



# Crater Alumni Newsletter

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## ALUMNI FEATURE

The Crater Foundation Newsletter is once again proud to present a graduate of Crater High School who has made a difference in the world. It is our pleasure to publish this article and update the many friends of 1975 graduate Jan Harris Lynch.

Jan recently retired after 28 years as Executive Director of the Grand Teton Association, a large educational non-profit in Grand Teton National Park and Jackson Hole, Wyoming.

After two years in the Business Administration program at Southern Oregon University, Jan left school and began working for Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company in Portland where she spent the next 7 years and became one of the first women store managers in the country.

In 1984 Jan married Frank Lynch, a National Park Service employee, and moved to Yellowstone National Park with Frank and their newborn son. They lived in a remote part of Yellowstone with no phones and only bears and moose to keep them company. In 1988, right before the Yellowstone fires, they moved with the National Park Service to Grand Teton National Park, Colter Bay. After the birth of her 2nd son, Kiel, she took a job with the Association. She tells us, "I was fortunate enough to eventually become the Executive Director, increasing sales from \$500 k to over \$4.3 million when I retired in July 2017. My position enabled me to run interpretive stores for the Park, Forest and the National Elk Refuge inside of visitor centers with the proceeds benefiting the educational, interpretive and research efforts of these Federal agencies." She was project manager for the many books GTA published, she was part of the design team for the state of the art Craig Thomas Discovery Center, over-saw Plein Air for the Park, and administered the Jenny Lake Ranger Fund. She goes on to tell us, "living and working in a national park and supporting our public lands has been my life's work. It was a dream job!"

Their son Kiel graduated from Gonzaga University and worked as a Teton County Sheriff Deputy for five years in Jackson Hole. He and his wife have recently gone back to Spokane to complete his masters' degree in education.

Their son John attended Southern Oregon University then entered the Army, where he was injured in his airborne division in Alaska. John is now in Boise going back to school at Boise State University.

Jan is very proud of sister, Sherrel Harris Johnston, class of '71 who has lived in Oklahoma for over 40 years, owns her own



gymnastic gym, and recently received the State of Oklahoma Shannon Miller Coach of the year award!

Recently Jan and Frank purchased a home in the Boise area to be closer to their family and friends and are enjoying retirement. She tells us, "I go to visit my best friend, Debbie Saxbury, as often as I can. It is really fun that my grade school, and other best friend, Jakki Wright and her family live and own businesses in the town we now live in, Meridian Idaho.

In their free time they volunteer for a veteran's organization, Wyakin Foundation, helping injured and ill veterans transition back to civilian life and careers through mentoring and education. Jan is also a hospice volunteer in Boise.

"I am very honored that you would highlight my life after graduating from Crater. Central Point will always be home. I appreciate the opportunity to share some thoughts and memories with you. Central Point and Crater High should hold a special place in all of our hearts."

Jan, **The Crater Foundation Newsletter** is proud of your many accomplishments. You are yet another Comet success story.

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# WHERE

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# NOW?

## 1952 – 1959

**JERRY GOLDEN (57)** – lives in Woodburn, Oregon with his wife, the former Nadra Moore (57). Their combined families include six children and seven grandchildren. Jerry attended Oregon State and Portland State University as well as Lewis and Clark School of Law. He served in the Army during the Berlin air crisis and served with the Combat Engineers. He coached an amateur Hockey team that won First Place in the Southern California Amateur Hockey League. He is now focused on enjoying retirement on the golf course and together he and Nadra are enjoying the beauty of the Willamette Valley.

**CAROL JOHNSTON LEWIS (58)** – lives in Salem, Oregon with her husband, Ron. Carol attended Highland Hospital School of Nursing earning a three year diploma and an RN degree after passing the State board exam. After she and Ron were married they stayed in the Bay area for eighteen years and had three girls. She worked in local hospitals and also did some teaching of LPN's and Nursing Assistants. In 1977 they moved back to Oregon and settled in Salem. Carol joined the staff at a Salem Hospital and worked there thirty five years. Retired fully 4 years ago, they now enjoy a golf course in their back yard, spend time bowling and traveling. They have an RV and did a few years of Snow-Birding in Arizona and Southern California.

**DAVID MACK (58)** – lives in Washington, D.C. with his wife of more than 51 years, Roz. Both are doing some professional work in addition to family and church activities. Their daughter lives nearby and they have been blessed with their first grandchild.

**CLIFFORD HOUSTON (59)** – lives in Spokane Valley, Washington with his wife of 54 years, JoAnn. They have two birth children, five adopted children, nineteen grand-children and seven great grand-children. Clifford retired from USAF in 1980 after 20 years of service and worked as an automotive mechanic until 2004. They are active in their church as elders, teachers and volunteers.

## 1960 - 1969

**MARLENE COFFMAN (63)** – lives in Elk Creek, Oregon with her husband, Troy. Marlene is now retired after a 36 year career in education. She has three daughters and between them they have nine grand-children. She spent many years in barbershopping and did some stand-up comedy in Portland. Currently she and Troy live on the Clackamas River.

**STAN SHOPE (66)** – lives in Forest Grove, Oregon with his wife of 42 years, Marie. In 2006, he retired from teaching high school after 31 years at Gaston High School. He spent just over 30 years in the Oregon Guard, retiring as a full Colonel in 2007. He did one and half tours in Vietnam and ended his career with a year deployment to Afghanistan with the 41st Bde out of Portland. He has two grown daughters who both live in Hillsboro. His retirement time is spent doing what he enjoys, building houses for Habitat for Humanity, gardening, puttering and traveling as much as they can.

**LINDA REED LUSKY (67)** – lives in Portland, Oregon. Linda graduated from University of Oregon and worked as a music/6th grade teacher in Medford. She then moved to Portland and taught 6th, 3rd and 2nd grades for Beaverton School District. She has two children, Andrew and Marya. She received her Masters from Linfield College in 1988. Linda continued teaching until retirement and now substitutes and finds time to travel.

**PATTIE WASHBURN FRAZIER (68)** – lives in Gold Hill with her husband, Joseph. Pattie graduated from Oregon State University and completed her Masters at Washington State University. Her career included teaching elementary schools and her last position was eight years as Principal at Abraham Lincoln Elementary School in Medford. She is now retired.

## 1970 - 1979

**TERESA GADDIS LANDTISER (75)** – lives in Portland, Oregon with her husband, Geary. They have two children, Christopher and Stephanie. Teresa started working as a photographer in Los Angeles but missed her family and moved back to Oregon. She attended George Fox

College then moved to Portland. She began working in Real Estate at a bank and eventually worked her way up to Executive Assistant of the Retail Division. She met her husband while playing City League Softball and left the bank to start their family. After the kids started school she went to work for a Real Estate Investor/Builder where she is currently employed.

**TERESA SINKS KEPLINGER (75)** – lives in Salem, Oregon with her husband, Phillip. Teresa works as an Advertising Director for the largest newspaper company in the USA- Gannett/USA today.

**SUE MAURER (75)** – lives in Sequim, Washington. She had the opportunity to live in Israel for two years and saw some of Europe and the Middle East. She tells us, "my girls are great blessings in my life and both graduated summa cum laude from college". Sue has taught multiple grades and subjects and also worked for a while as a formulation chemist and microbiologist. She states "my true purpose in life is growing in the Lord and leading others to walk with Him. I love attending Sequim Bible Church."

## 1980 - 1989

**JULIE SCHMITZ HEMP (83)** – lives in Columbia Falls, Montana with her husband of thirty years, J.R. They have two children, Brenton (25) and McKenzie (22). Julie loves her work as a nurse for the Montana Veterans Home and feels privileged to care for our nations veterans. She enjoys spending time with family, reading, hiking in Glacier National Park, and working with the AWANA program at her church.

**SHELLA SANFORD MOWERY (84)** – lives in Brookings, Oregon with her husband of thirty three years. They have two children and two grand-children.

## 1990 - 1999

**MELISSA THOMPSON (90)** – lives in Central Point with her husband, four children, two step-children and two grand-children. Melissa is a Nationally Certified Medical Assistant and works at Valley Family Practice for a primary care physician. In her spare time she trains for multiple races each year ranging from 5K to ½ marathons.

**SANDY TUTTLE CRENSHAW (90)** – lives in Bend, Oregon with her husband, Craig and two teenagers, a sophomore and junior at Mountain View High School. Sandy owns her own engineering business, Bend Structural Engineering. They have four dogs and two miniature donkeys. She and her husband are busy with two kids and are doing all the usual outdoor stuff (skiing, snowshoeing, mountain biking, hiking, camping, riding ATV's, canoeing) ... anything to be active and outside.

**ROBBIE JOHNSON ENGLISH (90)** – lives in Hood River, Oregon with her husband and twin sixteen year old boys. Robbie is a Juvenile Probation Officer for Hood River County and her husband is the Sheriff. They bought a hobby farm last year so they are raising hilarious animals including fainting goats, ducks, chickens and mini donkeys. She tells us "I'm going back to my Sams Valley roots".

## 2000 - 2007

**BRENT FOSTER (00)** – lives in McCordsville, Indiana with his wife, Nora and their seventeen month old daughter, Indy. Brent attended two junior colleges playing baseball and preparing himself for professional baseball. He then earned an accounting and business degree from Southern Arkansas University in 2005. He then turned down a free agent offer from the Baltimore Orioles (to pursue a career in finance) to take a Financial Assistant position at Mercer Global Advisors. In 2007 he became a Sales Associate with Gold Crest and in 2009 became a Private Client advisor with J.P. Morgan Chase Bank. In 2017 he became a Senior Wealth Manager with Indie Asset Partners, LLC, working with high-net worth families. Nora is the Director of Therapy at NeuroHope and a founding member of the NeuroHope Board of Directors. She specializes in helping those with neurologic and spina cord injury. In their free time they enjoy the outdoors and being active camping, boating, traveling and spending time with family and friends.



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The Crater Foundation Newsletter is proud to introduce you to the 2018 Crater High School Valedictorians. We appreciate their accomplishments and look forward to seeing their dreams becoming reality. Left to right in the picture:

The Crater Academy of Health & Public Service is represented by Valedictorian Ryan Laws. Ryan is the son of Darryl and Natasha Laws. He carries a weighted 4.11 GPA and will enroll at The University of Oregon Robert D. Clark Honors College where he will major in Political Science.

The Crater Renaissance Academy is represented by Valedictorian Kylie Mons who is the daughter of Brian and Anne Mons. Kylie carries a 4.07 weighted GPA and will enroll at The University of Oregon this fall where she plans to major in Neuroscience.

The Crater School of Business, Innovation & Sciences is represented by Valedictorian Kaden Petersen. Kaden is the son of Chad and Rikki Petersen. He will enroll this fall at Oregon State University and will take with him a 4.05 weighted GPA. He plans to major in Engineering.



## SPRING SPORTS SUMMARY

### 5A-3 MIDWESTERN LEAGUE

#### SPRING STATE PLAYOFFS RESULTS

**Crater Girls Basketball** - the lady Comets made it to the eight team State Tournament but were defeated in the first two games by LaSalle of Portland and Central High School of Monmouth. They finished the season with a 21 - 6 record.

**Crater Boys Basketball** - the boys' also made it to the eight team State Tournament. They won their first game against South Albany but lost their next two games to state champion Thurston and to Churchill and finished 6th. They finished the season with a 25 - 3 record.

#### 2018 RESULTS

#### SPRING RESULTS

**STATE CHAMPIONS - Baseball** - The Comet baseball team finished the season 2nd in the Midwestern League and proceeded to the state playoffs where they were ranked 3rd in the state. They defeated Hillsboro 11 - 5 in the first round of state playoff games and then faced Sandy in the state quarter finals. They defeated Sandy 1 - 0 in eight innings with pitcher Larson Kindreich pitching a no hit game striking out 20 hitters. The Comets then faced Bend in the state semi-final game and defeated them 5 - 4 to reach the state 5A championship game for the second year in a row. Crater faced the top seeded Crescent Valley team of Corvallis in the state title game and defeated them 2 - 0. Their season record is 25 - 6.

**Softball** - The Crater girls' softball team finished 4th in the Midwestern League and proceeded to the state playoffs where they defeated Silverton 8 - 4 in a play in game. They then defeated Dallas 2 - 1 in the first round of state playoff games. They then advanced to a quarter finals game against Putnam and were defeated 5 - 3 to end their season. Crater's girls finished the season with a 13 - 12 record.

**Boys Track** - The Crater boys track team finished 2nd in the District meet and 5th at the State Track and Field meet. Crater had one State Champion, senior Cal Duke who repeated as the Intermediate hurdles state champion with a state record performance and finished 2nd in the 110 meter high hurdles. Other top placers were junior Jantz Tostenson with a second in the 3000 meter run and sophomore Ryland McCullough finishing 3rd in the 800 meter run.

**Girls Track** - The Crater girls track team finished 5th at the district meet and 17th at the state track meet. Ariana Marks finished 8th in the 3000 meter run and 6th in the 1500 meter run while Emily Thompson finished 3rd in the pole vault.

**Girls Golf** - The Crater girls golf team qualified for the State tournament and finished 3rd at the state.

**Boys Golf** - The Crater boys golf team did not qualify any players for state tournament matches.

*Congratulations to all!*

## Foundation Website

We continue to update our web site with new pictures and with updated information about the Foundation. All past 67 Newsletters are on the web site; pictures and write-ups on all Hall of Fame inductees; pictures and write-ups about retired teachers and much much more. We encourage you to spend some time looking at updates and becoming familiar with the Web site.

## Newsletter - Did You Know

Many of you are aware that the Crater Foundation has written an alumni Newsletter for several years. What you may not realize is that this Summer Newsletter is the 67th Alumni Newsletter written over the past 23 plus years. We have now featured 68 Crater High graduates and have written about more than 1,348 graduates in the "Where Are They Now" section of the Newsletter. Usually we do not write about alumni until they have been out of high school for at least ten years. That being said, we are always interested in Crater graduates, where they are and what they've accomplished since graduation and we plan to continue to write and mail the Crater Alumni Newsletter 3 times a year.

# CRATER ALUMNI REGISTRATION

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CRATER GRAD:  YES  NO \_\_\_\_\_ YEAR

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## 1958 – 60th - Class Reunion – Sept. 7 – 9

**Contacts; Helen Byers 541-664-4992 or Jon Neal 503-949-3519**

**1968 – 50th - Class Reunion** - August 17th, 18th and 19th. Friday, school tours, meet and greet; Saturday, picnic, join the Crater Foundation at Del Rio dinner & wine; Sunday breakfast.

**Contact: Patti Washburn Frazier – 1824 2nd Ave. Gold Hill, OR 97525.**

**1978 – 40th – Class Reunion** - August 17th & 18th Follow the Facebook Group Crater Alumni Class Reunions -Dates to be posted on Facebook

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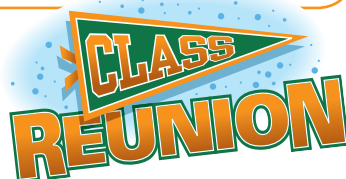
**1988 – 30th – Class Reunion** - August 3rd & 4th.

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**2008 - 10th – Class Reunion** - August 31st - 6:p.m. – place TBD -

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## CRATER HIGH FALL SPORTS HOME SCHEDULES

### VARSITY HOME SCHEDULES

#### FOOTBALL

Aug.	31	Wilsonville
Sept.	7	Willamette
Sept.	28	South Eugene
Oct.	12	Eagle Point

#### GIRLS SOCCER

Aug.	28	Roseburg
Sept.	5	Rogue River
Sept.	8	Eagle Point
Sept.	13	Henley
Sept.	15	Springfield
Sept.	22	Churchill
Oct.	13	Willamette
Oct.	20	North Bend

#### VOLLEYBALL

Aug.	28	Ashland
Sept.	4	Willamette
Sept.	11	Grants Pass
Sept.	29	Thurston
Sept.	29	Springfield
Oct.	2	Churchill
Oct.	9	Eagle Point
Oct.	18	North Bend
Oct.	23	North Eugene

#### CROSS COUNTRY

Oct.	10	Max King Invitational
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#### BOYS SOCCER

Aug.	29	Mazama
Sept.	8	Eagle Point
Sept.	13	Henley
Sept.	15	Springfield
Sept.	22	Churchill
Oct.	13	Willamette
Oct.	20	North Bend

