



Monroe High School  
 Class of 1972  
**ALPHESIANS**  
 40-year Reunion  
 October 2012





# JAMES MONROE HIGH SCHOOL



## The Reunion Committee

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Dear Fellow Alphesians:

Each time you leaf through this Memory Book, we hope it deepens your smile lines and kindles fresh sparks of nostalgia. The Memory Book and separate Digital Memories DVD will serve as continuing reminders of our special childhood friends and the memories we created together at James Monroe High School. The book is a chronicle of three glorious days in October that comprised our 40-Year Reunion Weekend. It contains personal remembrances shared by our classmates, as well as contact information for us to keep in touch. If an ordinary picture is worth a thousand words, then the images and salutations in this Memory Book and the DVD will speak meaningful volumes and profoundly touch you.

The planning of our 40<sup>th</sup> Reunion Weekend was a genuine labor of love and pleasurable outlet for each member of the Reunion Committee. Then the joy compounded in the form of sincere expressions of “thanks” submitted by classmates. It was very gratifying to read your notes and to see so many smiling faces over the Reunion Weekend. One resounding message conveyed to the committee was “let’s not wait ten years for another reunion.” We heard you. Please mark **October 2017** in your Day Planners, PDAs, and smart phones for our 45-Year Reunion. Details will be announced and updated on a website that is being specially created for our class.

Our 40-Year Reunion reaffirmed the special friendships and relationships that we were all so blessed to share. It was like a time machine that evaporated forty years and carried us back to the simpler world of 1972. Though we may have been the largest class to graduate from Monroe High School, we were also the most cohesive, often tracking back to elementary school and beyond. It was that commonality of experience and yearning to reconnect, that made our Reunion Weekend so special and satisfying for many of us. It was more than a simple coincidence of school boundaries that made us classmates. May this Memory Book encourage you to use the contact information to update your holiday card lists and to visit with classmates more frequently than once a decade. Life’s short.

Stay safe and let us meet again,  
Your 40<sup>th</sup> Reunion Committee

# YOUR ALPHESIAN 40 YEAR REUNION COMMITTEE



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The Senior Lawn



Our Senior Stage plaque



We are well-represented in the  
athletics trophy case



The Cafeteria and Odin's Hall



The Boys Gym



One of the many halls

Do you remember?

*We are (clap, clap) Monroe!*


## We've Only Just Begun to Pay It Back and to Pay It Forward...


Several dozen classmates visited Monroe High School for student guided tours over the Reunion Weekend. What we thought would be a simple journey down memory lane turned-out to be a surprisingly moving and inspiring homecoming to our beloved alma mater. Each Monroe student who sacrificed her or his Saturday morning to share their school with us was fantastic, compelling, and filled with the same dreams and aspirations that we each enjoyed. Still, many of our classmates candidly remarked about what they perceived to be both subtle and overt changes at the school. Some changes were quite positive; many, however, were not.

Like many public schools, Monroe has suffered from pernicious funding cuts, limited community resources, and neglect. Most of the same physical structures remain intact; however, more significantly from an educational perspective, are changes in the classrooms and school curriculum. Many classes must now accommodate and educate forty or more students. The breadth of classes available to students has been dramatically reduced. Monroe now offers its students only two foreign languages: Spanish and French (gone are our German, Japanese, and Russian classes). The athletics programs have suffered major cuts. Gone are the swim teams, gymnastics, "B" and "C" sports teams, and most JV teams. Though the school has a championship JROTC program, and successful Police Academy Magnet, Public Service & Fire Academy, Law & Government, Arts, Media & Entertainment, and Engineering & Design programs, each is underfunded. There are limited funds available for field trips or to transport the band to competitions (let alone for new uniforms or equipment). Each day is a difficult balancing and budgeting act for the faculty and school administrators. In sum, our alma mater is not the same institution that enabled and inspired us to fulfill our personal dreams and career objectives.

When we graduated from Monroe in 1972, California's public schools were undisputedly ranked high in the nation. California public schools are now ranked near the bottom. James Monroe High School cannot rely upon the infusion of public funds to meet its basic needs and the newly passed Proposition 30 alone will not bring the school back to its glory days. It will require personal philanthropy and invested stakeholders to help move the school and its students forward with new hope and opportunities. There is no group more appropriate to help lift our struggling alma mater and its students than the alumni of Monroe High School. Donations were collected during the Reunion to make a gift to Monroe High School on behalf of the Class of 1972. Many of you selflessly contributed toward this gift. That too was inspiring. Efforts are now underway to establish an IRC §501(c)(3) charitable foundation for the benefit of Monroe and its students, which has tentatively been named the "James Monroe High School Foundation". Though the foundation will be started by our class, ALL Monroe alumni will be invited to contribute their time, talents, and treasure toward this worthy cause. It is hoped that the foundation will attract an array of talented alumni mentors, tutors, and benefactors. As the foundation is rolled-out, details will be posted on our Class of 1972 website.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Fuzzy...great times with friends over lunch
- Biology with fruit flies
- Football games!

**Alphesian Update:**


I have been married to Monroe alum Matt Williams for 34 years. We have 3 children (ages 30, 28, and 26). I attended UCLA for 2 years and then went back east to a small college in Rhode Island and graduated from there. (Rhode Island is beautiful but NOT California.) I then spent 21 years living in Oregon and Washington... again beautiful but too wet! My husband is an actor and voice actor who has done some TV and movie parts but spent most of his time as a DJ. We have 3 amazing children, 2 of whom live about 5 blocks from Monroe. I've lived in several places including Barrington, Rhode Island; Aloha, Oregon; Battle Ground, Washington; Paso Robles and Atascadero, California. Today, I live on the beautiful Central Coast, ride my horses, love my husband, sell real estate, and am very grateful to God for my life here. I enjoy trail riding, horse camping, and am currently training my donkey to pack! I am looking forward to a trip to Cambodia right after the reunion and a trip in December for my daughter's wedding.


**Wisdom Gained:**

- Your relationship with others and your relationship with God is the only thing you leave and take with you when you leave this place. They are more important than anything!

What question did we forget to ask?

*Did you like Monroe? (Duane Meltzer)*

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**Monroe Memories:**

- I came to JMHS from Alemany in 11<sup>th</sup> grade, and...
- I couldn't find any of the few people I might have known during nutrition breaks or lunch. It was surreal.

**Alphesian Update:**

I have been married for 17 years to my husband Tom who I met in Erie, PA. We have two children, Teresa (35) and John (34) as well as two grandchildren, John Basil (6) and Eleanor (4). I married and moved away when I was very young. I was divorced with two small children by age 27 and stayed single for many years. Later I dated and married the attorney who represented me during subsequent custody matters. We've now been together for 25 years. I've been in Erie, PA for 38 years, but we will leave as soon as my husband retires and go to wherever the grandchildren are. I enjoy kayaking, hiking, and walking. We take a couple of great trips each year, and I look forward to a walking tour of Scotland (first item on my bucket list).

**Wisdom Gained:**

- Over the years I've learned that everything we think, say, and do is motivated by fear or by love.

What question did we forget to ask?

*What's your favorite book?*

*To Kill A Mockingbird* (Lisa Stelck)

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**Monroe Memory:**

- In the 1972 yearbook, they had the wrong name for me. In that book on page 38 (or in some editions, page 34), I am the 3<sup>rd</sup> photo, in the center of the row. However, they had my name listed as Ellen Azar (who is actually the 4<sup>th</sup> person in the row).

**Alphesian Update:**

I am single with 1 daughter (age 28) who is a college educated Los Angeles Police Officer. I currently live in LA, but have also lived in Dallas, Texas and on a cattle ranch in Montana. In my free time (free time?), I enjoy going to the gym, the movies, museums, or spending time with friends and family.

**Wisdom Gained:**

- Happiness is a choice, nothing is forever, and family is unconditional love!

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What question did we forget to ask?

*Anyone you'd like to give a shout out to?*

*I would especially have liked to say hello to Lisa Stelck, who I have known from Kindergarten through middle school and high school, as well as several others on [the RSVP list] who all helped me survive high school.*

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A pivotal scene from the musical "Of Thee I Sing"

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**Monroe Memories:**

- G lawn
- Rap Room

**Alphesian Update:**

I traveled over 2500 miles from my home in West Grove, Pennsylvania to attend the 40<sup>th</sup> reunion, and among other things, had the fun of meeting up with two other members of my elementary school Brownie troop (Joyce Bridges Roth and Martha George-Gillespy). I have four children (ages 31, 28, 12, and 9) and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration. I am most accurately described as a mom, an entrepreneur, and in the music business!

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Our huge senior class and the kids who spelled “Hi Mom” on their mortar boards
- Mr. Donovan, the English teacher, I think
- Folk dancing instead of PE

**Alphesian Update:**

I live on the East Coast, only about 2600 miles away from Monroe. I was married for 17 years, but divorced. I have two children: David Lee Bodner (25) and Beth Susanna Bodner (18). I worked in museums for most of my career, at the National Park Service, and the Smithsonian Institution. After hating PE in high school, I became a fitness and Pilates instructor in my mid-40s. I still teach a few classes and bike ride. I did my first century bike ride on October 6, 2012. Washington, DC has been an interesting place to live. (I actually live in Arlington, VA, 4 miles from Washington DC.) I have seen lots of events and met quite a few notable people. My kids went to Washington-Lee High School here, a fantastic school. I wish Monroe had been so good. Berkeley was my first home away from Los Angeles.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Tearing down the breakthrough during the Monroe-Granada Hills league championship football game--We were trailing at half, but we WON!
- Winning the 1971 LA city baseball championship at Dodger Stadium.
- The first Monroe Battle of the Bands in the gym, 1972---my little baby.

**Alphesian Update:**

I am happily back in LA after living 3 years just east of Vancouver, WA (though I still have a home in Brush Prairie). I was stationed in Frankfurt, Germany while in the U.S. Army (1972-1974). Besides being certified in SCUBA and a hypnotist, I earned a BA in English and an MA in physics, both from CSUN. Now a credentialed teacher in CA and WA, I've taught for 32 years as a college professor and high school teacher in physics, chemistry, and mathematics and am a national leader in fractal mathematical art research—www.lifsmith.com. I am a seven-time LA City softball champion, and though semi-retired

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Wonderful memories and friends
- Coach Harry Frum who I still maintain a wonderful friendship with.

**Alphesian Update:**

I have been married for 30 years to Leigh, a nurse at Stanford Medical Center. We have three children: Marina (28), Briana (25), and Joe (25). I've enjoyed the opportunity to move around and live in other parts of the western U.S. including Tucson, AZ; Santa Clarita, CA; Flagstaff, AZ; Las Vegas, NV; and now the Bay area. I graduated from Cal State Northridge in 1976 and subsequently coached at the University of Arizona, USC, UCLA, Northern Arizona, and UNLV. I am currently coaching at San Jose State University. (A game on October 13 kept me from the reunion!) I hope to continue coaching at the division 1 level for 3-5 more years; I still enjoy the players and the competition. Then, God willing, I

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Marching Band and everything associated with that experience
- “Sweet rolls”
- Blowing up a pressure cooker in Biology class

**Alphesian Update:**

I have been married for 34 years to Paul Schwerdt and we have one son. We live in the “high desert” of Lancaster, CA. In the 40 years since high school, I’ve worked with exotic animals (lions and tigers, and bears—and elephants and camels, oh my!). I have also learned and become proficient in playing (and now directing) English Handbells. I look forward to retirement, but in the meantime enjoy reading good books, coloring in Dover coloring books, writing music, and going to the movies whenever I have free time.

**GO:** Lancaster Jethawks baseball! (a major league class A affiliate)

**Wisdom gained:**

- God has a definite (and slightly weird) sense of humor.

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**Did you know?**

*Classmates traveled a combined 26,000 miles to attend the reunion.  
43% of those who attended live within 25 miles of Monroe.*

*38% traveled from over 200 miles away to attend!*

*Eight classmates each traveled from over 2000 miles away to attend!*

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**Monroe Memories:**

- When Gary Morgan (1971) tied the WORLD RECORD on the 20' rope climb, at a Monroe gymnastics meet, in 2.9 seconds, from a seated position.
- Not being able to go to the prom or grad night at Disneyland because of financial reasons
- Writing "Sound Off" articles for the Monroe Doctrine school paper.
- At a BBQ/swim party at Cathy Turpin's house, I was innocently swimming in the pool, when somebody yelled out, "Let's all go SKINNY DIPPING!" I panicked and couldn't get out of the pool fast enough! Apparently, it was a prank, but if it was serious, there was a clear lack of interest shown. That was a close call for me. So... who was the jokester that proclaimed that invitation?

**Alphesian Update:**

After one marriage of 24 years, I am a newlywed again! Judith and I were married on September 27, 2012 (2 weeks prior to the 40<sup>th</sup> reunion). I have four children: two daughters (34 & 32), one of whom served in the Marines for 4 years and the reserves for 4 years, and two sons (28 & 26) as well as four grandchildren: three boys (9yrs, 7yrs, and 2.5 months) and 1 girl (4yrs). Looking back over the years to a few months after our graduation, on election day, November 7, 1972, I became one of the FIRST youngest Americans to vote for a president! I turned 18 on November 6, the day before the first Presidential election that was open to 18 year olds. Much later, but still active in the political arena, I was elected and served the Republican party, on the County Central Committee, in the 37<sup>th</sup> state assembly district, as a member and secretary. I was also elected and served on their Executive committee, as well as vice-president of my congressional district committee. (Though I presently live in Culver City, I spent most of my life in the San Fernando Valley.) Professionally, I have a BA in Theology and have been a bank forgery expert, a licensed public speaker, a licensed real estate agent, licensed life and health insurance agent and an inspector. On a more social level, I have also been a unicyclist, background singer (on 5 albums), writer, comedian, impersonator, songwriter, actor, an MC, and even a professional dancer (Ballroom, Swing, Country, Latin).

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Andy & Jill Binsley

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Coach Salsvary’s daily swats in Gymnastics
- Music during Lunch
- That clay structure stuck above “F” Hall for a day
- Playing basketball during lunch
- Vince Trotta, Bill Boren, and I snuck out the window of our English class to play basketball.
- Oh—and when Al Lopez, Vince Trotta, Bill Durando, Oscar Gutierrez, Jon Secrist, Aaron Bomar, Gary Trotta, Bill Boren, and I TP’d the school and...OH, I swore I’d never tell that story!!!

**Alphesian Update:**

I have been married for 36 years to Bonnie Smith (also Class of 1972). We have 3 children: Brock (28), Mallory (26), and Holly (24) as well as two grandchildren: Banks (4) and Broden (2). Those are Mallory and her husband Daniel’s children. Although I’ve only lived in Northridge and now Santa Clarita, I once drove through Bakersfield in September. Does that count? I work for the State and UC system and have earned several licenses including a DSA State School Inspectors License, OSHPD State Hospital Inspectors License, and B-1 C-9 C-22 General Contractor Licenses. I also am an NRA Ranger Instructor. I have had a wonderful life with an awesome, AWESOME wife and three great kids! Truly blessed, I married my best friend and soul mate, and I’ve had some awesome lifetime friends like Vince Trotta. Bonnie and I look forward to our two other children getting married in the future and giving us more grandkids.

**GO:** UCLA, USC, Dodgers, Angels, Broncos, and NY Giants!

**Wisdom Gained:**

Keep your faith in Christ, know God personally, life is short, age creeps up fast, and nothing beats a great wife, family, and friends. Never give up your dream, enjoy every minute that God gives you. Give thanks always.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Cheerleading
- Friday Night Lights, Cheering the Vikings on! Go Vikes!
- Hanging out with my friends at school, Friday and Saturday nights... Ahhhh, the high school crushes!!

**Alphesian Update:**

I have been married to Stephanie, a Georgia Peach—born and bred a Southern girl, for 21 years. This was a second marriage for both of us so between us we have 7 children: 2 boys and 5 girls. In order of age, they are Ashley (23), Shea (21), Sarah (21), Kelsey (19), Aaron (18), Victoria (16), and Dalton (15). We also have 3 grandchildren, ages 6, 4, and 3. The last 40 years have included much. I was involved with a couple of well-known bands while in college; I was a Roadie for Fleetwood Mac and Journey (right when Jonathan Caine joined the group). I also worked for Congressman William Farris. In fact,

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Every time I hear the theme from Hawaii 5-O, I remember the Pre-game music and the Drill Team marching for the football games.
- Watching swim meets and being one of the swim sisters who kept score and time sheets.
- We had fantastic teams the year we were cheerleaders: 1<sup>st</sup> in City in gymnastics, baseball, and, I think, swimming. The football team went to City but lost ☹. The city of Los Angeles has more people than the entire state of Oklahoma—so going to City is bigger than taking State here.

**Alphesian Update:**

I have been married for 19 years to Phil Roth, this being my second marriage. I have 4 children and 2 stepchildren: Kristi (36), Tim (33), Sarah (29), Polly (26) as well as Austin (30) and Robin (28). We also have two granddaughters: Olivia (3 years) and Natalie (1 month). I have moved to Oklahoma 3 times

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**Monroe Memories:**

- I broke my little finger playing powderpuff football, and no one believed it was broken.
- Playing around with the light board during a modern dance rehearsal, and the teacher liked it so much that she used it in the show.

**Alphesian Update:**

The past 40 years have led me through a wide range of experiences including spending 4 years in the Navy as a Hospital Corpsman stationed in Florida and California, riding with a motorcycle gang for a year, and spending a year as a National Park Ranger (following in my father's footsteps). I have now been married for 29 years to another Navy veteran and have 2 daughters, ages 28 and 24 (the oldest was in

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**Terry  
Brown**



**Monroe Memories:**

- Playing B football all three years, good times
- The experience, classmates and teachers
- I didn't want to leave

**Alphesian Update:**

I have been married to my high school sweetheart, Noreen Murphy (Class of 1973) for 36 years. We have two children: Amy (34) and Dan (32) and five grandchildren: Kaden (8), Keely (6), Lyla (4), Sienna (3), and Deegan (9 months). We haven't moved out further than Simi Valley so far, but I look forward to moving close to my kids at some point. We enjoy our grandkids, camping, boating, hiking, and dirt bikes: Go Motocross and outdoor Enduros!

**Wisdom Gained:**

Noreen my wife has taught me to be a good father and husband. My kids have taught me patience, oh—Noreen still does.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Friday night football games! And being part of Drill Team in our Senior year.
- B football at the Rose Bowl
- Bob's Big Boy and Farrell's Ice Cream

**Alphesian Update:**

I have been married for 23 years to Dolan Sittig. He has two children (48 and 43) from a previous marriage, and we now have 4 grandchildren (27, 20, 17, and 17). Dolan retired from the Army after serving for over 22 years. We live in Las Vegas now, but I have lived previously in West Hills, CA. I've had a varied career: I worked at Hughes Aircraft Company for 23+ years, was a flight attendant for 2 years, and became Sales Manager for Palm Mortuary in Las Vegas where I sold over \$100,000 in one calendar month during my first year. I have also been a Mary Kay consultant for 20 years, becoming a Sales Director and winning a RED Grand Am as well as a diamond ring for Sales, being recognized for highest sales during one month in the state of Nevada. In my free time, I learned to scuba dive because I was afraid to be underwater. I enjoy reading, movies, and spending time with family and friends. My main volunteer work is with the Susan G Komen Race for the Cure and, in 2012, I was #4 in the City of Las Vegas for fundraising for Komen. I look forward to enjoying retirement and traveling to Europe, New Zealand and Japan.

**GO:** NY Giants, New Orleans Saints Football, and LSU!

**Wisdom gained:**

- When you have your health, you have everything.
- Giving is priceless.
- Do not sweat the small things
- I've learned which battles to fight.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Bob's Big Boy on the roof for Senior Prank
- The size of our class
- So many bright people in our class

**Alphesian Update:**

I live in the San Diego area of California now after having also called the Mystic Islands, Melbourne, Guadalajara, Manila, and Dallas home at one time or another. Along the way, I earned a degree in Mechanical Engineering and also became a pilot. In the course of the career that followed, I was invited to and attended a Presidential award ceremony given by President Ronald Reagan for work done

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**Monroe Memories:**

- The "Big A" Mr. Aizenstat yelling out my name, "CARLSEN!" and then asking something funny in a really soft voice. He'd also hastily scribble a note and send it, via one of the students in class, to the head football coach. "The plays for Friday's big game," he'd say...oh so seriously.
- Cheering for all the Monroe teams as a Varsity Cheerleader—I could jump and dance all I wanted. On more than one occasion, Rogers carried me home on his back, I was so tired!
- Looking back over our graduating class as we marched to the football field for the ceremony. We were an "ocean" of light blue caps and gowns—over 1300 of us!

**Alphesian Update:**

Rogers Speer (class of 1971) and I have been married 38 years and have two daughters (25 and 23). After moving out of the Valley in 1976, we lived in several really beautiful places starting with Solvang, Nipomo, and then San Luis Obispo, CA where we stayed for 21 years. We then moved out of state to St.

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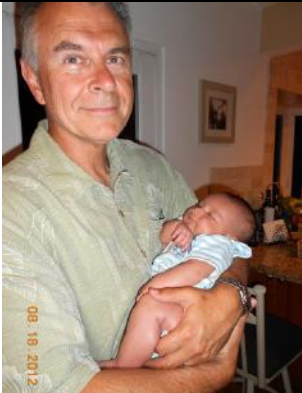
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**Monroe Memories:**

- The lunch time “lock down” – Monroe’s closed campus

**Alphesian Update:**

I used my middle name Lynn in high school but now go by my first name Milly. So...Lynn Charlette is now Milly James. I have 3 children and still stay in touch with Linda Porter Grandgeorge.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Lip synching “Pretty Woman” for Homecoming Queen elections at noon on the Senior Lawn.
- Knights and Ladies camping at Cardiff.
- Doing a Mr. Aizenstat imitation at a Teacher Appreciation luncheon.

**Alphesian Update:**

I’ve been married for 29 years to Julie, a beautiful girl I met at work about 11 years after high school. I am glad to have waited until I found the right woman! I have three great kids that I am very proud of: Christine (33), Amanda (27), and Matthew (15). I just had my first grandchild too: Landon (3 months). I enjoy my career in IT; it’s been very good to me. Early on I earned a BA in Political Science (International Relations). We still live in the Valley, though in West Hills, but I’ve been to the beaches on the south of France and Costa Rica and would like to call either of them “home.” I enjoy camping or hiking with my son and the Boy Scouts—and always surfing, boogie boarding, or stand up paddle-boarding. In regards to service activity, I haven’t done a lot, other than volunteering with Boy Scouts and some charitable events through my work. Still, I look forward to retiring someday and traveling with my wife and our Chihuahua mix, Shiloh. Also, we’d love to live somewhere less crowded than LA and close to/on the beach or in the mountains.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Climbing the fence to attend football games
- Driving big dodge cars for Drivers' Ed

**Alphesian Update:**

I was married for 22 years, then separated for 3, and now divorced for one. I have one daughter and two step-daughters (34, 32, and 22) as well as one grandson (2.6 years old). After graduating high school and no longer a nerd, I became a B-747 Captain with Evergreen International Airlines. I served in the USAF Reserves, retiring in 1993. I currently live in Santa Maria, CA but have traveled the world with my job. Now, I enjoy riding my Harley, hiking, and running. I look forward to seeing more of the country during my retirement years.

**GO:** ...Well, I like football, but don't watch sports very often.

**Wisdom gained:**

- Life is too short to sweat the small stuff.

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**Monroe Memories:**


- My ex-girlfriend Jo Caiola who I am still in touch with
- Monroe Rowdy Rooters senior year (We had fun)
- Getting suspended for saying "This school is screwed" lol

**Alphesian Update:**

I was married for 23 years but am now divorced. I have two children (32 and 25) as well as 2 grandchildren (11 and 4). After high school, I joined the Army and went to Med school 1973-1976. I served with NATO in the Middle East as a medical clinical specialist, running a medical dispensary in Turkey, earning many awards in Military and civic organizations. More recently, I have been working at the VA hospital in Reno, taking care of our veterans. I am single and enjoying life. I surf the news, enjoy sports and online games. I look forward to going to South America and marlin fishing. Currently, I travel to CA to my Ventura timeshare each summer. Come visit!

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**Monroe Memories:**

- I dated all of my brother’s friends in 10<sup>th</sup> grade; My brother John was 2 years older.
- I remember helping come up with the name of our class as well as our colors, and the colors for our gowns for the gals and guys—that was fun. Can you imagine olive green now?
- While you guys were having fun in your first semester of our senior year, I was studying my butt off and graduated in February on a Friday. On Monday, I started at Cal State Northridge. Boy—that was an eye-opener! But I did attend all of the fun stuff the rest of the year—senior breakfast and prom, and whatever.

**Alphesian Update:**

I have been married for 30 years to Ron and have one son (37) from a previous marriage as well as three step-children: two boys (44 and 42) and one girl (40). Although my son doesn’t have any children, I have seven grandchildren through my step-children. I lived in Northern California with my first husband who was in the military. I was an Escrow Officer for 25 years there (as well as in Southern California), but it was in the north that I met Ron who was a real estate broker. We have since moved slowly back down to Laguna Hills for 12 years, and then to Carlsbad for 12 years. Ron and I owned and operated the Country Clutter gift store in Carlsbad for 10 years (1997-2007). It was a franchise, so maybe many of you have heard of them across the US. For fun, I absolutely love watching football and tennis. I gave up golf a few years ago (too expensive, and I lost too many golf balls). Phil Mickelson lives just around the corner, though.

**GO:** San Diego Chargers!

What question did we forget to ask?

*I had an answer...but then I forgot it. (Jesse Evans)*

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Cheerleading for our great football, basketball, and baseball teams with Bobbe, Diane, Joyce, and Cindy.
- Hanging out at lunch with Andrea, Ginny, Paul, and Frank
- Having such a crush on Kevin Rocque!

**Alphesian Update:**

I have been married for 38 years to Dan (who I met on a blind date soon after high school). I got married when I was 19; Dan was 10 years older. We have lived in La Canada, California for the past 30 years and still live in the same house today. We have three great kids: two daughters (29 and 27) and one son (25). Two live in New York; one lives in Manhattan Beach. I've earned only one special recognition: "mom." I worked for 30 years as a Court Reporter for Los Angeles Municipal/Superior Courts. I'm retired now and having a ball! My big interest is just working out. I go to the gym every morning for

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**Monroe Memories:**

- The swim team with coach Sherman; Farrell's after swim meets. I still see Paul Marks, Rich Gullixson, Chuck Dominique, Dean Holbrook. It was good to see Gary Netzley at the reunion! Where's Brent H.?
- Scott Feinstein and friends. I went to some great dance parties! Bev, Brenda, Janice, Jill, Les, Wendy, Jo, Harvey, Terry. Passing the orange was a great "pass time."

**Alphesian Update:**

I have been married for two years to Jessie (a Belmont High grad). Kauai, BTW, is a great place to have a honeymoon!!! We have one son: Matthew (13). Although I hated the Valley when I left in 1980, I came back and like it now. We live in Lake Balboa (a.k.a. Van Nuys West), but I lived previously in Palms (West LA) for 23 years. I have a Masters in Educational Administration and have spent the last 33

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Football games
- Farrell's Ice Cream Parlour after games
- Bob's Big Boy – Van Nuys cruising

**Alphesian Update:**

I have been married for 39 years to Monroe alum Fred Powell (class of 1969). Fred served in Vietnam after being drafted. We met in 1972 and were married right after I graduated. We became parents soon after and now have 5 great kids: 2 boys (39 and 30) and 3 girls (35, 33, and 21) and 6 grandchildren: 5 boys (19, 16, 12, 8, 1) and 1 girl (18). I worked in the schools as a teacher's aid and have been extremely happy for the past 40 years, married to my best friend who is a terrific man, with great children and grandchildren that we love dearly. We made Lancaster our home where I enjoy computer games and reading.

**GO:** Antelope Valley High School (my grandson plays) and Pittsburgh Steelers!

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**Alphesian Update:**

My Three Sons are 26, 24, and 21. The youngest one is currently in the Navy. I enjoy spending my free time surfing or playing in my band, but along the way I earned a BA in History (1977) and a Masters in Architecture (1980) – both from UCLA.

What question did we forget to ask?

*What would you change about your life?*

*Nothing! (Wendy Thomson Coddington)*

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**Monroe Memories:**


- Great times with varied groups of friends
- Working laboriously on the homecoming float

**Alphesian Update:**

I have a Ph.D and am a clinical psychologist specializing in children and adolescents. I have also dabbled in landscape design and organic gardening. I have been married for 21 years to Sue Fink. We have one daughter (16) who we adopted from China when she was 8 months old. We make our home in West LA but my hopes for the future include much travel to Europe and other places, maybe moving to someplace different...spending as much time at the beach as possible! And continuing the amazing journey of raising our daughter. Currently, I sing in and am on the board of the Angel City Chorale. I also enjoy gardening and photography.

**Wisdom gained:**

- Enjoy life to the fullest—live in the present and breathe while doing it. ☺

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**Monroe Memories:**

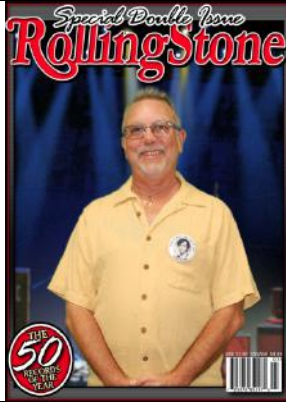
- History teacher took us on field trips, and to my house.
- I made friends with whom we played music.
- I was ready to move on and did, in February '72.

**Alphesian Update:**

I have been married for 12 years to a woman I met in 1969 and have two children (31 and 29). I started a business in 1976 while still at CSUN. I married too young—in 1978. I quit the business to work on the marriage, but got divorced anyway. I then worked at USPS (for awhile) and just retired (after 34+ years)! During my USPS career, I earned recognition for better customer service. Our home is now in Gilchrist, a former company town, in Central Oregon. While still in CA, I was elected four times to the Baldy Mesa Water District in the Victor Valley. With retirement from civil service work, I look forward to

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Performing in the musical “Of Thee I Sing”
- Frema Rood’s Mime Class

**Alphesian Update:**

I am recently divorced after 28 years of marriage. I have one son (20). After being in Chatsworth for many years, I am moving back to Northridge. (I can’t get away from that town!) Still, I am looking forward to the move. I earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering from CSUN back in 1982 and enjoy listening to and playing music.

**GO:** LA Dodgers! ...and all top tier tennis players.

**Wisdom gained:** Life is too short to drink cheap wine!

**Tim  
Farrell**



**Monroe Memories:**

- Sue Partridge and how nice she always was.
- The Ag Department and getting out of school

**Alphesian Update:**

I am retired, divorced, have one daughter (23) who is in the Army Reserve, and I am happy with my life. I’ve been a landscape contractor and have lived in Ventura and the surrounding area since graduating. I have met many different people, and we all seek the same in life—a few friends have become as good as family. I enjoy travel and life and spend my free time running, hiking, biking, sitting, and listening while seeing what appears.

**Go:** Dodgers and LA Kings!

**Wisdom gained:** I’ve learned to be who I am.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Getting suspended for calling the Girls VP a bitch.

**Alphesian Update:**

I've been married to Jill Kremer (class of 1973) for 37 years. We have two daughters (24 and 20). The older daughter just finished her Master's degree while the younger one just took the MCAT. I, myself, am a CPA and MBA (hard to believe because I barely made it out of high school with a C average)!! Our home has always been Westlake Village, but we've traveled all over (China, Africa, Europe several times). Traveling is my favorite thing to do! Every day that I wake up and get out of bed in a vertical position, and my wife and kids are healthy is a SPECTACULAR day and I REALLY mean that!!! After 37 years of marriage, our sex life is better now than it was when we first got married. (Does that information fall under TMI???) My wife still looks sexy as can be!!! I put my daughters to bed every night until they went to college. As a result, I STILL talk to them almost every day. They are two of my best friends. I just found out recently I was again included in a list published by the Hollywood Reporter

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**Monroe Memories:**

- I was a geek.
- I didn't go to the prom.
- I was really a geek.

**Alphesian Update:**

In the years since high school, I have absolutely improved. I realized I really was smart, and I have a great sense of humor. My husband (who is from Sweden) is truly terrific. We've been married 25 years and, combined, have 4 children. Two are my stepsons (Jan 45 and Johan 34), one is my stepdaughter (Maria 38), and one is my daughter (Samantha 34) from a previous marriage. We also have 5 grandchildren: Sarah 16, Hannah 11, Joel 11, Freja 7, and Morgan 7. We live in West Hills; I am still a Valley Girl, but we have a home in Sweden too. I lived in Sweden for 4 years, and now we return 3-4 times a year. I look forward to retiring. In the meantime, I love to bike ride whenever I can.

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**Alphesian Update:**  
I am happily divorced (now for 16 years) after being married for 16 years. I have two wonderful step-children and 5 grandchildren: two 19 year olds, one 18 year old, and two 9 year olds. I am looking forward to retirement, but until then, enjoy being a jewelry metalsmith in my free time.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Resent my folks for making me get braces in high school. Too shy and embarrassing to...well, you know
- Vice Principal...what's his name Larry, who I was in trouble with
- I know I hung out on G lawn too much, and it was bad for a big part of my future...Everything is okay now, though.

**Alphesian Update:**  
When I graduated at 17, I went to court reporting school and got licensed (CSR certified shorthand reporter) a few years later. I then went to work in downtown LA. About the same time, I was fortunate to get on computers and involved in R&D for real-time closed captioning for the hearing impaired. To this day, that is my business. I've also played guitar now for 45 years and currently enjoy playing and singing old blues, spending time at the beach, and traveling the world. I never married, though I've known a few heartbreaking ladies...LOL. Probably not something to be proud of---I had some drinking problems, but I have now been clean and sober for 15 years and also quit cigs. I have had exciting travels around the world, many of which have been posted as photos on my FB page. Home is now San Diego, but has included Australia, Thailand, Boston, Tahoe, Palmdale, and Pittsburgh in years past. I look forward to enjoying the coming years before I get too old...going everywhere I always wanted to go, seeing and doing it all. I love the ocean anywhere in the world. I will try to keep playing music and staying active.

**GO:** Red Sox, Padres, Chargers, Patriots!

**Wisdom gained:**  
This could be a long answer, but I will make it short: Live an honest life...treat people well, and try to be useful in society in some way.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- My sister Susan and I changed Homeroom class to fool the teachers (and we did fool the teachers).
- Working in the Counselors' Office from 10<sup>th</sup> grade to 12<sup>th</sup> grade.
- My Senior year where I could leave the school grounds for lunch
- Studying in the Library as one of my classes
- Graduation—especially when we moved our tassels and tossed our hats up in the air.

**Alphesian Update:**

I have traveled quite a bit, taking a cruise with Susan, her husband Craig, and my parents to Alaska. I've also been to Hawaii (Maui, Kauai, and Honolulu) and Israel with my parents. I took a month-long trip on my own to Hong Kong, Korea, and China. In 1997, I married Scott. After a honeymoon in Lake Tahoe and 15 years of marriage, we continue having the time of our life. I have one step-daughter, Shannah (27). Our home is in Las Vegas, near Summerlin. We look forward to buying a house, and

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**Monroe Memories:**

- My identical twin sister Michele and I used to dress alike and became popular.
- Michele and I were interviewed by the school paper.
- During the teachers' strike, Michele and I were interviewed by ABC and CBS news.

**Alphesian Update:**

I have been married to Craig Warneck (class of 1968) for 38 years. (We married in 1973.) I started a job in 1974 and have stayed with that company all these years. (I was recently presented with the "35 Years of Service" award and "Employee of the Month".) We've bought and sold two homes in the San Fernando Valley and are living in our third home in Chatsworth. We have traveled to Europe, the Middle

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Cheering on top of the Dodger Stadium dugout and in the Rose Bowl
- Mr. Friedman's exclamatory notes in the margins of AP English papers: "Did you really mean this??"

**Alphesian Update:**

After many years in the dental practice, I have just retired! I have been married for 32 years to Tom Russell, and we have two daughters (28 and 26). Our home is in Alamo (in the San Francisco Bay area), but we have also lived in Boston, Atwater and Merced (both in the Central Valley), Lausanne, Switzerland, and Santa Monica. We enjoy cycling and look forward to more free time with retirement.

**Wisdom gained:**

- Always wear sunscreen.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Friday night football games
- The teachers' strike
- The '71 earthquake

**Alphesian Update:**

I have been married for 38 years to Daniel Curriston. We met at work in 1973 and married in March 1974. I have two step-children (46 and 42) as well as 6 grandchildren (ages 2 to 22) and even 1 great grandchild (age 2). In 1979, I went to work at Cupid's Hot Dogs. Even though it didn't make me rich, I can honestly say I've laughed every single day on the job! Dan and I live in the Antelope Valley...never strayed far from the San Fernando Valley. We love to travel and road trip: a 7650 miler in 2010 through the South, and then Alberta, Canada in 2012. We've been to China, Europe, and the UK, and more. It looks like we may finally get to Alaska in 2013 with best friends: alums Ken and Patty Phipps Jameson! Our close-to-home interests include body-surfing at Santa Monica in the summer...not bad for a couple of 'old-timers'! Dan is also a 500 mile a month bicycle rider; I walk that SHOPPING, while he's riding!

**Wisdom gained:**

- Time flies by, embrace every second! And above all, laugh!!

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What question did we forget to ask?

*So many questions are in need of being asked. Here's a good one:  
Are you absolutely sure?  
(Burt Segall)*

**Martha  
George-  
Gillespy**



**Monroe Memories:**

- Football games and singing “Vikings of the Valley”
- Mr. A
- Suellen Feistman and her family.

**Alphesian Update:**

I am the proud mother of two beautiful successful women (Jessica 35 and Rebecca 32). I am a successful artist as well as a real estate agent, and I am at peace with myself. As a single mother, I raised my children in Santa Clarita, CA. I married 10 years ago and now live in Arizona where I look forward to happily ever after. As an artist, I am a printmaker by desire, but the medium I use most at this time is acrylic and canvas. My art revolves around domestic violence. Most of my paintings and prints have cats in them because women in domestic violence relationships need to be more like a cat. A female cat can fend for herself, find her own food, nurse her babies, and teach them to be self-sufficient, all without the help of a male cat. A cat has clear boundaries; they don't approach anyone they do not trust. They have claws that only come out for protection; they don't just fight the world because they are angry. And the best part of a cat is they have 9 lives. There is life after domestic violence, and anyone who has survived domestic violence needs to help inspire others to believe in themselves and thrive without fear.

**Wisdom gained:**

After working for the LAPD for many years as a 911/dispatcher, I learned that there is a lot of hardship in the world, and that there are more good people in the world than bad. Life is too short to spend it with someone that does not make you happy.

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**Alphesian Update:**

My wife Judy and I have been married for 23 years and have two sons (22 and 17). We live in Valley Glen (a fancy name for Van Nuys). I've also lived in West LA, Santa Barbara, and Arcata, CA. Along the way (over the past 40 years) I earned a BA degree, and I still enjoy cycling lots of miles.

**GO: Dodgers!**

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**Monroe Memories:**

- A stolen Bob of Bob's Big Boy on the roof of the cafeteria
- Competing on the gymnastics team
- Black eyeliner and white lipstick

**Alphesian Update:**

My husband Randy and I have been married for 37 years and moved to Las Vegas 23 years ago from the San Fernando Valley. We have three children: Brian (35) married to Annie Kirby, Abbie (33) married to Marco Villanueva, and Kevin (30) engaged to Kesha Dorsey. We also have one grandchild: Corinne Taylor Villanueva (21 months). I'm currently the Executive Vice President of Midbar Kodesh Temple, one of two Conservative Synagogues in Las Vegas. I've worked at the Courthouse in Las Vegas for 13 years. The first 8 years as the Judicial Executive Assistant to District Court Judge, now Chief Justice of the Nevada Supreme Court, Michael Cherry. For the last 5 years, I've been the coordinator for the District Court Senior Judge program in Southern Nevada. My family is the light of my life. My husband and children are very happy, successful, fabulous people. My granddaughter is my joy! My kids all live in California, so for fun, I "Face Time" with my granddaughter, read, and attend most of our local hockey games. When my husband is out of town, my best companions are my basset hounds. (We support the Nevada Basset Hound Rescue.) Things we are looking forward to include our youngest son getting married next year and of course, future grandchildren. Also, we went to Israel 6 years ago, and I hope to travel more before I'm too old to enjoy it!

**GO:** Las Vegas Wranglers Hockey and LA Dodgers!

**Wisdom gained:**

- Acts of kindness usually pay off.
- Good friends and a close family are invaluable.
- It's very important to laugh often.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Singing and laughing while wrapping the hot dogs for the football games.
- Having Mr. A for Economics
- Elly Hecht letting me edit the student film for class; it was the beginning of my career.

**Alphesian Update:**

I met my husband (who is retired from the Army) on a business trip to Washington, DC, and we have now been married for 26+ years. I have 1 step-daughter (46). My entire career has been working in Film and Television (check out some of my credits on IMBD under Barbara Gregson). I've lived in New York and Silver Spring, MD, but always had a home in the Valley. I was just working for several months researching in both DC (at the National Archives) and NYC (for National Geographic). I covered the

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Football games (my girlfriend was a cheerleader)
- Physics class with Mr. MacMillan
- After school antics at Monroe while growing up (I lived right down the street.)
- Cliques – stuck-up Valley girls

**Alphesian Update:**

I am divorced but have five children—all boys—from a marriage that lasted 20 years. The boys are 27, 26, 23, 20, and 12, and I have 4 grandchildren as well: 2 boys and 2 girls (8, 6, 4, and 2). My oldest son was in the Air Force (intelligence) – and is a veteran of two tours to Iraq and Afghanistan. (He bailed after six years when he realized what was really going on and what we were doing to innocent people there.) Not too long after graduation from high school, I moved to Hawaii and lived there for 7 years. While there, I earned a 2 year degree in Automotive Technology from University of Hawaii community college. Returning to the mainland, I have lived in Chico/Paradise for 23 years, starting my own business

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Three years of great friendships and great times, and still some very important memories
- Senior Prank Night (yes, I was there, with only a smattering of remaining guilt).
- Lunch break discussions at “the tables”
- Football games; baseball games; Mr. Kiefer, English class, and Hemingway; the Orange Julius gang; pick-up basketball games at 3am in Parthenia Park; French class; the junior and senior homecoming float projects; the Vikings baseball City Championship at Dodger Stadium; the Library and Mrs. Mac; 413; Weilers Deli; hanging out at friends’ houses; “the slingshot”; student council meetings; Mr. Holt; Chatsworth Park picnics, and light night “excursions”
- Most of all, the amazing diversity of personalities and characters who made up our Monroe Vikings’ experience!

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**Monroe Memories:**

- I was in The Band. All of my memories revolve around the great times we had in all the music groups I was in.

**Alphesian Update:**

I have been married 34 years and have a son (26) and a daughter (22) as well as one granddaughter (16 months). I’ve had a simple blessed life. We moved to Minnesota in 1988 for business. At the time, there were 4 million people living in the San Fernando Valley and 4 million people living in the State of Minnesota. Nice! We now live in Long Lake, Minnesota and love it here. My interests still include Music as well as Hot Rods, and Family.

**GO:** Minnesota Vikings and Nascar – Tony Stewart!

**Wisdom gained:**

- Life goes faster than you think.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- My friends
- Driving around the school every morning to see what was going on
- Almost getting caught smoking in the bathroom

**Alphesian Update:**

I married the greatest guy in the world 26 years ago. I have a beautiful family with 3 children: Sarah (38), Tony (36), and Jeremiah (35) as well as 3 granddaughters (20, 27, and 10) and 2 grandsons (17 and 16). We live in Palmdale, CA. I plan to stop working in 3 years, to travel more in our RV, and spend more time with family. In the meantime, I enjoy crafts, RVing with family and friends, reading a lot, riding my bike, walking, and my animals (which are “my babies”). And I quit smoking—LOL!

**GO:** Palmdale Falcons! (My grandson plays for them, and for the first time in Palmdale history, they are 10-0.)

**Wisdom gained:**

- Life is too short. Hold on to everything you love.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Going to the football games
- Teachers strike in 10<sup>th</sup> grade

**Alphesian Update:**

I’ve been married for almost 38 years and have one son (Michael, 34) and one daughter (Breanne, 33). We also have 2 granddaughters: Julia (4 years) and Chloe (5 months). I was a medical assistant for 5 years, an “at home” mom for 18 years, worked for Wells Fargo for 12 years, and now am retired with my husband. I enjoy bowling, quilting, and Tole painting in my free time at home in Phoenix, Arizona.

**GO:** Arizona Diamondbacks!

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- Monroe Memories:**
- Friday Night Dances
  - Ironing Gym Blouses
  - Nancy Monahan and Grad Night

**Alphesian Update:**  
My life has been a real adventure since leaving High School so here are the highlights...

During the summer of my junior year at Monroe, I met a guy named “Bob” while camping in Yosemite. This was the summer just before he started college at U.C. Santa Barbara (UCSB). That chance meeting and my love of nature steered me to attend UCSB and pursue undergraduate degrees in both Environmental Studies and Geography Remote Sensing (i.e. interpreting satellite imagery). Let’s face it; I followed a boyfriend to college!

I did a short stint in Washington DC working for the EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) before attending graduate school in City and Regional Planning at U.C Berkeley (Cal). Bob and I dated throughout UCSB and moved to the Bay Area together; he started law school as I started graduate school at Cal. Bob and I married 5 years after our first meeting in Yosemite.

After I graduated with a Master’s in City and Regional Planning, I worked for a boutique planning firm in Berkeley. It wasn’t long before Bob and I decided that we wanted to move into a nice part of San Francisco (called Pacific Heights). Unfortunately, we were on a "beer budget" and we had champagne tastes! So, we put our joint expertise together (Bob’s real estate law and my planning background) and found investors to collectively purchase a beautiful Queen Anne Victorian building in Pacific Heights. Our concept was that each investor would be entitled to live in one of the six apartment units. As it turned out, each of our investors were named partners in San Francisco law firms who had been renting in Pacific Heights because they couldn’t afford to purchase a condominium.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Going to Farrells after the football games
- The Knights and Ladies overnights in the mountains and San Diego

**Alphesian Update:**

I love to travel, and have seen much of the United States, England, Ireland, Scotland, and Italy. I'm looking forward to retirement to have the time and energy (and hopefully financial reserves) to do things like take classes, and travel more of the world. I've always lived in the San Fernando Valley or, now the Santa Clarita Valley. I enjoy reading, going for walks, visiting museums, and enjoying live musical theater. I have never married, but I am an honorary Grandma to my niece's and nephew's 8 children. In fact, my nephew was a pilot in the Air Force, and currently in Reserve duty, works out of the Pentagon as part of the Presidential advance team. If you had asked, "Did your life turn out the way you expected it would?" my answer would be no, but I find that I am satisfied with it.

**GO:** Dodgers and Kings!

**Wisdom gained:**

Life, however exciting or dull, is always a challenge to the person living it; and kindness, both to yourself and everyone else, is very important.

What question did we forget to ask?

*What was your worst class?*

*Spanish. (Tim Farrell)*

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**Monroe Memories:**

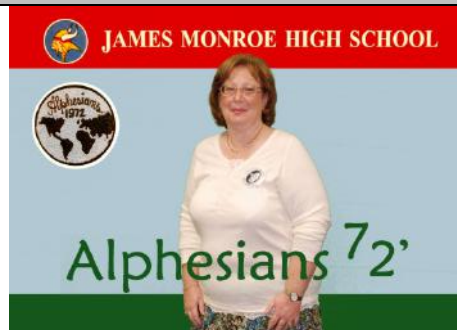
- JoEllen Pulley winning the cake decorating contest with a cake frosted as a “Cut Slip”.
- Andrew Binsley having the patience to try to teach me a Native American dance step.
- Coach Balzarett silently shaking his head in obvious dismay whenever I said something profoundly awkward. It usually caused me to rethink my communication strategy.

**Alphesian Update:**

I have been married for 15 years and live in a rural area between Oakland and Yoncalla, Oregon. I left the San Fernando Valley in 1977 and have also lived in Santa Barbara and Lompoc, CA. I have two children (29 and 27) from a previous marriage and served in the Navy. I travel for work so my free time is confined to weekends. During those truly free hours, I like to do my wood working, play my guitar, and

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Hanging out behind F hall with all my friends
- Friday night football games
- The teachers’ strike and having to report to the football field every morning and then going home because your teachers were not there


**Alphesian Update:**

I have been married for 26 years and have two daughters (23 and 20). I have lived local since high school, living in Chatsworth now after 10 years in Simi Valley. My children both went to local schools. I have a AA degree from Pierce College and have been at my job for 30 years. (I am a bookkeeper for a franchise owner of McDonalds.) I am very active in a youth group that my daughter belongs to. In fact, that’s where I spend my free time as we travel up and down the state a lot. I love to travel with my family, and we especially enjoy cruises. I would love to do more traveling!

**GO:** Dodgers!

**Wisdom gained:**

- Life is short. Live it to the fullest; you never know what the next day will bring.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Girls' locker room became a cloud after gym due to all the spray deodorant in the air
- 1971 earthquake decimating the chemistry lab
- Mr. Friedman's limp

**Alphesian Update:**

I earned both a BA and MBA from UCLA. (I left Monroe in February 1972.) Early on, I became a high school teacher (Fairfax High) but hated it. My last job was working for Lehman Brothers until they went under in 2008. Now, I volunteer at Best Friends Animal Society. My husband (a Crespi alum) and I have been married for 35 years and live in Granada Hills. We are looking forward to traveling and even living in different countries.

**GO:** Bruins! (of course!)

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What question did we forget to ask?

*Do you have any pets?*

*Yes, a Siberian Husky named Dakota, female, red and white with blue eyes. She's 10 years old, but behaves like she's just 2; the love of our lives. Our kids don't live near us, so she's the baby.*

*(Linda Dahlin Bykowski)*

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Performing in the musical “Of Thee I Sing” and having a supporting actress role
- Dance Production was one of my favorite experiences
- Being in Mr. Katz’s international studies, Mr. Kleinberg’s guidance and friendship, Mr. Friedman’s great classes, Freema Rood’s Drama
- Incredible friends during those years

**Alphesian Update:**

I am a Zen Koan practitioner and teacher and go to meditation retreats throughout the year. I have a Masters in Transformative Education and a PhD in Traditional Knowledge and Recovery of the Indigenous Mind. I am also a Hakomi Practitioner and a Sangoma (Traditional African Spiritual Healer). I have traveled to Africa, Yucatan, Israel, Canada, and all over America, working and studying with tribal people. I live in Oakland, CA now, but have also called Eugene, OR (4 years); Santa Cruz and Aptos, CA; Santa Fe, NM, and Novato, CA home over the years. I have 3 sons (31, 29, and 27) from a previous marriage but no grandchildren – dang! I have been in a domestic partnership for the last 10+ years. I work with individuals and couples through relationship struggles and divorce. I am looking forward to working around the world to end suffering and inspire awakening – one person at a time.

**Wisdom gained:**

The problem with any relationship in my life is me and the outer world is always a reflection of the inner. Thus – always – be the change you want to see in your life.

**What question did we forget to ask?**

*You already know too much! (Bob Callender)*

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**Monroe Memories:**

- The large number of people in our class
- Having a locker in Thor Hall was a pain
- Mr. Aizenstat, Economics teacher, is one of favorite memories with his comments.

**Alphesian Update:**

I haven't traveled far from Monroe – from Sepulveda (“North Hills” now) to Van Nuys to Northridge (only 3 miles away from Monroe). I have been married to Heather for 12 years and have no children of my own (only my dog), but I do have a 6-year old step-grandson. I am and always will be a Mickey Fan of Disney and Disney World. I enjoy traveling around the Caribbean and on cruise ships and look forward to exploring Tahiti and the surrounding Solomon Island group. I have earned many work-related certifications around Telecommunication. My current hobbies, activities, and interests revolve around the computer and Movies/TV, but I also once had a vintage wine collection with over 10,000 bottles...

**GO:** New England Patriots! (Brady fan)

**Wisdom gained:**

- I should have invested in Real Estate earlier in life...

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**What question did we forget to ask?**

*How do you keep in contact with your old friends?*

*Some on Facebook, regular get-togethers, or [we] meet at events.*

*(Greg Moreland)*

**Marilyn  
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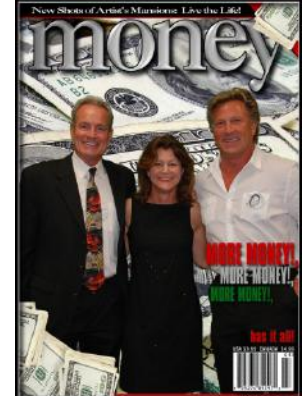
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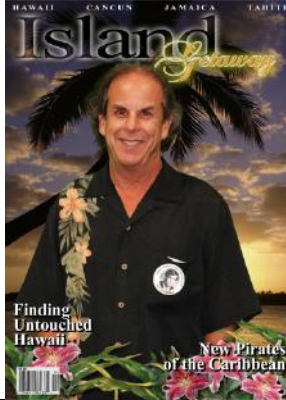
What question did we forget to ask?

*Can't remember!*

*(I'm sure everyone will give that answer, after all, we are 58!!)*

*(Kimberly Foster Curriston)*

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Football: Playing on the “B” football team and making the tackle on the kick-off.
- Pole Vaulting: Winning the vault at Granada Hills High School at 12’6”. Went over 13’6” in practice.
- Graduation: School was finally over.

**Alphesian Update:**

I’ve spent 40 years in the ever-evolving printing and advertising industry and have called both Eugene, OR and Oceanside, CA home. I have my own photography company: lpg4u.com, and am happy to say that I was able to get a job, buy a house, get married and raise 4 kids—all with my dyslexia and diploma from James Monroe High School. I love living in Oceanside and still surf and ride my bike to the beach. I still have my good buds: Pat, Tim and Randy. I am not married now but have been--twice, the first time for 30 years. I have 2 daughters (34 & 32) and two sons (29 & 27) as well as 3 grandchildren (8, 7, and 4).

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**Monroe Memories:**

- John Pasquariello and I taking pictures our senior year with every organization/club at Monroe as if we were in them.


**Alphesian Update:**

My wife, Caroline Rath, and I have been married for 10 years. We are both Juris Doctorates (she being smarter) and have three children (15, 13, and 4). We’ve made our home in and around LA and Beverly Hills. My extra time is spent doing any sport my kids are doing, and I look forward to our 4 year old starting kindergarten.

**GO:** Dodgers! (But I’m not a baseball fan until October.)

**Wisdom gained:**


- Life is short, get on it! Where did the last 20 years go?

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**Alphesian Update:**  
 I have been married for 23 years and have two sons: Greg 19 and Christopher 16. We live in Upland, CA where my husband acts as a council advisor to the Upland City Council. Formerly, I lived in downtown LA for 7 years. (That's like another world.) I have an AA in music and a BS in fashion merchandising and design with a minor in marketing. Currently, any free time I have goes into high school baseball and travel ball.

**Wisdom gained:**

- Time marches on rapidly.

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**Movie Night!**

*(In the mood for something light or classic? Here are our picks.)*

<b>COMEDY</b>  Airplane! Animal House Arthur (1981) As Good As It Gets Big Lebowski, The Big Wednesday (surfing movie) Blazing Saddles Dr. Strangelove (How I Learned...) Family Man Ferris Bueller's Day Off	Gidget Goes Hawaiian How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days It's Complicated Million Dollar Baby (1941) Miss Congeniality O Brother, Where Art Thou? Pleasantville Same Time Next Year Something's Gotta Give When Harry Met Sally	<b>MUSICALS</b>  Funny Girl *Sound of Music  <b>CLASSICS</b>  Best Years of Our Lives (1946) Citizen Kane *Gone With the Wind *It's A Wonderful Life Wizard of Oz *Received most mentions
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**Alphesian Update:**

My wife Debra and I have been married 33 years. We have two kids: a daughter (32) and a son (27). I am retired from General Motors/Saturn Corp after 32 years. I am a proud UAW 1853 member. Now, I enjoy restoring vintage radios and volunteering with the Red Cross Disaster Assistance team.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Hearing the band practicing on the field, from across campus
- Mr. Aizenstat's class
- Discovering photography via Mr. Shelton

**Alphesian Update:**

I have been married for 34 years. We live in Cleveland, OH but have enjoyed visiting Switzerland, Moscow (Russia), and parts of Canada. I've been a professional writer, and still have photos that I shot at Monroe. My current activities and interests include being in the SCA and, of course, writing a bit.

**Wisdom gained:**

- Slow down, and don't try so hard to make people like you.

What question did we forget to ask?

*If you could return to those days at Monroe,  
would there be anything you'd want to change?*

*(Jim Robb)*

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Swim Team workouts in the fog
- Coach Bernie's swat paddle
- Mr. Friedman's AP English class

**Alphesian Update:**

I've been married 32 years to Evelyn (Married 32 years, same girl, top that!), and we have a daughter Shannon-27 and a son-26 (Irish twins, 13 months apart). Evelyn (who is from Massachusetts) and I met while working on Maui after college. We met in August, engaged in September, and married in December, all in 1980. There is such a thing as love-at-first-sight! We live in Half Moon Bay, CA but have also called the big island Hawaii and Maui home. I am involved in two concurrent active careers: Data Center HVAC Engineering and Charter Boat Skipper (whale watching, fishing, sailing). Blue whales and abalone still exist; you just have to look harder to find them these days. I earned a Bachelor degree in Biology from UCLA and am a USCG Master Mariner. I have also served in the past as President of

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Being unnecessarily mean to Michelle Grossman
- Having an over-inflated sense of how important I was to the world
- Wondering why I had to take geometry

**Alphesian Update:**

I am not currently married (twice divorced) but have 2 children (36 and 34) as well as two grandkids – 8 and 6 years old. (My grandkids are cuter than yours.) I am a retired LAPD Captain and have served on the Board of Directors of LAPD Devonshire PALS. I am currently President Elect for the Chatsworth Chamber of Commerce. My “countless hours of free time” are spent enjoying photography, cooking, and feeling sorry for myself. I live in Canoga Park and take this opportunity to say I am sorry for being such an idiot in high school.

**GO:** Lancaster Jethawks and LA Dodgers!

**Wisdom gained:**

- It is all going to work out.

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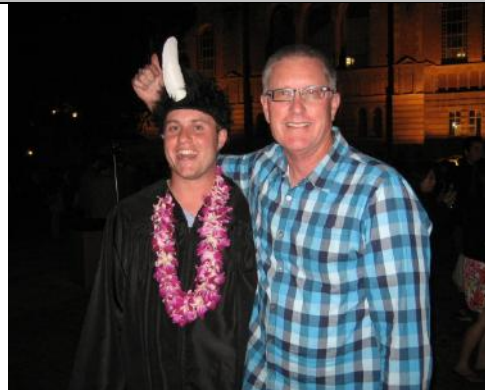
- Getting lost and trying to find my classes (I still have nightmares!)
- Hanging out everyday with Mike Pendleton, my HS sweetheart
- Trying out for cheerleader with one of my best friends, Lisa Watters, and not making even the first cut, LOL!
- Loved drama and wonder what happened to some of the people from there!
- Going to the beach on a school trip with our math teacher...hmmm, was that Holmes or Monroe?
- Getting good advice from one of my best friends, June Gordon
- My good friend Mary Jayne Tanielian was the sweetest girl ever!
- I'll never forget our senior prom or Grad Night at Disneyland!

**Alphesian Update:**

I have been married for 37 years (September 13, 1975) to Stephen Chenin. We met in October, 1973 at UCLA. He was in dental school, having attended USC as an undergrad (and later as a post-grad in

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Senior Prank Night (long live Bob's Big Boy!)
- Football team playing for the City Championship
- Lots of great friends

**Alphesian Update:**

My wife and I just celebrated our fifth wedding anniversary. I have two children: Katie (28) and Scott (24) from a previous marriage. I've put both kids through college: UC Davis, then Davis Law, and UCLA. The Haight-Ashbury district of San Francisco is my current home, but I've lived in Santa Rosa (twice) and Los Altos, CA; Bloomington, Illinois; and Sparta, New Jersey. I have worked for State Farm

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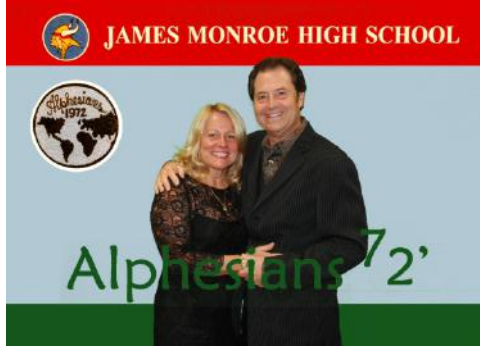
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**Monroe Memories:**

- Our prom cake theme “Beginnings” was misspelled with only one “n”. Now that takes the cake!
- Carson kicked our butts in the City Championship football game.
- I got an “A” in Spanish because I showed up during the teachers’ strike!

**Alphesian Update:**

My wife Jill (a Buckley School grad) and I have been married 27 years, and we have 3 fantastic kids. We live in Encino now, but I lived in NYC before moving back home. I earned a BFA in Advertising Design and in 1988, created POV Entertainment Design which is still thriving. I also created some Iconic Movie Posters while working at 20<sup>th</sup> Century Fox and Universal Pictures and obtained a patent for a Little League Pitching Aid. I’m currently looking forward to developing and launching the “Pitchitter” into the market place. I have a great wife and family and look forward to taking them to Greece and Israel. My current activities and interests include sailing (a work in progress) and conceiving new ideas and projects for the sports and entertainment business.

**GO:** Clippers, Doyers, and Angels!

**Wisdom gained:**

I’ve learned to be more understanding and compassionate toward others.

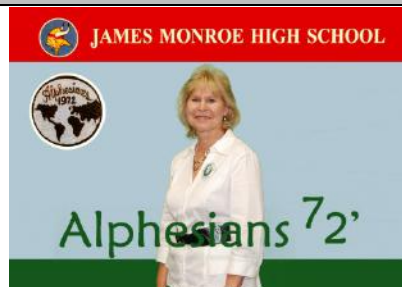
What question did we forget to ask?

*What happened to our teachers during our time in high school?  
Where are they now?  
(Suzanne Toensing Sincock)*

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Hanging out with friends
- Watching my brother (John Miller) play baseball and football

**Alphesian Update:**

My husband (a former Army medic in Vietnam) and I have been married 26 years. Between us, we have two sons (28 and 25) and one daughter (42) as well as three granddaughters (16, 13, and 6). I have lived in Memphis, TN; Tupelo, MS; Oxnard, and now—Salinas, CA. My college degree is in Agronomy (Crop Science). We are looking forward to retirement and doing more of what we already enjoy: traveling around the country in our motor home, fishing, and spending time with our family and friends.

**GO:** Dodgers!

**Wisdom gained:**

- You live once—do what you want to do.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Being stopped by the police for trying to return a plastic cow from the dairy on Roscoe, after it was taken by others for Senior Prank night.
- Being hassled for wearing my black hat to school
- Other memories I just can't or shouldn't say to protect the guilty (ac/dc)

**Alphesian Update:**

Benita Salcedo (class of 1973) and I married in 1978 and have been married for 34 years. We have one son (33) who has served in the military, and one daughter (28) as well as one granddaughter (6). I earned a BS degree in Sound Recording Engineering and have made our home in Palmdale. My current activities and interests include volunteering at a no kill animal rescue center for dogs and cats in Acton. I also enjoy music, fishing, playing guitar, singing, and writing songs. I look forward to more traveling. I've seen many great places and plan to see more with my grandson.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Working on the Monroe Doctrine
- Bob's Big Boy in our Senior Prank

**Alphesian Update:**

Claudia Raybourn (Class of 1971) and I have been married 33 years. We have two sons (31 and 21) and still live in the Valley, but also have a beach home in Port Hueneme (Oxnard). I retired from Photography (studio and lab) over 30 years ago and became an IES Lighting Engineer. I was involved in the beginning development stages of next generation light sources: LED, Compact Fluorescent, and induction. Many lighting fixtures around you were designed by me, and I am now a leader in the lighting quality movement taking place in the lighting industry. In my free time, I enjoy Trap Shooting, Archery, and cars and have been involved in community volunteer work.

**GO:** Notre Dame football; UCLA football; most ALL College and pro football!

**Wisdom gained:**

- I've learned to keep answers simple, yet precise.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Knight of the Year Award
- Starting a pie fight at the Talent Night
- Getting threatened by Eugene Friedman in AP English that in college someone would punch my teeth out.

**Alphesian Update:**

I am currently residing in North Hollywood and have been in West LA or the Valley since high school. I graduated Summa Cum Laude with a BS in Computer Science from CSUN. I am divorced with two children (19 and 15).

**Wisdom gained:**

- Closed mouths gather no feet. (Actually, still working on it.)

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Knights and Ladies activities

**Alphesian Update:**

I've been married for 31 years and have two daughters, ages 28 and 21.

What question did we forget to ask?

*Would you be interested in meeting singles from high school?*

*(Gary Costello)*

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Our junior year homecoming float where we re-enacted the moon landing and beat the seniors for the first time.
- Winning the “B class” city championship in swimming our junior year.
- Being part of the cast of the musical “Of Thee I Sing”

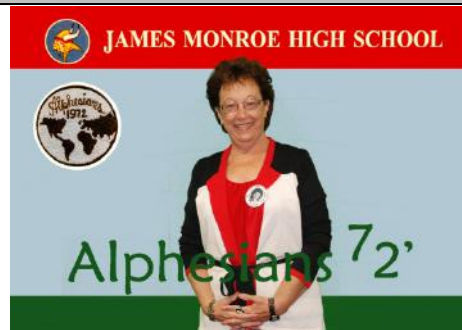
**Alphesian Update:**

Having been known as Gary "Floater" Netzley in high school, it is most surprising to me that I have spent the last 25 years documenting life in western Kentucky as a photojournalist at a small daily newspaper. The work is always interesting and, at times, quite rewarding when it has a positive impact on the people who live here.

I didn't find my real vocation until after I graduated from UC Santa Barbara with a degree in geology. After high school, I attended Occidental College until transferring to UCSB in 1975, eventually graduating in 1978. (Life in Isla Vista, just north of the campus is hard to leave.) With my geology degree in hand, I began my working career as a well site geologist doing geothermal resource exploration in northern California around Santa Rosa and parts north and east. During this time I also worked all around

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**Monroe Memories:**

- The friends I still have

**Alphesian Update:**

I've been married for 35 years and have one child (27). We live in Santa Clarita and enjoy camping and boating. In fact, my favorite free-time activities currently involve cooking and the river. We are looking forward to a trip to Europe in June too.

**Wisdom gained:**

- I've learned that friends are very important.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Kidnap breakfasts
- Cruising Van Nuys Blvd
- Submarine races at the beach and swimming at Castaic Afterbay

**Alphesian Update:**

Shortly after graduation, I married and, in 1978, moved to Southern Oregon. I attended Southern Oregon State, Lane Community College (in Eugene), and finally graduated from the University of Oregon in 1983 with a BS in School and Community Health. I also earned an AS in Dental Hygiene from Lane and became licensed as a Registered Dental Hygienist in Oregon in 1981 and in California in 1985. I divorced in 1985 and moved to Yuba City, CA in 1986. I remarried in 1993 and my husband (who is currently on our City Council, elected in 2010) and I have been married now for 19 years. I have two bonus daughters, ages 29 and 27, and one son age 18 as well as one grandson age 3. Our son is attending Chico State so my “free time” is currently being redefined. Between work and children, I haven’t had “countless hours” yet! But, whenever possible, I like to spend time outdoors in the mountains, at a lake skiing or hiking, or at the gym trying to keep myself from getting old and fat!!! I have spent the last 13 years traveling to Mexico during Spring Break, building homes with high school students on a church sponsored trip. We are looking forward to retirement at some point. We went to Spain this summer and will go to Hawaii in November with, hopefully, more travel in years to come (time and \$\$ permitting).

**GO:** Oregon Ducks! (I am a University of Oregon alum. We were at the Rose bowl in January and got to watch them WIN!!!) The Sacramento Kings are our local pro team, but we will see how much longer they stay in Sacramento.

**Wisdom gained:**

There is much to learn. Anyone who thinks that they know it all is truly ignorant! Also, as much as I think I have it all worked out, I still don’t know what I want to be when I grow up!

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Cruising Van Nuys Blvd.
- Prom
- Football Games

**Alphesian Update:**

Ken Jameson (class of 1971) and I have now been married for 38 years. We were married in 1974 and have 2 daughters (30 and 27). We live in Bellingham, WA, just below the Canadian border, about 1225 miles from Monroe. Until this one, we attended every reunion. Darn! I have never been anywhere where people believe how many were in our graduating class. I've never met anyone who had a larger graduating class either. We lived in Germany for 1 ½ years, while Ken was in the Army in the 70s. We traveled all over Europe back then. We said we'd be back before now, but...not yet. Along the way, I earned a BA in Speech Communications. We enjoy motorcycle riding and look forward to more travel, hopefully, soon to Alaska. We'd like to see more of the good old USA.

**GO:** Rams! (We are football and basketball fans, diehard Rams fans, even though the Seahawks are our local team now.)

**Wisdom gained:**

- Don Henley said it best: "The more I know, the less I understand!"

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What question did we forget to ask?

*What have you accomplished?* (Susan Fleishman-Warneck)

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Mr. Viking (John Wittenbel) playing the bass drum at half time.

**Alphesian Update:**

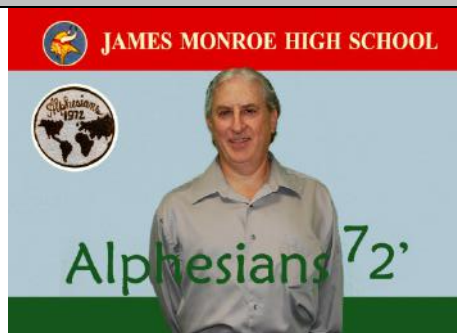
I still live in Sepulveda (a half mile from Monroe), though I've also lived in Yorktown, VA and Concord, CA. I served in the U.S. Coast Guard from 1979-1983, and my current activities and interests include Fire Buffing, the LAFD Historical Society, hiking in the local hills, and old cars.

**GO:** UCLA and Angels of Anaheim!

**Wisdom gained:**

- Expect the unexpected.
- Don't let the small stuff get to you.

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Several actors got their start at Monroe including Larry Cedar! (Seated right—looking glum.)

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Attending football games and dances
- Theater Arts
- Friends and parties

**Alphesian Update:**

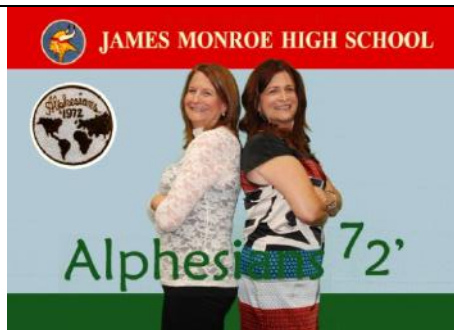
I currently live in Santa Clarita, CA but have also called Santa Barbara, Santa Maria, Lancaster, and West LA home. In fact, I lived on the Central Coast for several years. I have a Master of Science degree, a Pupil Personnel Services credential, and an MFT license and was a broadcast journalist which I loved! I love to travel, but with three young children (9, 5, and 4), I have no free time. If I did...I'd enjoy movies, music, traveling, swimming, and bicycling. Believe it or not though, raising my kids and watching their milestones is what I most look forward to at this point.

**GO:** My kids' soccer teams!!!

**Wisdom gained:**

- So much!

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Wendy and Felice

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Mostly Play Production with Frema Rood. I never met someone so unique and amazing, and I became enamored with the Play Production students.
- The Rap Room with...(what was his name?) Steve something?

**Alphesian Update:**

I'm still in the San Fernando Valley and have been married for 17 years. We have one son (35) and one daughter (32) as well as three beautiful granddaughters (3 years, 2 years, and 20 months). I have worked for a Jewish Human Rights organization for the past 20 years. I enjoy cycling in my free time and look forward to staying healthy and living long enough to see my grandchildren grow up.

**Wisdom gained:**

- I am always exactly where I am meant to be. Whether I like it or not.



"Of Thee I Sing" and its truly gorgeous line-up.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- My friend and I laughing in Russian class
- My psychology class and teacher, Mr. Livingston

**Alphesian Update:**

I married in 1975 and worked for Prudential and Aetna for 32 years. I moved to Florida in 1986 and still live in Ormond Beach. I was married for 28 years, widowed in 2004. I enjoy tennis, gardening, get-togethers with friends, facebook, playing with my dogs and cat. I'm looking forward to a reunion with cousins next year in New Orleans. I'd like to travel to Europe at some point, go back to Hawaii, New York, and see more of the U.S. **GO:** Tennis!

**Wisdom gained:**

- Think positive and make the best of every situation.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Hanging out a lunch time
- Driver's Ed in the simulator trailer; those huge Plymouths we drove around in
- Getting to school early so I'd always get the same parking spot in the student lot

**Alphesian Update:**

I've been married for 27 years to the same beautiful woman! We live in Granada Hills now, but have also lived in San Luis Obispo, and Fresno/Clovis. We've had 4 children, but only one son (25) and one daughter (18) have survived. (Twin sons were lost at 5 months gestation.) Along the way, I earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Natural Resources Management, Forestry. My "free time" is spent nurturing and pampering my wife, bicycle racing, guitar playing, or on home and auto upkeep. I'm currently looking forward to our daughter's college graduation as well as my own retirement. Life is amazing! I am happy! And I really hope that your answers are the same as mine! **GO:** Professional Cycling!

**Wisdom gained:**

Every moment is an opportunity to create possibility for fulfilling everything you want in life. Once you learn that the past does not need to define who you are now, you are open to anything.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Meeting Debbie Deal at Bob’s Big Boy in Van Nuys
- Running all those races
- Pulling up to Joyce Bridges in a red 1932 Hot Rod and asking her if she wants a ride and her saying “No”!

**Alphesian Update:**

I have been married for 35 years and have six children: Heather (33), Ryan (30), Brandon (28), Brent (25), Dana (22), and Amber (14) as well as (almost) ten grandchildren ranging in age from 0-10 (one is on the way). Home is Saratoga Springs, and after 35 years of teaching, I have just retired. I have a Doctorate in Education, and over the years, have actually become pretty well known in education. I was chosen by the Governor as one of the top ten teachers in the state of Utah. I am also a Golden Apple and Disney Award recipient. I lead Seminars for Landmark Education, have been a Classroom leader for the Introduction Leaders Program, a Self-expression Leadership Program Leader, and been acknowledged as the top Introduction Leader for Landmark. Even though I am retired, I am still back at it: teaching

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**Alphesian Update:**

My husband and I (married for 20 years) live on 6 acres in the Sierra Foothills outside of Auburn, CA – between Sacramento and Lake Tahoe. After moving from Southern California, I have also lived in the SF Bay Area and in San Antonio, TX. Avoiding “real” work for as long as possible, I earned a BA in Biology from Pomona College, an MA in Botany from Claremont Grad School, half a PhD in Botany from UCLA (including a semester of field study in Costa Rica), and then an MBA in Marketing & Finance from UCLA’s Graduate School of Management. I have been breeding and showing Golden Retrievers for 30 years. I enjoy hiking and kayaking and still love to read. Loving travel and golf, I look forward to doing lots more of both, spending winters in Mexico, continuing to learn new things, and visiting with friends and family.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Football games and drill team
- Teacher strike
- Farrell’s Ice Cream Parlour

**Alphesian Update:**

I have been married 37 years to my college sweetheart, and we have two daughters. I have a business degree from CSUN and am currently the HR Director for an environmental company. We currently live in Concord, CA, but I have also lived in Arizona. “Free time”...what’s that? Still, I have volunteered for Habitat for Humanity and for Soup Kitchens. I am really looking forward to grandchildren with my first one (a granddaughter!) on the way.

**Wisdom gained:**

- Life is too short to sweat the small stuff. Enjoy each day to the fullest.

What question did we forget to ask?

*What is the most important thing in life, to you? Why?*

*RELATIONSHIPS—First with God, then spouse, children, relatives, friends, neighbors, and strangers too!*

*Because, when it's time to leave this terrestrial world, the relationships you've established are the things that will be the most important.*

*(Ed Bilow)*

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**Alphesian Update:**

My wife Karen and I have been married for 32 years and have two daughters: Alana (28) and Rebecca (25). I've had my law practice in California for 33 years having earned Bachelor of Arts degrees in both Economics and History from UC Santa Barbara in 1976 and a Juris Doctorate from USC in 1979. I enjoy reading (especially history), documentaries, and sports. I trained, ran, and completed the LA Marathon with classmate Andy Binsley in 2000 and 2003 (both times under 4.5 hours). I also coached AYSO girls' soccer for 12 years. I enjoyed the 40<sup>th</sup> reunion and appreciate the hard work the organizing committee put into the event. Thank you.

**Movie Night! (In the mood for drama/action? Here are our picks.)**

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| A Clockwork Orange         | Grapes of Wrath           | One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest |
| A River Runs Through It    | Hoosiers                  | Paint Your Wagon                |
| An Affair to Remember      | Horse Whisperer           | Pawn Broker, The (1965)         |
| Avatar                     | Hours, The                | Pretty Woman                    |
| Barfly (Mickey Rourke)     | How the West Was Won      | Princess Bride                  |
| Ben-Hur (1959)             | Immortal Beloved          | Pulp Fiction                    |
| Big Chill, The             | Indiana Jones             | Quiet Man, The (1952)           |
| Brian's Song               | James Bond                | Sand Pebbles, The (1966)        |
| Carnal Knowledge           | Jeremiah Johnson          | Silent Running                  |
| <b>*Casablanca</b>         | Kill Bill                 | Star Wars                       |
| Dances With Wolves         | LA Confidential           | Steel Magnolias                 |
| <b>*Dirty Dancing</b>      | Last Wave, The            | Taxi Driver                     |
| Forbidden Planet (1956)    | Little Big Man            | Ten Commandments, The           |
| Forest Gump                | Lord of the Rings Trilogy | Way We Were, The                |
| French Connection (1971)   | Lost Boys, The            | Titanic                         |
| From Paris with Love       | Moonstruck                | To Kill A Mockingbird           |
| <b>*Godfather, The</b>     | Mr. Holland's Opus        | White Nights (1957)             |
| Gospel of John, The (2003) | North by Northwest        | <b>*Received Most Mentions</b>  |

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**Monroe Memories:**

- When the teachers went on strike, all my friends and family stayed home. All my teachers did not strike. Lucky me.
- Loved the football games.

**Alphesian Update:**

I met my husband 44 years ago, and we have now been married for 31 years. After living in California and New Mexico, we currently make our home in Colorado. I work at Boulder Medical Center, still love rock and roll, and remain a Dodger fan. We will miss the 40<sup>th</sup> reunion but hope you all have a blast!

**GO:** Dodgers!

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**Alphesian Update:**

Married for just one year, we live in San Francisco. Previously, I lived for 18 years in Mendocino County, and always in California. I have two children (31 years and 18 months). I'm the primary caregiver to my precocious 18 month-old son, but I also attend grad school and gig occasionally. Over the years, I've had a variety of jobs: musician, operations director of a public radio station, five years at the Renaissance Faire, environmental work (research, organizing). Currently, I am studying Traditional Chinese Medicine and look forward to becoming an acupuncturist/herbalist and massage therapist. I am also looking forward to playing with more incredible musicians and more family stuff.

**Wisdom gained:**

I've learned more of the same. Good people and numbskulls wherever you go. Most people do not pay attention, so the overall human situation is getting more complicated and screwed up, even though technology is making remedies more available.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Getting “dressed up” and going downtown to see plays at the Music Center with the music department.
- Working my way through the summer reading list for Senior English.
- Graduating from the scuba diving course by diving in the “big” tank at Marineland.

**Alphesian Update:**

My husband (who I met in college) and I have been married for 34 years. We have one son (28), and live in a very small town in Wyoming. We moved there in the early 80s and continue to call it home. (There were more students at Monroe in 1972 than there are in our little town, and I love it!) I have earned two degrees, but then worked in a totally different field. I have been fortunate to have a wonderful family and great friends. Life is good. Hiking, biking, and all things outdoors are at the top of my ‘activities’ list. I love to travel, but I also like reading and watching the wildlife in my backyard. I’ve always enjoyed live music, and I still make it to a number of concerts each year. We definitely look forward to retirement. Our future home is a boat in Florida and the Caribbean.

**Wisdom gained:**

- You never stop learning.

What question did we forget to ask?

*What is your favorite color?*

*Blue because it sets off my eyes and, hopefully,  
draws attention away from my thinning hair.*

*(Claudio Company)*

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Finally being able to wear pants instead of dresses with length rules
- Great football games & going to City finals
- Hangin' with my friends
- Getting the "Class Wolves" award along with Mitch Drootin

**Alphesian Update:**

I attended Pierce Junior College to follow a fine arts career and ended up in good old San Diego, becoming an independent contractor in Cosmetology for 34 years. I have traveled throughout the Mexican Riviera, Germany, and London as well as Arizona, Tucson, and Albuquerque when I crewed for a hot air balloon pilot. I enjoy power walks or hiking, getting together with friends for fun events around town, and volunteering for great causes. Having never married, I've had a blast being an independent woman, even if times have been tough. I'm looking forward to marrying a rich man who loves to travel anywhere (ha ha), fostering dogs to find them great homes, and retiring in Hawaii.

**Wisdom gained:**

- Life is short, make the best of it and take care of yourself.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- The fun in Mr. A's class (Mr. Aizenstat)
- Farrell's Ice Cream Parlour after the games

**Alphesian Update:**

My wife Corine and I have been married for 30 years and have two sons (25 and 21). We live in Elko, Nevada where I've been now for 33 years. I enjoy photography, ham radio W7DSI, the great outdoors, music, and computers. At this point in my life, the events I look forward to most are my sons marrying someday and our having grandkids.

**GO:** St. Louis (LA) Rams, LA Lakers and Dodgers!

**Wisdom gained:**

- If I had known I would live this long, I would have taken better care of myself.

<p><b>Sue Slaughter Bay</b></p>		<p>Livingston, MT</p>
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**Monroe Memories:**

- Smoking between B & C Halls
- Graduating
- The rest is a little fuzzy


**Alphesian Update:**

I have been married for 32 years and live in a hand peeled log home in the mountains of Montana, 15 miles from town. I worked in the Motion Picture Industry until 2001. I have two sons (35 and 32). One is in the Coast Guard; the other is a policeman. I also have 4 ½ grandchildren: 1 boy (6), 3 girls (2, 2, and 6 months), and one on the way. My one degree is a Masters in hard knocks. My current activities and interests include traveling with my husband and dogs in our motor home, fishing, hiking, snow shoeing, crocheting, and quilting. I am looking forward to traveling to Europe and welcoming our newest grandchild.

**GO:** Montana State University Bobcats football!

**Wisdom gained:**

- Don't sweat the little things.

<p><b>Bonnie Smith Bomar</b></p>		<p>22605 White Wing Way Santa Clarita, CA</p> <p>(See also Eli Bomar listing)</p>
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What question did we forget to ask?

*When is the next Class of '72 reunion? Will you be attending?*

*(Bruce Gustafson)*

***(Editor's note: October 2017; and I hope everyone answers YES!)***

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Jim Reed asked me if I was going to the Homecoming Dance. (He didn't ask me to go with him to the dance.) I told him I was planning on going to the dance since my sister, Bev Smith, was the 11<sup>th</sup> grade Homecoming Princess. Later, my best friend, Crystal Hunter, asked me to double date with her. She arranged a date for me. If I didn't go with her, she wouldn't be allowed to go out with John Morris. So, I went. Well, later, Jim showed up at Shakey's Pizza where Crystal, John, Rich Ladd, and I were. I was so embarrassed. I was afraid Jim wouldn't ask me out after that, but he never said anything about it.
- The week I went out with Dave Burlingham, he played very well in Friday's basketball game. The next week, when I went out with Jim Reed, he played very well in that Friday's basketball game. You all can thank me for that!

**Alphesian Update:**

Jim Reed (also Class of 1972) and I have been married for 36 years and live 325 miles from Monroe!  
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**Monroe Memories:**

- Football games—Go VIKINGS! Weren't we the city champions?
- Mr. and Mrs. Livingston—what great teachers!
- Laughing with John Pasquariello in Mrs. Minty's biology class—oh dear...lucky I got through it.

**Alphesian Update:**

I have lived in Sun Valley, Idaho since 1995 and have been married to Bill Boeger for 32 years. We have two sons: Reed (25), a graduate of Dartmouth College now working in Boston and Cody (22), a graduate of USC now working in LA. Raising my two sons has been the greatest joy imaginable. From 1977-1995, I lived in San Francisco and Palo Alto, California. I NEVER thought I would end up living in a small town in the mountains of Idaho, but it has been fantastic. I feel so lucky. I earned a BA from UCLA and an MBA from Stanford University and have been involved with education throughout my

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**Monroe Memories:**

- The clothes, music, great friends
- Limitless energy
- My 1957 Volvo P-444

**Alphesian Update:**

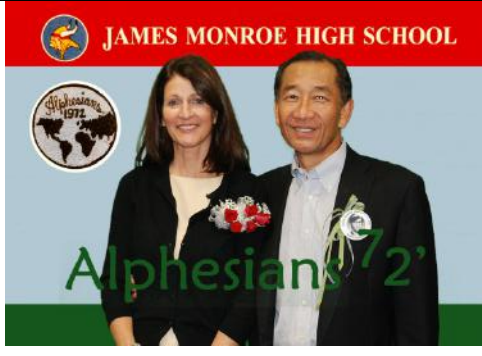
I have been very blessed in so many ways. I've traveled much of the world and the US and have gotten to enjoy seven cruises. One event I am really looking forward to soon is the Punta Cana Luxury Resort in the Dominican Republic in March 2013! I have great friends all over the world. I have been married for 32 years to a woman I met in Nashville, Tennessee—on a blind date, set up by my mother. I've lived all over: Nashville, TN (1976-1980), Houston, TX (1980-1999), Asheville, NC (1999-2005), Las Vegas, NV (2005-2008), and back to Nashville (2008-????). I've been a realtor, a loan officer, and a Meals on Wheels volunteer. In fact, my current interests and activities include visiting the elderly through Meals on Wheels as well as riding motorcycles, camping, fishing, and travel.

**GO:** Titans!

**Wisdom gained:**

- I'll always have a lot to learn.

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**Monroe Memories:**

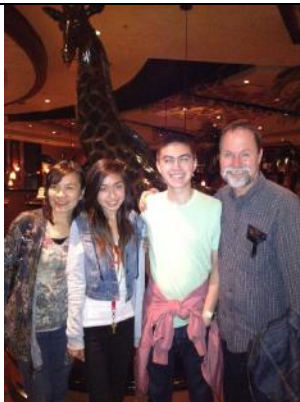
- Borrowing the “Bob’s Big Boy” fiberglass statue from the restaurant at Reseda and Devonshire and being caught by BVP Larry Foster while carrying it on to campus.
- The entire semester in Mr. Aizenstat’s (“the Big A”) English class. Every day was a memorable adventure. Mr. Aizenstat was my “Mr. Chips” who taught me to appreciate English and made an incredible difference in my life. I regret that I never properly thanked him.
- Breaking my ankle as a junior (quite memorable), but the real epiphany was discovering how wonderful, thoughtful, and caring our classmates were in assuring that my every need was met.

**Alphesian Update:**

I have been married (as of this writing) for 32 years, two months, and two days to Sonia (Canandaigua

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Boring classes, a teacher saying “and ah” about 100 times per class.
- Eating alone and not being popular even though I was smart, good looking, and talented (music and art)...because I was shy.
- Awesome music playing at lunch every day through the Monroe speakers
- Miss Glorious for English and the very short skirts she wore
- I had to leave Monroe after the 11<sup>th</sup> grade and move to Novato, CA

**Alphesian Update:**

I became a revolutionary! A zen master! A writer! And I still think humans can become civilized. I have been married for 24 years. I met my wife (who is from Taiwan) on a plane over Thailand. She is an artist and computer chip designer. We have two children (19 and 13), both the very top students in their classes, both speak Chinese. One is a 2<sup>nd</sup> black belt and the other is testing for black belt soon (karate). We live in Hayward, California, but I’ve lived all over the USA, including Hawaii twice (I was a cab driver and waiter). I was a donut baker and in and out of college for many years, until I finally got my BA at 32 and MA at 40 (in English). Regarding military service, when I was at Monroe, I studied ways to avoid the draft. My government has killed about 7 million poor powerless people since the day I started at Monroe. My son isn’t ALLOWED to serve in our military. My dad was a Marine, and I’m proud of that, but that was back when we were a free country. My current interests and activities include writing political essays and reading the real news on the Web. I enjoy riding bikes with my daughter, and I am looking forward to a trip to Italy with my family this xmas vacation.

**Wisdom gained:**

- I’ve learned that enlightenment IS possible, but not easy! And that it’s fun to try.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Cheering for our football, baseball, basketball, swimming, track & field, and cross-country teams!

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**Monroe Memories:**

- A final football game in the coliseum where we played Carson and our (Monroe) guys were actually beat up.
- Trying to get to your locker and to class on time seemed like a big thing back then.
- Friends who supported me when my mother was very ill. It made a difference even though I probably never said.


**Alphesian Update:**


I worked hard to carve a career and stuck with it. I married at 31 and have now been married for 27 years. We have two daughters: Jillian and Chelsea (25 and 23). I wanted children very, very much and love them very, very much. It is, without a doubt, the most precious and special part of my life. Once you become a parent, your focus shifts from what you are to what they'll become. Living vicariously can be pretty amazing. Regarding degrees and recognitions, parenting is my favorite designation, the one that means the most to me. After that, my professional affiliation through SIOR (Society of Industrial and Office Realtors). I have never lived outside the state of California. Now, home is Stockton, but previously, it's been Marina Del Rey, Long Beach, and Newport Beach. I'm a northern Californian now, and I doubt I'll ever return to the South. In my free time, I enjoy walking, running, exercising (much of which is with my chocolate lab), skiing (without the dog), sailing and playing cards. I also volunteer for many causes. An African Safari, trekking and/or skiing in Europe, bare-boating again in the Caribbean, and attending more plays in New York are among a few items on my "bucket list".

**GO:** Bears (Cal), Cowboys (Wyoming), SF Giants, SF 49ers, and US Women's Soccer!

**Wisdom gained:**

- Age is a good thing; the alternative isn't.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Ditching jewelry class to go to Sambo’s for waffles.
- I can’t remember what it was called, but we had a bungalow that we could hang out in and “rap”
- Mrs. Taksar—loved her and the religion class!!
- Mr. Johnson’s ceramic class!!

**Alphesian Update:**

Six years after high school, I married a Chatsworth HS grad. Tim and I have now been married for 34 years and have two daughters (30 and 28). It took 58 years to leave the San Fernando Valley, the valley I grew up in, but my husband (an ex-Marine) and I have recently moved to Simi Valley! For over 30 years, I have been a volunteer in various areas: PTA, Revlon Walk, Operation Gratitude, and now I manage volunteers in my position at Chaminade College Prep. I love placing people in areas to make them feel connected to our school and to share with them the importance of volunteering. When I have “free-time,” I love gardening, cooking, and entertaining family and friends. My passion is gardening; there is nothing more soothing to me than getting in the dirt and making things grow. My vegetable garden is great as I share my crops, make canned foods and love the freshness of home grown food. There is nothing, though, that I would like to be known for more than how much I admire and love my children and my husband. These three people are the most important part of my life. My husband and I would like to travel more and spend time on our fishing boat in the Channel Islands. We look forward to the upcoming marriage of our youngest daughter. We have traveled to various countries over the past few years: Ireland, Slovakia, Poland, Hungary, Spain, Portugal, Austria, and the Czech Republic and would like to visit the Orient.

**GO:** Chaminade! (of course!)

**Wisdom gained:**

Life is short, enjoy every opportunity, hug your family, tell them you love them, forgive the past and pray every day.

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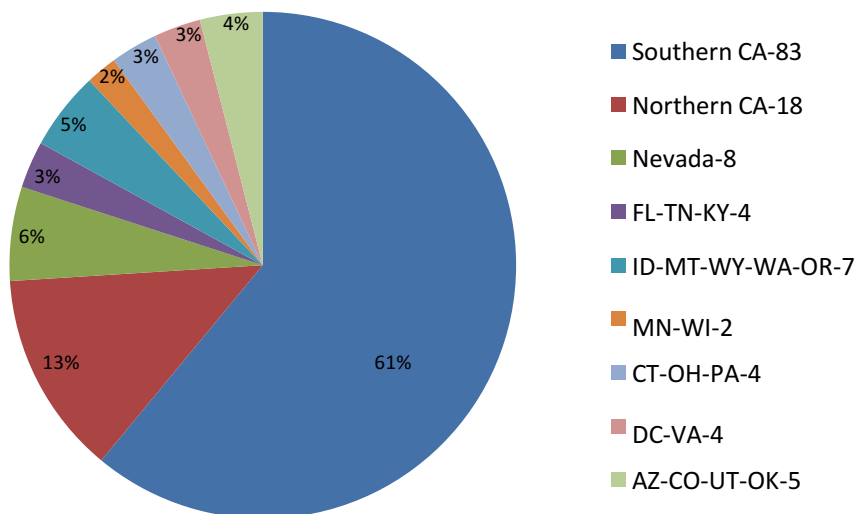
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**Alphesian Update:**

I have been married for over 22 years and have one child (Jerad age 20) who is currently studying in Italy. Our home is West Hills, California.

**Where we live in the USA...**



61% (83 respondents) still live in Southern California  
(based on 135 responses that included addresses)

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Kidnap Breakfasts
- Bob's Big Boy Statue Senior Prank
- Mike's Pizza after football games

**Alphesian Update:**

Howard Portnoff (class of 1971) and I have been married for 37 years and have two children (34 and 31) as well as one 3 year old grandchild. We've made our home in Henderson, Nevada where I enjoy spending my free time shopping! We look forward to traveling through more of the USA in the future.

**GO:** SF Giants and 49ers!

**Wisdom gained:**

- You can't please everyone so please yourself.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Scooping Jeff B. on a geometry construction in Mr. Chamberlin's class.
- Watching fires in the hills at football games.

**Alphesian Update:**

Meg and I have been married almost 20 years and have two sons (22 and 21) as well as one granddaughter (9 mo). In the years since Monroe, I got to play a one-armed, long-haired cowboy in Montana and stayed in Montana to fish, ski, and work. I met my wife in Bozeman. Now, I work in the Physics department at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and spend any extra time I have woodworking.

**Wisdom gained:**

- The future is just a past I don't remember yet.

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**Alphesian Update:**

My husband Eric and I have been married for 23 years. We have two daughters (22 and 19) and have made our home Ventura, California for the past 15 years. I earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in social work from CSULA in 1988 and a clear credential from CSUN in 2006. Each of our children marrying is the set of events I am most looking forward to at this point in my life.

**GO:** BYU and USC!

**Wisdom gained:**

- Be nice to everyone.

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**Monroe Memories:**

- How silly and how much fun I had with Scott, Bev, Brenda, and Melanie.
- Running for treasurer with my HOT PANTS outfit!
- How everything was so important: the way you looked, the way you acted, and who you knew. And then real life happened!

**Alphesian Update:**

My husband (who I met at a dance club in Marina Del Rey) and I have been married 36 years and have four kids (33, 30, 25, 18) and one daughter-in-law. Our home is in Westlake Village. That's the farthest I've gotten! I am currently licensed in Real Estate, Insurance, and Nursing having earned an RN and BS (from Cal State LA) in the years since Monroe. Things I'd like everyone to know include how I met the greatest guy ever. He has been my partner and best friend for 36 years. How lucky I am to have an amazing family who stick together, even when the rough times hit you in the face. How blessed I am to have a huge group of friends that have become my family, too. And...how high school probably helped shape the person I have become and helped me to negotiate issues in my real life. I enjoy spending my free time with friends and family playing Mahjong, reading a good book for book club, and going to fun new places for dinner or entertainment. At this point in my life, I am looking forward to having lots of grandkids and traveling!!

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Homecoming 1971 when our Junior class float won best float; first time in school history a non-Senior float won.
- 1971 Varsity Baseball team winning City Championship
- Senior Class events – Senior Recognition Day, Talent Show, BBQ, Breakfast

**Alphesian Update:**

After high school, I earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from UCLA, became a Graphic Artist, and have owned my own business since 1980. Having graduated a Wine & Single Malt Scotch school, I enjoy wine and single malt scotch...as well as film, music, surfing, and surf culture and art, which is part of my business. I have stayed in the San Fernando Valley and LA area.

**GO:** UCLA Bruins, NY Yankees, LA Dodgers!

**Wisdom gained:**

- Life is a tough journey, no one here gets out alive.

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**REMEMBER WHEN...**

*“Rap” meant to talk things out.*

(Several classmates have fond memories of the “Rap Room”.)

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**Monroe Memories:**

- My favorite memory is being part of the “preschool” first year on our campus; hanging out with all the girls in class.
- The yummy coffee cake! (*Editor’s note: Randee, see page 100!*)

**Alphesian Update:**

I earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Child Development and became a Preschool Teacher/Director for years...now I just teach at a religious school (5<sup>th</sup> grade). Along the way, I also learned sign language and worked with young children for 10 years. My husband Gary and I have been married for 36 years and have two sons (33 and 30) and one daughter (26) as well as two granddaughters (2 years and 5 months). We have our home in Agoura Hills where I have volunteered for many organizations including being the chairman of Reyes Adobe Days. I have had a Real Estate License for the last 26 years and owned a real estate company (mortgage & property management, too) with my husband for 20 years. In my “free time” I love doing needlepoint, cooking, and reading. Plus, I have walked with the same friends for over 20 years. Among the things I look forward to at this point are driving across country with my husband, my kids getting married, and more grandchildren!

**Wisdom gained:** Enjoy Life!

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**Alphesian Update:**

After graduating from Monroe, I earned a BS degree from CSUN and started Brenda Miller Interiors in 1989. I have been married for the past 20 years to Steve Resnick (Class of 1973). Our home is Santa Clarita, and we have three children (31, 30, and 16). We also have two grandchildren (2 ½ years and 9 months). In my free-time, I enjoy wake surfing, riding quads, and scuba diving. I also love to travel...

**Wisdom gained:**

- Life is precious—don't waste a moment!!

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**Alphesian Update:**

Making my home in Santa Clarita, I enjoy bowling in a league (2 times per week) and playing golf every other week in my free time. I have two children (35 and 33), one of whom worked for "Teach Overseas" through her church, teaching conversational English to Hungarian High/Trade School students. I also have three grandchildren (7 years, 2 ½ years, and 6 months). At this point in my life, I am looking forward to retirement.

**Wisdom gained:**

- Appreciate what you have.

A secret crush finally revealed...

*Like every girl in school...I had a crush on Mark Suzumoto!*

*(Martha George-Gillespy)*

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**Alphesian Update:**

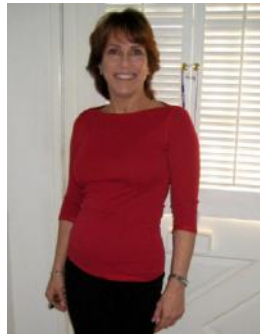
My wife Kelly and I have three daughters: Kylie (24), Cory (22), and Shelby (20). I am a UCLA grad. Over the past 40 years, I've been just trying to have some fun...and I have!

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**Monroe Memories:**

- Being on the Drill Team and laughing and running around the field during football games.
- At some talent show, Cindy Weinlood and I sang some song on stage about being friends...we were terrible! OK, to be fair to Cindy—I was terrible.
- Mooching food from everyone at lunch on the Senior Lawn because I never brought any.

**Alphesian Update:**

My home is Northern Virginia where I am a law enforcement officer. I love the outdoors and am continually amazed by the natural world. I enjoy gardening, reading, target-shooting, and exercising with my dog. I just wish I could have a pig.



**Wisdom gained:**

Life is too short to take things too seriously, even though I usually do. There is nothing wrong in expressing passions and feelings, although it leaves one vulnerable. The princess and the prince do not necessarily live happily ever after.

<p><b>Debra Berke</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 8</b>  Then came Bandelier National Monument near Santa Fe, New Mexico, and finally Washington, DC for graduate school. Along the way, I earned a BA in Anthropology from UC Berkeley and an MA in Museum Studies from the George Washington University. I look forward to getting my daughter through college, retiring at some point and having time to do art and volunteer for things that I care about. In the meantime, I enjoy biking, Pilates, going to the gym, doing art. (I used to do ceramics, then mosaics and painted tiles.) I have a bungalow house built in 1917 that I love and take care of. Then there's my cat, and my kids. I come back to CA once or twice a year since my brother, sister, and mom live in Santa Cruz.</p> <p><b>GO:</b> DC Nationals! (This is the first time since 1933 that a baseball team from Washington has made it to the play offs.)</p> <p><b>Wisdom Gained:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• You gotta be flexible in body, mind and spirit to get through all the changes and knocks of life.</li> </ul>
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<p><b>Jeff Berkowitz Berkeley</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 9</b>  from the music scene, I played over 200 pro gigs as a rock bass player. I have 5 children (ages 12 – 23), and I can't name my current hobbies and interests – there are way too many!</p> <p><b>GO:</b> Yankees and Dodgers!</p> <p><b>Wisdom gained:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Too much to list...really...</li> </ul>
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<p><b>Gary Bernardi</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 9</b>  hope to have a lot of years of R/R to be with my family.</p> <p><b>Wisdom Gained:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Treat People with Respect.</li> <li>• Be Humble and appreciate the good things life may bring you</li> <li>• Appreciate your health each day.</li> </ul>
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	<p>My...how we have changed!</p> <p>But... we still look GOOD!</p>	
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<p><b>Ed Bilow</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 11</b>  Recently, I became a background actor and have worked on many TV shows, including “Mad Men,” “Harry’s Law,” “Perception,” and most recently, “Vegas.” I presently make my living as a finish carpenter, licensed general contractor, and an actor. In my free time, I enjoy dancing, camping, sunbathing, and karaoke as well as enjoying my new marriage and my relationships with my children and grandchildren.</p> <p><b>GO:</b> USC, Dodgers, Angels, and Lakers!</p> <p><b>Wisdom gained:</b>  Love God and people. God answers prayer...His way, at the right time. Be patient. Stay humble. Drive slower. Eat healthy. Exercise regularly. Save for retirement. Laugh more. Compliment those who deserve it. Open up to others. Invite others into your life with your smile. Money only makes life easier. Pay your bills. Be generous when you can. Don’t stress out. Don’t allow people to control you. Establish boundaries. Don’t skimp on words; use more to communicate better. Be attentive to your life partner. Enjoy sex. Make sure your partner enjoys sex too. Recreate yourself by rethinking through Everything you’ve Ever learned about Anything from Anybody. Make the necessary changes by RETAINING the good, getting rid of the bad and opening up to new experiences that are NOT the way you were taught as a youth, (without being illegal). Finally, live happily ever after!</p>
<p><b>Bill Bradbury</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 13</b>  college and my involvement with the Government and how all that happened made for an amazing time in my life. I presently live in Shenandoah County (the town of Woodstock, VA), but I have lived as far away as Bogota, Colombia and Larandia, Colombia (1978-1980). I was attached to the 7<sup>th</sup> Special Forces (non-Army position as Advisor) in Bogota for two years. My wife has served in the Air National Guard with the 157<sup>th</sup> Fighter Squadron in electronic warfare systems out of South Carolina. Both my wife and I are continuing our education which, for me, has already included earning a BA in Political Science and an AA in Police and Forensic Science. I am presently finishing up a BS in Criminal Justice (and am a member of Phi Theta Kappa and on the President’s List at Troy University with a 4.0 GPA). And...at the ripe old age of 58, I am looking forward to attending Law School in the spring of 2013. Yes, I know, I will be 62 when I get my JD, but it will be a milestone as my wife will be graduating with me with her JD on the same day.</p> <p><b>GO:</b> Virginia Tech Hokies! (I’ve worked in R&amp;D at Virginia Tech for 4 years.) Also, Go Clemson and South Carolina! On the pro level, for reasons yet undetermined...Go Lions!</p> <p><b>Wisdom gained:</b>  Ask me that when my last kid leaves for college. I may have quite a bit to talk about then, maybe even a book. I have learned, after being a “B” &amp; “C” student at Monroe, that now I find school amazingly easier for some reason.</p>
<p>What question did we forget to ask?</p> <p><i>Who are you going to vote for: Romney or Obama? (Jeff Syrop)</i></p>	

<p><b>Joyce Bridges Roth</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 13</b> and will probably stay here now. I have lived on both coasts, and the middle suits me. Newcastle is a small town SW of Oklahoma City, but I have also lived in San Diego, San Francisco, Sacramento, West Point, NY, Duncan, Oklahoma, Southern Pines, North Carolina, San Antonio, Texas, and the Moore/Norman metro area of OK City. I have a bachelor’s degree in elementary education and an associate’s degree in occupational therapy. In fact, my 3<sup>rd</sup> career is occupational therapy, and though I now just work part-time, I really enjoy what I do. I still carry my Christian faith, and it is central in my life’s purpose and goals. I have volunteered with Special Olympics, Prison Fellowship Angel Tree, and at the local Rescue Mission. With my husband (who served in the Coast Guard) retired, and me “semi-retired,” we enjoyed a Mediterranean cruise, and we’d like to travel to South America, possibly Argentina, in the future. I love beach trips – one of the drawbacks of living in Oklahoma is travel time to the beach. We love spending time with our 2 granddaughters – one local and one in the DC area and look forward to future grandchildren. We are enjoying a slower pace of life so I am learning how to quilt, spending more time in the garden, reading more, exercising more, spending time with friends, and more time in Bible study.</p> <p><b>GO:</b> Dodgers and UCLA Bruins! I also now root for OKC Thunder, San Antonio Spurs, and Oklahoma Sooners.</p> <p><b>Wisdom Gained:</b> My relationship with God, through His Son Jesus Christ, is the most important thing in my life. This has taught me to value my family and friends, and that people are more important than my accomplishments or “to-do” list. I am trying to simplify my life in order to have time to do and be what’s important to me. This is an essential part of who I am. I am a life-long learner, and I love to see new and beautiful things. I like to laugh and hear a good story. God has blessed me in many ways, and I try to pass along those blessings to others. Getting older brings with it the benefit of not worrying so much about what others think, and doing what I enjoy or feel is the right thing to do. Sometimes I embarrass my kids, but they’ve embarrassed me plenty of times so I feel that’s fair ☺. I’ve had some ups and downs, struggles and victories. Faith, family, friends, fun – it’s a good life so far.</p>
<p><b>Kathy (Kate) Brown Baiko</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 14</b> Army ROTC for 2 years while in college) and 1 stepson (43). In addition, we have had many foster children. We live just southeast of Sacramento, in the little town of Herald which boasts a general store, fire station, post office, elementary school, and park. Besides Florida and California, I’ve also lived in Nebraska, Illinois, and Arizona. Our home, being a ranch, means that most of my time is spent taking care of the animals and crops, but I also quilt and sew, teach sewing to children at a local women’s center, and make greeting cards when free time allows. I look forward to our daughters marrying and my becoming a grandparent.</p> <p><b>GO:</b> LA Dodgers!</p> <p><b>Wisdom Gained:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Everything changes and nothing is quite what you expected it to be.</li> </ul>

<p><b>Bob Callender</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 16</b>  special aeronautical program. I have met and/or worked with several Mercury, Gemini, and Apollo era astronauts and with great American engineers/pilots of note in the aviation industry. I've worked on several aircraft now on display in the Smithsonian Institution and have flown lots of airplane types. Throughout all this, I have been very lucky to have traveled the world and made great friends on every continent! My current "free time" activities and interests overlap my career as I enjoy airplane racing, unique technical and aviation books and publications (especially those signed by a person of historical note), travel, and Lionel Train collecting. As ever, I look forward to more fun and interesting intellectual challenges and...meeting Ms. Right.</p> <p><b>GO:</b> USC and San Diego Chargers! (such as they are)</p> <p><b>Wisdom gained:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I've learned how fantastically special the United States and its system of government are compared to the rest of the world.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Diane Carlsen Speer</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 16</b>  Louis, MO for 10 years, teaching and following our daughters' athletic careers through high school and college. We returned one year ago to CA—this time to the Sierra Nevada foothills on the southern highway to Yosemite National Park. I have an MA in Education and am passionate about teaching history through drama—bringing it alive! We enjoy every single day, and look forward to more trips to Europe where one daughter plays professional volleyball.</p> <p><b>GO:</b> Cards! (St. Louis Cardinals) and 91 Suhl vfb! (a German pro volleyball team)</p> <p><b>Wisdom gained:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To <u>truly</u> enjoy life— never stop learning, loving, and doing your very best for your family and for the world.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Claudio Company</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 17</b>  <b>GO:</b> Bruins! I have loved the UCLA Bruins since I used to stay up late on Friday and Saturday nights to watch tape delays of their basketball games in the late 60s. I have season tickets to UCLA football with another Monroe alum too, thanks to my UCLA alumna daughter!</p> <p><b>Wisdom gained:</b>  I have learned who I am and to be comfortable with that. That if I want something, I have to put myself out there and, if I don't, it won't happen. I have learned to be a man with an opinion but also when to express it and when not to. That fitting in can get you safely through life, but you'll never be special. I have learned that a good motto for me to try to live by is "respect all, fear none."</p>
<p><b>Gary Costello</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 18</b>  <b>Go:</b> Greenbay Packers!</p> <p><b>Wisdom gained:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Life is too short to be single.</li> </ul>

<p><b>Debbie Deal McCoy</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 20</b>  classes; after that, I jog a few times during the week at the Rose Bowl and then workout in the pool at the Rose Bowl Aquatic Center in Pasadena. I also enjoy gardening and visiting our daughter at the beach, which usually involves eating! I look forward to the marriages of my kids someday, and perhaps grandkids.</p> <p><b>GO:</b> Lakers! ...especially now that Steve Nash is part of the team. (My husband is a Santa Clara alumnus.)</p> <p><b>Wisdom gained:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I know this sounds corny, but just be kind to people. And always wear a smile.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Jeff Dederick</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 20</b>  years teaching PE (now at Panorama High School). I still play softball in a league (Jeff Berkeley and I are pitchers). Besides retirement—sixty one and a half is getting close—we are looking forward to traveling, cooking, and eating great food. In the meantime, I enjoy sports when I can, gardening, hikes, movies, fishing, travel, food...SUSHI with my wife and son.</p> <p><b>GO:</b> Clippers! (and all local teams)</p> <p><b>Wisdom gained:</b>  Exercise keeps you young...have goals and figure out how to attain them.</p>
<p><b>Jon Ervin</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 22</b>  transitioning back to creative private enterprise. I also enjoy performance music, Yoga, writing, skiing, hiking,...being.</p> <p><b>Wisdom gained:</b>  Start and end each day with Gratitude. During the day, appreciate all that is. Be present in the moment that is. Life is eternal. Nothing real is ever threatened.</p>
<p><b>Scott Feinstein</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 24</b>  as one of the most powerful business managers in Hollywood (in spite of only working part time). I have a fascinating list of Hollywood celebrities. I still play singles tennis 5 days a week (though my body is completely falling apart). I split my free time between travel, tennis, the gym, and REALLY IRRITATING MY DAUGHTERS!!</p> <p><b>GO:</b> Lakers and Dodgers!</p> <p><b>Wisdom gained:</b>  The older I get, the more I realize there is a lot I don't know. I think this is the real wisdom of age. I thought I knew everything in high school.</p>
<p><b>Suellen Feistman</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 24</b>  <b>Go:</b> Kings!</p> <p><b>Wisdom gained:</b>  After surviving breast cancer, I learned not to bother about the small stuff. Life is short; enjoy it while you can.</p>
<p>-80-</p>	

<p><b>Michelle Fleishman Warneck</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 26</b>  I enjoy a variety of activities which currently include needlepoint, shooting with my husband, and skeet shooting. We have recently spent countless hours working on Gov. Mitt Romney’s campaign for President and for the Republican Party. I have enjoyed meeting Governor Romney as well as Senators, Congressmen, and celebrities.</p> <p><b>Go:</b> UNLV Rebels!</p>
<p><b>Susan Fleishman Warneck</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 26</b>  East, South and Central America, Mexico, Canada, and throughout the U.S. When I have free time, I enjoy stamp art, swimming, and reading. For many years, we have volunteered to raise funds for the City of Hope, including 10 years running fundraising carnival booths for them. We look forward to continuing that volunteer work for the City of Hope in the future.</p> <p><b>Go:</b> Lakers!</p>
<p><b>Barbara Gregson</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 31</b>  Oscars three times (radio and photo). I earned a BA in Film from CSUN and an MS Education in Instructional Technology from USC. I’m currently a student at UC Irvine in the Executive MBA program with the Paul Merage School of Business. (At 57, am I the oldest student in the class?) I am looking forward to my expected graduation and MBA – June 2013! (I just returned from China for my Global Business class and got to walk on the Great Wall.) In 2008, I completed the Bataan Memorial Death March Marathon at White Sands, New Mexico—yep—desert, sand, winds, and high altitude (5100 ft). In my quieter free time, I enjoy photography and gardening.</p> <p><b>GO:</b> Dodgers and Trojans!</p> <p><b>Wisdom gained:</b>  There are no problems, only solutions. Hang in there.</p>
<p><b>Rion Groh</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 31</b>  at that time. In 1983, I was named one of the original 53 BMW Master Techs in the US. I was the top BMW Master Tech in the US in 1985 and 1986. I was a charter member of the BMW Master’s Guild. I conceived and administered the Bimmer Tech Group and the MiniTech Group (international listserver-based professional resource groups for BMW and Mini specialists). My business gained C-corp status in 2010. I have a number of interests including photography, astrophotography, hiking, camping, boating, downhill skiing, traveling, ATV expeditions locally, etc., etc. I’m not much of a sports spectator, though I do enjoy soccer and football. I’ve done a great deal of international travel, especially to South Pacific islands and tropical countries. I’ve had three extensive trips to Europe, and I look forward to too many things to name.</p> <p><b>Wisdom gained:</b>  I still have much to learn.</p>
<p>One of the most mentioned music requests for the reunion was...</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>No rap!</i></p>	

**Bruce Gustafson**

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**Alphesian Update:**

At 30, I married Barbara Goodson from New York, and we have now been married for 28 years. We have one son: Andrew, age 24). I love being a husband and father. I've lived in Santa Monica now for 32 years, but briefly lived in Kodiak while commercial salmon fishing in Alaska for a summer. I earned a BA in Psychology and worked in the clinical psych field for 5 years. I also earned a Real Estate License for California as well as AHC Specialist certification from the Door and Hardware Institute, working in real estate and designing 4 of my own projects. I started and ran a design products business for 29 years. I look forward to graduating from Acupuncture and Oriental medicine School, and starting to practice in 2015, definitely NOT retiring. We've traveled a lot, fortunately, and will continue to do so. Traveling and exploring are my favorite things to do. More trips to Europe for sure; and I'd like to visit Southeast Asia, Vietnam; Peru; and friends originally from South Africa keep inviting us to visit Cape Town and Johannesburg with them. We look forward to our son getting married and having his own family at some point. I climbed Mt. Whitney at 50 and am considering climbing it again. Outside my "countless" hours at Acupuncture School, my #1 "free time" activities include traveling whenever I can; playing adult league hockey; wines and volunteer work at wineries; practicing yoga, qi gong; architectural design; astrology; hiking; skiing; cooking; integrative medicine; metaphysics; listening to music, concerts; and hanging out with friends.

**GO:** Stanley Cup Champion LA Kings! (I've been a major hockey fan since 1971.)

**Wisdom gained:**

The longer you live, the older you get. How did we get here?

**Our favorite songs from the 70's...**

A Pirate Looks at 40	Dock of the Bay	Lean On Me	Spirit in the Sky
All Along the Watchtower	Doctor, My Eyes	Lemon Tree	<b>*Stairway to Heaven</b>
<b>*American Pie</b>	Don't Leave Me This Way	Light My Fire	Suavecito
American Woman	Dust in the Wind	<b>*Maggie May</b>	Surfer Girl
At Seventeen	Father and Son	Masters of War	Take It Easy
Bad Girls	Foiled Around and Fell in Love	Michelle Ma Belle	Tapestry
Baker Street	Green Grass and High Tides	Moondance	Tequila Sunrise
Bang a Gong	Horse with No Name	Needle and the Damage Done	Terrapin Station
Beginnings	Hotel California	Nights in White Satin	The Thrill is Gone
Benny and the Jets	I Want to Hold Your Hand	Nine to Five	Tuesday Afternoon
Blowin' in the Wind	I Was Only Joking	Oh What a Night	Unchained Melody
Bobby McGee	I Will Survive	One	We Are the Champions
Born to be Wild	Imagine	Our House	We've Only Just Begun
Born to Run	In My Life	Over My Head (Fleetwood Mac)	Whole Lotta Love
Bridge Over Troubled Water	It's Too Late	Piano Man	Yellow Submarine
Cashmere	Just My Imagination	Red House	You Can't Always Get ...Want
China Grove	Just the Way You Are	Roundabout	<b>*Your Song</b>
Coalminer's Daughter	Kodachrome	Runnin' On Empty	<b>*You've Got a Friend</b>
Copacabana	Last Dance	Scarborough Fair	
Disco – anything Disco	Laya	Smoke on the Water	

**\*Received most mentions**

**Darlene  
Harper**

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Eventually, we converted the apartment building into individual condominiums which provided each partner/investor more financial independence. With time, we repeated the condo conversion concept on other apartment buildings in the area as well as purchased a commercial building downtown. This was in the late '70s and was the beginning of our real estate investment/development company (Canessa Capital).

During the early start-up years, I continued working for the consulting firm and then oversaw our property management/construction projects before and after work. When our son (Ian) was born in 1982, I could no longer continue travelling as a planning consultant so I changed jobs and became a Strategic Real Estate Planner for Crocker-Midland Bank in downtown San Francisco. I was lucky to negotiate a 4-day work week with the Bank! My job provided the steady income to support our start-up company. My husband worked from home and was able to insure Ian was properly cared for while I was at work.

After our daughter (Nicole) was born in '84, we decided to leave San Francisco and move closer to family in Santa Barbara. We were very blessed to have built an investment/development business that could be relocated to Santa Barbara. I have lived in the Montecito portion of Santa Barbara since 1986.

Our family's passion is travelling, nature, and football. I continue to be involved with planning and political issues and donate my time to local environmental/land-use advocacy groups. I have served as an elected member of the local School Board and currently serve as an elected Director of our Water District.

Our kids both attended UC Berkeley (Cal) as undergraduates, and after graduation, chose to live and work in San Francisco. In fact, they both lived close to the building we bought with our first partners! Life seems to have come full circle. Although my son moved to New York two years ago to attend graduate school at Columbia, San Francisco remains our family's second home. We are avid Cal football fans and season ticketholders for the San Francisco 49ers. Bob and I divorced four years ago, but remain business partners.

For years, I dreamt about returning to school. Although I had always assumed that I would pursue a PHD in environmental science, I became increasingly interested in psychology, particularly cultural psychology. After my divorce, I was able to follow my dream and go back to school, completing a Master's in psychology followed by the coursework for my Doctorate. I am now in the research/dissertation phase. My academic work examines our deep seated cultural beliefs and how they manifest in political actions and laws.

My life remains an interesting journey with twists and turns I would have never anticipated. It's made all the better by a wonderful family and circle of friends.

**GO:** Cal and San Francisco 49ers!

**Wisdom gained:**

- Life has lots of surprises!

<p><b>Mark Hilton</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 36</b>  play golf at home (there's another short story there). In regards to sports, I have acquired an interest in the Oregon Ducks, but beyond that I've found that rural living leaves little time for watching sports. I pay attention at playoff time to whatever sport is nearing conclusion, and try to identify a team to root for at the end, but often times find that I lack the passion to 'hate' the opposing team. What has happened to me!!</p> <p><b>Wisdom gained:</b>  People skills are highly undervalued in most jobs, and yet they are the most valuable asset a person can carry in their 'life toolbox'.</p>
<p><b>Gary Lawrence</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 41</b>  I've served as Vice President of Action For Oceanside as well as Director of Communications for a Neighborhood Rights Organization. I'm looking forward to retirement and doing more of the things I already enjoy: photography, Photoshop, building web sites, biking, woodworking, surfing, kayaking, and politics.</p> <p><b>GO:</b> Dodgers, Chargers, Lakers, Kings, USC football, and Oregon Ducks football!</p> <p><b>Wisdom gained:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I've learned not to answer all the questions.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Mike Mann</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 44</b>  ASHRAE Orange Empire. I look forward to "retiring" before the next reunion, which means Skipping full time again. Evelyn says I am not allowed to retire: "For better, for worse, but not for lunch", she says. In the meantime, I enjoy anything on or under the Ocean as well as food and wine, and much more.</p> <p><b>GO:</b> UCLA Bruins, SF Giants, and 49ers, Boston Red Sox and Patriots!</p> <p><b>Wisdom gained:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Happy wife, happy life....</li> <li>• Don't sweat the small stuff...</li> </ul>

### Our favorite music groups of the 70's...

Ac/dc	Cream	J Geils Band	The Band
Allman Brothers	Creedence Clearwater	Jefferson Airplane	The Guess Who
America	<b>*Crosby, Stills, Nash (&amp;Young)</b>	<b>*Led Zeppelin</b>	The Hollies
<b>*Beach Boys</b>	Derek & the Dominoes	Malo	The Outlaws
<b>*Beatles</b>	Doobie Brothers	Maroon 5	The Who
Bee Gees	<b>*Doors</b>	<b>*Moody Blues</b>	Three Dog Night
Black Sabbath	<b>*Eagles</b>	Peter, Paul & Mary	Tom Petty & Heartbreakers
Boston	Emerson, Lake & Palmer	Rolling Stones	Van Halen
Buffalo Springfield	Fleetwood Mac	Santana	Wings
Carpenters	Genesis	Supremes	<b>*Yes</b>
<b>*Chicago</b>	Grand Funk Railroad	Temptations	ZZ Top

**\*Received Most Mentions**

*Did we leave any group out?*

<p><b>Linda Matter Chenin</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 45</b>  orthodontics). We live in Las Vegas (although my 2<sup>nd</sup> home is Laguna Beach) and have 5 children: David (35), Daniel (33), Douglas (31), Dillon (18), and Darla (16) as well as two granddaughters (Ava-6 and Hadley-2)! My biggest accomplishments are my children (each one active and amazing), and there is no greater love than having grandchildren! (I feel God gave us grandchildren for having had children.) I love my two granddaughters and enjoy spending as much time with them as possible. They are the little loves of my life! On a sad note: my 17 year old sister Cindy was killed in a car accident in 1973. We were really close, and I don't think I ever got over it. It still saddens me to this day, but time does help heal. Cindy was in Monroe's Class of 1973. On a happy/lucky note: I was on "The Price is Right" with Bob Barker in late 1973. My mother and my sister Judy (Class of Winter '70) talked me into going to a show audition. I won an organ and got on stage, then won a car. I was in the showcase and ended up winning another car and other prizes. I have the VHS tape from the show. That was fun and is still a shocker! In college, I majored in business administration and managed my husband's practice after working for the government for 5 years. BTW, I love our military and veterans (but hate the government). I have served as President of the Nevada Dental Auxiliary and on the Jewish Federation Board and Women's Executive Board. I enjoy politics, reading, hiking, camping (in an RV), road-trips, and going on cruises. I love to travel and have visited many wonderful places including Spain, France, and Italy. Stephen is looking forward to retirement someday, but for now, I enjoy being home with our two teens (Dillon and Darla) and working part-time as well as working with/in (and donating to) many children's organizations and the public schools.</p> <p><b>GO:</b> All Las Vegas, Nevada teams! (I love them all!)</p> <p><b>Wisdom gained:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I've learned so many things..the most important is to speak up!</li> <li>• Live each day to its fullest!</li> </ul>
<p><b>Harvey Maxey</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 45</b>  Insurance for 34 years, which has allowed me to live in these various places. I am a Chartered Property Casualty Underwriter and a Chartered Life Underwriter, both professional insurance designations. I have also served in the Air Force. I look forward to the birth of my first grandchild in March 2013; returning to Bogota, Colombia to visit my son, and retiring from State Farm before the 45<sup>th</sup> reunion. I've visited 24 major league ball parks and umpire about 100 baseball games a year (high school, men's leagues, college club, college summer ball, and semi-pro.</p> <p><b>GO:</b> FC Barcelona (Spanish soccer), Arsenal FC (English Premier League Soccer), Oakland A's, and UCLA Bruins!</p> <p><b>Wisdom gained:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "Always yield to temptation, because it may not pass your way again."</li> <li>• "Age is a very high price for maturity."</li> </ul>
<p><b>Larry Montano</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 48</b>  <b>GO:</b> Dodgers!</p> <p><b>Wisdom gained:</b>  The shit you thought was so important in your life at that period of time really wasn't the end of the world like you thought it was. Living behind a mask is painfully hard and seldom does it ever end well.</p>

**Gary  
Emord-  
Netzley**

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the western United States in places like northern Nevada, eastern Oregon and the Santa Fe area in northern New Mexico. While the natural beauty around me was compelling, I eventually tired of living a nomadic life and returned to civilization in and around the city of Sacramento, CA where I enrolled in some basic photography classes at a junior college. That led to photojournalism graduate school at Ohio University in southeastern Ohio and from there, to the Messenger-Inquirer where I continue to work now.

I have been married just once for 25 years to my perfect match. (Can you say lucky!?) She's from Brockton, MA, and we met in Chicago when I was 30. Go figure. We have two great kids: Jonathan, age 16 and Jacqueline, age 22. Watching my children grow into wonderful human beings is one of the greatest joys of my life. We live in the community of Maceo, Ky. on the shore of Kingfisher Lake a few miles south of the Ohio River in the rolling hills of western Kentucky. In the Bluegrass state, we experience all four seasons, getting an occasional decent snowfall most years along with beautiful fall color and wild flowers each spring.

Establishing a daily routine that includes exercise in some form has paid a large dividend in personal health and happiness. It started way back when my family enrolled me, my older brother, David, and younger sister, Rebecca, in an age-group swimming program. Since then, I've explored long distance running, cycling, triathlons, yoga and generally the essentials of a healthy, happy life that is balanced between work, play and love. I finished 6th overall in the World Toughest Triathlon, a 3-day stage race (5 mile swim in Folsom Lake, 155 mile bike from Folsom Lake to Marin County, and 31-mile run from San Francisco to Marin County headlands and back). I usually compete in at least one triathlon each year and multiple 100-mile bike tours in the region. Recently I've returned to swimming having joined a new Masters Swimming program here.

Through my job at the newspaper, I've had the opportunity to travel and witness a wide variety of events and locales, including inaugurations for Presidents Bill Clinton and Barak Obama, presidential visits from Clinton, George Bush Sr., two weeks in China looking at teaching methods there and numerous floods, fires, ice/snow storms and lately, lots of tornados. Can you say climate change? We have it here in the form of severe summer thunderstorms. I have been elected president of the Kentucky News Photographers Assoc. and have received numerous awards for my news photography from the Kentucky Press Assoc., Kentucky News Photographers Assoc. and the Associated Press. I am also the current chairperson of Bicycle Owensboro, a local advocacy group working to make our city healthier, friendlier and greener through cycling. Cycling and improving the infrastructure to make it easier to ride safely consumes a lot of my time these days.

Still on my bucket list ...

1. See both of my children be successful in their respective careers.
2. Ride my bike across the US.
3. Compete in the Race Across America (RAM) bike race.
4. Return to China to teach English and perhaps photography.
5. Ride some of the routes in the Tour de France.
6. Finish hiking the 1200-mile length of the Appalachian Trail. (only 1,050 miles to go)
7. See Owensboro, Ky. become a "Bike Friendly" community as defined by the League of American Bicyclists

**GO:** UK Wildcats Basketball, Indiana Hoosiers Basketball, and Olympic Teams!  
(Surprisingly, I'm not a big spectator sports fan. I follow professional cycling as much as possible but don't obsess over it, especially since the flood of doping charges that have been leveled. I do follow college basketball and in particular, the University of Kentucky and Indiana University which are both within a couple of hours drive of my home. After that, I love the Olympic games, both winter and summer.)

**Wisdom gained:**

Take each day, one at a time and enjoy the experience to the fullest. Happiness does come with a price tag attached. Family and friends are the most important things in life.

<p><b>Kevin Rocque</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 57</b>  2<sup>nd</sup> grade, and as the director of the Boys and Girls Club at my Charter School. I work 12 hours a day! In my “free-time,” I remodel homes, purchasing short sale homes, fixing them up, and renting them. (I ran a cabinet business for 25 years.) I have never stopped running competitively, and running marathons has taken me to a lot of places around the world. I’ve served on city council, been on an LDS mission, and run a Boys and Girls Club for underprivileged youth. I look forward to developing a model of education based on my years of experience that gets teachers out of the way and inspires children beyond anything ever seen before.</p> <p><b>Wisdom gained:</b>  However I say it goes and however I say it is, I am always right and at the source of it. Responsibility is a privilege and the access to integrity.</p>
<p><b>Karen Smith Reed</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 64</b>  We dated from the middle of 12<sup>th</sup> grade on, and on, and on...and married 4 years after graduation. We have one son (Willy Reed) who is 25 years old and living in San Antonio, Texas. I couldn’t attend the reunion (I’ve attended ALL the others) because I was helping put on an event in Atascadero, California that Saturday night. The event was called Defend Rural America. It was a presentation hoping to educate and motivate citizens to stand up and defend against assaults on private property rights by governmental agencies.</p>
<p><b>Lisa Stelck</b></p>	<p><b>Continued from page 64</b>  life, most recently as the Director of Marketing and Development for the Community School in Sun Valley. Over the years, I have been actively involved in the cities of Palo Alto and Sun Valley in appointed office. I have also served on numerous non-profit boards involved mostly with education. Living in Sun Valley affords great opportunities for outdoor activity. I cross-country ski, hike, bike, and play tennis. I love to read, and I enjoy the theater. My passion continues to be children, education, and women’s rights. I strongly believe that peace and justice in the world will be achieved through the education of girls. I am a supporter of a program for educating young girls in Nepal and hope to travel to Nepal to visit the program in the next several years. In fact, I look forward to much traveling with my husband in the coming years as well as grandchildren someday. I am also looking forward to the new home we are building in Sun Valley, due to be completed next Spring. I am a real estate agent too—in case anyone would like to consider relocating to Idaho!</p> <p><b>GO:</b> Stanford Cardinal football! (They just upset USC again this season!)</p> <p><b>Wisdom gained:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Friends and family are the most precious gifts in the world.</li> <li>• It is important to practice gratitude, love, and kindness each day.</li> <li>• We can co-create our lives in conjunction with the Universe.</li> </ul>
<p>Did you know?</p> <p><b><i>Viking Vic appears 29 times in this book!</i></b>  <i>(Viking Vic was the creation of Bill Elliott - Class of S’60)</i></p>	

**Mark Suzumoto**  
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 Academy alum from Upstate NY). We met when I worked for the Action agency as a proselytizer (recruiter) for the Peace Corps and VISTA programs. We have three sons: John (26), Thomas (24), and Luke (22). We make our home in Westlake Village, CA, but I have also lived in (no place too exotic) Davis, CA; Remsen, Iowa; Kansas City, MO; Rochester, NY; and Buffalo, NY. My current activities and interests include golf, hiking, travel, and Scouting; however, my fondest hope and ambition is the day when all three of my sons have graduated from college and have found gainful employment (hopefully before our 50<sup>th</sup> reunion).

**GO:** Dodgers! (I remain a rabid Dodgers fan.)

**Wisdom gained:**  
 More than I currently recall. The many enjoyable “Senior Moments” that we all experienced together forty years ago remain vivid, pleasant memories. By contrast, the increasingly frequent senior moments that I now experience continue to erode what [I think that] I learned over the past forty years. That said, I must confess that my parents were wiser than I gave them credit for as a young person and that properly rearing children is a challenging, never ending task.

**Cindy Weinlood Pollack**  
**Continued from page 71**  
**GO:** Steelers! (Actually, I will watch them all. I don’t have a favorite except the Steelers, because my best friend’s husband would kill me if I didn’t say that!)

**Wisdom gained:**  
 The most important thing in life is surrounding yourself with a loving and caring support group, whether that’s your family or your friends; just make sure that they have the same values that you consider important.

**Our favorite music artists from the 70’s...**

Adam Levine	Dolly Parton	James Taylor	Loretta Lynn
Barry Manilow	Don McLean	Janis Ian	Marvin Gaye
Bill Withers	Donna Summers	Janis Joplin	Michael Jackson
Billy Joel	<b>*Elton John</b>	Jethro Tull	<b>*Neil Diamond</b>
Bob Dylan	Elvis Presley	Jim Croce	Neil Young
Bruce Springsteen	Eric Clapton	<b>*Jimi Hendrix</b>	Righteous Brothers
<b>*Carole King</b>	Frankie Valli	Jimmy Buffett	<b>*Rod Stewart</b>
Carpenters	Gordon Lightfoot	John Denver	Simon and Garfunkle
Cat Stevens	<b>*Jackson Browne</b>	Joni Mitchell	Van Morrison

**\*Received Most Mentions**

*How is it I forget so many things, but still remember all the lyrics to most of my favorite songs?! (Patty Phipps Jameson)*

## *In Memory Of...*

*Tommy Aitken*

*Anthony Lombardi*

*David Schrantz*

*Miguel Capote*

*Joseph Lowdermilk*

*Bill Searby*

*Mark Cooper*

*Roberta Maisel Levin*

*Jane Secker*

*Mitch Drootin*

*Steve Markus*

*Anthony Sena*

*Randy Dubrow*

*Pam McDonell*

*Sherry Singer*

*Marilee Evans Sperry*

*Charles Michel*

*Howard Sobel*

*Bryan Fisher*

*David Mindes*

*Michael Soderman*

*Cherie Lynn Friedman*

*Raymond Nassif*

*Pam Swanson Howard*

*Randy Gregson*

*Richard Olmstead*

*Kathy Thatcher*

*Sue Grieves*

*John Page*

*John Tietjen*

*Bernard Gunshinan*

*Robyn Pawl Mekjian*

*Robert Trachtenberg*

*Jeff Hallas*

*Richard Perrillo*

*Fred Walburn*

*Dale Haskell*

*Timothy Quinn*

*Jay Weinsoff*

*Russell Brent Hogue*

*Julie Radis*

*Nancy Welty*

*Kathy Holden*

*Eric Reichl*

*Russ Zane*

*Steve Howe*

*David Rosenthal*

*Lucille Zomer*

*John Kakara*

*Mark Rosenthal*

*Philip Zonver*

**Holmes**  
Junior High



**Porter**  
Junior High



**Sepulveda**  
Junior High



The Saturday evening event glittered with family and friends...



Patti and Pam Bailey



Phil and Joyce Bridges Roth



Kathy Brown



Dolan and Jo Caiola Sittig



Bob Callender and the "Gledhill Girls"



Diane Carlsen Speer and her sister  
Jo Ann Carlsen Gerber (Class of W'69)



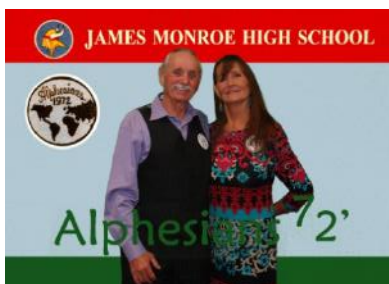
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Steve Goldstein



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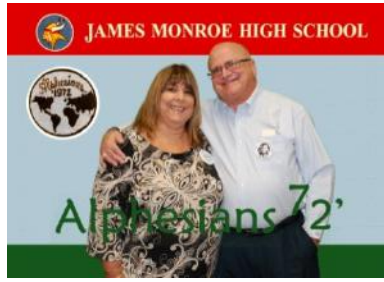
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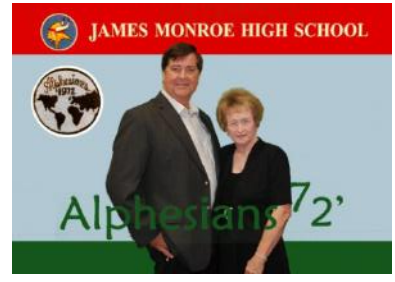
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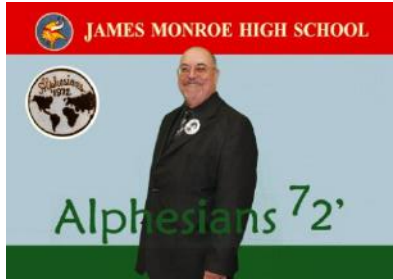
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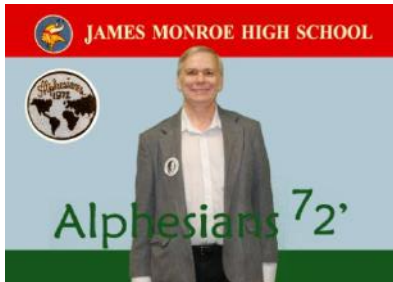
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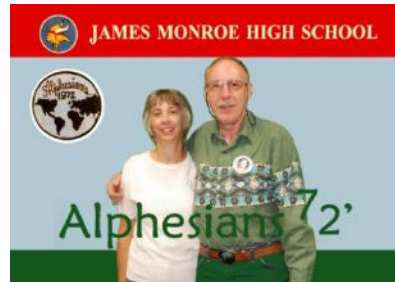
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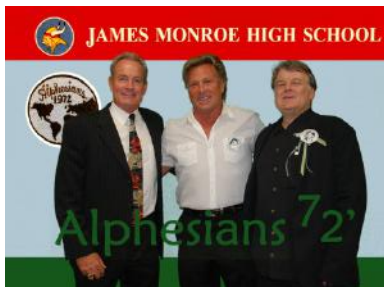
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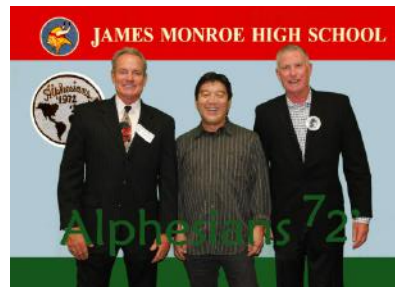
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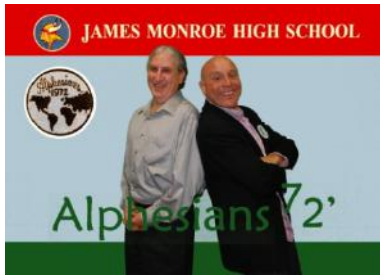
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Jim Kuklish, Ron Yoshida, and Harvey Maxey



Marc Rapoport and Steve Goldstein



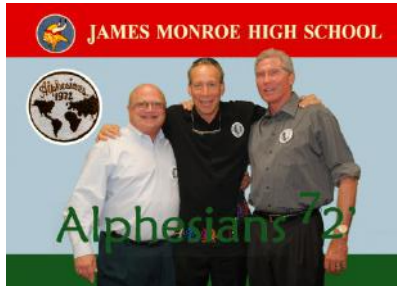
Patty Rogers, Maureen Nakazawa, and Bobbe Foliat



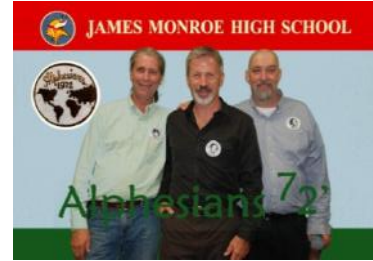
Twins: Patti and Pam Bailey, Susan Fleishman (w/o Michelle), Joanie and Jane Ackerman, Debbie and Pam Harback



Varsity Cheerleaders (all 5): Bobbe Foliat, Diane Carlsen, Joyce Bridges, Cindy Tanaka, and Debbie Deal



Varsity Swimmers: Paul Marks, Gary Netzley, and Jeff Dederick



Larry Watson, Steve Young, and Burt Segall



Cindy Weinlood, Felice Richter, Bev Zaslow, and Wendy Ribnick



Viking Vic



Brenda Wylie, Cindy Weinlood, Bev Zaslow, and Scott Feinstein



Joanie and Jane Ackerman



Debbie Axelrod and David Ksienski



Josh Bottfeld and Brent Butler



Joe Cornwell

What question did we forget to ask?

*How would you define Alphesian? (Diane Carlsen Speer)*



Debbie Deal McCoy



Scott and Jill Feinstein



Jeffrey and Heather Kayne



Rod and Caroline Lindblom



Larry and Benita Montano



Patty Rogers Nygren



Jerry Strange



Bev Zaslow and  
Cindy Weinlood Pollack



Les Harrison and Jill Feinstein



Lisa Stelck and  
Gary Emord-Netzley



Jeff Weisman and  
Martha George-Gillespy



Steve Young, Larry Watson,  
Cindy Govea, and Burt Segall



Pam Bailey



Ed Bilow



Linda Dahlin & her husband Ron



Jeffrey Kayne



Patti Bailey & Marilyn Kruse



Richard Mandel with  
Karen Kurtz Bradford - 2012



Patti Lords and Patti Bailey



Bruce Rosenblum



Howard Schnee



Jeff Weisman gets down to work



Jeff in '72



Bobbe Foliart is ready to start



A Look Back to the Russian Club – 1972



Mark Suzumoto welcomes everyone



Jo Caiola gets due recognition for her  
tireless work on the Reunion.



Mark Suzumoto thanks his wife Sonia as  
Jane Emmer and Jeff Berkeley look on.



The reunions begin...



Joyce Bridges, Madeleine Berg, and Martha George (Brownies reunited)



Jeff Berkowitz and Josh Bottfeld



Lisa Watters and Barbara Gregson



Duane Meltzer and Mike Regalia



Friends Forever – Tanis Van Kirk, Ilene Schiowitz, and Carol Mayall in 1972



Gary Netzley and Wendy Ribnick



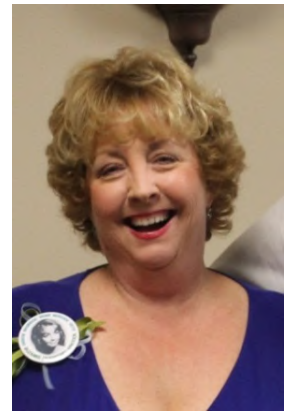
Gary Lawrence arrives



...as does Tim Farrell



Cindy Weinlood is recognized



Suzanne Toensing matches names to faces



Mark Suzumoto and Joe Cornwell at the Sagebrush Cantina Friday night



Jim Robb in Monroe's Library during the Saturday tour



Kathy Brown and Tricia Peebles look at yearbooks



Debi Alldredge enjoys a Monroe moment

## Where shall we meet?

*Other weekend events included all-inclusive but smaller group gatherings at **Farrell's Ice Cream Parlour, Bob's Big Boy, Sagebrush Cantina, Marmalade Café, and Grape Arbor Park-Calabasas** as well as a Saturday morning tour of our alma mater: **Monroe!***



Gustafson, Sills, Frankhuizen find **THEIR** lunch table



A Bob's Big Boy Reunion



Alphesians take center stage once more on the Monroe Senior Stage.



Outdoor chatrooms



A beautiful day to gather and reconnect at Grape Arbor Park



Maureen Nakazawa



Patti Risch and Debi Alldredge



Jerry Strange, David Echt, & Jeff Weisman join Patti & Debi



Steve Young gives his vote for a 45 year reunion!

## HISTORICAL SPOTLIGHT



# Senior Prank Details Revealed...



During our tour of Monroe High School on Saturday morning, October 13, several current students mentioned (with some *reverence*) that our Senior Prank (involving lunch benches, the Bob's Big Boy statue and the cafeteria roof) is still remembered in the lore of the school. It seems timely to reveal the details. (Where were you in '72?)

Over a period of several nights in 1972, a group of unnamed Alphasians (or perhaps "*ne'er-do-wells*" as Mr. Aizenstat would say) visited the Bob's in Northridge to remove the four lag bolts that fastened the restaurant's fiberglass icon to its cement base. When the final bolt was removed, a panel van was carefully backed into position. With military precision, the van's double doors were swung open and, simultaneously, Bob was tipped and run head-long into the back of the van (with a clearance of less than 2" on each side), and spirited away...

The next evening, four of us (not the same four) carried Bob like pall bearers through the gate adjacent to the baseball field. We were greeted by Boys' Vice Principal Larry Foster who (looking ME straight in the eye) barked, "about face!" We double-timed it back to the van. Bob, however, unfazed, returned much later that evening for his place in Monroe history...atop the cafeteria roof!

Our Senior Prank complete, we retrieved Bob and attempted to return him the next night to his pedestal on busy Devonshire. To our chagrin, the restaurant had already replaced the statue, which was now securely LOCKED to its base. So Bob the Big Boy was unceremoniously deposited next to the dumpsters behind the restaurant, where it was soon discovered and reunited with its rightful owner.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Anonymous*



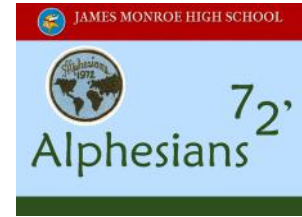
*Upon review of the 40<sup>th</sup> Reunion Questionnaires,*

*the Reunion Committee of the*

*Monroe Class of 1972*

*has conferred upon*

*these Alphasians the following recognitions*



Beverly Zaslow, Madeleine Berg Smith, Patti Risch Hipps, Wendy Ribnick Ferstand	Each traveled from over 2500 miles away
Gary Emord-Netzley, Jerry Strange, Larry Watson, Richard Mandel	Each traveled from over 2000 miles away
Joyce Bridges Roth	Traveled from over 1000 miles away
Harvey Maxey	Returned from Paris to attend!
LeeAnn DePrima Powell (39 yrs), Susan Fleishman-Warneck (38 yrs), Kimberly Foster Curriston (38 yrs)	Married the longest
Amy Wachs Portnoff, Candy Paul Capra, Cindy Weinlood Pollack, Debbie Deal McCoy, Deborah Harback Toon, Debra Rubin Blackwell, Diane Carlsen Speer, Eli and Bonnie Smith Bomar, Ileen Greenfield Spoor, Jim and Karen Smith Reed, Kathleen Hurst Rezzo, Kevin Rocque, Linda Matter Chenin, Patty Phipps Jameson, Rande Wolf Paller, Scott Feinstein, Terry Brown	Married over 35 years
Ed Bilow	Class Newlywed (Married 9/27/2012)
Kimberly Foster Curriston	First to be a great-grandparent
Kevin Rocque ("almost 10") and Linda Dahlin Bykowski (7)	Most grandchildren
Diane Fenchel Parson, Kimberly Foster Curriston, Suellen Feistman Martensson, Terry Brown	5 or more grandchildren
Claudio Company	Most recently a first time grandparent
Bill Bradbury, Brenda Wylie Resnick, Cindy Weinlood Pollack, Claudio Company, Debra Berke, Gary Emord-Netzley, Jane Emmer, Jeff (Berkowitz) Berkeley, Jeff Syrop, Jim Robb, Kevin Rocque, Linda Matter Chenin, Lisa Watters Stassforth, Madeleine Berg Smith, Marvin Moskowitz, Patti Lords Ghosn, Rande Wolf Paller, Rion Groh, Rod Lindblom, Steve Goldstein, Tricia Peebles Buckland	"Still enjoying the teenage years" (teenage children)
Burt Segall (18 mo), Lisa Reinstein (4 yrs), Rod Lindblom (4 yrs)	Youngest children (under 5 years)
Eli and Bonnie Smith Bomar, Jim and Karen Smith Reed	Classmates married
Joanie Ackerman and Matt Williams ('75), Terry Brown and Noreen Murphy ('73), Scott Feinstein and Jill Kremer ('73), Larry Montano and Benita Salcedo ('73), Brenda Wylie and Steve Resnick ('73), Diane Carlsen and Rogers Speer ('71), Greg Moreland and Claudia Raybourn ('71), Patty Phipps and Ken Jameson ('71), Amy Wachs and Howard Portnoff ('71), LeeAnn DiPrima and Fred Powell ('69).	Married to Monroe Alums

*on the occasion of our 40-year class reunion – October 2012*

*This distinction will remain yours forever (or at least until our next reunion...)*

# LAUSD Sour Cream Coffee Cake

(a.k.a. LA Schools Sour Cream Coffee Cake; from LAUSD Food Service, 1959)

## ***Topping***

1/4 cup flour  
3/4 cup brown sugar  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
1/4 cup butter, chilled  
1 cup walnuts, coarsely chopped

## ***Cake***

1 1/2 cups cake flour  
1/2 cup all-purpose flour  
1 tsp baking soda  
1 tsp baking powder  
1/4 tsp salt  
1/2 cup butter, room temperature  
1 cup sugar  
1 large egg  
1 tsp vanilla extract  
1 cup sour cream (low fat is fine)

Preheat oven to 350F. Lightly grease a 10-inch round tube pan.

***Prepare the topping:*** In a medium bowl, stir together flour, sugar and salt. Cut butter into small chunks and rub into sugar mixture with your fingertips, making sure no pieces larger than a pea remain. Mixture should be crumbly, with some small pieces of butter visible. Stir in nuts. Set aside.

## ***Prepare the cake:***

In a medium bowl, whisk together cake flour, all-purpose flour, baking soda, baking powder and salt.

In a large bowl, cream together butter and sugar until light. Beat in egg and vanilla extract. With the mixer on low, blend in half of the flour mixture, followed by the sour cream. Blend in remaining flour mixture, stirring only until the batter just comes together and no streaks of dry ingredients remain.

Pour half of batter into prepared pan and spread, with a spatula, into an even layer. Sprinkle evenly with half of the topping mixture.

Drop remaining batter into the pan in dollops, mostly covering the layer of brown sugar (it is ok if not all spots are covered, as batter will spread as it bakes). Sprinkle evenly with remaining topping.

Bake for 40 minutes, or until a toothpick inserted into the center of the cake comes out clean and cake springs back when lightly pressed.

Cool in the pan on a wire rack before slicing.

Serves 10-12 (or 12-16, if you opt for the original serving size!)

## **A HUGE Thank You to the following entities...**

**Umami Burger** – for four \$25 gift certificates

**Cafe Graikos** (Greek Restaurant-Porter Ranch) – for a \$15.00 Gift Certificate

**Smoke City Market Authentic Texas BBQ** (Sherman Oaks) – for a \$50.00 Gift Card

**FABS Corner Cucina** (Sherman Oaks) – for a \$60.00 Gift Certificate

**Earthly Body Hemp Based Body Care Products** (Chatsworth) – for a full Body Care Gift Basket

**Calabasas Country Club** –for a Golf Foursome pass

**Sagebrush Cantina** – for the perfect patio venue for Friday night’s gathering

**Country Inn & Suites, Calabasas** – for reserving a block rooms and offering a discounted rate

**Marriott-Warner Center** – for reserving a block rooms and offering a discounted rate

**Tom Jones (Assistant VP of Monroe High School)** – for opening the campus for our tour

**Monroe Students** – The wonderful individuals who served as our expert Tour Guides

**City of Calabasas** – Jennifer Hernandez and Grape Arbor Park for Sunday’s park gathering

**Calabasas Country Club** – for providing a delightful Dinner/Dance venue & exquisite service

**The Green Screen** – and Todd Freshman for his incredible photo ops and unmatched service

**Music on the Move** – DJ Mark Arthur and his perfect selection of songs from the ‘70s

**Personal Computer Services** – Cathy Mahan and her custom reunion photo buttons

**Balloons by Sandy** – for our green and blue class colors in helium-filled balloons

**Pace Lithographers** – for the printing of the 40-Year Reunion Memory Book

**Tape Specialty** – for production of the Digital Memories DVD

## **And...to the following individuals...**

**Mark Suzumoto** – for inspiring us to join the Reunion Committee and to see a bigger picture

**Scott Feinstein and Jeff Weisman**—for obtaining several of the drawing prizes listed above

**Mark Suzumoto and Steve Krause** – for donating a dinner or round of golf at North Ranch CC

**Bob Callender** – for donating sets of Bar Glasses, Car Care Product Gift Certificate, and sport caps prizes AND for his tireless work on the Reunion Event Slide Show as well as the Digital Memories DVD

**Patty Rogers Nygren** – for providing TONS of memorabilia from our high school days

**Sonia, Dolan, Rogers, Tim, Sue, Sami, Tom, Christer, and Jill** –for giving us up for 3 months

**Lindsay Russell (Bobbe Foliart’s daughter)**—for compiling the “Look Back at 1972” slideshow

**Jo Ann Gerber, Sue Fink, and Sami Emmer-Fink** –for helping at the Saturday dinner event

**Diane Carlsen Speer** – for developing the reunion questionnaire and editing the Memory Book

**Jo Caiola Sittig and Suzanne Toensing Sincock** – for maintaining the database and accounting records, obtaining the reunion buttons, dinner event venue, and balloons

**Suzanne Toensing Sincock** – for also obtaining the Calabasas CC Golf Foursome drawing prize

**Suellen Feistman Martensson** – for setting up the Monroe High School Tour

**Bobbe Foliart** – for sending out reunion notice postcards to 200+ classmates

**Jane Emmer and Martha George-Gillespy** – for handling so many details not already specified

**Jeff Berkeley** – for getting people thinking about a 40 year reunion and starting the ball rolling

**Gary Emord-Netzley, Gary Lawrence, Doug Sills, and Rion Groh** – for taking event photos

**All Classmates** – for sending photos, contact information, memories, updates, and spreading the word!