

# Bushy Tales

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



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## **ROSTER CHANGES**



**From: Pat Terpening (58) Owen**

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**A little reminder to all –if/when you change your email address, please let Pat Terpening (58) Owen [nemoamasa@sbcglobal.net](mailto:nemoamasa@sbcglobal.net) or me know [BushyTales1@verizon.net](mailto:BushyTales1@verizon.net) , if you want to continue to receive the newsletter. Too many times we only find out when you send us an email saying you haven't received the newsletter in few months. Thanks, guys.**

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### **Mini Reunions with Classmates from Bushy Park High School**

**I have been lucky during the past year to have mini reunions with 2 classmates and their spouses. The first one was in Eugene, Oregon with my classmate Gemma (Gamble) Rettman, Class of 1954 and her husband Dale Rettman. This was mid-May and was so beautiful in their city of Eugene, with many varieties of flowering trees, flowers and shrubs blooming in all their glory. Gemma and Dale live in a nice retirement home near the river. One of the days I had with them, we drove to the coast of Oregon and all enjoyed the beautiful scenery along the coastline and had a delightful seafood lunch and later dinner. It was so good to see Gemma and Dale, as they have not been able to attend our mini reunions for a number of years.**

**Then in October our group who has organized all the reunions for the class of 1954 and helped with the class of 1955 reunions planned to get together at the home of Ted Hopkins (class of 1955) and his wife Dawn Hopkins in Edmond, Oklahoma. Our plans changed though as the other classmates who were expected to attend were not able to. I, Billie (Culp) Bules, class of 1954 was the lone attendee, but Ted and Dawn treated me to a wonderful visit with sightseeing, delicious food, and nightly double feature movies in their home entertainment center. The town of Edmond is a suburb of Oklahoma City and there are so many interesting things to see there, like the State Capitol, the National Cowboy Museum, the beautiful bronze statues depicting the land rush in Oklahoma, Bricktown, the Museum and Monument about the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building bombing and the cattle stockyards. This visit was another highlight of the year of 2018 for me, as it is always wonderful to get together with classmates from Bushy Park.**



**I live in Fayetteville, Arkansas and if any of you are ever in my part of the country, please call or come by to see me.**

**Billie (Culp) Bules, Class of 1954**

## Letters to the Editor



So glad to see so many of my classmates on this list! We live outside Akron, Ohio. We are retired, my husband from teaching and I raised five children and drove school bus for 25 years. Loved every minute of both. We spend February and March at Lake Placid, Florida and keep busy with eight grandchildren and one great grandchild. If anyone is coming this way, you can get my email address from Pat Terpening [nemoamasa@sbcglobal.net](mailto:nemoamasa@sbcglobal.net)



Louise Penfold (59) Frisbie

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This is Sean Kelly (LCHS '78) here in England. A few things to let everybody know and to ask them.

1. There is a new museum at the Battle of Britain Bunker - which has been preserved at the former RAF Uxbridge base (now being turned largely into housing). The museum has a wider remit and is looking at bases around Middlesex. Therefore, if you have items relating to South Ruislip / West Ruislip/Eastcote or RAF Uxbridge in particular (And possibly Denham Film Studios (when it was converted into USAF storage and operations), then you should get in touch. I'm at [sean@us1uk.com](mailto:sean@us1uk.com) - I can pass your notes on to the new incoming curator for the museum, who has told me she is very interested. In another month or so I should be able to share her email directly. Have a think and a rummage!
2. I am searching for an LCHS student named Linda who had a younger sister named Lark. I do not know what era they are from but am trying those who were on all three campuses. I hope to be able to share a picture quite soon but thought I'd start by asking people if they remembered any girls by that name.
3. Two articles with a Bushy Park theme caught my attention this past few weeks. They both have to do with stags seen in the park. How wonderful to see!

<https://www.yourlocalguardian.co.uk/leisure/outdoors/16976207.visit-richmond-or-bushy-parks-to-marvel-at-these-fantastic-beasts-but-do-keep-your-distance/>

<https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-6240783/Breath-taking-moment-fairy-tale-like-white-deer-poses-majestically-London-park.html>

I thought you might enjoy knowing this.

Regards to you from England,

Sean Kelly

LCHS '78 (son of Martha Gail Kelly, LCHS teacher)

**PS - For possibly passing interest - I was in London last night. This was the picture down Regent Street - able out two blocks down there it crosses Oxford Street at Oxford Circus. All the buildings are beautifully lit these days! Road is largely landlord by the Crown Estate (Queen's property company essentially) so they can achieve this sort of thing!)**



**###**

**Bill,**

**Don't know if this will reach you, but I'll give it a try.**

**Years ago, while working on an edition of "Vapor Trails", I was told copies of the annual were kept in the Library of Congress. Now told that is not so, when I tried checking with that entity. Any idea if there is at least one copy of each edition in any government library or archive? In some searching I think I found out the Air Force Academy has a journal or magazine of the same name. Great minds think alike!? Just curious who might know and/or if anyone has mentioned this. After all, a whole lot of schools shared the books.**



**Connie Newlin (60) Drennon**

**###**

**Last month Wally Costa (54) asked a memory test question –**

**“What was the name of the mascot in the male dorm in Surbiton and what kind of a mascot was he??????”**

**I have received only one response - from Ellis Young (58):**

**Laddie  
Chappie  
Bobbie  
Dormie  
Poochy  
Dorm Dog**

**I have no idea if any of his responses are correct. Wally will let me know and the correct answer will appear here next month!**

**--FINIS--**