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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear ECHS Alumnae and Friends,

As you all know we are currently in uncharted waters for our country and world.

We all need to do whatever is possible to keep this coronavirus from spreading. All our local schools are currently closed for three weeks and hopefully all the students getting ready to graduate will still be okay to do that.

We are working on setting a date to install all the tiles/bricks that we have orders for. There will be a big announcement when the installation is complete.

We are sad to tell Bonnie Taylor goodbye. She was not only a beloved teacher at ECHS for many years, she was also a very special, knowledgeable member of this Archiving Project Board COMMITTEE and will be very much missed. May she rest in peace.

I am sending special thank you to Craig Swan class of 1961 for his generous donation to the Archiving Scholarship fund.

Please take care of yourself and stay safe.

ECHS will be celebrating 80 years in existence in 2021. GO GAUCHOS!

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Historical and Necessary Decision

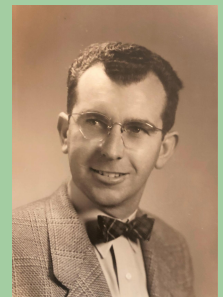
Closing schools is never an easy decision. We know how much schools build and foster community for students, staff, families, and community members. However, in an abundance of caution, we have made the decision to close all of the schools in the District due to the concerns over coronavirus (COVID-19) in our community.

Matthew Duffy WCCUSD
Superintendent

Howard Mackey Gauche Spirit Scholarship

Due April 30, 2020

The Howard Mackey Gauche Spirit Scholarship was established in spring 2020 to help deserving students continue their education and develop a spirit of learning throughout their lives. This scholarship is named in honor of Mr. Mackey, one of our first graduates and a beloved former teacher. He was a dedicated, talented and gifted educator who wanted to see all students succeed.



Mr. Mackey's family are honoring their father's El Cerrito High School education and teaching career with an annual \$1500 scholarship. This scholarship will be presented to a student for their continuing education expenses.

The qualifications for the Howard Mackey Gauche Spirit Scholarship are:

- Graduating senior who will be attending an accredited vocational school, trade school, two-year community college, four-year college or university or will be entering the military
- Graduating senior who has demonstrated the Gauche spirit over the course of their years at El Cerrito High School through participation in school activities, athletics and academics.

Application details:

The Howard Mackey Gauche Spirit Scholarship and the Archiving Scholarship application deadline are being updated. Please go to our website for current information. <https://www.wccusd.net/Page/11967>

Gauche Generations

Graduation Gifts



Did your parents or grand parents attend
El Cerrito High School?
We are looking to establish a data base for
1st, 2nd, 3rd generation Gauchos.
Let us know your name/generations
Please contact Roddy Lee at
ECarchproject@aol.com

Coach Quirico's Corner



Makai Polk
University of California
Football Scholar Athlete



<https://asc.berkeley.edu/about/student-athlete-honors/jonathan-judy-hoff-scholar-athlete-week>

Old Football Game Film

Alumni interested in obtaining
ECHS Football Film.
Contact Roddy Lee
ECarchproject@aol.com

Hall of Fame Information

Coming Soon!

Contact Coach Quirico
bquirico@comcast.net

Our Tile and Brick Projects raise funds
exclusively for ECHS student scholarships. Over
the past thirteen years we have awarded
\$41,000 to deserving ECHS students.

ECHS Brick Mementos

Are you a graduating senior, parent, friend, gaucho supporter?

Are you proud of your contributions as a Gaucho? Do you want to be remembered for generations to come? You know you do! Here's your opportunity to let everyone know your greatness! How? Order a brick with your information. We will install it for all to see in the front of the school. Spaces are limited, reserve your brick now.



Get your Brick!!

Please help support the Archiving Project and its ECHS "Howard Mackey" scholarship students by purchasing a brick today - memorializing your contributions in the process!

RESERVE YOUR BRICK TODAY - ORDER FORM

Standard 4" x 8" Beige Brick _____ x
Minimum Donation \$150= Total Due \$ _____
1-3 lines of text inscription, 23 characters per line
(see inscription page)

SAMMY BURNS
VARSITY FOOTBALL
1968-70

Name (Last, First, (Maiden)) _____
Street Address _____ City, St, Zip _____
Year Graduated (if applicable) _____ Email _____
Phone _____

Mail this form and your [inscription \(page #2\)](#) along with your check or money order payable to: ECHS Archiving Project

c/o Diane Sericati
16 Ramona Ave.
El Cerrito, CA 94530
Tax ID # 91-1935426

If you have questions, please contact Roddy Lee, ecarchproject@aol.com
<https://www.wccusd.net/Page/11954>

Electronic orders through our website, PayPal*
Email your information to:
Roddy Lee, ecarchproject@aol.com



Were you an athlete or member of a spirit group at El Cerrito High? [Click here](#)
<https://www.wccusd.net/Page/11969>

Please help us continue this important
tradition.

Order your brick or tile now at our website !

<https://www.wccusd.net/Page/11954>

If you have questions, please contact Roddy Lee, 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.

Do you think ECHS Archiving Project
Museum is Unique ?

Stories from "Uncle Hale"



Which one of these lads ran in the 1976 Olympics?
Answer: Left, Duncan MacDonald, 5000 meters



What did he teach you?

Quick Links

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Gauchos in the Spotlight

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

Take a Look!!*

<https://www.ccmarketplacemag.com/post/el-cerrito-high-school-archiving-project>

The El Cerrito High School Archiving Project was established in 2005 to preserve the history of El Cerrito High School. It was formed by parents, alumni and teachers who felt the traditions, artifacts and legacy of the school had value and wanted to make it available to future generations.

The group has continued the efforts for the last fourteen years and also encourages future alumni through the awarding of scholarships. Since the group was established, they have created a history museum inside the school and given out over \$41,000 in scholarships.



Attention Museum Visitors!

Moving into the 1950s

This year we have featured items from the 1940s. Next year we will move into the 1950s. Look for 1950s stickers highlighting items from that decade. If you have any artifacts from the 1950s, please contact us for an evaluation for possible addition to our collection.

[How to donate an item.](#)

Photos from the [ECHS Archiving Project Collection](#)

Current Reunion Information

Updated 3/25/20

[People who went to El Cerrito](#)

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2224192800/?ref=bookmarks>

[The 70's](#)

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/119897442221977/>

Class of 1973, 1974, 1975,

Someone is thinking about it.

More information to follow..dialogue in the facebook pages above.

[Class of 2011](#)

We are thinking about it,

Contact Marisol Clemens- mclemens423@gmail.com

[Class of 1990](#)

We have a date set for our 30th Reunion!!!

Saturday, July 11, 2020 - Put it on your calendars!

We have reserved Arlington Park in EC for a picnic & BBQ.

More Information to follow



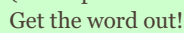
We are looking for you. Your fellow classmates would like to know when your next reunion is scheduled, and they look to the Archiving Alumni Liaison to give them that information. So, PLEASE, tell us who you are and where you have been hiding.

Ladies, if you have a maiden name, we need that information also.

ECArchProject@aol.com

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

- Special Events
 - Pumpsie Green
- Newsletters 1-10
- Newsletters 11-20
- Newsletters 21-30
- Newsletters 31-40
- Newsletters 41-50. tbd



Rich Runswick

In Memoriam



Bonnie Taylor



Paul Daniels



Tim Shaw



George Austin



Class of 1967--50 year

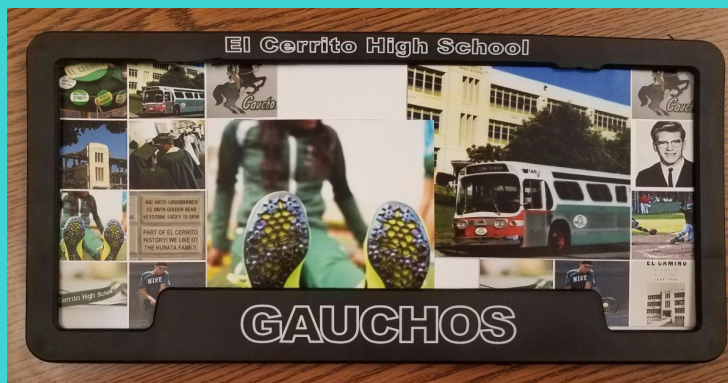
Did We Have a Good Time??

Contact: Roddy Lee-- echs1967@aol.com

*Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/278113378923236/>

Reunion leaders, classmates: If you are planning your reunion or need information about your reunion.

Please Contact Roddy Lee: ECArchProject@aol.com



Support our Scholarship Project 2020 Gift Ideas! Archiving Project Fundraisers!

Pencils	2/\$1.00
Pens	2/\$1.00
Pins	\$1.00
School Photos	\$1.00
License Plate Frames	\$7.00
Book Marks	\$3.00
GaUCHoBlanket	\$15.00
Mugs	\$10.00
GaUCHo 75th Anniversary Cushion	\$5.00
"Green&White"/TheGaUCHoStory	\$15.00

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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.

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