

Northwest Y Service Club

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"To acknowledge the duty that accompanies every right"

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Dinner meetings of the Northwest Y Service Club are held on the FIRST and THIRD Thursday, 6:30pm, at the Northwest YMCA, 20803 Alves Drive, Cupertino, CA 95014 – Voice Mail: (408) 351-1094

Klub Kalendar

- Jun 01 Regular Meeting 6:30 PM
- 10 MAD Day 8-3:00 PM
- 15 Program Meeting 6:30 PM
- 22 Board Meeting 7:00 PM
- 22-24 Pacific Northwest Region Convention, Helena, MT
- Jul 06 Regular Meeting 6:30 PM
- 14-16 US Area Council Meeting, St. Louis, MO
- Aug 3-6 Y's Men Int'l. Convention, Busan, Korea
- Sep 29-Oct 01 Pacific Southwest Regional Convention, Phoenix, AZ
- Apr 27-29, 2007 Pacific Central Regional Convention, Asilomar, Pacific Grove
- Jul 12-14, 2007 US Area Convention, Charleston, SC

Chaplain's June Selections

Graduations, Fathers's Day & Summer

Teaching: Jesus said: As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; live in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will live in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and live in his love. ...This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ...John 15:9 & 12

Poem:

Summer Days

The long Summer days are

Wrapped in green leaves;
They're speckled with raindrops
And buzzing with bees;
They're filled with warm breezes
And clouds, puffy~white,
Surrounded by blue skies
Ethereal~bright.

The sun~summer days
Are wrapped in birdsong;
They're perfumed with flowers
All the day long;
They're wrapped in the beauty
Of friendship and love ~
Oh, bright Summer days,
God's gift from above.

.....Loise Pinkerton Fritz

Comment: (1) Don't forget your father, you're living with a lot of the same genes and love. (2) We'll "wrap up" our service year with Fathers Day. (3)) And because of parenthood there are gradutations to attend to. (4) Caring, sharing and loving is what you're supposed to do – mind your Father.



Prayer: Father, thanks for our brother, Jesus. Through His teachings we are guided into the abundant life, loving and caring for all that you have made. Create in us the right spirit that allows us to enjoy the caring, nurturing and serving we need to do this summer. Amen.

Brother Club News

The highlight of March for Phil Sammer of our Brother Club at the Central Y Service Club, Hawai'i Region was the trip to Japan to help celebrate the 35th Anniversary of the Kyoto Palace Y's Men's Club, and to sign the Brother Club agreement. The celebration included fellow clubbers from Taiwan, Korea, Hawai'i and other clubs in Japan. Each group had to give a short performance and the Hawai'i was the show stopper with singing and doing the hula to "Hanalei Moon".

Central members are responding positively to request to form a brother club relationship between Central Y Service Club and the Thika, Kenya, Y's Men Club, home club of IP Benson Wabule.

Congratulations to Akana Ma who was honored with the HERO award, recognizing outstanding volunteers. Akana has been a long time ASC fund raiser and policy volunteer.

Our friends at the Y's Men's Club of Westchester raised almost \$1,800 on their "Yard Sale". Good job, guys and gals.

The John R. Mott Club received a new member, Rene Hogan who is the Health Enhancement Director at their Cannon Memorial YMCA. A bit of trivia: The Cannon Memorial YMCA Open Doors program in 2006 will subsidize programs and memberships of over 1400 people in their community.

Our Brother Club down under at Bendigo wrote that the appointment of a Youth Director Officer, jointly funded by the Australian Region and the YMCA, was approved at their last Regional Convention. Paul Johns has been appointed at the Bendigo YMCA in this role and is up and running with his call to "Get Youth Involved".

Paul has produced an excellent Report on his achievements to date and his promotion of "Y Dreams Come True" This is a program controlled by young people to process nominations from the public and then explore ways and means to grant the Dream.

Visit: www.ysmen.org for interesting reading and click on "Y's Men on the Web."

Alfred Kwong, Brother Club Chairman

Volunteer Recognition Dinner 2006

Once again this honoring tradition for our wonderful volunteers of the Metro YMCA area was held at the spacious Villa Ragusa in Campbell on May 10, Wednesday commencing at 6:15 PM for the reception and the dinner-program at 7:00 PM. Again the wonderful easy going services of Lissa Kreisler, co-host of the morning show on KBAY 94.5 FM, was secured as Master of Ceremonies.

Our own, Madeleine Baldwin, Youth & Government Delegation President, gave us the inspirational message. This Homestead High senior has been accepted to attend Connecticut College in New London, CT.

The quick and efficient staff of Villa Ragusa had salad and dessert distributed and also coffee and hot tea in carafes were set at each table early on (I like that). This made sense because the program usually keeps going when servers are distributing dessert and coffee but by having it setting out early, the traffic and noise were eliminated for the evenings program to progress serenely.

Mr. Roy Bigge, Chair of the Metro Board of Directors, gave a short thank you speech to these volunteers being honored and for volunteers in general for without them it would be quite a struggle for any non-profit organization to survive.

Mr. Dave Thornton, President and CEO, YMCA of Santa Clara Valley, gave a chest popping raving news about our YMCA's achievements. Keep it up everyone, staff and volunteers.

Profiles of our volunteers were read by MC Lisa and when Northwest YMCA was announced, there was a thunderous applause coming from some 4+ tables of Northwest representers. First, our Teen Volunteer, Derek Esteban (also a Homestead High student), was presented. Then our hard working ever dedicated volunteer and Y supporter, Barbara Walker, was presented. This meant so much to Barbara that both Bob and Barbara cut short by at least 2-days off of their cruise they were on to be able to make this dinner. The proud daughter and son of Barbara was present to witness this occasion. Congratulations!

This year's John D. Crummey Legacy Award went to James Harper, truly a hard dedicated individual for the service to our YMCA.

So another evening of honoring our Y volunteers came to an end. Everyone who volunteers deserves to

be recognized but it is a very hard and difficult process
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Derek Esteban, Elaine Glissmeyer, Barbara Walker

to choose. It gives me great pleasure to remind all volunteers that the honor will soon be forgotten but what you do for an individual will be forever inked in their memory and will long be remembered. That is precious.

San Jose Giants

On Friday, May 12th, Nick Pereira won his 5th game for the San Jose Giants against Lake Elsinore Storm. Nick is the grandson of **Pat Baughman**. The SJ Giants are in the California League in and leading the Northern Division while Lake Elsinore was leading the Southern Division. Nick has a perfect 5-0 record so far with an ERA of 1.7. **Al Endter, Alfred Kwong, Buck Cox** and prospective new member, Lou Ciabattani attended the game. There was a wonderful fireworks display after the game.

Our Majorie Clark is Engaged!

I missed getting this fabulous news in the May issue of our *Y's Y're* so it rates a bonus to her for being understanding that I DO MAKE MISTAKES. Here is her story:

Marjorie Clark and beau, Tim, spent a week in the "Lone Star State". Their first stop was Corpus Christi where Tim bowled in the USBC Nationals Tournament and did well but will find out at the end of July when the final standings of participants from all

over the country are published.

Marjorie's sister, Mary, met them in Texas. While Tim bowled they took in the sites spending one day traveling along the coastline islands on the Gulf of



Mary and Marjorie

hair" days and wind burns. They stopped by the Corpus Christi YMCA before heading to San Antonio.

Mexico, not exactly the exotic swimming holes but very beautiful. However, the wind was too much to handle in Corpus Christi so there were many "bad

Engaged at the

Meyer Bed & Breakfast
on Cypress Creek

Dear Friends and Family

We got engaged on April 7th. Tim proposed in Comfort, Texas where my father grew up. This is an awesome bed & breakfast. Great place for all occasions

We will keep you posted on the upcoming celebration.

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They spent the day at a shopping area called the Riverwalk, shops and restaurants galore line the San Antonio River on both sides. Definitely something to see if you visit San Antonio. Since the early 1950s, tourists and locals alike have strolled along this amazing River and enjoy all that it has to offer, the history, wonder, beauty and pride that have made San Antonio what it is today.

Then it's off to Comfort, TX, approximately 40 minutes west of San Antonio. Comfort is where **Marjorie's** father grew-up on a farm. **Marjorie**, Tim and Mary met up with their brother Rick. Well..... Friday was an adventure. Tim planned on proposing to **Marjorie** on the farm so her father could be there in spirit, but they had company, so it had to wait. Tim proposed at the Meyer Bed & Breakfast on April 7th. It was very special. They will keep us posted on the wedding date.

Birthdays

- Jun 04 **Ron Ohlfs**
- 07 **Bruce Parsons**
- 11 **Ted Ripplinger** (Big 80!)
- 21 **Morris Hosoda**
- 22 **Deanna Sainten**
- 23 **Caroline Sites**
- 26 **Dan Brown**



Wouldn't it be great if they developed a non-fat birthday cake that really tasted good? Well, they haven't, so I recommend setting your scale back a few pounds, instead. Reality can wait 'till tomorrow – have a fabulous birthday!

Anniversaries

- Jun 10 **Ron and Elaine Ohlfs** **ANNIVERSARY**
- 11 **Wes and Judy Harrison** (40th)
- 16 **Pete & Mary Ann Phillips**
- 23 **Jerry and Jo Zichterman**



When the cake and champagne have been eaten, when the roses have faded away, may your marriage continue to blossom, with renewed tenderness every day. HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Dis 'n Dat...

Our friend, Gordon Frolich, master gift wrapper extraordinaire, is pleased to advise us that his prostate

cancer and rheumatoid arthritis is much improved. His PSA reading is 0.1 still after 21 months from brachytherapy surgery. With medication his arthritis pain is much improved and is able to sleep without pain, very little shoulder discomfort, hands are useable, but fingertips still numb and some pain persists in hands and fingertips. Overall, a great improvement and he's gonna win this one, too! Applied for Medicare drug benefit program beating the due date by a few days (whew...whatta relief!)

Mike and **Gert Mahoney** spent the first couple weeks in May, house sitting for daughter, **Debbie**, in Woodland, CA. Well, not just a house, but also an athletic teenager, a busy ten year old, a fish tank, two cats, a dog, and one white rabbit! This made for an interesting time with many new and different household routines. **Mike** became the stand-in car pool driver and soccer mom!...

Pat Baughman is just doing baseball, baseball and more baseball and loving it! Thanks to the Y Service members who went to the May 12th game. Sorry, I didn't see you (you probably heard her yelling) hope you had a good time. It was a great game! It's off to Visalia, then Stockton followed by Modesto. Team doing great! GO SJ GIANTS! See article on **Nick Pereira** elsewhere in this issue. He currently has a 7-1 record with an ERA of 2.11...

Adriana and **Jan Butterman** went to Holland from May 10 to May 31 to visit her aging aunt who is in her 90's and requested their visit. **Adriana** is torn between "been there, done that" and "this may be the last time we get to see her"...

On Saturday, May 13, **Pete Phillips** and **Buck Cox** went to the Berryessa Art and Wine Festival at the Berryessa Center. There they assisted the East Valley Y's Men's Club at their Tri-Tip Sandwich Booth by stuffing and wrapping sandwiches. It gave a couple East Valley members a break and a wonderful fellowship...

When your grandkids are doing well, why not brag about it as **Bob** and **Shirley Hilmer** leaked this info to me. **Beth Hilmer** graduated Cum Laude with a BS in

Nursing from UT Knoxville and has accepted a position with John Hopkins Hospital. Megan **Hilmer** will be entering her Junior year at UT. Austin **Hilmer** graduated from Ravenswood High and plans to continue his education at Miami U in Oxford, OH.

Caitlin **Hilmer** is moving with her parents to Medina, OH (just south of Cleveland) and will attend Highland High where she has already been accepted on the Cheerleading Squad...

Morris Hosoda played senior softball in Hayward (May 6-7), 2-3 record and Palo Alto (May 20-21). 0-4 record because the 5th game got rained out on Sunday. **Buck** came out after church to see part of the 4th game...

Ed and Linda **Niemann** are giving a try at being

hosts at an RV park about 30 miles east of Salem, OR. Let us know how it went after your stint is over. They are doing a major back yard redesign on their new home in Redding...

Talking about redesign, **Al** and Alice **Endter** are in the process of doing a major remodeling of their home. This started way back in February but still a ways to go to completion. Gonna be nice!..

News Flash! **Elmer Hoelscher** reports he has a buyer for his home and his vacate date is probably as early as July 15. Also about that date, **Keith LeWarne** is planning to move to Portland, OR to be near his kids....

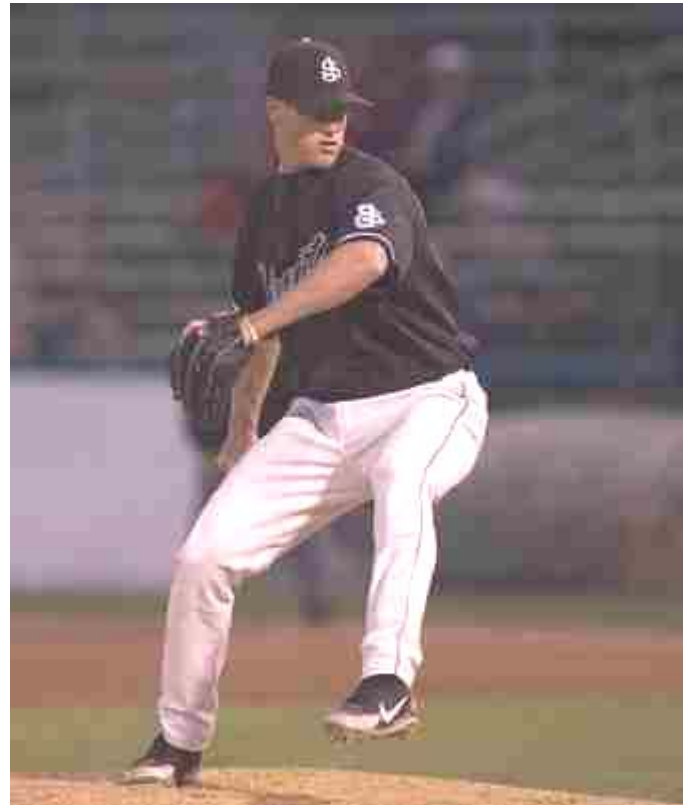
Meet Nick Pereira, Ace Pitcher SJ Giants

Denise **Baughman**, for the most part a single parent while raising Nick and younger sister, Ashley, remembers Nick's first ball games as an 8 year old playing on a 10-year old team in upstate New York. Since moving to Cupertino in 1994, Nick's mother, sister and grandmother, **Pat Baughman**, have supported him. Starting with his Tri-Cities Little League days, through four years at Cupertino High School, two at DeAnza College and two more at the University of San Francisco, Pereira always has had a family following.

And, after touring Oregon and Washington last summer to watch Nick in his first pro assignment with the Salem-Keizer Volcanoes of the short-season Northwest League, all are back comfortably at Grandma **Baughman's** in Cupertino.

In his San Jose Giants debut, Pereira had a no-hitter for five innings against the Visalia Oaks, before finishing with a 1-hitter and six strikeouts in six innings. At Lake Elsinore on April 21, Pereira did not allow a runner to reach second base in seven innings of shutout ball. He continued to pitch well in May, and his consistency every fifth day has helped the SJ Giants to a six-game lead atop the North Division of the California League.

Pereira remained unbeaten until May 28, when the Modesto Nuts scored four times in the first inning to beat him 4-0. That still was the lone blemish on his record as of June 6. After 12 starts, he had a 7-1 record with a 2.11 ERA to go along with 69 strikeouts and just 12 walks and two hit batsmen. Of the 58 hits he yielded 2/3 innings, only one was a home run.



Pereira was a shortstop when he received all-league recognition during two of his three varsity seasons at Cupertino High. But after playing “only about half of the time” for DeAnza as a freshman shortstop in 2002, Pereira knew he was not making it. He was open to change.

After watching Pereira throw in the bullpen in the fall of 2002, Hertler and DeAnza pitching coach Dave Sick also were open. Hertler vividly remembers their reaction after finally putting Pereira into a scrimmage. His first two pitches were over 90 MPH and we said, “Wow! What do we have here?”

Pereira showed enough potential in the fall that Hertler was able to convince USF coach Nino Giarrantano to offer the hard worker a scholarship during the early-signing period. By the end of the season, Pereira had earned it.

At USF, Pereira worked primarily as a relief pitcher in 2004, logging just 37 innings in 19 games. But Pereira enjoyed a breakthrough season in 2005 under the tutelage of pitching coach Greg Moore. A dazzling senior year in the West Coast Conference (10-3 record, 2.21 ERA, 93 strikeouts in 106 innings) convinced the Giants to draft Pereira in the 10th round. Soon thereafter he packed his bags for central Oregon.

In 14 games for Salem-Keizer, including nine starts, Pereira struck out 41 batters and gave up just 17 earned runs and 54 hits, while putting together a 5-3 record, a 3.04 ERA.

Only time will tell how long it will take Pereira to climb the baseball ladder. For now, like Kevin Frandsen of a year ago, Pereira is a local boy making good.