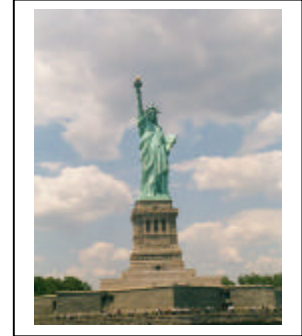




Bushy Tales

Dedicated to all who attended London Central
High School in Bushy Park, London England from
1952 to 1962



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**CORRECTION to a recent article in Bushy
Tales. Diane Pendergrass Hopkins (55)
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Roster Changes

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Memories of Bushy

From Kathy (Brookshier) Dohse (62)

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I just was reading the newsletter and the second picture is of Jane Vicroy (class of 1962), I'm pretty sure. She was my roommate in the dorm our senior year. Just wanted to let you know the girl at the top of page 3 is Pam Pash. She was in the class of 1962.

From Sherell Melton Bair (60)

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Just filling you in on the latest. I went to BP from '55-'58. My maiden name is Melton. I left at the end of my sophomore yr. We just moved to Montgomery, TX the end of May. I was hoping to attend the reunion in Oct., but my husband has been diagnosed with cancer and we were unable to attend. Hopefully I can keep up with everyone by e-mail and the newsletters. Take care and keep up the great work.

From Keith Lamonica (62)

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We had a wonderful time on the Harry Potter Tours in England and Scotland. I took some time to myself and went to Flackwell Heath and High Wycombe.

From Marilyn (Cork) Ross (60)

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Hi there from the frozen north (NH)! Just read the January newsletter and have a couple comments. On page 3, I believe the top photo is Linda Schull from Sculthorpe RAF Station. She was one of my roommates, along with Nancy Miller and Margo Stansell. Linda was a sophomore like the rest of us in that room. We had to behave as we had Miss Gallagher as our next-door neighbor! Also, there was a reference to Tex Foelsing and his singing

group... Tex is alive and has continued to do what he does so well - he is an entertainer with a home base in the Houston, TX area. We have managed to touch bases in recent years and I know he'd be delighted to know others remember him! I have enjoyed all the efforts you folks have put into our newsletter tremendously! I do hope it continues to show up in my e-mail file! It's through your work and Military Brats and the reunion in Boloxi that I was able to attend that we have reconnected with the Percy Brothers, Wendell (Oren) Jones, Geneva Dennard and others.

Little did I know that those years in England would be the very best of my high school years! And as one of the Percys said, "Holes have been filled in our history." We are a unique group and I can't help but envy just a little the young kids whose parents are currently stationed in Europe - I hope they come home with half the great memories I have!

My husband and I will be full-time RVers for the next few months, having sold our home here in NH. We are trying to decide whether to settle in the Ocala, FL area or Tucson, AZ area... will be checking out both over the next year, and hopefully will be settled in our new home by this time in 2007. We will continue to get our e-mail at bomar@rcn.com and I'll look forward to future Bushy Park Newsletters in the future!

From Dona (Hale) Ritchie (62)

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The girl in the sweater is Pam Pash, class of 62.

Editors Note: Here are the last two pictures from Bob Overton (61). Can anyone identify the individuals in these pictures?



Reunion News

From Renold Briggs (60)
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Bushy Park Gathering 2006 Dallas/ Ft Worth

Make you calendars for October 2006. We are working on the Bushy Park Gathering 2006 in Dallas/Ft Worth area.

The location will be set in place by early February and letters will be sent out by late February with all the information for you to make your reservations.

As requested after the San Diego 2003 Gathering, more days have been added. It will be bigger and better.

Editors Note: See the last page of the newsletter for an announcement of the reunion for the Classes of 1953 - 1956

This and That

From Robert (Bob) Dropp (55)
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Thanks for the reunion info. Obviously, we now have an email address. Our kids have continued to pressure us to get into the 21st century or at least the 20th century, so last month we moved from rabbit ears and a 15" TV to a 32" wide screen satellite TV, a satellite radio, and one of those MP3 players. Too much hi-tech instructions at one time. My brain overloaded and dumped most contents other than basic instincts. We have our travel planned out for the year including two weeks in Cabo San Lucas later this month, China (last half of April), drive to Alaska in June and Maui in November. Making Orlando probably is not going to happen. As you always have, please keep us cut in. Hope you had a Merry and Blessed Christmas and have a Happy New Year. Vaja con Dios.

From Tom Moncrieff, Jr. (55)
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Thanks for the update on the Orlando gig. I'm planning on going, should be a lot of fun. Everything about normal here, whatever normal is. My new email address is above, thought I'd try DSL service and think it's great. The weather should be great in May, hope to see ya there.

From Aaron Sheldon Peters (57)
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Kevin McMahon, brother of Brian, Sean Carr's husband sent this. I thought it was pretty good.

Fender Skirts:

I came across this phrase in a book yesterday "FENDER SKIRTS".

A term I haven't heard in a long time and thinking about "fender skirts" started me thinking about other words that quietly disappear from our language with hardly a notice.

Like "curb feelers" and "steering knobs."

Since I'd been thinking of cars, my mind naturally went that direction first. Any kids will probably have to find some elderly person over 50 to explain some of these terms to you.

Remember "Continental kits?" They were rear bumper extenders and spare tire covers that were supposed to make any car as cool as a Lincoln Continental.

When did we quit calling them "emergency brakes?" At some point "parking brake" became the proper term. But I miss the hint of drama that went with "emergency brake."

I'm sad, too, that almost all the old folks are gone who would call the accelerator the "foot feed."

Didn't you ever wait at the street for your daddy to come home, so you could ride the "running board" up to the house?

Here's a phrase I heard all the time in my youth but never anymore - "store-bought." Of course, just about everything is store-bought these days. But once it was bragging material to have a store-bought dress or a store-bought bag of candy.

"Coast to coast" is a phrase that once held all sorts of excitement and now means almost nothing. Now we take the term "world wide" for granted. This floors me.

On a smaller scale, "wall-to-wall" was once a magical term in our homes. In the '50s, everyone covered his or her hardwood floors

with, wow, wall-to-wall carpeting! Today, everyone replaces their wall-to-wall carpeting with hardwood floors. Go figure.

When's the last time you heard the quaint phrase "in a family way?" It's hard to imagine that the word "pregnant" was once considered a little too graphic, a little too clinical for use in polite company. So we had all that talk about stork visits and "being in a family way" or simply "expecting."

Apparently "brassiere" is a word no longer in usage. I said it the other day and my daughter cracked up. I guess it's just a "bra" now "Unmentionables" probably wouldn't be understood at all.

I always loved going to the "picture show," but I considered "movie" an affectation.

Most of these words go back to the '50s, but here's a pure-'60s word I came across the other day - "rat fink." Ooh, what a nasty put-down!

Here's a word I miss - "percolator." That was just a fun word to say. And what was it replaced with? "Coffee maker." How dull. Mr. Coffee, I blame you for this.

I miss those made-up marketing words that were meant to sound so modern and now sound so retro. Words like "DynaFlow" and "Electrolux." Introducing the 1963 Admiral TV, now with "SpectraVision!"

Food for thought - Was there a telethon that wiped out lumbago? Nobody complains of that anymore. Maybe that's what castor oil cured, because I never hear mothers threatening kids with castor oil anymore.

Some words aren't gone, but are definitely on the endangered list. The one that grieves me most is "supper." Now everybody says

"dinner." Save a great word. Invite someone to supper. Discuss fender skirts.

Someone forwarded this to me. I thought some of us of a "certain age" would remember most of these.

Just for fun, pass it along to others of "a certain age"!!

From Mike Murphy (58)
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Just to let you know Judy and I just got back from South Padre Island Texas. It was nice. The beach was lovely and Mexico(Matamoris) was good too. Had a margarita for all of you. Our next rip is to Germany to see my brother. Also, for you Bushyites, don't forget the re union in Dallas, 2006. I am sure Ren Briggs will be sending info soon. For any brat that is interested, I ordered a CD on line called Brats Without Borders. The address is "Brats Without Borders: P.O. box 3096 Eaton Georgia 31024 and I will see all of you in Dallas in October 2006. Our regards and love to you all.

Letters to the Editor

From Dean Foelsing (59)
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Thanks so much for the newsletter and all the hard work that you do in putting it together. It's always a treat to see and read it every time. As a member of the class of 59 it is the only way that I have of keeping up with all of the old gang. This last one put me in touch with and old friend and singer in my group at Central High. Jim Hartung had an article in there and I contacted him via email. What memories. Thanks again, Your friend, Tex "Dean Scott" Foelsing. (Editors Note: Check out his web site at www.deanscottshow.com)

From Pat (Terpening) Owen (58)
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Listed below is the first installment of the Class of 1960 (A-F) - FOUNDS, DECEASED and STILL LOST. If you know the whereabouts of any of those still LOST, please contact Pat Terpening Owen (58) at nemoamasa@worldnet.att.net Thanks

FOUND:

Abbott, Fred - Florida
Ackerman, Tony - Illinois
Acton, Kevan - New York
Allen, Charles - Alabama
Anderson Balmanno, Susan - California
Babbidge, II, Lewis - Texas
Bacich, Marco "Mickey" - California
Bailey Marshall, Mary - Iowa
Bishop, George - Georgia
Bockman, George - Virginia
Boeckel, Byron - Texas
Bonebrake, Joseph - Nevada
Boyer, Dennie - Texas
Brady Thurman Patricia - New Mexico
Brazier, James - California
Briggs, Ren - Arizona
Brown, Mynaikai - California
Bunton, Jack - Idaho
Burdick, Robert - Texas
Casto McQuillan, Deanna - New Mexico
Castor DeVary, Wanda - Florida
Christiansen, Sandra - Massachusetts
Colacicco, Pat - Maryland
Cole, Duane - Nevada
Coleman Blades, Elsa - Virginia
Cooper, John - Maryland
Cooper, Norman - Virginia
Cork Ross, Marilyn - RVing it around the country
Costello Marcley, Vivian - South Carolina
Cottingham Trouvat, Karen - France
Crampton, James - Oregon
Crutchfield, James - California
Cunliffe, Richard - New York

Curren Aaron, Diane - Arizona
Curry, Ray - Texas
Curtin, Robert, Jr. - California
Daener, Thomas - Massachusetts
Daves Cain, Patricia - Texas
Davies, Richard - California
Davis Roth, Dee - Ohio
Davis, James - California
Dawe, William - Texas
Deason Weldon, Dorothy - Missouri
Dennard Miller, Geneva - Oregon
DeRussy, Kathie - Colorado
Dobson Somers, Susan - New Jersey
Dougherty, Phillip - California
Drude, Charles - California
Duncan, Marion - Virginia
Durfee Hickel, Roger - Washington
Eckels Willburn, Carol - Texas
Edwards Mong, Frances - Virginia
Ennis, Terry - Oklahoma
Ersch Lipscomb, Virginia - Florida
Ervin, Lindsay - Maryland
Eskra, Douglas - Illinois
Farmer Bruns, Gloria - Georgia
Faye, James - Massachusetts
Filinson Kaatz, Valerie - Texas
Finch, Douglas - Michigan
Fleese Holcomb, Nancy - Virginia
Flegal, Donald - Texas
Frymire, Hrlan - Texas

DECEASED:

Blake, Larry - Munich Plane Crash - 1960
Boselli, Heidi - Munich Plane Crash - 1960
Byrnes, Gerri
Connery, John - Munich Plane Crash - 1960
Cowden, Jeffrey
DeMoody, David

STILL LOST

Allen, Linda K
Anderson, Larry
Baker, Lucien Leroy
Ball, Leonard E.
Ballard, Bernie

Bolton Simpson, Mariam Bernice
Bonnar Banning?, Grace Arlene
Breedlove, Joan
Brigman, Victoria
Brown, Carol
Bryand, Michael F.
Bryer, Paul James
Bush, Carolyn Jane
Bush (Busch), Wolf Dieter
Butler, Jeffrey E.
Callaway, Thomas Othan (believe in
Arkansas, but no response to letters)
Carder, Nancy
Carlson, Ann
Chrones Burdine?, Carolyn - one in Ohio but
it's not her
Church, Linda Sue
Claus, Laura
Cloak, Henry
Congress, Carolyn
Connaughton, Jerry
Corwin, Myrna L.
Crovitz Robison, Michele
Daugherty, James
Donahue Daoust, Patricia
Dougherty, James
Dupnick, Robert W
Durkin, Mary K.
Edwards, Judy
Erskine, Annabelle
Ewbank, Johnnie
Fees, John
Ford, Sylvia Ann
Foster, Georgette Elaine
Freeman, Clarence Edward
Frye, James L.
Fuller, Rodney
Furrier, Gill S. (Jill?)

**Editors Note: Please see the next page for
the Reunion Announcement for the Classes
of 1953 to 1956.**

Bushy Park's REUNION ORLANDO

for classes 53-54-55-56

19-22 May 2006

(after Easter rush; before school's out and midsummer heat sets in)

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Reunion

*Must be secured no later than 19 April 2006

The hotel is self contained with swimming pools, a quickstop market and snack bar, a full service restaurant (breakfast and dinner), and more. All rooms feature mini-refrigerators, a microwave, coffee maker, iron + board, hair dryers.

LOCAL ATTRACTIONS

Logistically centered in the heart of the nation's most popular tourist attractions, and the distinct possibility of great weather (we know better than to make promises!), there's lots to see and do.

Disney World and Epcot (shuttle available)

Sea World % Universal Studios % Cypress Gardens % Busch Gardens
Kennedy Space Center

IN ADDITION TO

Golfing % Airboat rides % Casino cruises (Texas holdem)

Deep sea fishing % Dinner cruises aboard a Riverboat

Dinner on a train ride around scenic and historic Mt. Dora

Nature trails and natural springs % Dinner theaters and Stage plays

AND PLENTY OF SHOPPING

Old Towne Center (75 shops, 8 restaurants, 18 rides) within walking distance

Outlet Malls on International Drive

Daytona: Home of the World's Largest Flea Market!

TRANSPORTATION

John is working on a group rate for rental cars as there's no shuttle service from the airport.

However, some of us locals may be able to help in this area.

As you sign up, we'll forward information regarding availability of different venues.

Now let's get together for one of the most exciting and memorable times of our lives!