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PLHS Homecoming is Friday Oct. 17th!

**Varsity vs La Jolla for 'the Shoe' 6:30pm
Under the lights at PLHS.**



Show your Alumni Spirit!
Join us for the
Alumni Walk
in the Halftime parade.
Walk, wave, and take in the
pride of being a Pointer.

*(Stinger, Lee, and
Kathy Brown, will
lead the Walk this
year. Meet on the
field 3 minutes
before halftime.)*



Stinger

Do you love our new Alumni News banner?
Many thanks to Jon Cox, son of Dave Cox
'74, for creating it.

Hard to believe it is Fall with the
spectacular summer of 2014 we have had!

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This is PLHS's 89th year! We have a big birthday coming up next year...stay tuned for more info.

Thank you again for your enthusiasm and support of the PLHS Alumni News! We hope you like the new features and fun stuff. Keep sending us your news and ideas you think would be fun to include.

Your Alumni Director has a new name and a new Pointer husband. Thanks for all the well wishes.

Kim (Melhorn) Jessop Moore '73

Alumni Director
PLHS Pointer Association



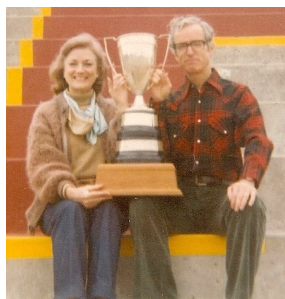
Kim and Jeff '73

Thank you to our PLHS Alumni News donors!

The list of donors to the PLHS Alumni News is long. So we have posted it to our webpage. [Alumni News Donors](#). Thank to you all of you for your support!

**New Feature:
Throwback Pics and Stories**

PLHS Citizenship awardees, **Ann Medlock** and **Howard Wiggins** in 1950 the year they were awarded the PLHS Citizens of the Year trophy....and in 1975, when they took a 'reunion' picture. The trophy, still given yearly, has now been restored thanks to donations from PLHS Citizens who's names appear on it.



Reunions

In Memoriam

**New Feature:
Leave only Paw Prints**

Send us a photo of yourself on vacation with a brief (25 word) description. Include name and class year. Bonus points if you are wearing maroon and gold, have on a Pointer t-shirt or hat, or are holding an item from your high school days!

Does your info need updating?

Click [Register/Update my info](#) and submit the form to the Alumni Director. If you wish to receive ONLY your Class Reunion news, enter all info and include 'Reunion News Only' in the Other Info box. (You can re-subscribe to PLHS Alumni News anytime using the same form.)

Alumni Accomplishments

(Send us yours! Your fellow Alums want to read more!)

Bill Burns '54 wins State of Florida Bike championship in the 80 and over category.



May 31st, the State of Florida held its State Championships in Jensen Beach, Fl. With a total of 168 riders in the 60 and over group (and at least 12 in the 80 and over category) Bill won the 80 and over group! He also came in *second* in the 75 to 79 age group. Bill is seen here proudly wearing the jersey with the State of Florida Seal and "State Champion" he was awarded.

Eric Macy '73 won the Men's 55s Seaside Beach Volleyball Tournament on August 9, 2014. This completes the Triple Crown in Men's 55 Beach Volleyball for he and his teammate. Previously, they won the Gold medal over the Russian team in the Huntsman World Senior Games in St. George, Utah in 2012 - an international senior sports competition founded in 1987 for athletes 50 years and over. They also won the Motherlode in Aspen, Colorado in 2013.

A History Mystery

Help us find the missing book or more info

A History Mystery:

Jeff Madruga is looking for copy of the book **Deutilde of the Azores**, written in the early to mid 1930's by Mrs. Lois Kimball, a Cabrillo Elementary school teacher and wife of the Principal. "Deutilde" of the title is a Pointer alum, Deutilde Medina Varley '32. Jeff has not had luck finding a copy of the book so far and hopes that perhaps someone in the PLHS community might still have one. (The PLHS PTA even had a launch event for the book in 1933!) The book is written from the Portuguese-American perspective, and is said to be an early form of a study guide for students. If you know about this book, or perhaps have even seen a copy of it, please let me know so I can put you in touch with Jeff.

PLHS Robotics Team

Look who I ran into while on campus a few weeks ago. I asked these gentlemen for more info. Here is the story sent by Cooper Bates.



The **Robotics Team at Point Loma High** was started in 2011 by two students who worked, considerably undermanned, in their garage to build a robot that would simply 'work' during competitions. By 2013 team membership jumped from two to ten, and had received grants from SPAWAR and Advanced Coherent Technologies. They have also improved significantly in competitiveness. From designing a robot that would simply function, their robot this past season actually placed in the majority of the competitions they attended and won the Motivate Award at their last competition. This year they are planning on 20 members, and hope to move into on-campus facilities in the old auto shop.

The robot in the picture above was designed for last years First Tech Challenge competition. The First Tech Challenge comes up with a new competition style each year that is riddled with various tasks the robot must complete for points.

Last year's competition can be further explained by the YouTube link below, and may help understand what the robot does. It is outfitted with mechanisms that allow it to lift plastic cubes off the ground and into raised



baskets, do a pull up on a pull up bar, and raise the competition flag by spinning a crank. One of the most notable innovations is the pulley system installed in the middle of the robot that is attached to the robot's pull up arm and allows it to lift its' entire weight (30 lbs) with only two small motors.

In couple of weeks they will be breaking down that robot back into its original components in order to start designing for this years competition. They welcome advisors, mentors and donors.



Watch a video that explains how the competitions work.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UPAATO-NpcM&noredirect=1>

What's Happening at PL?

Help Point Loma High School win \$100,000!

During National Teen Driver Safety Week, Point Loma High is participating in Celebrate My Drive® and we'd like to invite your support! PLHS is participating in the program because teen driver safety is important to us and our school will have a chance to win a \$100,000 grant from State Farm®!

But we need your help.

You can make a safe driving commitment once a day, every day, between

October 15 and 24, 2014. The more safe driving commitments we make, the better our school's chance of winning \$100,000. It's simple:

- Between Oct. 15th and 24th, log onto celebratemydrive.com
- Indicate you want to support (school name)
- Vote often!
- Commit to drive safely!

You can also invite your friends and family to get involved or share on Facebook - facebook.com/CelebrateMyDrive.

Thanks for your support! Remember, 2N2®: 2 eyes on the road, 2 hands on the wheel.

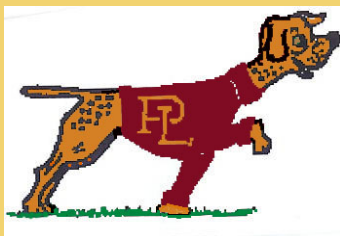
Upcoming Reunion Events:

PLHS Class of 84 at their 30th Reunion this summer



- Class of 1969: Saturday October 11th at Portuguese Hall
- Class of 1974: Saturday October 11th at SWYC
- Class of 1967: Saturday October 25th at The Reunion Bar
- Class of 75 and 85 are making plans for next year!

More info at plhsalumni.org/reunions



In Memoriam

Honoring our Passed Pointers

John Medina '59
Mary Souza Liz '44
Christian Joseph DaSilva '90
Larry Bennett '57
Jeffrey Valentine '69
Craig Burke '66
Phyllis Allaire Hinshaw '55
Richard Alan Wilson '62
Guy Sherod '43
Jack Knight Jr. '63
Kimball M. Daun '41
Bob Fontana '56
Jeff Staggs '62
Glenn Holmes '65
Richard Sullivan '56
Clark E. Huston '42

Once a Pointer, Always a Pointer

What's coming up for the new News?

We heard your feedback and hope you like what we have already done to improve the PLHS Alumni News. We are going to be adding more new features over the next few months, including interviews with Alums and Staff!

We are forming a committee to discuss how we can continue to make the whole Alumni experience the best we can offer. We will also do some brainstorming about reinstitution the Pointer Hall of Fame. If you would like to join us let us know by reply to this email. We will hold an informal gathering later this fall.

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