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# ECHS Archiving Project Newsletter

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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As we begin the New Year of 2017, I want to wish everyone good health in the coming year and many happy times with family and friends.

The ECHS Archiving Project continues to support activities at the school and encourage participation from all ECHS grads. If you are in the East Bay Area stop by the school and check out the museum and our new field.

The City of El Cerrito will be celebrating its 100-year Birthday. There will be activities all year long to celebrate this important milestone. Hope you are able to attend some of the events.

A very special Thank You to the ECHS Class of 1976, following their 40-year class reunion, for their very generous monetary donation to the Archiving Scholarship Fund.



<u>Happy Holidays</u> from the 2017 Archiving Project

#### El Cerrito Centennial Celebration



El Cerrito Celebrates Its 100th Birthday! In 1917, the town of El Cerrito was officially incorporated. There will be a year-long celebration to commemorate the occasion, starting at the MLK Celebration on January 16.

On average, four centennial events are planned monthly.
In September, there will be a big weekend including a parade, dinners and music events.
The city's task force needs your help in three ways:

1- Celebrate with us. Go to the city website for all the events planned.

Jackie Fleming Fonken, Class of 1956 Call 510–232–9149 j\_fonken@hotmail.com

## Martin Luther King Day

Due to rain forecast, Friends of the Richmond Greenway (FORG) decided to modify plans for the 9th annual Martin Luther King Day of Service on Monday. January 16.

The noontime program with speakers and performances has been cancelled, and there will be no kid's zone activities.

Projects and activities will focus around mulching, weeding, and some planting, coffee/pastries in the morning and a hot soup lunch will be provided for volunteers.

All are welcome-wear layers and rain gear!!

- What: 9th Annual Martin Luther King Day of Service.
- Who: Friends of the Richmond Greenway (FORG) and City of Richmond.
- Where: 8th and 16th Streets on the Richmond Greenway (between Ohio and Chanslor).
- When: Monday, January 16, 2016, 9:00 am 12:00 noon

## **Quick Links**

**ECHS Website** 

Archiving Products

**Alumni Information** 

**Athletic Hall of Fame** 



**Coach Quirico's** 

Events range from history walks and talks, a physical fitness challenge, Passport contest,
1917 Broadway production at the CCCT, and the big September 15 Gala weekend.
2-The Gala weekend will include an El Cerrito Showcase Parade with famous El Cerrito citizens. Help us identify deserving citizens.

3- Every parade needs convertible and antique cars. If you have a car that could be used in the parade, please let us know.

If you know of any past or current famous El Cerritans whom you think should be showcased, please let us know by January 30 by contacting Jsbayat1@comcast.net or 510 524 9468

Hope you will celebrate with us!

#### **Available Now!!!**



## **Athletes of El Cerrito High School**

Were you an athlete at El Cerrito High? Are you proud of your athletic accomplishments as a Gaucho? Do you want your performances to be remembered for time immemorial? You know you do! Here's your opportunity to let everyone know your greatness.

How? Order a tile with your name, sport(s) and years played, and we will install it for all to see in the new El Cerrito High School Stadium!

"We" are the El Cerrito High School Archiving Project, and it is our mission to support the development of a strong ECHS alumni body, to collect, preserve and celebrate the history of El Cerrito High School, and develop connections to current students and to the El Cerrito community. Our Tile Project will raise funds exclusively for ECHS student scholarships.

Please help support the Archiving Project and ECHS students by purchasing a tile today -- memorializing your athletic prowess in the process! Installation will begin soon.

http://elcerritogauchos.net/archiving/archivingproject

If you have questions, please contact Roddy Lee,

Congratulations to Aaron Banks
and Damon Cole for being selected
as First Team All East Bay
Offensive Football Team. These are
among the most elite athletes in
the country. This is quite an honor
for a small school like El Cerrito.

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The El Cerrito Girls Cross Country Team has attained the highest goal of educational athletics, combining outstanding academic performance with interscholastic athletic participation. The El Cerrito High School Girls **Cross Country Team has earned** the North Coast Section Scholastic Championship Team award for fall 2016 with a composite 3.91 (unweighted) GPA. This award is presented to the top three NCS varsity teams in each division in each sport with the highest composite GPA of 3.0 (unweighted) or above. Recognizing that there are 176 schools in the NCS, this is indeed an outstanding achievement.

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## Hall of Fame Ceremony

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## Take a Look!!

Visit our Museum!



Old and new, updated pictures of ECHS.

## Missing - Alumni Class Reunion Leaders

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

Missing Leaders:

Classes of 1946-47, '51-53, '77, '83, '86, '88-93, 1996-2000, '02-05, '07 -15.

We need to have the following information for your classmates:

Name, Email, Home Address, Phone #, Cell # and, of course, year you graduated.

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

If you are not someone who plans your reunion, please go online and register with the Archiving Project Newsletter Editor Roddy Lee, and he will add you to our mailing list and keep you up-to-date on what your school alumni are up to. ECArchiveProject@aol.com

Contact Alumni Liaison: Kathie (Nemy) Weinstein, Class of

email Bjhardy4@att.net, phone (510) 215-5570.

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## Website Link: items for sale

2017 Gift Ideas! Archiving Project Fundraisers!

Pencils
Pens
Pins \$1.00
School Photos \$1.00
Book Marks

"Green & White/The Gaucho Story" - the DVD - \$15.00

ECHS Bags	\$10.00
Reunion Bags	\$5.00
$Gauchos\ Stadium\ Seat\ Cushions\ .\ .$	\$15.00

License Plate Frames . . . \$7.00

# Interesting Alumni

Do you have a classmate who has contributed to society and you think we would like to hear about him or her?

Contact Roddy Lee at ECarchproject@aol.com

# Reunion Information Reviews and updates

Updated 1/2/2017

Class of 1967--50 year

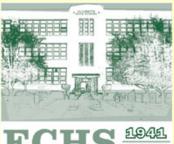
- October 14, 2017
- Mira Vista Country Club
- Contact: Roddy Lee-echs1967@aol.com

Reunion leaders: If you are planning your reunion or need information about your reunion.
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ECHS 1941 2005 archiving project

## **Executive Board**

President-Jackie Fonken, '56,

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Museum and Display, Scholarship-Joann Steck-Bayat,

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Museum and Display, Scholarship-Lu Tipping,

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> > Museum and Displays-Sandi Genser-Maack, '63,

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Member-Kent Santuary, '64

Member-Marilyn O'Brian, '58

Member-Bonnie Taylor, Faculty

El Cerrito High Archiving Project Mission Statement:

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