

# Cerritos College Retired Faculty Association



**WE REMEMBER. . .**

Fall 2014

Our beloved **Nancy Kelly** passed away on Sunday, August 17, while surrounded by loved ones. In her honor, a celebration of her life was held on Saturday, August 30 at 10:00 a.m. at the Cerritos College Nancy Kelly Softball Field.

“Once a Falcon, always a Falcon.”

This mantra was not only coined and fulfilled by Cerritos College’s first-ever softball and women’s basketball coach Nancy Kelly, it continues on through the program’s current staff and players.

Kelly, a Cerritos College Hall of Famer and softball field namesake, died Sunday at the age of 78 after a battle with cancer. Her presence and ability to mentor was felt throughout the program long after her coaching days, even up to last season, where she could be found in attendance regularly as a fan and team supporter.

In addition to her on-field contributions and later support, Kelly created a scholarship which was to go to one student-athlete per year to help pay for books, with the hope that the student would continue her academic career, whether she went on to play softball at a four-year institution or not. If you wish to make a donation to the Nancy Kelly Academic Scholarship online, please visit the Cerritos College Foundation website at [www.cerritos.edu/foundation](http://www.cerritos.edu/foundation) and click on the “Give Now” button or make your check payable to the Cerritos College Foundation and reference this scholarship. Donations should be mailed to Cerritos College Foundation, 11110 Alondra Boulevard, Norwalk, CA 90650. If you have any questions, you may contact the Foundation Office directly at (562) 860-2451, extension 2526.



Apparently **Keith Adams** was blind-sided by pancreatic cancer and passed away. Private services were held. We have no other information except to let all of you know Joyce would love a card or a note of condolence.



**Ed Bloomfield** wrote a brief note. I am still in grief over the loss of Keith Adams. He was a great friend, a dedicated colleague, a student centered teacher and administrator. I will always cherish memories of our after work “staff development” meetings at Clinkerdagger’s, The Plankhouse, and Black Angus.

Keith was a pro a building camaraderie campus wide that enhanced problem solving and made the work place more enjoyable. He was a person of great integrity who practiced what he preached. I will always be grateful for having known him and having had him as part of my life.

On a personal note, my Parkinson’s continues to progress slowly but steadily. My ability to get around has been hampered by another broken arm. Now my range of motion in each arm is limited. I am blessed with excellent care by Veronica and my caregiver, Hector. Life is still good. *Carpe Diem!*



**Bruce Johnson** writes: Keith was a good man, a friend ,and a caring administrator who helped me out in so many ways developing the Welding program. With his assistance, many hundreds of students he never met had their lives forever changed in a positive way with the opportunities he afforded them. I will remember him and his family in my thoughts and prayers. Please pass this on to Mrs. Adams.

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please fill in and send the following information to Tom Jackson, along with a check:

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Every day you made a difference in your job. Imagine if you brought those same skills to helping others. To improving lives of people who didn't get your opportunities. Of saving lives. Of making change. Imagine . . .

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## WELCOME TO THE CERRITOS COLLEGE RETIRED FACULTY ASSOCIATION

The Cerritos College Retired Faculty Association (CCRFA) is made up of retired faculty, counselors and administrators of Cerritos College. Our current membership numbers 117. However, we keep track of about 199 retired faculty. Our purpose is to meet socially, stay abreast of what is happening at Cerritos College and try to keep up with legislation being passed or considered in Sacramento affecting STRS and PERS retirees. We are not a political organization and do not lobby in Sacramento, leaving that job for the California Retired Teacher Association.

We meet twice a year at Cerritos College (on center stage in the Student Center) for lunch – usually in April and October. We try to have other social activities in between the April and



October lunch meetings. We have organized a Palm Desert weekend, a Sunday at the beach, and also went for a cruise on the SS Lane Victory and attended a dinner/dance at the Huntington Harbour Yacht Club. Our newsletter is published twice a year and is made up entirely of letters received from our membership.

We stand ready to assist faculty with their non-STRS questions about retirement. We also stand ready to help students planning to be teachers with scholarships. If you would like to contact CCRFA, please E-mail Jon Fults at: [fults007@gmail.com](mailto:fults007@gmail.com). I will get in touch with you as soon as possible.

## CCRFA TEACHER TRAC SCHOLARSHIP

Each semester, the CCRFA awards a promising Teacher TRAC applicant a \$750 scholarship. In order to maintain the tradition, we need YOU to contribute to the scholarship fund.

YOUR donation is tax deductible and helps an aspiring teacher to attain his/her goal.

You can help by sending a check payable to: Cerritos College Foundation and mailed to Tom Jackson, CCRFA Treasurer, 11014 Hayford Street, Norwalk, CA 90650. On the memo line indicate CCRFA Scholarship.



*Geri Cod presents Wendy Toro, recipient of the CCRFA Teacher TRAC scholarship for Spring 2014*

## DR. WILFORD MICHAEL

**From Wilford (Dr. Mike) and Jean Michael.**

In regard to the luncheon on November 6, 2014, I regret that Jean and I will be unable to attend this year due to a conflict. My Rotary Club meets on that date, and I am in charge of the program. We always enjoy re-connecting with Cerritos faculty and are disappointed we can't make it this year.

Our year has been a very good one as we both have enjoyed good health and have been able to do many

things we enjoy mostly with family, church and Cerritos.

We shall miss seeing each of you and wish you the best throughout the coming year!







**William McFadden** has been working for the last three years on building and refining a recording studio and preparing for a career in film scoring for Film and TV.

He started by taking a course in writing for Film/TV in September of 2012 at Berklee Music online, and enrolled in the Film Scoring Certificate at UCLA in June of 2013.

Concurrently, He has been writing cues for advertising and underscore for Film and TV and submitting them to Music Libraries.

He was accepted for membership in the Society for Composers and Lyricists (SCL) a couple of years ago and regularly attends lectures by current composers in the industry hosted by SCL.

He stays active playing in Christian Rock bands and continues to improve composing and orchestration skills.



**Jo and Max Freifield** send our Fall greetings to all of our Cerritos College

family. It is Fall, then the major holidays cannot be far behind. We wish everyone the very best for each and every one of those holidays.

We have not done any real travel because Max is still on 24-hour oxygen treatment and it is sometimes difficult to carry his portable equipment very far from home.

We did attend the Cerritos College Homecoming festivities and saw many of our friends there. Max was pleased because Phi

Theta Kappa Honorary Society won the Amy Dozier Award for the Best Over-All float. Tom Jackson and Max helped start Phi Theta Kappa at Cerritos back around 1992.

We try to attend as many Cerritos College activities as we can, but living in Camarillo makes for a pretty good distance to travel. We look forward to seeing many of our Cerritos College colleagues at the luncheon and we trust that we may all be blessed with good health, much happiness and PEACE!



As with most, **Mary and Bill Lewis** have been busy. In early May we left our home in Bend, Oregon. Through the next 10 weeks we traveled 8,700 miles in our Prius. Attended one of our grandson's graduations from the University of Minnesota and our granddaughter's graduation from Barnard College at Radio City Music Hall in New York City.

The next day we arrived in Marlborough, Ma., to begin a six week trek across Massachusetts and Eastern New York, making 25

presentations at libraries about our three books that have been published: *Through the Heartland on U.S. 20: Massachusetts; Eastern New York* and *Western New York*. These are historical/travel guides about the cities, towns and villages along U.S. 20. We present the history of each community along the way, and things to do and see there.

As some of you know, U.S. 20 is principally a two lane highway that begins in Boston in front of Boston University, three blocks south of Fenway Park and four or five blocks

west of the Boston Marathon Bombing. U.S. 20 is the longest federal highway traveling 3,365 miles to Newport, Oregon, terminated at U.S. 101, less than a mile from the Pacific.

Through it all we have been wonderfully blessed and healthy. We pray that each of you are too.



**Rhea Black** says many jobs are in the works. President of Rossmoor Women's Club, we donate over

\$50,000 to schools charities and scholarships each year. I love Chapman University, even though I went to USC where I am on the Town and Gown board which gives scholarships and support to the University. I play bridge, garden and hike a little. Wayne and I are enjoying our family and two great-grands. Hope we stay healthy and active a few more years. Hope to see you at the next lunch at Cerritos.



## 2013 — 2014 OFFICERS AND OFFICE HOLDERS

President — Jon Fults      Secretary — Arleen Myers  
 Vice President — Rhea Black      Newsletter — Hal Malkin  
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Enjoy reading about your fellow retirees? Your fellow retirees would enjoy hearing from you. Be sure to submit an article for the next issue of *CCRFA MATTERS*. Watch your e-mail for notification of when and where to submit your article.



## CCRFA Active Members List

- Jean Allegre
  - Henrietta Baramki
  - Connie Bayer
  - Alex Belroy
  - Steve Berklite
  - Charles Betz
  - Marie Beuligman
  - Jack Black
  - Rhea Black
  - Ed Bloomfield
  - Allan Boodnick
  - John Boyle
  - Gary Cain
  - Barbara Carlson
  - Judi Chowen
  - Nova Jean Cristea
  - Francine De France
  - Manuel DeLeon
  - Donald Desfor
  - James Engebretson
  - Don Erjavec
  - Bill Evans
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  - Max Freifield
  - Jon Fults
  - John Gallant
  - Andrew Hallum
  - Wendell Hanks
  - Chester Harbut
  - Paul Henry
  - Robert Hinchberger
  - Keith Hinrichsen
  - Marge Hohly
  - Carolyn Holmes
  - Ellen Horvath
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  - Meredith Jacobson
  - George Jaeger
  - Adolph Johnson
  - Bruce Johnson
  - Jeanne Johnson
  - Dick Juliano
- Don Karvelis
  - Bob Kreger
  - Nick Kremer
  - Bill Lewis
  - Joan Licari
  - Mary Loya
  - Dora Macias
  - Walter Magnuson
  - Hal Malkin
  - Rebecca Marine
  - Gene Martin
  - Bill McFadden
  - Ceci Medina
  - Dr. Wilford Michael
  - Donna Miller
  - Val Mitchell
  - Frank Montera
  - Don Montgomery
  - Bernice Moser
  - Arleen Myers
  - Barbara Mueller
  - Diane Nakamura
  - Wes Nance
  - Fran Newman
  - Bill New
  - Kathy Ninomiya
  - Jenine Nolan
  - Dan O'Rourke
  - Sherry Perkins
  - James Peter
  - Marijean Piorkowski
  - Raymond Potter
  - Lela Powers
  - Joan Pratt
  - Mary Pribble
  - Jeanine Prindle
  - Jack Randall
  - Patricia Regan
  - Bob Renteria
  - Wayne Rew
  - Lola Rizkallah
  - Lynda Roberts
  - Virginia Romero
  - Rudy Rosier
  - Lynda Sampson
  - Marcelino Saucedo
  - Lacreta Scott
- Olive Scott
  - Don Sewell
  - Al Spetrino
  - Wanda Sterner
  - Pat Stewart
  - Glen Tollefson
  - Roy Tucker
  - Selma Turnblom
  - Joan Walker
  - Bob Walther
  - Lillian Wenick
  - Lee Westerlin
  - Brenda White
  - Hugh Wilkoff
  - Farid Wissa
  - Betty Wolfe
  - James Woolever
  - Frank Yee
  - David Young
  - Rey Ysais
  - Ina Zive

### Last Names of CCRFA Members Word Search Puzzle

The object of the puzzle is to find hidden words. The words may be hidden in any direction: horizontally, vertically, diagonally, and forwards and backwards. There are 15 Last Names in the puzzle.

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## WE REMEMBER. . .



**Ruth Feucht Laidlaw**, 90, of La Habra, California, passed away peacefully on April 30, 2014. Private Family Services were held at Calvary Chapel of Downey, CA. Ruth was born September 2, 1923 on a farm in Granite Township near Pierz, Minnesota, to Tom and Gertrude (Nohner) Feucht. After graduating from Little Falls High School in 1941, Ruth attended Teacher Training School and taught in one-room schoolhouses at Bowlus and Genola,

Minnesota.

In 1944 she served in the US Navy as a Wave and was stationed at the Naval Supply Depot in Philadelphia. Following World War II, Ruth attended Iowa State University where she graduated with a B.S. in Home Economics. She later became an Associate College Professor.

In 1949, Ruth moved to California where she met and married Robert Laidlaw on December 18, 1949. The couple had two children. In 1964 Ruth began teaching at Cerritos College in Norwalk, California. She retired in 1986 after 40 years of teaching at various levels, from a one-room schoolhouse to high school and college.

During her retirement years, Ruth was active in the Crystal Cathedral Church of Garden Grove where she was a member and served as a volunteer docent.

Ruth is survived by her children, Roberta Laidlaw Schneider and husband, David, of St. Joseph, Minnesota and Tom Laidlaw and wife, Anita, of La Habra, California; Grandchildren, Alysia, Aaron, Moriah and Zechariah; and brother, Justin Feucht, of Anaheim, California. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert, and her sister, Ellen Feucht McDonald, of Pierz, Minnesota. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the AJL Guest Home in La Habra, California.



### Cerritos College Retired Faculty Association (CCRFA) Teacher TRAC Scholarship

Established by the Cerritos College Retired Faculty Association, this scholarship is awarded to a student newly admitted into the Teacher TRAC program and is based on letter of application, overall GPA, financial need, and school and community involvement.

You can make a donation to the scholarship fund by sending a check to:

Tom Jackson, Treasurer  
11014 Hayford  
Norwalk, CA 90650

Indicate CCRFA Scholarship Fund on the memo line of the check.

### List of Names

BARAMKI  
CAIN  
FRIEFIELD  
HANKS  
IKEMOTO  
KARVELIS  
KREMER  
LOYA  
MARTIN  
NOLAN  
REGAN  
SAUCEDO  
STEWART  
WISSA  
YOUNG

In addition to **Nancy Kelly** and **Keith Adams** (see last page), we lost the following members of the CCRFA:

**Jack Feeny**

**Jack Lackman**

**Ruth Laidlaw**

**Charles Phillip**

**Tony Rodriguez**

**Helen Wegener**

**Fred Wolfe**

Our thoughts and prayers are with their families at this sad time. We will always remember them fondly and have wonderful memories of working with them.



### Roster Changes:

**Jean Allegre** — Moved, address unknown

**Rudy Aguirre**—8312 Fountainbleau Way, Cypress, CA 90630-2033

**John Gallant**—10919 Muroc St., Norwalk, CA., 90650, phone: 562 868-8495

**Diane Nakamura** — Moved, address unknown

**Lucreta Scott**—Moved, address unknown

**Charles Willette**—5 Aurora, Irvine, CA, 92603-5709

### Answer To Word Search Puzzle

Q	A	D	A	Y	E	R	W	G	N	U	O	Y	O	J
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## Taps From the Gavel by John Fults



For the past 18 years I have served as President of CCRFA. When Sherrill Moses asked me to be President, I thought it was for one year. So why have I done this for so long? First, I love our organization as it provides us with the opportunity to see old friends, make new friends and do good things for Cerritos College. Second, it is the easiest volunteer job I have ever had. Now putting out monthly newsletters for our Gem and Mineral Society for 25 years or the International Order of Blue Gavel District 10 group for eight years requires some real dedication (IOBG is an organization made up entirely of Past Yacht Club Commodores). However, should I be re-elected to serve CCRFA for two more years, I will be searching for my replacement in 2016.

My good friend Manuel DeLeon recently called me and wondered if one of his paintings could be placed in the CC library. I still have not gotten an answer for him, but plan to work on this in November. Apparently the shipping weight (from Tucson) of the framed painting is about 200 lbs. and shipping will cost about \$250.00. Lois Jean and I plan to donate \$100 towards the project if the school and the library agree to accept the painting. I'm hoping some of you can also contribute to this project. Lois Jean and I admire Manuel's artistic talent and have about ten pencils and one oil painting in our home. Let me know if you are interested in helping with this project.



In between teaching a speech course on campus and travels with wife Ann camping in the Sierras, **Wendell Hanks** remains active on campus continuing to advocate the impact our college facilities has on students – and our entire staff.

He continues to advocate facilities condition and design as the *singular* most powerful determinate for choosing Cerritos College and the resultant level of academic achievement. It all started when colleague Bill Sparks and Wendell created five years ago a 10 minute video *"It's On TheList"*, a very powerful video reporting the sorry conditions of campus classrooms and



**Marcelino Saucedo** says hello one and all. Enjoying my free time, writing short stories for fun. These stories involve a portion of my life experiences struggling as a Latino coming from a small community on Catalina Island to the big city, the mainland, which the locals call "Overtown."

I present and recall real life experiences that must be overcome to survive. Some of these tales relate to daily diving for coins from the two big white steamers or

restrooms. Our new president, Dr. Linda Lacy, saw the video, and from her personal tour, fully agreed with the effect on students and the damaging community message.

Wendell's involvement with the architectural committee sparked by Dr. Lacy's full support, has brought extensive campus remodeling and strong support for our college's facilities being the most important student and staff decision point.

We will lose Dr. Lacy to retirement and hopefully any new replacing president will have the same value of facility condition and commitment to constantly walking and seeing in the campus

washing dishes at a restaurant, or caddying on the golf course for the wealthy patrons while the Mexican community was not allowed to sit on the public benches or dance at the Casino Ballroom.

In fact, it is enjoyable to go back in time and compare positive changes in our society.

Looking forward to seeing you!



results of their commitment. Dr. Lacy has been a valuable and most needed guide for our campus during a critical time of facility depreciation and restoration.



**Pat Regan** says she is sorry that she is unable to attend the luncheon this year. Old age and health has overtaken us these past three years. I have had six back surgeries in two years. We still do our chili judging when it is close by. We were invited to judge the World Chili Cook-Off in Las Vegas, but driving was too much and flying is hard on my back. Maybe next year.. We send all our love and miss all of you.

**Loretta and Wayne Rew** celebrated their 55th year of marriage on March 21, 2014. We spend time at our 4 Seasons Aviara villa in Carlsbad and will do so again in mid November.. Plan to attend the 60th year celebration, and what will be the last, of the Antelope Valley College Football team of 1955 in San Luis Obispo in early February 2015. Wendell Hanks and I continue with our morning 1 hour walks at La Mirada Creek Park but now we no longer attempt to cross Imperial Hwy.





**Charles Betz**, Professor of Economics wrote that 2014 has been a very busy and rewarding year. Carol and I continue to enjoy our family, home and travel. Our children and grand children are a continuing delight and it is life's greatest gift to enjoy their company. Three of our children and all the grand kids live nearby.

Family visits to Arizona for daughter Katie and Pennsylvania for Carol's dad, sisters, aunt and cousins continue to enhance our lives. When in the Philadelphia area we try to get up to New York City for a couple of days. In the big apple there are always new things to do. Recently we have discovered, with the aid of Wall Street Journal reviews, the Mint Theater. They revive plays from the past in a small 100 seat theater. We have seen two plays from the 1930's and have been very impressed by every aspect of the productions. If you are in NYC and they have a play going you will not likely be disappointed.

The last four years we have gone on an annual cruise. This year we flew to Rome for two days, then hopped on the Regent Mariner and made our way to Istanbul for three days on the European and Asian sides of the city. Between those two amazing cities we made numerous memorable stops, including Sorrento, Sicily, Malta, Santorini, Cyros, Meteora Monasteries, Ephesus, and Volos. Biblical accounts and persons became more meaningful at each venue as we walked where so much of this occurred. We were in continuing awe that what existed two thousand years, and more, ago still exists and is accessible.

My activity with Ferrari automobiles continues. This year I have judged Ferrari Car Shows in Palm Beach, Florida and Pasadena and Carmel, California. Last year in September Carol and I participated in the Colorado Grand, a five day 1000 mile tour through Colorado with a side trip through part of Utah with about 100 vintage car enthusiasts from around the world. The scenery was spectacular, and the run to Moab, Utah was unforgettable.

This year my car collecting partner, Fred Peters, and I finished the restoration of a car that we acquired, at least the first part of it, 46 years ago. It was the most complex project we have every started, involving enough intrigue for several novels; we are unlikely to ever take on another task of this magnitude! You can get a little information about this at [www.ferrari0362AM.com](http://www.ferrari0362AM.com)

The blessings each new year brings are greater than I ever imagined could come my way. 2015 is coming soon to our neighborhoods!

**Don Karvelis** updated us and talked about Keith Adams.

Unfortunately, I will miss the November meeting once more. By the time I finish serving my B&B guests their breakfast that morning, it will be too late to drive in to Cerritos College. Reservations in August, September, and October so far have been very skimpy, so I'm anxious to get as many bookings as possible now to help balance my budget. I will miss getting to visit with all of you!

Once more, all my major travels have been vicarious this year. As usual, I've been able to book cruises and escorted vacations to various parts of the world for friends. By the way, if any of you are planning to travel, keep in mind that I can handle any and all travel booking arrangements, and I do not charge service fees.

My sister will be visiting from Victoria over Christmas and New Years again this year, and we are planning several day trips in the area. So that will be my travel for this year, other than a day at the beach this fall.

I was deeply saddened to learn of Keith Adams passing. No doubt all of you remember him as a kind and helpful man. Some of you may not know of my surprising and upsetting experience many years ago. I was returning to the campus for my 5:30 PM class. As I slowed down to turn into Lot C-4, I noticed that a car was approaching from behind at great speed. The driver rear-ended me. I stopped in the driveway. The driver stopped his truck in the street, and while cursing profusely ran toward me and hit me across the face with a very large chain. The links were approximately 2" in diameter. The blow knocked me out temporarily. When I came to, my glasses were smashed on the ground, I seemed to be bleeding, but I saw another truck stopped in the street. The man in that truck saw the attack and told me that he had written down the driver's license number. Later I learned that a woman leaving the store parking lot across the street had witnessed the attack also. Campus Police arrived, but the Officer seemed very angry, apparently thinking I had done something wrong. But then my "angel" arrived - Keith Adams! He took me to the hospital and stayed with me for hours while they assessed my situation. Fortunately, they determined that my injuries miraculously were limited to a broken nose. Keith kept tabs on me until I recovered from surgery a few days later. Eventually, the police arrested the attacker, although initially they believed his claim that I had attacked him! He was found guilty in court, despite a vigorous defense by his public defender, and ordered to pay the \$3500 medical expenses. Not surprisingly, he never paid one cent! So much for justice! None the less, the one bright spot in the entire situation was Keith's kindness to me. I will always be grateful.

Hopefully, I will be able to see you all at the Spring meeting! Best Wishes.



**Bob Hinchberger** sends greetings from the beautiful North West to all his retired Cerritos College friends. Summer came somewhat late to the North West, but, once arrived, it continued until recently. Now the rain is here, so there are not many golf days.

Bob continues to volunteer at the Issaquah Food Bank (10 years) and especially at the EastSide Baby Corner (10 years) which has received national recognition along

with other awards for their charitable works.

He gives his best to all for the upcoming seasonable holidays.



**Donna Miller** says she is so sorry I will have to miss our retiree luncheon (again!) but I will be in Hawaii November 6 -16 assisting my daughter and son-in-law with the twin grandkids as the unpaid babysitter-but I'll be getting

plenty of fun compensation!! It's been a wonderful year and I can't believe it's November! I've been busy with my duties as trustee at North Orange and also with the League of Women Voters of North Orange County and doing fun stuff with family. We had our usual wonderful relaxing trips to Carlsbad, Santa Barbara, and Lake Tahoe. I've also been doing more presentations for community college Boards on

accreditation and appropriate Board behavior due to my serving on the Advisory Committee for Education Services for the Community College League of California. I also had a great time doing a presentation for the ABC Unified School Board on parliamentary procedure and running effective Board meetings. So I'm staying busy and having fun! Have a great lunch and hope to see you all in the Spring.



Hello all. It seems unreal that I have been retired almost 8 years – where does the time go? Steve and I continue to be as busy as ever.

We have spent the past year and a half in various remodel projects. First our kitchen, then new floors in a couple of rooms. Finally, due to a major water leak under our house, we re-plumbed the house and gutted and installed two new bathrooms. Our favorite stores

have not been Nordstroms or Macy's, but Home Depot, Lowe's and Pacific Sales..... Of course I guess Steve liked that- he could visit the tool department on a daily basis.

Obviously, we haven't done much traveling for fun. Steve still enjoys flying our Cessna, mostly going with a group on Saturdays for breakfast somewhere within 1 hour flying distance. I tag along sometimes but it's more of a guy thing.

I'm still working one clinic day a week in Moreno Valley in the Dental Hygiene Program. It's fun to be connected to the students and other faculty.

I play bridge usually two days a week and have recently taken up teaching myself to play the piano. Steve's playing "beginner" guitar so heaven help the person that visits when we are "making music" together.

We are blessed with a

wonderful son and daughter-in-law (still waiting for a grandbaby) and many fabulous friends, both here in the desert (Palm Springs) and from our old stomping grounds in LA and of course Cerritos. We wish all of you a happy, healthy 2015. **Pat & Steve Stewart**



Hi Everyone,

Quoting Jon," just write about "what you have been up to, your 'doings'."

Actually, I stay very busy doing much of the same things I wrote about last year but it just takes me longer to do them. That is probably why I am busy all the time. I don't travel anymore. I'm too lazy plus I prefer my own bed & shower and don't like living out of a suitcase so I just read about my family's travels.

I still live in beautiful (except when thousands pour in for surf competitions) Huntington Beach. I am very active with the OC Alzheimer's Interfaith Committee. We coordinate with various Houses of Worship throughout OC to provide special religious services for those with all stages of dementia. I also volunteer with and walk for the Alzheimer's memory walk fund raiser. I am very involved with my church and belong to a few service groups. I am still

taking piano lessons which requires many practice hours trying to catch up with our fantastic and talented Fran. Another very important part of my retirement life is having the time and opportunity to enjoy my family. My grandchildren and great grandchildren are my very special gifts from God. I am truly blessed.

Looking forward to seeing everyone in November.

Sincerely, **Joan Walker**



**Lela Mae Powers** says hi to everyone who knows her. She says, "I'm OK—doing pretty well for shape I'm in. My computer won't compute and my car's battery quit today. Other than that, I'm still here at my house and would enjoy your presence. Hope all is well with each of you."

