Bushy Tales

Dedicated to all who attended London Central High School at Bushy Park, London England from 1952 to 1962

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Class Representatives

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1955 – Nancie (Anderson) Weber
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1956 - Edie (Williams) Wingate
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1957 –Shirley (Huff) Dulski
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1958 – Pat (Terpening) Owen
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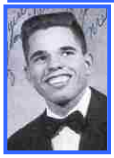

1959 – John "Mike" Hall
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1960 - Ren Briggs
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1961 - Betsy (Schley) Slepetz
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1962 - Dona (Hale) Ritchie
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REMINDERS AND SPECIAL INFORMATION

1. Don't forget, if you're planning on changing your e-mail address (especially if you've been using a work e-mail to receive the newsletter and are planning on retiring soon) to let either Gary or Pat know so you can continue to receive news about your classmates.

2. Please try to remember to put BUSHY PARK or something similar in the SUBJECT line when you send us something. If we don't recognize your name or e-mail address we might delete it. (I've done that in the past - Pat). **We also need your class year.**

3. If you decide you no longer want to receive the newsletter, just send an e-mail to either Gary or Pat and let them know and you'll be taken off.

4. If you haven't received your newsletter by the 5th of any month (unless Gary or Pat let you know

if there will be a delay), please contact either of them and they'll get a copy out to you.

Pat (Terpening) Owen (58)
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NOTE:

When you contact a classmate, and this is the first contact with them, please put BUSHY PARK or CHS (or something else to indicate that you're from Bushy) in the SUBJECT line. I've deleted messages myself when I didn't recognize who they were from, especially when the maiden name isn't used. Thanks. Pat

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Roster Changes

New Email address:

Roberta (Marchant) Jennings (58)
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Beverly (Greer) Sokolowski (59)
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Where Did They Go?

This is a list of our classmates whose email address were rejected when the last issue was sent out. If any of you know of their new email, address please send me an update.

Ruth (Davis) Zabe (53)
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Leroy "Doc" Ferguson (58)
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Nancy (Hansen) Key (58)
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Look Who We Found

Marian Warfield (Lane) Bailey (58)
California

Sylvia Hallows Lane (59)
California

Pat Harmon Sweeten (62)
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Classmates Who Have Transferred To The Eternal Duty Station

Our love and prayers go out to the family and friends of our classmates who have gone on before us. We will miss them, yet we can find comfort in knowing that one-day we will all join them for the greatest of all reunions.

Willene Irene (Gilbert) Glines (57)
27 August 1939 - 27 February 2010 in Novato, CA per SSDI records

Reunion Information

Ruth (Lund) Bethea (55)
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LONDON CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

at BUSHY PARK

Classes 53-56 & Friends

Wilmington, NC

For any of you who would like to attend this reunion, there is still time to get in your registration. I just noted that the form says the deadline is August 10th but we have until the 19th to let our vendors know the count. Just give me an email reply and make the hotel reservation if you wish to be included.

The hotel is the Best Western Coastline Inn and reservations ($89 a night) can be made for check-in on Sep 19th through check-out on the 23rd. The reservation deadline for the group rate is Aug 19th. The phone numbers are 800-617-7732 or 910-762-5184; group number 193218 “Bushy Park Alumni, Classes of 1953-56 & friends”.

Thanks and hope to see you in September.

Mini Reunions

Sherry (Cheryl Burritt) Konjura (59)
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Not too long ago I related the story of how my dear friend Nancy (Rumph) Butzer (Class of 1958) and I were reunited after several years of not knowing where the other was. I recently learned that Nancy's husband Barry was killed in a terrible automobile accident. Another car hydroplaned and a huge semi jack knifed trying to avoid hitting the car that had hydroplaned. Sadly, the truck then hit Barry's car, killing him instantly. A couple of weeks ago I had the opportunity to visit Nancy - picture attached. We had a wonderful visit reliving old times and catching up on each other's families. She is still the sweet pretty little thing she always was and I'm so blessed to have her in my life - 56 years since we met aboard the General Patch enroute to England!

This and That

Carol (Smith) Benjamin (59)
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Dear Gary,

Enjoyed your last publication as always. You do such a bang up job of it and we thank you.

I do have some news for the next publication if you think it's newsworthy for it. Our son, Matthew Benjamin was ordained in Kansas City, Missouri, to the priesthood by Bishop Finn on May 29, 2010. His first assignment was to St. Elizabeth Church in

Kansas City as Assistant Pastor. He has just received his first parish as Pastor to St. Mary's Church in St. Joseph, Missouri. He's already in residence there and we couldn't be prouder of him.

Letters to the Editor

Connie (Newlin) Drennon (60)
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Hi Gary,

Any chance someone could try to locate all those bases in England, where many of your readers came from? I have often wondered where those kids in the dorms had homes. I don't know if you could use a map or at least list the counties. Then those of us with an interest could look at a map and see what was where.

I have also wondered how many and which civilian businesses were represented by Bushy types. Do we know whose ties were diplomatic or other non-military? I have always wondered. I know as an Army brat, I was in a definite minority. Dad only wore a uniform on trips and worked right in the heart of London. Mom said when he carried the rolled umbrella and started wearing a particular hat it was really time to get back to the States.

My sister is four years younger and attended Bushy Hall. Is there any of that group who correspond or have get-togethers? Perhaps someone who reads Bushy Tales knows.

Bill Grable Rees (57)
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An alternative to a hand gun under the bed. I know some of you own GUNS but this is something to think about...---

If you don't have a gun, here's a more humane way to wreck someone's evil plans for you. Did you know this? I didn't. I never really thought of it before. I guess I can get rid of the baseball bat.
Wasp Spray - A friend who is a receptionist in a church in a high risk area was concerned about someone coming into the office on Monday to rob them when they were counting the collection. She asked the local police department about using pepper spray and they recommended to her that she get a can of wasp spray instead.

The wasp spray, they told her, can shoot up to twenty feet away and is a lot more accurate, while with the pepper spray, they have to get too close to you and could overpower you. The wasp spray temporarily blinds an attacker until they get to the hospital for an antidote. She keeps a can on her desk in the office and it doesn't attract attention from people like a can of pepper spray would. She also keeps one nearby at home for home protection.
On the heels of a break in and beating that left an elderly woman in Toledo dead, self defense experts have a tip that could save your life.

Val Glinka teaches self-defense to students at Sylvania Southview High School. For decades, he's suggested putting a can of wasp and hornet spray near your door or bed. Glinka says, "This is better than anything I can teach them."

Glinka considers it inexpensive, easy to find, and more effective than mace or pepper spray. The cans typically shoot 20 to 30 feet; so if someone tries to break into your home, Glinka says "spray the culprit in the eyes". It's a tip he's given to students for decades.

It's also one he wants everyone to hear. If you're looking for protection, Glinka says look to the spray. "That's going to give you a chance to call the police; maybe get out." Maybe even save a life.
Did you also know that wasp spray will kill a snake? And a mouse! It will!

Good to know, huh? It will also kill a wasp.!!!!

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