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Washington School Evolution

Washington School—Then and Now



*Above, old Washington School in late 1920's, (0578-from William Thompson; restored by Thomas Mercer-Husrh)
Below, similar view taken June 17, 2007 by Thomas Mercer-Hursh.*



FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Mid Dornan

Thanks to a congenial board, this job's easier. Thank you for entrusting me with the job for another year. Without our Editor Gary Shows, this newsletter would not be!

The Point Richmond History Association is proud to be a part of preserving this unique Point community that attracts its residents and businesses. We are especially excited about the Mechanics Bank move into the historic Trainmaster building.

Thus, I would like to quote Executive Director Don Bastion from the Richmond Museum Association Spring Newsletter, The Mirror.

It is no accident that "THE POINT" is one of the most pleasant areas in our city. It is the one area of town that has literally preserved almost every original building within its limits. That is the key to its success, both economic and aesthetic. The lesson here is that preservation makes economic sense....Our historic places help define our communities and build a strong sense of community.

Preservation supports vital, economically strong communities and everyone values a beautiful community. It is our past that makes us unique.

*President Mid Dornan chairs the
Annual Meeting of the Point
Richmond History Association,
May 20, 2007,
Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church*

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Mare Bisio
Betty J. Marshall
Linda Andrew-Marshall
First Church of Christ, Scientist
Madeline Albright
John A. Thiella
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And a warm welcome to these new member

**Sharon Halpern & Victor Morales
Dina Ultsch**

**Sidney Clutts
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Ken Blonski & Louise Sender Family**

Thank You!

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Museum Hours:

Thursday 11:30 am to 2:00 pm

Saturday 11:30 am to 2:00 pm

*Thanks to the Volunteers who open and close our
history museum on Thursday and Saturday:*

**Betty Dornan
Bruce and Ann Bartram
Pat Pearson
Mid Dornan
Bonnie Jo Cullison
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Anita Christiansen
Sonja Darling
Margaret Morkowski**

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EDITOR'S NOTES

Gary Shows (510-235-1336)

Here is your Summer, 2007 issue of "THIS POINT.....in time" PRHA Newsletter. Washington School is the theme. We have some great pictures of the old Washington School and I thought it might be fun to juxtapose them with the brand new Washington School. Thanks to all, everyone was especially timely this issue and a sincere thank you to Mid, Pat, Pam, Dee, Jean, Norma, Margaret, Thomas, and Theresa! Thanks to our members, and the Santa Fe Market and the Point Richmond Market for making this newsletter financially possible.

I enjoyed the Annual PRHA Meeting it was a success as usual.

Everyone have a great summer!

The deadline for contributions to the next issue, September/October is August 24, 2007.

The April/May newsletter assembly crew, thanks to you all:

Jerry Cerkanowicz
Gary Shows
Pam Wilson
Pat Pearson
Sonja Darling
Mary Highfill
Mid Dornan
Bruce Bartram
Ann Bartram
Margaret Morkowski
Tom Piazza
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The Cover

The handsome new Washington Elementary School. Photo by Gary Shows.

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A-MID TRIVIA

Mid Dornan (510-234-5334)

Q: What does the word “floccin-
auaucinihilipilfication” mean?

Answer: at end of Trivia

FLY YOUR AMERICAN FLAG ON FLAG
DAY - JUNE 14th! The AMVETS want you to
honor their “team heroism” - raise and display the
living emblem of their sacrifices...symbolic of all
that’s great about the U.S.A.

WOW! Those promenading the Chamber of
Commerce Stroll in May were blown away by a
youth group band, CRUNCHY FROGS! These
talented, four boys and 2 girls , 9 - 13 year-olds,
inspired toddlers to 89 year-olds to move to their
music! They mesmerized their captive audience
who couldn’t get enough of their entertainment.
This youthful accomplished, versatile, group is a
name to remember as they are destined to do
whatever it is they want to achieve.

After the Point Richmond Neighborhood
Council elected new officers President: James
Bottoms, 1st Vice President: Don Woodward; 2nd
Vice President: Chris Spencer; Secretary: Rod Satre;
Treasurer: Margaret Morkowski, their new podium
name plates automatically appeared. Such
efficiency!

President Bottoms held his first meeting, an
emergency TOWN MEETING, at Our Lady of
Mercy Church to discuss a proposed relocation of
the Library and Community Center. About 100
vocal and energized people discussed the issue with
a 68 - 7 vote rejecting the proposal. The emergency
meeting was held because the City Council had
asked for a Neighborhood Council recommendation
before their next night’s meeting. Then, the issue
was postponed at the Council!

The President of the firm was talking to the

personnel manager and asked him, “Have you given
that new girl an aptitude test?” to which the
personnel manager replied, “Yes, I have Boss and
she’s not apt to.”

Congratulations to High School Graduates
Michael and Aaron Marshall and Liam Thompson.

Pat Pearson and family had a great Memorial
Day Weekend. Pat's granddaughter, Elizabeth
Blasier, married David Speidel at the Shakespere
Garden in Golden Gate Park on Saturday May 26.
Elizabeth is the daughter of Mary (Julie Davis)
Simmons and Robert Blasier and the granddaughter
of Robert Davis. Relatives and friends from many
parts of the country attended the wedding and the
reception at the Hall of Flowers in San Francisco.
The family festivities began on Friday night and
continued through Sunday ending with a brunch in
Point Richmond. Dave is a native of Santa Cruz and
the son of Mary Berg and Alan Speidel of Santa
Cruz.

Marge Harmon and Dave Shank of Point
Richmond are enjoying a trip to Montreal and a
cruise of the Maritime Islands ending in Boston.
Marge is the former Masquers Reviewer for TPIT
and Dave alternates with Dan Damon at the piano at
the Baltic.

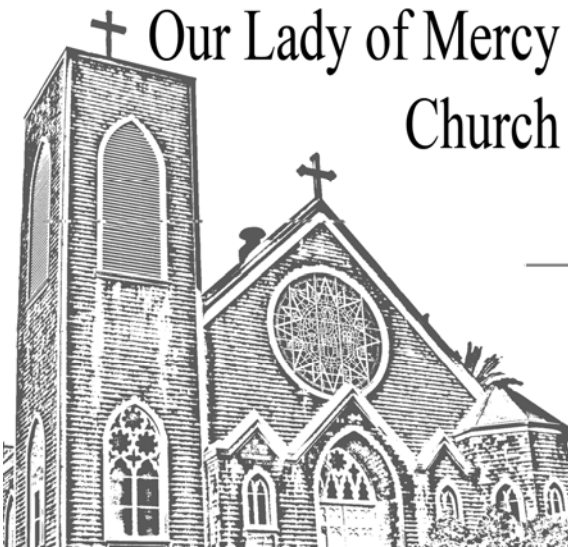
Donna Wilson and her daughters Patrice,
(Stockton) Pam, and Paula recently vacationed in
Tennessee and Kentucky. In Kentucky they had a
brief visit with a former Point resident Ophie Essary.

After 25 years in the making and a significant
benefit for Richmond, Phase I of the Richmond
Greenways was highlighted with a ribbon cutting on
May 17th! This impressive paved, open space,
bicycle and pedestrian park is a wide corridor of the

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CHURCH NEWS



*By Dee Rosier
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Despite the weather, Father's roses are a blast of color. The ones in the back yard are just as vibrant. Father was tending his roses as someone walked by and asked if he was a rosarian, he replied, "No, I'm a Catholic."

Since his cataract surgery he was able to enjoy the vivid colors while driving to Santa Barbara to visit his cousins. On June 9, 1962 Father was ordained in St. Frances de Sales Church, Oakland. His first mass was in Latin at St. Albert's. Quoting Father: "Talk about years of change, but you live in only one time, the one right now. Good or bad, the past is an already published story. You can re-read it if you want, but you can't relive it. So except for an occasional review, I don't give it that much mind. Our present is much too good to worry about the past." Congratulations on your 45th!

The rectory kitchen was painted and is now bright and clean. Since Father enjoys cooking, his surroundings should be fresh looking. He has already made good use of it by making his own marmalade, which he feels is priced too high, as well as preparing the main dish on Memorial Day

weekend to welcome our new parishioners.

A group of parishioners have been looking into the condition of the windows in the church, meeting with specialists in church window repair. As is often the case, there is more than one way to go. They have been looking at different options, but starting with the belief that doing nothing is not the way to go. When all information is in hand, it will be shared with parishioners for their input, which will no doubt involve further discussion.

Coffee and donuts are back in full swing after being set aside for the successful pancake breakfasts. Brenda McKinley and I both retired prior to the pancake breakfasts, but our resignations must not have been accepted. While at Chevron, my retirement date was to be June 1, but did not leave until December 31 – can the coffee/donuts be a replay?

The latest church directories are located in the back of the church. Be sure to pick yours up.

The two Small Christian Communities continue to meet both during the day hours and the evening group. Both have experienced new growth.

On the fourth Monday of the month, volunteers from our parish support the Souper Kitchen. Last month there were six volunteers and 161 people were served. Edwina Murray has no problem seeking the volunteers and, if she fails, volunteers her family members.

I do believe that Pt. Richmond is into physical fitness – we strolled during the Stroll and hiked during the recent town-wide garage sale.

A walk in George Miller Park is very rewarding. There are many goslings being protected by their parents. They grow quickly and are a sight to see. Perhaps those we saw last year are this year's parents.

Condolences to the family of Jim Hurley. While a Pt. Richmond resident, Jim was a parish council member. Jim was living in Washington at the time of his death, but it was his request to return home for burial.

Congratulations to Eric Siegmund who will

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marry Leslie Black on 7-7-07.

It was a whale of a day as we awaited their arrival. Much to our dismay, they were too far away for us to catch sight of them. My daughter and granddaughter were interviewed and experienced their moments of fame on Channel 5 News.

It's back to playing bocce in Crockett. Last week while talking with a member of the rival team, I asked if he was from Crockett – his reply was I'm from Pt. Richmond. I replied that I also was from Pt. Richmond and was sure it was big enough for both of us.

Our Neighborhood Watch (PROWL) held a potluck at Washington Park – it was good food and company. Everyone involved is very pro active. During a recent incident, many of the neighbors became involved and police response time was within five minutes. It pays to know your neighbors and work jointly for a safer neighborhood. Ultimately, we would like those seeking to commit a crime know that you don't do it in our neighborhood watch area because someone is always watching.

Feel better, get well wishes to: Adolph Brossard, Dody Perry, Jack Healy, Shirley Gerk, Kathleen Genovese, Frankie Mello, Theresa Meneghelli, Frank Smith and Charlie Rosier.

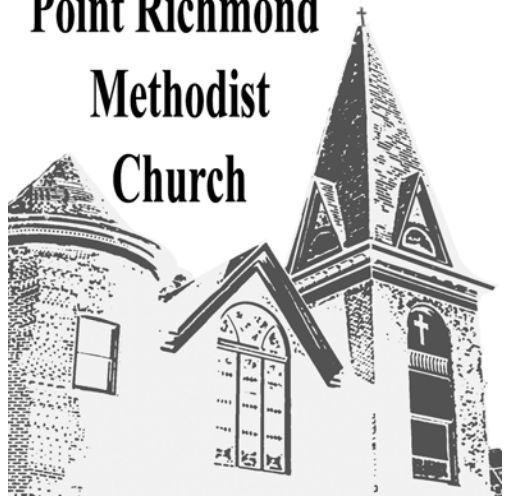
We celebrated Mother's Day and soon Father's Day. For those who still have both, how fortunate you are. For the rest of us, bright memories. For Mother's Day, my grandson gave me a gift card to Starbucks (my first). I told him I would use it the following day. He then said, no that's not what you are supposed to do – you save it until you are broke! Out of the mouth's of babes.

My kindergarten group of friends got together to celebrate the birthday of the first to turn a year older – more to follow. I hold out until the end of the year, so I get to be the youngest longer.

ONE OF THE BEST THINGS TO HOLD
ONTO IN THIS WORLD IS A FRIEND

See you in church.

Point Richmond Methodist Church



By Jean Reynolds

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On April 7, a memorial to celebrate the life of Ross Parmer drew people of all ages, faith traditions and nationalities. Ross was a respected and thoughtful member of our congregation, whose ability to put people at ease made him everyone's favorite. Along with wife Lorraine, Ross offered friendship to foreign scholars at UC Berkeley and was an active supporter of refugee families in the Bay Area. We all were witnesses to his exemplary life of welcome and hospitality.

We rejoiced to acknowledge two enthusiastic new members in April. Sarah Weems officially joined the church on Easter, and shared a poignant story of how she has chosen to live her faith. Her husband Tyrone and daughter Tyra were there to offer extra support that day! Norma Wallace joined on April 15, and told about her faith journey. Norma occasionally plays the organ for Sunday worship, and has made chili for several church events, including the Palm Sunday Feast.

This year's Palm Sunday Feast was a bit less of a production than in years past. No one had a passion to organize the usual "haunch of pork" event, so we decided to make it a more simple meal

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of chili, cornbread, and salad. It was a still a great chance to visit with neighbors and friends: no one went away hungry, and no animals were injured in the process!

Easter proved to be a fairer day than last year, and we were able to worship at 8:00 a.m. in the garden without dodging rain. We shared "Methodist Eggs," sausages, fruit and muffins for breakfast. After Sunday School, Pastor Dan preached beneath the new quilted mandella banner sewn by Diane Frye, with help from Jane Carnall, Carolyn Kirkpatrick, Nancy Compton, and Judy Buhlis. We meant it when we sang Handel's "*Hallelujah!*" Chorus. Younger folks searched for Easter Eggs and goodies in the rose garden after church as organized by the high school youth.

The church had a table at the Point Richmond Stroll on May 17. The Stroll was scheduled for an extra hour, and the weather was remarkably mild. Strollers enjoyed our free cookies and brownies and could enter for a chance to win a pie. Four people were winners!

The Spring Choirs concert on May 20 included some special guests: the Chancel Choir from El Sobrante UMC. Three of our own choirs participated: the Angel Choir, Joyful Noise Choir, and the Men's Quartet. Eileen Johnson, Lavinia Karl, Bethany Reynolds, and Gill Stanfield sang solos. Dan Damon, Arpha MacIntyre and Deborah Shank accompanied. Directors included Eileen Johnson, Dan Damon and Bethany Reynolds. We enjoyed the big sound of the combined choirs, and hearing such a variety of musical styles.

Many members and friends worked together on May 5 for the Junktique sale. Fran Smith, Joanne Cheyne, Mid Dornan, Helen Valentine, Diane Frye and others spent hours unpacking, pricing and organizing items to sell. Helen Valentine made a myriad of scrumptious pies, all sold by the slice. Florence Wilson was again the kitchen maven and the mind behind the minestrone. Norma Wallace reprised her hearty chili. Russ and Kristi Johnson trekked from Martinez to help. Bob and Joanne Cheney brought their extended family, Fran Smith brought a whole crew to move items and sell, Betty Graham, Claudia LeGue, Jim Brooks, Steve Shank,

Gill Stanfield, Betty Dornan, Linda Andrew-Marshall, Juanita Hoffman, Pastor Dan, Lauren McLeod, Bill, Sarah, Liam and Alice Thompson, were all on duty that day. When the Masquers' had their community-wide Yard Sale on Memorial Day, some were on duty again. Norm Reynolds cooked Boy Scout recipe pancake breakfast. Support breakfast kitchen crew was Lauren McLeod, Bethany and Jean Reynolds. Norma Wallace made chili. The lunch team was Judy Buhlis, Juanita Hoffman, Arpha MacIntyre and grandson Jeremy. Some dedicated diners ate both breakfast and lunch with us. Gill Stanfield and Betty Graham staffed the basement and sold treasures. (I'm sure forgot to mention someone: I apologize in advance!)

High school graduates Aaron Marshall, Michael Marshall, and Liam Thompson were guests of honor at a breakfast on June 3, 2007. Aaron and Michael are El Cerrito High graduates, and will attend California Polytechnic Institute in San Luis Obispo in the fall; Liam is a graduate of Salesian High School in Richmond and is bound for UC Davis.

Summer Calendar:

June 17, 2007: Fathers' Day Jazz service, 11:00 a.m. The morning service will be all music and features Pastor Dan Damon on keyboard, Kurt Ribak on bass, Jon Arkin on drums, and Lincoln Adler on saxophone. This is guaranteed to be a treat for your dad or just for you.

August 6 –10: Vacation Bible School, 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. Kids ages three through sixth grade will enjoy the music, art, food, stories, games and activities of this popular summer event. Call Jean Reynolds, (510) 235-2988 to sign up or if you have questions.

Other News: Pastor Dan has another collection of hymns soon to be published! We are sure to have a party to celebrate in the next few months. Keep track of concerts and other activities on the website: <http://www.pointrichmond.com/methodist/>

Point Methodist Church History

Mid Dorman

Church history is rich with contributions of women. One church group in the 1920's was the SOCIAL LEAGUE of the First Methodist Episcopal Church whose history is reflected in their minutes printed below and taken from the canvas covered, red leather cornered notebook which cost \$1.15. The minutes are printed as written. This is the 71st installment.

APRIL 17, 1928

The Social League met in the church parlors. The Ladies Aid Society were present as guests and many others. Meeting was opened by prayer led by Mrs. Schmidt.

A report from Mrs. Scofield showed that \$14.50 were proceeds from the entertainment recently put on for our league. This money was turned over for new roof on church.

A motion made, seconded and carried that \$25 be put in the organ fund. Solos by Mrs. Scofield and Mrs. Griffin were enjoyed.

Delicious sandwiches, pickles and coffee were served by the hostesses Mrs. Osborne and Burdick.

The hostess for next meeting are Mrs. Stender and Grimes. Mrs. Morrison was welcomed as a new member.

Following dues were paid:

Mrs. Long	.60
Mrs. Diller	.60
Mrs. Morrison	.60
Mrs. Scofield	.60
Mrs. Griffin	.60
Mrs. Jenkins, E	.60
Mrs. Ford	.60
Mrs. Glennie	.60
Mrs. Holbrook	1.20
	\$6.00

Apron Mrs. Griffin	1.10
Plate offering	4.00
	\$11.10

Old balance	59.22
New balance	\$70.32
Church Treasurer	10.00
	60.32

Organ fund	25.00
New balance	\$35.32

Luncheon proceeds	20.00
New balance	\$55.32

Sec Mrs. J. J. Meece

Responses from April/May Class Photo

*(0551-sch from Les Hathaway;
restored by Thomas Mercer-Hursh)*

Teacher, **Miss Cagliada**, 1st Grade
 Row 1 Person 2 **Johnny Blankenship**
 Row 2 Person 1 **Judy Boylam**
 Person 2 **Barbara Miller**
 Person 3 **Sandra ?**
 Person 6 **Ellen Lucas**
 Person 7 **Dianne Swartzenfeger**
 Row 3 Person 3 **Peter Fostiak**
 Person 6 **Glenn ?**
 Row 4 Person 4 **Sue Wagner**
 Person 5 **Judy Owens**
 Person 6 **Dora Collard**



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VISITORS TO OUR MUSEUM

Thank you to Margaret Morkowski who coordinates the volunteers who staff the museum. Each year more visitors stop to peruse our books and exhibits and seek information about the Point. We are pleased so many Point residents use our services. This year California visitors came from: Crockett, San Francisco, Pleasanton, Kensington, Rodeo, Pacifica, Polk, Pinole, Burlingame, Sausalito, Kentfield, Sacramento, Temecula, San Rafael, Fairfield, Alameda, Oakland, Rohnert Park, San Anselmo, Richmond, Greenbrae, Berkeley, Dixon, Concord, El Sobrante, Vallejo, Pasadena, San Jose, Brooks Island, Montclair, Benecia, Millbrae, Redwood City, Novato, Merced, Napa, Albany, Petaluma, Orange, San Pablo, El Cerrito, Davis, and Los Angeles.

Other states represented are North Carolina, Wyoming, New York, Colorado, Washington, New Hampshire. From Canada there is Quebec; Halifax, Nova Scotia and Hamilton, Ontario. And also one from Germany.



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MORE A-MID TRIVIA

old Santa Fe right of way that was abandoned around the 1970s. The regional trail cuts through the oldest neighborhoods and links the SF Bay Trail at the west end with the Ohlone Greenway on the east end and extends through El Cerrito, Albany into Berkeley. At the 16th street corridor you will find benches and newly planted trees and flowers. Phase II, which will run from 23rd Street to San Pablo, is due for Fall construction.

The average credit card debt per household as of December 31, 1990 was \$2,966. The average credit card debt per household as of January 1, 2006 was \$9,159.

First class postage went to 41¢ as of May 14. However, the post office offers a "forever" stamp that carries an image of the Liberty bell, sells for 41 cents and will remain valid for first-class postage regardless of future rate increases. And, they are expected to remain on sale, well, forever.

Other rate changes include small non-profit newsletter from 28.3 cents to presorted, 32.4 cents! Ouch!

CONGRATULATIONS!

S. Sanders who won our Point Richmond History Ornament at the Annual Point Richmond Chamber of Commerce Stroll.

Terry Wynne and daughter Kylie will return in early June after vacationing in Paris and parts of Italy.

Members of the Point Methodist Church thank all those who supported the Junktique Sale which is their annual budget fund raiser.

Incidentally, if you missed the Richmond Museum's TEPCO pottery exhibition, you can check out the dishes at the historic Methodist Church which are Tepco and from the former El Cerrito firm - a few (!) years ago!

ANSWER: Derived from four Latin words, meaning "the act of spreading worthless trivia". Could this column be guilty??

WWIC ACTIVITIES

Norma Wallace
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The Women's Westside Improvement Club Meets at the Point Richmond Methodist Church.

The Women's Westside Improvement Club meets at the Point Richmond United Methodist Church at 11:30 pm.

WWIC met on our regular first Tuesday of the month, April 3, 2007. The room was decorated in appropriately festive Easter-themed colors with plastic and chocolate eggs scattered around the tables.

We enjoyed our brown bag lunches together, followed by dessert provided by the hostesses. Observing that the assembled group was the largest seen in recent times, President **Margaret Morkowski** then introduced **Anita Christiansen's** son and guest speaker **Steven Christiansen** who spoke at length and in detail on assisted living and homecare options.

Steven emphasized that safety is the bottom line in making decisions about healthcare, and pointed out that safety issues include potential trip hazards, falls and wandering away. **Steven** fielded many questions from members, and cautioned us, "your body never really keeps up with what your mind thinks you can do." A good reminder for ALL ages. It's important to realize what services area available, from food assistance such as Meals on Wheels, to transit such as County Link to Life Alert services (or similar). **Steven** directed us to medicare.gov to obtain a checklist of issues related to choosing an institutional care facility.

Following Steven's presentation, **Margaret** opened the business meeting and welcomed guests **Janie Nutt, Ollie Cordray and Sonja Malaga.**

Margaret offered special thanks to hostesses **Marion Kent, Alyce Williamson and Dorothy Hernandez.** General announcements included: May 19-20, Sunset Magazine Gardens 10th Annual open house in Menlo Park; May 5-6, Bringing Back the Natives in local gardens throughout the East Bay; input to Richmond's General Plan April 4 at the Hilltop Community Room and April 12 at St. Mark's Church (en espanol); First United Methodist Church's Junktique fundraiser on May 5, including

luncheon of chili (made by WWIC member Norma Wallace), minestrone and pie; REACT hands-on training on April 19.

Susan Brooks, Club Secretary, read the March 6, 2007 minutes. Treasurer **Sonja Darling** updated us on financial matters. The quiche lunch fundraiser made \$150 after expenses, leaving a fund balance of \$1,100.

Margaret introduced old business including Blake Garden in Kensington, part of UC Berkeley, as the location for the year's annual field trip. Members will be called to organize the trip on about a date in May or June. Reminding guests and new members that WWIC is the oldest continuously active women's service group in California, **Margaret** updated us on Centennial Committee activities to date. These include a kick-off planning meeting at member **Lori Nova's** Nova Studio scheduled for April 17.

Library directory **Monique leConge** accepted our invitation to speak at our May meeting, and **Sallie deWitt** may present the Town Center Committee's proposal and answer questions. It is rumored/reported that there is an available budget of \$100,000 to fix our Westside Branch library and community room, with a potential opening date of late summer.

Margaret announced birthday celebrations in honor of March birthday ladies **Carol Paasch, Avis Blanchette, Marilyn Brite,** and April birthday celebrants **Anna Schwartz, Rosemary Corbin, Sheila Fostiak, Anita Christiansen, Connie Lompa,** and **Gilda Markarian** with much applause offered for all. **Altha Humphrey** invited all the ladies to this month's Knit Circle Thursday evening, 7-9pm at her place in Brickyard Cove. This wonderful, warm group knows how to enjoy the evening! **Anna Schwarz celebrated her 95th Birthday on April 1st.** **Anna** was not able to join our luncheon as she was spending the day in Napa. Many of the "younger" set look forward to retirement years not half so energetic as **Anna's!**

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WWIC met on the second Tuesday of the month, May 8, 2007. Hostesses for the day were **Liz MacDonald, Anita Christiansen, Mary Highfill and Dorothy Hernandez.**

Margaret introduced guest speaker **Alice Encinas-Duvernell.** New to the U.S., relocated from Mill Valley she is the newest WWIC member. **Alice** comes from France where she studied and became a highly-skilled gilder. (She also joins WWIC members **Alice Zeier and Alyce Williamson!**)

Alice talked in some detail about the fascinating work of gilding restoration and gilding polychromes. We learned some basics, that gilding is actually beaten gold leaf beaten, which in turn is extremely delicate and requires gentle handling. **Alice** sought and learned this ancient craft from a master gilder in France. **Alice** describes gilding as giving light to objects. We enjoyed looking closely at color photographs of her work featuring an entire room she gilded in the **Palace at Versailles.**

In addition to talking about her work, **Alice** shared her personal observations about the warmth of the Point Richmond community and the open, friendly nature of the WWIC ladies in particular, and her overall enthusiasm for joining our community. **Alice** and her photo albums with examples of her glass work will be at the Stroll adjacent to **Pam deWitt's** DeWitt Gallery and Framing. **Alice** may team up with **Lori Nova** to offer classes; keep an eye out for this gracious and skilled addition to the Point Richmond community! In addition, **Alice's** husband, **Noah,** is a skilled craftsman and is available to help with home improvements. **Alice** and her husband are expecting their first baby in September.

Connie Lompa was successful in having the City of Richmond fix the water at the Indian Statue Triangle so the rose garden planted by her WWIC committee may be watered more easily. The committee is working on improving the situation under the pine tree, with plans to remove the yellow 'daisy' bush, and plant something which will thrive in the acidic environment under the tree. The WWIC Centennial Committee kick-off meeting

included 11 ladies who each signed up for 2-3 committees. Choices include: Teacup (souvenirs), Cookbook, Exhibits and Outreach, Tours and Shows, History, Publications and Publicity. See **Altha** to sign up. Thanks to **Lori Nova** for hosting the meeting at The Nova Studio. The members of the various committees now equal 18.

The History committee has divided up the various books of minutes from previous meetings since July of 1908 and will be preparing a historic publication on the Club. The History committee will soon be going through the 3 suitcases of press clips and other artifacts. These suitcases have been stored in **Betty Dornan's** very dry basement and everyone is quite curious to see what's inside. The Exhibits/ Outreach committee, chaired by **Margaret,** will be working closely with the History Committee to gather artifacts and pictures for displays at the Point Richmond History Association Museum, The Stroll, the Point Richmond Music Concert Series, Point businesses and the Richmond Museum of History. Members would also like give classroom presentations at Washington School.

The next meeting of the full committee is scheduled for Tuesday, May 15, from 1-2:30pm at The Nova Studio. July 7, 1908 was the first meeting of the WWIC and our overall discussions emphasized that planning occurring this year is preparing us for a activities throughout the 2008 calendar year.

Margaret thanked **Marian Kent** and **Alice Zeier** for co-chairing the nomination committee (again) this year. They did an excellent job canvassing the membership for nominees. **Marian** conducted the election, which voted in the proposed slate unanimously. The officers for the 2007-2008 year will remain the same as the 2006-2007 year.

On to new business, May birthday celebrants include: **Lynn Clifford, Norma Wallace, Marge Miller, Catherine Burchell, Lauren McLeod and Linda Duste.** June birthdays include **Dulcie Johnson, Lori Nova, Judy Kafka and Jane Diokas.**

The last WWIC meeting for the year is schedule for Tuesday, June 5, our annual Salad Pot-luck and Hat Day. Have a great summer.

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ARCHIVE PHOTO GALLERY

Historical Photo Restorations by Thomas Mercer-Hursh, Ph.D.



*Left: Original
Point Richmond
school 1901 (0211-
DC from Don Church)*

*Below: First
Winehaven
School (0262-CD)*



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Above Post 1903 Point Richmond Public School (0124-DC from Don Church)

Below: Old Washington School (0123-DC from Don Church)



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RING AROUND THE MOON

at the Masquers

A review by Theresa de Valencé, TdeV@bstw.com

Need a laugh or two? There are lots of reasons to go to the theatre—it gets you out of the house, gets you talking to other humans about something non-work-related—but the biggest benefit comes when the play is a hoot, the actors are having a blast, and the whole experience is, well, uplifting and downright silly.

Ring Around the Moon, directed by **John Hull**, is Christopher Fry's adaptation of a French play by Jean Anouilh which takes place in a garden in the grounds of a château in France circa 1912. The set is deceptively simple—the actors do fabulous things with a fake rock and a ladder. **Kris Bell** choreographs a tango. For this dance alone, see the play!

Hugo and Frederic (played by **Cin Seperi**) are twin brothers with very different personalities. At

first, I felt the brothers should look more dissimilar on stage (maybe a fast jacket-change or a bandana) and then, shortly, I knew that the directors and costumers were right. Without any props whatsoever, I had no trouble at all recognizing each brother. A nice piece of sleight of hand and Cin makes it look effortless.

I know I always tell you about falling in love with the leading man, but this time it's different, I swear. Cin Seperi is deadly. Oh, stomp on my heart. He has to be seen to be believed.

Diana (played by **Jillian O'Malior**) is engaged to one brother and in love with someone else. She is a gorgeous, young lady—also exceedingly rich and bored. She drips droll contempt for lesser beings but reveals a number of hidden secrets, one of which is that she hides a surprisingly catty temper. And she manipulates her father (the source of her wealth) into exacting all kinds of revenge. A refreshingly high-spirited young lady!

Isabelle (played by **Karina Campbell**) is a beautiful young lady dancer with plenty of attitude (*Meow, pass the cream!*). She has been brought to the château as part of a devious ploy by Hugo to

Cin Seperi (centre) plays twin brothers with opposite personalities, one of whom has a diabolical plan to separate his brother from a conniving fiancée. Of course the women, Isabelle (Karina Campbell), left, and Diana (Jillian O'Malior), thoroughly complicate the plan. Photo by Jerry Telfer.



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save his brother, Frederic, from a fate worse than death. Isabelle, being poor, is naturally virtuous, although her pride gets in danger of mucking things up. Isabelle is lovely and tragic and terribly earnest.

Joshua (played by **Norman Macleod**) is a funny old manservant, quite unflappable, despite severe provocation. He is priceless and there is no question that this deadpan rôle is one which Norman plays exceedingly well.

Lady India (played by **Anne Collins**) is tied for my vote for Actress Most Enjoying Herself. Lady India is a young woman with a passion for Passion. As such, she's a mistress to one man and a plaything for another, though possibly still available for someone who's willing to give her a thrill. A silly woman, it's obvious Anne is having great fun playing her.

Patrice Bombelles (played by **Ted V. Bigornia**) is the secretary to the rich Messerschmann and wins my vote for Actor Most Enjoying Himself. He is both obsequious and daring—he's having a love affair with the wrong person—and his onstage antics add plenty of mayhem to the mix.

Madame Desmormortes (played by **Loralee Windsor**) is a meddlesome old woman. Having seen Lorelee in two recent performances as a not-quite-so-innocent interfering grande dame, I must say she does this rôle with great panache. She is so blessedly autocratic and unconcerned with anyone's reaction to her the words which she speaks.

Capulet (played by **Sandra Bond**) is the long-suffering and well-abused companion of the grande dame, but (one is certain) has romance novels piled up by her bed. With plenty of drama, she flutters and gushes. She appears to believe all kinds of silly nonsense, but (one is certain) we know that hers is but a single, solitary bed and so it shall remain.

Romainville is played by **C. Conrad Cady** and **Robert Taylor**. I was looking forward to seeing Conrad because he is a superb actor, but he wasn't playing. I did get to see the handsome Robert Taylor as a perfectly coiffed, well dressed, smooth talking, well oiled patron of the arts.

Messerschmann (played by **David L. Lee**) is a rich old man with encumbrances. How he deals with those encumbrances is entertaining indeed, and



you'll have to see the play to find out. I was surprised by David's performance—I'd come to see a lighthearted play and was watching the comedy unfold—when, into the middle of it, David transformed the environs into something shockingly tragic—we drowned in anguish—and a moment later, the picture vanished and we laughed, perhaps a little louder because the terrible truth was immediately buried. Magnificent!

Isabelle's mother (played by **Dory Ehrlich**) is my other vote for Actress Most Enjoying Herself. She has outrageous costumes and memorable headgear which accentuate her antics. Isabelle and her mother get themselves invited to the ball at the château where the mother is supposed to lay low, but naturally, can't resist a little (sensible) meddling.

Footmen flit across the stage, played by **Simon Patton, Heinz Lankford** and **John Hull**.

As expected in a romantic comedy, the women vie for the hearts of the men while the men woo the women, and there is the usual difficulty that everyone is in love with the wrong person. What comes through in this performance is how much fun they are having—all of them—and we, the audience, get to join in.

Masquers Theatre
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William L. Thompson, M.D.

More Memories of Old Point

Richmond-East Richmond Avenue



Dr. Thompson was born in Point Richmond on February 17, 1909. He grew up in the Point, attended Washington Elementary School and graduated from Richmond High School in 1926, attended U.C. Berkeley and in 1929 at the age of 20 was admitted to the UCSF Medical School. He completed his medical school in 1933 and interned at Highland Hospital before joining the Civilian Conservation Corp. as a contract surgeon for the Army. Dr. Thompson practiced medicine for 39 years in Richmond, we are lucky to be the recipient of his written memories of his life in Point Richmond. This is a reprint of his gift to all of us. We will reprint his entire series. Thank you Dr. Thompson!

Part Three (Conclusion)

Near the end of the regular residential area along Richmond Avenue was a large two story brick building which was originally occupied by Clarence Allen who at one time was manager of the Bank of Richmond in Point Richmond. Many others have occupied this residence since then, among them was Jim and Inga Morrison.

Across from the Allen home and just past the Washington School was an old swamp area that had been filled in. During the war the government constructed a housing project here. This was a group of rather nice one story buildings not unlike the earlier built at Atchison Village. Both these projects were much superior to the later two story apartments. If I remember correctly this was called Esmeralda Village and was torn down at the end of the war. It should have retained as Atchison Village was.

Past this area on the right is the ugly quarried hillside that was excavated to provide fill for the extension of the Standard Oil Company. Just past this in old times, there had been an old dwelling with a tree filled yard. I recall this as being the residence of the Actis family but I believe that another family had resided there before. Charles Actis was a classmate of mine in the old

Washington School. He later became a professional boxer. Pete was the younger of the two Actis boys and he had been a classmate of my brother.

I recall, as a small child, looking down on this dwelling from a trail high on the hill above and watching the original inhabitants of this house making wine in their back yard. They had a long shallow vat and crushed the grapes by treading and stamping on them with their bare feet. This old residence originally stood on the site where the Richmond sewage disposal plant now stands.

Across Richmond Avenue from the Actis home there had been originally a great salt marsh. This was mostly mud flats and reeds but a channel of the bay extended down along the Cutting Boulevard side of this marsh and then curved around to form an arm that extended up along the Richmond Avenue side of the swamp. This was inhabited by curlews and other shore birds and on occasion we saw the fins of sharks and sting rays in the water. Also it was a source of clams which were dug primarily for fish bait. Along this water, in the only house on its shore, resided the Cizmich family. The house was right on the water and I think it extended somewhat over the water. Pete Cizmich entered the first grade with me in 1915. I understand that some of the family still reside in the area.

Well beyond this site and past the area of a

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large warehouse there is a place on the point of land where a road turns up a ridge to the crest of the hills. This road was constructed during the war to maintain and service military installations on the ridge. My father told me that near the origin of this road there was the home of the elder Henry Aine the father of the Harry Aine the carpenter and later engineer at the Standard Oil Company. I never have been able to find evidences of the old building there. Around this point there was a little cove which contained and almost concealed a little residence. This was the last home in this area and I think that the residents name was Schmidt. The

only spring in the area was at this point and I believe that this was the reason for the location of the dwelling. I suspect that the Indians had used this water and I believe that there may have been an old shell mound here. Beyond this point at present the entire original ridge of the hill have been leveled to make the side of Shipyard #4 during the war. Dirt from this excavation filled in the marshes where now there are industrial sites. During the war a few housing units were placed here. Among them were apartments for unmarried women. Because of this we occasionally found the body of a new born child deposited in the brush behind.

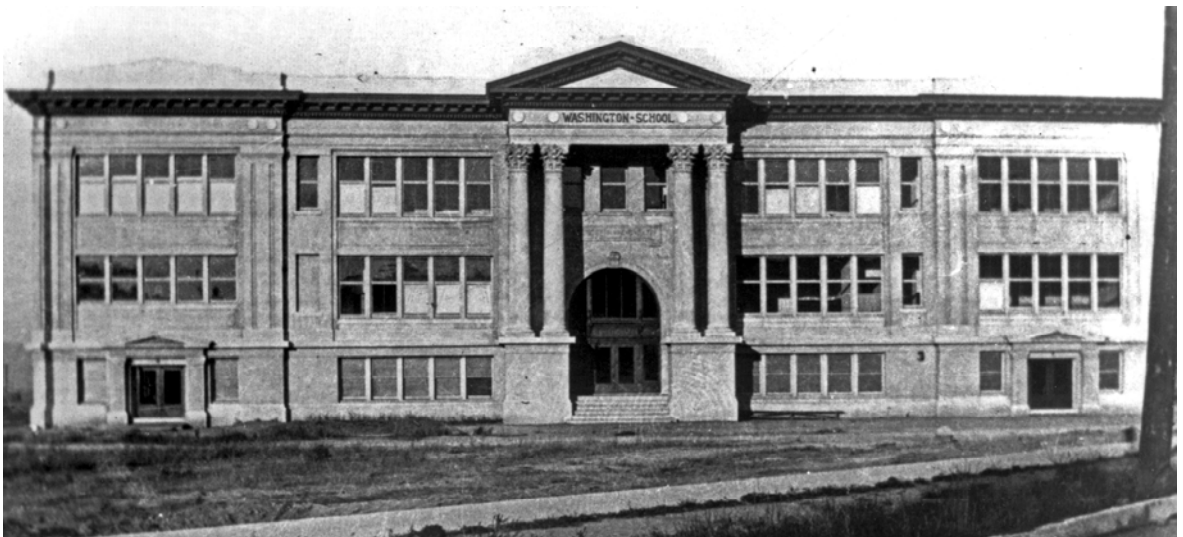
Dr. Thompson's Son in law Gab Togner wrote a touching eulogy to Dr. Thompson at his memorial in 1998, you can read it at <http://www.alkos.com/prha/thompson.html>.

GREEN CLEAN SHOPPING LIST

From Mid

- Toothpaste to remove lipstick stains
- Vinegar to clean toilet bowl
- Boric acid or borax to get rid of ants
- Cedar or lavender for a natural moth repellent

Old Washington School (0125-DC from Don Church)



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WORLD WAR II PORK CHOPS

This article is in response to a request on the Food Page of the West County Times for food stories of World War II. I thought it might be interesting to readers of TPIT

Pat Bill Pearson

It was January of 1943 in the middle of World War II that my brother, Herb Bill, walked across the stage at Richmond Union High School to receive his diploma. His and most of the boys in the class, next walked to the recruitment center to join a branch of the service. Herb chose the Navy.

We were delighted when my brother was transferred to Tanforan as he came home almost every weekend and sometimes in the middle of the week, hitchhiking from San Bruno. He usually had at least one friend with him. My mother saved her meat ration stamps so she could have a good meal for my brother and his friends and traded sugar stamps for coffee stamps with my aunt so she could have pie or cake for the boys.

Sometimes my brother brought more friends than expected for dinner. On those days my mother sent me out the back door and up the hill to the house next door where my grandmother, aunt and uncle lived. They gave me the meat they had prepared for their supper and my mother worked it into the meal for the boys and had enough for all.

One day my mother saved enough stamps to buy pork chops for the boys. This was a real treat. When my brother showed up he had four friends with him instead of the usual two friends she had expected. We knew my grandmother was not having pork chops, so we did not know what to do as she did not want to cut the chops in half. My mother had already decided to bread the chops so she came up with a great idea. She sliced two extra thick pieces of bread from the loaf, took one of the pork chops for a pattern and cut out two chops from the bread. She breaded the bread just as she did the chops, baked them with the real chops and put them on the platter. She was very careful to make sure she and I were served the breaded bread. We proceeded to put applesauce on our chops and enjoyed our meal with the boys. My brother never knew about the chops until he and his friends all returned from Hollandia, New Guinea. It has been a favorite family story for all these years.

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100 Year Club

Ruth Wood Mullen - January 8,
1907

*Age is mind over matter. If you
don't mind, it don't matter.*

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Welcome to Mechanics Bank!

The 102-year-old MECHANICS BANK will move its Point Richmond Branch from 1001 West Cutting when it leases the restored Trainmaster's Building located on the east side of the railroad tracks near the entrance to Point Richmond. Restoration of the building interior is expected to be completed by September. The histories of the Mechanics Bank and the Trainmaster Building are intertwined. E.M. Downer, the bank's founder who was also a railroad transfer agent early in his career, formed the bank in the same year the building was erected. One of the bank's major corporate customers was the Santa Fe Railroad, which built the building and used it as one of its "Reading Rooms." The building eventually became the home of the local Richmond Trainmaster, and at one point in its history was used as a school.

The building was targeted for demolition after being empty for two decades. Those of us in the supportive audience at a City Council meeting when preservationist Councilman Tom Butt was addressing the council to preserve the building recall one council member (still on the council!) scoffing at the idea of saving this old building calling it, "just an OLD historic building!"

The lease arrangements call for the Mechanics Bank to pay rent to the Point Richmond Gateway Foundation. The rent will go toward the maintenance and upkeep for the planned one-third-acre Gateway Park in front of the building and to other community needs.



CORRECTION FROM PAGE 18 OF THE LAST ISSUE:

It was "U" Sonoda, the Shoemaker, not "D". My apologies to Rey.

Mid Dornan

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PRHA 26th Annual Meeting Report

by Pat Pearson

The 26th annual Point Richmond History Association meeting and the 8th meeting dedicated to Point Richmond "Kids" was held on Sunday May 20th, 2007 at Our Lady of Mercy Church. The invitation asked that attendees bring items for "show and tell". So many brought class pictures while others brought old pictures of downtown Point Richmond. The pictures were displayed and everyone enjoyed talking about their schooldays.

Rodney Kendrick, Paul Ciabittari, and Sidney Clutts, "Point Richmond Kids" arrived at the meeting riding their Harleys. They attended Washington School in the 1950's and 60's. We were glad to see the younger generation attending the meeting.

Pat Pearson said the first historical plaque for an individual home was now installed at "The Frosini House" at 411 Contra Costa Street (ed: this is Pat



Above: Attendees Liz McDonald and Anita Christiansen

Below: Group photo of folks that were born in Point Richmond



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President Mid Dornan addressing the gathering of "Kids"

MdKinley, Gary Shows, Jerry Cerkanowicz, Regina Cunan Girard, Betty P (Saratoga), Luciano Forner, Kathe Kiehn and Pam Wilson.

After the meeting was adjourned, everyone enjoyed the refreshments and the opportunity to continue visiting with each other.

Pearson's home now).

Don Bastin, Director of the Richmond Museum of History, presented a slide show of early Richmond and San Pablo. He had interesting old school and event pictures and members of the audience recognized some of their relatives.

George (LeRoy) Williams MC'd the "Kid" portion of the program with people sharing some of their memories. "Kids" born in Pt. Richmond were organized for an official photo. Attending (those that signed the book) were: George Williams, Royce Ong, Margaret Morkowski, Bruce and Ann Bartram, Pat Pearson, Mid Dornan, Betty Dornan, Thomas Kenny, Julio Carrera (Sacramento), June

Solosabal (Martinez), William Smith, Bonnie Jo Cullison, Janis Henry, Bernadette Bisio, Viola Kennedy, Allyce Williamson, Richard Smith Nina Williamson, Sonja Darling, Anita Christiansen, Elizabeth McDonald, Fred Beesley, Wilson Gandola, Linda Newton, Denny Amantite, Al and Helene Frosini, Don & Diane Frosini Diani, Brenda

Below: Al Frosini always enjoys our meetings and everyone always enjoys Al



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CARDS, LETTERS & E-MAIL

Dear Pam,

I'm just a kid at heart, my childhood centered at the Point. My eyes bugged out at the recent article entitled "Golden State Model Railroad Museum" in the April-May newsletter. It must be more than heartwarming to view this spectacle in a 10,000 square foot display room!

One of these days I hope to make it down to my most cherished spot on the earth to see it and also to visit again the SS Red Oak Victory ship and swim in the Natatorium. It is so nostalgic.

Sincerely,
Betty Glass Marshall
Oregon



Dear Mid,

Thanks for reminder about renewal. Enclosed is my check.

I was pleased to read the article about Shoemaker D. Sonoda. When my family lived at 14 Tunnel Avenue, our backyards and the Sonoda backyards were joined on a 90-degree angle and my brother Alfred and Jean Sonoda used to play together. I will write a bit about that time and send it on in next few weeks.

I remember when Mrs. Sonoda was pregnant with Rey. It's nice to hear of both Rey and Jean.

Yours truly,
Delphina (Hazel Franco Tawney)



Dear Mid and Pam,

I never tire of "THIS POINT.....in time". I hope you can sustain it the long run.

In the last issue the array of photos was terrific. One can also see when the Hotel Mac went

in, as well as the movie theater and Chinese restaurant.

Somewhere I have a similar 1949 Washington School photo when I was in the 4th grade, Mrs. Spini's class that included Charlene Brown, my best friend. My father, Ed Sweating, built our house in 1941. My husband and I have lived there since 1974. I had returned from Washington D.C. to begin medical school at UCSF. My husband (a transplant from NYC) moved here with me. He was an attorney for many years in SF and later became legal secretary to Gray Davis until Davis left office. He is now a Superior Court Judge in Contra Costa County.

My mother, Mary Lou Sweeting, ran for local school board in 1946 but lost. We moved to Pasadena in 1951 due to my father's job as an architect. I had decided to attend UC Berkeley when I was 7, and that is just what I did.

I will at some point dredge up the old Washington School photo. I also could, at some point, provide a short piece on my child's eye version of particular memories of school, friends, the blackouts of WWII, block wardens, ice boxes (preceded refrigerators), being in Nystrom School nursery class when President Roosevelt died, swimming in the Bay, when Lucretia and Tom Edwards first moved here.

Again thanks for the Point Newsletter,

Erica Goode
Point Richmond

Erica, Thanks for the letter and I would love to help you to share these memories with our readers.

Gary



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BIRTHDAYS

June

Alissa Bagley	Zachary Crowson	Maurice Doherty	Stacy Spinola
William Shea	Rosemary Giacomelli	Gerry Higuera	Gill Stanford
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Anita Brougham	Daniel Buhler	Lillian Karl	Rosemary Giacomelli
Andrew Butt	Thomas Kenny	Steve Wyrick	Judy Travis
Joanne Lansing	Dave Macdiarmid, Jr.	Suzanne Unser	Lee Christianson
Cathe Brazil	Rose Bozzo	Dianne Primaver	Lilian Karl
John H. Knox	Marcellina Smith	Aaron Marshall	June Solosbal
Alice Baxter	Judy Travis	Michael Marshall	Phyllis Bogue

July

Frances Smith	Roger Elle	Ann Bisio	Dixie L. Mello
Amy Rotting	Madison Bradshaw	Madeline Bellando	Frank Mattuecci
Deborah Stearns	Hilary Lord	Albright	Isabella Ultsch
Ed Squires	Alice McMahon	Jon Healy	Richard M. Smith
Julius Mattuecci	Liz Garrard	Alyce Williamson	Roger Elle
Mary L. Knox	Lou MacMillan	Golda Pettycord Howard	Jean Reynolds
Doreen Minkwitz	Jean Reynolds	Stella Anellini	Frank Mattuecci
Allen Anderson	Loretta 'Mertle' Lease	Giovannini	
Deirdre Cerkanowicz	Regan Bradshaw	Martha Bielawski	

August

Oretta Eaton	Alice Thompson	Bonnie Ritzenhaler	Patti Kowalski
Mid Dornan	Reva Ward	Wilson	Eunice Ruth Hursh
Donna Wilson	Zoanna Kille	R. Clayton Barnes	Linda Smith Delatorre
Joe Darling	Karla Peterson	Tony Bernabich	Marlene Smith
Nicholas Ultsch	Alia Smyke	Thelma Hecker Harvey	Kent Kitchingman
Nikki Eaton	Terrence Doherty	Jim Healy	Molly Kathleen Barnes
Bernie Bisio	Lisa Smith	Michael Shaw	Sarah Thompson
Connee Fisher	Kelly Von York	Roy Henry Gover	Beatrice Beesley Casey
Barbara Ward	Dean Beesley	Jerome Vloebergh	Mary Knox

CALENDAR

GOLDEN STATE MODEL RAILROAD MUSEUM AND EAST BAY MODEL ENGINEERS SOCIETY

900 Dornan Drive, Miller/Knox Regional Park. Interested in Museum Membership? Museum is open to the public Saturdays and Sundays and July 4th and Labor Day noon to 5 pm. 510-234-4884.

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To update or add your organization or event to our calendar, please contact Gary Shows, 510-235-1336, or email him, gary@alkos.com, or send your request to 229 Golden Gate Avenue, Point Richmond, CA 94801

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