

Memories of Azusa High School

Name: John R. D. Baumann

Favorite song: Dream Lover, Bobby Darin. Although He loved Big Band music, this Pop-Rock song is played every day on the Radio

Favorite subject: Lunch Time

Favorite teacher: Janice Quick. Oops, too soon back then

Favorite hangout: Williams Flats

Favorite food: Hamburgers

Favorite activity: Eating Hamburgers

Favorite outfit: Hawaiian shirts

First car: 1962 Pontiac Tempest, 4-banger, stick (half a V-8 literally) in 1963

First date: 1957...well...?

Christmas dance date: Sally...I think it was Christmas?

Senior prom date: Unfortunately I missed that one

Biggest crush: Alex Rompel. After high school Ponytails disappeared for a short time. Then they slowly started coming back. In the various places that I worked (played) I kept looking at girls with ponytails. Then I remembered our Cheer Leader Extraordinaire. I have never seen a pretty girl with a Ponytail as lovely as our Alex. I hope Alex doesn't mind, but Cheryl wanted deTails.

Biggest fear: Not enough money to buy a bunch of hamburgers

Biggest distraction: My first Guitar, Christmas 1959

Fondest memory: First playing job, New Years Eve 1961/62 in a small club with a modified ID

Funniest moment: First playing job

Most embarrassing moment: Out to dinner with a lovely lady and forgot my wallet...Sally...?

Most frightening experience: Riding shot-gun with Roger Mays

Most humiliating experience: (a year after HS) While playing a small concert I leaped 15ft off of the stage (part of the act) and forgot to use my 30ft cord. I pulled my \$1000.00 amp over onto It's FACE! The girls screamed, the guys laughed, I cried, the amp died

Biggest accomplishment (personal): Art class. Two of my chalk paintings were pilfered by our art teacher and hung in the hallway of the Covina Hospital