



Lawndale High School

Class of 1974 - 40th Reunion

Newsletter

July 21, 2014



RECONNECT

Our 40th reunion celebration will be held on Saturday August 16, 2014

6:00 PM to 12 midnight

in the Naples Ballroom of the Renaissance Hotel

111 E. Ocean Blvd. Long Beach

Reception

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Dinner

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Dancing

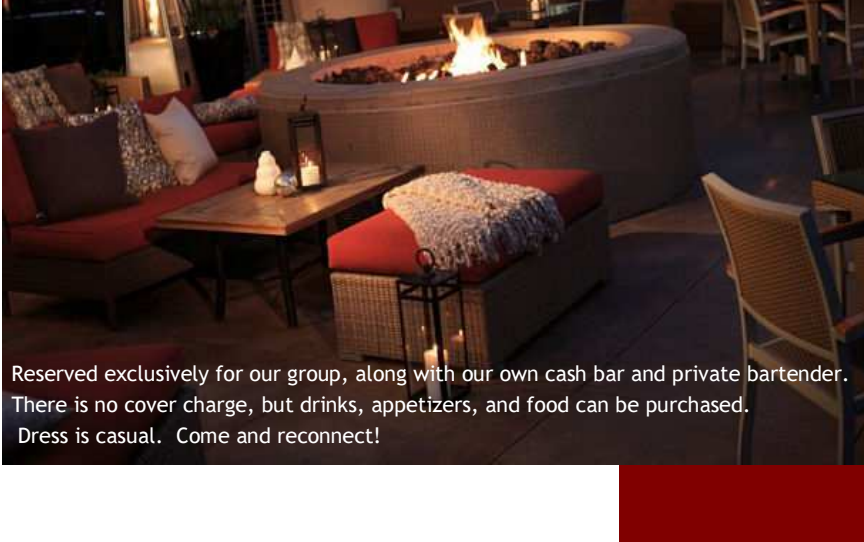
Win Disneyland Park Hopper Tickets!

Purchase your reunion ticket by midnight on July 25th for your chance to win a free Disneyland Park Hopper Pass!

Drawing will take place on Saturday, July 26 at noon

Two lucky classmates will each receive one pass!

FRIDAY NIGHT MIXER Friday, August 15th 6 to 10pm



Reserved exclusively for our group, along with our own cash bar and private bartender. There is no cover charge, but drinks, appetizers, and food can be purchased. Dress is casual. Come and reconnect!

Sign in to the LHS Website:

www.lawndalehigh74.net

Make your personal profile today!

Cardinal of the Week Dave Halek



Which Cardinal from the Class of '74 has moved to the most remote corner of the world? Our one and only Dave Halek. We remember him as varsity football fullback #38, letterman, and all-around great guy. Today, he is known as husband, father, grandfather, and owner of the Tradewinds Hotel in Pago Pago, American Samoa.

The Samoan islands are a chain of volcanic islands in the South Pacific between Fiji and Tahiti some 2,600 miles southwest of Hawaii and 1,800 miles northwest of New Zealand. It is a tropical paradise of mountains, rain forests, deep harbors, beautiful white beaches, and now home to Dave and his family. Dave and his wife Carola, of 38 years, have four children, Angela 38, Christopher 29, Jason David, who would have been 34, and Tavita 12. He also has three grandchildren, Angelina, Brianna, and Jason Christopher, and two dogs, a Rottweiler and a lab, appropriately named Lilo and Stitch.

Dave's interest in purchasing and developing real estate lead him to the luxury hotel business with his family there on Tutuila island, and keeps him busy with new ventures. He has also lived in Western Samoa, Honolulu, Hawaii, Washington, and Utah, but has chosen one of the most beautiful tropical paradises to call home.

Dave will not be able to make it to the reunion, but he is one of our very generous sponsors. You can send him a private message on his personal profile, and can look up his hotel at www.tradewinds.as

Congrats to Dianna Ervin Ogden for winning a one night's stay at the Renaissance Long Beach Hotel!

Teacher of the Week Mrs. Nancy Streeter



"You may remember that my mother often wore a wooden cardinal pin - I remember it vividly from my childhood. It was one of the items that we slipped into her pocket to be buried with her, along with her Marymount College class ring, a locket with pictures of our dad, and each of our children. She so cherished her years at Lawndale, and was so stricken when she became too sick to teach anymore. As you know, she was very proud of, and loved, her students. Thank you for honoring her, and please keep in touch. God bless you, and Go Cardinals!!"

- Jane Streeter De Haven

"Favorite Teacher: Mrs. Streeter."
- Sharon Richardson

"Mrs. Streeter was THE ONE instructor I can remember and would credit as being the catalyst for continuing my education. As a result of her caring nature, encouragement, and compassion, I have entered the field of education and also recently received my Master's Degree. I wish she were here to see the results of her hard efforts on my behalf (many lunch breaks working on composition, grammar, and vocabulary). I also remember working with her to write poetry and short stories to be published. She was truly an inspiration to me and I am sure others. She is missed!!"

- Cathy Lakatos

She was a wonderful woman. I worked harder in her class than in any other, because I wanted her to be pleased with my writing. She had very high expectations for her students, but never left anyone feeling like they weren't good enough. That's a difficult balance to achieve.

- Steve Hansen (1976)

"Although Mrs. Streeter... [was] strict, [she was] very good hearted and caring. Mrs. Streeter even offered me a job as a live-in part-time nanny, so I could take advantage of a full scholarship to USC. Turning her down because I thought it would be taking advantage of her (stupid 18 year old me!) is one of my biggest regrets."

- Joan Emmerson Jaffray



"I have fond memories of many of my teachers from LHS, but Mrs. Streeter always had a special place in my heart. She truly cared for her students and she personally touched me with her caring guidance and encouragement. I remember her inviting me to dinner with her family once and I brought "Goodbye Yellow Brick Road" to play for her (not her type of music). Take care Mrs. Streeter. Thanks for believing in me at a time when teenagers don't often believe in themselves."

-Chuck House ('75)

"Mrs. Streeter, loved her."
- Maria Austin Walden

"I remember Mrs. Lynch and Nancy Streeter were best friends, and how cute and dedicated these 2 little old-fashioned English teacher ladies were as they plotted to lead the English department the way they thought was best!"

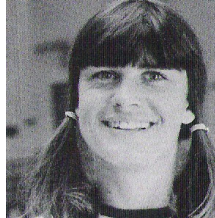
-Karen Pell Kuchinski

Mrs. Streeter passed away August 28, 1999

Did You Know?

Lawndale High School is one of only 4 high schools that make up the Centinela Valley Union High School District. The CVUHSD was formed in 1905 and was originally known as the Inglewood Union High School District. It was made up of Hawthorne, Inglewood, Jefferson (later Lennox), and Wiseburn School Districts. The name was changed to Centinela Valley Union High School District in 1944.

Lawndale High School first opened in 1959. It was closed 22 years later in 1981. LHS reopened in 1998, and now has over 2,000 students and 91 teachers. Our very own Mrs. Sharon Curto is back teaching at Lawndale High! She will be at the reunion. Make sure to look for her.



Looking Back to the 1970's



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TO STREAK OR NOT TO STREAK

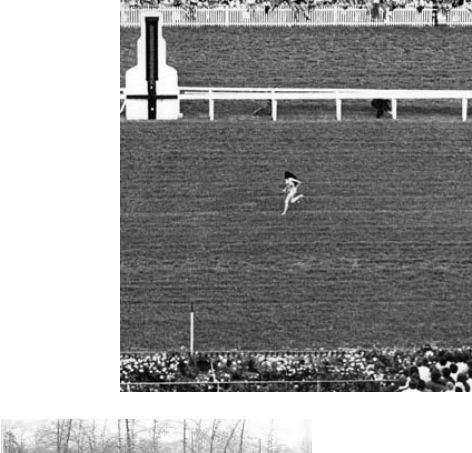
On Friday, March 8, L.H.S. was struck with its first streaker. Since then you may have seen a few unclothed bodies running across the campus.

The Cardinal has asked some students their opinions on streaking. Some of their replies were:

- Don Aumer: I do it all the time in the showers and locker room. Streaking is more American than Apple Pie.
- Donna Ladendecker: I think it's funny.
- John Duran: It stinks.
- Jeff Warren: It's okay if you're built for it.
- Dave Jackman: There's nothing wrong with it. It's what the people want and they enjoy watching it.
- Debbie Montoya: I think the people who streak are just trying to get attention.
- Reno Calonge: It's just a fad.
- Marty Mitta: The only thing that can be said about this is GO FOR IT!
- Diane Ridings: I think it's dumb, but I don't think the people who do it should be punished for it.

JANELLE LEWIS IS FIRST RUNNER - UP

On March 25th and April 1st, a Lawndale High senior, Janell Lewis, participated in the annual Miss Hollywood Park - Miss Inglewood contest. Twenty-five girls competed in the Preliminary...



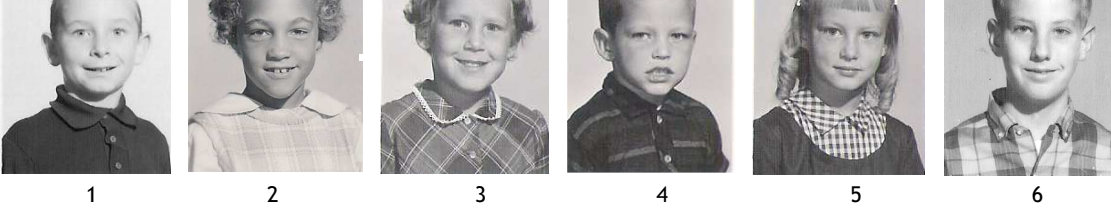
Hey, all you "maybes" out there:



- Jim McDonald
- Jeff Warren
- David South
- Jeff Stone
- Dollie Davis
- Aaron Banks
- Jamie Mowry
- Sharon Johnson

Buy your ticket !!

Onward Cardinals!



Recognize any of these fellow classmates?



Answers to last week's Cardinal search:

- Alan Bollinger
- Kim Butler
- Debbie Valko
- Mary Alldredge
- Nadia Cassone
- Kathy Ashburn
- Candy Thorne
- Casey DeWit
- Mr. John White
- Patty Beers
- Mr. MacKenzie
- Marlin Halverson
- Dan Swanburg

and there's more!

Become a sponsor of our 40th reunion!

You or your business can be represented as a contributor to our reunion fund. See our website for details



WORRIED about coming to the reunion alone?

No need to be concerned. Out of 83 guests, only 24 are coming with another person. Everyone else is coming solo, whether married or not. So, if you are worried about coming alone, you will be in the majority!

We Need Your Help!

In addition to an evening of dinner, dance, and reconnecting we have planned some great door prizes, several gift basket give-aways, gift cards, and raffles.

❖ If you would like to contribute to the night's fun, we would really appreciate any donations of products, merchandise, services, or gift cards.

There will also be a display table with memorabilia from our high school days

❖ If you have any mementos, such as old photographs, old Cardinal newspapers, old football programs, or anything from past reunions that you would like to share, it would be greatly appreciated.

Please contact anyone on the reunion committee

Reunion Committee:

Leslie Carlisle Hamburger, Janelle Lewis James, Mary Rezutti Sutherland, Merrilee Willis Greene, and Rosie Proper Blada

Reunion Tickets: \$85.00

Tickets may be purchased securely online with Credit &/or Debit Cards, by PAYPAL, or by mailing your check. Please make sure you complete all the necessary info for your registration and choose your payment option.

Your name will be on a list at the door.