

The Royal Courier

Alumni Newsletter

Principal's Message

Dear Mission Alumni/Alumnae and Friends,

Just last week, several members of the class of 1960 were on campus preparing for the upcoming class reunion on October 30th. As **Rick Roberts ('60)** approached my office, he looked up at a picture on the wall and declared, "Hey, that's me!" Sure enough, there was Rick, along with four other boys, being educated by Sister about nuclear energy. We had a good laugh about how I must have "planted" the picture in advance of his visit. Would that I had that foresight and organizational prowess!

We look forward to seeing many alumni/alumnae on campus coming up. The weekend of October 30th is a reunion weekend, highlighting the 50-year party for the Class of 1960. The weekend of November 5th is MCP's Homecoming. We play against El Cajon Christian Junior Senior High School on Friday night. The Alumni Parents are hosting a reception in room 314, the MCP "skybox," where all are welcome. MCP hosts the Alumni Games immediately post-Thanksgiving (November 27th), so come on over to school and play in either basketball or soccer games against MCP varsity squads... for historical bragging rights! And then, of course, we host the Mission Prep Christmas Classic basketball tournament from December 16th – 21st. It's an exciting opportunity to see top high school teams and collegiate recruits. All of these events and information can be found on our website at www.missionprep.org. Check out the alumni tab at the top right-hand side of the page.

Toney Breault ('89), Brendan Morris ('89), Bill Zweifel ('60), Christine (Mott) Hutchinson ('90), and Wyatt Mello ('99) have generously initiated the Alumni Participation Challenge. The first step is to stimulate greater participation in our Annual Fund among Mission alumni/alumnae in each respective class this year. They have mailed a letter inviting your financial partnership, but the participation challenge extends much further than that. Our school is making steps to provide more meaningful connection opportunities for our alumni/alumnae. You are our greatest treasure!

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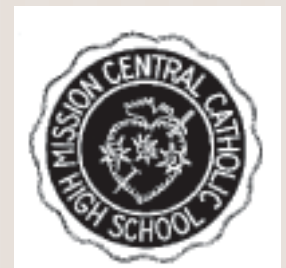
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WHERE IN THE WORLD IS

Last issue of The Royal Courier we received information on 4 of the missing alums.

Thank you for your responses. Currently we do not have any contact with the following MHS/MCC/MCP alums. Either their Royal Courier or email notification of the newsletter was returned as undeliverable. If you know their whereabouts please send in whatever information that you have or contact them and have them get in touch with us at the school or jscully@missionprep.org or go online to MCP website at www.missionprep.org. Just knowing what state they might be located in is often very helpful.

Tom Achter – 1962

Joseph Ardoin – 1966

Christina Benson – 1962

Barbara (Beckmann) Bricksieck – 1966

Ronald Christensen – 1962

Paul Cote – 1962

Elizabeth Davis – 1962

Margaret DeBacker – 1962

Vivian Dres – 1996

Stephen Gilmour – 1966

Mary Giorgi – 1962

Throck Greenelsh – 1962

James Hannigan – 1966

Patricia Jensen – 1962

Paul Jensen – 1962

Pablo Larach – 1996

Joseph Leonard – 1966

Kino Magana - 1996

Richard Marre – 1962

Richard McKinnie – 1966

Christina Nanson – 1996

Diane Smith – 1966

Cory Stemper – 1996

Gena Stemper – 1996

Ed Ueckert – 1966

Jennifer (Van Beurden) Yancy - 1996

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE (CONTINUED)

In 1930, **Catherine Martin ('29)** wrote in the yearbook (then called, El Camino...) the following words:

"It is said that one of the greatest assets that a school can have is loyal Alumni; an alumni can look back to their alma mater with thoughts of genuine love and affection and with pride in its achievements. The greatest of all blessings, however, that any school can have, one that recompenses and consoles for the days of toil and hours of anxiety, is that it can dwell with satisfaction upon the achievements of its past graduates, but not merely the achievements measured by worldly standards."

Then, as now, what makes Mission distinctive is an emphasis on educating the whole person. The formation of graduates who are faith-filled, academic achievers, spirited individuals, ethical decision-makers, effective communicators, compassionate leaders, globally responsible citizens, and lifelong learners is our challenge and our mission.

All my best,

James Childs
Principal

HOMEcoming 2010 (Friday, November 5th)

The opponent for the Homecoming Game this year will be El Cajon Christian from the San Diego area. The first game will be the JV game starting at 4:00 pm followed by the varsity game at 7:00 pm. The Homecoming Court will be introduced during half-time with the crowning of the King and Queen at the end of the half-time activities.

Come out and show your Mission colors for the game. Individuals identifying themselves as alums of Mission High School, Mission Central Catholic High School or MCP will be admitted to the game free. Please enter through the Palm Street gate.

An Alumni tent will be set up at the Palm Street gate. Stop by and visit and look at yearbooks. Also, there will be a BBQ with tri-tip sandwiches, hamburgers, and hot dogs during the game so you can enjoy the game while eating your dinner.

The Alumni Parents Homecoming Reception co-hosted by Principal J.D. Childs and the Alumni Parents of the **Class of 2010** will be in the "Mission Skybox" (aka Room 312) from 6 pm through half-time of the varsity game. Reconnect with other alumni parents and older alumni and watch the game from our own skybox.

ALUMNI RELATIONS CORNER

The new MCP web site is up and running at: <http://www.missionprep.org>. You can find the Alumni page by clicking on Alumni in the upper right corner of the Home page. We will have the capability to change the information on the Alumni page in the near future. We would appreciate hearing from you any comments or suggestions on what should be on the Alumni page and what would be of value to you. This is your page.

We are still looking for alumni who would be willing to serve on the Alumni Advisory Council. In particular we would like to have alums from the mid 1960s, 1980s, and early 1990s. The commitment would be four meetings a year plus helping out at alumni activities. Also, we are looking for Class Reps for some of the classes to help maintain contact with our alums. With the modern technology that is available to us, Class Reps can be living anywhere in the world. In order to help reduce the work load, more than one Class Rep per class would be helpful.

Also, check out our new facebook page: <http://www.facebook.com/missionprep>. We are encouraging the use of facebook as a gathering place to reconnect with old friends in the spirit of Mission. Everyone's presence, excitement, and bond helps your alma mater grow.

If you have a preference for receiving the newsletter, email or postal mail, we are able to make the necessary adjustment if you let us know. We are continuing our efforts to reconnect with alums (MHS, MCC, and MCP) who we have lost contact with over the years for various reasons. If you know of classmates who are not receiving the newsletter have them get in touch with us at 805.543-2131, Ext 410 or jscully@missionprep.org.

John J. Scully

Alumni Relations Director

MCP DRAMA

The fall 2010 drama presentation will be Rodgers & Hammerstein's Cinderella, the musical. Two casts have been rehearsing diligently since September. The performances will be on December 4, 5, 10, 11, and 12. The performances on Dec 4, 10, and 11 will be at 7:00 pm and the performances on Dec 5 and 12 will be at 2:00 pm.

Where are they now? **Katelyn Holiday (2009)** has been busy pursuing a music degree at Cal Poly and was recently seen at the Young Opera Singers showcase at the Madonna Inn. Stay tuned for more information on past MCP drama students.

KEEPING IN TOUCH

Class of 1952

Ed Angelo is retired and living with his wife in Grover Beach. Ed said, " My experience at Mission School, first thru twelfth grade made me understand what life is all about. It made me a better person, husband (55 years), and father to my children. I'm proud coming from a family that all graduated from Mission – mother, uncle and brother."

Michael Greenelsh and his wife, Kathryn, recently celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Class of 1955

Tony Diaz is living with his wife and ranching in Montague.

Class of 1956

Karen (Corda) Adler's oldest grandson, **Trevor Fernandez (2014)** is attending MCP and playing on the varsity football team

Class of 1971

Kerry (Crull) Kautz has been living in the Lake Tahoe area since 1975. Her youngest daughter graduated from Colorado College in May where she played Div I soccer for all four years of college. Kerry is working as a Special Friends aide in the local school district and is also doing swimming instruction.

Class of 1992

Chris Duval is living in the Seattle, WA area and working for the US Dept of Treasury as a Network Systems Analyst. He is married and has one boy.

Class of 1995

Dan and Kim (Gall) (1998) Spiller welcomed their son, Teegan James, into the world in September.

KEEPING IN TOUCH

Class of 1996

Anna-Lisa (Epperson) Renn is living in Colorado Springs, CO with her husband and daughter, Aubrielle, who was born last May. Up until the birth of her daughter, Anna-Lisa was teaching elementary PE in one of the local Colorado schools.

Class of 2000

The Class of 2000 had their 10-year reunion at Mother's Tavern in San Luis Obispo in September. About half the class was able to make this first reunion since graduation over ten years ago. Prior to the evening festivities, seven members of the class took a tour of the Historic Building and the new wing of the school.

Kari (Charles) Lusardi was married at Old Mission San Luis Obispo in August. A picture of some of the "MCP Crew" is shown on page 6.

Tricia Garcia is teaching third grade at an American International School in Mexico City.

Class of 2002

Greg Hulburd and **Christine Casillas** were married at Old Mission San Luis Obispo in July. **Eric (2004)** and **Bryan (2007) Hulburd** were co-bestmen and **Vanessa Dres** was the maid of honor. Classmates **Nick Coughlin, Ken Filliponi, Mike Morici, Fidel Arangorin, Laura Tuohey-Mote, and Sarah Zanartu (2001)** were in the wedding party. Greg and Christine are living in Berkeley.

Class of 2003

Brittany (Towle) Nicol graduated from Cal Baptist University in 2007 and is now in her last year of law school. Brittany has been married to Chris Nicol for 4 years and is working in the Fresno County District Attorney's Office.

MCP CO CURRICULAR CLUBS

In order to help develop our club program last year, a new position in ASB was created, Club commissioner. **Tricia Mooney**, took on this new role. She spent hours and days organizing club rush, meetings, and open houses to better promote our clubs. It has been exciting to be able to fill a new position. She had three years of experience in the leadership program here at MCP, filling the role of Class President in her sophomore and junior year, but Club Commissioner was her favorite position. With no set rules or stereotype, she was able to develop this role into one that she hopes will continue to grow and prosper in years to come. The first accomplishment was Club Rush, a two-day event in which each club set up a promotional table in the courtyard at lunch to promote their club and recruit members. Each club had a visual and something to give, ranging from chips and salsa at the Spanish club to glitter at the Sparkle Motion table. It provided food and fun for our students along with a chance to get involved and see what our school has to offer them.

Last year at MCP, the clubs have flourished. New clubs have arisen almost every month, resulting in 14 total active clubs, including the International Club, French Club, Sparkle Motion (Dance), Spanish Club, Robotics, Chess Club, Royal Post (School Newspaper), Drama Club, Epic Adventure Club, Interact Club (Sponsored by the local Rotary Club), Environmental Club, Art Club, Get on the Bus, and Mock Trial. While all of our clubs surround the development of our students, many also focus on giving back to our community. These include the Interact club, who's motto reads service above self, The Environmental club, currently working on planting trees around the community, and Get on the Bus, an organization that allows children to visit their parents in jail. Our clubs are open to all students and have total control over their progress under the guidance of a faculty moderator.

While Club Rush was a great event for all the clubs, individual clubs have also had some major success. Interact Club has raised over \$1,000 for Haiti relief efforts and broke their personal record of food collected during Trick-or-Treat So Others Can Eat food drive, The Royal Post printed its first school newspaper this February and the Robotics Club is trying for a fourth win in the local competition. While these are only a few examples, all of our clubs are making great contributions to our school, community, and world. The pictures below show Club Rush during the first week of school for the current school year.

Tricia Mooney (2010)

CLUB RUSH 2010



ADMISSIONS- CLASS OF 2015

MCP Is The Place To Be....

Parent Discovery Programs will get underway this month with the first program scheduled for Sunday, October 24th from 3:00pm to 4:30pm in Arroyo Grande. Additional programs are scheduled for Wednesday, November 9th in San Luis Obispo, Tuesday, November 17th and Sunday, January 9th in North County and Sunday, March 20th in South County. Parent Discovery Programs are for parents who have an interest in learning more about MCP. The program is informational and social with opportunities to meet and talk with current MCP parents and staff members. Detailed information will be available by going to the admission's page on our website.

8th Grade Discovery Days will be held on our campus on November 2nd, 3rd, and 4th during Homecoming Week. The schools listed below have scheduled visits on the following dates, however, Discovery Days are Open to any 8th grade student wanting to learn more about Mission College Prep.

Scheduled Dates:

November 2nd - St. Patrick's

November 3rd - St. Rose of Lima

November 4th - Old Mission School

Detailed information and the registration form are available on our website at www.missionprep.org or by calling Susie Lock at 543-2131, Ext 402.

Applications will be accepted for the 2011-2012 academic year starting on November 1, 2010. Our application and procedural information can be found on the admission's page of our website

Please contact Jean Conway (Asst Principal of Enrollment Management) at 805.543-2131, Ext 333 or email jconway@missionprep.org with any questions.

MCP SCRIP PROGRAM

We'd love for all Mission alumni and friends to help out the school by registering with one of our scrip programs. It's easy and it's free! Sign up at:

Ralph's - www.ralphs.com - click "Sign In" or "Create an account". **Our NPO# is 83313.**

Scolari's - www.scolaristores.com - click "Scolari's Club Card" and update your information for the Friendship Fund. **Our school # is 5066.** They also have the Neighbor to Neighbor program and we would be glad to mail you a form.

Vons, Safeway, Spencers and more - www.escrip.com. **Our # is 500001520.**

Albertson's - They no longer participate in the store card program.

If you have questions, please feel free to give me a call. Thanks for your help! -- **Linda Lippincott @ MCP Business Office 543-2131 Ext 402 (or email) llippincott@missionprep.org.**

KEEPING IN TOUCH

Class of 2004

Dan Coudray is continuing to make progress with his recovery from cancer and a bone marrow transplant in July. He is hoping to be back in San Luis Obispo in November.

Garry Virk is finishing his final semester of medical school at St. George's University in Grenada.

Class of 2005

The Class of 2005 is planning their 5-year reunion on Tuesday, December 21 in conjunction with the finals of the Mission Prep Christmas Basketball Classic. Contact **Ashley Eastin** at Ashley.eastin@gmail.com for details.

Charlie Gray and Meghan Jones were married in Arroyo Grande in June two weeks after they both graduated from Cal Poly, SLO. Meghan received her degree in Architecture and Charlie received his degree in Civil Engineering. They will be living in San Luis Obispo.

Class of 2009

Jordan Hasay had a very successful freshman year at the University of Oregon running cross-country, indoor track, and outdoor track in addition to her academic schedule. As a result of winning the NCAA Indoor Track Championship, Jordan and her teammates were invited to the White House in September.

Faculty

Greg Junell is undergoing treatment for cancer at Stanford Hospital. His blog for updates on his status is <http://www.greghowareyou.com>.

IN MEMORIUM

Jane Anderson, mother of **Patty Dalton (1965)**, **Barbara Colyar (1968)** and **Russ Anderson (1969)**.

Roger Lyon, father of **Kris Lyon (1997)**.

John Noble, father of **William Noble (1988)**.

Dr. James Thornton, father of **Elizabeth Thornton (1993)** and **Ali Thornton (2011)**.

CALENDAR-SY 2010/11

Oct 30 MHS/MCC Reunion Luncheon –Golden Diplomas for Class of 60

Nov 5 Homecoming Game vs El Cajon Christian

Nov 27 Alumni Games Soccer and Basketball

Dec 16 End of Semester 1

Dec 17-21 Christmas Classic Boys Basketball

Dec 17 –Jan 2 Christmas Break

Jan 3 Start of Semester 2

Jan 30 Open House – 2 to 4 pm

Feb 1 Grandparents Day

Mar 12 MCP Auction & Community Celebration

Apr 22–May 1 Easter Vacation

May 2–12 AP Exams

May 27 Royal Day

Jun 2 End of Semester 2

Jun 2 Baccalaureate – 6:30pm in OMC

Jun 3 Graduation – 6:30pm in Mission Plaza

CLASS OF 2000 REUNION



Pictured above: Colin Barncastle, Luke Higgins, Beth (Brudney)Higgins , Erin (Walters) Zaremba, Ryan Estes, Lauren (Maulhardt) Vukojevic, Steve DeLeonardis

MCP FAMILY AT THE CHARLES-LUSARDI WEDDING



MISSION PREP CHRISTMAS CLASSIC

The twelfth annual Mission Prep Christmas Classic boys basketball tournament will start on Friday, December 17 with five days of intensive boys high school basketball.

Terrance Harris (1999) has been appointed Tournament Director and **Jake Hitchcock (2002)** will be the Assistant Tournament Director.

The Mission Prep Christmas Classic is regarded as one of the top prep holiday basketball tournaments in the state of California and is one of the best in the nation. A significant number of tournament players have gone on to star in both college and the NBA ranks including Ty Lawson, James Harden, Jrue Holiday, Demar Derozan and Brook Lopez.

Teams that will be playing in this years tournament are Campbell Hall (Hollywood), Campolindo (Moraga), Cathedral (Los Angeles), Granite Bay and Marin Catholic (Northern California), Mission College Prep, Mission Hills (San Marcos), Pasadena, Price (Los Angeles), Redemption (Troy, NY), San Luis Obispo, Stockdale, Sylmar, Taft (Woodland Hills), Washington Prep (Los Angeles) and White Oak (Ontario, Canada).

No games will be played on Sunday. The complete schedule for the Mission Prep Christmas Classic is available on line at www.mpchristmasclassic.com. Come see some very talented high school players from throughout California and the US.

ALUMNI GAMES

On Saturday, November 27 (Thanksgiving Weekend), we will have a series of games where the alumni will challenge the current Royal and Lady Royal varsity teams as follows:

Coed Soccer at 4 pm on Mission Field
POCs are **Luke Hetzel** at lhetzel@umail.ucsb.edu

Girls Basketball at 6 pm at Mission Gym
POC is **Margaret Cowitz** at mcowitz@gmail.com

Boys Basketball at 7:30 pm at Mission Gym
POC is **Carter Collins** at ctcollins33@gmail.com

If you would like to play in one of these games please respond to the POCs identified above or respond to jscully@missionprep.org and we will put you on the rosters. Also, please show up 30 minutes in advance of the game time so that we can get organized before taking the field/court.

If you do not want to play we encourage you to come out and cheer on the alumni teams and have a preview of the 2010/11 teams before they start their regular seasons. Also the snack bar will be available if you are tired of turkey. Go Royals!!

FALL SPORTS COACHES

Cross Country (Boys & Girls)

Head Coach Leslie Monaco

Assistant Armando Siqueiros

Football

Head Coach Chad Henry

Assistants
Thomm Bosshardt

Steve Kracher

Alex Goddard

JV Head Coach Knengi Martin

Assistants

Nick Friedman

Wes Simms

David Simms

Trainer
Amanda Snyder

Tennis (Girls)

Head Coach Scott Cleare

Assistant Patience Santos

JV Head Coach Greg Junell

Volleyball (Girls)

Head Coach Michele Lakey

Assistant Renee Leton

JV Head Coach Phil Knight



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