Dear Classmates:

As a member of the Legacy Alumni Steering Committee (LASC) and the chairman for all three "The Gatherings", it is long past time to clarify a few important matters that you may not know.

The LASC is a group of dedicated Sacred Heart and Serra Catholic alumni who plan at least two annual events and produce the "Connections" newsletter for their alumni. In addition they plan and sponsor "The Gathering" every three years for alumni and classmates.

Blanchet Catholic School hosts these events to welcome us. They provide staff, volunteers and their facilities AT NO COST to us. Further, they have covered the production costs and mailing for all thirteen editions of our newsletters. They also collect donations for us, providing the accounting expertise, asking nothing in return. All of this because Blanchet sincerely wants us to feel ***their home is our home*** since both of our schools no longer exist. They ask nothing of us for this.

I personally belong to several non-profit organizations with their own foundations, like Blanchet and the Salem Area Catholic Schools. So, let me propose, that if you are grateful for the quality education you and your friends received many years ago, if you are grateful for the lasting memories that you are visiting again with the support Blanchet has given over and over for our benefit, consider demonstrating your appreciation by a provision in your will for a bequest to Blanchet Catholic School and/or to the Salem Catholic Schools Foundation. Or sooner, while you are still enjoying your life on this earth, participate to the extent you are able, in one of Blanchet's fund-raising events. Small or great, in this way, you can help our children and grandchildren experience the blessed gift of a quality education. And maybe also say "thank you" for all Blanchet has done for us . . . bringing us together these past years.

I hope you totally enjoy this evening as you catch up with your friends, with all the precious memories shared from days past. And God willing, I look forward to being with all of you again at our **next "The Gathering" on August 12, 2017**.

Always my best to all,

Gerry Pavelek, Serra '58

2014

"The Gathering"

Sacred Heart Academy & Serra Catholic

SHA REUNION SC

at *Blanchet Catholic School*

"a new place to call home . . ."

ANIMO ET FIDE CAVALIERS

Raffle & Goodies

Help support future reunions and alumni socials! Tickets cost 5/$5 or 5/$20. Winners will be announced at the 9:00 p.m. break.

Prizes

- $250 Visa Gift Card
- Oregon Wine Basket
- Wine and Cooler Picnic Set
- $60 Gift Card to McGraths Restaurant
- Blanchet Goody Basket
- Legacy Alumni Coffee Goody Basket

Professional Group Photographs
5:30 - 7:00 pm

Capture the evening with a professional class photograph. Wayne Parker with WJ Parker Photography will be available in the Lee Student Center to take your group or class pictures. Cost and ordering information will be provided at the photo session!

Class Notes

Kudo's all around and especially to:

All of our attendees and the many alumni donors who made a contribution to help lessen the expense of this event.

The Salem Catholic Schools Foundation for their generous sponsorship of The Gathering. Foundation President Kevin Mannix says, "The Salem Catholic Schools Foundation, founded in 1978 to support Salem-area Catholic schools, thanks graduates of Catholic Schools for getting together and encourages all graduates to continue their involvement in Catholic schools. Find out more at our website: www.salemcatholicschoolsfoundation.org."

Blanchet Catholic School for underwriting this and all alumni events through out the years. And this year again to the over 40 volunteer Blanchet parents and students.

Toni Nanneman, Blanchet Development Coordinator, for her outstanding assistance to help organize this major event.

Blanchet Catholic School board members and graduates from Sacred Heart & Serra Catholic – Donna (Parton) Garaventa SHA '68, Bob Saalfeld and John Salstrom SC '67, who have provided excellent leadership for all reunion activities & efforts.

Gerry Pavelek SC '58 and his mighty team of Class Reps for their individual and collective dedication to locating alumni and maintaining an alumni database.

Elaine (Nelke) Swyt SHA '67 for producing our "Connections" quarterly newsletters to help connect past, present and future alumni.

"The Live Five" (Bill O'Brien '64, Joe Smith '66, Stan Steiner '66, Craig Martel '66 and Jerry Meier '64) for reuniting & performing at The Gathering.

Michael Trevino, Blanchet Catholic '07, for providing the sound equipment, lights and technical expertise for "The Live Five."

Francisco Reyes, Blanchet Parent & Caterer, for donating his time at no cost.

Janet Fessler, Fessler Nursery, raffle donation.

And anyone else we may have failed to mention . . .

Next
The Gathering
August 12, 2017 !

Welcome to The Gathering 2014

Welcome to our 3rd triennial gathering of Sacred Heart Academy and Serra Catholic High School! In 2011, we hosted nearly 500 alumni. This time we are hoping for as big a turn out.

We have planned what we hope is an entertaining night to help you take that walk down memory lane with your old classmates. Enjoy the fabulous food and ageless music from the past, presented by our very own "The Live Five."

from the Legacy Committee

- Remember we are here to serve you!
- If you have attended this reunion you will be subscribed to receive our quarterly newsletter, *Connections.*
- If you know of graduates who are not receiving our mailings, please let us know.
- Blanchet is available to host individual class reunions and you can request copies of your class roster/contact information.
- We continue to seek memorabilia, especially from Sacred Heart, for our archives.

Tim Pickett, Serra '67 - Chairperson
John Salstrom, Serra '67 - Vice Chair
Marc Rocque, Serra '68 - Sec/Treasurer
Elaine (Nelke) Swyt, SHA '67 - Communications
Donna (Parton) Garaventa, SHA '68
Gerry Pavelek, Serra '58
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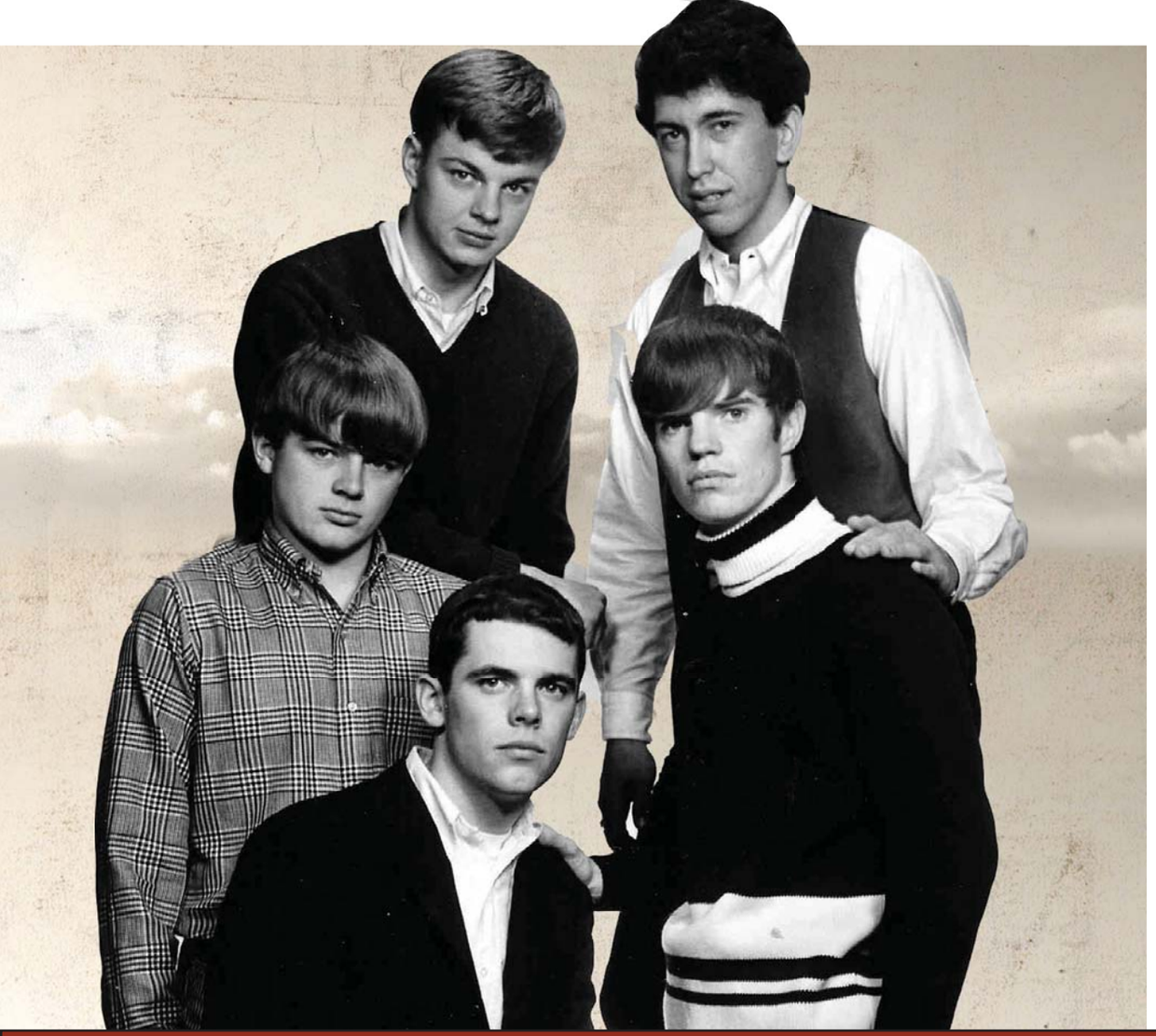
Keep posted with news & upcoming events, and update our growing database with your email if you haven't already. *We only use your personal information for communication purposes.* Make a donation to help us finance future events at:

www.BlanchetCatholicSchool.com/LegacyAlumni



Today's Program

Auxiliary Gym

2:30 p.m.	Social
5:00 p.m.	Mass Celebrants Fr. Christian Mondor & Fr. Jim Coleman
5:00 – 6:00 p.m.	Registration
6:00 p.m.	Dinner Welcome - Fr. Jim Coleman, Prayer - Tony Guevara, Blanchet Catholic School President
7:00 pm	Tim Pickett, Legacy Alumni Committee Chairman Donna Garaventa, Salem Catholic Schools Foundation & LASC John Salstrom, Blanchet Catholic School Board, LASC Vice-Chair

Main Gym

7:15 – 8:00 p.m. 8:15 – 9:00 p.m. 9:15 - 10:00 p.m.	"The Live Five"
8:30 Break	Late night buffet of goodies
9:00 Break	Raffle winners announcements / Awards / Recognitions

Serra State A-2 Championship '66

Serra Cheerleaders

SHA Cecilians

SHA 1865