

THE 50TH REUNION WEBSITE http://www.nshs64.com/

Stop by often to see what's new on the reunion website. It's changing all the time. Variety is the spice of life!

how many more days til reunion? Find out right here on the reunion website

http://www.nshs64.com/nshs64/pages/splashPage/splashPage.htm/

Change of emails



<mark>Demetria Vellis</mark>, Turlock, <u>demevr@charter.net</u>



Cheryl Parkison (Kathy White), Simi Valley

bestcwhite@icloud.com



June Woodward (NSHS65). As of 3/31 I will (FINALLY!) be retired and will have a new email address. I love, love, love reading your newsletters! Please change my address to: june.woodard@att.net.

Recognize anybody here?



Mystery Vagabond Revealed Below



PICTORIAL DIRECTIONS TO THE <u>BEST PARKING</u> FOR NSHS CLASS OF 64 50TH REUNION ON OCTOBER 4, 2014 AT THE OLD FOX THEATRE



If you're coming from Gustine, you're going over Pacheco Pass and



you'll pass Casa De Fruita



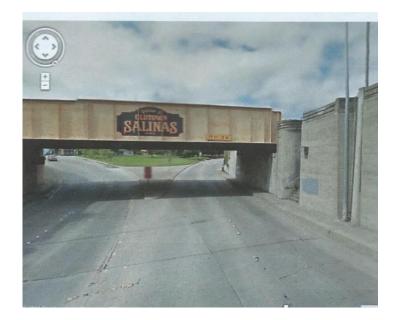
If you're coming from Northern California you'll see Candlestick park and maybe the ocean.



When you see the Schoch Dairy up on the hill on Hwy 101, you're almost there



And when you get to the Salinas underpass, you only have less than a mile to get to



Main Street



If you're coming from Southern California you'll travel through Chualar



and see lots of lettuce



You'll be in Salinas when you come to this sign.



If you're coming from the Monterey Airport you'll be on Hwy 68 and you'll pass Toro Place Cafe



It's only a mile or two more when you reach the Salinas Bowling Alley



You'll be coming north on Main Street which is only one way now. ...and for the last 25+ years. See the Fox theater up on the right? That's where you're headed. Say, how long's it been since you've been to Salinas anyway?



OK, Now



Here's the best parking for the Old Fox Theater

Get yourself on Monterey Street which is one-way and runs parallel to Main Street, but the opposite way.





right across the street from the Pub and



park your car. Then

walk through this breezeway to Main Street



When you reach Main Street in less than 100 feet, look to your left .

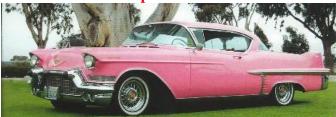


You are looking at the Fox Theater

Your event is on the marquee beckoning you



For sure, Meredith's pink Cadillac, and maybe other grad classic cars, will be parked out front



You want to look your best when you walk the red carpet



which leads you

past the ticket booth



The Old Fox Theater



(If you're under 18, or acting like you are, you won't be allowed in the balcony) All adults are allowed up there after 8pm.

Alternative parking? Just across the street Behind Andras jewelers

(by that time, Andrus Jewelers will be gone after 100 years. So you'll have to imagine where it used to be). So memorize the next picture.





parking lot is behind Andrus on Salinas Street running one-way and parallel to Main Street, only the opposite way,



walk through this breezeway on to Main Street

and jaywalk right across the street to



The Old Fox Theater



241 South Main Street

Here's your google satellite map in case you're casing the area from a hot air balloon or concealed in a dirigible.

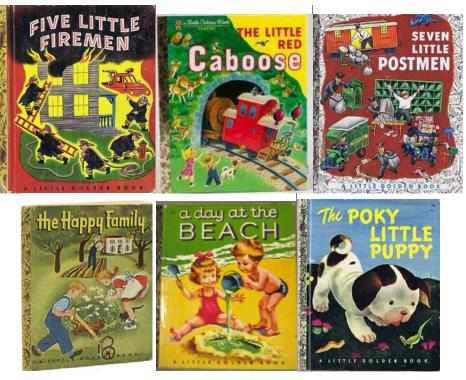




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If you're so inclined, you can print off this 12-page, concise and compact,easy- tofollow road map in Little Golden picture book format like your favorite ones below



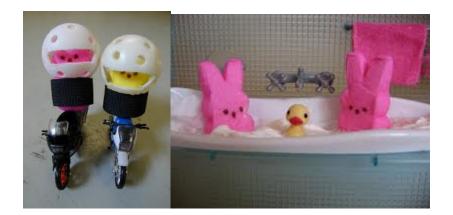






TWO OF MY FAVORITESIt came with bandaids.I liked her clothes.

WHERE ARE YOUR NSHS PEEPS LODGING FOR THE REUNION WEEKEND?





The Mashington Post



Jim Small, Rathrum ID,

jim@smallsco.com. We just booked our room for Friday and Saturday at Best Western Salinas Valley Inn & Suites 1-831-751-6411 on Kern Street. They have 20 single king rooms at this time. Friday price is \$98.10 and Sat. price is \$134.10, must have something magical on Sat. Comes with breakfast..... and one towel. Ha Ha,

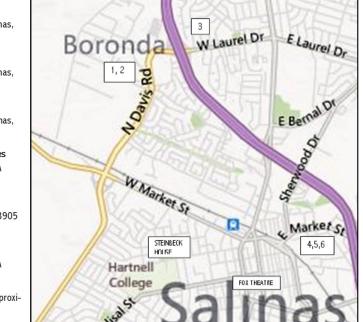
<u>Lodging List Below</u> <u>or</u> <u>Check it out on this link</u> <u>http://www.nshs64.com/nshs64/pages/Logistics/upDate.html</u> across the top of the page are links for "hotels" and "thinking out of the box"



HOTELS AND MORE IN AND NEAR SALINAS, CA FOR REUNION WEEKEND

- 1. Residence Inn, Salinas 17215 El Rancho Way, Salinas, CA 93907
- 2. Courtyard by Marriott 17225 El Rancho Way, Salinas, CA 93907
- Laurel Inn 801 West Laurel Drive, Salinas, CA 93906
- Holiday Inn Express & Suites 195 Kern Street, Salinas, CA 93905
- 5. Comfort Inn 181 Kern St., Salinas, CA 93905 (Formerly Quality Inn)
- Best Western, Salinas
 187 Kern Street, Salinas, CA
 93905-2016

NOTE: Locations on map are approximate.



Or if you are interested there are other options including/but not limited to:

http://www.bedandbreakfast.com/salinas-california.html http://www.montereyrentals.com/ http://www.riverroadwinetrail.com/wineries.php http://www.bigsurguides.com/tours.html

PLEASE NOTE: There is not a block of rooms reserved for the reunion but we have listed some of the hotels and other options you may want to consider for the weekend of the NSHS '64 50^{TH} REUNION.





jabagley45@hotmail.com . "I'm looking forward to it. <u>Sandy Anderson</u>, and I are



coming together, if all works out. J'' jsdbar@comcast.net



Frank Reyes, Castroville, <u>Freyes1946@gmail.com</u>

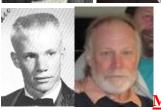


<u>Cheryl Parkison</u>(Cathy White), Simi Valley,

msckwhite31@att.net



Roger Schultz, Rohnert Park, CA, rdsdog3@msn.com



Mike Gigous, Lake Nacimiento, no email



many years.

Bob Bailey, Felton CA<u>, kskbailey@hotmail.com</u> Want to make sure I don't miss out on all the fun. I decided this time to do the NSHS campus tour on Friday. It's gonna be strange being back at that place after so



10 a.m. - 1001) Sunday, October 5, 2014 Salinas Airport Restaurant



Driving back and forth from Santa Cruz means I have to get up early after a late night of partying but if breakfast is that late, it might work out. Bob



I am not sure when the plane leaves, but if I can, I'll go to breakfast. Jim Small, Rathdrum ID, jim@smallsco.com



Fred Ligon, Thailand, <u>fligon@ksc.th.com</u>. I am still working on possible plans for the remainder of this year. In response to an email exchange with others there was a question about seating at the dinner: advance seating requests or free seating the night of the event? A second question: Is there are vegetarian option? I'm a vegetarian and I don't know how many others might be. I have also been wondering if any teachers have been invited or will be? ''



Linda Satre, Fullerton, <u>lkayross@aol.com</u> I really enjoyed <u>Fred Ligon's</u> news from the "Country formerly known as Burma" in the March newsletter. Makes me want to go there. I sure hope Fred comes to the reunion. Have not seen him since high school. And I would probably recognize him since we have a current picture. I have been meaning to ask you if we are going to have our high school pictures on something we can pin or otherwise attach to our shoulders so that those of us who are challenged at recognizing faces from years ago (or last week) can have a somewhat dated picture to go by. I remember at the 45th reunion one of the men talking to me and my searching to recognize him without success. I would hate to repeat that failure to process again.



<u>Seating</u> will be at your choosing. Tables will be arranged for 8.

<u>Name tags:</u> At signin you'll be given your name tag plus a table tent with your picture on it to place at the table you choose. That way, you can roam around during the meet and greet hour before dinner, and your favorite peeps can still

find the table you're seated at. That'll give them time to place that whoopee cushion



on your chair.

Formal dinner

Tri-tip <u>and</u> Chicken Roasted Garlic Mashed Potatoes Vegetable Medley Bread Salinas Greens Mixed Super Salad Coffee, water, tea (iced/hot) No Host bar available all evening

<u>Teachers:</u> We made a very concerted effort to contact all the 1964 faculty and some office staff for our 40th Reunion in 1964. Each one received a personal phone call and a formal invitation in the mail for the 40th. We were fortunate to have had a large representation of the faculty and office staff at that reunion.

You can find many photos of them on our photoblog site in the 40th reunion album at this link.

http://nshs64.blogspot.com/p/40th-reunion-gala-Saturday-night-2004.html

<u>Should you be aware of the whereabouts</u> of any of our beloved teachers and NSHS office staff, with mailing address and phone number, please contact me.



Email the QnA Grad here http://www.nshs64.com/nshs64/Contact_Form/index.php





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Roberto Garcia	Gloria Ramos
Mike Gigous	Anita Randall
Dan Gomes	Ernest Randall
Nancy Gonzales	Pat Ratekin
	Frank Reyes
	Jack Rickey
	Ira Ridgway
	Chryss Rodinou
	Jan Rutledge
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Judy Haschak	Danny Sabado
Leigh Hoobler	Linda Satre
Linda Hooton (NSHS 67)	Kathy Schoch
Robert Horner	Susan Schoch
	Roger Schultz
	Paulette Shaffer
	Kathy Shaw
	Ed and Helen (Thompson '67)Shaw
	Jim Small
	Scoop Stephens
	Ben Storment
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	Terry Walderon
	Richard & Lisa (Samaniego '66) Waldrop
	Mike Watts
	John Whitehead
	Peggy Whited & Husband Ron
	Kelso (SHS65)
	Carolyn Winnett
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Let us know right here

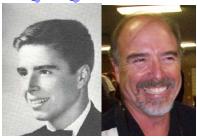
http://www.nshs64.com/nshs64/pages/Questionaire/attendance.html



A couple of weeks ago on the Gallo Center stage, John on the guitar backing up the girl singer. 1200 people. Photo taken from the 2nd tier with smartphone.







John King Modesto, ptuner120@sbcglobal.net Email him for his gig schedule and go see him



"Leaving for Maui on 6/1 and returning on 6/12. I'll be working on the condo,



painting and such."

Danny Sabado, Monroe WA,

"We are leaving, 4/26 for Vancouver, then onto the ship to Alaska. Will be home



May 6. " pkhonig@sbcglobal.net Kathy Shaw, Sacramento,



Kathy is our 50th Reunion Treasurer and to whom you send your completed RSVPs and payments. If you do send her such around 4/26, please be patient for your emailed confirmation until after May 6 when she returns from her trip.

The <u>RSVP card is attached to this email</u> announcing this newsletter. Should you wish to register now,

- Print the RSVP card
 - Complete it
- Attach your payment and
- Send to Kathy at her address found on that RSVP Card

FORMAL INVITATIONS WILL BE MAILED OUT

THE FIRST WEEK OF AUGUST



http://nshs64.blogspot.com/

"The March newsletter and the blog are great. I've not seen the blog before. I know you've been talking about it for quite awhile..but this was my first visit. It was great! The newsletter was not only fun but very informative.



<u>Claire James,</u> Campbell<u>, ckotowski@live.com</u>

"I want to commend you and all others who have donated time and effort to create



another great newsletter. Ern ernestrandall@comcast.net Ernest Randall, Salinas,





" So glad to hear Tim is doing better." Salinas, <u>leighsearson@aol.com</u> Leigh Hoobler,

"Great to hear Tim is making forward steps towards recovery,



no matter how small.' gary.filice@gmail.com Gary Filice (NSHS63), Salinas,

"I sent Tim a note tonight. You know his father was instrumental in me being a cop? In the 60's he selected me for the first Salinas PD explorer program. Tim's





John Ray Alexander (Silva)



Mom and Stepdad(Alexander) No information No Information live in Rocklin CA







Jesse Escamilla Gonzalez Patricia Anne Griffin Carol Guillen



Last known in SJ



No Information

No Photos for these missing **Barbara Kay Olive (Lambert)**



No Information

Arthur Gilbert Griffin

NSHS 64 – MAY BIRTHDAYS



May 1	May 16 –
Hilda Wray Balagbagan,	Barbara Britton, Grants Pass OR, no
Salinas, <u>Hilda.debord@yahoo.com</u>	email
May 2 –	May 17 –
Marilee Gene Wilson,	Sherry Ostrander,
Sunnyvale, marileerueb@yahoo.com	Salinas, jcca@ultimanet.com
May 8 – Mary Ann Lee, Chile, <u>fobrox52@yahoo.com</u>	May 19 – Paulette June Shaffer, Saddlebrooke MO, topjbennett@gmail.com
May 9 – Source Mortenson,	May 20 –
Pt. Orchard WA ,	Richard Morris Waldrop,
dbabcock@wavecable.com	Salinas, waldrop53@yahoo.com

May 11 – Linda Lee Nance, Gladstone MO, no email	May 20 – Ziganay, Salinas, zigenterprises@msn.com
May 13 – Katherine Sandate Morales, Salinas, no email	May 22 – Patricia Lynn Ratekin, Sacramento , no email
May 15 – Charles Jackson Darnell, Santa Rosa, typebees@sonic.net	May 25 – Nancy Doris Gonzales, San LuisObispo, nlaraslo@gmail.com
May 15 – Yvonne Nergord, Ephrata PA, ymiller@ptd.net	May 27 – James Bruce Pybas, Blaine TN, <u>tnriver@comcast.net</u>
May 15 – Gloria Watters, Ventura, no email	May 28 – Raymond J. Jones, Round Rock TX, protecpowder@yahoo.com



HOW WAS YOUR BIRTHDAY?



(DOB: 4/13) Joe Arredondo, Salinas,

arredondo44@gmail.com

Thanks so much for my birthday wishes it was nice had my family over we all had a very nice time

Muchas gracias por sus felicitaciones de mi cumple Anos tube muy bonito dia con toda mi familia gracias



(DOB: 4/22) Lydia Castro, Arnold MO,

lydia.castro24@yahoo.com

I had a glorious 4-5 day celebration. Got spoiled by Elmer and friends. My gift to myself was to go to 2 exercise sessions (my normal Tuesday routine) as things prevented me from them the last 2 weeks.

Last August the Castros had planned to have our annual reunion in October to accommodate my 50th Reunion. Then my sister got engaged on Christmas Eve and wants us all at her wedding in late August, continuing with the family reunion the subsequent day. If we do that, I'm not sure I can afford 3 trips in one year (I'm already in CA the last 3 weeks in May for 3 family graduations). So, I can't commit to anything in October yet. Bummer!



(DOB: 4/11) <u>Jim Small</u>, hasn't moved since 5 paragraphs ago, and still looks the same, <u>jim@smallsco.com</u>

I get to take half the day off today. It should be sunny and somewhat warm. I am making some trellises for the house, going to clean up the 5th wheel trailer, and Saturday, I hope two finish the camp shed that we will take up to the river. The boys are coming over Saturday to help me finish the framing and put on the roof. We need a place to store camping gear, generators and other junk. That's my weekend. Jim



(DOB: 4/1)Jim Oania, San Jose,

<u>jas.oania@sbcglobal.net</u>

I tried thinking of something exciting I did, tried to make something up,, like that I just got back from the moon and beyond, but you probably wouldn't believe me...sigh...alas, I had a mislabeled April Fool cake with the grandkids, wore my Spock ear socks, and used my extending fork to eat the cake, etc.

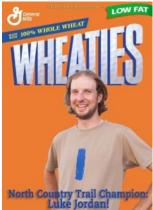


It was lots of fun and laughs! I usually don't roll up my pants legs, but this is a one time exception!



(DOB: 4/14) Gail Townsend, Kindred ND,

<u>gtrogne@gmail.com</u>. I worked at the nursery on my birthday and then led a North Country Trail meeting in the evening. <u>For those who don't know about it, it will be</u> <u>the longest National Scenic Trail in the nation when it is completed</u>. 4600-4700 miles is the planned length, from New York (or maybe Vermont) to Lake Sakakawea in North Dakota. It is being built primarily by volunteers in a partnership with the National Park Service. Our speaker for the meeting, Luke ''Strider'' Jordan, walked the entire trail last year between March 27 and the end of October.



He started in North Dakota and snow fell every day for a month after the first 4 days of walking. This was his college graduation gift to himself! Anyway, it was a very interesting presentation.





This is mine

Get your own.

One of the best senior travel bargains anywhere

Is still a low-cost lifetime national park pass that admits seniors free of charge to most U.S. national parks,

forests,

refuges,

monuments and recreation areas,

from Denali National Park in Alaska to the Florida Everglades. You can go for free to Presidential libraries and national buildings which require admission fee.



You get your parking validated! You have to be at least 62 years old to purchase a Senior Pass for a

One-time fee of \$10

You get these benefits...

- In National Parks that charge an entrance or standard amenity fee, the Senior Pass admits you and the <u>passengers</u> in your car or other private vehicle.
- In National Parks where a "per person" entrance fee is charged, the Senior Pass admits you <u>plus three other adults (who need not be seniors)</u>. This is an especially good deal if you are also traveling with grandchildren, because children under 16 have free admission.
- The lifetime national parks Senior Pass also gives seniors a <u>50 percent</u> <u>discount on federal use fees charged for camping, swimming, boat launching,</u> <u>parking and tours.</u>
- In some cases where use fees are charged, only the person named on the Senior Pass will be given the 50 percent discount.
- The senior pass is non-transferable and does not cover or reduce special recreation permit fees or concession fees charged by private companies.

Here's how you buy one

You just show up with your driver's license and \$10 at a federal area where entrance fees are charged, or at regional offices of the National Park Service, the U.S. Forest Service or the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. You can't get it online or by mail. And you're given your card right then and there!

That is what's called a good deal

Speaking of getting older,





At 70 1/2, get ready to tap your IRA . From age 59 1/2 to 70 1/2, you can generally withdraw any amount you wish from your traditional IRA penalty-free.

But after age 70 1/2 you MUST begin withdrawing a minimum amount (RMD) annually or face a stiff tax penalty.

If you miss the deadline for that year, the IRS may hit you up for 50% of the



amount you were supposed to withdraw but didn't.

The initial distribution is taxable in the year it is taken. You can use an online calculator to figure your RMD.



The withdrawal amount is based on an IRS life expectancy factor and your IRA balance as of the previous year's end. So if you don't want to see this factor (because it's dishearteningly low), then don't do this. Let your financial institution tell you your RMD.

Here's the SSA.gov calculator: http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-tege/uniform_rmd_wksht.pdf You can have the financial institution that handles your IRA withhold the tax on your distribution (that amount still counts toward your RMD).

So basically, if your 70th birthday is June 30, , then you'll be 70 1/2 December 30 of the same year. so you'd have to take that first RMD by April 1 of the next year. So, if your 70th is July 30, 2016 then you'll be 70 1/2 on January 30 of the next year, 2017 and then you don't have to take your first RMD until April 1 of the year following when you turn 70 1/2, in this case that would be April 1, 2018. What a deal , huh?







Those Wonder (Bread) years Dave Nordstrand, *The Californian*



Some American flavors and foods are so tasty their flavors stay with you through the years.

I'm reminded of this enduring power of food memory every time I grab a shopping cart and head on down the supermarket aisle.



I see what amounts to foods that used to shape the bulk of the American diet — at least if you were, say, age 12 or younger and this was the late 1940s or the 1950s and '60's, too..



See the old Purity Grocery Store to the right of Sprouse-Reitz in Valley Center. We were there every Saturday

Wonder Bread was one of those unforgettable foods. It used to be that Classic White Wonder Bread was about the only bread Americans ate, because Wonder Bread was one of the few big brand breads on the store shelf, and it stayed fresh for an eternity. It was so light and so airy that you could wad an entire slice into the closed palm of your hand.





It made tasty toast, too.

Wonder Bread and many classic foods are still on the shelf, only they're mixed in with all the newer arrivals, foods with flavors catering not only to new immigrants, but to the naturally shifting tastes of American diners themselves. That's true especially for U.S. travelers to bistros and cafes on the streets of Paris or Rio who then bring back ideas about new foods they want to make.

I grew up eating Velveeta, cheese-like in its consistency, with mayo and lettuce on Wonder Bread. That was culinary bliss.







One bite and you would have felt that American cuisine could never soar higher.

Unless it was with fried Spam and Velveeta on Wonder Bread toast fueling the magic moment.





What I didn't mention are those frozen TV dinners. Every household in the 1950s that had a TV had a set of those fold-out trays. They'd place the trays in front of chairs around the living room. Then families coast-to-coast would settle down and eat stringy "roast beef" and rubbery "green" beans as they watched "Ozzie and Harriet."



Woody Allen even celebrated the TV dinner in one of his films, as I recall. In the scene, he's at the door of a supermarket freezer. He's reaching in and stacking the frozen meals in his skinny arms.

"How much do you have to heat those TV dinners?" a stranger asks.

"Heat them! Who bothers to heat them?" Allen says. "I just suck on them."

Anyway, I have also seen people sipping root beer and nibbling Oreo cookies. That's always heartening. In fact, I might stop by the grocery store on the way home tonight and buy a loaf of Wonder Bread, a block of Velveeta and a can of Spam.

Just for old times sake.

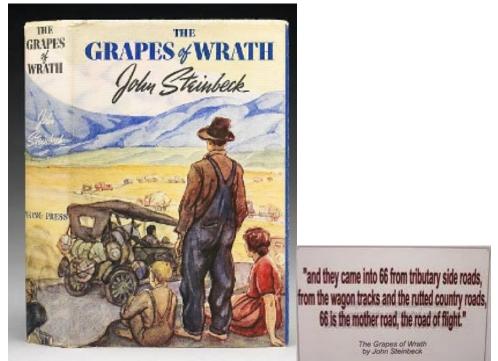
Send your Wonder Bread-Velveeta Cheese-Spam-TV-dinner stories to

Dave Norsdtrand at <u>dnordstrand@thecalifornian.com</u>





HAPPY 75TH



"We're the people--we go on," Ma Joad tells her son Tom in John Steinbeck's 1939 classic, *The Grapes of Wrath*.

The epic follows Depression-era share-croppers who leave the Dust Bowl to seek a better life in California. This month, the Joads prove their staying power in a 75th -anniversary edition of the novel. The cover revives the original by Elmer Hader, and the message about the right to a fair shake is as timely as ever.

This 75th anniversary edition is available at the Steinbeck House in the Cellar Gift Store



The special edition books will be available for us to purchase on Friday, October 3, 2014, <u>the night of our meet and greet at the Steinbeck House</u> or you may purchase them online from the gift store at this link <u>http://steinbeckhouse.com/gift-shop/</u> \$30 + tax =\$1.80 + \$3.00 Book Mail



10 trees indigenous to your area Shipped to you Keep one, give rest to your friends... Ship all to your friends.... Keep them all..... Donate them to reforest the forest.... \$10

remembering the April 18, 1906 <u>quake</u> and Salinas damage '06 quake shivered Lizzie's timbers April 21, 2014, The Californian, By Jim Albanese (NSHS 66), Salinas

Eliza "Lizzie" Boronda was a waitress at the Abbott House on Main Street in Salinas. It was a small job, paying a couple of dollars a week plus board.

Business had been slow, typical for a Tuesday night. Nevertheless, Boronda was tuckered out by the time she retired to her small room. She barely had time to close her eyes. At 5:14 a.m., her life changed forever.

It was at that moment on the morning of April 18, 1906 — 108 years ago last Friday — that the strongest earthquake struck in the lower 48 states since Middle America's New Madrid quake swarm of the 1810s.

The 1906 temblor made the earth shake and the sky burn throughout most of Northern and Central California.

When the quake hit, Boronda panicked and did exactly what the experts say not to do: She ran out into the street.

Her instinctive reaction may have been textbook incorrect, but it saved her life. When she returned to salvage her belongings from the stricken Abbott House, she found that a splintered ceiling beam had impaled the bed where she had been sleeping.

Boronda's room and that of a hotel guest were buried under rubble. Two people in the other room were injured.

Read about the Abbott House in Salinas owned by Carlisle Abbott

http://www.mchsmuseum.com/abbotthouse.html

Almost every building in Salinas suffered some damage. <u>The Ford & Sanborn</u> <u>department store at the southwest corner of Main and Gabilan streets</u> was crushed like an eggshell. Bricks and timber from the building spilled onto the street.

At the <u>Salinas City Bank at 170 Main St.</u>, every window was shattered and the ceiling was cracked.

<u>Raynard's Bakery on Central Avenue</u> lost its entire front wall. <u>Salinas' City Hall</u> was almost a total loss. It didn't collapse but, with its walls badly bowed, a sneeze could have brought the whole thing down.

You'll like this link. It's panoramic picts of downtown Salinas with the businesses identified by numbers.

http://robroy.dyndns.info/lawrence/Nurkse/salinas.php

Outside Salinas, the earthquake turned the landscape into a surreal vision of hell.

The Spreckels Sugar factory was hit hard. The steel frame was twisted and knocked out of line. Heaps of bricks from the facade covered the ground. The trestle of the elevated railway linking Salinas and Spreckels was about 3 feet out of line.



The train track leading to the Spreckels bridge over the Salinas River was bent like a wire coat hanger.



A peculiar feature outside of Salinas was the appearance of deep fissures and sinkholes. A huge tract of land from the Blanco region east of town to the mouth of the Salinas River collapsed. Roads in the area dropped by as much as 10 feet.

Passenger train No. 9 was near Chualar when the quake hit. The engineer reported that the tracks danced before his eyes like enchanted steel serpents.

News slowly began to trickle in about the catastrophic damage and death in the San Francisco Bay Area. And the sky bore testimony to the hellish plight of Salinas' neighbor to the north.



From the evening of April 18 and every day at sunset for more than a week, San Francisco's fate literally was written in the heavens. As the Salinas Index described it:

"The smoke that rose from the ruins of San Francisco and San Jose has charged the air with a hazy cast. The sunset last night (April 18) was most spectacular. Red as crimson sank the king of the day into the bosom of Neptune's domain and hung like an omen of evil over the ruins that had been wrought earlier in the day."

The Salinas Valley licked its wounds then turned its thoughts to its suffering neighbor to the north. When the mayor of Los Angeles offered money to Salinas to begin its rebuilding effort, Mayor Thomas Renison turned it down and requested that all monetary aid instead go to San Francisco.

Troop C, the local National Guard unit, was dispatched to San Francisco to help fight the raging fires and restore order.

The death toll in San Francisco was never precisely determined. Earliest reports to Salinas told of 315 dead and 352 wounded. Conservative estimates today place the figure at 3,000 dead. At least 300,000 people were made homeless and 28,000 buildings destroyed.

But the angels of death spared Monterey County that time. None of its inhabitants was killed or seriously injured. It was a miracle pure and simple.

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"The Wayback Machine is getting <u>back into fighting trim after some surgical</u> <u>repairs.</u> Modern medicine is miraculous. Thank you to all who expressed their best wishes by email and through Facebook. Like the Good Book says, "The prayers of the righteous availeth much." I appreciate all of the support." Jim

Later message: "I am still recovering from back surgery. With so many of our friends in dire life-and-death situations what I went through didn't amount to a hill of beans. My chronic back pain is gone and so are the majority of aches on my entire left side. It's just a matter of regaining strength and flexibility." Jim

RECOGNIZE ANYBODY HERE?



It's Indiana Ed Jones Shaw



AKA: the Australian Drover After searching for the Holy Grail for years, and then chasing Nicole Kidman all



over Australia, Ed is living in Salinas in peace and may be razzed at <u>es1mac@razzolink.com</u>





National Wild Flower Week



Hwy 68 - Lupines in Bloom

May I May Day



May 2 International Tuba day



1981 This was taken near the end of my AF Career. I was the Capt of the Bonaire Georgia VFD.



Keith Kindle Perry GA, <u>hotrodvstar@gmail.com</u>

May 4

Bird Day





May 8 V∙€ day



May IO Mother's day



May IO

National Train Day



Salinas Central Park Train

May 17

Armed Forces Day



May 26 Memorial Day





Ernest Felipe Losoya September 13, 1945 - December 19, 1965

Lance Corporal H&S CO, 2ND BN, 7TH MARINES, 3RD MARDIV, III MAF United States Marine Corps On the Vietnam Wall at <u>Panel 4E, Line 28</u>



Monterey County Vietnam Veterans Memorial Website <u>http://www.mcvvm.org/</u> Memorial Hill is located on East Laurel Drive, Salinas

May 30 Water a Flower Day





<u>1964 Γαη Francisco Giants</u>

Opening Day Starters

(1964 issue baseball cards)

Orlando Cepeda

Willie Mays

WILLIE MAY

12 OF 36 CARD





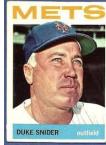


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1964 San Francisco Giants Salaries

<u>Willie Mays</u>	\$85,000.00
<u>Orlando Cepeda</u>	\$53,000.00
<u>Juan Marichal</u>	\$40,000.00
<u>Willie McCovey</u>	\$37,000.00
Duke Snider	\$32,000.00
<u>Jose Pagan</u>	\$25,000.00
<u>Matty Alou</u>	\$14,000.00
<u>Gaylord Perry</u>	\$9,000.00
Jesus Alou	\$8,000.00
<u>Jim Ray Hart</u>	\$8,000.00

Duke Snyder





Gaylord Perry

