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# ECHS Archiving Project Newsletter

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings to all Gauchos and Gaucho families.

Another school year is drawing to a close. The Archiving Project Scholarship Committee has been hard at work and has selected two students to each receive a \$1000 scholarship. The awards night will be held in the Performing Arts Theater on June 1st at 7 pm. Everyone is invited to attend.

The ECHS Archiving Project is very happy to receive any donations to our Scholarship Fund in honor or memory of an individual.

We are also working hard to encourage our past athletes and spirit groups to buy a tile to showcase the amazing past of ECHS sports.

Over the 75 years of ECHS history we have had wonderful sports teams and single athletes as well as the individuals and groups that supported them. Buy a tile, and it will be mounted on a wall in the stadium for all to remember ECHS's outstanding athletics history.

We are proudly celebrating the 51st edition of our on-line newsletter done by the amazing and talented editor, Roddy Lee.

Jackie Fleming Fonken,  
Class of 1956  
Call 510-232-9149  
[j\\_fonken@hotmail.com](mailto:j_fonken@hotmail.com)

## El Cerrito Centennial Celebration



El Cerrito Celebrates Its 100th Birthday!

In 1917, the town of El Cerrito was officially incorporated. There will be a year-long celebration to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the occasion.

On average, four centennial events are planned monthly. In September, there will be a big weekend including a parade, dinners and music events.

June 3 - Walking Tour: When Gamblers Ran Our Town  
· 11am-1pm at Bayview Eagles Hall (3223 Carlson Blvd.)  
· Hosted by El Cerrito Historical Society & El Cerrito Trail Trekkers

June 3 - Centennial Community Water Safety Day  
· 10am-2pm at El Cerrito Swim Center (7007 Moeser Lane)  
· Hosted by Recreation Department  
· Event includes free swim lesson (pre-reg. suggested) & discounted entrance for recreational swim - \$3/person

June 11 - Loving Day Celebration  
· Celebrate and strengthen El Cerrito's multicultural community.  
· Check back in the spring for information about this event hosted by the Human Relations Commission at City Hall.

June 10 & 11 - Centennial Pickleball Tournament  
· 9am-4pm at ECHS Fields (540 Ashbury)  
· Hosted by Recreation Department  
· Contact the Recreation Dept. for details and to register

June 17 - Hike: It's Our Fault  
· 10am-1pm at Hillside Natural Area (8500 Madera Dr.)

## Coach Quirico's

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## Hall of Fame Ceremony

November 2017

Contact Coach Quirico  
for more information

bquirico@comcast.net

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## 4th of July Celebration 2017

Join your friends and neighbors at the  
joyous,  
fun-filled City of El Cerrito's July 4th  
Celebration!!

Monday, July 4, 2017 from 10:00 am - 6:00 pm with  
music on the Main Stage until 6:30 pm.

The Festival is held in beautiful Cerrito Vista Park.

Raffle, Raffle, Raffle, Spin Wheel!! Prizes  
Drop by the booth to enter.

The El Cerrito Archiving Project will sell DVDs of  
"Green and White: The Gaucho Story," as well as  
ECHS memorabilia.

ECHS Gauchos license plate holders will be available.

The Archiving Project Booth will be located on  
Pomona.

Visit the scores of booths for arts and crafts,  
information from local organizations and plenty of  
food!

### Quick Links

[How to Donate an Item](#)

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Products](#)

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· Hosted by El Cerrito Trail Trekkers  
June 20 - Law Enforcement Torch Run  
· Cheer on members of the El Cerrito Police Department  
as they run in support of Special Olympics of Northern  
California.  
· Route info will be posted online in June.

June 22 - Talk: Victor Ramon Castro and His Family at  
the Castro Adobe 1839-1928 (by Joanne Rubio)  
· 7pm at City Hall (10890 San Pablo Ave)  
· History talk hosted by the El Cerrito Historical Society

June 24 - Community Celebration with Worship and  
Reception  
· 5pm at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church (11150 San  
Pablo Ave)  
· Hosted by St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

June 25 - Holy Ghost Parade  
· Check back in the spring for details about where to  
watch the parade.  
· Hosted by St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

June 25 - St. John the Baptist School's Annual Vacation  
Day Camp Open House  
· 10am-2pm at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church  
(11156 San Pablo Ave)  
· Hosted by St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

If you want to participate, please let us know by  
contacting Jsbat1@comcast.net or 510 524 9468

Hope you will celebrate with us!

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**El Cerrito High School tours, Saturday,  
October 14, 2017, 10 am.**

Spirit Groups, Athletic Boosters,  
2017 Teams and Athletes, Alumni.

Get Behind a Memorial to YOU! - Buy a Tile!

Lynn Maack (Class of '63) purchased a tile to  
memorialize his ECHS track & field  
performances as a discus thrower and shot-  
putter. The late Daniel Bernstine's ('65) family  
purchased a tile in memory of his  
accomplishments as football team captain at  
ECHS. Susan Aiello Duncan ('69) was in the  
Gauchos Marching Band and ordered a tile to  
mark her participation. Lynn's, Daniel's and  
Susan's tiles will soon be on permanent display  
in the Gauchos' Memorial Field for all to see.

And so can yours!

If you or a family member participated as an  
athlete, a cheerleader, a band member, a coach



## Take a Look!!

Visit our Museum!



[Old and new, updated pictures of ECHS.](#)

## Interesting Alumni

Do you have a classmate who has contributed to society and you think we would like to hear about him or her?

Contact Roddy Lee at [ECarchproject@aol.com](mailto:ECarchproject@aol.com)

[Reunion Information Reviews and updates](#)

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Updated 5/25/2017

### Class of 1972

1970 to 1974 invited.  
October 21, 2017 at 6pm,  
Waterfront Hotel,  
Jack London Square, Oakland, Ca  
Contact: Al Gambetti:  
[agambetti@yahoo.com](mailto:agambetti@yahoo.com)  
Cell: 916-532-8303  
Phone / Fax: 916-676-9888

Class site:  
<https://m.facebook.com/groups/124044327613092/>  
Reunion and ticket site:  
<http://www.nationalreunions.com/displayevent.asp?eventid=1388>

### Class of 1987

30th Reunion  
<https://echs1987.eventbrite.com>  
Contact: Toscha Conroe - [ecgauchos1987@gmail.com](mailto:ecgauchos1987@gmail.com)  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/990845987615102>

or a referee, you can memorialize your or your family member's performance with a tile inscribed to your order. Whether it was baseball, basketball, tennis, track & field, cross-country, soccer or whatever; if you played or supported sports competitions on ECHS's fields and courts, this project is for you.

How can we commemorate your experience? Let us install an inscribed tile in your honor. Simply order a tile with your name, sport(s) or related activity and years you were involved, and we will install it prominently for all to see in the new El Cerrito High School Stadium! We help you, and you help us help students by providing scholarships.

Our Tile Project raises funds exclusively for ECHS student scholarships. Over the past thirteen years we have awarded over \$39,000 to deserving ECHS students. Please help us continue this important tradition.

Order your tile now!

<http://elcerritogauchos.net/archiving/archiving-project>

If you have questions, please contact Roddy Lee, [ecarchproject@aol.com](mailto:ecarchproject@aol.com)

"We" are the El Cerrito High School Archiving Project, and it is our mission to support the development of a strong ECHS alumni body, to collect, preserve and celebrate the history of El Cerrito High School, and develop connections to current students and to the El Cerrito community.

## Missing - Alumni Class Reunion Leaders

We are looking for you. Your fellow classmates would like to know when your next reunion is scheduled, and they look to the Archiving Alumni Liaison to give them that information. So, PLEASE, tell us who you are and where you have been hiding.

Missing Leaders:  
Classes of 1946-47, '51-53, '77, '83, '86, '88-93, 1996-2000, '02-05, '07 -15.

We need to have the following information for your classmates:  
Name, Email, Home Address, Phone #, Cell # and, of course, year you graduated.  
Ladies, if you have a maiden name, we need that information also.

## Class of 1968- 50th YEAR

- REUNION DATE CONFIRMED ...
- Saturday, October 6, 2018
- Richmond Country Club
- Facebook ...

### ECHS 1968 REUNION COMMITTEE

Paul Bailey  
Steve Kirby  
Donnie Lemone (nee Shields)  
Jim Perry  
Rich Runswick

## Class of 1967--50 year

- October 14, 2017
- Mira Vista Country Club
- Contact: Roddy Lee-- echs1967@aol.com
- Website:  
<http://elcerritogauchos.net/alumni/alumni/alumni-class-pages/1967-2/1967-50th-invitation>
- \*[Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/groups/278113378923236/):  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/278113378923236/>

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Reunion leaders: If you are planning your reunion or need information about your reunion, please Contact Roddy Lee: [ECArchProject@aol.com](mailto:ECArchProject@aol.com).

If you are not someone who plans your reunion, please go online and register with the Archiving Project Newsletter Editor Roddy Lee, and he will add you to our mailing list and keep you up-to-date on what your school alumni are up to. [ECArchiveProject@aol.com](mailto:ECArchiveProject@aol.com)

Contact Alumni Liaison: Kathie (Nemy) Weinstein, Class of 1958;  
email [Bjhardy4@att.net](mailto:Bjhardy4@att.net), phone (510) 215-5570.

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## Website Link: items for sale

2017 Gift Ideas! Archiving Project Fundraisers!

Pencils . . . . . 2/\$1.00  
Pens . . . . . 2/\$1.00  
Pins . . . . . \$1.00  
School Photos . . . . . \$1.00  
Book Marks . . . . . \$3.00

"Green & White/The Gaucho Story" - the DVD -  
\$15.00

Gaucha 75th Anniversary Cushion.. \$10.00

License Plate Frames . . . \$7.00

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Member-Kent Sanctuary, '64  
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Member-Bonnie Taylor, Faculty

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