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ALUMNI FEATURE



We are all thankful for our men and women in uniform. It is with pride that we profile 1977 graduate, Captain Randy Moore, United States Navy. Randy is in his words honored to “serve the world’s greatest military.” The **Crater Alumni Newsletter** is likewise honored to call Captain Moore a “Comet”

Randy and his high school sweetheart Sue Ann have been happily married for 26 years;

they will celebrate number 27 this July 11th. Randy and Sue Ann met at a Scout camp at Lake of the Woods during the summer of 1975. She was from the Redding / Enterprise area. They are the proud parents of three children: Sarah (age 24) — married with grandchild number one, with number two expected in March; Joshua (age 21) — a sophomore at John Brown University and the University of Arkansas on a full Army ROTC scholarship, studying Construction Management; and Daniel (age 16) — a high school sophomore.

Following his graduation from Crater, Randy moved to Brazil with his sister and parents to work on a construction project on the Jari River near the Amazon. His parents went on to build two dams in Venezuela and did similar work in Saudi Arabia. They are currently retired and living in Florida. Randy left home in December of 1977 and enlisted in the United States Navy. When asked to name four places he had worked, Randy indicated “on the oceans, in the oceans, under the oceans and near the oceans.” Randy initially trained to become an Electronics Technician aboard the Fleet Ballistic Missile Submarine USS Sam Houston in Guam/Hawaii. His career and proximity to water was underway.

Randy has served in a variety of key leadership positions afloat and ashore. At sea, he served as Supply Officer, USS Stonewall Jackson (1986 – 1989), Quality Assurance Officer on the USS Dixon (1993 – 1995) and Supply Officer aboard the USS Bonhomme Richard (2004

– 2006). Captain Moore’s shore duties include Supply Officer at the Naval Security Group Activity, Adak, Alaska (1989 – 1991), Fleet Material Support Office, Mechanisburg, Pennsylvania (1996 – 1999) and Fleet Action Officer for Aviation and Shore Supply, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii (2000 – 2002). Randy also served in Tactical Control implementing the Navy Marine Corps Intranet in the Philadelphia area (2002 – 2004).

The Meritorious Service Medal and the National Defense Service Medal are two of the numerous decorations Captain Moore has received. Randy also has been awarded the Expeditionary Medal, the Global War on Terrorism, among many, many others. He is also qualified to wear a number of insignias indicating his service to our nation. When asked to account an unusual experience, Randy recalled serving as an exchange Officer in the Korean Navy.

Randy was recently selected for Major Shore Command and will be moving in July 2008 from his current deployment in Virginia to Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

Randy is inspired by “God, family, and doing the right thing!” Captain Moore, The **Crater Alumni Newsletter** salutes you!

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WHERE *are they* NOW?

1952 - 1959

SHIRLEY SULLIVAN RAPP (52) – lives in Grays Harbor, Washington with her husband. Shirley states they are very happy and healthy and have many fond memories of attending Crater High School

TWILA VANCE PORTWOOD (54) – lives in Central Point and retired in 2003. She has traveled to New York, Florida, California, Washington, Nevada, Colorado, Idaho, Wyoming, Utah and British Columbia. She has two grown daughters and enjoys reading, crossword puzzles, antiques and grandkids.

RICHARD EVANS (58) – lives in Hewitt, Texas with his wife Lottie. Richard completed 39 years of teaching, teaching two years part-time at Baylor University. He is active in St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Waco and Lottie plays the organ for First Methodist in Hewitt.

DEAN BYERS (59) – lives in Roseburg, Oregon with his wife, Sara. They have two grown daughters Anna Lane and Katie Christel. They rent commercial real estate properties they own in Oregon and Florida. They own a plane and Dean has flown over 100 mercy flight missions flying patients wherever they need to go. He is a founding member of A Mountain of Hope, a non-profit corporation in Florida and Honduras that was created to build and operate a medical/dental clinic in Quice de Errero, Honduras. He still goes down there yearly

1960 - 1969

DAVID WILCOX (64) – lives in Anchorage, Alaska with his wife Diana Gay. They have a son Trevor and he and his wife recently blessed them with a granddaughter. David has a B.S. in Psychology, an M.S. in Counseling Psychology and a Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology. He presently has an independent counseling practice providing individual, group, couple, and family counseling. He specializes in areas of adolescent, developmental disabilities, substance abuse, anger management and sex offender treatment. David and Diana spend time with an old friend Jim Ricks (64) and his wife Sonja. Jim and David have been friends since the 7th grade at Central Point Junior High.

JOHN BUSH (64) – lives in Reno, Nevada where he recently retired after working at an electricity generating power station for 32 years. John attended Portland State College, graduated from Southern Oregon College and played football at both. He will spend retirement traveling, bicycling, skiing, fishing, playing tennis and softball.

KAREN HUNTER HOLT (65) – lives in Lancaster, California where she has worked for an Insurance agency for over 32 years. She has one son who lives in Redding, California and works for the County of Kern, contracting with the State of California. Karen plans to retire to Redding within the next 4-5 years. She is presently planning a river cruise on the Danube between Budapest and Prague.

LESLIE WAKEMAN FOUST (67) – lives in White City, Oregon with her husband Bill. They are foster parents currently in the process of adopting two girls ages 1 and 3. They enjoy attending Community Bible Church, camping and traveling. They are active members of Jackson County Foster Parents Association.

RON BARFIELD (67) – lives in Fair Oaks, California with his wife, Annette. Ron has been self employed for 35 years and presently owns an employment agency in Sacramento. His wife works for Los Rios Community College as a counselor/professor. They have one grown son. Ron likes to play golf, take trips and remodel houses.

EMY KING MANFREDA (69) – lives in Manchester, Connecticut with her husband. They love living in New England particularly Vermont and Maine. They have a daughter that lives with them and a son who lives in Portland, Oregon.

1970 - 1979

LYNDA HERZBERG (75) – lives in Lomita, California and works in aerospace/defense at Northrop Grumman in Redondo Beach. She hopes to retire in a few years and return to Oregon.

CINDY MOODY HAMASU (76) – lives in Medford, Oregon with her husband, Karl. They have three children ages 24, 20 and 12. They own Service Master franchises in Grants Pass, Medford and Ashland. They love to go boating, camping and used to ski until injuries ended that. Cindy loves to spend time quilting.

CARI VAN LEUVEN BROTHERTON (77) – lives in Central Point with her husband, Charlie. They have three children ages 22, 16, 10 and 1 grandchild. Cari owns "Brotherton Embroidery" and her husband is part owner of

the family business Brotherton Pipeline. They have vacationed in Hawaii, Lake Tahoe, Disneyland and Washington D.C.

1980 - 1989

ROBERT LEE (82) – lives in Central Point with his wife, Sandy. They have three children, Megan, Jeffrey and Stephanie. Robert is a certified Dialysis Technician and works for Oregon Ear, Nose & Throat as a Audio Technician

TAMI SUTTON FREEMAN (84) – recently married, Tami lives in Central Point with her husband, Larry. Tami is the support supervisor at Southern Oregon Credit Service in Medford. Her husband works in shipping and receiving at Bed Slide Corporation in Medford.

KIM MISNER JOHNSON (85) – lives in Unalakleet, Alaska with her husband, Greg. They have two children, Madison 6 and Alex 3. Kim works for the Bering Strait School District as a Coordinator of Education and Assistant to the Superintendent.

CAROLYN RAMBO (87) – lives in Simi Valley, California with her four year old daughter. Carolyn graduated from University of Oregon. While attending college she was a fire fighter working on hotshot crews and as a smoke jumper. She is currently a paralegal and travels a great deal with her job.

1990 - 1996

GREG BRUCE (90) – lives in Central Point with his wife, Becky and their 7 month old son, Cameron. Greg is an officer with the Central Point Police Department and Becky an Administrative Assistant for South Valley Bank & Trust.

NICOLE BARTON KOLENIC (94) – lives in Capistrano Beach, California with her husband and two daughters (ages 6 months and 2). Nicole is currently a stay at home mom. Previously she worked as an Elementary Special Education Teacher for Capistrano Unified School District.

BRENT HACKWELL (96) – lives in Central Point with his wife, the former Danielle Baker. Brent is a Project Manager for S & B James Construction and Danielle sells real estate for John L. Scott Real Estate.

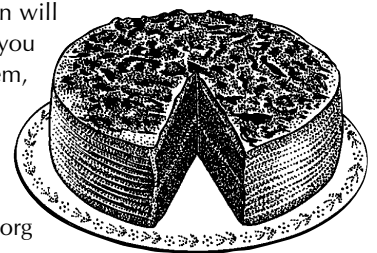
TYLER LEE (97) – lives in Klamath Falls, Oregon with his wife, the former Sarah Pigott (97) and their 14 month old twin daughters. Tyler is a Trooper with the Oregon State Police and Sarah is now a stay at home mom after working for nearly 10 years in a dental office. Tyler is currently in the process of being transferred to the State Police office in Central Point.

Scholarship Dessert Another Success

The annual Crater Parent/Community Scholarship Dessert was held this past December, raising in excess of \$42,000.00 to aid Crater graduates in pursuit of their post-high school academic dreams. Each winter with the dessert/auction, it comes to light that School District #6 is a family; a community coming together to help its children. The auction provides much needed financial assistance; it also sends the message to our young people that they and their collective future are important. Since the year 2000 more than 1,200 students have received more than \$1,000,000.00 to attend our nation's colleges, universities and trade schools. Many generous donors in conjunction with the annual Scholarship Dessert allow this to happen. To all of you – THANK YOU!

The 2008 version of the Crater Parent/Community Scholarship Dessert Auction will be held December 6th. If you would like to donate an item, attend the auction, or help in the preparations, please contact the Crater Foundation at:

craterfoundation@district6.org
or call 541-494-6308.



Crater School of Business

The Crater School of Business, Innovation and Science (BIS) is not exclusively for students interested in careers in Business or Science. The school serves a wide variety of students. BIS focuses on using hands-on activities that apply academic skills to prepare students for college and the workforce. Students in BIS participate in many campus-wide activities like Band, Choir, FFA, Drama, and Athletics. This year's first graduation class has students that will go to college and major in pre-med, nursing, art, engineering, agriculture, business administration, marketing and computer graphics, just to name a few.

Many students are not planning on attending college but realize they need to master many academic skills in order to participate in professional technical (vocational) training, which will allow them to be competitive in the job market. Thanks to a partnership with Rogue Community College, and staying with the theme of active learning, many of those students are receiving training in electronics, construction and manufacturing. These students take math, English, science and foreign language courses at Crater in the morning and go to RCC's Table Rock Campus for college classes after lunch.

BIS teachers design coursework around three skills that industry, business, and employers tell us that even highly trained college graduates are lacking: communication, teamwork, and problem solving. Teachers structure their classes and procedures to create an atmosphere of "Workplace Expectations." Whenever possible, assignments are designed to have an application to a real world problem or work related task. Student projects are displayed in public or electronically on the web and must be of a quality that they are, "publishable," or "meet industry standards."

A great deal of the content of the classes in BIS is reliant on technology. All students have a digital portfolio and work extensively on computers. They learn skills in computer graphics, web design, video editing, computer aided drafting, and spreadsheets. Math and science content is often blended together in projects where students get to use the skills and content they learn in class by applying them in hands-on activities. In two elective courses, Fundamentals of Technology and Principals of Engineering, students design and test the strength of model bridges and program robotic micro-chips.

The most marked difference in the school this year is the atmosphere. The relationships that are developing

between the staff and kids is creating a much calmer, warmer atmosphere. The teachers are able to demand much more from the students because they get to know each other well in the small school format. "I know the students better this year because I have them in class for a longer period of time," says Jeremy Sinks, a junior/senior English teacher, "I know what their goals are and how they are doing and can modify what we are doing in class to appeal to their interests more." One of the goals of the BIS staff is to create an atmosphere in which the graduates of the school are so well prepared, so successful, and so satisfied with the way they are treated that twenty years from now they are all living in Central Point because they want their kids to attend BIS.

FALL & WINTER SPORTS SUMMARY

This past fall/winter sports season was once again very successful for Crater High athletics.

As we went to press with the fall issue of the Alumni Newsletter, the Crater football team was still in the state playoffs. They had beaten Thurston in the second round of playoffs and were preparing to play a quarter final game at home. Unfortunately, they lost the quarter final game to West Albany who eventually became the state champion. West Albany had only lost 1 game in the last two years but the Crater team played them tough. After the Comets were leading in the 3rd quarter, the West Albany team eventually defeated the Comets 33 - 14.

The Crater Comets wrestling team once again dominated the Southern Sky Conference qualifying 17 wrestlers for the state tourney. At the State Tournament the Comets came back from an early deficit to finish 4th in the 5A division. While junior Brock Gutches was the only state champion from Crater this year, this is the 11th consecutive year that the Comet Wrestlers have earned a team trophy at the State Tournament.

The Comets girls' basketball team finished 2nd in the Southern Sky Conference with a 9-3 record. They earned a state playoff game and faced Marshall of Portland. The 54-47 win earned them a trip to Portland and the State 5A girls tournament. Unfortunately they lost their first two games in the state tourney and finished the season with a 14 - 10 record.

The Comets boys' basketball team had an up-and-down season finishing 2nd in the Southern Sky Conference standings. The second place finish earned them a state playoff birth and they faced Hermiston of the Intermountain Conference. They were defeated by Hermiston 70-65 to end their season with a 16-9 record.

The Crater girls' swim team were also crowned Southern Sky Conference champions and qualified for the state meet. They placed 7th in the state meet held at Mount Hood Community College.

The Crater boys' swim team finished 2nd in Southern Sky competition and qualified their relay team for state. They did not place at the state level.

Once again it has been a great sports year for Crater High Athletes.



NEW - NEW - NEW

Web Sites: Crater Foundation and Alumni

We recently have made several changes to the Crater Foundation web site, adding new information as well as pictures. We have also developed an Alumni web site and have moved some of the material from the Crater Foundation web site to the Alumni web site.

The Alumni site will now list email addresses and have a link for class reunions in addition to other material. Both web sites will be listed under Crater High School but you can still access the Foundation web site with the old address.

We are working on much much more and we encourage you to access the sites and enjoy the information. The address to the Foundation web site is: craterfoundation.district6.org and to the Alumni web site is: crateralumni.district6.org

CRATER HIGH VARSITY SPRING SPORTS HOME SCHEDULES

BASEBALL

March 24 Crater Tourney
March 25 Crater Tourney
March 26 Crater Tourney
March 27 Crater Tourney
April 02 Phoenix
April 08 Ashland
April 19 Eagle Point
April 26 Mazama
May 06 Klamath Union

TRACK

April 08 Ashland
April 19 Crater Classic
April 29 Klamath Union

SOFTBALL

April 02 Henley
April 05 Eagle Point
April 19 Ashland
May 03 Mazama
May 08 Summit

BOYS' GOLF

March 31 @ Eagle Pt. GC
April 08 @ Centennial GC
April 14 @ Eagle Pt. GC

GIRLS' GOLF

April 01 @ Eagle Pt. GC
April 09 @ Centennial GC
April 15 @ Eagle Pt. GC



CLASS REUNIONS

- 1958 August 22, 23 & 24**
 Friday, Aug. 22nd Pizza @ Wild River Brewery, 6:00
 Sat., 23rd, Banquet @ Red Lion Hotel, 6:00
 Sun., 24th, Breakfast @ Red Lion Hotel, 9:00
 Joyce Hobbs Burns 541-664-4688
 Linda Dysinger Sutton 541-830-8384
- 1961 June 21.** The class of '61 is having a 65th
 Birthday Party in the Central Point City Park.
 Howard Misner 541-664-1184
 Nancy Flanagan 541-773-6207
- 1963 August 1, 2 & 3**
 Inviting classes of 1962 & 1964 to the
 August 1st event.
 Dee Sanderson Rider 541-779-3116
 Judy Childress Bamforth 541-665-4452
- 1988 August 15, 16 & 17**
 Steve Kirk 858-412-7457
 Tracey Coffman Worley 541-664-2356
- 1998 July 11, 12 & 13**
 Lindsey Rice Meilicke —
 lindseymeilicke@yahoo.com

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 CITY/STATE ZIP _____
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 E-MAIL _____

CRATER GRAD: YES NO _____
 YEAR

Yearly \$10 alumni dues enclosed _____

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Please make checks payable to Crater Alumni Association
and include additional information about yourself

Please return to: Willeen Bittle, Crater Alumni Coordinator
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