13th -14th NHS Golden Gatherings a Success  Bill Killen, Chairman

Combined coverage of the 2013 and 2014 Golden Gatherings is due to a change in schedule for publishing the Echoes. Commencing this and following years, the Echoes will be published after the Golden Gathering so news and events will be current with the year of the Golden Gathering.

The 14th NHS Golden Gathering, August 10th is passed and now in our memory of NHS classmates in 2014. The attendance was good and we all had great fun renewing old acquaintances and memories with schoolmates. The incoming class of graduates, from 1964, was headed by the class representative, Judy Sylvester Turpen. One member of the Class of '64, Kathy McGrew Caddy traveled all the way from Australia.

Our committee member’s who put this gathering together, did a very good job. All went well. The only problem is they keep getting older and need to be replaced. Most people who enjoy the GG will step up and do their share.

Next year, 2015 we will have some new people filling vacancies of retiring GG committee leaders.

Del Ellis (1950) will hand off the financial caretaking and management of the Scholarship Fund, to Jim Marnach (1955). The refreshment team leader Barbara Freeman (1960) will be replaced by Carol Brown Fields (1964). Jan Sander (1949) will retire as leader of the arrangements. Her replacement has yet to be determined. Joyce Colling who keeps up the data base is retiring and we need to find a replacement for her.

Financial support comes from contributions. We will supply amenities, such as cookies, cakes, sandwiches, veggie plates, cold drinks, coffee and so on as we have been accustomed to. Plus a flyer invitation mailed out before the GG and a copy of the latest Senior Echoes mailed out now after the GG. If contributions fall below this level we will reduce the amenities to stay in budget.

The 2013 NHS Golden Gathering brought to the A-dec auditorium an estimated 300 attendees and many new faces. The Newberg High School Class of 1963 celebrated its 50th graduation year becoming eligible for membership in the NHS Golden Gathering. Alvis Miller Porter revived the tradition of singing the NUHS Alma Mater by leading the group in remembering the words and tune.

There was a somber tone to the reunion party due to the passing of Joan Austin, Class of '48 a short time before the 2013 GG.

The real star in our crown is the Scholarship Fund. This year we were able to award two $1,000.00 scholarships to deserving NHS graduates of the 2014 Class, Kendra Hensley and Josh Lewis.

Del Ellis says the driving force behind starting the scholarship program was Francis Reid Finzer (1947), But I know Del did all the necessary work needed to get it in a working condition. In only seven years we have grown our fund to over $40,000, of which the earnings will support the scholarships. It is always enjoyable when people around town recognize me and thank me for what the GG scholarship fund does.

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A web domain name for the Golden Gathering has been obtained and a web page design is under development. The 2014 Echoes is viewable online. Ideas, suggestions are welcome. E-mail: Dservine@yvn.com

Thank You
Ken Austin and A-dec Co.  Loren Berg Chevrolet  GG Volunteers and Donors
The George Fox University Heritage Award

Dale graduated from George Fox University in 1967 with a degree in Business and Economics. Later he added a master’s degree in Public Administration from Golden Gate University.

Dale believes God clearly directed him into the path of executive leadership of psychiatric hospitals, which included administering clinics, addiction treatment programs and community mental health centers in California and Arizona. Serving on six non-profit corporate boards, two church boards and one international mission board expanded his occupational experience.

The Heritage Award is given to GFU alumni who have distinguished themselves with a lifetime of outstanding achievement in all areas of their life; academically, professionally, personally, and active service to the community.

The Rinards traveled to Oregon in October 2013 to receive this award.

The National Council for Community Behavioral Health Visionary Leader Award

The last 27 years were significant for Dale as he opened a new psychiatric hospital in Glendale, Arizona, and served as Chief Executive Officer for ten years, and another 17 years as President and Chief Executive Officer for TERROS Behavioral Health Services in Phoenix, Arizona. Dale rescued this non-profit corporation from financial ruin in 1995 when he grew the organization from no cash in the bank, 110 employees and a $4 million budget to $9 million in cash, 450 employees, and a $35 million budget to become one of the largest behavioral health organizations in Phoenix.

During this time his visionary leadership included the creation of two new specialty behavioral health non-profit corporations. He served as board chair during the first few years of their successful development and ongoing operation. His retirement left all three of these organizations in strong financial condition, excellent clinical programs and outstanding reputations.

When he retired, his coworkers did more than just say goodbye. They secretly prepared the documents testifying what he meant to the organization. Those papers and research resulted in Dale’s being presented with one of the nation’s top awards in the field.

Dale and his wife Nancy received the Visionary Leader Award from the National Council for Community Behavioral Health at its 42nd national convention in Chicago.
Since graduation from Newberg High in 1959, Phyllis Mills has collected news articles on classmates activities — weddings, births, deaths, graduations of family members including photos and compiled it into scrapbooks that reach back to the first grade of all her classmates. The scrapbooks have a page or two or more for each classmate and cover events in Newberg spanning between 1947 – 2014. This remarkable collection of memorabilia, which was on display at the 2014 Golden Gathering reunion has been Phyllis’ hobby as volunteer class historian for 55 years.

The close ties the NHS Class of ‘59 have maintained over more than five decades since graduation has contributed to the scrapbooks growth. This is manifest in the frequency of reunions that have been held every five years. Phyllis adds, “Over the years we have had mother-child picnics, girls weekends at the beach, special birthday celebrations, wedding celebrations, and holiday get-togethers to just say hello. I always had my camera to record events that would become memories. Our class has been very supportive of each other, available and helpful when needed.”

Although she never dreamed her collection would grow and continue for so many years, the scrapbooks have become a treasure to members of the Class of ‘59 and other NHS Golden Gathering classmates.

Phyllis Mills resides in McMinnville with her husband Brad, NHS Class of ’56. She is the Class of ’59 Golden Gathering representative and may be reached at hbmills@earthlink.net

Austin Hall To Open October 31 During OSU Homecoming By Beverly Heater Zurcher

The public grand opening of Austin Hall named for Ken and the late Joan Austin of Newberg will be held on October 31, 2014 during the Oregon State University Homecoming. This year’s annual event will be a celebration of OSU’s future of innovation.

The Austin’s and the late Al Reiser family made significant donations to the cost of the construction. Total funding included 30 million in private monies with the remainder of the 50 million coming from state bonds.

The 100,000 square foot facility includes 10 classrooms, a 250 seat auditorium, a career success center, an MBA suite, a research lab, collaborative team rooms, more than 70 faculty offices, staff and program offices, a café and event room.

It replaces the historic Bexel Hall named for the first Dean of business at OSU. The college was founded in 1908 as one of the first 12 schools of Commerce in the nation. Today it has over 5,000 students and offers five different bachelor degrees as well as advanced degrees.

Both families are prominent Oregon business leaders and have long supported Oregon State with generous gifts. Austin’s instigated and funded the beginning of the OSU Small Business program. It is one of the five oldest university family business programs in the world. They also funded The Austin Entrepreneurship Program, where students live in Weatherford Residential hall. It is a unique living-learning environment for undergraduates offering entrepreneurship courses, hands-on experience, and the opportunity to explore business ideas.

Kudos .....................

Tiger’s New Basketball Coach

Bill and Rose Killen granddaughter’s husband Mark Brown was recently named head basketball coach at Newberg High.

NUHS Class of 1944
70 Year Anniversary
Jean Caldwell, Class Representative

NUHS Class of 1938
76 Year Anniversary
Hazel Mary Houser, Class Representative
Class of 1950 to Meet Again In 2015

Organizers for the 65th class reunion for the class of 1950 are asking for ideas from class members as to what sort of a reunion they want. Suggestions have been, dinner following the Golden Gathering, meeting at the Gathering at a table reserved for the class or meeting before the Gathering for coffee and visiting.

The 2015 Golden Gathering reunion will be on Sunday, August 9 in the A-Dec Cafeteria. All classes from Newberg High School having graduated 50 years or more ago are invited, as are friends and faculty of the high school. The class of 1950 started the reunion in 2000 as part of their 50th reunion from high school. It has grown to a gathering of over 300 graduates and friends every year held on the second Sunday in August.

Class members are asked to contact Bev Heater Zurcher at zurcherbb@gmail.com or Susan Swart McHale at samchcale@sbcglobal.net with suggestions.

Class of 1964 Last to Graduate From 1936 High School Bev Heater Zurcher

The Newberg High School class of 1964, attending the Golden Gathering of the first time this year, was the last class to graduate from the one-story brick building built in 1936 by the WPA. This building, which served the community from 1964 as Renne Junior High was demolished in 1995 due to asbestos contamination. An addition, built in the 1950’s on 6th street, was not demolished. Classes started in 1964 in the current high school building on Douglas Street in fall of 1964.

The first Newberg high school, a three story brick building constructed in 1911 adjacent to the 1936 school still stands, housing the district administrative offices. It was there that the school’s newspaper, Echoes, reportedly got its name; the students marveled at how even the slightest sound reverberated through the new building’s hallways, thus, The Echoes. If anyone has information as to why the Tiger was chosen as the Newberg mascot, please let the editor know.

Prior to the opening of the original high school, Newberg’s public school pupils attended an all-grade school located at 415 E. Sheridan Street. That school building, which opened in the 1890s, subsequently housed Central Elementary School. It currently houses the Chehalem Cultural Center. Additional information on Newberg High School since 1964 can be found on the Internet, specifically Wikipedia. Other articles have been offered since the beginning of the Senior Echoes in 2004 on the history of all Newberg schools.

NUHS Alma Mater Tradition Revived

The decades old tradition of singing the Alma Mater by the NUHS student body at special events and school assemblies was revived at the 2013 Golden Gathering. The words could be recalled in many memories, but the music to accompany the lyrics was not to be found.

It was recalled that Mr. Miller was the Newberg School district band director, and his son Eugene and sister Alvis were members of the NHS Golden Gathering. Alvis Miller Porter was in the NUHS Class of ‘49. When contacted, Alvis did not have a copy of the music in her scrapbook so she wrote up the composition from memory. Which to many of us is quite a feat! At the 2013 Golden Gathering, to the delight of all she led the group in singing it.

Coincidentally, the Newberg High School Web Site had a news item in September 2014 with the headline, NHS Alma Mater Tradition Returns that recounted the football team teaching the school Alma Mater to the entire student body during an assembly.

Hail to old Newberg
To our gold and blue
We’re standing together
With loyalty true
We’ll raise our voices
To cheer for Newberg High
We’re true to old Newberg
Her fame will never die

Class of ‘52 Classmates Celebrate Turning 80

Celebrating the year most turned 80, the Class of ‘52 staged a birthday party at Babe Nicklous Park in Newberg on August 23rd, 2014.

Thirty Attended including Babe Nicklous. Since everyone had such a good time, it was decided to celebrate again in two years when they turn 82!
Memories 2013 - 2014 NUHS

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Jessie Witmore - Hazel Mary Hamilton '38
Sean & Elmer Baron '43

Dick & Gloria Wohlgemuth '53
Cook Carwell Blakely '62
Shari Johnson Walker '62
Carolyn Johnson Petersen
Charles Eugene Miller '53

Max Cullen '55 - Barbara Marks Mills '56
Al Herring '55, Betty Marks Loeks '55
Gerry Meyers Williams - Gary Brandt - Carol Ann Brown Rosen
Harvey Meyer - Ken Hedman '55

Bill & Jan Jacobs '53
Anita Sgtryker '52
Alan Smith '62
Mary Knaupp '61
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Donnette & Harry McAdams ’53
Janet Umpfleet ’50
Richard Schaad ’62

Patti Renne ’55 - Karen Chipley ’60
Charles ’56 and Sally Simons ’59
Patty Findley ’61 - Jeanne Sturdevant ’58

Hugh Armstrong ’53
Ivon Miller ’50
Ann Phillips ’58
Joan Hoy ’51
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Memories
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Don & Judy Barrow '59
Larry & Marrie Emerson '61
Ron Fortune '55

Skip Lee '56
Bev Kiltz '58
Gorman Colling '55
Daryl Ingraham '52

Dave & Patricia Bauer '59
Robert Ward '51 - Abigail McIntosh '51
Sam & Betty Farmer '53

Bob Fortune '53
Harold Turpen '58
Sandy LaJoie '64
Shirley Kane '45
Paul Henry Billick '51
The Golden Gathering Scholarship Fund is a noble endeavor initiated to express appreciation for the quality of education received at Newberg High School over half a century past by investing in the future of graduating seniors who have benefited from the same educational experience at Newberg High.

The leadership of the Golden Gathering Scholarship Fund committee is being passed from Del Ellis, Class of ’50 to Jim Marnach, Class of ’55. During his stewardship of the scholarship fund, Del has overseen donations and income from its investment with Edward Jones grow to $40,000. Scholarships of $1000 have been awarded for six consecutive years, and this year 2014, two scholarships were awarded during Senior Recognition Night at Newberg High.

The Scholarship Committee members for 2015 will be Jim Marnach and Bill Killen with Del Ellis continuing as advisor.

A unique relationship allows the tax deductible donations to be made to the Newberg Education Foundation in behalf of the Golden Gathering with oversight of the funds investment directed by the Golden Gathering Scholarship Fund committee.

To give a tax deductible donation to the scholarship fund, make your check payable to the Newberg Education Foundation and on the check memo line enter notation: Golden Gathering Scholarship Fund. Mail to PO Box 565, Newberg, OR 97132. The NEF has an IRS approved form available that, when completed, ensures tax deductibility of the donation. The form can also be obtained from Jim Marnach or Bill Killen.

In Memory of the Passing of Newberg High School Golden Alumni...

Alice Kivett ‘31
Myrtle McDougal 32
Ted Green ’35
Lloyd Stone ‘37
Irene Dressel McFall ’39
Larry Rickert ’41
Howard “Goose” Cloepfi 1 ’44
Pat Doolittle ’44
Betty Streeter Keyes ’45
Hazel Winfrey Staley Powell ’45
Pattie Howard Tate ’45
Nancy Struther Bauer ’46
Ray F. Klohs ’46
Herring Fred ’48
Galen Litfin ’49
Alan Tessman ‘49
Kenric Kemps Jones ’50
Steven Trunde ’51
Terry Young ’51
Lillian Clausen ’55
Robert Fugate ’55
Betty Lewis McLean ’55
George Meyers ’55
Janet Skeffington Ornduff ’55
Ken Turnidge ’55
Jeanne Zard Bumgardner ’55
Laura Dickerson ’56
Martha Cramer Wright ’56
Peggy Schmidt ’57
Kay Church ’58
Mike Sturdevant ’58
Jay Bowlin ’59
Maryalyn Stevens Erb ’59
Robert Gibson ’59
Janice Nyman ’59
Virginia Sasse Orton ’59
Russ Parry ’59
Arden Butler ’60
Jerry Sugden ’60
Gordon Schlenberg ’62
Georgia Paola ’64
Jerry Wright ’64
Ivan Thornberg
Evelyn L. Hodges Eddens
Doyle McAninch, Teacher

If there ever comes a day when we can’t be together, keep me in your heart, I’ll stay there forever.
Winnie the Pooh (A.A. Milne)
TREASURES REPORT
by Janice Van Fleet, Golden Gathering Treasurer

Thanks to all of you for the financial support you have given to keep the NHS Golden Gathering going. The amenities we provide will be established by the contributions we receive.

Our current bank balance is $4066 with estimated expenses of $940 printing and $270 postage for the Echoes, leaving a projected balance of $2856 to carry forward to 2015.

We received donations of $2049 this year.

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One of the most rewarding things for this year was applying to the Secretary of State for the NHS Golden Gathering to become a business. We were given a business number and then were able to finally get a bank account set up for The NHS Golden Gathering. Checks can now be made out that way instead of to the person acting as treasurer.

A huge thank you to the Austin Family and A-Dec for the use of their lovely building …free.

The Golden Gathering Welcomes
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GRADUATES OF THE CLASS OF 1964
Judy Sylvester Turpen, Class Representative
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Editor’s Note:

Please keep your Class Representative informed of changes in address or email and other details of interest. If you do not have your class representative contact information, it is available from Bill Killen or David Servine, Newberg Echoes Editor.

Thank You!

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