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It is the season of thanks and there is so much for which to be thankful, particularly here for an appreciative and interactive readership.

There are many who have challenges - some the ultimate - but we are all a part of each others' journey and should be thankful for the contribution of each to one another. sdc

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[Emily Clements](#) with [Jennifer De Grassi Williams](#)  
and [Michell Johnson-Nietfeld](#)

We each shed a tear when my mom received these bears that were hand-crafted by an amazing, sweet, creative soul named Michell (the creator of my beloved childhood "Dolly"). What makes them truly special is that each bear was sewn from a closet staple worn by my Grandma, Sonja. Mom and I fondly remember each of these clothing items, since we helped dress her each morning during her final year earthside: Grandma's "pig shirt", the 4th of July Stars and Stripes, a dolphin shirt,...[See More](#)



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I am not sure if you know our daughter Rebecca and son in law Jason had twin BOYS June 8th. We are very busy helping. Loving it!!!! **Rene Dokos Rores**

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**Tom Stallard and Keith Brehmer** recently

completed a 28 mile ride on the Carmel Valley Road near Keith's home. Keith also recently published his first book, "The Way Back Home: Finding Rose". It is available on Amazon and recounts Keith's research of several years into his Irish ancestors. Because Keith could prove that he was within two generations of an Irish citizen, he qualified for and received an EU passport in addition to his US passport.



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There was no dearth of conversation at the 10.05 Kasper gathering. Three tables of exciting chatter was shared by **June Stark Casey, Gay Parker, Cynthia Young Hareleson, Maureen Sarment, Rick Steen, Tom and Cheryl LaMarre, Howard Allen, Carol and George Szymkiewicz, Dennis and Wendy Osanna. Don't think there were any world issues solved, but surely had fun.**

On the 12th, Ms Casey chose to go to a pumpkin patch with her grandchildren and the Osannas were becoming grandparents to 9 (nine!) lab pups, black and golden if anyone is looking for one. We were joined, however, by Rich Adams, Jeff/Emmy (Johnson '65) Fearn , **Claude**

**Saunders, Cynthia (Young) Hareleson, Barbara (Uhlig) Harbidge, Howard Allen, the LaMarres and Marylaird Wood. Next Kaspers November 9 and 30/**

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In September, **Tina (Illick) Coolahan, Renee Cameto and Susan Louise (Blodgett)** visited me in Eugene, OR. We had a fun 3 days of hiking and reminiscing about our crazy Skyline days. **Heidi (Johnson) Stolp**



And, previously in August, on Judy Belcher's rooftop, **Susan Bingham Pate, Renee, Judy and Heidi.**

I'm still putting in 40+ hours a week as an engineer for Hilton & I teach the Bible study at the Free Will Lighthouse Baptist Church every Wednesday night at 6 pm. So if anybody is visiting the Branson, Missouri area feel free to drop in on our Bible study. Still happily married to Starr. 38 years, we have 3 grandsons & are thanking God daily for all that we have. Hi to anyone that remembers me from Skyline. **Ron Wofford**

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The Skyline baseball field scoreboard has not worked in years. Budget issue I was told. Kristin Loo, President of the SHS PTA ([outreach@skylinehs.org](mailto:outreach@skylinehs.org)) has created a project to raise \$2000 to repair the scoreboard. The URL is [www.ousd.org/Page/13657](http://www.ousd.org/Page/13657). Donations can be made there.

Please insert this information into the next newsletter. Thanks.

**Stan Lore**

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Thought I should give you an update on what's up at my end.

Just to confirm my thyroid biopsy came back clear. I'm not sure why I have all those nodules, but oh well. I just have to have an ultrasound every year. Thank you for your prayers and support.

Had a wonderful cruise with Tom doing the coast of California. Had so much fun. Tom insisted I do a karaoke, so I bravely went forward, selected the Celine Dion song from Titanic..."My heart will go on" and waited my turn. I got up to the "bouncing ball" screen and prepared to do my performance. To my horror, the music coming up on the screen and out of the speakers was totally unknown to me. I spent a few stanza's trying to fake it and then, caught a smile in Tom's direction and said, what the heck. The rest of the song, I just made up the words starting with, "I have no idea why I'm up here trying to sing a song that's totally unknown to me". I somehow managed to rhyme the song and was rewarded by cheers from the audience. After that, I had a devoted fan club for the rest of the trip. I retired while I was ahead. Turns out it was a Spice Girl song...no wonder!!!



Good news is I got more exercise in stair climbing and deck walking as I would get in a month at home. We also toured the USS Iowa (battleship) and aircraft carrier the USS Midway. I forgot how big those ships are!! My fit bit lost its charge by Friday, so I guess I gave it a proper workout. First day on board ship I climbed the equivalent of 75 flights. Wow, were my legs sending messages. **Marlen Edlemann Jacobs**

**Deeana McLemore checked in to Deeana's Home** · Big day. Putting the house on the market seemed huge. But my brother, George, just called and said the authorities in Oregon had called to tell him they found some remains of our father on the shore of Klamath Lake - 26 years this month since he disappeared in his plane!!! They will be searching the lake for the plane. What a shock!

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**Kasper Days** for November will be 9th and 30th. For December they will be the 7th and 28th although there is talk about doing a Fentons during the week between Christmas and New Year's which may change the date. Contact Tom LaMarre tdom7@aol.com if you are interested. Looking at Treasure Island in February.

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(R) **Carol and George Szymkiewicz** in New York City

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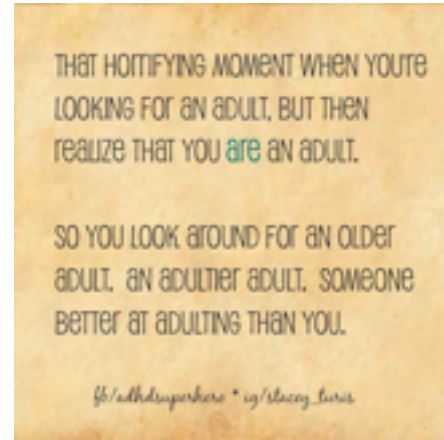
**Birthdays**

**November**

- 01 Barbara Bowles Holt
- 03 Clint Rylee
- 03 Karen Dodge Wetherbee
- 05 Sheila Oxley
- 06 Barbara Renouf
- 08 Sidney Cummings
- 08 Joel Kuechle
- 11 Joetta Christopher
- 10 Barbara Smith Stott
- 10 Jennifer Foreman Williams
- 11 Tom Smith
- 12 Lorrie Miller
- Marlene Siegal
- 13 Carol Vierra
- 14 Tom LaMarre
- 15 Carlee Wells King
- 17 Cathi Trebotich Beaubien
- 19 Gayle Smith
- 20 Ron Wofford
- 21 Nancy Klinkner Mulligan
- 26 Christopher Perry
- 27 Diane Breen Helman
- 27 Rick Steen



- 28 Diane Squaglia Fly
- 30 Calvin Brugge
- Dec**
- 02 Peggy Tisdell Cross
- 03 John Lyman
- 04 Dennis Bushnell
- 07 Dennis Cooney
- 09 Susan Buikema
- 12 Marsha Standish
- 12 Margaret Pachner
- Joe Peak
- Jan Descombes Bassett
- 18 Jon Rawitzer
- 25 Valerie Ranche
- 26 Linda Conradi
- 27 Phil Bateman
- 27 Shirley Donaldson Whipple
- 29 Rodney Burge



**Do not regret growing older. It is a privilege denied to many.**

**Reminder: Birthday list is not finite.....always welcoming corrections/additions! Thanks to those that have sent corrections**

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**Summary:**

*This morning (Oct. 2015), actor and filmmaker **Tom Hanks** sent the following message to the **White House email list, recalling his time at Chabot College** — a community college in Hayward, California. In his email, Tom explains how Chabot College made him who he is today, and why community college should be an option for more hardworking Americans.*

*If you agree with him, tell us why you think community college should be available to more Americans — using [this form](#) or the hashtag #CommunityCollege. (And if you didn't get his email, [sign up for email updates here.](#))*

Chabot College is a rambling series of academic buildings situated on 94 acres in Hayward, California. It offers more than 100 associate degrees and certificates, an intercollegiate national championship-winning ultimate disc team, and parking for a couple thousand cars. It's also my alma mater.

Chabot's a community college — and in the early 1970s, it was all free, save for the effort you put into it and the price of used textbooks.

As a student there, I went to school alongside Vietnam vets, moms, and middle-aged men, as well as a few thousand young people like me who needed time to sort out our lives and our

options. We were looking to get our general education requirements out of the way, to learn skill sets to improve our employment prospects, or to discover the road to new, unimagined careers. We all found a different home at Chabot, but it welcomed all of us.

Later today, the President is heading to Watertown, South Dakota to deliver the commencement address at another community college — called Lake Area Tech. (NOTE: If I had grown up in that part of South Dakota, my alma mater would be none other than Lake Area Tech.)

He'll talk to students who, like those of us at Chabot all those years ago, are going to go out into the world and do great things. And they'll owe it in part to an educational institution that ought to be an option for more Americans.

**[You should tune in and hear what he has to say — and then add your voice to a growing conversation about how we can make college a reality for more of us.](#)**

I drove past Chabot's campus a few years ago with one of my kids and summed up my two years there this way: "That place made me what I am today." Here's why: Over the course of my career, I've only continued to reap the benefits of the classes I took there.

I produced the HBO mini-series "John Adams" with an outline format I learned from a pipe-smoking historian, James Coovelis, whose lectures were riveting.

Mary Lou Fitzgerald's Studies in Shakespeare taught me how the five-act structures of "Richard III," "The Tempest," and "Othello" focused their themes.

In Herb Kennedy's Drama in Performance, I read plays like "The Hot L Baltimore" and "Desire Under the Elms," then saw their productions. I got to see the plays he taught, through student rush tickets at the American Conservatory Theater in San Francisco and the Berkeley Repertory Theatre. Those plays filled my head with expanded dreams. (I also got an A.)

Here's my bottom line, and it's simple: More kids (and adults, for that matter) should have this chance. The President happens to agree, and he wants to make two years of community college free for up to 9 million Americans who are willing to work for it.

I hope that's an idea that sticks. You can help make sure it does.

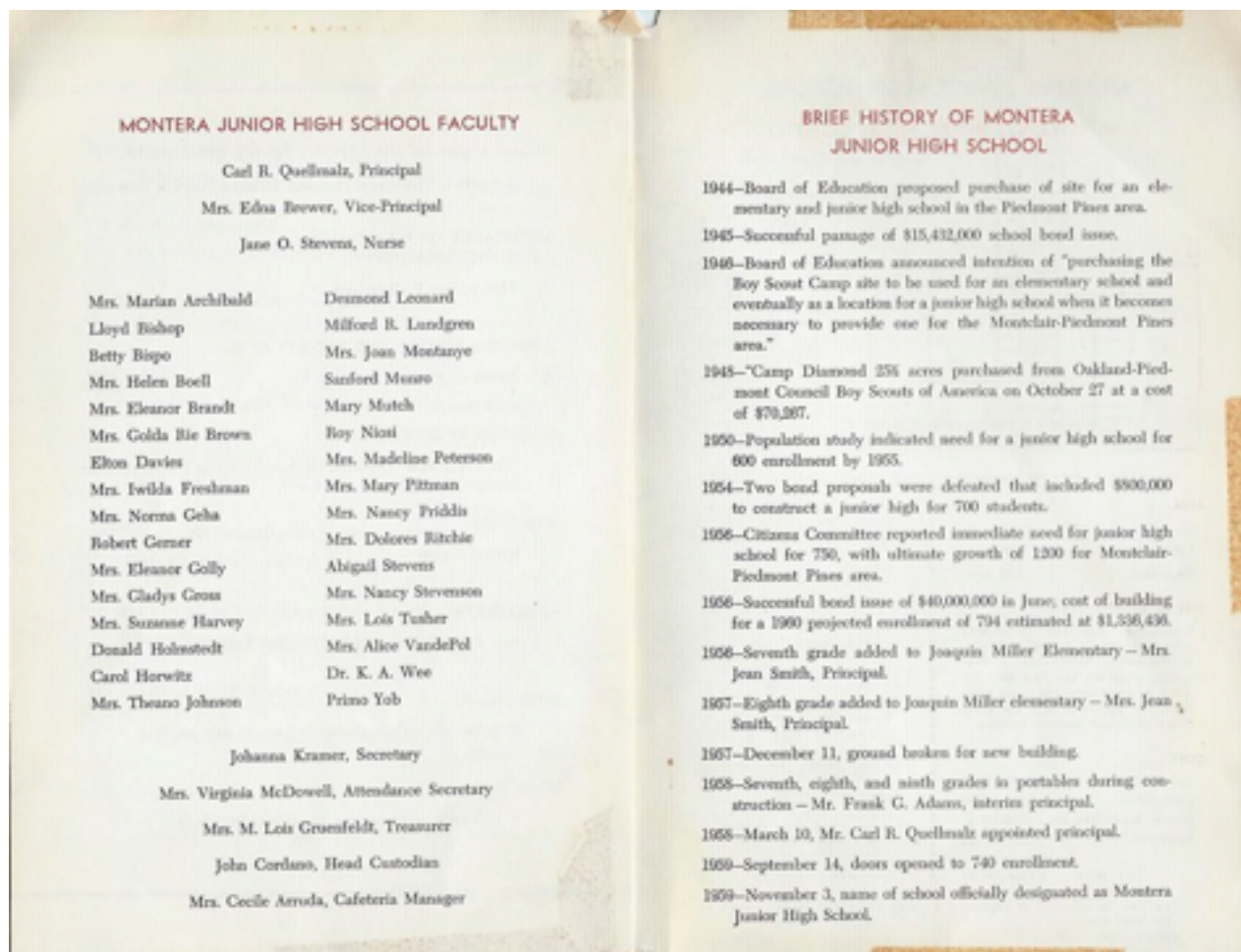
**[Add your voice to a growing conversation about how we can make college a reality for more Americans. Share what got you where you are today.](#)**

Then, stick around for the President's remarks. He reminds me of a guy I had in a Public Speaking class at Chabot — the best in the room. Thanks, Tom

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At the 10.12 Kasper's, Rich Adams was pushing the point, "We need more young ones (meaning us since he is Berkeley'54) to help with organizing the White Elephant Sale for the Oakland Museum. So anyone who has an interest in receiving, distribution, cashiering, security (come on guys, you can do this) or any of the various departments let him or Emmy Fearn or Debbie Agee Roessler know. ([adamsrich7@gmail.com](mailto:adamsrich7@gmail.com); [emmyf@sbcglobal.net](mailto:emmyf@sbcglobal.net))

## Dedication Program 1959



### [Oakland's Culture Clash | East Bay Express](#)

Mayor Libby Schaaf has sometimes been ridiculed on social media for overusing the phrase "secret sauce" when describing her hometown (and for riding too often... [eastbayexpress.com](http://eastbayexpress.com))  
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### [Thinking Outside the Box by Moving Into One](#)

A village of shipping containers and, for the homeless, tiny houses on wheels are making a mark in Oakland where rents are rising with an influx of newcomers.  
[nytimes.com](http://nytimes.com) | By SARAH MASLIN NIR  
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### [Singing while black: Oakland choir hit with 'nuisance' fines after tech workers enter neighborhood](#)

Members of a black church choir are blaming an influx of affluent tech workers for their group facing thousands of dollars in fines. [www.rawstory.com](http://www.rawstory.com)  
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**2015 Farmers Dream Big Challenge Finalist - Bryan Alvarez**

Bryan Alvarez is one of our 2015 Farmers Dream Big Challenge finalists! Learn more about how this teacher from Oakland, CA plans to use \$100,000 to...



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[www.csnbayarea.com/show/baseball](http://www.csnbayarea.com/show/baseball)

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**Oaklandish: Civic Pride by Design**

Oaklandish started in 2000 as a public art project designed to illuminate Oakland’s local history and unique cultural legacy. After years of covert multi-media stunts around the Town, the Oaklandish brand of apparel was introduced to help support our ongoing calendar of public events and annual Oaklandish Innovators Grant program.

Our sole mission is to spread “local love” by way of our civic pride-evoking tees and accessories, while giving back to the people and places that maintain our city’s trailblazer spirit. In line with this mission, we donate a portion of all proceeds to grassroots nonprofits committed to bettering the Oakland community.

So, wear it well. When you rock these roots, you're representing and supporting Oakland!

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**Artist sues for \$400k after Oakland mural's**

**destruction** ...[www.contracostatimes.com/...news/.../artist-seeking-4...](http://www.contracostatimes.com/...news/.../artist-seeking-4...) Aug 7, 2015 - By Matthew Artz [martz@bayareanewsgroup.com](mailto:martz@bayareanewsgroup.com) ... A mural at 27th Street and Broadway in Oakland has been covered up by business owners.

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**“Trailhead” movie in Oakland**

Oakland’s gorgeous wildland trail system is on display in a new documentary called “[Trailhead: Discovering Oakland’s Gateway to the Redwoods.](#)” Oakland parks, including Dimond and Joaquin Miller, along with Regional Parks such as [Roberts](#), [Leona Canyon](#) and [Redwood](#), are featured in the 20-minute movie that’s scheduled for release this month. The movie traces a single day on the trails, starting before dawn in the Dimond District and ending at sunset on the Joaquin Miller ridgetop. For future showtimes and more information about the film, go to [TrailHeadOakland.org](#).

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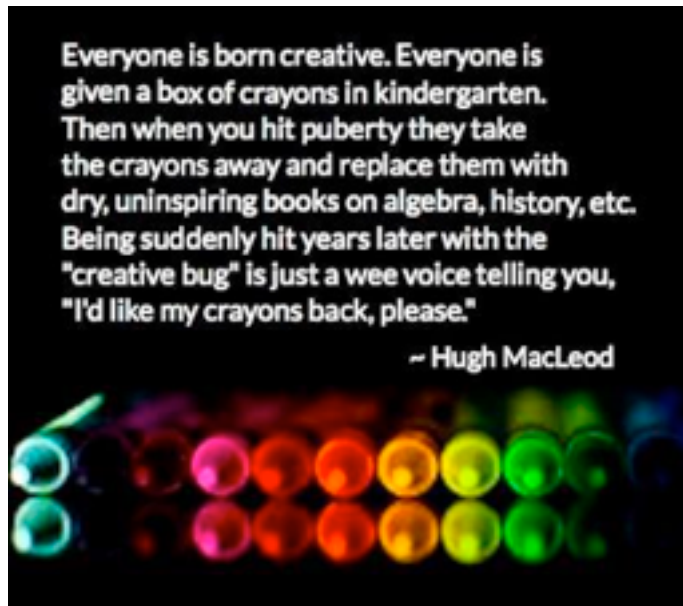
**[In Oakland, Still A City With Thorns, A New Garden Emerges \(Part I\)](#)**

Quality of life and economy thrives with greater care for water, energy, air, and waste.

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**Comparing Medicare plans for Open Enrollment can be as easy as online shopping!**

[Medicare Assessment Tool](#) Created by non-profit National Council on Aging, the free Medicare Mini-Check assessment can help you compare plans and find the right one for you. [www.mymedicarematters.org](http://www.mymedicarematters.org)



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**Dating Ads for Seniors found in a Florida Newspaper**

You can say what you want about Florida, but you never hear of anyone retiring and moving north. These are actual ads seen in "The Villages" Florida newspaper.

(Who says seniors don't have a sense of humor?)

**FOXY LADY:**

Sexy, fashion-conscious blue-haired beauty,  
80's, slim, 5'4' (used to be 5'6'),  
Searching for sharp-looking, sharp-dressing companion.  
Matching white shoes and belt a plus.

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**LONG-TERM COMMITMENT:**

Recent widow who has just buried fourth husband,  
Looking for someone to round out a six-unit plot. Dizziness,  
fainting, shortness of breath not a problem.

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**SERENITY NOW**

I am into solitude, long walks, sunrises, the ocean, yoga and  
meditation. If you are the silent type, let's get together, take our hearing aids out and enjoy  
quiet times.

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**WINNING SMILE**

Active grandmother with original teeth seeking a dedicated flosser  
to share rare steaks, corn on the cob and caramel candy.

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**BEATLES OR STONES?**

I still like to rock, still like to cruise in my Camaro on  
Saturday nights and still like to play the guitar.  
If you were a groovy chick, or are now a groovy hen,  
let's get together and listen to my eight-track tapes.

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**MEMORIES:**

I can usually remember [Monday through Thursday](#).  
If you can remember Friday, Saturday and Sunday, let's put our two heads  
together.

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**MINT CONDITION :**

Male, 1932 model, high mileage, good condition, some hair,  
many new parts including hip, knee, cornea, valves.  
Isn't in running condition, but walks well.

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