

March 2020

Trivia: A lot of us have been doing some decluttering and down-sizing. Here is a suggestion of a few things to get rid of according to Handyman. You can click on the link below to see the complete list.



<https://www.msn.com/en-us/lifestyle/home-and-garden/things-in-your-home-you-need-to-get-rid-of-immediately/ss-BBYoJB?ocid=spartandhp>

VHS tapes

Worn out bed pillows

Used rags

Old cords

Old shoes

Old cell phones

Old computers

Old clothes

Old eye glasses

Old towels or bedding

Old make-up

Old prescriptions

Old remote controls

Old phone books

Kids clothes

Old halloween costumes

Socks with no mates

Old calendars

Appliances you do not use

Games with missing pieces

Old potpourri

Broken dishes

Clothes hangers

From Our Graduates:

Bev Murphy Wells:

After reading Richard Tooker and Russ ("Top Gun") Keelings' "Show and Tells", I am amazed at all the talent we had in our high school. What exciting lives they have led and special thanks to Russ for his service and leadership during some of the dark hours for our country. Our generation may not have been the Greatest Generation, but it certainly is the Next to the Greatest Generation!

Clara Sue Griffith Arnsdorff: I finally had a chance to download and read your terrific newsletter, and loved catching up with Russ Keeling. I have learned so much about our classmates and what they have done since our graduation.

Reading about Russ's adventures in the USAF really hit home---he was one brave guy to have flown the A1 in Viet Nam...I know other pilots who flew those during the conflict. They were invaluable assets, and his bravery seems to have been rewarded---well-deserved.

Transitioning from that to fighters and then to B52s is quite an accomplishment. I wish our paths had crossed when he was in the USAF, but maybe he met my husband at some point, as they would have been in some of the 'same places, same time' -- who knows. Small world. Thanks again and enjoy the RV, Russ

Stan Lennard: Thank you for this most informative newsletter. I especially enjoyed reading Russell's history. He and I have reconnected after too many years. I honor his life, service and Christian witness. He and I were best of friends in our youth. We used to play run through the line in our back yards. He will know what that activity was! It made him tough!

Cynthia Copeland Studenko: I am continuously amazed at what has been accomplished by my fellow graduates from our quiet little corner of the world.

Norma Cissell Smith: OUR CLASS OF 1960 HAS BEEN BLESSED WITH INTELLIGENT, KIND, AND LOVING PEOPLE WHO CARE FOR ONE ANOTHER. WHAT A PRIVILEGE TO BE A PART OF THIS HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 60 YEARS AGO.

Bob Easter: I have a particular request. I have never seen any posted photos of Brook Ave Elementary. I went to Brook from the first to fourth grade and am writing a history book for my family. I have no early photos. Maybe it was because I was so scared of my first grade teacher that I would skip school and run back home after my mother left for work. Funny story, actually the school sent a Truant Officer out to my house. He found me playing in the front yard and told me to go inside and get my books so he could take me back to school. I went inside but locked the door and never came out until he left. (ha). I would really appreciate knowing if anyone has early photos of first, second, third or fourth grade.

Jeanell Buida Bolton has a question: "I have a vivid memory of us all lined up in the North Waco Elementary basement to be inoculated against polio, but I'm not sure this is accurate. Does anyone else remember?"

Regarding: The No Cancer report from Richard Tooker:

Mary Ann Shilling Mercer-Great news. Bless his heart!

Betty Luedeker Gatlin: Really great news!

Tommye Ruth Blair Toler: It's so nice to get some happy news. I'm thankful for Richard.

Pam Prickett Tucker(WHS 61): Great news!

Kay Phillips Sparks: That was great news about Dick.

Dorothy Bryan McCook: So glad for this diagnosis!

Richard Quick: Great news, Dick!!

Sue Welborn Hopper- Good news!

James Coone: Good news.

Nena Hunt Wallace- That is such good news for Dick Tooker!

Jeanell Buida Bolton: Very happy to hear the good news about Dick Tooker

Kay Albright Hofer: It's great to get good news.

Bev Murphy Wells: Great news about Richard! Prayers do work!

Ambrosio Silva: Good luck, Tooker.

Regarding death of Dave Haferkamp:

Tommye Ruth Blair Toler: It's a sad reminder of our age.

Pam Prickett Tucker (whs61): Sad to hear of another passing.

UPDATES:

Norma Cissell Smith: Norma has been battling pneumonia. She will also begin more treatments for her Non-Hodgkin's as her blood counts have become elevated.

Cynthia Kirkland Mazza: Cynthia is still taking one day at a time with her treatments.

Phyllis Brooks: Phyllis is continuing her battle with cancer and all necessary treatments.

Richard Tooker: For the past two weeks Richard has been in ICU at a Waco hospital with sepsis. He reports he got out of ICU on Feb. 27 and is currently in rehab, hoping to go home next week. Doctors still do not know what is wrong with him so he is thinking of going to UT Southwestern in Dallas to obtain some answers.

Linda Shelby Lyons: Linda is continuing PT and speech therapy. She said things are about the same.



October 6 & 7, 2020



Mark these dates on your calendar for our 60th reunion.

March Birthdays:

- 1 Karon Shinault Jackson
- 3 Phyllis Brooks
- 7 Glenn Hurta
- 8 Lynette Muchow Baugh
- 11 Charles Ray Miles
- 14 Clara Sue Griffis Arnsdorff
- 16 Jeannie Dickerson
- 17 Jane Berry Neece
- 19 David Dibb
- 23 Mickey Lade Perkins
- 26 Sandra Wooten Overholser
- 28 Douglas Crook
- 31 Stan Lennard, Malachi Kelly



Medical Corner



For those of you suffering with back pain and lumbar spinal stenosis, the **Vertiflex procedure** might be an option. Tim Lasseter Latta is contemplating this procedure. You can do some research on it and if it peaks your interest, talk to your doctor about whether or not it might work for you.

Vertiflex: VertiFlex developed a procedure for treating spinal stenosis pain with an implanted device called the Superion, an "H" shaped spinal spacer. This procedure involves making an incision in the back and inserting a metal tube that passes between the bones of the spine.

What is a Superion placement?

Superion is a completely new, *minimally invasive approach* to treating lumbar stenosis that fills a gap in the continuum between conservative care and invasive surgery. Designed with patient safety and comfort in mind, Superion is implanted through a small tube the size of a dime to reduce tissue damage and blood loss.

<https://www.vertiflex.com/for-patients/>

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David Walsworth



1960



present

Like so many of our graduates who in their "golden years" are moving (by desire or necessity) to different towns/cities in order to be closer to children, David Walsworth is one of those. Although San Antonio definitely has its charms, I feel David and his wife will enjoy their new dwelling in Georgia. They will get to experience a change of seasons and the opportunity to explore a whole new area. What an experience to learn the different haunts, history, and enjoyment of a new community plus the advantage of being closer to family. Here is David's story after high school.

"Many of my classmates may not remember me as it has been a long time since our Waco High days and I have been unable to attend functions and class reunions. However, I remember my time as a member of the class of 1960 fondly and wanted to bring you up to date on my life since graduation.

After graduation, I attended Baylor for one year then transferred to North Texas State University (now UNT) and graduated in 1964 with a Bachelor's degree in Political Science. During my senior year at Waco High and for two years in college, I worked as a Counselor at a summer camp for children and young adults with special needs. It was there I met a beautiful young lady who was a fellow Counselor and who would become my wife on June 27, 1964 (even though she turned me down when I originally proposed, she later saw "the error of her ways"). Sharon graduated from Baylor in 1964 with an education degree.

As I neared college graduation, I decided I wanted to go into public service of some type. That led me to apply for Federal Civil Service and a special Management Training Program. I was accepted into that program and hired by the United States Air Force. That led to a 36 year career as an Air Force Civilian Executive in the Logistics Management field. From 1964-1966, I was stationed at Kelly Air Force Base undergoing training, then was transferred to the Headquarters, Air Force Logistics Command, at Wright Patterson Air Force base in Dayton, Ohio. Sharon stopped teaching when we moved and we started a family. Two of our three children were born in Dayton. We were at Wright Patterson from 1966-1970, when I had the opportunity to go back to Kelly AFB. I spent the remainder of my career there and retired in October 1999.

During my career, I had various assignments. I was the program manager for communications on the Apollo program, working with Air Force Systems Command and NASA. A highlight was being at Cape Kennedy (Canaveral) for the Apollo 7 launch. At Kelly AFB, I was chief of the organization that performed overhaul and heavy maintenance on the Air Force B-52, C-5, C-130 and T-38 aircraft. I also was deputy chief of the Depot Machine Shop, making parts for Air Force organizations and our local maintenance shops. While at Kelly, the Command selected me to attend the Air Force Institute of Technology where I earned an MS degree in Logistics Management. I was also selected to attend Defense Systems Management College at Ft. Belvoir, VA, for a 20 week course in Defense Program Management. Many of you may remember when the

Defense Department went through a series of installation closures and mission reassignments. Unfortunately, Kelly AFB was one of the Bases closed. My last assignment was as Deputy Director of the organization charged with closing the base.

While I was working, Sharon and I worked to raise our children and we were also active in our church, serving in various lay leadership positions, and teaching Adult and Preschool Sunday School. I also served as a Deacon. After retirement, I was involved in numerous civic and community volunteer programs, helping at the Children's Shelter, working as a Police Volunteer, serving on City of San Antonio Boards and committees, and with our local Homeowners Association. Due to my wife's health issues, I had to give those up, and at the insistence of our children, we moved from San Antonio to the Atlanta, Georgia area in October 2019 to be closer to our Daughter and her family. It was hard to leave San Antonio and Texas, but necessary. We had lived in San Antonio for over 50 years, loved the city, our church, and our friends there. We now live in a new Retirement Community about 30 minutes from our daughter and her family. We will probably be travelling to Durango, CO occasionally to see our son and family (but not in the winter!!). As Jeanne mentioned, we are enjoying being acquainted with our new surroundings. We love all the trees, the autumn colors and the change of seasons.

From a family perspective, we have three children, one son and two daughters, one of which passed away from Leukemia in 2016. Our son and daughter-in-law, step granddaughter and grandson live in Durango, Colorado and as mentioned, our daughter, son-in-law and three granddaughters are in the Atlanta area in Canton. Colorado granddaughter is a college junior, grandson is in the second grade, the Atlanta granddaughters are a college sophomore, college freshman, and high school sophomore."

I want to wish my former classmates all the best. We are all getting to the point where major life changes have/or will occur. Make the most of every day God gives us, and best wishes.

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Dave, (5th from the left) at a groundbreaking for a community park in Dave's area of San Antonio. The Civic Organization of which he was President worked with City of San Antonio officials to include funding for the park in a capital bond program, approved by the voters and developed the park plan.

Some pictures of Dave and Sharon throughout the years:



50th wedding anniversary - 2014

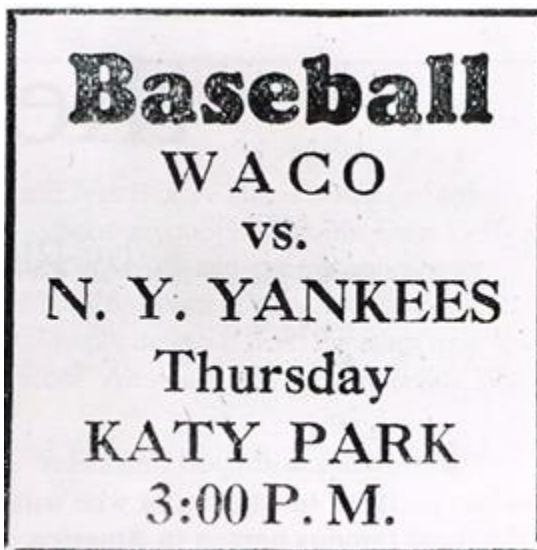


Dave (in the middle) with fellow Officers of the civic group who worked the Park development.

PICTURES:

All you baseball followers might find this of special interest. In 1929, **Babe Ruth and the Yankees** took on the Waco Cubs in an exhibition game at Katy Park near downtown Waco. Randy Turner's grandfather, Charles R Turner, was president of The Waco Cubs 1925-1930 (Randy's father was about 14 years of age at that time) and he got to meet Babe and shake his hand. If you want to read all about it, click on the following link:

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Charles R. Turner, president of the Waco Cubs from 1925 through 1930

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Babe Ruth and the New York Yankees at Katy Park In Waco, Texas

The New York Yankees, with Babe Ruth, played an exhibition game against the Waco Cubs on April 4, 1929 at Katy Park, which was at Seventh and Jackson. While in Waco, the Yankees stayed at the Raleigh Hotel. There were at least 6,586 fans present, some reports say as many as 11,000, and many people were turned away. The Yankees won 13-3.

The photos are taken from "Waco Heritage and History, June, 1991" which was contributed by Jackie Holdbrook Ivie .

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And then the Fight Started

One year, I decided to buy my mother-in-law a cemetery plot as a Christmas gift...
The next year, I didn't buy her a gift.
When she asked me why, I replied,
"Well, you still haven't used the gift I bought you last year!"
And that's how the fight started.....

My wife and I were watching *Who Wants To Be A Millionaire* while we were in bed.
I turned to her and said, 'Do you want to have sex?' 'No,' she answered.
I then said, 'Is that your final answer?'
She didn't even look at me this time, simply saying, 'Yes.'
So I said, "Then I'd like to phone a friend."
And that's when the fight started...

My wife and I were sitting at a table at her high school reunion, and she kept staring at a drunken man swigging his drink as he sat alone at a nearby table.
I asked her, "Do you know him?"
"Yes", she sighed,
"He's my old boyfriend. I understand he took to drinking right after we split up those many years ago, and I hear he hasn't been sober since."
"My God!" I said, "Who would think a person could go on celebrating that long?"
And then the fight started...

When our lawn mower broke and wouldn't run, my wife kept hinting to me that I should get it fixed. But, somehow I always had something else to take care of first-- the shed, the boat, making beer. There was always something more important to me. Finally she thought of a clever way to make her point.
When I arrived home one day, I found her seated in the tall grass, busily snipping away with a tiny pair of sewing scissors. I watched silently for a short time and then went into the house. I was gone only a minute, and when I came out again I handed her a toothbrush. I said, "When you finish cutting the grass, you might as well sweep the driveway."
The doctors say I will walk again, but I will always have a limp.

My wife sat down next to me as I was flipping channels.
She asked, "What's on TV?"
I said, "Dust."
And then the fight started...

After retiring, I went to the Social Security office to apply for Social Security.
The woman behind the counter asked me for my driver's license to verify my age.
I looked in my pockets and realized I had left my wallet at home. I told the woman that I was very sorry, but I would have to go home and come back later.
The woman said, 'Unbutton your shirt'.
So I opened my shirt revealing my curly silver hair.
She said, 'That silver hair on your chest is proof enough for me' and she processed my Social Security application.
When I got home, I excitedly told my wife about my experience at the Social Security office.
She said, 'You should have dropped your pants. You might have gotten disability too.'
And then the fight started...



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