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El Cerrito High School Archiving Project, 4th Email*Mission Statement*

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Gauchos!

El Cerrito High Archiving Project Mission Statement: Support the development of a strong El Cerrito High School alumni body - Collect, preserve and celebrate the history of El Cerrito High School - Develop connections to current students and the El Cerrito community.



Roddy Lee, Class of 67

**ECHS Golf Tournament**

ECHS Golf Tournament This spring, El Cerrito and Pinole Valley High schools will hold its third annual fundraising tournament at the Franklin Canyon golf course. This year's tournament will be on Monday, April 24, 2006. The tournament will include lunch, a raffle and a silent auction. We are looking for players and sponsors. Could you help support our tournament? We would like to see if you and your friends would like to play or your organization would be willing and able to offer a tournament or raffle prize. Any contribution that you can make would be greatly appreciated and go a long way to help ensure the survival of these local golf programs. We need to have our fundraising effort completed by March 28th, so we are hoping to hear from you soon if you are able to play or make a donation. Contact: Roddy Lee, Head Golf Coach, ECHS Class of 1967, rlee@wccusd.k12.ca.us, <http://www.wccusd.k12.ca.us/elcerrito/sports/bgolf/indexbgolf.html>

Publicity

The Archiving Project Committee is seeking a "PR" person who enjoys writing for fun, attending socials, following projects and making contacts. Their Archiving Project needs someone who can maintain publicity with our community by communicating events to school and local media. No experience needed...we'll mentor. Contact Lu Tipping at 233- 7731, tipping1@aol.com

Oral History Information

Oral History Information The Oral History Project has been working to record the oral history of students, teachers, administrators and others connected to El Cerrito High School. The goal of the project is to record interviews and create DVDs that can be enjoyed by future generations at ECHS. We are looking for volunteers to help interview and record the histories, as well as interviewers and interviewees. What better way to remember the old times than out of the mouths of those who were there! If you're interested in being involved in this interesting project, contact Janet Abelson at abeljanet@aol.com or 510-525-7709. Janet Abelson, Parent of ECHS graduates - classes of '92, '94, '96, and '98 and current student - class of '06

El Cerrito High School Sovenirs

Great for Reunions

Commemorative T-shirts, Sw eatshirts, Postcards and Mousepads. Get your official ECHS archiving gear printed w ith a 3- color rendering of El Cerrito High School's original campus. If you missed your opportunity to purchase a shirt during the Wrecking Ball weekend here is your second chance to collect more memories. Show up to your next reunion sporting this special t-shirt or sw eatshirt. Might as w ell drop a postcard to your classmates saying you'll be there as w ell. Proudly click over your Alma Mater mousepad, or send some off to your alumni pals. Go Gauchos! All products are available at our online store. Just go to <http://w w w .cafePress.com/echSarchiveproj> and follow the prompts! All proceeds go to the ECHS Archiving Project.



Cafe Press

"Images of America: El Cerrito"

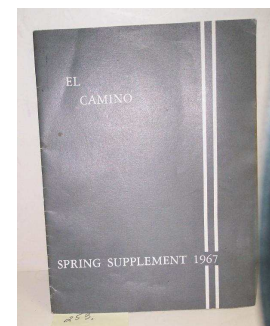
A new book on El Cerrito w as published the first w eek of September. It is called "Images of America: El Cerrito" and it is part of Arcadia Publishing's popular series of local history books. The 128-page book w as authored by the El Cerrito Historical Society. It is organized by decade and is packed w ith more than 200 great images from the Historical Society's collection. The book is priced at \$19.99 and it is available from several merchants in tow n. (Tw o of w hom have agreed to make the book available by mail order and by phone: The Glenn Custom Framing, 510-558-1078, 7027 Stockton Avenue, El Cerrito, 94530; and JennyK Gifts, 510-528-5350, 6927 Stockton Avenue, El Cerrito 94530. The book should also be available soon on the JennyK w ebsite, w w w .jennyk.com). The book has been extremely popular around tow n, w ith sold over 1300 copies having been sold in the six w eeks since it w as released. Arcadia is now looking at a second printing of the book. In addition to the book, the Friends of the El Cerrito Library has created an extremely comprehensive index for the book, w hich is available at the library for \$1.00

GREEN & WHITE: The Gaucho Story"

The DVD edition of "GREEN & WHITE: The Gaucho Story" w ill be released late this Spring. The documentary video, w hich w as show n last May at the ECHS Farew ell w eekend, w ill be more than tw ice as long, w ith additional stories from former faculty and principals, a special message from Mr. Rhea, and new footage of the Farew ell Weekend and demolition of the school. For those w ho have not already purchased a DVD, copies w ill be available for \$20 each. Ordering information w ill be available soon

Yearbooks Missing

Yearbook Update- Missing Four Yearbooks The Archiving Project has in storage over 600 historical items that w ill be placed in the new high school's Hall of History. It w ill be a rotating exhibit w ith various items being highlighted throughout the school year. Yearbooks are the best record of a school's history. We are fortunate to have every single yearbook that w as published EXCEPT 1980, 1981, 1986, and 1987. If you may have any of those years and w ould like to donate them to the permanent collection, please notify Joann Steck- Bayat at jsbayat@comcast.net.



First Scholarship to be Awarded

One of the objectives of the ECHS Archiving Project is to "develop connections to current students and the El Cerrito Community." To that end w e are proud to announce that three \$1,000 scholarships w ill be aw arded for the first time to qualified graduating seniors w ho w ill continue higher education in either a 2-4 year college, vocational school, or university. Applications w ill be

available by April and are due May 5, 2006. Scholarships will be awarded at the Senior Awards Night on June 1st. The committee members will make a special effort in promoting the scholarships by making presentations to senior classes so all seniors will have the opportunity to apply. Spread the word! Questions- please email tipping1@aol.com

Follow up Links

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