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From the President

By Mid Dornan

At the Annual Membership Meeting of the Point Richmond History Association, those attending had the opportunity to see the report on the progress of our "This Point in Time Placard" project. The visual presentation was by Mary Simmons, former Washington student and daughter of Patricia Pearson, chairperson of the project who also is a past student whose mother was a PTA President. Research is ongoing for each historical building in the downtown triangle.

A certificate congratulating Washington School on its Centennial was presented to the Principal Lisa Levy. The history of Washington School was given and many of those attending provided stories and added history. Class picture displays dated back to 1913. The school is continuing to add photos and welcome any history you would like to share along with photos. As they celebrate all year, all former students are asked to submit a story of their life after leaving Washington School. You can be the Mentor for those today. What school did you then attend? did you graduate? did you continue your education? did you find a job? what has happened? married? children? jobs? A current photo and one from school age would be nice. If you don't have a class photo, we may.

The Point Richmond History Board was re-elected for the 2012-2013 year as well as those appointed accepting their positions. Editor Gary Shows was acknowledged as the key in the continued success in this all volunteer organization founded in 1981 by Donna Roselius

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*Washington
School
Principal
Lisa Levy
accepting
award*



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Sonja Darling
Margaret Morkowski
Dee Rosier

The Cover:

Folks on the deck of the SS Red Oak Victory say goodbye to battleship USS Iowa as it leaves for its new permanent home in Southern California. See page 26 for more pictures of the event.

Photo by Gary Shows

Editor's Notes

Gary Shows (510-235-1336)

Happy Summer Time!

First of all, I regret having to report that Thomas Mercer-Hursh and Theresa de Valence have moved to the Mid West and will no longer be contributing to TPIT. They are both talented and I will miss their contributions. Thomas leaves us with hundreds of expertly enhanced versions of our archived photographs, we will always be grateful for his work on our photo collection. We will miss Theresa's exquisite Masquer's reviews. Anyone out there who thinks they can fill her shoes, please contact me.

I look forward to slowly reading a new book on the fight that took place here in 1910. *The Nelson-Wolgast Fight and the San Francisco Boxing Scene, 1900-1914* was given to me by the author Arne K. Lang who used one of our archive pictures in the book. Seems that most Point Richmonders are surprised to here about this fight that drew an audience of over 15,000 to an arena built in the vicinity of Garrard and the 1580 freeway. See page 12 to learn more about the book. I have already read some parts of the book that I will share in the next issue. If you can't wait, it is now for sale at bookstores and online.

Well, enjoy the summer, next issue September.

Thanks for stapling, folding and mailing:

Mid Dornan

Margaret Morkowski

Pat Pearson

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Gary Shows

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A-Mid Trivia

Mid Dornan (510-234-5334)

Q: When did the Mechanics Bank come to Point Richmond?

ANSWER at end of Trivia

It's a BOY, for Megan Bleckinger, Point Richmond Neighborhood Council VP, born on Saturday, April 14, 2012, 8 pounds and 21 inches. Daddy David showed him off prior to the council meeting in May.

Point Richmond Neighborhood Council is accepting donations, in memory of Peter Minkwitz, to fund the bay side Ferry Point Tunnel Mural. Send to P.O. Box 70386, Point Richmond, Ca. 94807.

When the U.S.S. IOWA, sailed under the Golden Gate Bridge, the true size of this monster, three-football-fields sized ship matched the length of the Bridge!

The sight of the tugboats helping the huge USS IOWA glide effortlessly in the calm, blue, Bay waters was incongruent to its war time history. It arrived in Los Angeles within two days where it will serve as a World War II museum.

SPOTTED at the Masquer's Memorial Day Garage Sale at West Richmond and Tunnel. A Charlie Brown type LEMONADE Stand with 2 adorable very young girls. Who could resist?

Our Treasurer, Sonja Darling, is in the hospital in Santa Clara waiting for a Mechanical Heart at Stanford. Wishing her home soon and a walk in the park!

Pam Wilson, former Washington School student, is proud of her niece, Jeanette Martinez,

for winning first place in the Fifth Grade Junior Fire Prevention Program at Washington School.

Bill Vallinero's expert advice on the value of selected donated articles to the recent Methodist Church Junktique Sale was truly missed. The 'Incurable Collector' has been too ill to leave his home but is missed by so many.

Point and neighboring residents eagerly await the Wednesday Farmer's Market in downtown Point Richmond.

Mosquitoes are attracted to the color blue twice as much as any other color.

Karen Kittle's Mother's Day gift from her daughter in Madrid was a baby girl, born at 6 a.m. and weighing 8 lb., 8 oz. Baby Vera's parents are Marissa Garcia Lopez and Juanma Garcia. Grandma and Grandpa Steven and Uncle Jesse are eager to meet the new granddaughter and niece so will be in Madrid in June.

The most popular names for children in 1880 were John and Mary. Today they are Jason and Sophia. (per Social Security Department)

The can opener was invented 48 years after the can.

Until the 1960s men with long hair weren't allowed to enter Disneyland.

Hannah Frye, daughter of Diane and Fred Frye and a high school senior at Dominican in San Anselmo has designed an internship with the American Veterans Foundation to be in Hanoi, Vietnam this summer.

Did your vote (you did vote!) count as an

‘educated’ vote OR was it influenced by TV or newspaper ads?

Among the 10 Super Foods for better health is Watermelon. It is a heavy weight in the nutrient department as a standard serving has 1/3 of a days vitamin A & C, a nice shot of Potassium and a healthy dose of Lycopene for only 80 fat free calories.

Les and Sandi Hathaway came from Jackson for a nostalgic day in the Point and to visit the new and old since he left. His trip took him through the Point Richmond hills remembering where each student lived and the places they played games. The new Washington School, the downtown business triangle, and housing at Brickyard Cove were changes. But it was the memories of the tantalizing smell of hamburgers as he exited the Natatorium that drove him into the American Hamburger to relive another memory.

June Cullison, Lake Oswego, Oregon spent two weeks visiting her daughter, Bonnie Jo, and enjoying local interests.

Mark your calendars for the second Friday each month this summer for the popular, free, Point Richmond Summer Concerts at Park Place and Washington Avenue. This all-volunteer, nonprofit organization works hard to present diverse musicians. And, it is FUN for the ENTIRE FAMILY. June 8, first concert.

If you are interested in presenting input for the proposed Richmond Ferry you are urged to attend a meeting with the San Francisco Bay Water Emergency Authority on Thursday, June 21 - 4:30 p.m. OR 6:30 p.m. at the Marina Bay Yacht Harbor, Harbormasters Room, 1340 Marina Way South, Richmond.

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL BUSINESSES
(and save gas too!)

ANSWER: The Mechanic’s Bank opened an office in Point Richmond in June 1990. While there previously had been a Bank in the Point, this was the first commercial bank in modern history to move into that area.



MUSEUM VISITORS

A record number of visitors from Richmond and Point Richmond have visited our museum this past year.

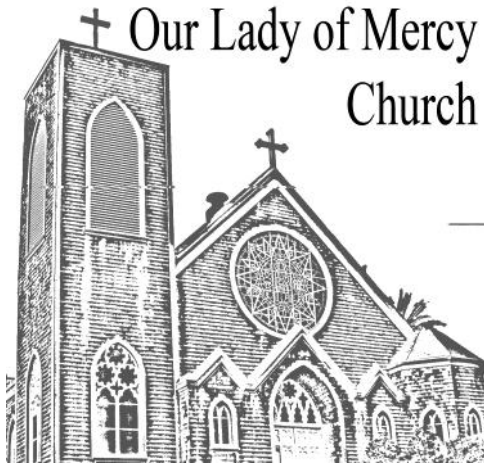
We welcomed classes from Washington School.

Our Volunteer docents make our Museum information available to world wide visitors. This past year those signing our museum register included visitors from Quito, Ecuador; Algeria;

Crossville, Tennessee; St. Paul, Minnesota; West Boylston, Massachusetts; Beaverton, Oregon . California guests were from Oakland, Concord, Calestoga, Tiberon, Benecia, Santa Barbara, Patterson, Santa Rosa, El Cerrito, El Sobrante, Berkeley, Walnut Creek, San Rafael, Novato, Palo Alto, Sausalito, Elk Grove, Forestville, and San Pablo.

Mid

Church News



By Dee Rosier
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Entering the month of June places us half way into the year 2012 – where did the time go!

The month of June is also known for its June brides, as well as graduations, both new beginnings.

Another bit of trivia is that Memorial Day was once Declaration Day.

Easter is now in the past, but what a memorable Easter Sunday service. The church overflowed causing standing room only. It brought back memories of many years past when folding chairs were placed in the aisles to accommodate those in attendance. Let's hope they all return for Christmas.

The Parish Council meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00PM in the church hall. If you wish to have your voice heard regarding the parish, feel free to attend. The secretary position remains open. Recently the council switched their hats and became the Finance Committee. With the assistance of Beth Litwin, the church secretary and her expertise, a budget and financial report for 2012 was completed.

The Council continues to discuss ongoing

repairs and the one receiving the most attention at this time is the church hall which could use a sprucing up, including new flooring, counter tops, etc

The parish webpage answers many questions regarding, wedding, funerals, baptisms, etc. – Pointrichmondatholic.org.

Although the church parking lot appears as open parking, there are those who are allowed to park there legitimately during the week. It is not a dump for your junk! A recently discarded mattress was removed at our expense – not very respectful of the person leaving it there.

Father plans on another watercolor class – watch for announcement, and if interest is shown, a class on story writing.

We continue to support the Souper Kitchen as well as collecting food for the local food pantry. Clothing is also donated and can be left in the church hall.

Our Petrof piano, which we are so proud to have, underwent having all of its keys and hammers removed which are now back where they belong and sound great.

First Communion and baptisms continue at a regular pace. In the future First Communion will be performed at a separate Mass, thus devoting the attention to the child and their family. The first one will be conducted on June 17th at 11:00AM. Speaking of First Communion took me back down memory lane when we received our First Holy Communion instruction from Sisters of the Holy Family. There were usually 25-30 children who received it at one time. The girls all wore white dresses, veils and carried a small white prayer book. Their dresses had to touch the floor when in a kneeling position. The boys wore white slacks and white long-sleeved shirts with a wide ribbon around one sleeve and carried a small black prayer book. It was a traditional spiritual event.

The roses have done their first show this season, but will give us another breathtaking

moment. The garden shows that it is well cared for by Father and if there is a container that can hold soil, there is something growing in it. I know his secret – water with holy water.

Monday and Tuesday morning Masses are held at 9:30AM, not 9:00AM, as shown in the bulletin.

Our young vocalist, Elizabeth is off to Milan for a month and auditioning while there – we wish her the best.

The last issue of TPIT told of the Pt. Richmond churches. At one time the Baptist (located on Washington), the Methodist and Catholic churches held services jointly at the different locations.

My eldest daughter received a vacation bible school certificate from the Baptist Church. The Pastor at the Episcopal Church (also on Washington) was Father Milton Terry, who was my husband's uncle. Both he and my father-in-law (Levi Rosier) came from Sussex, Wisconsin, and settled in Richmond.

Condolences to the family of Henry Allyn. The Allyn family lived on Idaho Street and were well known Pt. Richmond residents.

Condolences to the family of Wallace Darling. The Darlings were parishioners prior to their move to Pleasant Hill.

The recent baptism of Madison Drake brought the Drake/Calvan family out in mass and filled up

the church. Madison is the daughter of Max and Melissa and grandparents are Linda and Robert Drake.

Fred Siegmund continues to recuperate after surgery and we wish him a speedy recovery.

Continue to pray for those unable to attend Mass on a regular basis: John Gerk, Bill Smith, Al Frosini, Frankie Mello and Dody Perry. Dody had a recent hospital stay, but is now at home.

Our quiet Idaho Street recently became well populated with Richmond Police, while they searched the area for a person who committed a crime in Richmond. He led the police on a high speed chase down Cutting and after crashing into several vehicles escaped on foot running through back yards on Oregon, Idaho and Montana. He was finally captured and then the police, with the aid of the canine unit, conducted a search for the weapon, which was found on Idaho Street. The event was scary, but the Richmond Police exhibited sincere concern for the citizens affected

Stay safe and enjoy the summer.

SEE YOU IN CHURCH

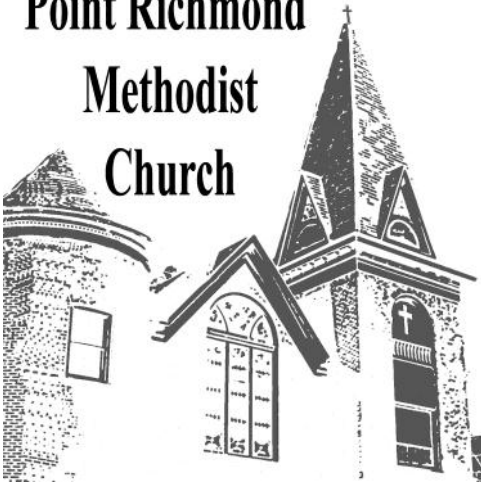
DEATH LEAVES A HEARTACHE NO ONE CAN HEAL,

LOVE LEAVES A MEMORY NO ONE CAN STEAL



The Front Desk at our new Rosie the Riveter/ WWII Home Front National Historical Park

Point Richmond Methodist Church



By Jean Reynolds

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The United Methodist General Conference, held every four years, met in April. For ten days, 1000 elected delegates from the USA and international Central Conferences considered pages of resolutions. Regrettably, after the dust settled, the phrase “Homosexuality is incompatible with Christian teaching,” remains part of General Church policy. A “Love Your Neighbor” coalition, diversely peopled by the Methodist Federation for Social Action, Black Methodists for Church Renewal, National Federation of Asian American United Methodists, Affirmation, Reconciling Ministries Network, and the Native American International Caucus of The UMC, made contact with delegates before and during General Conference to encourage a vote to end United Methodist bias against Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender church members and clergy. Our Richmond First United Methodist Church is a “Reconciling Congregation” and affirms all people regardless of their sexual orientation. We long for the General UMC to reverse its discriminatory stance toward LGBT persons, and to model full inclusion. As a congregation, we advocate for LGBT equality in

both Church and civil society.

Mary Lee Cole founded Writer Coach Connection to help public school students learn to write better with help from an adult volunteer. The program has been successful in several area schools; next fall it starts at Richmond High with English language learners. Volunteers commit to a couple of hours once or twice a month if available, and are trained with the skills needed to be effective coaches. If you would like to participate, learn more, or donate, call Shelli Fried 510-530-7600, email sfried0530@gmail.com, or see the website <http://www.writercoachconnection.org/> I hope you will join me there!

The United Methodist Women assembled cleaning items enclosed in a 5-gallon bucket for UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief.) The bucket will be given to someone in need after a flood or hurricane. UMW members cooked dinner for families at the GRIP shelter, planned a Victorian Tea for June 9, purchased additional comfortable chairs for Friendship Hall, and supplemented the kitchen with a second wheeled butcher-block island. Led by the Missions committee, people brought breakfast cereal for the GRIP family shelter.

El Cerrito UMC, Richmond First UMC, El Sobrante UMC, Good Shepherd UMC and St. Luke's UMC joined Pinole UMC in Pinole for a Good Friday Service on April 6. Pinole's Music Director, Jean Fisk, directed the joint choir. Easter Sunday, early risers met outside at 8:00 a.m. near the native grass labyrinth. Next, people enjoyed a wide variety of hot and cold breakfast options inside. After breakfast, some met for Sunday school, others chatted, cleaned the kitchen, or prepared for worship. At the 11 a.m. worship, the Angel Choir sang two special numbers: a tropical one included a hula dance accompanied by Pastor Dan on ukulele. Four-year-old MaryAlice Cropsey is the newest member of the Angel Choir (and a hula enthusiast.) The Joyful Noise Choir sang Handel's *Hallelujah* Chorus. Linda Pereira organized the Easter-Egg hunt for the youngsters after worship.

ANNUAL JUNKTIQUE SALE: Beautiful weather, an enthusiastic crew and eager buyers made for a successful sale on May 5. David Valentine, Cathy Valentine and Sandra Kokoruda barbequed hotdogs; lucky lunchers feasted on JoAnn Bray's chili supreme, Florence Wilson's signature minestrone, and pie by the slice. Buyers got deals they will long recall on items generously donated. One shopper, impressed with his art purchase, stayed the rest of the day to help. Fran Smith, Betty Graham, Jonathan Swett, Bill Thompson, Pat Dornan, Helen Wysham, Mid Dornan, Kristi Johnson, Deby McFadyen and Sandra Kokoruda earned accolades for their work prior to the sale. Robert Brausch visited from out-of-town just in time to help set-up, sell, and deliver. Shoppers browsed safely in the brightly lit basement with newly smoothed floors. Junktique gives us a chance to recycle usable items in our community and work together on a fun project; additionally, it keeps the church solvent! Other people essential to the success of the sale: Barbara Haley, Linda Andrew-Marshall, David Moore, Lauren McLeod, Mary Lee Cole, Diane Frary, Pastor Dan, Liam Thompson, Doreen Leighton, Pat Newton, Jennifer and Matt Foster, Steve Shank, Pat Pearson, Terri Fewins-Pittman, Judy Buhlis, Vivienne Scott, Armand and Brent, Norma Wallace, Alice Thompson, Sarah Thompson, Paige Viebrock, Sean Mefford, Chris Rucker, and Ed Ferguson. We are blessed with all-star volunteers!

Masquers All Point Richmond Memorial Day Yard Sale: Sales centered in the church basement. Betty Graham was surprised to sell "all but three vacuum cleaners" and many other items. Customers complimented the quality of our merchandise. Sellers included Judy Buhlis, Gill

Stanfield, Fran Smith, Robert Brausch, Sandra Kokoruda, Barbara Haley and others. Upstairs, we sold "Boy Scout World's Fair Recipe" pancakes. Norm Reynolds, Matthew Foster, David Reynolds, Mid Dornan, and Jean Reynolds mixed, cooked and served. Pastor Dan played jazz standards on the piano-for-sale; Bethany Reynolds sang a few. Recently, Bill Thompson thoroughly cleaned the stove's gas lines so the chefs enjoyed consistent griddle heat – especially welcome!

On the Calendar:

Sunday, June 17: **Jazz in June** 11:00 a.m. The Dan Damon quartet performs for your listening pleasure in this service-without-a-sermon.

Vacation Bible School: August 6 – 10, Daily 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Make new friends and take a look ***Down on The Farm***. Games, stories, drama, art, snacks, and songs to celebrate friendship and farms geared especially for children age three to sixth grade. Children and their families will have lunch on Friday, and can take part in a special presentation on Sunday, August 12. Call Jean Reynolds to sign up or ask questions: (510) 235-2988.

Annual Art Auction: Saturday, October 20, 4:00 p.m. at Point San Pablo Yacht Club. Put this on your calendar now – it promises to be our best art auction yet. Artists and crafts-people have already made unique items to sell via silent auction to benefit the church.

Check the church website: pointrichmond.com/Methodist/ for updates.



Out and About Town

Margaret Morkowski (510) 234-4219

The **Point Richmond Summer Concert Series** began Friday, June 8th. Again this year **Point Richmond Music** will be hosting 5 Friday-Night Concerts from **5:30 pm – 8:00 pm** on Park Place. The five concerts are held on **the second Friday of each month June through September**. The fifth concert will be held on **Friday, September 28th**. Point Richmond Business Association encourages everyone to set aside some time before and after each concert to visit the stores and restaurants in town. Invite all your friends to come enjoy the music and the **Arts of Point Richmond** rotating exhibit. Please call Andrew Butt at 236-7435 for more information.



The **Point Richmond Farmers' Market** is back. The opening day activities for the fourth year of the Market were a lot of fun. The organizing committee has some additional members to assist with the many tasks it takes for the Market to be a success. There are new vendors to join the farmers, cooks, bakers, artists, and gardeners from previous years. There is also new eating area, with a few tables, where you may enjoy a delicious slice of fruit, a delicate pastry or the sumptuous ribs from one of the vendors or local restaurants. With the out-door dinning, the music and friendly market atmosphere, you may think you are in Paris. **The Point Richmond Farmers' Market is located on Park Place every Wednesday from 4 pm - 8 pm** through September. The Market is sponsored by the Point Richmond Business Association and is managed by the Pacific Coast Farmers' Market Association. Please call Margi Cellucci at 237-0101 for more information.



Now that summer is here, the kids' swim team called the **Richmond Sailfish**, will be starting their second year of learning and practicing their

swimming techniques at the **Richmond Plunge**. You only have to be 5 years old to join. All of the children are grouped by age and abilities. If you like, you may go to team meets or you can just come to swim and join in the fun at the Plunge. Coach John and Assistant Coach Benicia are just great and sometimes have the teenage Sailfish demonstrate the correct way to complete a stroke. There's always lots of laughing and giggling among the team members, so now that it is summer here, it's a great time to join the Sailfish. By the way, if you are a "kid at heart," Richmond Swims, Inc. has a **Masters Program** too. For more details on both programs, check out the Richmond Swims, Inc. web page at RichmondSwims.org or call Coach John at (510) 356-8801..



Point Richmond's Historic **Our Lady of Mercy Church** invites you to join them for their monthly community **Pancake Breakfast** fund raisers. If you enjoy pancakes, eggs, sausages, bacon, fruit, coffee, tea and juice, stop by the Church Hall on the third Sunday of the month. The remaining dates for the community breakfast are **Sunday June 17th, July 15th, August 19th, September 16th and October 21st**. The donation is \$8.00 and we serve breakfast from **8:30am to 12 Noon**. The food is great and we always have a lot of fun. Please call 232-1843 for more information.

Washington Elementary School continues their two school-year celebration of its **Centennial**. The **PTA, Point Richmond History Association** and the **Many Hands Project** have been working with the school to make the 12 month celebration a great success. We are collecting information about former students, teachers, parents and administrators including pictures, stories or facts about Washington School from the past 100 years.

Please call Margaret at (510) 234-4219 if you can contribute information or have any suggestions. Thanks to those who have contributed items and information so fare.



As part of the **Washington School's Centennial Celebrations**, the children from the school were invited by the **Many Hands Project** to complete a series of assignments on any subject about Richmond History. More than 110 children participated in this Spirit of Leadership Program this year and they choose such as the WWII Shipyards, Winehaven, the Hotel Mac, the Plunge, the Red Oak Victory, the Railroads and of course Washington School as their subjects. As a reward, the older children went on a special field trip which included stops and tours at the Red Oak Victory and around the Rosie the Riveter World War II Home Front National Historical Park Visitors' Center. Other stops on the "Richmond History" bus tour included Atchison Village (some of the children live here,) the Maritime Child

Development Center, the Ford Assembly Plant, the Kaiser Field Hospital, the USS Battleship Iowa (before it left for Long Beach,) Shipyard 3 with the Whirley Crane and downtown Point Richmond. By the end of the day, you could see how amazed and proud the children were to know that they live here and are part of historic Richmond.



The Point Richmond Neighborhood Council has just installed their new Officers. They are President Margaret Jordan, 1st Vice-President Megan Bleckinger, 2nd Vice-President and Membership Chair Sue Rosenof, Secretary Becky Garcia, and Treasurer Louise Fender. Various issues or standing agenda items currently coordinated with the PRNC include the Police Repot, Safety Committee, Land Use/Design Review Committee, Emergency Preparedness, Veolia Waste Treatment Plant, TRAC, PRBA, Womens Westside Improvement Club, PRHA and the Red Oak Victory Ship. For more information please check their web page.



Don't forget to refer the "**Calendar**" page near the end of this newsletter for a list of the various Point Richmond organizations. We have lots of groups in town and the members always like to welcome newcomers. You'll meet lots of great people.



Remember, for an update on what's new, call the **Point Richmond/West Side Branch Library at 620-6567** and the **Point Richmond Community Center at 233-6881**.



Search **PointRichmond.com** for more up-to-date information on "What's Out and About" in Point Richmond. This website also has a lot of links to other Point Richmond organizations and businesses.



Washington School Principal Lisa Levi

New Book on the Nelson-Wolgast Fight

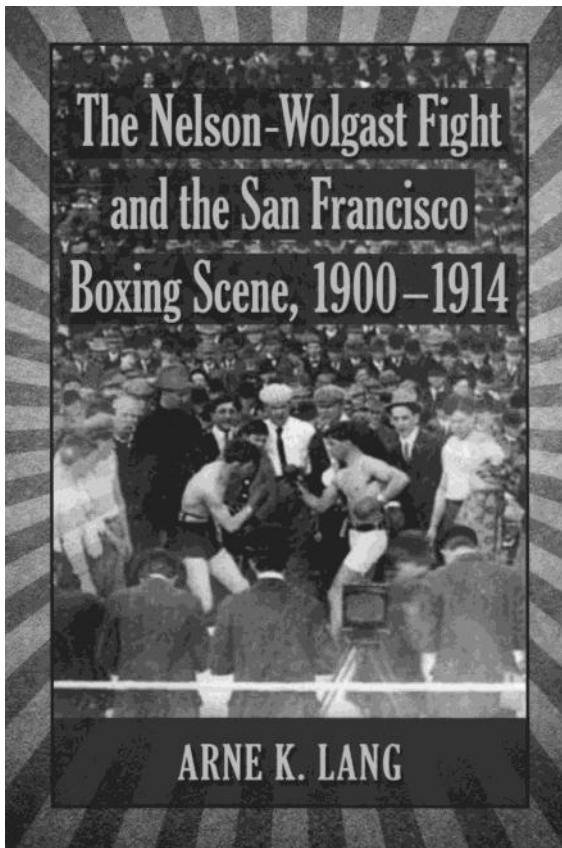
This book is about the Lightweight World Championship fight that was held here in Point Richmond (near Garrard and the I580 freeway) on February 22, 1910. An arena was built and more than 15,000 people came from all over the country to witness this great fight. Being February, there were long, heavy rains the days before the match. The weather was wet and sloppy but the fight was awesome and has become one of the most famous events in boxing history.

Author Arne K. Lang came out to visit Point Richmond while he was writing this book. He had

hoped to stand in the spot the fight was held. I described as best I could that location, a lot has changed since 1910. Mr. Lang also came to get permission to use one of our photographs, #0241-DC. The photo is of the arena itself and is from Allan Smith and our Don Church Collection.

This book is available now in bookstores and online. We also hope to get copies to sell at our museum. If you want to learn more you can watch a video of the fight with sound by clicking a link on our website www.pointrichmondhistory.org.

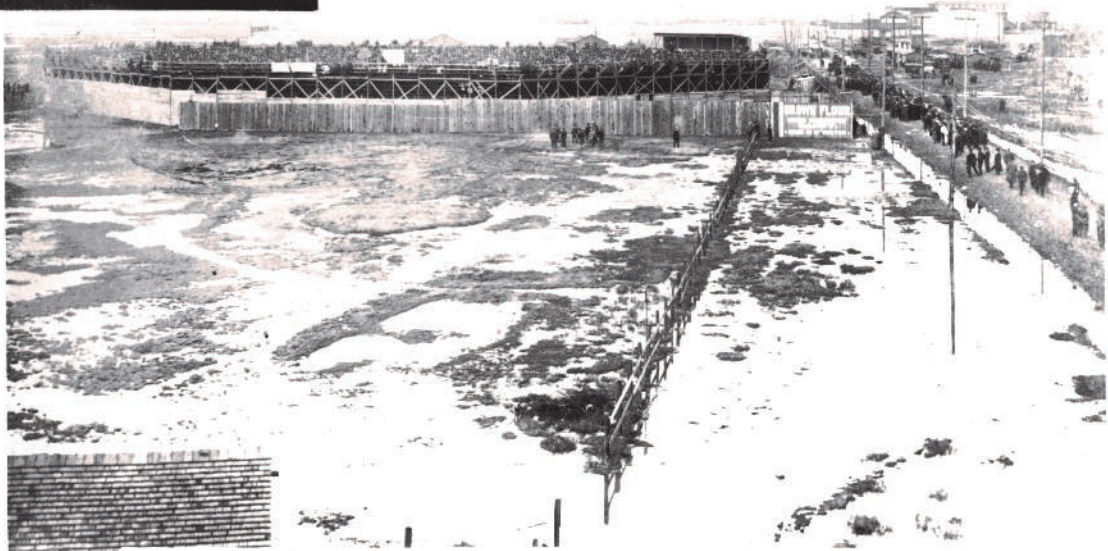
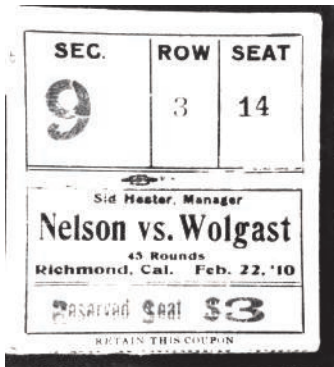
Gary Shows



During the early years of the 20th century, San Francisco promoters served up boxing's grandest spectacles. On February 22, 1910, a crowd of more than 15,000 braved chilly, rainy conditions to witness one such match, pitting lightweight champion "Battling" Nelson against Ad Wolgast. That epic battle came to stand virtually unchallenged as the most brutal fight of all time.

This volume recaptures that historic fight while vividly illuminating the geographic, historic, and political forces that made it all possible. In chronicling these colorful boxers and their vibrant era, this work also reveals the dangers faced by workman pugilists like Nelson and Wolgast, making their tale, at its heart, a cautionary one.

Sociologist Arne K. Lang has taught at the University of Nevada-Las Vegas, the University of Nebraska, and Tuskegee University. A leading authority on the history of boxing and American sports gambling, he lives and writes in Las Vegas.



This picture was taken from the roof of the Colorado Hotel which was owned by Ben Brignone. It had rained for several days and the area was flooded. Note the ticket offices on the right and the lines in front of them. The Peoples Water Company building are seen over the top of the arena. In the right distance the homes of Santa Fe employees and the old hotel run by Lehman's can be seen. The Holmes Supply Store was located in one of the cottages. Wolgast won the fight in the 42nd round. It was stopped because Nelson was in bad shape.
Don Church

Vernon "Lefty" Gomez

He lived in the San-Pablo-Oleum area and pitched for the RUHS baseball team in the late 1920's. IN 1926 or 1927 he pitched for the RUSH team that beat the UC Freshmen, an accomplishment that was unusual for a small school team. As you know, he went on to be an outstanding pitcher for the NY Yankees. I met him many years later when he was speaking as a public relations man for Wilson Sporting Goods, and he recalled the incident and who the Cal coach was at the time (Clint Evans).

Howard Shawl

Photo Study of PRHA photo archive #0662
See inside front cover for the complete image.



Western Golden Gate Avenue



Pacific Avenue



Western Drive



Golden Gate Avenue

at the Masquers

Travels With My Aunt

by Graham Greene

Adapted for the Stage by Giles Havergal

Directed by John Hull

It's the adventure of a lifetime as Masquers opens *Travels With My Aunt* June 1st at the Point Richmond playhouse. The comedy is directed by John Hull and runs through July 7.

Master storyteller Graham Greene's globe-trotting comedy tells the story of Henry Pulling, a mild mannered retired bank manager and his eccentric Aunt Augusta who appears with mysterious information about his past.

The cast includes Joan Nelson in the title role. Peter Budinger, Coley Grundman, Robert Love and DC Scarpelli play more than 20 roles, including secret agents, thieves, and art smugglers in this exciting theatrical escapade. Adapted from the celebrated novel by Graham Greene, *Travels With My Aunt* is an irreverent, captivating and unforgettable journey.

Performances are Fridays and Saturdays at 8 pm with Sunday Matinees at 2:00 pm on June 10 and 17. Tickets are \$20 and all seats are general admission. Tickets can be purchased on line at www.masquers.org or by calling (510) 232-4031. The playhouse is located off of Highway 580 (Richmond Parkway exit) at 105 Park Place, Point Richmond across from the Hotel Mac.

A dinner benefit performance will be held on Sunday July 1st 2 pm. Dinner is at the Hotel Mac and tickets for this performance are \$45.



Our Annual Meeting at the Point Richmond Community Center on May 20, 2013

President Mid Dornan presided over the meeting and saw to it that officers were properly re-elected and installed. Margaret Morkowski then gave a presentation on what is going on at Washington School and their centennial birthday celebration.



Washington School principal Lisa Levi was presented with a framed Certificate of Congratulations by the board of the History Association. She accepted the document and talked about the many exciting and innovated projects now going on at her school.



Mary Simmons gave a Power Point report on the progress of her mother's (Pat Pearson) This Point in Time Placard project. The placards will be printed directly onto foam core board.



Historic Preservation Awards, May 7, 2012, George Coles

Here, the Historic Preservation Committee recognizes Point Richmond resident George Coles for preserving the history of Richmond and for being an inspirational educator.

George Coles work as a preservationist of Richmond's history has spanned more than five decades, and is ongoing. It all began at Contra Costa College in 1953 when George was hired to teach psychology and serve as an academic counselor, in 1958 he was asked to take over the introduction to Anthropology course that was usually taught by a professor who was going on sabbatical. Anthropology had been George's minor when he earned his Master Degrees in psychology at San Jose State and at Stanford. Conscientious scholar that he is, he spent an intense summer preparing to take over the course. In that first semester he initiated, with his students, the now famous project, saving the threatened archaeological digs of the Indian mounds on Brooks Island. When the professor returned from sabbatical, he conceded that George should carry on in his new field.

George found that coming out of a psych background was not adequate for all of his anthro responsibilities, so he applied for a National Science Foundation Faculty Fellowship and was granted the first ever grant in Anthropology. He spent the next year and one half of full time study at U C Berkeley

and completed all but his dissertation for a Phd in Anthropology. Upon return to CCC he taught his expanded program of 8 classes. This work grew over 25 years to include several sites locally as well as a program for students to aid other anthropologists in their field work which broadened his students experience. Over the next 30 years the hands on experience which became a regular part of George's courses, gave his students not only an understanding of anthropology and archaeology in general, but also a keen appreciation of the Indian cultures which flourished in the East Bay before Richmond became a name on the map. In 1978, he was selected by his colleagues as "Master Teacher" this honor included a summer at Westbrook College in Maine. The college invited him back the next summer as a member of their faculty.

George and his students, many of them volunteers who carried on with the work of his Archaeological Field Program on the weekends after leaving the college, maintained a museum at Contra Costa College which, upon his retirement, became part of the collections held by San Francisco State. George was made an adjunct professor at SFSU, where he still has an office.

The success of his teaching is demonstrated by the fact that at one time 50% of the Anthropology majors at U C Berkeley were graduates of George's classes at Contra Costa College. Many of his students went on to academic careers. Two became chairmen of anthropology departments at California State Universities, one is a professor at UCLA another is Director of the State of New Mexico Anthropology Film Program.

*Archaeol Site
#CA CC0290 on Brooks
Island in the mid 1960's*

Photo from George Coles

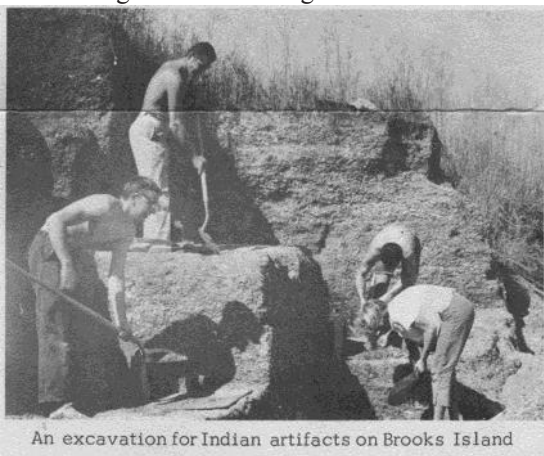


In 1961 the Southwestern Anthropological Association on a motion written by George and introduced by one of his students, authorized the forming of a group specializing in the archaeological aspects of anthropology. A committee of five, including George, formed the Society for California Archaeology, now an organization of 800 archeologists and a model for other State Archaeological Organizations.

In 1966, George, along with two other anthropologists, one of them part of his field crew, and three Native Americans wrote a proposal for a Native American Heritage Commission to protect the rights of the Native Americans in relation to archaeological sites as well as other aspects. This proposal was submitted to our Assemblyman, John T. Knox, who took it through the legislature without a dissenting vote. Governor Jerry Brown signed the bill before a large crowd on the grounds of the State Capital. The only public signing during his first administration. This commission is still functioning.

George's concern for indigenous population and their pre history led him to being selected advisor for the Native American Community Council of Contra Costa College and to the establishment of a Native American Studies program.

Working with Planning Directors of local



An excavation for Indian artifacts on Brooks Island

This photo shows George Coles (standing on boulder) with other archeologists on Brooks Island

communities, including Richmond and San Pablo, George participated in writing the rules relating to archaeological site protection in those communities for the new conditions under NEPA and CEQA.

It was perhaps inevitable that George's work on Brooks Island would lead him to other preservationist work, notably his service of many years on the Richmond Museum Board and upon retirement to his hands on devotion to the restoration of the Red Oak Victory- Emblem of Richmond's historic role in World War II . Actually, George served in the Army in WWII and was transported from San Francisco to New Guinea along with 3000 others in – what else?- a Victory Ship. George carries on as a prime mover of the Red Oak work in progress, doing everything from the sweeping of the deck, to serving at benefit pan cake breakfasts, to being an on-board docent for tours of the ship. His off shore duties include recruiting new docents as he gives talks about the Red Oak for Neighborhood Councils and other community groups, such as SIRS. On almost any day, especially on weekends, George can be found on the ship. Income from Red Oak events and fund raisers accounts for a major portion of the budget which keeps the Richmond Museum open and staffed.

The preservation effort by George Coles to save artifacts from Brooks Island, and from other sites in the Richmond area now stored at the Richmond Museum of History and at the Hearst Library at the University of California may result in a happy ending. Dr. Ed Luby of the Museum Studies Department of SFSU and Dr. Kent Lightfoot of the U C Berkeley Anthro Department are currently conferring with our outstanding curator Ina Seguin of the Richmond Museum of History About the possibility of establishing an on going graduate student intern program. This program may include the exhibit of the Brooks Island materials and also those at the other sites in the Richmond Area.

George is definitely deserving of recognition as a preserver of Richmond's distant and not so distant past. Congratulations George, we hope you will continue to champion the cause of History Preservation for many more years.

On This Date in KP History

Steve
Gilford

Red Oak, Iowa: “If New York City had lost as many sons as this Iowa town, the dead would have numbered 17,000”

The evening of March 6, 1943 was a ghastly time for many families of Red Oak, Iowa. That was when the terrible telegrams from the US War Department began to arrive. They began: “The Secretary of War desires me to express his deep regret that your son (.....) has been missing in action ...”

Months later, a Saturday Evening Post article described what it had been like in town that day; “The news swept through Red Oak that something had happened to Company M for all the telegrams named the National Guardsman who had marched off so proudly only two years before. Families of the men in Company M gathered in the lobby of the Hotel Johnson. Someone suggested that the story of a disaster in Tunisia which had been brushed over lightly in the Red Oak newspaper only a few weeks before might have something to do with the telegrams. They remembered the story vaguely – how American troops had been overrun at a place called Faïd Pass by a powerful German tank force.”

Today, among the oral histories stored in the Montgomery County Historical Society at Red Oak are first hand memories of the battles of Company M in North Africa. They are filled with stories of ingenuity and courage of ordinary people, told in a matter-of-fact way of soldiers without water and supplies spent days making their way through enemy lines to rejoin their units. Some died trying. Many were captured. The

stories are filled with fierce determination.

In the months after the battles of Kasserine and Faïd passes, the people in Red Oak learned that many of the men that had been reported missing in action in Tunisia were prisoners of war but, as the war ground on, the terrible telegrams kept coming, telling of new, additional casualties on battlefields around the globe.

A few years later, Horace Cloud, then mayor of Red Oak recalled that when those first telegrams came in 1943 “we seemed to get closer together. But as bad as it was when those telegrams came, we didn’t know how bad it could get.”

Those telegrams told of young men from Red Oak wounded or dead in North Atlantic convoys; on the beaches of Normandy; at Monte Cassino during the slogging fight up the Italian peninsula; on the bloody sands of Iwo Jima; in the jungles of Okinawa; on a coral atoll called Kwajalein and in the air over Germany. One casualty was Tom Jentoft who died while participating in the attack on the Gilbert Islands. He was aboard the CVE, Liscome Bay, an aircraft carrier built in the Kaiser shipyards in Vancouver, Washington.

During the war, sixteen years old, Billie Smaha had a job as a Western Union messenger.



When a telegram arrived at the Western Union office, Smaha or one of the other boys who were standing by, jumped on a bicycle and delivered the news. Far more often than not, the news was not good. A year later, he described his part of the war effort to a reporter:

“It was always the same when I’d get to a house. Like last winter when I went up Prospect Street to Mrs. Harold Simpson’s. She came to the door when I rang and when she saw me with that telegram she turned white. I told her it wasn’t good news but she was already opening the telegram and I had to help her sit down. Then her two kids came into the room and she looked at them and she said, ‘Your daddy is dead.’ That’s all she said. And when I asked her if there was anything I could do, she just kept shaking her head, and I left.”

By the time the Japanese surrendered in Tokyo Bay bringing an end to Word War Two, Billie and the other telegraph boys had delivered one hundred of the dreaded yellow envelopes to the families of Red Oak. All in all, Company M of Red Oak lost forty-five men. Nearly one out of every three who had left for the war would not be returning. The 168th Regiment, made up of units from the Iowa National Guard of which it was a part lost a total of 109 officers and 1,797 enlisted men prompting one Army official to say of these losses that “There is no place to my knowledge where in this war there has been such a large group from such a comparatively small area.”

After the war, a reporter for a national news organization figured out that Red Oak, Iowa had the grim distinction of losing more men than any city or town of its size in America. While some people have quibbled over exact percentages, there is no doubt that Red Oak, represents the strong streak of patriotism and duty that runs through the American heartland.

Today, the Red Oak Victory, built in the Kaiser shipyards of Richmond and now being renovated to

sail once again, remains as a floating memorial to the sacrifices of the people of Red Oak as well as her builders and to the people who sailed on her.

A Note: The people of Red Oak are determined that the sacrifices their soldiers have made during the almost century and a half since they first marched off to war will not be forgotten. I arrived in Red Oak shortly after Memorial Day. The cemetery was a patriotic spectacle with over one thousand flags flying over the graves of veterans. They had been placed there by the people of the town who, as part of an ongoing Memorial Day tradition make sure that the final resting place of all their veterans are decorated with fresh, bright flags.



Monument to military dead in the Red Oak town square where the soldiers of Company M used to train

Photo by S. Gilford

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Telegram courtesy of Blackman family*

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May 26 was a eventful day in Richmond, goodbye Iowa,



Crowds lined the Port of Richmond to watch the spectacle of the famous battleship being towed out to the Bay, under the Golden Gate Bridge (on its 75th birthday calibration weekend.

Picture below shows the USS Iowa and SS Red Oak Victory with a crowded deck



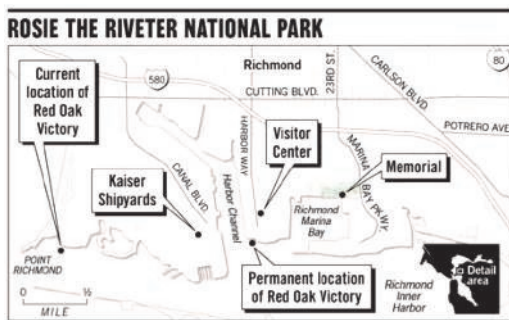
hello to our new National Historical Park Visitor Center

Gary Shows



The new Visitor Center is in the old Oil House has two large rooms of displays, artifacts and audio/visual presentations. See the map below for location.

Then the crowds moved to see the opening of the new Rosie the Riveter/WWII Home Front National Historical Park Visitor Center . These pictures were actually taken the next day as I used up my camera's batteries on the Iowa. Royce Ong is on the right looking at the new displays.



RULES FOR TEACHERS

In the year 1872

1. Teachers each day will fill lamps, clean chimneys
 2. Each teacher will bring a bucket of water and a scuttle of coal for the days session.
 3. Make your pens carefully. You may whittle nibs to the individual taste of the pupils.
 4. Men teachers may take one evening each week for courting purposes, or two evenings a week if they go to church regularly.
 5. After ten hours in school the teachers may spend the remaining time reading the Bible or other good books.
 6. Women teachers who marry or engage in unseemly conduct will be dismissed.
 7. Every teacher should lay aside from each pay a goodly sum of his earnings for his benefit during his declining years so that he will not become a burden on society
 8. Any teacher who smokes, uses liquor in any form, frequents pool or public halls, or gets shaved in a barber shop will give good reason to suspect his worth, intention, integrity and honesty.
 9. The teacher who performs his labor faithfully and without fault for five years will be given an increase of twenty-five cents per week in his pay providing the Board of Education approves or a percentage increase.
- Any salary schedule should include the following criteria:

The hiring and retention of good teachers

The recognition of career teachers.

The salary between the top teacher and the top field administrator should not be unduly large. For a number of years the Teachers Union has urged that emphasis be given starting teachers by granting across the board salary increases. The traditional union program is to place beginning salaries at the top 10% of Bay Area school districts. This philosophy has not been adopted by the school board and percentage increases have been granted time after time. We have urged longevity increments after 17, 22, and 27 years of service in the district. This gives recognition to veteran teachers and encourages them remaining in the classroom as well as assist those teachers upon retirement. The board has adopted a \$500 increment after 27 year of service but has made it available for all certificated employees.

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Age is not a number, it is an attitude.

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Subject: It's the Law

- ** Law of Gravity** - Any tool, nut, bolt, screw, when dropped, will roll to the least accessible corner.
- ** Law of Probability** - The probability of being watched is directly proportional to the stupidity of your act.
- ** Variation Law** - If you change lines (or traffic lanes), the one you were in will always move faster than the one you are in now (works every time).
- ** Law of Close Encounters** - The probability of meeting someone you know increases dramatically when you are with someone you don't want to be seen with OR you are wearing something you don't want to be seen in!
- *** Law of Biomechanics** - The severity of the itch is inversely proportional to the reach.
boss will ask you to do something which will last until the coffee is cold.
- *** Oliver's Law of Public Speaking** - A closed mouth gathers no feet.
- *** Wilson's Law of Commercial Marketing Strategy** - As soon as you find a product that you really like, they will stop making it.
- *** Doctors' Law** - If you don't feel well, make an appointment to go to the doctor, by the time you get there you'll feel better. But don't make an appointment, and you'll stay sick

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Birthdays

June

Alissa Bagley	Stacey Spinola	Suzanne Unser	Lee Christioan
Phyllis Downey	Gill Stanfield	Tom Kenny	Lillian Karl
William Shea	John H. Knox	Bill Smith	Luke Karl
Emeric H. Baxter	Alice Baxter	Aaron Marshall	Steve Wyrick
Andrew Butt	Wilson Gandola	Michael Marshall	June Solosbal
Jean Eakle	Rosemary Giacomelli	Marcelina Smith	Phyllis Bogue
Joanne Lansing	Daniel Buhler	Gerry Higuera	Doreen Minkwitz
Cathe Brazil	Dianne Primavera	Judy Travis	

July

Francis Smith	Diedre Cerkowicz	Loretta 'Mertle' Lease	Martha Bielawski
Amy Rotting	Allen Anderson	Madeline Bellando	Madison Bradshaw
Mrs.Chas Baldwin	Roger Elle	Albright	Dixie L. Mello
Dan Damon	Trace Smith	Jean Reynolds	Frank Matteucci
Julius Matteucci	Alice McMahon	Regan Bradshaw	Lea Smith
Bea Read	Hilary Lord	Jon Healy	
Mary L. Knox	Clifford (Lou)	Golda Pettycord Howard	
Richard Smith	MacMillan	Alyce Williamson	

August

Donna Wilson	Connee Fisher	Terrence Doherty	R.Clayton Barnes
Mid Dornan	Alice Thompson	Lisa Smith	Tony Bernabich
Kevin Pryne	Linda DeLaTorre	Kelly von York	Michael Shaw
Molly Kate Barnes	Zoanna Kille	Rose Barra	Roy Henry Gover
Joe Darling	Mary Knox	Bonnie Ritzenhaler	Beatrice Beesley Casey
Marlene Smith	Karla Peterson	Wilson	Jim Healy
Barbara Ward	Alia Smyke	Dean Beesley	



Deaths.....

Y.G. Cooper passed away peacefully in the home he built for himself and his wife Mary Lou, in Point Richmond, on Thursday morning after a valiant battle with congestive heart failure. He touched many lives with his gentle spirit and positive outlook on life. He was born in Roff, Oklahoma, in 1923. During WWII. While he was in the navy in WWII he met the love of his life Mary Lou, they married and moved to Richmond where they shared many warm memories for over 65 years. Y.G. was a body and fender mechanic for 15 years, then he went to school to become a contractor and created Cooper Construction and worked at that for over 40 years. He is preceded in death by his parents Acie and Vee Anna Cooper and his older sister Ladell Baker. He is survived by his lovely wife Mary Lou Cooper and his younger brother Floyd Cooper and a host of many family members and friends. His generosity was his greatest attribute and his loving spirit will be missed by all who knew him.

William "Bill" Vallivero died at home on June 2, 2012. Born in Patterson, New Jersey, October 6, 1938. Bill was the "Incurable Collector" with his partner, Richard Giordano since November 1991. One of Bill's biggest pride was his Home and Craft Fence he built in 1980 in the Point. His blue eyes will be missed by his many friends and admirers. Services will be held later when his niece can come from Australia.

Wallace L. Darling died on June 1, 2012 at his home in Pleasant Hills. Wally was one of six children born on a family farm in North Dakota and moved to Point Richmond when he married Marilyn. They bought the old, condemned St. James Hotel and upgraded it to the Ivy Inn, a testament to their hard work and perseverance. Their five children were raised here. Wally was a family man, often would coach a baseball team composed of boys not selected by other teams. He was active in the Point Richmond Community, the Washington School, in the scouts, especially Troop 111, and could be found fixing things at Our Lady of Mercy Church. He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Marilyn, his children Dan, Carol, Gary, Dale and Lynn; his brothers Larry and Joe Darling; five grandchildren and one great-grandson. Services were held on June 5, 2012 in Pleasant Hill.

Henry C. Allyn died on April 9, 2012 in Sonoma. He was the son of the late Gust and Margaret Allyn and was born at home in Point Richmond on Jan. 15, 1928. A Richmond High School graduate, Henry joined the Navy and served on the air craft carrier the Shangra La. After his discharge, Henry worked in the family business, Allyn's Men's Shop on Washington Avenue in the Point with his brother, William, (Mickey), until he retired. He was a member of the 20-20 Club, Kiwanis of Richmond, Sonoma Alliance Church and the Sonoma Model A Club. He drove his car in 4th of July parades. Henry is survived by his wife, Jean, and daughter Mellisa Delio and his granddaughter, Steevie Delio; and his brother Nathaniel (Sparky). Memorial services were held at the Sonoma Alliance Church in Sonoma on Sat., May 19, 2012.

CALENDAR/DIRECTORY

ARTS OF POINT RICHMOND

Meets third Tuesday of each month 7-9 at the Pt. Community Center, Contact: Linda Drake, 510672-0793

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114 Washington Avenue, Point Richmond, 510-223-0487

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Becky Jonas, Contact, 510-235-0157

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Contact: Andrew Butt, 510-236-7445

POINT RICHMOND COMMUNITY CENTER

Info: 233-6881

POINT RICHMOND HISTORY ASSOCIATION

Museum is at 139½ Washington Avenue, and open Winter, Thursday's 11:30 to 2:00 and Saturday 11:30 to 2:00 and Summer, Wednesday 4:30 to 7:00 and Thursday's 11:30 to 2:00. The deadline for the next issue of TPIT is Friday August 24, 2012. Info call President Mildred Dornan at 510-234-5334.

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Information call 510-620-6567

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Open Saturday, Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday 10am - 3pm. \$5 donation for adults, \$4 seniors, \$2 children.
Sunday Breakfast September 10th and October 12th, 9 am - 1 pm, \$6 adults children FREE

RICHMOND SWIMS

The Children and teens "Sail Fish" and Masters swim teams at the Richmond Plunge.

Contact: Coach John Schonder, 510-504-0330

September 25, 2011 open water bay swim raises money for coaching, equipment, pool fees and swimming scholarships for inner-city youth throughout Richmond. More info at <http://www.richmondswims.org/> or call (415) 892-0771

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Washington School at 565 Wine Street offers traditional and Spanish dual immersion curriculum, K - 6th grade. Contact principal Lisa Levi at 231-1417 for more information.

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Richmond's longest standing women's club. Contact: Connie Lompa , President. 510-237-7888

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