Congratulations 2014 Hall of Fame Inductees





ANTELOPE VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

2014
HALL OF FAME
INDUCTION
CEREMONY



OCTOBER 17, 2014 5:00 P.M. AVHS SMALL GYM

WELCOME INDUCTES





Alma Mater

Down in Antelope Valley
With its sky so blue
Lies our alma Mater
'Neath the golden hue
With its snowcapped mountains,
And its poppies fair
We know our fondest memories
Will always linger there

Dear old Alma Mater,
We always will love thee,
To our colors, red and black,
We pledge our loyalty.
We would not forsake thee,
Or ever lose our dream
For our Alma Mater,
Our torch will always gleam



The AVHS Hall of Fame Selection Committee for their hard work and dedication in selecting our Hall of Fame Inductees.

The AVHS Alumni Association for providing refreshments for this evening and for donating the mugs for the centerpieces. We can always count on you!

Mr. Love and our wonderful Floriculture students for making the beautiful floral arrangements.

Coach Pape and his awesome ASB kids for painting signs, decorating, and for always being there for AVHS!

Our Band Director, Kim Youngblood, and the Antelope Brigade for walking with our inductees in true AV Spirit to Mays Field. What a great way to introduce them to our students, staff, and guests!

Desiree Heller and Andy Antelope for greeting our guests and handing out programs.

The AVHS Administrative Team, Staff and Students for their continued love and support of all things AV!!





Antelope Valley High School Proudly Introduces Our 2014 Hall of Fame Inductees

Lee Sheldon Jaqua* Business* Class of 1939

Frank Roberts* Government Service* Class of 1950

Lewis Arnold* Athletics * Class of 1952

Jerry Murnane* Athletics* Staff 1956-1965

Douglas Oliver* Visual Arts* Class of 1960

Alfred Guzman* Faculty * 1961-1982

Kay Pederson Ryan * Journalism* Class of 1963

Alan Chronister* Faculty* Class of 1967

James R. Doty, M.D* Science/Medicine* Class of 1973



John Frazier * Athletics * Class of 1981







Lee Sheldon Jaqua is being honored tonight for his achievements in Business.

Mr. Jaqua was an extremely active athlete while at AVHS. He lettered in football, basketball, baseball, and track multiple times. He and his parents would share the challenges of attending both a game and a track meet on the same day. At that time, no other high schools were in the Antelope Valley, so it was a geographic challenge to say the least. He shared stories with his family about how he still held the record in a low-hurdle race. When his children asked how he knew that he still held it, he would say that he set the record the last time the race was run.

After he graduated from AVHS, Mr. Jaqua attended AV College and Ventura College earning his AA Degree. He joined the Navy shortly after that and became a fighter pilot. He served on aircraft carrier, the USS Hancock, during World War II flying F6F Hellcats and earned the Distinguished Flying Cross. According to the Hancock's Album, "Lt. L.S. Jaqua is one of our all around athletes and a prospect for California's Chamber of Commerce. He says it's the best place on earth."

In 1946 Mr. Jaqua opened Jaqua and Sons, a concrete block manufacturing company, with his father, Donald Jaqua Sr. and brother, Donald Jr. Mr. Jaqua is a past president of the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce, Lancaster Rotary Club, and past Worshipful Master of Lancaster Masonic Lodge. He was also a member of the AV Fair Board, Rural Olympics Committee, and BPOE Elks. Mr. Jaqua is the recipient of the BP Glenn Award and was a Community Liaison for Edwards Air Force Base. Mr. Jaqua was also the Commissioner for the LA County Juvenile Detention Facilities and the founding director of AV Savings and Loan. Jaqua and Sons continues today under the ownership of his son, Randy Jaqua.

We honor Mr. Glen Ralphs tonight for his numerous contributions in Athletics.

Accepting for Mr. Ballard tonight are his three daughters, Lisbeth Quinn, Barbara Van Houten, and Maurine Ballard-Rosa.







Class of 1981

John Frazier is being honored tonight for his extraordinary accomplishments in the field of athletics.

Mr. Frazier was an outstanding football player and track and field athlete at Antelope Valley High School. In 1981 Mr. Frazier was State Champion and CIF Champion in the Shot Put. These accomplishments brought him numerous athletic scholarship offers, but John chose to stay close to home and selected UCLA.

John's success continued at UCLA. He was a three-time all-American in the shot put earning first team honors at both NCAA indoors and outdoors in 1985 as well as at the 1986 outdoor champion-ship. In his four years as a Bruin (1982-1986) UCLA was 38-1 in dual meet contests, including an unbeaten 3-0 mark vs. USC. As a freshman in 1982 and a senior in 1986, the Bruins were the top-ranked dual meet team in the nation. He currently holds two all-time UCLA records; first the No. 9 mark all-time in Bruins shot put history (65-2.75) and second, the no.10 mark all-time in the men's hammer throw (208-6). He graduated from UCLA in 1986 with a degree in Political Science.

For over 25 years Mr. Frazier has been coaching collegiate track and field, specializing in coaching throwers. Throughout his career he has produced 43 all-American athletes as well as 4 NCAA Champions. In 2013, Mr. Frazier was selected as the Head Men's Track Coach at UCLA.

John's favorite memories of AVHS are of the last football game against Bell Gardens in the first round of CIF playoffs,. They were known as the "Dirty 30". Also his last high school track meet when he won the Cal State Championship in the shot put. A banner reflecting his accomplishment hangs proudly in the Large Gym



James R. Doty, M.D. Class of 1973



Dr. James R. Doty is being honored tonight for his phenomenal contributions in the field of medicine.

Dr. Doty graduated from the University of California with a Bachelor's of Science degree. He attended the Tulane University School of Medicine in New Orleans, did his medical internship at Tripler Army Medical Center and his Neurosurgery Residency at Walter Reed Army Medical Center.

Dr. Doty is a Professor of Neurosurgery at Stanford University School of Medicine and Founder and Director of the Center for Compassion and Altruism Research and Education at Stanford University. Dr. Doty collaborates with scientists from a number of disciplines examining the neural bases for compassion and altruism. In addition, Dr. Doty is an inventor, entrepreneur, and philanthropist. As a philanthropist, he supports a number of charitable organizations focused on peace and healthcare throughout the world. As an Entrepreneur he restructured a biomedical device company, became its CEO, and took it public to be traded on NASDAQ. Additionally, he supports a variety of research initiatives and has provided scholarships and endowed chairs at multiple universities. Dr. Doty created and supports health clinics around the world, funding scholarships for disadvantaged youth and supporting medical research. He serves on the board of a number of non-profit organizations including as Chairman of the Dalai Lama Foundation and is on the International Advisory Board of the Council of the Parliament of the World's Religions. Additionally, Dr. Doty proudly served in the US Army as a physician for nine years.

Dr. Doty has a wonderful family; his wife, Maria, and three beautiful children; Jennifer, Sebastian, and Alexander. Some of Dr. Doty's favorite memories at AVHS are going to dances, games, being involved in clubs such as the Key Club, Chess Club, Math Club, and the Medical Careers Club. He was also a class Senator and Representative.







Frank Roberts is being honored tonight for his achievements in Government Service.

Mr. Roberts has said that one of his favorite memories of AVHS was how diverse the population of students was. He remembers students attending from Santa Clarita to as far as Ridgecrest. He liked the history of the school including the fact that at one time there were dormitories on the campus as well as the Junior College.

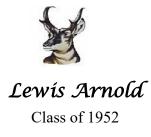
After Mr. Roberts graduated from AVHS, he attended Antelope Valley College, studied engineering at CSU Los Angeles, earned a Master's Degree from UCLA and a master's in Public Administration from CSU Northridge, and attended Nova University where he earned his Doctorate. In 1960 Mr. Roberts was hired at AV College to teach engineering, mathematics, and technology. He became the Division Chairman of the Math and Technology Division and was the Dean of Applied Academics and Technologies. Mr. Roberts retired from AV College after 38 years of service.

Frank Roberts has been and is still involved in several community organizations where he has served as president; the AV Board of Trade, EAC/EDD of California, and the Lancaster Rotary Club. He was also the Chairman of the Board for Milestones of Flight Museum, and a director for both LA County Private Industry Council and AV Air Pollution Control District.

Mr. Roberts was elected as a City Council Member in 1992 and was the Mayor of Lancaster from 1996-2006. Mr. Roberts is also a lifetime member of the Blue Key National Honor Society, Tau Beta Phi Engineering Honor Society, Phi Delta KAOOA Educational Honor Society, AIAA (American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics), and IEEE (Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers).

Mr. Roberts has been married to his wife, Gail, for over 60 years and has a son, Dan, and a grandson, Carson.







Lewis "Lew" Arnold is being honored tonight for his achievements in athletics.

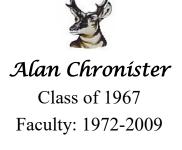
Lew played football, basketball, and baseball at Antelope Valley High School and earned varsity letters all 4 years. His athletic talents didn't end there. At Antelope Valley College, Lew played all 3 sports again and earned varsity letters in all. In 1953 Lew played on the first championship basketball team at AVC to earn the coveted Final Four trophy. They won the championship again in 1954, but fell short of the Final Four. Lew attended Cal State Fresno on a football scholarship where he earned his Bachelor's degree in Physical Education. He earned his master's degree in administration from Pasadena City College.

Lew returned to the valley in 1959 where he coached football and basketball, taught Geography, PE, Driver's Training, Math, and was also the 1st Lt. Commander of the ROTC, California Cadet Corps and Rifle Drill Team. In 1960 and 1968 Lew played basketball against the world famous Harlem Globetrotters. He said it was quite an experience even though they got beat both times.

While working and coaching, Lew and his wife, Pat, were competition dancers and instructors. Together they won 7 overall grand championships and over 40 first place trophies. Lew retired from dance competitions in 1995 and from the AVUHSD in 1990 after 33 years of coaching and teaching service.

Lew had wonderful memories of his days at AVHS. One of which was an incident involving bags of feathers from the turkey farms. Some boys climbed on the roof of the girl's locker room and tried to put the feathers down the vents. It didn't work as planned and all of the feathers floated down from the roof to the street in front of the school clogging radiators of passing cars. Lew wasn't involved but he said it was quite a site. Mr. Ballard was Lew's music teacher. He played the coronet all through high school. The highlight of his music career was marching in the Rose Parade. Being the loudest of the coronet players, Mr. Ballard made him the leader of the marching line.







Alan Chronister is being honored tonight for his contributions in the field of Education.

While attending AVHS Mr. Chronister, or "Big Al" as he is affectionately called by all, was involved in everything that could fit into his schedule; Key Club, Wrestling Club, Lettermen's Club, Choir, and Athletics. He lettered in wrestling, football, and track.

Mr. Chronister earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Physical Education and Biology and a Master's Degree in Counseling from the University of Laverne. Big Al has dedicated his life to the "Lope Way" and believing in "Mays Field Magic." His dedication to AVHS is legendary. He was on the championship coaching staffs of multiple league and CIF title teams in the 1980s and a member of the wrestling and baseball coaching staffs. One of his proudest moments was being on the wrestling coaching staff the year that AVHS defeated Quartz Hill HS and won the CIF Championship.

As an alumnus, he has helped support the school through various committees and was a key player in the organization of Hall of Fame programs at Palmdale, Highland, and Antelope Valley High Schools. Mr. Chronister has worked in the AVUHSD from 1972 – 2009. He worked for 16 years as a Health teacher then finished his career as a Guidance Counselor.

Some of Big Al's favorite memories of high school include hanging out in the bomb shelter, roaming the senior lawn, skateboarding in the hallways with Jay Clark, swimming in the school's pool, running up and down the aisles of the old theatre and driving George Fetters to the annex every day. He had a special pass to do that because George had a broken leg. He also loved being on the teams that won the Golden League titles and went to CIF in wrestling, football, and track. Big Al said that in high school he was involved in everything (good and bad) and he loved it. He said he was and always will be proud to be an Antelope!





Kay Pederson Ryan

Class of 1963



Kay Pederson Ryan is being honored tonight for her extraordinary success in the field of journalism.

Ms. Ryan attended Antelope Valley College after high school and earned her Associate in Arts degree. She attended UCLA where she earned her bachelor's and master's degree. After college, Ms. Ryan became an English instructor at the College of Marin in Kentfield, Ca. where she taught for more than 30 years.

During her teaching career, Ms. Ryan wrote several poetry books which in turn have earned her several awards. In 2004 she was awarded the Ruth Lilly Poetry Prize. In 2008, Ms. Ryan joined the ranks of distinguished poets when she became the nation's 16th Poet Laureate at the Library of Congress, 2011 named a MacArthur Fellow, won the Pulitzer Prize, and was awarded the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation Fellowship or "Genius Grant". In 2009 an article in Newsweek magazine titled "The Reluctant Poet Laureate," by Louisa Thomas noted how Ms. Ryan's introduction to poetry at AVC influenced her writing. A Library of Congress report noted, "In her poems, Ryan enjoys re-examining the beauty of everyday phrases and mining the cracks in common human experience".

Many poetry buffs have drawn parallels between Kay Ryan and Emily Dickinson. As Dickinson, who in the past years of her life never left the boundaries of her family's Amherst property, Ms. Ryan too described herself to the Associated Press as a "modern hermit" who enjoys riding her mountain bike. Ms. Ryan has also said, "I came from sort of a self-contained people who didn't believe in public exposure, and public investigation of the heart was rather repugnant to me. I have tried to live very quietly, so I could be happy."

In 2009 Ms. Ryan returned to AVC to read her poetry, take part in a question and answer session with the audience and sign copies of her books. She was greeted by a standing room only crowd, who listened intently as she captivated them with her every word.







Jerry Murnane, is being honored tonight for his success in athletics.

Mr. Murnane attended Cal State Los Angeles where he earned his Bachelor's Degree in Physical Education with a minor in Biology, graduating in 1953.

He returned to Antelope Valley High School in 1956 where he taught PE, Science, and coached football and gymnastics. In its first season as a Golden League Member, the mighty Antelopes captured its 1st Golden League title in football with Mr. Murnane as their coach. At AVHS's Senior Night Game in 2013, Mr. Murnane was named Honorary Captain for his achievements.

As a coach for the AVHS Gymnastics team, Mr. Murnane's team came in 3rd place in their division in 1959 and 1961. In 1960 Mr. Murnane's team won the CIF Championship. Coach Murnane was the first coach in the history of Antelope Valley High School to win a CIF championship.

Mr. Murnane's fondest memories of Antelope Valley High School were having the privilege to coach some of the valley's finest athletes.

After leaving Antelope Valley High School, Mr. Murnane helped coach Paraclete High School to their first CIF Championship in football. He has also been a volunteer coach at Antelope Valley College, assisting Coach Brent Carder.

Mr. Murnane has been married to his wife, Joyce for 57 years. They have 2 daughters, Lori and Terri, and a son, Larry. They also have two adopted children; Jeremy and Myshal'le.







Douglas Oliver is being honored tonight for his success as a widely recognized artist.

Mr. Oliver discovered his love of art through AVHS teacher, Mrs. Amy Haydorn. He took art from her all 4 years of high school. Mr. Oliver was also in the marching band. His favorite high school memory was marching in the 1959 Rose Parade under the direction of Mr. William Ballard. Mr. Oliver has shared that there are still members of that band that have remained life-long friends of his.

Mr. Oliver has a bachelor's degree in Fine Arts from Chouinard Art Institute (California Institute of the Arts) and a Master of Arts degree in Education from the University of Redlands.

Mr. Oliver returned to AVHS in 1968 where he was an art teacher and a Department Lead until he retired in 1981. When he first began teaching Mr. Oliver said, "I was often stopped by the Hall Bouncers asking for my hall pass, thinking I was a student out of class. I was only 24 then and apparently looked like one of the students".

After he retired from AVHS, he began full time studio work and was granted several one man Art Exhibits, the first of which was in Denver, Colorado. Mr. Oliver's artwork was represented in several art galleries throughout the country. Articles have been written about Mr. Oliver's work in such magazines as Southwest Art and Art of the West. His artwork is presented today by premier art galleries primarily throughout the West in California, Arizona, and Montana and published in serigraph and poster form, and sold and distributed worldwide.

Mr. Oliver met his wife Barbara (Kennepohl) in high school and they have been married for 48 years. She is also a 1963 graduate of Antelope Valley High School. Barbara has been her husband's custom framer and CFO for Oliver Fine Art since 1966.







Alfred Guzman, is being honored tonight for his contributions in Education.

Mr. Guzman has a Bachelor of Arts degree in English and Music, a Bachelor of Science in Education degree, and earned his teaching credential from the University of Tampa. In 1953 Mr. Guzman started teaching in Tampa, Florida at West Tampa Junior High School. He taught 7th, 8th, and 9th grade English for nine years., went to the University of Florida where he earned his Master's degree in English, then returned to West Tampa Junior High where he taught for one more year.

In 1961 Mr. Guzman moved to California where he was offered a teaching position at Antelope Valley High School. During his first year at AVHS Mr. Guzman taught Sophomore English, but with five classes and no free periods to give one-on one attention to his students, Mr. Guzman was looking for a different teaching job. When then principal, Mr. Pederson, learned that Mr. Guzman wanted to teach elsewhere he asked what he could do to convince him to stay at AVHS. Mr. Guzman replied that he would like to teach three classes, increasing the number of students in each class, and meeting those students that needed more help during his free periods. Mr. Pederson obliged and it was then that Mr. Guzman began to teach Senior English three classes a day. At that time Senior English was not a graduation requirement, but students would line up for early registration just to get into his class.

When asked of his experience teaching English to high school seniors, Mr. Guzman said, "The whole 20 years was very enjoyable because I loved the interaction with intelligent, interested students. We read together, we wrote together, and we enjoyed it together."