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# CLAYTON VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL - CLASS OF 1967 Newsletter - November 2012

#### Website and What's New

The new CVHS'67 website was reborn on April of 2011. It has been more than a year and a half and the website is going strona. Financially, there have been enough donations to see it through to the 50<sup>th</sup> reunion. Many new items have been added since its inception. There are now 17 pages in our scrapbook, including prom pictures, news articles, pictures and notes passed in class by Mike Johnson. We have three games, Trivia Quiz, Guess Who and Match 'Em. We have made it easier to post a biography on the Post Biography page. We have pictures for every reunion including the latest reunion. All our school yearbooks including high school and junior high are on the website. Also, we have many of our elementary school pictures. We have added a Facebook CVHS'67 page that now has 100 members.

Thanks to Joan Kleinmaus Fischer we have a video of our Senior Picnic and Graduation. We now have many copies of the Talon newspaper, thanks to Nat Martino. And the latest is our Class Photo that we received from Bob Sherman and thanks to Nat, and all of you that helped, we now have a photo that identifies almost every classmate.

We have added or updated 50 biographies. Now pictures have been added to many of your biographies.

There are two things that we really need everyone's help:

1. We need to have many more biographies. One of the main reason we have this website is so that we can find out what everyone has been doing over the years. The enjoyment viewers gain from reading website the alumni experiences comes at a cost. That cost is borne by the alumni contributing and post-CVHS sharing their biographies. Those viewers who have not provided a biography need to own up to their responsibility for enjoying the website by providing their own biography that others may view and enjoy. The more that contribute, the more there is to enjoy. Don't be unfair - Share. No one is judging or "grading" you on your biography. Let's share experiences.

2. We still have over 400 alumni that we haven't been in contact. We are going to need your help in finding these classmates. On the website in the future there will be a list of those we need to make contact with and see if you can't help us.

### 45<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion Report

The 45<sup>th</sup> reunion was a great success. We had 68 participants at the picnic and the dinner. It turned out to be a perfect day at Castle Rock Park. The park itself brought back many memories because it was the location of our senior picnic. There was a presentation of high school and junior high yearbooks, plus many school elementary pictures. Most everyone brought a picnic lunch and spent their time visiting with each other



The dinner portion of the reunion was spent at the Concord Elks Lodge. The tables were decorated with textbooks, rulers, pencils, sunglasses and fake moustaches (Why? I don't know). There were tables with school memorabilia on display: Senior jacket, vearbooks. newspaper clippings, graduation programs

There was a social hour before etc. dinner. Before dinner started every table had to take a trivia guiz to see which table had to go through the buffet line first. The guiz is included in this newsletter Dinner was catered by Englund Catering (Derry Englund was a 1968 graduate of Clayton Valley). There was plenty of food. The menu of: Chicken Marsala, TriTip, Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Green Salad, Fruit Salad, Rolls and Gourmet Cookies and brownies was enjoyed by all. After dinner there was a short presentation (included in the newsletter) and a tribute to those classmates that have passed away. Roger Hawkins read the names of those classmates as Debbi Setterguist added a flower to a vase as each name was read. After dinner, time was spent catching up with another or dancing. one



Many people helped at the reunion. Cyndie Hawkins, Joan Kleinmaus Fisher, Loretta Klippel Wright, John and Linda Thyken for helping to setup, greet people at the door or clean up. Special thanks to Nat Martino for the name tags with our senior pictures on them and for the place holding tags for the tables. And the memorabilia for all that was displayed. Nat also supplied a large picture of our class photo.

## 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion Planning

We have a 50<sup>th</sup> reunion committee in place and ready to plan the next reunion. The committee members are: Roger Hawkins, Nat Martino, Joan Kleinmaus Fischer, Bob Sherman, Dana Ellingson and Rod Deily. If you are interested helping plan the next reunion just let me know and I will include you. We hope we can have many more alumni participate at the next reunion.

#### Alumni Lost

Since we have started this website we have had five of our fellow classmates pass away; Bill Wine, Linda Jayne Carr, Gordon Easton, Sharilynn Gardella Russo and most recently, Dave Dubois. At Dave's memorial service Clayton Valley was represented by; Geoff Fink, Mike Segale, Dan and Sue (Saathoff) Smith, Mike Dunley, Rich Montori and Bill Emery. Many stories were told amongst that group remembering Dave from high school and beyond.

#### Suggestions

We have had a suggestion by one of our alumni to see if we can get together, informally, more often than once every five years. Look on our website and our Facebook page to see if and when something might be planned.

#### Newsletter

If you have anything you would like to see in or add to the next newsletter contact Roger Hawkins email: baldwin@cvhs67.org

#### Letter from the editor

Fellow Alumni,

You are probably asking yourself, "Why is Roger doing all this?" Well, I enjoy doing stuff like this and it keeps me busy in my retirement and if I didn't who would? Ι am going to try to get out a newsletter once every quarter until I get tired of The next newsletters will be doina it. Just stuff to keep you much smaller. updated on fellow classmates and what is new on the website. This first one is a bit long but there was a lot of information that needed to be sent out. This is also a way for me to make sure everyone's There are two main email still works things I would like to accomplish this next year. I would like to get each and everyone of you to submit a biography. If Nat and I can spend the thousands, all right, hundreds of hours working on the website you can at least spent 10 minutes writing a short biography. If you have spent time on the website looking at other alumni's biographies you owe it to them to have one also. Okay, I know I am lecturing but if we want to make this the best website you all need to participate. The other thing I want to accomplish this new year is to contact those 400 alumni that we have not had contact with. After watching what everyone did in putting names to faces on our class photo I know we can find out what happened to all these other classmates. Nat and I will be working on ways to do this. Whether it is a page on the website or a Facebook committee doing searches, we will have to wait and see. I also want to say thank you to all of you that have sent emails and snail mails thanking me for this website and the reunion. I have enjoyed doing them and I am glad that you have enjoyed them also.

Your fellow classmate,

#### **Roger Hawkins**

### Pop Quiz Class of 1967

- 1) Who was the principal of CVHS in 1967?
  - a) Mr. Douglas Dent
  - b) Mr. James Merrihew
  - c) <u>Mr. Dan Della</u>
  - d) Mr. Dan Keeler
- 2) Who was <u>not</u> an officer in our Student Body Government?
  - a) Jim Skiles
  - b) Nancy Hutchinson
  - c) Tammy Mitchell
  - d) Val Dussault
  - e) <u>Roger Hawkins</u>
  - f) Craig Anderson
- 3) Name three of our cheerleaders our senior year. (one point for each correct answer)
  - a) <u>Anita Martinez</u>
  - b) <u>Tim Jackson</u>
  - c) <u>Dick Russo</u>
  - d) <u>Pat Kennedy</u>
  - e) <u>Bill Bardsley</u>
  - f) <u>Marsha Rogers</u>

- 4) We all know that Mike Haluchak was the recipient of our Altair award. Can you name the other three Altair award winners in the areas of Scholarship, Leadership and Service? (one point for each correct answer)
  - a) <u>Nancy Hutchinson</u>
  - b) <u>Richard Kent</u>
  - c) <u>Janice Hayes</u>
- 5) Who were the two Vice Presidents of the US during our 4 years at Clayton Valley? (two points)
  - a) Spiro Agnew
  - b) Richard Nixon
  - c) <u>Hubert Humphrey</u>
  - d) <u>Lyndon Johnson</u>
- 6) Who won the Super Bowl our senior year?
  - a) Jets
  - b) Chiefs
  - c) Colts
  - d) <u>Packers</u>
- 7) Which song was the number one for the most weeks during our senior year?
  - a) Groovin' (Young Rascals)
  - b) Happy Together (The Turtles)
  - c) Penny Lane (The Beatles)
  - d) <u>I'm a Believer (The Monkees)</u>
- 8) What actor said this in a movie in 1967? (extra point for naming the movie)

"Mrs. Robinson, you're trying to seduce me... aren't you?"

- a) <u>Dustin Hoffman</u>
- b) <u>The Graduate</u>
- 9) Name the number one TV show in America in 1967.
  - a) The Lucy Show
  - b) Gomer Pyle
  - c) The Dean Martin Show
  - d) The Andy Griffith Show

10) What new TV show started in Sept.
1966 that has created a franchise of at least 15 movies and TV shows? (hint "Space, the final frontier")
a) Star Trek

### Jokes









"I went to my high school reunion over the weekend. Some of my classmates changed so much that they didn't even recognize me."

## Roger's Presentation at the 45<sup>th</sup> Reunion

I would like to thank a few people. First, my wife Cyndie for putting up with my endless hours on the computer working on the website and this reunion and talking about people she has never met. I would also like to thank Nat Martino for all his help and constructive criticism in developing the CVHS'67 website. It would not be anywhere near as good as it is without his participation. Thanks to all of you who have donated to the website so that we can keep it on the net. We have enough donations to keep it going until 2017! Also, thanks to those of you the donated items to be put on the website. Bob Sherman for that great panoramic picture of our whole class and for Nat to figure out a cool way to get it on the website. And to Joan Klienmaus Fischer for the video. I would also like to thank you all for coming tonight. And I don't know if this is appropriate but I would also like to thank you all for the praise you have given Nat and myself for the website. It makes it all worth while.

A few thoughts about this class reunion.

Why is it at a class reunion you feel younger than everyone else looks. I remember coming to our 35<sup>th</sup> reunion over at Cowell Park and when I approached the picnic area I thought I was in the wrong place. Who were all these old people? Well folks, we have finally reached the age where "happy hour" is a nap. It seems like over the years since high school I have lost a few things, a few teeth, some eye sight, my hearing, some hair, my swimmers physique. One thing I

haven't lost is my appetite! I was talking to a fellow classmate the other day, Geoff Fink and he said he could hardly remember his high school days. Boy, I can remember clear back to elementary school In kindergarten having an argument with another boy about who was going to marry Sally Lazerini. In third grade being pinned to the ground by Anna Tibidoux and receiving my first kiss, whether I wanted it or not. In junior high watching Don Chambers throw the football so far that it went through the receivers hands and hit him in the head and knocked him senseless. Or in science class in 8<sup>th</sup> grade and having Valerie Swartz fall off her lab stool and Mary Lou Kettle got totally hysterical. In high school I remember being in Algebra with Mr. Spetz and the announcement that President Kennedy had been shot. You all remember that day. I remember as a freshman being careful not to walk on the senior lawn for fear of death. And as a senior not sitting on the senior lawn because I was to cool. I remember my junior year in PE and having to wrestle my best friend, John Thyken, until one of us won even after the bell rang to go to the next class. I remember our senior year and Spirit Week and the watermelon eating contest and the three Shin siblings competing to the point of regurgitation. I remember sitting on the lawn between D and E buildings eating lunch and copying someone's Elementary Functions homework with John Thyken, Greg Koll, Nat Martino and the rest of the boys. I have very vivid and traumatic memories riding with Charlie Roberts in that jeep of his. I am glad I survived. I remember Charlie and Carol Marrow handing out peanuts every Friday, why, I don't know. And, above all else, I want to know, "Why did I have to share a locker for 4 years with Greg Koll?"

Since then we have all done what we were expected to do. Some went to college. Some went into the military. Some of us aot married and had kids. Raise your hands if you have been married for 25 years, 35? 40? Some of us have grandkids. Raise your hand if you have grandkids. Raise your hands if you have the best looking grandkids. We have all had jobs. Most are winding down from those jobs and looking forward to Some retired early and retirement. already are enjoying those rewards when you don't remember what day of the week it is and you don't really care.

But now we are at our 45<sup>th</sup> reunion. Boy, 45 years. That is a long time. High School, football games, cheerleaders, homework and tests. Girl friends and boy friends. The prom. The Beatles and Beach Boys, The Ed Sullivan show, Hula Hoops and Frisbees. A& W root beer and Shakey's pizza. Bonnie and Clyde, The Graduate, Dr. Zhivago. Star Trek, Mission Impossible, Get Smart, and The Wild, Wild West.

So here we are 45 years later looking back at all the choices we have made. Some of them we would do all over again and some we wish we had on DVR or Tivo so we could replay them or completely erase them.

So why are we here tonight at this 45<sup>th</sup> high school reunion. Well, maybe it is to see old friends, or maybe to make new ones. Maybe it is a time to reminisce about the good ole days. But I think it is

a time to get together with a group of people of the same age with a common background who experienced the same history and not just high school but from when we were small children up until this very moment.

I know for myself, because of our website and planning this reunion that I know most of you better now than I did in high school.

So let's have a toast, please raise your glasses.

"Today we toast our memories – the students, athletes, and friends we once were – reunited for a time, reliving our shared past. Everything that happened there played its part in shaping us, so we return to remember the youth we were. We also honor those who taught and encouraged us. We remember old friends those with us now. those who couldn't make it, and those who are no longer with us. Dear friends, lift your glasses with me to our younger selves - their activities, their plans, their promise. May we always remember with gratitude their part in making us who we are today."

## ----- We need your Biographies -----