

SALISBURY HIGH SCHOOL OLD SCHOLARS NEWSLETTER

"We Always Aspire to a Pathway to Success"



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From the Principal

Welcome to our new improved newsletter.

A City of Legends

A face you know; a person you can look up to; this is what the City of Salisbury's Living Legends is all about. In 2006 I was fortunate to be chosen along with Pearl Tassell an Old Scholar. In 2007 two of the Living Legends are Angelo Costanzo another Old Scholar and Dorothy Westell.



Angelo has been a professional soccer player for the past 12 years and has represented the Australian National team on six occasions. He is currently the Captain of Adelaide United and is described as a local boy who is inspirational to others. Angelo has great memories of growing up in Salisbury and attending Salisbury High School.

Dorothy Westell is a long serving Parent Liaison Officer of Salisbury High School, a volunteer for a range of local organisations, including Neighbourhood Watch and is a member of the Salisbury North Community Reference Group. She is a member of the Governing Council and facilitates The Friends of Salisbury High School. Her five children all attended Salisbury High School.

We congratulate them both.



New Uniform

We are delighted to introduce our new Salisbury High School uniform (see photo). Students can no longer wear jeans, but navy blue pants, skirts or shorts. The response from our students and families has been fantastic.

You will be pleased to know that we have included the original *Always Aspire* on the new tops.

National Award for Quality Schooling 2007

We are delighted to announce that Salisbury High School recently won a Highly Commended Award for Excellence in School / Family Partnerships at The Australian Government's 2007 National Awards for Quality Schooling.

A team from Salisbury High School attended the Awards Presentation Ceremony at the Great Hall, Parliament House, in Canberra on Wednesday, 21st March.



*Hon David Fawcett MP, Federal Member for Wakefield
Helen Paphitis, Principal*

Hon Julie Bishop, Minister for Education, Science and Training

The awards were presented by the Hon Julie Bishop MP, Minister for Education, Science and Training at a formal presentation ceremony, in the presence of education and parliamentary dignitaries. The school received its award for the Care System which has been part of our school's structure for 14 years.

Helen Paphitis - Principal

Invitation to attend Open Day - Sunday 20th May 2007

We invite old scholars to attend our Open Day to catch up on our school news as well as old school mates.

Staff and students will be here showing visitors our facilities and curriculum programs.

There will be an Information Session in the Resource Centre at 1.30pm and tours of the school.

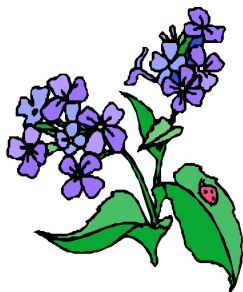
Looking forward to seeing you. Please RSVP to Cheryl on 8182 0200, fax 8180 2001 or email cheryl.bermingham@salisburyhigh.sa.edu.au if you are able to join us.

Helen Paphitis - Principal

Special Thanks

To the Friends of Salisbury High School. These lovely ladies place the labels on envelopes, fold the newsletter and stamp the envelopes for me. Their help is very much appreciated as we now have just over 2500 Old Scholars and growing all the time.

Cheryl Bermingham



Moving House?

If you are moving house, please let us have your new address, as unfortunately when letters are returned as undeliverable we are not always able to trace you. We would also appreciate change of email addresses and other details so that we can keep our records up to date. Many thanks.

Cheryl Bermingham



Upgrade to School Facilities

As you may be aware this site is to undergo a \$3.7m redevelopment over the next twelve to eighteen months. This project is jointly funded by the State and Commonwealth Governments and being managed by the Department of Education Children's Services and the Department of Transport, Energy and Infrastructure in consultation with Salisbury High School.

The main project includes the establishment of a **Performing Arts Centre** (which includes a professional drama and dance performance theatre seating over 200 people – plus drama and music classrooms); a significant modernisation of our **Technical Studies workshops**; a refurbishment of our **Resource Centre** and both **Home Economics kitchens**; and the upgrading of our **power supply** (the electrical transformer) which should significantly reduce the risk of power outages across the school.

In addition to the above the Salisbury High School community will be pleased to know that our Facility manager, Spotless Services, has been engaged to deliver the following projects during the next few months:

Air-conditioning in the Gymnasium (this is possible through a grant received through the Commonwealth Government's Investing in Our Schools Program and through the generosity of donations made by Salisbury High School Old Scholars).

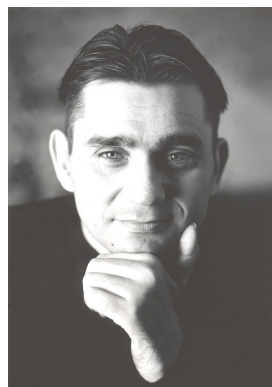
Air-conditioning in the Resource Centre and an All Weather Shelter between Wing One and the Canteen (both of these are possible though grants received through the Commonwealth Government's Investing in Our Schools Program),

Salisbury High School has also budgeted to provide more **seating** and **improved shelter** during 2007 and 2008.

Please contact me if you would like to know more about this and other projects on the go throughout the school this year.

Mark Hill - Business Manager

Patron's note



It pleases me greatly to see the old scholars' newsletter grow in popularity as more and more people become aware of it. The school currently mails out more than 2,500 copies and the number continues to grow. Many people I have spoken to have fond memories of their time at Salisbury High School and they are keen to relive the old times and to catch up with friends from the past. I am also happy that many past students are contributing their life stories for others to read. Reading each newsletter, for me, is a fascinating insight into what past students have gone on to achieve in many walks of life. These stories inspire the current student population and helps them realise they have many opportunities to look forward to after they leave school.

I thank the many old scholars who have contributed to the school in some way and ask that they continue to spread the word and encourage others to do the same. The school's Speech Day in December is a wonderful opportunity to help celebrate the students' achievements for the year and to catch up with the growing number of old scholars who attend.

Rick Mauvoric

Success Stories

We continue to be impressed with successful stories relating to our old scholars, either through their work or in other ways and we have been fortunate to be able to share some of their stories with you through the newsletter.

We are presently compiling a compendium of such successes which may be used in promoting the school and to inspire our current and future students. While we realise that people are sometimes loathe to broadcast their achievements perhaps because of a sense of modesty, we are keen to include as many as possible in our Register.

With this in mind we respectfully ask that, if you would like to be included, you send a brief summary of your past and current achievements and any contact details you are happy to share with the community – whether this is your name only if you don't wish to be contacted personally, or how they can get in touch with you if you don't mind being contacted, possibly to offer help and/or advice.

Because of confidentiality, and the fact that it is possible some information might eventually be included on our website as well as in other forms of media, we would only be able to accept information from the person directly involved, or their contact details for us to follow up.

Please don't be hesitant for whatever reason in sharing your success with others – your story could well be the inspiration a student might need to make their life successful – you could make a difference.

Please email details to dorothy.westell@salisburyhigh.sa.edu.au or by mail to the school.

Dorothy Westell

Brian Fretter

Brian Fretter's (Years 1963 – 65) school friends included Brian Wagstaff, Jim Smith, Martin Wright and Campbell Jeffries, although he also knew many others including Ingrid and Helen Maurovic. From school he commenced work at the Para Hills and then Salisbury Post Offices, at the latter working with Graham Kelsey. When he turned 18 he left the post offices behind and travelled around Australia – worked on a cattle station in the Kimberley Ranges, W.A. for a short time. In 1971 he married Penny Nash and returned to S.A. to work at the Adelaide Central Mail Exchange – where he stayed for 12 years. His first home in Christies Beach was used as collateral to purchase the Anzac Highway Garden Centre (in 1982) which Brian successfully built up and eventually sold in 1989. Brian and his wife now operate a wholesale nursery from their property at Macdonald Park, near Virginia.

Happily married, Brian has 2 sons and 8 grandchildren and enjoys many sporting hobbies, he is also a licensed scuba diving instructor.

Greg Nybo

Greg Nybo (1976-79) is Managing Director of Century 21 Property People at Salisbury and has been heavily involved in the Salisbury North Urban Renewal Project. A candidate for the Advertiser Adelaide Bank Awards for Excellence for Real Estate last year, Greg told the Advertiser that 'to continually strive to do things better is what we are all about here and I think that is the most important thing'. With this philosophy it is no wonder that Greg has become so successful.

Connie Lupoi and Gary Lupoi

Connie Fiorita (Salisbury High 1978 – 1981/82) was a guest at a wedding 10 years ago and bumped into a fellow guest, Gary Lupoi, who attended Salisbury High at the same time as Connie. (They had been invited to the wedding from the opposite sides – bride and groom). They hadn't seen each other for 15 years (although both lived in Salisbury), had a lot of catching up to do, were still single and 'hit it off' – and yes! you've guessed it, after this wedding they themselves became 'an item' and were married 18 months later. Connie and Gary Lupoi now have 2 beautiful children, Connie is a Customer Service Officer and Gary is a Storeman. What a great story!

Rebecca, Sarah and Leah Hooper

Carol Hooper, proud mother of these three girls, met up with one of our staff at an Archery Medal Shoot a few months ago, and was happy to pass on some information about them, which we now share with you.

Rebecca completed a 3-year University course in Dance, followed by an 18-month's course in Teaching. After teaching for 3 years at St. Mark's Catholic College in Port Pirie and gaining permanency, is currently teaching at St. Pius X at Windsor Gardens. Now married, Rebecca lives at Burton.

Sarah is nearing the end of her Business Law degree, while working in John Rau's office at Prospect. He has taken her into Parliament a few times and she is planning to go either into Politics or Criminal Law this year.

Leah entered the Beauty profession and after graduating completed 4 years to obtain her Hairdressing Certificate. After 2 years as a hairdresser Leah undertook study from the Animal Veterinarian Resource Centre in Queensland and is now doing her Certificate 4 in Vet Nursing – working for Vets 4 Pets.

Old scholar preselected for Senate position

Old scholar and businesswoman, Maria Kourtesis, has been preselected by the Liberal Party as a candidate to contest a Senate spot in the forthcoming Federal election. If Maria is successful, she will become the first Senator, in the Federal parliament in Canberra, who attended Salisbury High School. We wish her great success come election time.

Rick Maurovic

Salisbury Primary School

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If you were one of the inaugural students at Salisbury High School there's a big chance you graduated from Salisbury Primary in 1958?

Salisbury Primary School is planning a reunion in 2008 for students who were in grade 7 in 1958. If you would like to be involved with the planning of a suitable function to celebrate the Golden Jubilee please contact Bobbie Mulholland (formerly Roberta Hazeal) on rsquared@bigpond.net.au Phone 8376 4500.

50th Anniversary

In 2009 the school will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary and we would be interested to hear suggestions as to how we celebrate this. We would also like to find our oldest living scholar so that this person can be invited to the celebrations. It is quite possible that our oldest scholar is not on our database and has not been traceable so far. Can you help to find him/her? Please email suggestions re the 50th or 'who is the oldest' to cheryl.bermingham@salisburyhigh.sa.edu.au or by mail to the school.

Speech Day Thanks



A special thank you to the following Old Scholars who support our Speech Day each year. Many of these wonderful old scholars have been donating and presenting their Award as well as attending the day for over seven years.

Delwyn Ayling
Jeffery Baden
Martin Baden
Angela Burford
Dr Guiseppe Caretti
Dennis Greaves
Dorothy Griggs
Dr Fraser Gurling
Steve Hore

Rick Maurovic
Dr Duncan McFetridge
Denise McKenzie
Derrick McManus
Gail Streather
Janice Vidovich
Heather Wehr
Jennifer White

We also thank the following businesses:

Adelaide Zoo
Australia Post
Bob Jane T Mart Salisbury
Book Agencies
Bunnings
Caltex
Channel 10
Charlesworth
Devon Clothing
Doorways 2 Construction
Dick Smiths
Five AA Adelaide

Haighs
JS Sports
Maxitech
Mitani
Mix 102.3 FM
Premier Art Supplies
Rotary
RM Williams
Spotlight
Salisbury North Football Club
State Supply
Woolworths

This year's Speech Day is to be held on Friday 30th November in the air conditioned School Gym. All old scholars are welcome to attend.

We need your support

We would be grateful if you are able to contribute financially in the following ways:

Speech Day Awards – range from \$20 to \$200.

Cost of printing and postage of this newsletter. If you know of any grants we can apply for please let us know. For more information please call or email Cheryl. Many thanks.

Helen Paphitis - Principal

2006 Speech Day Photos



Success Stories cont.

Alan Brown

Congratulations to Alan 'Choco' Brown (1976-79) who has been appointed Operations Manager at the Holden dealership at Victor Harbor. Go and talk turkey with Alan on a special 'old scholars' deal when you buy your next Holden.

Michael Freeman

Michael attended Salisbury High in 1960 and was placed in Class 1B. Interesting people he recalls include Mr. Haines, Mr. Marino and Miss Mann, and events such as compass throwing challenges at lunchtime, handball at recess bring back happy memories. Mr. Haines wreaking havoc in Miss Mann's unruly French class and Science lessons that went awry. Michael says maybe this is not the time to mention them – but these really are the memories that bring a smile to the reader. He left the following year when Elizabeth High opened. In 2005, Michael visited his brother who lives in Salisbury and for interest had him drive past the school, many things evoked very nostalgic memories for him – he thought that much had not seemed to change. Michael now lives in Lesmurdie, W.A.

Mark Sorrell

Mark was a student at Salisbury High from 1978 – 1982, enjoyed it and considers himself a proud scholar. He lived at Brahma Lodge and still catches up with a number of people who were here around that time. Mark is AIS National Head Coach for Women's Cricket (Cricket Australia), based in Albion, Queensland. A proud Northern suburbs person, Mark accredits the upbringing he had in the area for preparing him well for his life now and says that Salisbury High played a large part in that. In his current role he spends time talking with many organizations, schools and young people about planning for the future, setting goals and being part of successful teams.

Mauro Maurovic



Congratulations to Mauro Maurovic (1961-1965) who came third in his first-ever equestrian competition.

Mauro (now living at Echunga, in the Adelaide Hills) only recently took up horse-riding and competed in the dressage and cross-country events at the Gawler River Pony Club. Well done, Mauro!

Mauro Maurovic with his horse Carmen.

Christine (nee Babolka) Addlesberger

Christine (Salisbury High 1979 – 1983) has been residing in the USA for nearly 10 years. Married to an American citizen (originally from Italy) Christine is currently employed as a flight attendant for a major USA airline. Christine has worked in the corporate world of retail, travel and business, is now in her dream career. Living in a suburb of Atlanta and having turned the ripe old age of 40 (her words!) Christine keeps herself fit with a strict gym routine.

Christine left Salisbury High in 1983 having completed her Matriculation year and still maintains friendships with some of her old schoolmates with whom she recalls their good old days at the school. Friends at school included Kerry Champion, Leanne McNair, Debra Broster to name a few. Teachers included David Steele, Charlie Marino, Mr. Williams and so on.

Memories include school socials (dances) in the Hall, sports days, non-uniform days (yippee!!!) and the school car park – where those lucky enough to have cars were able to 'hang-out' before and after school. Although Christine didn't have a car her friend Kerry did and she was convinced to be their personal chauffeur! Last year of High School was celebrated by an early morning fancy dress breakfast, followed by a fun day on the school oval throwing flour/eggs, etc., at each other and then dinner at a local restaurant. A day filled with sadness, hope and anticipation of what the years ahead would bring.

Other family members to attend Salisbury High were sisters Anita (now residing in Adelaide) and Yvonne (now living in Oregon, USA) and brother Roger (Mount Gambier).

Christine looks back at her school years with fondness, where the days were spent in a manner which allowed them to truly enjoy their teenage years and youthfulness.

Correction – Tony Smith

In a previous newsletter we included a request from Tony Smith for old school mates to contact him. Unfortunately an incorrect email address was given and so we wish to amend this to apsmith1@bigpond.com and offer our sincere apologies to Tony and to all those who tried to contact him.

Paul Hagan

Paul commenced at Salisbury High in 1960 and has fond memories of his classmates in 3D (possibly Class of '64), Rick Vidivic, Peter Bucko, Steve Stavrios, Peter Thorpe, Dennis Wright (Dux of school and State in 3rd year), Kim Platt, Paulo Leombruno, Alistair Fraser, Paul Croucher, George Fudachi, Robert Popke, Peter Edwards, Bruce Shanks, Robert Wasser and Wayne Ranger. Alistair and Wayne were his best mates sharing an interest in things electrical. After high school Alistair joined ETSA but later joined the Police department. Meantime, Paul joined the S.A. Railways in 1966 as an Electrical Fitter Apprentice – his first pay was 6 pounds – the next week it was \$12, as decimal currency was introduced.

After serving his 5-year apprenticeship, Paul and his wife, Elizabeth, moved to Peterborough with the SAR. They moved back to Adelaide where he worked with Modern Metals for a year, then Texas Instruments as Electrical Fitter Special Class for 13 years gaining certificates at night school which greatly assisted in his career moves later in life. Paul and Elizabeth had 2 girls. He then became a Service Technician with SATAB for 18 months and in 1986 became a Field Service Engineer with Kodak Australia and is still there after 20 years. In 1984 they built a new home in Salisbury Heights and Paul joined the RAAF Reserves and was with them for 14 years

Sadly, Elizabeth lost her fight with cancer in 1995. Paul remarried in 2005 to Susan and had a 'sea-change' relocating to Rockhampton in Queensland still with Kodak.

Paul says "the power of education has unlocked my mind and has given me the ability to travel with my work and live a comfortable life with good friends, so anything is possible". He also sends his best wishes to all those who remember him.

More on John Bergamin

John Bergamin (Salisbury High 1960-62) who was featured in an earlier newsletter was set to be the first person to fly an ultra-light aircraft from St. Kilda across Gulf St. Vincent.

Unfortunately, after three attempts the flight was aborted due to bad weather. John, however, still managed to raise \$25,500 for the Queen Elizabeth Hospital's Haematology and Oncology Research Unit. He will again attempt the crossing after Easter this year. We wish him well for his next attempt.

John would like to organise a reunion of old scholars who were at Salisbury High during 1960-61-62, and is looking to catch up with students from those years. Some of his teachers were Messrs. Dyer and Darwin, Mrs. Sylvester and Headmaster Mr. Haines. John can be contacted at: PO Box 195, Virginia, SA 5120 (telephone number 8380 9189).

Gary Schultz – A Teacher's Memories

Gary Schultz (teacher at Salisbury High 1960 – 63) submitted an extremely interesting article for this newsletter, which is full of memories of growing up in Salisbury, his family and his career. Unfortunately, because space doesn't permit us to publish Gary's full article, we are only able to include an edited version. If anyone would like to have a copy of the full article please contact Dorothy Westell at the school and one will be sent to you.

Some background re Gary is that he attended Adelaide High School, after Salisbury Consolidated Primary School. He had a choice between Adelaide and Gawler as these were the closest High schools to Salisbury at that time. He then went on to Adelaide Teachers' College, followed by Adelaide University, The School of Mines and the SA School of Art. He began his teaching career at Salisbury High as their first Art teacher. This was in 1960 when the school was one year old and Gary was 19! In 1963 he married a local Italian girl, Nella Brazzalotto.

He says that he thinks back now with some embarrassment to those early years as an inexperienced teacher, trying to manage 40 students in Practical classes meant for 20. He wonders how he coped and what the students in his classes learnt. He was in Oliphant House when Richard Laycock and Barbara Stoddart were the House Master and House Mistress.

As an Art teacher he was paid less than most teachers and also because he was under 21. He was responsible for running the bookroom and now, in retirement, he sells books to Salisbury High and thus retains his links with the school.

In the early years, Salisbury High had 'holding classes' for Elizabeth High School, and many of our students and teaching staff were sent to the new school when it opened. Gary is thrilled to see how well the old scholars from his teaching years have done and is mindful that many who did not have their names in lights have made the school proud and distinguished themselves by becoming valuable citizens.

He says that Salisbury High is where he developed his skills as a teacher and was fortunate to have wonderful students and teachers surrounding him. His memories of the school are all positive and deeply embedded in his treasure-chest of wonderful life experiences.

Back to the Sixties Night

Old scholar Brian Pickering organised a 'Back to the Sixties' night last year at Elizabeth, and Helen Maurovic (1963-66) went and had a great time. Here is what Helen has written for us:

"It took me back to 1967, and catching up with old scholars and old Elizabeth friends who I hadn't seen for over 38 years was exciting. Some of those from Salisbury High were Neville and Brian Pickering, Barry Mullett, George Whyath, Rick and Johnny Vidovich, Sue Ritchie, Barbara Body, Mauro and Ingrid Maurovic and Doug Wickham. I couldn't comprehend all the years that had passed – but we still all looked the same. For all the diehard Central District footy fans, three champions – Tim Jackson, Doug Wickham and Jeff Smitham were in the room also. It was awesome, we danced to Elizabeth Bands: Hard Time Killing Floor. John Swann (Swannee) and the Beatles Show. It was like being there all over again, with a sparkle in my eye and a young heart. I was the first to arrive with my sister Ingrid and we were the last to leave. I wanted the night to never end.

I take my hat off to Brian (Pickering) for getting this gig together because it was a huge effort and a credit to him. Everybody enjoyed themselves. As soon as I got the invitation, I was booked on the plane from the Sunshine Coast in Queensland. I wasn't going to miss that. All you old scholars who knew about it but couldn't be bothered to do anything about it, you missed out. I missed out on seeing you and you missed out on seeing me! Hope you are all doing well".

Thank you for this story, Helen, sounds like you had one heck-of-a time.

Submitted by Rick Maurovic

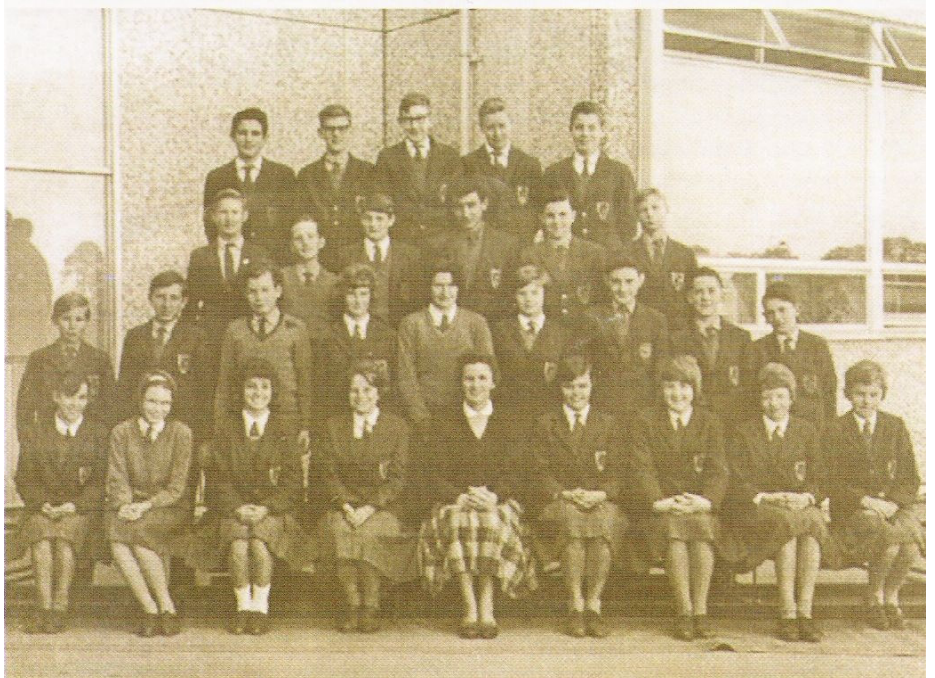
Where are they now!

Serina Dear would like to get in touch with any of her old school friends, particularly **Carena Lambe** and **Caitlin Kiely**. If anyone can help please contact Serina at sdear@bigpond.net.au

Gary Schultz taught at Salisbury High 1960 – 63 and would like to make contact with a teaching colleague, **Lance Mugford** – or find out any information regarding Lance. Gary can be contacted on 0417 082 963.

Leeanne Fernandez (nee Moritz) is looking for Jane Robertson, Maureen Buchan or Audrey Graham. Leeanne can be contacted on leeannef@exemail.com.au.

Kathleen Schofield sent in a couple of photographs from years 1962 and 1963 which we are sure some of you will identify with. We are not including names to save possible embarrassment, as you will know who you are!!!! If you recognise yourself we hope it brings back happy memories. Kathleen is now the proud grandmother of 5 grandchildren.



Wonder what they are doing now!