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# ECHS Archiving Project Newsletter

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings to all Gauchos and Gaucho families.

Summer is rapidly going by and I hope each of you has been able to get some extra rest and have had an opportunity to do some fun activities.

The City of El Cerrito is celebrating its 100 year Birthday all of 2017. There are many great events and activities scheduled each month. I hope you are able to attend several or at least a few.

On Sat. Oct. 14th the Archiving Project will be holding an open house and tour of El Cerrito High. Save the day.

The Archiving Project members are very saddened by the recent deaths of Coach George Austin and the long time dedicated career center counselor, Bobbi Griggs. Each gave over and above to the students of ECHS for many years. Their passing will leave a huge empty space in the support system for the students.

Congratulations and Best Wishes for a successful future to each of the Class of 2017.

Jackie Fleming Fonken,  
Class of 1956  
Call 510-232-9149  
[j\\_fonken@hotmail.com](mailto:j_fonken@hotmail.com)

## SCHOLARSHIPS 2017

It is hard to believe that the ECHS Archiving Project has been able to award scholarships to deserving Gaucho graduates for the past twelve years! It is the generous support of community through fundraising that we have been able to continue this effort.

This year we awarded two \$1,000.00 scholarships to Helena Gilbert-Snyder and Nezhiah Whitson. Helena will be attending Northeastern University in Boston. Nezhiah will be attending St. Mary's, Moraga. The selection process is always challenging, as all applicants are extraordinary students!

Please help us sustain this much needed project by donating to the Archiving Scholarship. Any amount is greatly appreciated. Checks payable to ECHS Archiving Project and send to:

ECHS Archiving Project  
c/o Dianne Chambers  
2234 Lupine Road  
Hercules, CA 94547

## Spirit Groups, Athletic Boosters, 2017 Teams and Athletes, Alumni.

### Get Behind a Memorial to YOU! - Buy a Tile!

Lynn Maack (Class of '63) purchased a tile to memorialize his ECHS track & field performances as a discus thrower and shot-putter. The late Daniel Bernstine's ('65) family purchased a tile in memory of his accomplishments as football team captain at ECHS. Susan Aiello Duncan ('69) was in the Gauchos Marching Band and ordered a tile to mark her participation. Lynn's, Daniel's and Susan's tiles will soon be on permanent display in the Gauchos' Memorial Field for all to see.

## Coach Quirico's

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### Hall of Fame Ceremony

November 2017

And so can yours!

Contact Coach Qurico  
for more information

bquirico@comcast.net

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## Quick Links

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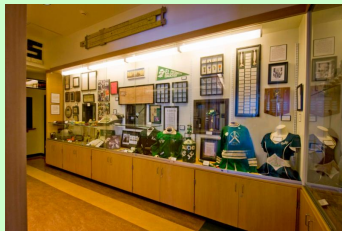
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## Take a Look!!

Visit our Museum!



[Old and new, updated pictures of ECHS.](#)

## 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](mailto:ECarchproject@aol.com)

[Reunion Information Reviews and updates](#)

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Updated 5/25/2017

If you or a family member participated as an athlete, a cheerleader, a band member, a coach or a referee, you can memorialize your or your family member's performance with a tile inscribed to your order. Whether it was baseball, basketball, tennis, track & field, cross-country, soccer or whatever; if you played or supported sports competitions on ECHS's fields and courts, this project is for you.

How can we commemorate your experience? Let us install an inscribed tile in your honor. Simply order a tile with your name, sport(s) or related activity and years you were involved, and we will install it prominently for all to see in the new El Cerrito High School Stadium! We help you, and you help us help students by providing scholarships.

Our Tile Project raises funds exclusively for ECHS student scholarships. Over the past thirteen years we have awarded over \$39,000 to deserving ECHS students. Please help us continue this important tradition.

Order your tile now!

<http://elcerritogauchos.net/archiving/archiving-project>

If you have questions, please contact Roddy Lee, [ecarchproject@aol.com](mailto:ecarchproject@aol.com)

"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.

## 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

## Class of 1972

1970 to 1974 invited.  
October 21, 2017 at 6pm,  
Waterfront Hotel,  
Jack London Square, Oakland, Ca  
Contact: Al Gambetti:  
agambetti@yahoo.com  
Cell: 916-532-8303  
Phone / Fax: 916-676-9888

Class site:  
<https://m.facebook.com/groups/124044327613092/>  
Reunion and ticket site:  
<http://www.nationalreunions.com/displayevent.asp?eventid=1388>

## Class of 1987

30th Reunion  
<https://echs1987.eventbrite.com>  
Contact: Toscha Conroe - [ecgauchos1987@gmail.com](mailto:ecgauchos1987@gmail.com)  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/990845987615102>

## Class of 1968- 50th YEAR

- REUNION DATE CONFIRMED ...
- Saturday, October 6, 2018
- Richmond Country Club
- Facebook ...

### ECHS 1968 REUNION COMMITTEE

Paul Bailey  
Steve Kirby  
Donnie Lemone (nee Shields)  
Jim Perry  
Rich Runswick

## Class of 1967--50 year

- October 14, 2017
- Mira Vista Country Club
- Contact: Roddy Lee-- [echs1967@aol.com](mailto:echs1967@aol.com)
- Website:  
<http://elcerritogauchos.net/alumni/alumni/alumni-class-pages/1967-2/1967-50th-invitation>
- \*Facebook:  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/278113378923236/>

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Reunion leaders: If you are planning your reunion or need information about your reunion, please Contact Roddy Lee: [ECArchProject@aol.com](mailto:ECArchProject@aol.com).

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](mailto:ECArchiveProject@aol.com)

Contact Alumni Liaison: Kathie (Nemy) Weinstein, Class of 1958;  
email [Bjhardy4@att.net](mailto:Bjhardy4@att.net), phone (510) 215-5570.

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## Website Link: items for sale

2017 Gift Ideas! Archiving Project Fundraisers!

Pencils . . . . . 2/\$1.00  
Pens . . . . . 2/\$1.00  
Pins . . . . . \$1.00  
School Photos . . . . . \$1.00  
Book Marks . . . . . \$3.00

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

Gaucho 75th Anniversary Cushion.. \$10.00

License Plate Frames . . . \$7.00

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Member- Sam Burns, '71  
Member-Kent Sanctuary, '64  
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Member-Bonnie Taylor, Faculty

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