastard child of the man who wrote *The Addams Family*. My mother was having an affair and she had a baby, which turned out to be me. She wanted to have an abortion.

But my mother got wind of her pregnancy and sent an attorney [our neighbor and former Clippers owner] Donald Sterling to see her. He basically convinced my birth mother not to abort me and that he would pay a sum of money so that I could be adopted.

So I've spent a long time trying to unravel that story. The theme of the book is "What is home and is

home a building?" [It's not], it's a place where you feel comfortable. So my journey has been trying to find a place where I'm comfortable in my own skin. The only way I can do that is to learn how to forgive those who deceived me. The book really talks about that. It talks about Donald Sterling's deception, my mother's deception and has a lot of interesting stories about Beverly Hills along the way. **Part of the book takes place when you are attending Beverly High and you have a section on the late Biology teacher Willie Hale. Tell us about that.**

The book is in seven chapters but it's a coming-of-age story structure. [Mr.] Hale was my biology teacher. He was really special to me because my sister [Marleigh '88] had failed his course. She was a straight-A student and became a doctor. She is



[also] my copilot [and] best friend in the book. But I was always jealous of her achievements. I knew she had failed his class, and he was a very scary looking man, he looked like Muhammad Ali. He was tough. I got to know him very well. Whereas other children kind of just skirted or tried to get around him, I connected with him. He taught me a great lesson about truth and honesty. A friend of mine and I tried to cheat on our biology midterm and he caught us. Then throughout the rest of the year, we would go to his class during lunch and we became very close with him. Then in the story, I talk about how when he caught me, he told me, "You could have lied and gotten away with it. But the thing is, you can never lie to yourself." To pair that with the whole idea of being deceived in an adoption, honesty is a big deal to me. If you can achieve that, then you're going to find your way to learning how to forgive people. When you see that we're all sinners, you understand that everybody's capable of it. It's easier for you to forgive once you start forgiving yourself. So Willie Hale taught me that great lesson. You have to be honest if you're going to live any kind of genuine life.

What sort of reaction are you getting from the book?

I had a friend call me about a month ago, *Cont. on next page*

Monday at Midnight, indie rock band of recent grads, looks forward to debut album release

Monday at Midnight, an indie rock band formed by friends who met in performing arts classes at Beverly, is planning to release its debut album this year. Since 2020, the band, which includes Ben Gold '19 (bass), John Hogan '18 (lead vocals and rhythm guitar) and Jacob Rodier '19 (lead guitar), has released eight singles and performed at iconic L.A. venues including The Whisky A Go Go, The Mint, and Hotel Café.

In February, Alumni Highlights checked in with Rodier for a Q&A.

How did your band come together?

Our band came together during the beginning of the pandemic after we started making funny rap songs together, but then we soon realized that we could translate our natural musical instincts into something tangible: an indie rock band.

It started when I bought a banjo during quarantine because I wanted to learn a new instrument; I already knew guitar. I had written a country song and asked a friend of mine who knew how to produce to help with recording. When I went over to record, we ... ended up creating a banjo-centered rap beat, since making beats was more up the producer's alley at the time. It was fun to mess

around with that and then I called John over to hear what we made and we took turns freestyling over the beat. That turned into us making other rap songs and then we invited Ben to come over and make other rap songs as well.

We were all into indie rock as one of our top genres, and that's what I had a focus on with learning guitar, so once we got the hang of understanding Logic Pro X and the recording process, we thought it may be worthwhile to try out an indie rock song instead of the joke SoundCloud rap songs we were making. After trying some things out, we knew we had chemistry making songs together and we decided to continue down the indie rock path and write music.

Did Beverly help prepare you for your music careers?

All three of us were involved in BHHS Theater under [retired] teacher Kaz Chandler. We went

"We always want to emanate good vibes with our music which is why we have a high-energy approach to our music, even if the themes of the songs stem from a not-so-bright place."

from Drama Lab to TAW, [and I] eventually [became] president of BHHS Theater in [my] senior year. Ben and John took it a step further and were involved

in choir under former teacher Stacey Kikkawa. John was in Men's Choir and Ben participated in Madrigals. Through working in theater and choir and acting in the plays/musicals, we developed a knack for entertaining. We felt extremely comfortable displaying emotion to a large group which helped us do the same thing through our music.

Tell us about your upcoming debut album.

Our debut album, *Wake Up, It's Monday!!*, will feature previously [released] singles such

as "Ms. Popular," "Sunburnt," "Beach Zombie," and our newest single "Irish Goodbye," and it will also feature songs that we have performed numerous times



Monday at Midnight was formed by recent Beverly grads. Left to right: John Hogan '18, Benjamin Gold '19, Jacob Rodier '19

at our concerts but have never been heard on a recording.

The album's themes range from trying to navigate life's changes at a young age, to dealing with conflicting feelings in a relationship, and to the feeling of being out of place. It will have a mixture of fast and high-energy songs to slower, more campfire-like tunes, all coming together with a focus on strong melodies and large builds.

What do you hope listeners get out of your album?

We hope our audience can find a song to relate to and can feel a catharsis in listening to songs that [confront] hard-to-deal-with emotions. We always want to emanate good vibes with our music which is why we have a high-energy approach to our music, even if the themes of the songs stem from a not-so-bright place. So we hope that listeners can feel that dichotomy and eventually enjoy the songs enough to come to one of our shows and continue to support all that we have coming next!

Moscatel '95 *Cont. from p. 45*

and she said, "You'll never believe this. I'm a bastard, too. My father and I were talking about your book, and we decided to go get a DNA test. It turned out that my mom was lying to me and I wasn't my father's daughter. I'm just reading your book and it's helping me get through this." I've known her for 30 years. She found out at the age of 46, which is how old I am now,

but I found out at 31. It's nice to hear stories like that because many people in America are adopted. My feeling is that people are always looking for who they are and their identity. So if you're like me and you've been told that you were a Spanish Jew for 31 years, and then suddenly one day you wake up and you find out that you're a German, it's very difficult to square that. It's important to learn who you are and figure out

your identity.

What do you want readers to get out of reading *The Bastard of Beverly Hills*?

Life is short and you can't live your life full of anger and contempt. ... It's never too late to rediscover yourself. I have a whole new lease on life. I work through things just like anybody, but forgiveness is the way through.

Courtesy of Beverly Hills Weekly



A dazzling evening for Cedars-Sinai. BHHS Alumni Hall of Fame member Wendy Goldberg '57 (above right) is pictured with her sister, casting director Toni Howard '61, at the Women's Guild Cedars-Sinai Crystal Ball on Nov. 9, 2023. Held at the Beverly Wilshire, the gala raised over \$1.5 million and honored Samuel L. Jackson & LaTanya Richardson Jackson with the Hollywood Icon Award and The Litvack Family with The Humanitarian Award



'77 grad addresses NATO. Diane Shader Smith '77 spoke with NATO and the European Commission in Brussels about the need for phage therapy to fight antimicrobial resistance. For details, see the story about Diane's late daughter Mallory Smith '10 on p. 40.



Madrigals reunite at the theater. Early 1990s BHHS Madrigal Singers reunited at the April, 2023 production of 1776 at the Ahmanson Theatre. Left to right: Nicole Nourmand, MD '90, Dahlia Lainer Carr, MD '91, BHHS Alumni Association President Josh Gross '91, Judi Domroy '93, Edward Johnson '92, Paul Katz '92



World book tour. Joanna Stingray '78, BHHS Alumni Association executive director, traveled to Tbilisi, Georgia and Yerevan, Armenia in 2023 to present and sign her two written books and seven photo books published in Russia. She is pictured above (center) at the Itaka Bookstore in Tbilisi, Georgia on May 2, 2023



Beverly in the seventies. Kathy Bronte '72 and Steven Spitz '72



Mark Rosenthal '78 made his first trip back to BHHS in 40+ years!



John Mirisch '81, Beverly Hills city councilmember, met the First Lady of Kenya Rachel Ruto in July, 2023 at City Hall. Her husband is Kenyan President William Ruto

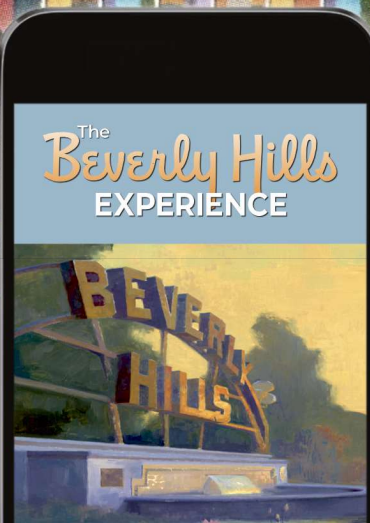
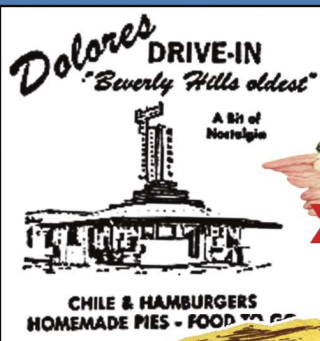


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Kahane makes his Wallis debut. Jeffrey Kahane, who went to Beverly Vista and Beverly High for two years before enrolling in the San Francisco Conservatory, performed his interpretation of Bach's *Goldberg Variations*, considered one of the most ambitious works for the keyboard, on May 25, 2023 at The Wallis' Bram Goldsmith Theater in Beverly Hills. A pianist and conductor, Kahane served as Music Director of the Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra for 20 years and has appeared as a soloist with such major orchestras as the New York Philharmonic, Cleveland Orchestra, Los Angeles Philharmonic, Philadelphia Orchestra, and the Chicago and San Francisco symphonies. Had he continued at Beverly, Kahane would have been in the Class of '75

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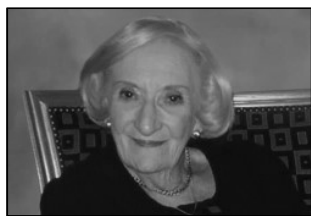


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Roos '41, dedicated educator, patron of the arts



Sybil Friedenthal Roos '41

Sybil Friedenthal Roos '41, of Houston, passed away at home on Jan. 8, surrounded by her family, just three weeks before her 100th birthday.

Sybil was preceded in death by her husband of 40 years, Henry Kahn Roos; and her sisters, Jane (Steve) Friedenthal Brewster '38, Betty (Harold) Friedenthal Levy '39 and Carolyn (Harold) Friedenthal Murov '45. All four sisters lived into their nineties.

She is survived by three daughters, Cathey Cook, Betsy Garlinger and Ginger Bertrand; four grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren. Her family called her "Dibby" because her nieces and nephews could not pronounce "Sybil."

Sybil graduated from Beverly, where she composed music for the school plays; Centenary College (B.A. in music with an emphasis on piano and composition); and Northwestern State University of Louisiana (M.Ed. in elementary and special education). During WWII, Sybil was a proud member of the WAVES (the women's branch of the Navy) and performed for British War Relief Society and American Red Cross audiences.

In Louisiana, Sybil taught students with learning difficulties, served on the Council for Exceptional Children, and was a Special Olympics area coordinator.

Upon moving to Houston with Henry in 1975, Sybil was dedicated to community service throughout the city as a patron

of the arts, a strong supporter of education and an advocate for children's causes.

She was a Spring Branch ISD first grade teacher and Spring Branch Elementary's Teacher of the Year.

Sybil was a dedicated member of Spring Valley University Women, Spring Branch Retired Teachers Association and Delta Kappa Gamma. She was honored with life memberships in the Louisiana and Texas PTAs and the Shreveport Girl Scouts.

As president of the Houston Grand Opera Guild, Sybil wrote teachers' guides for student presentations. She was a member of Phi Mu Fraternity, was nominated for their Outstanding Alumnae Achievement Award and supported Houston Alumnae Panhellenic Association.

Sybil was a season ticket holder to the Houston Grand Opera, Broadway Across America, Theatre Under the Stars and the Houston Astros. She was a lifetime member of the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston. Sybil sponsored the Houston Symphony's principal trumpeter, Mark Hughes, for many years.

The first grand piano for the University of Houston Moores School of Music was purchased by Sybil; she helped select the Houston Symphony's Steinway piano at the factory in New York City; and funded the music room for the Mission of Yahweh.

Sybil was a member of Houston Congregation for Reform Judaism.

Among her countless travels, the most memorable included the dedication of the Women in Military Service for America Memorial at Arlington Cemetery and the 65th anniversary of D-Day at the American Cemetery in Normandy, France.

Lois Broida Diamond '45 passed



away June 2, 2023 in Ojai. Her husband of 54 years, Stanley Diamond, passed away less than three months later. Theirs was a great love that inspired all who knew them. They lived full lives of caring about and enjoying friends, family, travel, culture, bridge, good food, and most of all each other. They were known for their charming good humor, unswerving optimism, and dashing sense of style. Lois was born in Steubenville, Ohio. Along with her brother Don, the family moved first to Pittsburgh, and then to Beverly Hills. After graduating from Beverly, Lois attended UCLA as an art major. She and her first husband, Irl Korsen, had two sons, Jack and Jeff. As a young wife and mother Lois began her three decades of charity work including as president of Helping Hand, and of the Life Group of the Suicide Prevention Center. She also began her lifelong calling as an excellent cook, bring-

ing friends to her table for innumerable dinner parties that she spent days preparing for. She was also a talented artist. Stan specialized in entertainment law, and with his firm Diamond & Wilson, represented such luminaries as Marvin Gaye, David Bowie, Van Morrison and Black Sabbath. Stan and Lois's favorite song was "The Second Time Around," and they held each other's hand until the very end. Their survivors include three children, Caryn Bosson (Charlie), Jack Korsen, and Diana Ramirez (Rony); five grandchildren; and one great-grandson.

Herbert Constine S'46, of Marina Del Rey, passed away April 15, 2023. Herb grew up in Beverly Hills and attended Beverly Vista and Beverly High, where he was an avid swimmer and diver. He later turned his attention to tennis—both doubles and singles, frequently playing in alum gatherings. He also attended LA City College, where he obtained his B.A. in Business Administration. Known to family and friends as "Buddy," he married Roberta Feldstein in 1958 and had two children, Karen '78 and Jeffery, who also attended Beverly Hills schools. Professionally, Buddy was a senior executive in a mortgage company overseeing dozens of offices in California and Arizona. He and his wife traveled extensively to Europe, Asia, and

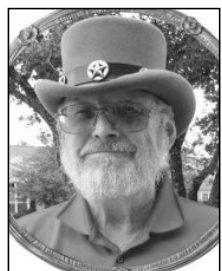
South America, among other places. He also loved the state of California, frequently visiting San Diego, Palm Springs, Laguna, and San Francisco. He enjoyed reading the newspaper and keeping up on current events, and he also treasured raising four mini dachshunds through the years. Buddy's wife of 65 years, Roberta, passed away in December 2023. They are survived by their children, Karen and Jeffery.

John "Jack" C. Ince '46



Herbert S'46 and Roberta Constine passed away in Georgetown,

Texas, on Oct. 22, 2023. He proudly served his country in the



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Jack came to Sun City, Texas in 2005 and put down roots. He greatly enjoyed food, especially Texas BBQ. He would drive great distances for good Texas BBQ. Jack was a computer aficionado in the truest sense of the word. He wrote computer code right up to the day before he passed. At Jack's request, he was privately interred with military honors at the Central Texas Veterans Cemetery.

Janet Ann Inglis Moody '46



passed away peacefully in her Newport Beach home on Feb. 24, 2023. Jan was born in Columbus, Ohio but was raised in Beverly Hills. Her brother William Inglis also attended Beverly High. Jan attended USC, where she was a member of the Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority. She met her late husband Bob at USC. Bob and Jan

raised their family in the Ladera Heights area of Los Angeles and spent summers at their beach house in Newport Beach. In 1980 Bob and Jan moved permanently to Newport Beach. Jan was active at her church St. Andrews, Trojan League of OC, her financial group Profit Partners, bridge groups and stitchery groups. She also enjoyed traveling all around the world. She loved USC football and never missed a game! The greatest joy in her life was her family. She was preceded in death by her eldest son Mark. She is survived by her son Scott (Sandy) Moody, daughter Nancy Janzen (Jim), son Bill (Ann) Moody, and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was an amazing Mom/Grandma/GiGi and will be missed. A life well lived!

Rosemarie Barbara Eberth Ostiller



passed away peacefully on June 26, 2023 at her Beverly Hills home. She was 93. Rosemarie was born in Chicago.

Her father passed away when she was nine, and after her mother remarried, Rosemarie's stepfather became a second father to her. When she was 17, Rosemarie moved to Los Angeles to live with her sister and brother-in-law. She graduated from Beverly and then attended UCLA, where she earned bachelor's and master's degrees in Education. She taught elementary school for the next seven years. In December 1951, Rosemarie met Jim Ostiller, the son of her brother-in-law's accountant—and the love of her life. It was a perfect match, and they married in July 1952. They settled in Los Angeles and were married for 68 years until Jim's passing in 2020. They were blessed with four children, who

were the joy of her life, and later, five grandchildren, whom she adored. She and Jim made friends easily. From holiday gatherings, game-day parties, and bridal and baby showers to gourmet dinner parties with friends and family brunches and dinners, Rosemarie and Jim's home was always bustling with activity. Although she and Jim traveled extensively, she was always most comfortable and happiest at home. Rosemarie's survivors include her daughters, Karen and Cathy; her sons, Rick and Steve, and their wives, Sally and Patricia; and her five grandchildren.

Steve Glick '48 has passed away. Steve was a great football player, captain of his team his senior year. Back at that time, Beverly Hills had a great football team and was always in contention for Top Bay League Teams. Steve was top hoover his senior year. He was selected first string all C.I.F and went on to play at Cal Berkeley. Steve played first string in two Rose Bowls as well. His survivors include his brother Michael Glick '52.

Robert Marx '48 passed away May 21, 2023. Husband, father, philanthropist, builder, businessman, Bob Marx was a true



Renaissance man. Born in New York City to Helen and Gummo Marx of the famous Marx

Brothers, the family moved to California when Bob was 7. Bob graduated from Beverly, attended USC, and served honorably in the U.S. Coast Guard from 1950–1953. In the late 1950s and early 1960s he designed and built several homes in Rancho Mirage that have mid-century architectural significance today. Stellar examples of his creative spirit are the Gull Wing Maranz house, the

Natasha Josefowitz '44, bestselling author and professor of business

Natasha Chapro Josefowitz, Ph.D. S'44, a member of the BHHS Hall of Fame, passed away peacefully on March 15, 2023.

She was the wife of the late Herman Gadon, Ph.D.; mother of Nina and the late Paul Josefowitz; grandmother of four; great-grandmother of six; and sister of the late Alec Chapro '51.

Born in Paris, France, she came to the United States to escape the Nazis in 1939.

She was a bestselling author of 21 books, including critically acclaimed management textbooks and award-winning books of humorous verse. She was a professor at the University of New Hampshire and San Diego State University business schools, where she taught some of the first courses for women in management. Her book *Paths to Power: A Woman's Guide from First Job to Top Executive* became a classic.

She was an international

keynote speaker, syndicated columnist, and a frequent guest on local and national talk shows. Natasha was



also inducted into the San Diego County Women's Hall of Fame for her groundbreaking work empowering women.

Later in life, she was widely recognized for her pioneering work on growing older and for authoring best-selling books such as *Too Wise to Want To Be Young Again* and *Been There, Done That, Doing It Better!*

The *Washington Post* noted: "Natasha Josefowitz is helping her generation, and those that follow, find their way into a successful, meaningful and fun older age ... her optimism about aging is inspiring."

iconic Sputnik house built for his father, as well as the Da Vaal Estates. He met the love of his life, Gilda, on a blind date in 1972. The two were romantic and business partners for 50-plus years, first franchising her Body Design by Gilda exercise studios, next adding their exercise clothing line, Flexatard, and eventually growing into a global international business, Gilda Marx Industries. Both Bob and Gilda were huge supporters of the City of Hope and its mission starting in the 1980s, with each receiving the "Spirit of Life" award for their efforts. After retirement, Bob worked tirelessly for the City of Hope as Chairman of the Board of Governors and under his leadership they provided over \$93 million in funds for cancer research and other scientific endeavors. Their blended family truly was "Yours, Mine & Ours." Bob loved his big family, was an avid reader, did the crossword puzzle and Sudoku daily, was a history buff,

loved his country ... and his Dodgers. He loved to tell a good story, had a way with a joke and could strike up a conversation with anyone. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Tracy Diane Marx. His survivors include his wife Gilda; sons Gregg Marx, Chris Marx, and Mitchell Guzik (Margaret); daughter Laura Guzik; and two grandchildren.

Leroy "Skip" B. Taft '48, of Newport Beach, passed away Aug. 2, 2022. He was an attorney who served as O.J. Simpson's personal attorney and business manager for decades, according to various news outlets. In a video posted to Twitter on Aug. 4, 2022, Simpson described Skip as "my family lawyer for virtually my entire adult life." He said they met when Simpson was a senior at USC and Taft later "looked over" his first contract with the Buffalo Bills.

Milton Louis Miller '49 passed away Dec. 19, 2023. He was born in Los Angeles and was a lifelong

resident. Milton was a graduate of Beverly Vista, Beverly High, UCLA undergraduate and UCLA Law School. He successfully practiced law in Los Angeles for over 60 years. In his own words, his life was wonderful and he was a very fortunate person. His survivors include Marceile (Marcy), his wife of 67 years; his three children, Douglas, Jennifer (Bill Muneio), and Bekki (Dave Newton); and his four grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his sister Elizabeth Ryder.

Doris Schneider Soghor '49, a long-time medical director and administrator for the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health and a valued consultant to California state mental health policy, passed away Feb. 3, 2023 in the Beverly Hills residence she consistently occupied for almost exactly 90 years. She blossomed socially and academically at Hawthorne and Beverly. She went on to Pomona College, where she

graduated with a degree in art history in 1953, and she pursued



further graduate studies in art history at Columbia University.

Doris was accepted at UCLA Medical School in 1959. There she met her romantic life partner, Dave Soghor. They were married in 1960 and graduated from medical school together in 1963. Doris completed residencies in psychiatry and child psychiatry. Doris and Dave shared a rich married life for over 62 years. The center of their collaboration was their family, with three children and four grandchildren. For many decades, Doris was an officer and eventually president of the American Society for Adolescent Psychiatry. She was also actively involved in the alumni organizations of Pomona College

Edwin Artzt '47, led Procter & Gamble from 1990 to 1995

Edwin L. Artzt '47 passed away April 6, 2023. He was the beloved husband of Marlies Hessel Artzt; father of Wendy Artzt, Karen (Brady) Husky, William Artzt, Laura DeCruz, and Elizabeth (Chris) Schmid; grandfather of five; and great-grandfather of one.

Ed spent his professional career at the Procter & Gamble Company, ultimately serving as Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer from 1990 to 1995. He is a member of the BHHS Hall of Fame.

During his 42-year career, starting in 1953, he powerfully impacted every sector of P&G's business, starting in the largest soap and detergent division. With Ed Harness he led the growth to leadership on Bounty and Charmin and drove Folgers coffee to leadership.

Over 20 years starting in

1975, as head of P&G's European operations, and then as head of international working with CEO John Smale, and later as CEO, Ed spearheaded the revolutionary transformation of P&G from a largely U.S. business into a truly global enterprise. He led the company's expansion into China and the fast-growing east and central European countries after the fall of the Berlin Wall. He oversaw the global expansion of many category leading brands, including Pampers, Ariel, Pantene and Always.

Ed told the story of P&G's global expansion in his graphic oral history, *P&G: The Globalization*, which he completed during his final year.

Ed had a burning commitment to recruiting and developing outstanding young women and men. He relished spending time on college campuses interacting with students personally. One of

his most enduring contributions was the creation of P&G College, the predecessor of P&G's current training programs. He believed in sharing stories as a way to learn and was a master in sharing them himself. Ed was an early and courageous advocate for diversity.

Ed felt a strong commitment and gave much to the Cincinnati community.

Above all, Ed believed in the value of the individual. He loved P&G and what it stood for, and he had the foresight, courage, and competitive spirit to position P&G for success for years to come.

John Pepper, who followed Ed Artzt as CEO of P&G, shares this memory. "I was lucky. I had the opportunity to work for Ed for half of my 40-year career. My wife and I were close friends with him and his wife, Marlies, for the past 20 years. I learned so much from Ed beginning with my very



Edwin Artzt '47

first months at P&G, 60 years ago. Ed was a teacher at heart. He cared deeply about P&G people."

Ed loved to spend summers with his family in Jackson, Wy. He had a keen interest in history and was always eager to learn from others and understand the culture of other countries. He had a passion for fishing, golf, and the Yankees.

and UCLA Medical School. Doris retired in 2011 at the age of 80. She worked to improve mental health care for the children of Los Angeles County for 40 years. She developed therapeutic arts programming for the Los Angeles County mental health system. Throughout her career, she inspired and mentored many of her colleagues and provided supervision for psychiatric students. She was also a devoted mother, an early “working mom” and continued as a “working grandma,” always making time for her family. Doris was an avid foodie and shared her passion for cuisine with her husband and children. She is survived by her husband, Dave Soghor; her children Lisa Soghor (spouse George Kelly), Matthew Soghor, and Jennifer Soghor (spouse James Crabbe); and by her four grandchildren. Her sister Nancy Schneider Kaufman passed away in 1995.

Eugene Harold Abrams '51 (“Papa Geno”) passed away Dec. 27, 2022, following a brief and complex series of health issues. He was born in Santa Monica to caring parents who laid down the mantra

of “family first” for Gene and his sister Patricia. While visiting the Shangri-La of Palm Springs, he came to find the woman he’d been looking for. He’d spend the next nearly 60 years with his cherished wife, Alexandra—first serenading her with his flamenco guitar, then raising a family with her. Gene dedicated lots of energy to the family business, USCP/Wesco, a wholesale distributor in Los Angeles. He drove 38 miles to East L.A., so the Abrams family could live in the Malibu countryside. The sands of “Little Dume” became a refuge, as he enjoyed fun with family and friends. While idyllic in many ways, eventually the beach life in Malibu gave way to mountain peaks of central Idaho. He discovered his passion developing and marketing products that grew from Alexandra’s book, *ABC Feelings*, which encouraged emotional literacy for children and adults. He was a regular at Light On The Mountain Spiritual Center for the last 20-plus years and supported The Wood River Jewish Community. He loved his garden. While many enjoy planting starters, Gene liked to start

from the very beginning—with seeds. He called them his “babies” and carefully transferred them daily from the grow-lights in the greenhouse to the natural sunshine in the yard. When it came to sports, there was perhaps no bigger UCLA Bruin fan than Gene. As Gandhi



said, “My life is my message.” Gene lived a life of being kind, thoughtful, supportive, loving and caring. Gene’s survivors include his wife, Alexandra Delis; his sons, Jeffrey, Peter and Christopher Scott; his daughter, Danielle Delis; his “daughters-in-love,” Linda and Deirdre; his six granddaughters; and his elder sister, Patricia.

B. Donald “Don” Greenblatt '51 passed away peacefully at his home on July 3, 2022 just weeks

shy of his 90th birthday. Don played on Beverly’s varsity football team and after graduation enlisted in the Navy as a special courier. While stationed in San Diego, Don was a lifeguard while on shore. During this time Don was introduced to the love of his life Rochelle Widman, and they were married in 1957. Early on Don picked up the Dental Technician trade at



UCLA and worked in Beverly Hills and Century City his entire career. With his wife Rochelle, they lived a wonderful life in West Los Angeles filled with family, friends, travel, tennis, two children and four grandchildren. After Rochelle’s passing 30 years ago, Don dated his classmate Roxanne Delman Richards '51 for close to 20 years. Together they wine and dined their way through the city and abroad. Don will be remembered as a fun-loving guy tooling around the Westside with the top down on his unique red Porsche Speedster and his thick silver hair lit up by the sun. Don had a keen sense of humor, a “chill” vibe and was always the consummate sun worshiper. A tried and true local Los Angeleno at heart.

Phyllis Korentajer Dimant '54 passed away Dec. 10, 2022. She was a Holocaust survivor and is survived by her three daughters, Deborah, Alexandra and Kim, and their families. She left behind nine grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren (see photo, p. 55). They are her legacy after having



Hecht '48, Olympic gold medalist, pilot, & Books on Tape founder

Duvall Hecht '48 passed away Feb. 10, 2022. The BHHS Hall of Fame member was a man of many talents, interests and accomplishments. An Olympian athlete in the sport of rowing, he competed in the 1952 Helsinki Olympics and again in the 1956 Melbourne games where he and his partner, Jim Fifer, dominated their event (men’s pair without coxswain) and won the Gold Medal.

Duvall’s passion for and dedication to the sport continued throughout his life. He was instrumental in the creation of the rowing program at UC Irvine when in 1965, as a young man of 34, he made a personal appeal to Dan Aldrich, the first

chancellor of UCI, for rowing to be among the five founding sports.

Duvall spent decades coaching, developing programs and fundraising for the collegiate rowing programs. His wit, kindness, generosity and stamina made him more than just a coach. He was a mentor and inspirational leader to hundreds of young men and women. While most of his coaching was for UCI, he also coached for UCLA and Menlo colleges.

A pioneer of the audio book industry, Duvall founded Books on Tape. His love of literature coupled with long drives between his home in Newport Beach and securities job in Los Angeles gave him the inspiration. He

created audio books on cassette tapes—a novelty at the time—that consumers could mail order, rent and return.

In later life, he fulfilled a lifelong dream to become a long-haul trucker, listening to books while driving his beloved truck, “The Yellow Bird Express,” cross-country.

Duvall attended Beverly and Stanford and went on to serve in the U.S. Marine Corps as a pilot.

Duvall is survived by his wife Ann Marie Rousseau and their daughter Leo Rousseau, his former wife Sigrid Hecht and their three children, Katrin Bandhauer, Dr. Justin Hecht and Dr. Claus Hecht, and three grandchildren.

lost almost all of her extended family to the Holocaust. Phyllis married Mark Dimant in 1956 and together raised their family in Portland, Ore., Los Angeles, and Encino. After having worked

decades in the insurance industry, they retired to Oxnard. Mark predeceased Phyllis in 2013.

Christopher Lofting '54 passed away June 27, 2021 in hospice care in New York City. His

parents were Hugh Lofting, the award-winning author-artist of the *Doctor Dolittle* series of illustrated children's stories, and Josephine Fricker, who was the nurse hired to look after the famous writer.

From the beginning, Chris and his family were on the move, traveling between homes in San Clemente and Killingworth, Conn. On walks with his father, Chris learned to really look at things along the way

Spitz '48, apparel company founder & advocate for people with disabilities



Lou Spitz '48 and his wife Melinda Mathes Spitz '61

Louis Spitz '48 passed away March 22, 2023. Lou was the proud son of Henry and Charlotte Spitz; little brother and best friend of Jim Spitz '47; the beloved husband of Melinda '61 (and late wife Rita); father of Steven '75, Jeff '76, Suzanne '79 and Doug '81; grandfather of seven (Rachel, Lauren, Sam, Olivia, Aaron, Miranda, Sumire); and great-grandfather of two (Toiro and Ellis Lou).

Born in Paterson, N.J. and named in honor of his grandfather Louis—owner and president of the Quackenbush department store, a noted civic leader in Paterson and one of the founders of Preakness Hills Country Club—Lou arrived in Hollywood with his family in the 1930s. His father Henry worked in the motion picture industry as a director, production manager and producer.

A natural athlete with movie star looks, Lou excelled in football, baseball and softball. He graduated from Beverly and went on to play football at both the University of Oregon and Arizona before graduating from UCLA where he played rugby and majored in business.

As a 25-year-old Air Force of-

ficer during the Korean War, Lou developed his legendary powers of persuasion. Stationed at Tachikawa Air Base in Japan, Lieutenant Spitz influenced the chain of command to recognize the urgent need for a competitive football program that could beat the vaunted teams stationed at army bases across the islands. Pressed into action as head coach, star player and athletic director, Lou recruited the biggest men on the base, wrote the playbook, trained the refs, and ordered the shoulder pads, helmets, uniforms and pigskins. With this unique blend of leadership, charm and teamwork, Lou led his air force team into battle on the gridiron.

Not long after he got out of the service, as the studio publicity department story goes, he was playing volleyball on the beach in Cannes when he was spotted by famed producer Jerry Wald and signed then and there to a contract with 20th Century Fox studios and renamed Steven Gant. Nevertheless, Hollywood came a calling and Lou did a stint as a contracted actor with 20th Century Fox studios in a few movies such as *In Love and War* and *The Best of Everything*. Though tabbed as one of the top 20 rising stars of 1959, with a 2-year-old son, Steven, and another one on the way, Lou decided the time had come to focus on raising his family.

He got a job as a salesman for the Windsor Garment Corporation in Los Angeles. He was an outstanding salesman, landing major uniform accounts with LAPD and Disneyland, and was quickly promoted to sales manager, and not long thereafter became VP of Sales.

In 1967, he sought and was

denied an opportunity to buy into the business as a partner and this propelled him to go out on his own and build a successful outerwear design and manufacturing company that he led for more than 40 years, Crown of California.

Through Crown, he pioneered the Thermal-Mate zip-in/zip-out liner, 3M Scotchlite reflective safety fabrics and threads, and the idea of custom premium image wear for Fortune 500 companies and the motor-sports industry.

Lou won his first order for Crown for 1,000 custom jackets from racing legend Carroll Shelby. By the mid-1970s he was designing and manufacturing more than a quarter million jackets per year for such companies as Harley-Davidson, Honda, Miller Brewing, Disney, Toyota, Kawasaki, Yamaha, Mazda and Ford.

Lou was a member of the Century West Club where he became a top-notch racquetball player, and a member of the Hillcrest Country Club where he developed his passion for golf and tennis.

Lou was a loving family man. He asked for and received custody of his four children and raised them as a single bachelor father in the 1970s. To ensure a high-quality public education for all of his kids including an adolescent daughter



Top, left to right: Steven Spitz '75, Lou Spitz '48, Suzanne Spitz '79, Jeffrey Spitz '76. Front: Melinda Mathes Spitz '61, Douglas Spitz '81

with "special needs," Lou persuaded Beverly High staff and the Board of Education to develop a framework for modifications decades before Individualized Education Plans became the norm in education.

Along with other parents facing similar challenges, Lou became a founding board member of the Achievable Foundation, a non-profit that provides critical support to people with disabilities and their families. Lou worked tirelessly to help the Achievable Foundation launch its new model of health-care—the first of-its-kind federally qualified health center focusing on individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Through Achievable, Lou's example as a loving father and visionary leader will continue to improve the lives of vulnerable people with disabilities and their families.

Lou left a legacy of positivity and a can-do spirit. His favorite hand gesture was "thumbs up" and his signoff was always "onwards and upwards!"

and to look up at night to identify the stars and constellations. After his father died in 1947, the family ended up in Los Angeles, where Chris went to Beverly and graduated from USC, going on to earn a master's in history. Another cross-country trip led to life in New York, where his son Justin was born. Chris began his own writing career at *Life* magazine, and eventually moved into the evolving business of travel and travel writing. For a decade he kept up a weekly column on business travel in the *Journal of Commerce*. He enjoyed the ways and means of travel—the movement—and describing the people and places and the practicalities of engaging the unfamiliar. He joined the Society of American Travel Writers as a freelancer and was elected president in 2000. A major shift came with the death of his mother in 1966. With the help of Aunt Olga Fricker, Chris became responsible for the promotion,



Phyllis Korantajer Dimant '54 (front, center) with her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren at a family wedding in 2015

protection, and explanation of the world of *Doctor Dolittle* and all his quirky, entertaining animals. All of that was second nature, since Chris had listened carefully when his father read the stories out loud and he had watched him at his drawing board using the finest brushes and carefully chosen paper. The books have been published around the world and inspired a stage play, a big musical production and

several movies—the first starring Rex Harrison filmed on location in England. In 2019 when Simon & Schuster published *Doctor Dolittle The Complete Collection* in four volumes, Chris observed, “Not bad for books with rights in public domain.” True and loyal to his family and friends, Chris nurtured relationships with calls, notes, visits, good conversation and laughter. Chris is buried with

his family in Killingworth. His survivors include Justin M. Lofting with wife Stacie and children Zac and Ellie, of St. George, Utah, and Maria S. Shaw of New York City.

Lynn Harper Factor '55 passed away peacefully on Aug. 24, 2023. Lynn was born in Chicago and moved with her family to Los Angeles in the late 1940s. She was a 20th-century trendsetting icon, art collector, and forward-thinking fashion enthusiast with an unparalleled eye for beauty and style. At Beverly, Lynn's path intertwined with that of her former spouse, Donald L. Factor '52. In the 1960s, she curated a modern art collection that came to define the century. In the 70s, her homes and presence graced style magazines, while she single-handedly raised two children. The 1980s and '90s carried her to the free-spirited shores of Lahaina; and, in the 2000s, back to Los Angeles, where she joyfully embraced the role of grandmotherhood. Lynn is survived by her daughter, Alyssa, and her husband Jason; son Andrew and his wife Jaime; three grandchildren; and her brother, Michael Harper '57.

Valerie (Val) Jean Wallad Maisner '55 passed away peacefully in her sleep with her beloved dog Trevor by her side at her home of 51 years in Encino on July 5, 2023. She battled an

'57 grad's legal career took his family to Paris and back—and involved overseeing major deals

Kendall (Ken) Roger Bishop '57 passed away Aug. 5, 2023 after a courageous 11-year battle with Parkinson's disease. Ken



Kendall (Ken) Bishop '57

was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and friend, as well as a respected lawyer.

Ken grew up in Beverly Hills, attended Stanford University (Class of '61) and attended law school at Boalt Hall (Class of '64). He was a partner at O'Melveny & Myers for 40 years, where he was known for his sharp intellect, pragmatic approach, ethics and unwavering commitment to his

clients. He balanced a demanding job with a strong commitment to his family. At O'Melveny, he was a role model for many young lawyers, teaching them not only the intricacies of corporate law but also client management and the importance of work-life balance. Ken and his family moved to Paris in 1974 where he was the head of the Paris office and later served as the head of the OM&M Century City office. Career highlights include the successful sale of Trader Joe's and the Los Angeles Dodgers, as well as serving for many years as outside counsel overseeing multiple acquisitions for clients, including Disney and Univision.

Ken married Diane Sirota after a three-month whirlwind romance in 1967, and they enjoyed a wonderful 56 years together. He

was a devoted father to Randy '86, Lauren '88, and Ali '91 and set an example as a wonderful, engaged father despite a demanding career. He loved his role as grandfather (Papa) to his nine grandchildren, teaching each of them to ride a bike, play cribbage, make pancakes and taking them on fun-filled vacations.

Ken felt it was critical to give back to his community. He served on the boards of Planned Parenthood Los Angeles, Cancer Support Community, and Direct Relief.

Ken's battle with Parkinson's was a testament to his strength and resilience. He fought the disease with courage and determination, never complaining or losing his spirit or his sense of humor.

inoperable brain tumor for six months under hospice care and with three caregivers who helped



keep her comfortable in a dignified, peaceful setting. Val was preceded in death by her husband (of 31 years at the time of

his passing in 2019) Lawrence Maisner. She is survived by her sister Lynn Ober, her stepchildren Steve (Michelle) Maisner, Robin and Vivienne Maisner, and her two step-grandchildren. Even though she didn't have children of her own, she embraced Larry's children and was proud to be "Gram Val." From Beverly, Val moved on to UCLA. She served as president of her sorority Alpha Epsilon Phi. As a sociology major,

she graduated Cum Laude and was inducted into Phi Beta Kappa. After graduating from UCLA, Val started her nearly 40-year professional career. She worked as a social worker for Los Angeles County and then moved on to be a training and development manager for Glendale Federal Savings and Unocal Corporation. Val remained invested in her UCLA family, volunteering her services for various alumni committees,

serving on the board of directors for UCLA Alumni Association. Soon after, she joined Gold Shield Alumnae of UCLA. Val established a scholarship in her name at UCLA and mentored amazing students who she considered part of her extended family. Val first met Larry on a tennis court and they enjoyed an active life together, traveling, visiting museums, and attending the theater.

Goldman '57, award-winning architect

Ronald Edward Goldman '57, Fellow of the American Institute of Architects, passed away Sept. 28, 2023 from acute myeloid leukemia. Like everything else in his life, he faced this challenge with humor and a warm smile.

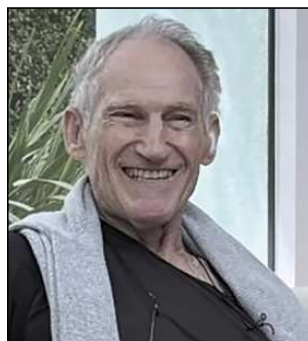
Ron was BHHS class president (1957), quarterback and ranked tennis player, and started on the football team at Princeton University (1961). He earned his master's degree in Architecture and Urban Planning from MIT. From age 10, he knew he wanted to be an architect. Throughout his life, his intuition was correct.

He told his parents the night he met Barbara, "I met the girl I want to marry." In August 2023, they celebrated their 61st wedding anniversary. They have two children, Karen and Mark, in whom they instilled a love of family, the importance of education, and the beauty of art and culture. Ron and Barbara were a team, working together, literally side by side in the same office, designing houses for their family and clients, developing projects that made a difference in their communities, traveling and collecting art, and exploring new restaurants and galleries. Traveling nationally and abroad to watch their grandson Jason's kayak competitions were some of their favorite family trips. For

the past 20 years, they walked their Montana Avenue neighborhood at sunrise each morning.

Founding an architecture firm in 1975, Ron created some of the most distinguished homes, schools, religious buildings, and commercial developments in Southern California. He earned more than 50 design awards for his architecture and developments. His work is celebrated as "architecture that shelters without enclosing and defines without limiting." The *Los Angeles Times* called his work "the epitome of the California dream." Goldman Firth Rossi's myriad of projects can be viewed at RonGoldmanFAIA.com, and the award-winning Cove Colony House video at <https://www.rongoldmanfaia.com/cove-colony>.

Ron was an advisor to the California Coastal Commission and worked with the City of Malibu to ensure proper building and design standards. A big believer that developments affect everyone in their environment, Ron did a wide range of community service to benefit both urban areas and remote communities worldwide. After a 50-year career as an active architect, Goldman retired but remained very active and passionate in his community projects, the most recent of which is Ron's Re-Create to Recreate, a conceptual effort to provide neighborhood parks within a short



Ronald Goldman '57

walking distance from residents in Compton and other urban areas.

He was a founding member and met weekly with S.M.a.r.t (Santa Monica Architects for a Responsible Tomorrow), pursuing the philosophy that "good design is good business." At 84, Ron looked forward to his weekly breakfasts with his high school buddies and the reunion of his high school club, The Dukes.

Ron sought to change the world through his architectural talent and enriched the lives of many through the design and landscaping environment he created. We were lucky to experience the world through his dreams and his eyes and architecture.

He is survived by Barbara, Karen, and Mark, their spouses Lindsay and Maya, grandson Jason, brother Ken '60 (Lori), and sister Lynne Goldman Shapiro '54.

Marshall Reznick '55 passed away peacefully after a long battle with Alzheimer's disease. He was a loving husband, dedicated father, and proud grandfather. Marshall grew up in Los Angeles with his brother, Don, where he attended Beverly. Marshall's career as a passionate and respected music agent began at William Morris in



1957 and spanned nearly 60 years with Reznick Bernstein, Registry Artists, and Triad Artists

before returning to William Morris and WME. After retirement, Marshall fully enjoyed his favorite hobbies, including UCLA basketball, Dodgers baseball, reading, and spending time with his grandchildren. Marshall is survived by his wife of 56 years, Edie; his sons Michael and Gary and daughters-in-law Stephanie and Debbie; and his seven grandchildren.

Thomas Eugene Fanslow '56 passed away Jan.

26, 2023. Born on the Fifth of July, he always claimed to be a



"leftover firecracker." Tom had polio as a

child and nearly died, but he recovered after many grueling treatments. His family moved from Iowa to Wisconsin, where he enjoyed fishing, camping, scouting, and basketball. As a senior in high school, his parents moved to Beverly Hills. After graduating from Beverly, he attended LA City College and Wartburg Theological Seminary in Dubuque. He graduated with a BA degree from Cal Lutheran. Tom really enjoyed his summer job of ushering at the Hollywood Bowl, when the Beatles performed. Tom and his parents attended Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Inglewood, where he met his wife, Janelle Cohen. The first sparks

ignited in 1966 at a church square dance. Janelle and Tom married on July 4, 1970, moved to Ventura and later settled in Camarillo. Tom worked as a manager for Chief Auto Parts, at Port Hueneme Naval Base, and as an accountant and substitute teacher. Janelle and Tom traveled to many wonderful places. Tom's hobbies included reading, watching sports, and collecting Disney and Olympic pins. He volunteered at the Camarillo Loyal Order of the Moose. He adored his rescued dogs, Amber and Abe. He contracted RSV shortly before his passing. He and Janelle were members of St. Paul's Episcopal/Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Santa Paula. He is survived by his

wife, Janelle, and his sister-in-law, Linda Cohen.

Judy McHugh Larkin '57 passed



away Jan. 28, 2023. She grew up in a show business family that included comedian Eddie Cantor and songwriter Jimmy McHugh. In the early 1960s, she worked for McHugh promoting his songs including "I'm In The Mood For Love" and "On The Sunny Side Of The Street." In the late 1960s, she worked in production on the NBC

television comedy series *Rowan & Martin's Laugh-In*. In the 1970s, she continued in television production, working at Universal Studios on *The Bionic Woman* and *The Incredible Hulk with Bill Bixby*. In the 1980s, she was an agent at the John LaRocca Talent Group, representing writers and musicians. In the 1990s, she toured the world with her husband, singer John Larkin aka Scatman John. Scatman John sold millions of CDs and earned 14 Gold and 18 Platinum Records. His hit songs included "I'm The Scatman" and "Scatman's World." Scatman John passed away in 1999. Judy will be remembered for her generosity and throwing a great party. Her

Levin '59, leader in the field of indoor air quality & building ecology



Hal Levin '59

Hal Levin '59, a pioneer and leader in the field of indoor air quality and building ecology, passed away in Laveno, Italy on Feb. 21, 2023.

Hal was born in Portland, Ore. After his father returned from World War II, the family moved to Beverly Hills. Hal played baseball from Little League through high school. He attended Cornell University before transferring to UC Berkeley, pitching on both baseball teams. He continued to pitch throughout his life and pitched in senior leagues until he was 77.

Hal was a volunteer architect in the Peace Corps in Colombia from 1966–1968. After returning from the Peace Corps, he

graduated from Cal with degrees in architecture and English. For the next several years, he worked at the Organization for Social and Technological Innovation and Building Systems Development, working on affordable and sustainable housing. Hal moved to Boulder Creek, Calif. in 1973 and built houses. He was a research specialist at the College of Environmental Design at UC Berkeley where he taught budding architects about the need to understand the realities of constructing the things that they designed. In 1972, he founded the Building Ecology Research Group.

In 1977, then-Governor Jerry Brown appointed Hal as a public member of the California State Board of Architectural Examiners, a position he held until 1985, and was president of the Board in 1983 and 1984. As a member of the Board, he held hearings on "sick building syndrome." These hearings ignited his interest in indoor air quality and the ecology of buildings. He was early to recognize the need for and value of examining the toxicity of building materials and systems used in their construction and operation. His

work focused on the integration of knowledge about indoor and outdoor air pollution as well as other risk factors into the design, construction, and operation of residential and commercial buildings and communities.

Hal was the president of the Indoor Air Institute and a principal in Building Ecology Research Group. He was a prolific author on the subject of indoor air quality. He was engaged by many institutions as a lecturer, research scientist, architect, and consultant throughout the world. These included Lawrence Berkeley National Lab, UC Davis, the University of California, the State of California, the National Institutes of Health, the World Health Organization, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. He lectured extensively all over the world and taught at UC Berkeley, UC Santa Cruz and Harvard University. Hal was the president of Indoor Air 2002, organizing the Ninth International Conference on Indoor Air Quality and Climate, held in Monterey, Calif. in 2002. In 2018, at the Fifteenth International Conference, Hal was given the Lifetime Service Award for his

exceptional contributions to indoor air sciences.

Hal's influence in the field was profound. Among his strengths was an ability to help his students and colleagues find both voice and encouragement where it had been absent.

Having developed an interest in South American music while in the Peace Corps, Hal hosted a show on Santa Cruz public radio station KUSP for 18 years. Hal was a vegetarian for 50 years and enjoyed organic gardening.

In 2003, Hal met the love of his life, Mariachiara Tallacchini, a law professor and ethicist, in Milan, Italy. They were married in 2004 and shared a bicontinental marriage for the next 15 years. In 2019, he concluded that it was time to retire and, with their dog, Aki, move to Reno di Leggiano, Italy, by Lake Maggiore so that he could be with Mariachiara full time. Sadly, Hal was diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease in April 2020, and his health declined rapidly.

Hal's survivors include his wife and his sisters, Ellen Jacobs '57 (Martin) and Nancy Levin '65 (Daniel Caraco).

survivors include her son, Lee Newman; her grandson, Heston James Newman; her brother, Jim McHugh; and her sister, Adele McHugh Carter.

Stephen Alan Crandall '59 passed away July 3, 2023. Steve went to USC for his undergraduate degree. Law school took him to New York City, where he finished



Fordham Law in 1967 and began his career as an attorney with the NYC Legal Aid Society. He

won numerous felony jury trials, and went on to work with a groundbreaking organization that enlisted Big Law attorneys to do pro bono work in civil and criminal

cases in Harlem. Along the way, he was employed by the Vera Foundation in the New York courts, and was far ahead of his time in interviewing newly arrested defendants to give the judge information about their ties to the community and likelihood of eligibility for release without bail. One day in March 1965, a new employee timidly knocked on the bars of the Tombs, the NYC city jail, and asked to speak to Stephen Crandall. He greeted her, and said: "How would you like to meet a real murderer?" In the holding cell was one of the alleged murderers of Malcolm X (later fully exonerated). The rest is the history of a 57-year marriage to the timid knocker, Susan Emlet. Steve and Susan lived in a studio apartment on the upper West Side while working for the Legal Aid Society.

In 1972, facing the looming reelection of Richard Nixon, Steve and Susan decided to escape the U.S. Buying a VW Westphalia camper van in Germany, they spent 1972–1973 covering all of Europe, Western Russia, Ukraine (where Steve's grandparents originated), North Africa, the Middle East—and ended up in Iran, where they lived for four years, first teaching English and then working as attorneys in an Iranian law firm, where they made lifelong friends. With the birth of their son Eric they decided to move closer to family. They returned to the U.S. in 1977 and settled in Arlington, Va., until Steve was offered a job at Amdahl Corporation. Steve found himself back in California, and with a newborn daughter, Lydia. Steve had a long career at Amdahl,

eventually referring to himself as Señor Counsel. After retirement in 2004, Steve kept up his old friendships and made new ones. His hiking/biking group was a mainstay. He was also an avid reader and follower of current events. Significant to the family was his sojourn across the country to Ocean City, N.J. for a week-long family reunion, which he attended despite a broken hip that became infected with MRSA. Shortly after this trip, he died due to complications resulting from this infection. He leaves behind his wife Susan; his brother Dean; son Eric and daughter-in-law Sharifa; daughter Lydia and son-in-law Brandon; and three grandchildren.

Ronald Krieger '59 passed away



Jan. 27, 2024 in Brandon, Miss. at the family home, in hospice care. He was preceded in death by his brother, Larry

'57. Ronnie's survivors include his wife of 10 years, Sandra Williams Young Krieger; stepdaughter Catherine Young Hagerty (Michael); sister Maureen Krieger Jester (Jamie); and his granddaughter. After graduating from Beverly, where he excelled on the golf team, Ronnie entered the Army Reserves. Completing his service, he entered USC, earning his Bachelor of Science degree in Business in 1964, and in 2001 received his Master of Science degree in Taxation. He began his career at Sunbeam Lighting Co. and he later formed a construction company in partnership with his brother, Larry. In 2018 he retired as CFO from Consolidated West Distributing Company. Ronnie's legacy is one of kindness, fierce loyalty, unfailing love of family, warm humor, and an incredible laugh that no one will ever forget.

Greg Finley '65, prominent voice-over actor & community theater director



Greg Finley '65 passed away Feb. 1, 2024. He was the son of Venice and Larry Finley, the television and radio personality/pioneer and cousin to writer/producer Rod Serling. Greg had a successful career in Hollywood and started as an on-camera actor in the late '70s and early '80s.

After graduating from Beverly, Greg went into the Army. He rose to the rank of Captain and spent 18 months in Vietnam in the Special

Forces. After his military service, he married a widow with four daughters and settled into his life supporting the family by selling automobiles in Northern California. In 1970, his son Guy was born. After his marriage dissolved in 1975, he returned to Southern California to pursue an acting career.

His voice-over career began in 1982 as a writer/director/lead character on the syndicated animated television series, *Robotech*. Over a period of 25 years, he wrote hundreds of news reports, sports broadcasts, and weather spots for group ADR, and performed them in thousands of TV shows and films.

In 1982, he married Patricia Dinnell Middleton (Patti Finley), the love of his life. In 1983, their son Garrett was born. They moved to Santa Clarita in the mid-1990s and devoted themselves to their passion: community theater.

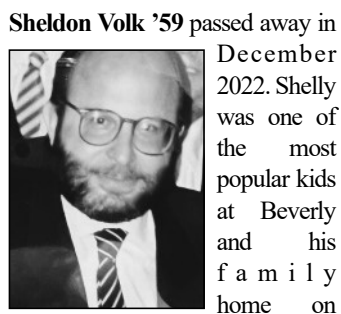
Active as a past board member and president with the

Canyon Theatre Guild, Greg and his family produced, directed, and acted in hundreds of musicals, plays, workshops and fundraisers for that community. Greg and Patti are memorialized as statues in the foyer of the Guild's theater in downtown Newhall.

In 2015, Greg and Patti moved to Boise, Idaho to be closer to their sons and grandchildren. They immersed themselves in the community theater scene and continued their work directing, acting, mentoring, and inspiring artists in the Treasure Valley.

Although professionally retired, Greg continued to work occasionally as a voice-over actor in Hollywood and remained connected to his co-workers, colleagues, and lifelong friends in the Los Angeles area.

Greg is survived by his three brothers, six children, nine grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.



Sheldon Volk '59 passed away in December 2022. Shelly was one of the most popular kids at Beverly and his family home on

North Oakhurst was the go-to hangout for friends. Everyone loved Shelly's quick and sarcastic wit, brilliant sense of humor, and incredible knowledge base. When Woody Allen became popular, Shelly's friends remarked that he must've stolen his routines from Shelly. Friends urged him to ask his show biz friends for help getting into the business but his response was that he was too old to write sit-coms. Shelly worked in his family woolen business from his teenage years until selling his share in his forties. His survivors include his daughter Erica and his grandson.

Gordon Evans '64 passed away at home on Sept. 17, 2023, filled with love, grace and his typical irreverence. His survivors include his wife Jeanne



Evans. Please email Jeanne at EvansPartners@gmail.com to be added to the mailing list for Gordy's memorial, tentatively planned for late spring in Sonoma, Calif.

Christie Ellen Chazan Parkhurst '64 passed away peacefully on April 26, 2023, surrounded by her family. After Beverly, Christie earned a bachelor's degree in Political Science from UCLA and a master's degree in Social Work from USC. Christie worked as a Licensed Clinical Social Worker for her entire career. She was an



Joey Klein '74 loved to surf and spend time with his family (left to right: Wendy, Rachel, Josh and Joey)



EAP Therapist with 20th Century Fox, The Los Angeles Times, LADWP, and Lawry's Restaurant, assisting client patients in fluent Spanish. Christie had three wonderful sons, Brian, Kevin, and Greg, by her first husband Dr. Peter Boasberg. In



September 1992 she married Richard Parkhurst. Christie and Richard were married for 30 years. In her free time Christie enjoyed tennis, bowling, traveling, and spending time with her family and friends. She was an avid dog lover with a fondness for German Shepherds,

Labradors and Dachshunds. Christie was a kind person with a heart of gold, who cared deeply for her family and friends. She is survived by her sons, Kevin and Greg; her sister, Cathy; and her three grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband Richard Parkhurst, her son Brian, and her brother Gary.

Joseph (Joey) Steven Klein '74 passed away in his sleep on March 7, 2023. He graduated from Beverly and proceeded to attend USC undergraduate and then USC Law School, simultaneously earning his master's in Tax. Joey is survived by his wife of nearly 32 years, Wendy; daughter, Rachel (29); and son, Josh (18). Joey's family was the most important thing to him; whether it was surfing with Josh and his sister Debby or

taking Rachel to a father-daughter dance, Joey was so committed to his family. He loved his mom, Renny Darling; dad, Harry; brother, Jeff; sister, Debby '78; his nieces, Amorette and Addison; and nephews, Ryland and Max. He was so loving and dear to Wendy's side of the family, too. Joey practiced real estate law in Beverly Hills. He shared his office with three of his very best friends, one of whom graduated with him from Beverly. He also represented baseball players for years and was extremely successful with two of those players. He also created a company called Media in Motion that placed advertisements on tankers. Joey was the most passionate person. He loved to play golf and would practice for hours. He loved surfing and skiing,

Dorskind '71 had distinguished law career, with roles in Clinton Administration



Parkinson's Disease.

At Beverly, despite never appearing in a game, Jim earned a varsity letter in football in the early days of personal computing by creating programs that mapped out the team's plays.

James Alan Dorskind '71, of Oakland, passed away Aug. 12, 2023 after a long battle with

He went on to Cornell University where he was coxswain for the crew team and then earned his law degree from UC Berkeley School of Law.

In 1983, he married his beloved Mary Rumsey, and in 1998 Jim and Mary welcomed their son Paul, who was the light of their lives.

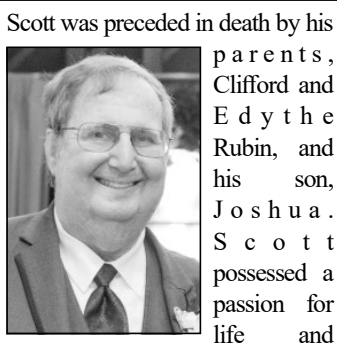
Jim started his law career at Morrison & Foerster and went on to Friedman, Ross & Dorskind. His proudest professional achievement was his work in the administration of President Bill Clinton,

first as Deputy Assistant to the President and Director of Correspondence and then as General Counsel for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and finally as General Counsel at the Department of Commerce. He was also active in numerous philanthropic activities, including being Chair of the Board of Trustees of St. Paul's School in Oakland.

Jim was preceded in death by his wife Mary. Survivors include his son Paul and his sister Deedee Dorskind '74.

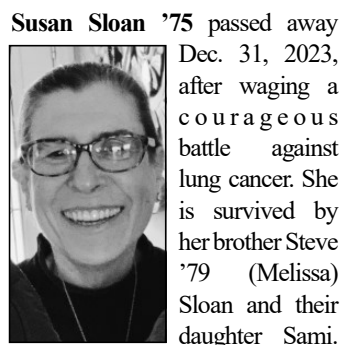
especially with his son; he would take thousands of hours of lessons or watch videos to perfect his style. Joey was also involved in philanthropy. He was a founder of the Charitable Fund at his country club. The monies earned allowed the staff's children to receive scholarships for school. He was a member of the Fulfillment Fund; he was a past board member and officer of the AJC; and he was active at his temple, and at both his son and daughter's schools throughout the years. Joey loved his friends, he stayed in touch with so many of them that were part of his high school life, along with college and beyond. Joey touched so many people with his kindness, easy-go-lucky personality, intelligence, love, and warmth.

Scott C. Rubin '75, of Daly City, Calif., passed away March 6, 2023. Scott was the beloved husband of Janice for 42 years, a loving father to Michael and Joshua, and dearest Papa "Stock" to grandson Flynn.



Scott was preceded in death by his parents, Clifford and Edythe Rubin, and his son, Joshua. Scott possessed a passion for life and learning. A force of nature, Scott beat all medical odds and lived 37 years as a heart transplant recipient. He dedicated much of his time in volunteer capacities to help others live their best lives. A proud Beverly High and Pomona College ('78) alum, he constantly worked to further his understanding of a variety of topics and loved to share his time and knowledge in long chats. Scott loved his family with every fiber of his being. He instilled in his sons the value of appreciating the little moments with loved ones. Through meals shared, stories told (and retold), pun-y jokes, long

hugs, a litany of "you ought tos," and seemingly endless "I love yous," Scott expressed the immensity of his love. His family will continue to carry those moments with gratitude for time shared and anticipate the day when they are all reunited, with Josh, in Paradise.



Susan Sloan '75 passed away Dec. 31, 2023, after waging a courageous battle against lung cancer. She is survived by her brother Steve '79 (Melissa) Sloan and their daughter Sami. Growing up in LA, Sue was an accomplished tennis player, spending many summers at Tony Trabert Tennis Camp in Ojai and playing on Beverly's varsity tennis team. Sue attended San Diego State University, and then UCLA, where she earned a bachelor's

degree in English and a master's degree in Education. Sue retired from the LAUSD in 2016, after a long career as an English teacher at Jordan (New Tech) High, and Huntington Park High. During her years as a teacher, Sue touched the lives of thousands of young people. She loved her job, her students, her fellow teachers, and her union colleagues at United Teachers Los Angeles. During her retirement years, Sue became an avid swimmer, spending most days in the pool at the Westchester YMCA. When not in the pool, Sue wrote poetry, watched Liverpool Football Club matches, and worked hard to advocate for a just and fair society for all.

David Peter Wellin '76 passed away Sept. 12, 2023. David stayed in touch with several of his classmates. His survivors include his brother Eli Wellin '74.

Jeffrey Scott Eisenberg '77 passed away May 3, 2022 at home with his family present. Throughout

Gloria Boraz taught more than 40 years in BHUSD

Gloria Boraz, who taught at Horace Mann for 29 years, passed away May 21, 2023 at age 94. She continued to substitute teach after her retirement in 1998.

In 2011, Gloria was recognized for 40 years of service in the BHUSD. She was also an Apple Award winner and Teacher of the Year honoree.

Gloria's three daughters, Barbara Zarider '72, Leslie Boraz '74 and Nancy Friedman '76 have all taught in the Beverly Hills school system. All four of her grandsons—Matt Zarider '03, Evan Zarider '06, Jason Friedman '13 and Justin Friedman '16—are Beverly grads. She is also survived by three great-grandchildren.

Gloria was born in St. Louis and graduated from Washington University in St. Louis. A friend

set Gloria up with Martin Boraz, an Air Force Captain. They married and lived in Chicago and Fairbanks, Alaska while Martin was in the service, before moving to California. The family chose Beverly Hills for the schools, which played an integral role in the lives and careers of Gloria and her daughters.

After Martin passed away in 1984, Gloria had three more significant relationships. One of those was the subject of a 2012 *Beverly Hills Weekly* story about Gloria reconnecting and falling in love with Stanley Goldblatt, her college sweetheart, after 60 years.

After Gloria's death, Tabby Refael '02 wrote a tribute to her second-grade teacher, published in the *Jewish Journal* just before the Fourth of July.

"I belong to the glorious generation that was taught by



Gloria Boraz (second from left) with her daughters, Barbara Zarider '72, Leslie Boraz '74 and Nancy Friedman '76

the legendary Beverly Hills elementary school teacher, Gloria (Zemliak) Boraz. For over four decades, Mrs. Boraz taught young children everything from reading to writing and math, but she was especially known for dedicating the whole academic year to learning about the 50 American states."

As a newcomer to the United States from Iran, Refael said Boraz's 50-states project had great significance.

"In Iran, I had worked so hard to be at the top of my class. But in

America, I was plagued by self-doubt on every level, including academically. In my mind, I was still a high-achieving student, but I recoiled at how my teachers and peers may have perceived me," she wrote. "That's why it meant the world to me when Mrs. Boraz assigned me three wonderful, validating states: Alaska, South Dakota and Tennessee."

"I realize how much she impacted my love of this country. Thanks to her, I felt I knew America. And to know America is to love America."

the progression of his illness, Jeff was an inspiration to those around him; brave and courageous. He fiercely loved his family and friends.



An adventurous, brilliant and creative person, Jeff poured his heart into being a proud husband and father. His interests included all things Lego, the video game business, traveling, golf, Sherlock Holmes, friends, family and being of service. An unstoppable force before his illness, it pained Jeff that he wasn't able to be the busy, fun and handy dad he had always been. Jeff's survivors include his wife Janet, his son Dylan, and his daughters Elizabeth and Katherine. The family wishes to thank all for the outpouring of love and support during the last few months of Jeff's life. The well of prayers, thoughtful acts, kindness, and generosity brought much comfort to Jeff and his family.

Jeff Gallup '79 has passed away.

Survivors include his mother Marilyn, and brothers Greg '82 and David '90 Gallup.

Douglas M. Nelson '81 passed away peacefully at his home on Feb. 19, 2023. Doug was born and lived in Los Angeles his entire life. His late father was Gene Nelson, former Hollywood actor/dancer/director, and his mother is Marilyn M. Fields, retired Executive Vice President of Stan Herman/Steven Shapiro & Assoc., formerly a real estate brokerage in Beverly Hills. After graduating from Beverly, Doug went on to Brooks Institute of Photography. He pursued his passion and was a professional photographer for over 35 years, shooting headshots for actors, movies, television and stage. Doug followed a philosophy when photographing, "The eyes are the windows to the soul," and he would make sure to represent the emotion and/or moods to reveal



the person inside. His favorite line was "A picture is worth a thousand words." Back in the day, he enjoyed dancing, live music, Disneyland, magic shows and hanging out with friends. Doug's survivors include his mother, Marilyn M. Fields; stepfather, Jon J. Fields; sister, Victoria Gordo; and brother, Chris Nelson.

Kim Abramson '86 has passed away. According to the *Hi-Desert Star*, she was an Army combat veteran and served on the boards of the Johnson Valley Improvement Association and Morongo Basin Historical Society. The news outlet reported that her "determination played a large part in our volunteers keeping JVIA going during the COVID lockdowns. Saturday-breakfast-to-go and dinners-to-go were set up to conform to safety mandates, yet still provided our fans with good food and paid the community center bills."

Richard Wilkin '88 passed away March 8, 2023. He was the beloved son of the late Daniel and Judith; brother to the late David '80 and Cheryl, Douglas '81 and Susan, and Jonathan '85; and



Nacha Zurinaga Padín '98

uncle to Benjamin, Brandon and Annie.

Alison Skylar Humiston '95 passed away May 17, 2023. Survivors include her brother Matt Humiston '92. She was preceded in death by her brother Josh Humiston '89.

Nacha Zurinaga Padín '98 passed away Dec. 20, 2023. She had been living in Guaynabo, Puerto Rico.

Retired Faculty

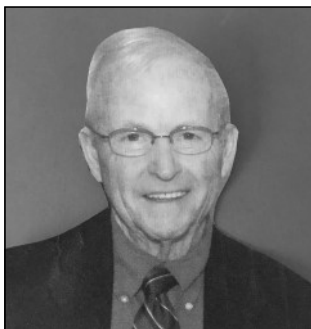
Marjorie Goodwin Shore,



former librarian at Hawthorne and Beverly High, passed away peacefully on March 27, 2023 after a full and rewarding life.

She was 99. Marjorie attended Whittier High School, Whittier College and UCLA (B.A., 1951 and M.L.S., 1963). She married James Nofziger in 1943 and had one daughter, Margaret Lynn. In 1951, she married Nomie Shore and had two sons, Daniel and Steven, becoming a single parent in 1969. Marjorie was employed at Hughes Aircraft as a Technical Writer and Editor, and as a Librarian at the UCLA Research Library, University Elementary School at UCLA, and the libraries at Hawthorne and Beverly High.

Frank Scott, El Rodeo principal for 30 years



Frank Scott

Frank Scott passed away peacefully on July 21, 2023 from age and natural causes. He was 94.

Born in Iowa, Frank had four older siblings. His sisters looked after him as a boy and taught him to read before he entered Kindergarten. His favorite

pal growing up was a very spoiled but clever Shetland Pony named Buster, who learned to come inside and pump water at the kitchen sink.

Frank excelled in sports throughout his high school and college years. He graduated from Iowa State Teachers College, where he met his wife, Marilyn (Johnson). They were married on May 21, 1950.

Following their marriage, they moved to California where Frank began his long and distinguished career in education. He began teaching at El Rodeo and went on to become principal, where he lovingly and passionately served

for 30 years. He was loved and admired by all who knew him, especially his staff, students, and their parents. He recalled many fond memories from his time there and being a masterful storyteller, shared those memories with all who knew him.

After his retirement he and Lynn moved to Oceanside, where they golfed, traveled, and generally enjoyed life with their many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Frank is survived by his children Dana, Brian, Susan, and Roger; eight grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. His wife Lynn passed away in 2010.

She joined an ecological community in Oregon for two years, worked at Koloa School Library in Kauai, and later was Head Librarian at Pacific Oaks College in Pasadena until 1986 when she moved to Santa Barbara. It was the perfect place to spend her later years. Marjorie was a member of Westgard Coop at UCLA. She was a Work Scholar at Esalen Institute at Big Sur, spent three years working at Koloa School in Kauai, and was active in the Unitarian Society of Santa Barbara for decades. Marjorie is survived by three children,

Margaret Dotzler, Daniel Shore, and Steven Shore; three grandchildren; and three great-grandsons.

Harriet Kimble Wrye, retired faculty member in Beverly's English Department, passed away in June 2022. After graduating from San Marino High School, Harriet attended Vassar University for her first two years of college and graduated from UC Berkeley in 1962. She earned a master's degree in English and her high school teaching credential from Harvard. After leaving her teaching career at Beverly, Harriet earned

a Ph.D. at The Wright Institute in Los Angeles and became a well-known and respected psychoanalyst and author. Her travels were extensive, as well as her interests. She practiced Buddhism in the tradition of Thich Nhat Hanh and became a member of the Order of Interbeing, which is a community of dharma teachers. She incorporated Buddhism into her work as a therapist. She wrote, "I am a psychologist, wife, mom, cyclist, horsewoman, hiker, yogi, a mindfulness practitioner, world traveler, equine therapist and writer." Harriet lived in Los

Angeles until the mid-2000s, then moved with her husband Jim Wheeler to Aptos, Calif., near Santa Cruz, and moved again, to a retirement community in Portola Valley. They alternated between living in their homes in the Sierras and Portola Valley where Harriet continued to be extremely active in work, volunteering, and horse riding. Harriet was preceded in death by her husband Jim Wheeler in March 2022 and her son Gabriel Wrye in May 2021. Survivors include her daughter Ariel Wrye and her wife Katherine Morrison; daughter-in-law Cara Brophy;

Hooker '55, outstanding English teacher & college counselor

Joseph Well Hooker '55 passed away peacefully on Oct. 26, 2023, following a two-year struggle with COPD.

Joe was born in Los Angeles County on Oct. 8, 1937, the oldest son of Phillip B. Hooker and Marjorie B. Anderson Hooker. He grew up in Beverly Hills and attended Beverly Hills public schools, graduating as student body vice president from Beverly High in 1955.

Joe received his A.B. degree in English Literature from Stanford University in 1959 and his M.A. in Education from Stanford in 1960. He was elected as the first ever non-Ph.D. candidate to the Stanford University chapter of the Phi Delta Kappa honor fraternity. Joe remembered his Stanford years fondly and remained a loyal Stanford alum throughout his life.

Following his graduation from Stanford, Joe accepted a temporary position as an English teacher at Beverly High, where he taught from 1960 to 1962. In 1962, he entered the U.S. Navy and became a Training and Education Officer on the *USS Topeka* CLG-8 which was stationed in Vietnamese waters

in 1962. In 1964, Joe returned to Beverly High as an English teacher and, in 1973, became a guidance counselor. Over his decades of work at Beverly High, Joe mentored thousands of students, helping to shape their paths in a positive direction. He cared deeply for his students and took enormous pride in their accomplishments. Wherever he traveled around the globe, Joe would encounter former students who spoke of their respect, admiration, and appreciation for him. Joe inevitably remembered them, their families, and their high school triumphs and tribulations. He was beloved by his students and their families, maintaining lifelong relationships with many.

Over the years, Joe was widely recognized as one of the top college counselors in the country and as a valued member of the Beverly High faculty and staff. In 1992, Joe received the "Outstanding Teacher Service Award" from the Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce and, in 1998, the Beverly Hills Board of Education recognized Joe for his "Inspired and Dedicated Service to the Children and Parents of Beverly Hills." He was the author and editor of "Planning

for College," which was used by college applicants around the country, and he was repeatedly selected to review college applications by admissions offices at some of the top colleges in the country.

Following his retirement from Beverly High, Joe immersed himself in bridge (advancing to the rank of Ruby Life Master), spent time with friends, and enjoyed reading applications for UCLA Undergraduate Admission (which he continued to do until shortly before his passing). He came out of retirement briefly to serve as Associate Director of College Counseling at Campbell Hall.

Always an English teacher at heart, Joe remained a fervent reader of Chaucer and later English authors and, in his final days, was working with a former counselee on a compilation of his favorite poems.

Joe was a simple and humble man who treated everyone with kindness and respect and who leaves a profound legacy as a mentor to generations of high school students.

Joe was preceded in death by his parents and his beloved cat "Bingo." He is survived by his partner, Jack Sammons, and his



Joe Hooker '55

brother, Allan Charles Hooker '59. Joe and Jack first met in October, 1986 at an AA meeting (Joe was a member for almost 45 years). They bonded at first sight and that bond was one of total dedication to one another. Joe and Jack were the 11th couple to register as California domestic partners in 2000 and remained by each other's side until Joe's final moments.

Joe requested that donations in his memory be made to the Innocence Project at the Cardozo School of Law <https://innocenceproject.org/donate/?nab=0> or the Pacific Conservatory of the Performing Arts <https://pcpa.org/support-us>.

stepdaughter Brooke Wheeler Coates and her husband Phillip Coates; and four grandchildren.

Sandy Gaber Zwirn of Beverly Hills passed away May 4, 2023. She was 86. She attended Hamilton High School before graduating from Santa Monica City College. Sandy's career was centered around Beverly High, where she



left a lasting legacy. She worked in the cafeteria, English Resource Center, and as an administrative assistant

and registrar. Her dedication to the students and staff was truly remarkable. In her free time, Sandy enjoyed baking cookies, watching Dodger games, walking her dog Jack, and spending time with her grandchildren. She was known for her loving, funny, generous, and charming personality, but most of all, for being adorable! Sandy was

preceded in death by her husband, Willy Zwirn, and her son, Barry Willy Zwirn. She is survived by her daughter, Anita Zwirn Naiman '77, son Scott Zwirn, son-in-law Loren, and five grandchildren.

Thanks to Don Rosen '82 for calling our attention to some of these obituaries.

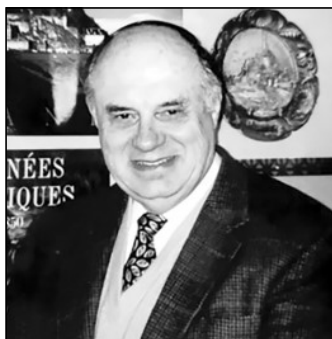
Monsieur Jacquard's career at BHHS spanned 42 years

By Monique Lillard '75

Sanford Jacquard, retired longtime teacher and guidance counselor, passed away from Parkinson's disease on Oct. 22, 2023 at age 93. He taught at Beverly for 42 years.

Monsieur Jacquard, as many of us knew him, started teaching French in 1957 to replace Louise Lillard, who was out on maternity leave. He continued as a mainstay of the Foreign Language Department. In the 1990s, he became a guidance counselor, retiring in 1999.

Sandy Jacquard was born in Romania in 1929. He was multilingual from childhood. His early schooling was conducted in Romanian by German-speaking monks. When he was 10, he also learned French and English. He later wrote, "Romanian is my



Sanford E. Jacquard

mother tongue . . . but French is the language of my heart." He came to the United States in 1947.

More information on his life, in an obituary he wrote himself, can be found at www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/los-angeles-ca/sanford-jacquard-11510297.

Students of Monsieur Jacquard will recollect that he allowed only

French to be spoken in his classroom. He was formal and polite to everyone, addressing us with "Monsieur" or "Mademoiselle" in front of our first names. He frequently brought culture and history into his classes, teaching us to love not only French culture, but also the satisfaction of learning. He loved music and art. If you listened carefully, you realized that he was droll as well as erudite.

He took seriously his role as our moral guide, as well as our French teacher. He had a poster on his wall of a young boy looking at an old lady, with the words (in French) saying: "Yesterday she was young like you. Tomorrow you'll be old like her. Do you think about that?" Many of us reading this will understand it far better today than we did in high school!

Sandy Jacquard was a fine



This poster was displayed in Jacquard's classroom and was passed on to Monique Lillard '75

colleague and friend to many in the Foreign Language Department. I am the "baby" Louise Lillard bore in 1957; Sandy often thanked me for being the reason he got the job. He will be missed by those of us who knew him.

Sandy's survivors include his son Paul '85, a Santa Clara High School teacher, and a granddaughter.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

We are aware of a number of websites claiming to be Beverly High alumni sites, but they are not affiliated with the Beverly Hills High School Alumni Association or Beverly Hills High School.

Please note our official website, www.bhhsalumni.org, our official email address, BHHSAlumni@yahoo.com, and bhhs.bhusd.org, where you can find reunion information.

Some alumni have inquired why we send out so many letters. Please note we have two mailings per year; one is *Alumni Highlights* and the second is a

letter mailed late in the year in which we request class notes and contributions. That's it.

Any other sites (especially www.bhhsalumni.com and www.alumni.class.com) are **not** affiliated with the Alumni Association or the high school. If you provide those websites with any information, we will not receive it. Some of these sites request fees to join.

Again, please note our official email and web site, BHHSAlumni@yahoo.com and www.bhhsalumni.org, and bhhs.bhusd.org, where you can find information about reunions.

In Memoriam

There was limited or no information provided regarding the Normans listed who have passed away:

Phyllis Jack Smith '41
William Dana '42
Catherine Bittke '54
Marlene Shane Verny '54

Lucy Robbins Rose '59
Jeff Lourie '60
Carol Marks '60
Richard Ackerman '63
Bert Weiner '66
Denise Leeman Golde '68
George Chuckrow '69
Barry Chase '74
Melani Saber '13

Zakheim '67 Gives Back

Irv Zakheim '67, a former BHHS baseball star who went on to play on a college national championship team and in the minor leagues, donates \$250,000 for BHHS baseball field naming and BHAAA endowment

In July 2023, *Beverly Hills Weekly* interviewed Irv Zakheim '67 and David Corwin '87, president of Beverly Hills Athletic Alumni Association (BHAAA) about Zakheim's generous donation, which established a named endowment within BHAAA. The following Q&A has been edited for length and clarity.

How did this donation come about?

David: The best part of what BHAAA has done is reengaging with alumni through our Hall of Fame dinner, bringing people back to campus, and reuniting them with their coaches, teammates, and classmates. Irv was honored at our second Hall of Fame class. Clearly from the beginning, Irv's passion for the high school [was very evident with] the time he spent there, and then his interest in continuing to stay en-

gaged and up to date with what we were doing.

Steven Fenton '88, who founded [BHAAA], does a great job of staying in touch. He's been in touch with Irv over the years [and] seeing what the organization's done to help the high school, alumni, and graduates. I think that conversation just evolved between the two of them.

Irv: It all started with the Beverly Hills Hall of Fame. I moved up to Spokane, Wash. 30 years ago. I sort of distanced myself from all my friends and family. I [would] come back to visit but [we] really don't go there that much. When they started this stuff with the Hall of Fame for the Athletic Department, ... we had the annual dinner and meetings and then we started grouping together. It [brought] us back to the campus and what it's meant to do is raise money for the Beverly Hills Athletic Department. So with that in mind, everybody that could, would try to get together not only for the Hall of Fame but, [with the idea], "What can we do to help Beverly Hills Athletics going forward?"

Irv, tell us about your time on the varsity baseball team.

Irv: I played basketball, baseball, [and] they talked me into football my senior year. I made All CIF my senior year. I think we went to the CIF playoffs for the first time in either a long time or ever. We had a pretty good team all three years I was there, but we had really good competition



Irv Zakheim '67 (center) with BHAAA president David Corwin '87 (left) and BHAAA founder Steven Fenton '88 (right)

in our league as well. I think as far as going to Beverly, Coach Flanagan coached sophomore and junior years. I played three years on our varsity and then our senior year, [former coach and principal] Ben Bushman coached our team. In basketball, Coach [Jack] Riley and Coach [Dick] Schreiber were our coaches. As far as the coaching went, we had good teams while I was there and the coaches were good. Crowley retired my junior year and then Bushman came in. He was a football coach and he didn't have that much baseball experience. So the two lead seniors on the team were Ralph Pun-

aro '67 and me. He looked at us a lot to try to help him learn what to do during practices and things like that. But he did a good job and actually for him to even ask, is better than him trying to coach a baseball team with no experience. So it was kind of a weird senior year, but it was actually beneficial for all of us. I think we all learned from each other.

After that, I went to LA City College for two years and played basketball and baseball there. Then after my sophomore year, I transferred over to Cal State Northridge in 1970

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