

Bushy Tales

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



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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 or me know, 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.

Memories of Bushy Park

Robert Harrold (60) maintains a Bushy Park website at BushyPark.org Among the things you can see at this website is a “Guestbook”, in which many website visitors have left comments. There are many entries, dating back to April 2007.

Here is a direct link: [Bushy Park Guest Book](#)



Letters to the Editor



From: Ren Briggs (60)

Hi Pat,

All is well with us. I now have both hips replaced. Had the left one done on July 19th. All is well and doing fine. No more pain.

We went into Calif. and saw the kids and grandkids last month. Had a great time but oh the traffic in southern Calif. is so bad. Just too many cars. and all are going over 75 MPH. The speed posted is 65 and I was doing 72 and they were passing me on the right and left 10 mph faster. Love Arizona.

No plans for the next month except back to Calif for Christmas. OH GOD

Look forward to the newsletter. Lakenheath School just had a reunion this past weekend. Thyra went and so did Carol Coles. They both went to Lakenheath after Bushy Park in '61. Hope some of them send in photos and stories about the reunion.

Be good and keep in touch.

Ren

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From: Thyra Caldwell (61)

Hi Pat - I did take a few pictures at the Lakenheath Reunion of those who attended Bushy and Lakenheath. They're not very good. I'll see if I can "fix" them up a little and will send on. Other than Carol and me, Warren Nybo, Gloria Tyree, Carle Tyree, Bill Fountain, Patricia Manning, Tom “Tuck” Tucker. A very small group and most from classes 63, 64, 65 - didn't know a soul! Take care - hope you are well and staying healthy. Thyra

Patricia Manning - Tom "Tuck" Tucker - Bill Fountain





From: Pat Terpening (58) Owen

Bill,

This is too late for the November issue, but possibly might be something for the December issue. I knew about the 11's but not about the positioning of the poppy.



Got this from my sister - Marty Terpening (59) Freedman.

Pat

Ever wonder why Veterans day is on the 11th and does not change ? World War I ended on the 11th month on the 11th day on the 11th hour.

Today I saw a man selling poppies stop a lady and asked if he could re-position her poppy. While doing so he told that lady she should wear the poppy on their right side; the red represents the blood of all those who gave their lives, the black represents the mourning of those who didn't have their loved ones return home, and the green leaf represents the grass and crops growing and future prosperity after the war destroyed so much. The leaf should be positioned at 11 o'clock to represent the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month, the time that World War I formally ended. He was worried that younger generations wouldn't understand this and his generation wouldn't be around for much longer to teach them. We must remember those from our current wars too!

For those that do not know, the eleventh day of the eleventh month is Veterans Day! I copied this from someone else. Please do the same to pass this knowledge on to those who don't know the meaning and who care enough to know. 🇺🇸

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From: Kathleen de Russy (60)

FYI, I'm not selling these, nor am I able to provide them to friends, but maybe you'd like to take a look. The games portions are available today, but windows to open don't start till December. I get a free one with annual membership. The Advent calendar is worth the membership.

Jacquielawson.com/cards.

Happy November! xoxox

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From: Michael Hoyt (60)

Some news from the Hoyt household.

Kandi and I have been busy these last few months with our new hobby. We have acquired a few miniature Mediterranean donkeys. It started with one and now we have five females and one jack. Our miniatures measure 32" at their withers, or shoulders for you non-horsey people.



Our daughter, LeeAnn, is all smiles with the girls. They are very friendly and will follow you anywhere. Jack does not understand why he can't be free with the rest of the herd. We believe at least one was pregnant when we acquired them, so we are working on a birthing shed, just in case we have a winter birth. Normally our weather is fair enough for them to birth in their corrals.

Our closest neighbor loves to hear the braying in the mornings. I am starting to recognize their voices and know which one is braying. We have very few neighbors and our 12.5 acres gives us some added privacy.

My health is slowing me down these days, so I help where I can. My legs just aren't working like they should these days, being 79 doesn't help. Had a Aortic TAVR installed a few years back which helped my heart some. My doctor recently said that I have about 3 years to live, unless my heart function increases from its present 20%. All I can do is press on and take my med's. When it is my time, I will be ready.

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From: Peggy Corder (54) Johnson

Dear Bill and Pat

Thanks again for keeping this newsletter going.
I appreciate all of your hard work.

I am still doing fashion shows of course, and I have been mobile now for the past 5 years, (my shopping center sold, and the rent tripled, so I moved my office and receiving into my condo here at Ponte Vedra Beach.) However, the covid has slowed the process down, so I created a website: www.petuniapatchonline.com. Check it out and let me know how you all like it.

Hugs,
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