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**\*RESCHEDULED\***

**Please note that the "Spring Fling 2012" has been rescheduled to July 14th, 2012, due to conflicting events and the closure of Doyle Drive that weekend! Hope to see you in July!!**

**NEW RESERVATION FORM ENCLOSED**

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**Sports Hall of Fame Accepting Nominations**

**The Galileo Sports Hall of Fame Committee is now accepting nominations for induction into the Hall later this fall. Anyone can nominate a worthy athlete, coach or other associated with Galileo sports by filling out a nomination form at the end of this newsletter and sending it in. A form can also be found at** [**www.galileoweb.org/alumni/sportshalloffame**](http://www.galileoweb.org/alumni/sportshalloffame)**. Once submitted, the committee will review the nomination, contact the nominee, obtain information, accomplishments and other pertinent facts and vote. Inductees will be honored at a dinner in the fall of this year. The committee consisting of Vince Gomez, Joe Martino, Sisvan Der Harootunian, Cherise Johnson and Ethan Winterling (as advisor) is hard at work to come up with a group that is worthy of the Galileo sports tradition. It expects to have the candidates selected by early summer.**

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| **Through The Telescope. . .**  **Sisvan Der Harootunian** | X |

**“Though April showers may come your way, they bring the flowers that bloom in May”—Al Jolson. Let’s hope the flowers bloom soon.**

**Congratulations to Marin County for being the healthiest county in California for the third year in a row.**

**You can now stay in the Presidio of San Francisco. The Inn at the Presidio opened recently with 43 rooms.**

**On the mend: Mario Lombardi, after surgery. The ultimate Lion is getting better and ready to roar again.**

**11-11-11 was Remembrance Day, formerly Veterans’ Day and Armistice Day). The next time this will happen is 100 years from now on 11-11-2111.**

**Do you remember Eskimo Pie? For those of you too young to know, Eskimo Pie was not a pie at all, but a chocolate covered vanilla ice cream bar popular in the 40s and 50s.**

**OBSERVation: People don’t pick up pennies anymore. In the 40s a penny would buy a 2 foot long licorice whip. Five of the shiny coins would have gotten you into a movie double bill.**

**Fantasy Football: Wouldn’t it be cool if someday Eli Montana (Joe’s son) and Jerry Rice, Jr. (Jerry’s son) played together for the 49ers?**

**Original Joe’s has opened up in the location formerly occupied by Joe DiMaggio’s at the corner of Union and Stockton, and the food is as good as ever. Open for lunch and dinner. The décor is more elegant than the digs on Taylor Street, and the prices are a little higher.**

**If you haven’t tried Brenda’s Soul Food on Polk near Turk, you’re missing some of the best New Orleans cuisine in town. She makes beignets to die for as well as pumpkin pancakes, a huge muffaletta, and hangtown fry.**

**When the St. Louis Cardinals won the World Series last year, they were a wild card team. It’s time major league baseball changed its rule of whichever league wins the All-Star game gets home field advantage. In our opinion the team with the best record should have the home field advantage. What say you?**

**When Al Massucco (’50) passed away on March 28th, he left a big void in the friends who knew him. Al was a Prince of a guy. He was inducted into the Galileo Sports Hall of Fame in 2004. In the Armenian language there is a saying when someone dies: “He gave the Sun to you.” Al gave us the Sun every day of his life. Joe Martino, a classmate and very close friend said, “As you might suspect he was gracious and courageous to the end, surrounded by his loving family. Pola and I double dated with Joyce and Al way back in our Galileo days. In recent years we continued to “double”, played bocce together and attended numerous Galileo, USF, Salesians and other events. He will be sorely missed.”**

**Restoring The Dream: Dr. Martin Luther King gave his life to stop racism. There is far too much violence and hatred in the world today. When will we realize that this is not the way for the human race to survive? It’s time to restore The Dream.**

**Until next time, the observatory is closed.**

**90th Anniversary Notes**

**I had the pleasure of attending the day activities portion of Galileo’s 90th anniversary celebration last November. Bettie Grinnell led a group on a tour of the observatory. I had not been up there for over 60 years. It confirmed my belief that this iconic feature of Galileo should be eventually restored to functional status. At the football game were several alumni including Sports Hall of Fame members. A personal highlight was a photo taken with Dylan Nelson (a future Hall of Famer), Vince Gomez and myself. Another was a picture of Joe Martino, 1950 Galileo Student Body President with Lisa Mai, 2011 ASB President, a generational gap of 61 years! Lisa was kind enough to invite Dylan to come over and join us. Dylan’s brother Kyle was the quarterback for Gal during the game. The Hall of Fame members who were introduced at half-time were Kevin Adams, the late Dick Bechelli, Sisvan Der Harootunian, Jim Dresser, Ron Ertola, Bill Flanagan, Ken Flanagan, Vince Gomez, Bettie Grinnell, Joe Martino, the late Al Massucco, Vince Moreci, Jr., Don Papa, Pete Pompei, Bernard Valdez, Eugene Wing, and Ethan Winterling. ---SDH**

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** **Between the Lions** **

**by Bettie Grinnell**

Greetings Mighty Lions! Here’s what happening at Galileo these days.

**NASA VISITS GALILEO**

On Monday, March 12, 2012 the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), from the Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center in Houston, Texas, sent a team to visit Galileo and to give presentations to our students. The team was led by Bridget Ziegleaar, an Extravehicular Activity Flight Manager, and former astronaut, Captain Daniel W. Bursch. Fifty students were selected to hear the presentations live, while the rest of the students, faculty and staff were able to view the presentations over our closed-circuit (G-House) television network. Students from all over the school were able to email questions to the presenters.

Astronaut Daniel Bursch received a Bachelor of Science degree in physics from the United States Naval Academy in 1979 and a Master of Science degree in engineering science from the Naval Postgraduate School in 1991. He became a naval flight officer and gained over 3,430 flight hours in more than 35 different aircraft. He has been deployed to the Mediterranean, the North Atlantic, and the Indian Oceans.

He was selected by NASA in January 1990, and became an astronaut in July 1991. Astronaut Bursch is a veteran of four space flights and has logged over 227 days in space. He and fellow astronaut Carl Walz currently hold the U.S. space flight endurance record of 196 days in space. His last space mission was a 6-½ month stay aboard the International Space Station from December 5, 2001 until returning to Edwards Air Force Base in California on June 19, 2002. During this mission, wearing the Russian Orlan spacesuit, Bursch logged 11 hours and 48 minutes in two separate space walks. This crew included two American astronauts and one Russian cosmonaut. He showed photos of how tight the crew quarters are on the space station. He asked the students to imagine a long family road trip in which they were sitting in the back seat with their siblings, having to get along in close quarters. Students asked lots of questions about life on the space station, including how did the astronauts brush their teeth, shower, cook, and what did they eat.

When the team left they thanked everyone for the great hospitality we showed them. Our PTSA and our Academy of Hospitality and Tourism provided and served refreshments and lunch to the NASA guests and the faculty and students participating in the live sessions. NASA provided souvenirs for our students and staff—NASA lanyards for keys, and miniature astronauts in full space gear were just some of the items. The NASA visit was a wonderful experience for the entire Galileo community!

**FURLOUGH DAYS**

The entire San Francisco Unified School District experienced 4 furlough days this year. Schools were closed, students stayed home and all teachers and staff stayed home and were not paid. The Furlough Days were placed in the Spring Semester: February 17, March 16, April 6 and May 29. More Furlough Days are planned for the 2012-2013 school year.

**BUDGET CUTS**

Gigantic budget cuts for the entire San Francisco School District are becoming a reality for the 2012-2013 school year. Projected cuts for Galileo total $650,000. Cuts will be felt in the teaching staff, the support staff, supplies and classes offered. Everyone is hoping that more funds would be found to help maintain a quality education for all our students.

**RETIRED GALILEO SECRETARY TURNS 102**

Miss Eloyde Granucci, Galileo Main Office Secretary recently celebrated her 102nd birthday. Miss Granucci was one of the first people I met at Galileo when I arrived on November 16, 1972. She welcomed me to Galileo and took me under her wing. I heard about her 102nd birthday from Paul Capurro, owner of Capurro’s Restaurant at Fisherman’s Wharf. His mother, Anne Capurro is a Galileo graduate from the early 1940’s. Miss Granucci’s recent birthday was celebrated at Capurro’s restaurant and Paul said she was chipper, smiling, having fun and enjoying a glass of wine!

Miss Granucci retired from Galileo in June 1975. A check of the 1975 Galileo Telescope shows the headline: “EXTRA! EXTRA! EXTRA! SAN FRANCISCO GLOBE E GRANUCCI RETIRES. . .LONG SERVICE ENDS.” Other news items sharing the yearbook pages with Miss Granucci include the following: 1. The movie, “The Towering Inferno,” filmed entirely at the Bank of American World Headquarters, featuring former Galileo football star, O. J. Simpson, won 3 Academy Awards. 2. Coach George White led Galileo to the first football championship in 33 years. His players gave him a victory ride. 3. The BART underwater tube connecting San Francisco and Oakland opened. 4. Women were admitted to the California Highway Patrol as regular police officers. 5. Patty Hearst, originally thought kidnapped by the Symbionese Liberation Army (SLA) now purported to have joined the group. 6. Muhammed Ali slugs his way back to heavyweight ring royalty with a knockout of George Foreman. 7. Nelson Rockefeller becomes the 41st Vice President of the United States. 8. My Lai incident behind, former Army Lt. William Calley is free and seeing anonymity. 9. After serving many members of the faculty and student body, Miss Granucci ended her long career as Secretary to the principal of Galileo High School. She will be missed by many students and members of the faculty. We all wish her happiness and health in her years of retirement.

Miss Granucci lives in San Francisco.

**WINTER SPORTS WRAP-UP**

**Girls Varsity Basketball**

Girl's Varsity Basketball had a very successful year going 21-8, losing in the AAA semi-finals to Washington 45-39. The team beat Washington for the 1st time in 20 years in a thrilling overtime upset, with our best player making a free-throw with no time remaining, The team started 4 sophomores and 1 freshmen, with the remaining players all sophomores and freshmen, and 1 junior. Sarah Lim was 1st team All-City, Cassidy Chan was 2nd team, and Kim Fung and Jane Gunn made Honorable Mention. The future looks good according to coaches Don Papa and Kevin Adams.

**Girls JV Basketball**

The JV girls were fully committed as they fought to the play-offs and then lost a close semi-final game. Led by many players’ efforts they competed in every game, only to be beaten by Washington in the play-offs. The talent is there for the future. Thanks, Coach Caldwell.

**Wrestling**

Galileo’s wrestling teams now include girls! One of the girls was on the team last year and 4 more girls were added this season. This is the highest number of females on the Galileo wrestling team in our history and means that Galileo wrestlers are able to compete with other San Francisco teams with a similar number of female wrestlers. Middle schools are now offering wrestling, which gives our girl team members a head start. Four year Coach Allen Loretz and the captains of the wrestling team are helping the female newcomers in practice and giving them tips about techniques as well as being their wrestling opponent to prepare them for the season. Coach Loretz expects the girls this year to place in the Central Coast Selection Championships. Gabriel Lops, a senior won 13 of 15 matches in January. In two matches, one against Mission and one against Balboa, he completely dominated his opponents in by pinning them within the first two minutes. The team expects Gabriel to place first in the city tournament and qualify for the state tournament.

The Lions finished with a season record of 4 wins and 3 losses. Due to the injury of two of the team captains, Michael Nguyen and Michal Brzozek, and also losing another captain, Thomas Nguyen due to eligibility issues, the team was left hard pressed to take first place in the league. But even with the loss of some of the best wrestlers on the team, the Lions fought hard. Captain Gabriel Lops finished the year with an undefeated season record and took first place in the section tournament, earning himself a ticket to the state championships. In the last week of the season, the Lions wrestled the Washington Eagles, who were undefeated and had already clinched first place in the league. But with the return of both captains Michael Nguyen and Michal Brzozek, the Lions were motivated and beat the Eagles, 33-32, giving them their only loss for the season. Michal Brzozek then took first place in the section tournament, and joined his teammate Gabriel at the state championships. Michal Brzozek was also named the Most Outstanding Wrestler at the SF AAA Wrestling Championships. Also placing at the section tournament was sophomore Swain Wong, who took second place, and Michael Nguyen, who despite his injury wrestled himself into third place.

The Lions had a tough season this year and over- came many challenging obstacles to finish the season strong. But the Lions are only graduating three wrestlers this year and have the rest of the team training hard for next year. The Lady Lions also had a great year themselves. With one returning wrestler, Jennifer Louie, and four first year wrestlers, Tina Ozeki, Barbara Nguyen, Manducka Ganbold, and Bernice Phan, the girls competed strong at many tournaments this year. None of the girls qualified for the state championships, but all of them are returning next year and are training hard for it.

**Let me know what you’d like to hear/read about at Galileo. Bettie on the Beat will be happy to answer your questions and handle your requests.**

**Bruce Eng Elected Honorary Member S. F. Alumni Council Meets**

At the GAA board meeting on November 10th, Bruce On October 27th, the SFAC met at Lincoln

Eng was elected an honorary member of GAA. High School. Representing GAA were

Bruce has contributed much to Galileo Academy Char Mori and Sisvan Der Harootunian.

including organizing and implementing the tile drive Other schools represented were Balboa,

and installation and the renovation of the two Lion Lowell, Polytechnic, and Washington.

benches at the Francisco Street entrance. He is a Several common concerns/problems were

member of PTSA and his two kids attended Galileo. discussed. Lincoln was a gracious host.

***Tony Compagno’s***

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| ***Ramblings*** |

***Basketball, as a rule, is not a game for the vertically challenged. When I was playing for “Fox” DeNike in the fall of 1958, I romanced no illusions about playing pro basketball one day. So I tried to specialize in being a nifty ball-handler, but I found that coping with pubescent turmoil was just about all I could handle, and that not very well.***

***But I've always loved the game, and so I offer the following fictional reminiscence to all my high-school heroes of the hardwood, and to my fellow Lions who played with gusto if not a lot of talent on concrete courts on Saturday afternoons before something called wives claimed their time for "more important" things.***

***This had no title originally, but let's call it "Of Madmen and Midgets." Enjoy:***

**Sitting in front of the TV recently, watching pro basketball's Warriors serve themselves up like sacrificial lambs to their opponents, I was aware of nostalgia competing with my disgust. I momentarily lost my appetite for my seven-course meal (a granola bar and six-pack of Perrier) and became immersed in reverie.**

**My mind traveled back to a Saturday afternoon at Michelangelo Playground in San Francisco's North Beach. Nestled between old apartments and flats not far from famous Fisherman's Wharf, Michelangelo will always own a part of me.**

**Playground basketball. Nearly all the pros learned the fundamentals of their trade on concrete courts across the nation when they were little tykes (under 6' 4"). It's a long and difficult road from the playground to the mammoth sports coliseum. Being a munchkin who wanted to play a giant's game, I've had to be content in the role of avid spectator.**

**At the tail-end of another NBA season, with the playoffs just around the corner, my mind traveled back to Michelangelo, and I found myself starring in a scene from "The Prodigal Dead-Eye Returneth."**

**I was down by three points. The picture of the can of beer on my T-shirt was wet, not with the water from artesian wells, but with the sweat of a diehard hunch player. ("Hunch" is a one-on-one encounter played on courts almost everywhere.)**

**It was a very hot Saturday, the kind of Saturday when, in my day, the neighborhood teen-aged boys, stoically enduring the hangover from the two cans of beer painfully sipped before the dance last night, donned their work-out shirts and Chuck Taylor Converse All-Star white low-cuts, and left the low-rent flats to converge under a basket at Michelangelo with an excitement and joy of life racing through their veins as they can at no other time in life with the same intensity or for the same reasons.**

**It was the kind of hot Saturday afternoon when, in my time, the teen-aged girls would apply the allowable make-up with the care of a Sophia Loren or an Elizabeth Taylor (in their prime) and "throw on" a sweater or a blouse with instantaneous good judgment, then volunteer to take their little brothers and sisters to the playground so that the younger ones, little simians, could play at their childish games.**

**Michelangelo and the string of Saturday afternoons...I remembered it all ----- from the time I was one of my sister's excuses swinging like Curious George, to the days of flexing my ping-pong muscles for local cuties, exchanging insults with buddies during "cutting sessions," laughing, bragging, arguing, silently brooding over a new pimple the night of the date with Hard-to-Crack Hazel or because Lou the Barber accidentally raped a lock I'd trained for months: the golden days when my blood said that the world was my playground and I the game-master...**

**It had been a few months since the latest of a recurring dream that I was a 90-year-old man in a smart sweatsuit banging on the locked gate of Michelangelo at the same time young, tan, lean, bushy-haired, handsome lads moved gracefully up and down the court, connecting on impossible shots, oblivious to my rage.**

**I was still quick enough, and adept enough at handling the "ol' melon" to be allowed on the courts by the currently reigning adolescent game-masters. It was a see-saw contest with my freckled opponent, but I was on the short end, and Freckles needed just a field goal, a measly two points, to put me away. I guarded my opponent closely, and with dexterity stole the ball from the youngster, spun around and netted a soft hook shot. I returned to the free-throw line. Freckles drew from a rich source of expletives, which came in very handy during hunch games, faced the basket, and waited to grab the rebound. I took my sweet time, bouncing the ball a few times at carefully calculated intervals, breathing rhythmically, dedicating myself to the task at hand.**

**"Hey, man, this ain't Madison Square Garden. Shoot the damned ball, fool!" Freckles complained.**

**I decided that the moment was right, arched the ball towards the crooked orange rim and watched the sphere roll around and tease the dilapidated net, then fall into the waiting hands of the challenger.**

**Freckles went to the free-throw line and imitated my exagerrated deliberateness.**

**"You know, freckled one, you're gonna get arrested for loitering on the line. Put it up!"**

**I stared intently at the backboard. It never occurred to me that it could happen. But it did. My tricky little foe worked the infamous "slammer" on me. Not wishing to take the chance of missing the free shot and losing the ball, Freckles slammed the ball against the backboard, caught it quickly, projected and scored on a jumpshot from eight feet out. The jocks at the playground had for years dubbed the stratagem "El Cheapo." I had used in countless times in my checkered, shameless youth.**

**A batch of eager high school athletes, having exhausted stories about alleged proximity to the heavenly cleavage of neighborhood beauties, looked ready to claim the court and run, jump, stretch, bend, shout, play a game that offered comprehensible rules and tangible, immediate rewards for their efforts.**

**Freckles, although unable to contain a lobe-to-lobe grin, looked at me sympathetically.**

**"You're MAD, mister, aren't you?" she said, and turned her head quickly, rather femininely, her pony tail bouncing as she walked away.**

**I stood there for a while. Finally deciding which leg to put forward first in the business of walking, this madman left Michelangelo. I hurried, hoping to get home in time to watch the big boys playing at the Forum in Los Angeles, and needing the shadows of the darkened living room to hide my red face.**

**(*Note: For anyone interested, the preceding piece appears in my book SEASONING, available for purchase on-line in both paperback and e-book formats.)***

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***Announcements***

**1961 & 1962 Reunion**

**We are planning a reunion of the Classes of '61 and '62. It will be held on Saturday, June 23, 2012. We are working with a company called Great Reunions. They will be sending out info in the near future. We hope to see you there.**

**Dennis Cardellini, Class of January, ‘61.** [**http://greatreunions.com/reunions/school/home/index.cfm?Reunion=6525**](http://greatreunions.com/reunions/school/home/index.cfm?Reunion=6525)

**1972 Reunion**

**All you Galileo Class of ’72 Alumni, the date has been set for our big 40th reunion, it will be Saturday October 13, 2012 and we are excited that it will be held at the Hyatt at Fisherman’s Wharf at 555 North Point St, San Francisco and the entertainment will be provided by special hometown favorite band “Jest Jammin”, so mark your calendars  
and stay tuned, we will be announcing more details and information within the next few months.**

[**http://www.galileoclass72.org/1.html**](http://www.galileoclass72.org/1.html)

[**https://www.facebook.com/groups/166308560107344/**](https://www.facebook.com/groups/166308560107344/)

**1963 Reunion**

**50th reunion coming up in 2013 Contact: Sheldon Wong for info** [**gtrzot@comcast.net**](mailto:gtrzot@comcast.net)

**Spring Valley 160TH Alumni Tea**

**Friday May 11, 2012 at Spring Valley Science School 1451 Jackson Street @Hyde SF. CA 2:30-4:30**

[**http://springvalley-sfusd-ca.schoolloop.com/**](http://springvalley-sfusd-ca.schoolloop.com/)

**Cinco de Mayo at Caesar’s: No, it isn’t a Mexican celebration – it’s the annual North Beach/Marina Men’s Luncheon on May 5th at Caesar’s Restaurant. If you’re going, please email Mel Chiarenza at** [**event4u@comcst.net**](mailto:event4u@comcst.net)

**Obituaries**

**Al Massucco ((’50) Albert John Massucco Born June 2, 1932 passed away on March 28, 2012 at the age of 79. Son of Benedetto and Lena Massucco and brother of the late John Massucco, who is survived by Benedetta Massucco. Also survived by brother and sister in-law Larry and Rita Wilson. Born and raised in San Francisco, CA in the Russian Hill area. He attended Galileo High School**

[**http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/sfgate/obituary.aspx?n=albert-massucco&pid=156786984**](http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/sfgate/obituary.aspx?n=albert-massucco&pid=156786984)

**William Sale William "Bill" Sale Bill's life ended quietly and peacefully on Sunday, February 19, 2012 at home with his children present. A native San Franciscan, Bill came into the world on March 28, 1921 assisted by a midwife, at 747 Filbert Street in North Beach. He attended Hancock Elementary School and Francisco Junior High school. During these years he delivered The Shopping News and was an Altar Boy at Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church. He graduated from Galileo High School in 1938 with All City honors in Basketball.**

[**http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/sfgate/obituary.aspx?n=william-sale&pid=156388936**](http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/sfgate/obituary.aspx?n=william-sale&pid=156388936)

**Tom Ternullo (’50) passed away peacefully at his home surrounded by his family on February 16, 2012, at the age of 80. family moved to North Beach in San Francisco at an early age. He graduated from Galileo High School in 1950.**

[**http://www.sfgate.com/cgi-bin/article.cgi?f=/c/a/2012/02/18/MNTERNULLO021955.DTL**](http://www.sfgate.com/cgi-bin/article.cgi?f=/c/a/2012/02/18/MNTERNULLO021955.DTL)

**Carlo Giovanetti August 14, 1922 passed away peacefully on March 30, 2012, at the age of 89 with family by his side. He joins his loving wife Gina to whom he was married to for 61 years. He graduated from Galileo High School**

[**http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/sfgate/obituary-print.aspx?n=carlo-giovannetti&pid=156977577**](http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/sfgate/obituary-print.aspx?n=carlo-giovannetti&pid=156977577)

**LETTERS**

***Hello, I was referred to you to see if Miss Lau Ying can be located. She attended Galileo and graduated approximately 1963. It was a small class of 100 and graduation was in Jan or Feb. She is a blind student and we wanted to connect with her. Can you help? Thank you.* ---Stephanie King**

***Are there any more survivors?*** *(Referring to Class of 1935 – Ed.).* ***I hope so. Will try to make the Spring Fling. Go Lions.* ---Frank A Brucia (’35)**

**ATTENTION POTENTIAL ADVERTISERS**

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**CALENDER OF UPCOMING EVENTS**

**GAA Board Meeting – Room 210, Galileo Academy, 6:00 PM, Wed., May 9, 2012**

**Spring Valley 160TH Alumni Tea May 11, 2012**

**Classes of '61 and '62. It will be held on Saturday, June 23, 2012**

**3rd Annual Spring Fling has been rescheduled to Saturday, July 14, 2012**

**Class of ’72 Alumni, 40th reunion, it will be Saturday October 13, 2012**

**Class of 1963 50th reunion coming up in 2013**

**When checking for upcoming events between issues of the *Observer*, please visit the web site** <http://galileoweb.org/alumni/> **for the most up-to-date listings.**

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**GALILEO SPORTS HALL OF FAME**

**NOMINATION FORM**

**CRITERIA**

1. Nominee must have attended Galileo High School/Galileo Academy of Science and Technology in good standing at least 5 years prior to being nominated.
2. Nominee must have been an outstanding athlete. Examples: Member of a championship team, selected All City, hold a high school record, recipient of a specific individual or team award, considered by peers as worthy of being a member of the Galileo Sports Hall of Fame.

(Consideration will be given for recognized athletic activities and/or accomplishments after graduation.)

1. Nominee may be an individual (faculty, coach, student) whose valued contributions to a specific sport or athletics in general at Galileo are worthy of consideration for this award.

4. Galileo alumni, faculty members, coaches, or family members of a nominee, may nominate a candidate. All nominations will be reviewed and facts about qualified nominees will be verified by the Galileo Alumni Association Sports Hall of Fame Committee.

5. Posthumous awards are given, so nominee may be deceased. If selected, he/she must be represented by a family member or recognized close friend.

I would like to nominate the following person for the Galileo Academy Sports Hall of Fame:

Name of Nominee:

Class of: Phone: Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Spring/Fall/Year

Address:

Street City State/Zip Code

Nominator's Name:

Address

Street City State/Zip Code

Class of: Phone: Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Spring/Fall/Year

Signature: Date:

Mail to: Galileo Alumni Association

Sports Hall of Fame Committee

1150 Francisco Street

San Francisco, CA 94109

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**GAA PRESENTS “HOT FUN IN THE SUMMERTIME”**

**REUNION FOR ALUMNI, FRIENDS & FAMILY**

The Galileo Alumni Association “Annual Spring Fling” has been rescheduled to July 14, 2012 due to conflicting events and the closure of Doyle Drive. At the Italian Athletic Club, 1630 Stockton St. San Francisco. Auction items include: Giants Tickets/Restaurant & Hotel Gift Certificates, Wine tour, Beach Blanket Babylon Tickets/Personal Training Fitness/Golf Lessons/Italian Basket/Breakfast Basket and much more. Please join us for an evening of socializing, no host cocktails, dinner, raffle, silent auction and dancing, Tickets are $45.00 each. No-host cocktails start at 6:00 p.m. and dinner at 7:30 p.m.

Dinner includes: Salad, Penne Bolognese, Antipasti, Rosemary Roasted Half Chicken, or Pork Roast (veggies/potatoes) Dessert and wine. For vegetarians Eggplant Parmigiana will be available. (Napoleon of Eggplant, Fontina Cheese, Basil, Tomatoes).

Order your tickets early as they will go fast. Tickets will not be sold at the door. Tables of 10 can be reserved.

**PLEASE RETURN NO LATER THAN JULY 6, 2012**

Please detach form and mail

Make check payable to Galileo Alumni Association. Complete this form and mail to:

Charlene Mori, 808 Greenwich Street, San Francisco, Ca. 94133 You can also pay on-line at <http://galileoweb.org/alumni/>

JULY 14, 2012

No host Cocktails at 6:00 – Dinner 7:30

Italian Athletic Club

1630 Stockton Street

San Francisco Ca 94133

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Phone\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Number of Tickets: \_\_\_ x $45.00 per ticket = Total $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Chicken \_\_\_\_ Pork Roast \_\_\_\_Eggplant \_\_\_\_

Print name of guest Print name of guest

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**All tickets will be held at the door.** If you have any questions, please contact Barbara LaRocca at 415-846-9863 or Charlene Mori at 415-297-4280 or email at <http://galileoalumni.org/messagePres2.html> . GAA Web Page: <http://galileoweb.org/alumni/>

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The Mission of this Association shall be to \* Assistance to all reunion committees **ALMA MATER!**

Organize Alumni into a cohesive unit to benefit \* Quarterly newsletter “The Observer” Please visit the Galileo Alumni

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Make checks payable to: Galileo Alumni Association INTERESTED IN HELPING OR BEING ON A COMMITTEE YES \_\_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_\_

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