

EL CERRITO HIGH SCHOOL ARCHIVING PROJECT NEWSLETTER

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Presidents Message

Dear Fellow Gauchos and Friends of ECHS,

The ECHS Archiving Project is beginning its 17th year. El Cerrito High first opened in 1941. It served the community until 2005 when the original school was torn down due to earthquake safety concerns. It took four years to construct the new school, 2005 - 2009.

While the school was being rebuilt, the students attended school in portable buildings on campus. Thanks to two very creative ladies, Lu Tipping & Joann Steck-Bayat, the Architects were persuaded to include space for a museum within the new school. Under the direction of these two ladies, the PTSA began to collect and catalog the many special items from the school.

When the new building was complete, all those collected items were placed in the museum so that everyone could see and enjoy memorabilia from the past. Thus, the ECHS Archiving Project was created to be custodians of the museum. The museum is located near the main school office. Please stop by during school hours and look at all the wonderful items. We also have cabinets with sports memorabilia and many pictures on the wall in the lobby of the gymnasium.

I am still hoping to hear from alumnae or families of past students. Each of you has so much to contribute to the history of the school. ECHS has several families that are multi-generational ECHS graduates. Please consider joining the Archiving Project group. It's fun and painless!

Best Wishes to all,

Jackie Fleming Fonken, Class of 1956
Call or email me – (510) 232-9149 or j_fonken@hotmail.com
President, ECHS Archiving Project

Archiving Scholarship Awards

ECHS Archiving Project Recipients

Howard Mackey Spirit Recipient

<p>Angela Chen</p>  <p>University of California, Berkeley</p>	<p>Ella Monteleone</p>  <p>University of California, Berkeley</p>
<p>Samantha Collins</p>  <p>University of California, San Diego</p>	

Retired Teachers Gather!!



School Daze...First day of school 2022

Fabini, Smith, Perero, Obrian, Yonemura, Huybrechts, Lee Gravett, Lagerstrom, Hataye, Lilhanand, O'Connor, Lee.

Reunion Time

ECHS Class of '60, '61, '62, '63, '64, '65, '66, '67, '68, '69

YOU'RE INVITED
THE ONE AND ONLY OFFICIAL INVITATION



El Cerrito High School
Class of 1967
50th Reunion
Berkeley CC
October 8, 2022

[Brennan's, Berkeley CC, Nite Owls, Wrecking ECHS, Arlington Park, Jonathan Rogers.]

El Cerrito High School Class of 1967
(and the Classes of 1965 - 1969)
55th Reunion!!!

Your presence is requested at the
Berkeley (Mira Vista) Golf and Country Club, El Cerrito, California, on
Saturday, October 8, 2022,
5:00 p.m. for dinner, dancing, reminiscing, nostalgic décor, and more.
Entertainment by the Nite Owls,
our own band that was the hit of the 40th, 45th, 50th reunions.

Cost: \$135.00 per person. Deadline September 1, 2022.	
Mail your payment to:	
• ECHS 1967 c/o Roddy Lee, 3333 Rossmoor Parkway Manor #1, Walnut Creek, CA 94595.	
• PayPal available, let us know and we will send you an invoice.	
• Contact: ECHS1967@aol.com or 925-954-1861.	

Reunion Events	Schedule for Saturday night:
TBD, Friday 10/7/22	5:00 Check in, cocktails and conversation.
Gala at Berkeley (MV) CC, Saturday, 10/8/22.	7:30 Buffet Dinner, Carved Prime Rib, Miso Seared Salmon, and Vegetarian Option. Dinner will include a program, recognitions, and announcements.
Picnic at Arlington Park, Sunday, 10/9/22.	9:30 Entertainment: The Nite Owls, hit of the 40th, 45th and 50th reunions. Dancing and reminiscing.
CDC guidelines	11:30 Lights out.

Visit our website: <https://www.wccusd.net/Page/11951>

ECCHS 1960's REUNION PICNIC
Saturday, October 22, 2022 - 11:00 AM until 5:00 PM
Padre Group Picnic Area - South Park Drive
Tilden Park - Berkeley Hills



Did you graduate from El Cerrito High School in the 1960's?
If so ... please read on ... you're invited to a picnic organized by members of the Class of '64

This will be the fifth picnic in the last 12 years that our class has held at the Padre Picnic area in Tilden Park. Each picnic has been a blast and we're ready to do it again.

This event is catered, so its not free.

BBQ, wine, beer, and soft drinks will be provided but we're not providing desserts so, if you have a favorite, please bring some to share.

The cost is \$40.00 per attendee.

Make your check, with your class year included, payable to Jackie Olson and mail it to her at:

Jackie Olson
110 Sea View Drive
El Cerrito, CA 94530

Post Reunion Information

- Class of 1979 Lisa Hughes Brown @ teardropkids6140@gmail.com
- Class of 1969 ECCHS1969Reunion@gmail.com
- Class of 1959 Barbara Cornish Barichello at 510-724-4988, Lyn Martinez Kelly at 925-937-1437 or Roberta Mendonca at rcmendonca@aol.com
- Class of 1963 Marc Bautista marcusec63@aol.com
- Class of 1988 Mylika Lisa Smith
- Class of 1978 Luanne Canestro canestro4@gmail.com
- Class of 1987 CONTACT: TOSCHA CONROE - ECGAUCHOS1987@GMAIL.COM
- Class of 1968 Paul Bailey paulbailey524@yahoo.com, Rich Runswick mitchwick@aol.com

Reunion leaders, classmates: If you are planning your reunion or need information about your reunion. Please Contact Roddy Lee: ECArchProject@aol.com

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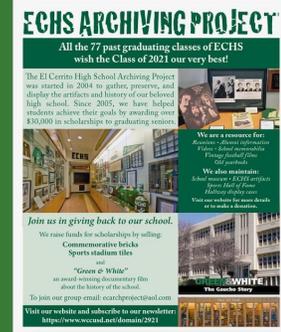
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