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Picture this . . .



Kurt Rolfes, 1959

It is 2006 and you and your son are on a 'round the world fishing trip, stopping at some of the most exotic spots imaginable. Some of your catch will be prepared as delicious entrees by chefs of very famous restaurants and resorts. And the whole trip will be recorded for a television series called *The Gourmet Fisherman Television Show*. Envious? Well, as Kurt Rolfes ('59) puts it, "It's hard work, but hey, somebody's got to do it!"

It was an interesting road getting to this point. Kurt began all this with studies at the University of Munich where he studied fine arts and graphic design. Later, as a Peace Corps volunteer, he wound up about 400 miles north of New Guinea on the island of Yap. After leaving the Peace Corps, he continued to pursue his interests in photojournalism throughout Asia and the Pacific. During the Vietnam War he carried out some very dangerous assignments for UPI and NBC News. He was wounded several times and once had his life saved when a camera lens rather than Kurt stopped a bullet.

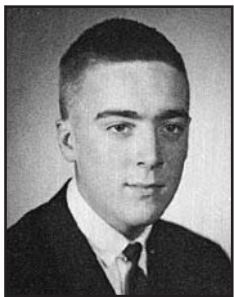
In the three plus decades spent as a professional photographer, Kurt has had a variety of corporate and governmental clients that confirm his interest, abilities and artistry. A small (very small) sampling of the list: Bank of America, Singapore Airlines, Port of Singapore Authority, Marathon, Hilton Hotels, Meridian, AT&T, Deutsche Bank, Holiday Inn, American Express, Union Oil, Mandarin, Singapore Economic Development Board, IBM and Thai International. You will note in this very incomplete list that there is a "tilt" towards clients in southeast Asia. A resident of Singapore for over three decades, Asia has been Kurt's primary stomping ground. Documentary filming has taken Kurt to many remote places in The Philippines, Thailand, Myanmar, Cambodia, Laos, Malaysia, China, Vietnam, Nepal and India. Perhaps the oddest outcome of all this time in odd corners of Asia is that Kurt has become a leading – maybe "the" leading – authority on the Orang Pendek, the elusive real/imaginary (pick one) cousin of North America's "bigfoot." If and when this creature is located in the remote corners of the Malaysian peninsula, he will have to pose for Kurt's camera.

As a lecturer at a number of film societies and colleges in Singapore and elsewhere, Kurt's expertise has been made available on such topics as Film Aesthetics, Video Film Production and Post Production, Black & White Dark Room Techniques, Underwater Photography, Fashion & Glamour Photography, Food Photography, Digital Imaging and Photojournalism. That Kurt knows exactly what he is talking about can be witnessed by logging on to www.studioassociates.tv and then clicking on "Galleries".

Kurt's non-photography interests – though photography always is nearby – involves SCUBA diving, sky diving (is it possible to combine the two?), open ocean sailing, jungle exploration, Asian cooking, navigation, country and western music, environmental protection, poetry ("Doctor Ice Cream man/cures the ills the summer sun/inflicts on young souls"), scriptwriting and, of course, fishing (see paragraph 1, above).

In the long list of Lincoln graduates – some 29,000 since 1875 – Kurt's story has a very special flavor. Yet, it is in an odd way, a familiar one. Lincoln people so often look at the world and say, "Hey, this is a place I want to know about and to get something from. More, it's a place I owe something to." Enough said. Kurt Rolfes, class of '59, is one of us.

The Art of Medicine – one more time



James Goodrich, 1964

We first ran this story in the Fall, 2004 newsletter. This is embarrassing to admit, but the picture shown with that story was of William Gough, also a 1964 graduate, whose picture was next to James Goodrich's in the yearbook. The picture shown with this repeat story is the real James Goodrich.

Those of you who watched NBC's *Dateline* on Sunday, August 8th saw a program about some very remarkable medicine. The surgical separation of the two year old twins, Carl and Clarence Aguirre, who were joined at the tops of their heads, was the kind of event that astonishes even those who take miraculous medicine for granted. The team of surgeons and others who performed the five surgeries over a period of several months — surgeries which culminated in the seventeen-hour procedure on August 4th which finally physically separated the two boys — was led by Dr. James Goodrich.

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Dr. Goodrich, who is Director of the Division of Pediatric Neurosurgery at the Montefiore Children's Hospital in New York, is also a professor of Clinical Neurological Surgery, Pediatrics, Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine. It is a very impressive title for a very impressive physician. After a stint in Viet Nam as a somewhat bemused and confused young man, Dr. Goodrich did his undergraduate work at the University of California (Irvine) and his graduate (Master's and PhD) at Columbia University. He then went on to complete his Doctorate of Medicine at Columbia and his residency and intern training at New York's Presbyterian Hospital and the New York Neurological Institute. His credentials are impeccable. More importantly, his skill, his commitment and his sense of the purpose of medicine are reminders that excellence is a demand we best make of

ourselves. Dr. Goodrich, who has been recognized by *American Health* magazine as “one of the best doctors in America,” is someone who sets the mark a bit higher. Somehow, we all get a small extra bounce to our step knowing that we walked the same halls as James Goodrich, Lincoln High class of '64.

POPCYCLES 2006

“Hooray for Hollywood” is the theme for this year's PopCycles show – with curtain up at 7:30 PM Friday, December 2nd, 2005 at Lincoln. General admission tickets are \$10 and students are \$5. Parking is available at the school surrounding the bleachers and track. Drama teacher Jim Peerenboom promises a wonderful evening with lots of laughs and good music. Several teachers, parents, and students including the senior boys from the

Varsity Football team will be performing. We

need to add some talented alumni to the cast.

Any one interested can contact Jim at Lincoln High School 503-916-5200 or thespian4u@aol.com.

Come and support the Lincoln drama department.



2006 LHS AUCTION SETS THE STANDARD

The 2006 LHS auction will be held February 11, 2006 at the Multnomah Athletic Club beginning at 5 PM. The theme this year is *Setting the Standard: Keeping Oregon's Number One School on Top*. Please join us for an evening of fun as we honor individual alumni who have “set the standard” in their lives and careers. Your participation in this most worthwhile fund raiser will help ALL the kids at Lincoln.

The Boosters, PTA and Foundation have joined together this year to make this auction the best ever.

- Boosters funds support 21 clubs and 17 sports teams.
- PTA funds support classroom needs, textbooks, technology, and programs such as the International Studies and International Baccalaureate Programs.
- Only Foundation funds can be used to purchase teacher positions. These funds keep student classroom sizes smaller than they would be with only Portland School District participation. This year the PADDLE RAISE funds will go to the Foundation.
- **Want to help?**
 - Want your business to sponsor a table?
 - Want to donate an auction item?
 - Want to attend?



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For more information contact Dru Carson Rosenthal, Class of 1977 at jackthegiantdog@comcast.net or 503-888-9700.

Lincoln Sports Greats

On October 5th, seven Cardinals, whose times at Lincoln span the period 1934 through 1980, had their names added to the role of the Portland Interscholastic League Hall of Fame. That raises to twenty-one the number of Lincoln folk who are members of that distinguished group of outstanding contributors to the history of sports and sports programs in the state's largest district. This year's Cardinal inductees to the Hall of Fame provide an interesting and impressive record of talents and achievements.

Baseball letter winner **Bill Carney** ('38) was first-team PIL and first team All-State. His .560 batting average had a lot to do with that. He went on to earn his baseball letter at the U of O where he was a member of two Northern Division Championship teams and served as team captain in his senior year. He subsequently played professionally for the Hollywood Stars of the old Triple A Pacific Coast League. He then managed the Archer Blower & Pipe Babe Ruth League team to a World Championship series appearance in 1962.

John Kovenz ('43) accumulated two letters in baseball and four in ice hockey before moving on to the U of O where he won three more letters in baseball and was selected as First Team All-Northern Division. Following college, John went on to play professional baseball for five years with Bakersfield, Tacoma and Wichita. His skills and knowledge of the game then stood him in good stead for a twelve year stint as coach of Medford High's baseball team.

Rose Festival Queen **Robin Marks** ('80), a letter winner in track and field, was twice state champion in the 200 yard and once in the long jump. Twice a member of the state champion mile-relay team, she also was a member – and a very important one – of Lincoln's 1980 state championship team. Robin also won a letter in basketball and was a player on Lincoln's 1978 PIL championship team. At the University of Arizona, Robin was a four year letter winner in track and field and, in 2002, was very deservedly elected to the University's Sports Hall of Fame.

Karla Neuport Hockley ('77). Well, let's just make a list. Volleyball: three time letter winner, First Team All-State, Twice First-Team All-PIL, Most Valuable Player.

Baseball: four year letter winner, Twice Second Team All-PIL and twice First Team, Twice selected as PIL Most Valuable Player and twice the PIL scoring champion. Tennis: Four year letter winner, two times the PIL doubles champion and once the singles runner-up. Now, that's a list! The employees at Consolidated Supply, where Karla became President in September of this year, know they have a winner at the helm.

Hal Saltzman ('42), a baseball letter winner was first team all-PIL in '42. World War II took Hal away for the duration but when he returned to school after the war, he played baseball at the University of Southern California and then at the U of O. Twice he was selected as All-Conference and was a member of Oregon's 1948 Pacific Coast Conference co-championship team. In the late 1940's, Hal pitched for the Portland Beavers, compiling a 23-13 record. In 1950, he was called up to Cleveland in the American League and then sent to San Diego of the Pacific Coast League. After the 1950 season ended, Hal's professional baseball career was also ended. With the outbreak of the Korean War, Captain Saltzman returned to duty in the Marine Corps and spent the next several years as a company commander in the service of his country.

Letters in baseball, basketball and football marked **Dick Wilkins** ('43) as a triple threat. In the 1945 NCAA tournament (in which Oregon wound up in third place), Dick averaged 22 points per game, becoming the first freshman ever to lead the tournament in scoring average. Dick's most famous moment was his touchdown catch in Oregon's 1949 Cotton Bowl appearance against SMU. After professional seasons with the Dallas Texans (1952) and the New York Giants (1954), Dick returned to Oregon where he took up coaching duties at North Bend High School.

Milo Meskel ('43), a baseball letter winner, was First Team All-State and First Team All-PIL in 1943. In 1955, he was named the Outstanding Player at the American Amateur Baseball Congress tournament. Milo subsequently played professionally for Boise in the old Western International League and then, like Bill Carney, managed the Archer Blower and Pipe team and took it to a World Championship in 1962.

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Attention All Grads from the "Old" Lincoln

There's a reunion afoot for all the graduating classes that matriculated from the Old Lincoln High building on the park blocks. That would be all classes up to and including the class of 1952. So, if you're class of '52 or earlier, mark your calendar for the fall of 2008. (We all have 2008 calendars don't we?) Exact date and location are to be decided, and the committee seeks input from you. Direct your comments to any committee member listed at right, referencing "Lincoln on the Park Alumni Association." We are anxious to hear from you.



Yearbook, 1951

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FROM THE PAST... School Spirit

The staff of the Cardinal yearbook, in choosing the theme "school spirit" for this 1951 edition, did so with the thought of commemorating the ever growing evidence of school spirit and loyalty to Lincoln High School. The theme is, without question, extremely timely, not only because of the pending change in school plants from the venerable 1912 structure to the new, modern building, but because of the continued rise of Lincoln's standards in virtually all fields including scholarship and, most noticeably, athletics...

— The Dedication Page of the 1951 Yearbook



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