



# THE VALLEY ECHOES

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## Alumni Reunion 2015

SPA's Alumni Reunion will take place on **Saturday, June 20, 2015** at the old campus. Registration will begin at 08:30 am at the church with song service starting **promptly** at 9:45 am. There will be a brief SPA Alumni Business meeting immediately after the church service concludes at 11:30 am.

The school staff has graciously again agreed to cater lunch in the Grove and will be served starting at noon. The menu will be all *vegetarian* and the cost is \$13.00 for each person. If you will be paying by check, all checks **MUST** be paid in advance to:

Don Conibear  
541 Industrial Way #2  
Fallbrook, CA 92028

Payments can also be paid online by credit card via PayPal:  
[www.sanpasqualacademy.com](http://www.sanpasqualacademy.com)

Payment must be received by **June 10, 2015** to guarantee a lunch.  
Only those who have pre-paid will have a catered lunch.

# President's Message

Alumni, Faculty and Staff;

We are gearing up for this year's Alumni Reunion, set for **Saturday, June 20, 2015.**

Your alumni board is working on making it another great reunion. We are once again, very thankful in having the opportunity of hosting the reunion at the old campus. We will hold worship service in the church and lunch will be served in the Grove, which will be catered by the school café.

The church program is coming together; if you have any suggestions or would like to participate please contact any board member. We would like to continue the tradition of having the Honored Classes highlighted during the service.

There have been some changes in the officer positions. Ivy Westmoreland '74 and Gary McCary '70 have decided to step down. Carol Adams, Class of '65 has agreed to step in as our new Vice-President, Brian Litzenberger, Class of 1990 stepped in as our Sgt. at Arms and our beloved Don "The Elder" Conibear, Class of '63 has control of the Treasurer reigns again until a new treasurer is identified. Thank you Don for helping us out!

I would like to thank Ivy and Gary for all their hard work and dedication they gave to the association. It takes a lot of time and commitment to keep the association running in a productive manner. I commend all those that give back to the association in order to keep it going! It is greatly appreciated.

We have again decided to award two Scholarships / Grants to two worthy students. The applications were sent out and we are awaiting the completed applications. With so many deserving students, it will be difficult to only select just two. This being my class' honored year, I am hoping to raise \$500.00 so we could award an additional Scholarship / Grant in the name of the Class of 1985.

Please remember you can always contribute to the Scholarship/Grant program by donating any amount earmarked for the SPA Scholarship / Grant Program or start raising funds now for your honored year and present it as a class gift.

In closing, I would like to encourage every one of you to stay in contact with your classmates, friends and faculty. It is what keeps SPA alive!

Hope to see you all at the reunion!

Respectfully,

**Mark A. Waldo, '85, President SPA Alumni Association**

## SPAAA

### Board of Directors

**Mark A. Waldo, '85**

*President*

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**Carol Adams, '65**

*Vice-President*

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**Open**

*Treasurer*

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**Julie Casey, '87**

*Secretary*

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**Brian Litzenberger, '90**

*Sgt. At Arms*

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**Danny J. Goff, '70**

*Webmaster / Data  
Coordinator*

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### Advisory Positions

**Don Conibear, '63**

*Historian / Custodian of  
Records*

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**Charlotte Young, '83**

*Reunion Registration  
Coordinator*



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### Webmaster's Corner

This has been a great year! We've had a lot of activity on our Web site and Facebook pages. We now have 831 members on our [Facebook Group](#) and 1297 on our [Classmate Database](#) online.

If you cannot find one of your classmates, please send me a note and I will try and help you.

We are adding digital versions of the Alape as we get them scanned. Please feel free to send me pictures you would like to add to the website. Also, please share with us any news about our fellow alumni that you would like to share with our group.

Thanks for giving me the opportunity to serve you.

Danny J Goff

Webmaster/Data Coordinator

SPA Alumni Association

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We are in need of someone to take over the treasurer's position. Additionally, we will soon need someone to fill the president's position.

If you would like to help and guide your Alumni Association, here is an opportunity for you to take an active part. Please contact any Alumni Association officer to apply.

## **Treasurer's Report April 2015**

The current treasury balance is \$10,310.06. There were a few routine expenses this year. The offering from Alumni Day services and lunch sales covered the usual operating expenses. This resulted in a \$282.94 gain for the year.

As usual our Alumni Association made a \$1,000.00 grant, of \$500.00 each to two students at the current Academy. We hope to be able to continue the grant program in support and recognition of the current facility which carries on the education of youth, much like when we attended the school.

Our Alumni Association still needs your financial support in order to survive and thrive. Please consider appropriate support for your Alumni Association on alumni day or if you cannot attend your support may be sent to:

Southeastern California Conference  
Attn: Rachel Gil  
P.O. Box 8050  
Riverside, CA 92515-8050

***Checks should be made to  
"Southeastern California Conference"  
make a notation that your check is for the SPA Alumni  
Association***

Thank you for supporting your SPA Alumni Association.

***Donald Conibear '63,  
Interim Treasurer, SPA Alumni Association***

## **~Lunch Menu~**

- ♦ **Cheese Enchiladas**
- ♦ **Spicy Beans & Rice**
- ♦ **Nopales Salad**
- ♦ **Chips & Guacomole**
- ♦ **Cookies**
- ♦ **Herbed Lemonade**

**\$13.00 per person**

## **2015**

### **HONORED CLASSES**

**1955 ~ 60 yr.**

**1960 ~ 55 yr.    1965 ~ 50 yr.**

**1970 ~ 45 yr.    1975 ~ 40 yr.**

**1980 ~ 35 yr.    1985 ~ 30 yr.**

**1990 ~ 25 yr.    1995 ~ 20 yr.**

The **Class of 1985** will be celebrating its 30th Year Reunion!  
Elder Carl Ashlock will be attending the reunion and speaking.

For more information please contact:

Mark Waldo  
[MarkAWaldo@msn.com](mailto:MarkAWaldo@msn.com)  
714-488-1157

### **Attention Class of 1990!**

If you are interested in gathering for  
your 25<sup>th</sup> Reunion please contact:

Denyse Nation  
[charmed90@sbcglobal.net](mailto:charmed90@sbcglobal.net)

## Secretary's Notes

The Board met, in person, in August to discuss steps to establishing the Alumni Association as an independent 501(3)(c). As we all have busy schedules this will not happen quickly, but appropriate steps are being taken to accomplish this goal. We also established a time-line for our communication with the school to aide in the smooth planning of our annual Alumni event. We recognize that though we all consider SPA our home, we are guests now and appreciate the hospitality of the administration and staff. The school is also gracious enough to prepare a delicious catered lunch for us, but is important to remember that we need to make this worth their while by guaranteeing a minimum number of lunches. You can help us by participating in the catered lunch and ordering your lunch early.

As the reunion date approaches we will be busy finalizing all the details; we all look forward to another successful event and seeing many of you there.

Respectfully,  
Julie (Miller) Casey, '87  
SPAAA Secretary

## Alumni Activities



**Sherida (Pettis) Raymer, '87** has already had a busy 2015 filled with ups and downs. In January she got to meet her first grandchild who was born in December. Sherida also spent a significant time caring for her mother, Nancy Pettis Braswell who many remember as staff at the bindery. Nancy lost her battle with cancer on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Sherida wed Chuck Rayner in a small private ceremony on April 4<sup>th</sup>. Though Nancy did not live to see Sherida's nuptials, Chuck had Nancy's full approval as he had helped Sherida in her care, treating her as his own mom. The couple reside in Omaha, NE. Sounds like Sherida found a "keeper" and we wish them both a lifetime of happiness.

**Laura Joseph-Hoffman, '87** says, "Come on over to wild and wonderful West Virginia." She is living in the Capitol city of Charleston where her husband does HIV Surveillance for the state and she homeschools their 3 children and continues to teach harp and work as a freelance musician. Her business Facebook page can be found at:  
[www.facebook.com/HarpistLauraHoffman](http://www.facebook.com/HarpistLauraHoffman)







**Jackie Issler-Henry, '66** has recently been placed on the kidney transplant list at Loma Linda. There will be a kidney walk in Irvine, CA on June 7<sup>th</sup>; for those wanting to support Jackie by walking or donating visit [kidneywalk.org](http://kidneywalk.org) and search for "Tread for Transplants", then click on the team captain's name, or click [here](#). All donations go toward raising the gift of life. Jackie will be there with her family and friends and would love to see more of her "old" SPA friends, if possible. Your support, encouragement, and prayers are appreciated. Any questions can be directed to Jackie at 760-524-7580 or Jessica at 760-245-3620 or email [vsdachurch@gmail.com](mailto:vsdachurch@gmail.com)



[David Enright](#), '71 – May 2010

Judith Woods, '56 – April 2014

Sheri Sansonetti, 70 – May 2014

Wallie Brandmeyer, Faculty – July 2014

Ken Firestone, '64 & Staff – August 2014

Debi Farley, '79 – September 2014

[Hayward Spangler](#), '65 – December 2014

Jack Fabiani, '51 – December 2014

Debbie (Castellucci) Lubbering, '77 – January 2015

Nancy Pettis Braswell, Staff – March 2015

Larry Teegarden, '73 – March 2015

Matthew Wegand, '90 – March 2015

Dwight Hornbacher, '65 – April 2015

**Alumni Reunion will be held at our beloved Old Campus:**

17701 San Pasqual Valley Road ~ Escondido, CA 92525

Church Service: 09:45 ~ 11:30 am

Business Meeting: 11:30 ~ 11:45 pm

Catered Lunch in the Grove & Time with Friends: 12:00—5:00 p