

PRESIDENT'S INBOX: RAY "SKIP" PHILLIPS '68



Help Wanted!

The ALHS Alumni Foundation has done some great things this last two years. The endowment has grown and the money entrusted to the Alumni Foundation for Scholarships is even more secure because we have a stronger connection with Scholarship America's Dollars for Scholars program. Procedures have been put in place to create stronger audit controls

where the Foundation administration and the process to select scholarship recipients are above reproach.

As said before, we need help and you have many unique skills that could be used to help the Foundation. For example: Do you know Facebook, Twitter, or have a lot of connections with the alumni of Lincoln High School? Do you know the law? There are a lot of alumni that would like to contribute to the Foundation but don't know how. Do you have talent in art, cosmetics, teaching, sports or some other skill you would be willing to share with others? Read Lisa Whitmarsh Peterson's article about the Silent Auction we held on November 21 at the Lincoln Winter Sports Kickoff event.

There are many things you can do for the ALHS Alumni Foundation but there are also things the Foundation can

do for you and your friends: We can help you find a high school friend. We can get you information on your high school reunion. Best of all, with you, we can help a high school student learn a career. It is sort of like paying for the car behind you. The under used skill you love can make a difference in the life of a Lincoln alumni now becoming a part of your community.

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Check out the ALHS Web site!

www.alhsalumni.com

President's Inbox (cont)

David Letterman is retiring this year and in his honor, we have created a Top Ten Reasons you should volunteer:

- 10. What else are you going to do with a liberal arts degree?
- 9. Your resume needs to be at least three-fourths of a page long.
- 8. Your mom would be proud of you.
- 7. The car needs a workout.
- 6. Getting out every day keeps you from getting old.
- 5. Soap operas are all the same.
- 4. If you need help someday it is nice to build up an account of IOUs.
- 3. Your family will appreciate you more if you are not there all of the time.
- 2. When you stay home you are there to answer the many telemarketing calls.

And the No. 1 reason you should volunteer:

1. Who cares about getting paid?

Please don't miss your chance to meet some well-known alumni of Lincoln High School and some graduates yet to become internationally famous at our upcoming Alumni Foundation Annual Celebration. We are honoring three new Alumni Hall of Fame inductees this year:

Miriam Erickson Brown '80 Warren Erickson '86 Kevin McCarthy '89

We will also be awarding scholarships to some incredible class of 2015 graduates.

Since this is the end of my second year of a two year term as president of the ALHS Alumni Foundation, you have the additional bonus of meeting our incoming president, **Nicole Graziano '86**, at the upcoming Annual Celebration on May 7.



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Paul Williamson



Hello Railsplitter Alumni,

I hope this message finds everyone warm and well. We recently finished up the first semester with many successes as well as a few challenges. Our basketball teams are heading into the playoffs and our girls bowling team is heading to state! Our debate team has qualified for nationals as well as our boys swimming team made huge strides during their season by finishing 2nd in our conference for the second straight year (we will get the Roughriders next year!). Academically, we recently honored almost 300 students for earning a grade point average of 3.75 and above by serving an "Honors Lunch" catered by Chef D and Rock Power Pizza on the south side.

Our theatre program is currently preparing for the musical, "Chicago," which will be performed April 23-25 at 7:00 PM. We recently completed our student course requests for next year and are excited that enrollment for our Advanced Placement courses continues to rise. However, one

of the challenges referenced above is that Lincoln is being reduced by approximately four teachers next year despite enrollment holding steady at around 2,200. However, I have no doubt with our incredible staff and students we will prevail and continue to make improvements that will make you proud!

I hope the spring season treats you well and will allow for you to make a visit back to Lincoln. There are great things happening here on campus daily. ■

Paul Williamson

ALUMNI NOTES

Anna Williams '63



John Tedore. Lincoln High School football coach 1959-60, was recently honored with the Congressional Gold Medal in a ceremony at the Capitol in Washington, D.C. The medal was presented to members of the First Special Services Force, or "the Devil's Brigade," who contributed to the liberation of Europe in World War II. The Congressional Gold Medal is the highest honor presented to civilians for high achievements and contributions. In addition to coaching at Lincoln, Mr.

Tedore, age 90, also taught science and then went on to serve as vice principal at Woodrow Wilson Junior High School, Kurtz Junior High and Weeks Middle School. Congratulations, Coach Tedore!

Lincoln alumni are everywhere – you just need to make the connection. Beth Baker Albright '83, an Ankeny Hich School parent went to the Johnston Showzam show choir competition in January and Lincoln High School was also there. Two other Ankeny choir parents turn out to be Lincoln grads – Annette Dudley Allender and Lisa Knapp, both Class of '84. One of the Ankeny choir directors, Jonathan Brugioni, is the son of LHS grad, Shelley Woods Brugioni '76. As the crowd gathered to watch Lincoln's varsity show choir perform, Beth saw more LHS show choir parents and classmates – Juanita Gedler Richter and Julie Martin Amadeo, both Class of '83. Sounds like an 80s Reunion!

Better to report late than never! Four **Cross** brothers took a dream golf trip together in September, 2012. **Charlie '54, Tom '57, Kenny '58** and **Dave Cross '65** had a great time playing golf at Pebble Beach Golf Course in California. Trip of a lifetime and they'll never forget the excitement of playing golf together at Pebble Beach.

Who would think that after being retired from The Principal Financial Group for ten years, you'd wind up serving on a Retiree Steering Committee, but, that's what I've "volunteered" to do. We don't just hold holiday parties and summer potluck picnics, our retiree group supports community projects. Currently, our volunteers are involved with the **FreeStore**, helping families start over. The FreeStore, founded in 2001, provides household

items and furniture free of charge or for a minimal fee to needy families referred by social agencies. The FreeStore is entirely run by volunteers with no paid staff. For more information, or to volunteer, see the Web site: http://thefreestore.org/.



If you missed the Lincoln High School Homecoming Parade last September, be sure and go to our Alumni Web site www.alhsalumni. com and check out all the photos! Miss Iowa, **Ali Olson '11**, was our Grand Marshall, and you may recognize many of your former classmates and friends!



John Neal '81 has completed the mural on the west side of Graziano Bros. Italian Foods building! You may recall from our previous newsletter that John has moved on from painting his clients' visions on billboards to creating murals for them.

Be sure and watch for the Car Show at one of Lincoln's activities coming up later this year. For more information, contact **John Thielke** at jboythere@aol.com.



The 7th Annual South Des Moines Art Festival will be held on September 19, 2015, at the South Des Moines Sculpture Park, S.W. 8th and McKinley. That's another great time to catch up with friends! You'll also be able to purchase art, jewelry and crafts, and enjoy food and entertainment. Last fall, I couldn't believe the fire-eating lady!

Chuck Mettler '61 and Phil Barber '67 are on the Steering Committee for the Revitalization of S.W. 9th Street. The City of Des Moines, the South Des Moines Chamber of Commerce, Friends of S.W. 9th, and the South Des Moines Merchants Association are all behind this major undertaking. Chuck is working with Iowa State University Architecture Department on creating what will be called "The Bell Avenue Plaza" at S.W. 9th and Bell Avenue, just across from Lincoln High School. It will be a public space with seating, landscaping and a sculpture, all of which will become a landmark on S.W. 9th Street.

Pat Sullivan Cateron '48 had a scrapbook full of pictures and newspaper clippings from her years at Lincoln and even newspaper clippings as classmates married. After Pat's death, her niece, Beth Baker Albright '83 decided the photos and clippings should be given to Pat's classmates or their families. Beth maintains our alumni database so she was able to look up names on the photos and mail items to seven or eight families. She was quite pleased to hear back by note or phone call from all of them saying how much they enjoyed a trip to their days at LHS. She's still trying to find a couple classmates or families: Shirley Wilson Sapp and Paul Pigneri. If you can help Beth, please give her a call at (515) 289-0957.

Skip Phillips '68 is a Greenfield Township Trustee, and has been fortunate to be involved with the Northern Warren Fire Department for about 23 years. He's still in awe of the commitment to the community and contribution of the volunteer fire fighters. Many of the calls for these volunteers come at inconvenient times and requires they show up and save lives. A good share of the present and past fire fighters of Northern Warren Fire Department are Lincoln High School graduates. Life of a fire fighter is not just a volunteer task, it is a way of life. **Bob Lohrman '62** was chief of the department for a number of years, and he and his wife **Doris** have been involved with the department for about 40 years. Their son **Matt Lohrman** is a second generation who has been in a number of officer positions, including assistant chief. Barry McKibben has also been involved with the department for nearly 40 years as a fire fighter and board member, and Barry's wife **JoAnn** has been the treasurer of the department for about that many years. If you see someone wearing a Northern Warren Fire Department shirt or hat, Skip would like you to please thank them for their commitment to the community.



The Lincoln community has lost another dear friend. Ralph Wilson '49 passed away in Des Moines on January 16, 2015. He is survived by his high school sweetheart, Marilyn Satre Wilson '48, son Timothy Wilson, two granddaughters, Jennifer Wilson and Mariah Glaze, his sister Vivian Haag '44, brother Jim Wilson '45, and

nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by son, **Jeffrey** and brother, **Raymond**. Ralph was a barber by profession, but a life-long volunteer and friend to all. Ralph was inducted into the ALHS Alumni Foundation Hall of Fame and served on the Alumni Foundation Board. He and his brother, **Jim**, established the **Jim & Ralph Wilson Scholarship** for Lincoln's graduating seniors in 2009.

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT:

GLORIA GRAY '66

BY ANNA WILLIAMS '63



This spring we spotlight Gloria Gray, 2013 ALHS Alumni Foundation Hall of Fame recipient, board member and past president. Gloria recently retired from Children & Families of Iowa and was featured in their publication, "Voices." Please enjoy reading about Gloria's many

contributions to Children & Families of Iowa:

Dr. Gloria Gray announced her retirement as CEO of Children & Families of Iowa (CFI), effective February 27, 2015.

For the last 14 years CFI has been under the leadership of Gray, who has overseen many programs that help Iowa's at-risk children and families. Gray's career has totaled 44 years in the human services industry. Early in her career, she spent 13 years with CFI before going on to work at organizations in Kansas City and Oklahoma City. She returned to CFI in November of 2000. "Coming back to CFI was such an easy decision to make because I knew it was a special place, doing awesome work with children and families," says Gray.

Under her leadership, CFI experienced growth in many ways, including:

- An increase in clients served from over 12,000 individuals in 2000 to over 25,000 this past year.
- Growth in the annual budget from \$9.4 million in 2000 to this year's budget of \$16.8 million.

- Our addition of important services to help children and families, including adding infant and toddler care to our array of child care services, aftercare services for youth using our Cornerstone Recovery Program, additional service options for victims of domestic violence, youth work readiness services added to our array of teen programs, the statewide Parent Partner program, and technology upgrades to benefit all aspects of operations.
- Achieved Hague Accreditation, allowing for all aspects of international adoptions.
- Continued accreditation from the Council on Accreditation, an independent nonprofit child and family services accrediting organization.
- A successful capital campaign involving major renovations and structural improvements for CFI facilities in Des Moines and Ankeny.
- An organization-wide commitment to CFI's mission of restoring hope, building futures and changing lives.

"It has been my great honor and pleasure to serve as CFI's leader, and to work with so many talented staff and dedicated board members to help Iowans in need," says Gray. "CFI is in good standing and positioned to maintain success well into the future."

And we thank you, too, for establishing a new scholarship for Lincoln's graduating seniors—The Gloria Gray Scholarship for students who plan to attend a DMACC Workforce Training Academic Vocational Training Program.

Our congratulations, Gloria! Now you'll have even more time for ALHS alumni activities....

FOUNDATION NEWS

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INVITE THE ALUMNI FOUNDATION TO YOUR CLASS REUNION

Invite the ALHS Alumni Foundation to your next reunion! We can provide people to handle registration at your event, allowing members of your graduating class to join in the festivities instead of working at the registration table. We can also offer some opportunities for your classmates to show their school pride by purchasing a commemorative brick, driveway emblem, yard sign or an Alumni shirt.

If you are interested in knowing more about how we can assist you at your reunion, email **John Thielke '80** at jboythere@aol.com. ■

FINANCIAL REPORTS

(As of December 31, 2014)

ALHS Alumni Operating Accounts

Checking and investment accounts

\$33,984

Your annual dues go to help with operating expenses.

ALHS Alumni Foundation

Checking and investment accounts

\$628,530*

* Interest earned from endowed Foundation investments is used for scholarships.

Commemorative Bricks and **Driveway Emblems**

In 1999 Abraham Lincoln High School celebrated its 75th anniversary and the ALHS Alumni Foundation began selling commemorative bricks to mark the occasion. We continue to offer these bricks at a cost of \$75. The bricks are installed in front of the school, and are a wonderful way to remember a loved one, to honor a recent graduate or family of graduates.

Also available for \$20 is an ALHS emblem painted in maroon or gold on your driveway. This is a great way to show your Lincoln spirit! All proceeds go to the ALHS Alumni Foundation.

If you are interested in purchasing a brick or having the ALHS emblem painted on your driveway, order forms are available on our web site: www.alhsalumni.com.

ATTENTION STATE OF IOWA EMPLOYEES!

The **Des Moines Lincoln, ALHS Alumni Foundation Dollars** 2009! If you are a State of Iowa employee, please pledge to the for Scholars Chapter is once again participating in the State of **Iowa One Gift Program** where employees may payroll deduct contributions to charitable organizations.

The One Gift campaign takes place during October, however, employees may pledge at any time for the balance of the current year. The ALHS Alumni Foundation/Dollars for Scholars is proud to have been a part of this charitable program since

Des Moines Lincoln Dollars for Scholars Chapter. Imagine the additional scholarship possibilities this One Gift Program can bring to our ALHS students!

One hundred percent of the One Gift voluntary payroll deduct contributions go to the designated charitable agencies. To learn more, see web site https://das.iowa.gov/human-resources/one-gift. Des Moines Lincoln Dollars for Scholars is agency No. 7665.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Spring Musical (at the ALHS Auditorium)
 April 23-25, 2015, at 7 PM. This year's production is "Chicago."
- Senior Celebration After Prom Party May 2, 2015, Public Walk-through 7-9 PM
- Spring Band Concert (at the Bowen Round House)
 May 4, 2015, at 7 PM
- Spring Vocal Choir Concert (at the ALHS Student Commons)
 May 5, 2015, at 7 PM
- 40th Annual ALHS Alumni Celebration featuring Scholarship Awards & Hall of Fame Induction Ceremonies (at the ALHS Student Commons)
 May 7, 2015, at 5:30 PM

- Lincoln High School Fashion Show (at the Auditorium)
 - May 8, 2015, at 6:30 PM
- Spring Show Choir Show (at the ALHS Student Commons)
 May 14-15, 2015, at 7 PM
- Class Night (at the Bowen Round House)
 May 22, 2015, at 6 PM
- Commencement (at the Drake Knapp Center)
 May 23, 2015, at 4:30 PM
- 23rd Annual Bob VanderLinden Golf Outing

June 5, 2015. Contact Phil Chia at (515) 242-7525 for details.

BUILD LINCOLN HIGHER BOOSTER CLUB, INC.

PRESIDENT: LISA MAHONEY

Build Lincoln Higher Booster Club has had a busy year raising money to promote the school, its students and all school sponsored activities. With the support of our parents and students, we operate the concession stands at Hutchens Stadium and Bowen Roundhouse as well as our annual Chicken Bowl, Pancake Fest and we offer spirit merchandise through the Rail Shop. Last fall, with the help of alumni, we sponsored the ALHS Homecoming Parade. Through your purchases and membership dues, BLH will be able to give back to the Lincoln community through grants and scholarships this fiscal year. Some of the grants included new sewing machines for our Drama Department, funds to help with practice facilities for our Tennis and Soccer teams, and Staff dinners during conference time. Our Membership Committee enhanced our membership levels to include punch cards to the concession stand and/or Rail Shop from \$10 to \$20 in savings. You can email boosterclublhs@aol. com for more information. Our Senior Celebration After Prom Party will be held May 2nd at Lincoln High School. The theme for this event is kept secret until the Public Walk-through at 7 PM. We'll let you know the theme in the fall newsletter!

Thank you to Lincoln alumni, fans, parents, students, and supporters for making our Annual Pancake Breakfast fundraiser such



a success! Lincoln's Performing Arts Groups showcased what fabulous gifted and talented students we have on the south side.

A special thanks to Hy-Vee, Anderson Erickson Dairy, Gateway Market, and Edwards Graphics for their generous donations and discounts for our annual Pancake Breakfast. Go to the alumni Web site www.alhsalumni.com to see photos. We also want to thank BLH Members and all our volunteers who graciously give their time and hard work. We are very fortunate to have such a wonderful group of corporate sponsors, volunteers and supporters. Without you ALL, these events would not be possible, and it's your dedication to our Lincoln community that makes BLH successful! GO RAILS!

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Bruce Koeppl for the Dave Mills Scholarship

Matt Meline for the Meline Family Swimming Scholarship

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ALHS ALUMNI FOUNDATION HOLDS SILENT AUCTION

BY LISA WHITMARSH PETERSON '75

On Friday, November 21, at the Lincoln High School Winter Sports Kickoff event, The ALHS Alumni Foundation held a silent auction, just in time for holiday gift giving. We were delighted to receive numerous gift cards and certificates for eateries, gift baskets, special packages for "ice" skating, skiing, skydiving, 21st Century climate control heating/cooling and a full zoo experience! We netted \$1,047.00 to offset cost of the Alumni Foundation Annual Celebration to be held May 7. We know our auction bid winners were happy--but we certainly couldn't have done this without our generous donors! Please remember our Alumni Businesses for future patronage:

BARATTA'S, Joe Gatto '85 and Lisa Wing Kruger '86 BORDENARO PIZZA, Chris Bordenaro '90 BREWER MEATS, INC, for South DM Sculpture Park, Phil Barber '68 DOT'S GALLERY & FRAME SHOP, Lori McNulty Landgren '87 FALLER, KINCHELOE & CO, PLC, Alan Kincheloe '80 GONG FU TEA, Rusty Bishop '86 MANNING'S BAR & GRILL, Chris Manning '85 NOAH'S DRY CLEANERS, Dave Noah '59 NYC PIZZA CAFÉ, Eric Little '04 PAESANO'S PIZZERIA and SKYDIVE IOWA, Bruce Kennedy'74 RICCELLI'S, Terry Riccelli '87 and Pete Riccelli, Jr. '73 SMALL CAKES, Eric Little '04 SLEEPY HOLLOW SPORTS PARK, Rick Flatt '75 SOMETHING ITALIAN, Louis Baratta '66 THE ICE RIDGE, Burton Powley '75 WYCKOFF HEATING & COOLING, Job Cooper '85 and Andy Wyckoff'86



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Lisa Whitmarsh Peterson and John Thielke, ALHS Alumni Foundation Fundraising Co-Chairs

RAILSPLITTER Review



Thanks to the generosity of many ALHS alumni and friends, the ALHS Alumni Foundation, a *Dollars for Scholars Chapter*, awards a wide variety of scholarships to deserving Lincoln Seniors each year. The Foundation awarded \$41,600 in scholarships to 2014 ALHS graduates.

The following scholarships are available through the ALHS Alumni Foundation Dollars for Scholars Chapter in 2015:

ALHS Alumni Association Scholarship

The Alumni Association offers annual scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 each. Our Scholarship Committee awards these scholarships based on the **GPA, financial need** and **community service** of the applicants. A minimum GPA of 2.50 is required. The number of scholarships awarded varies yearly based on the interest earned on the Foundation Endowment. We hope to award at least fifteen (15) Association scholarships in 2015.

Coralie Cherry Memorial Scholarship

Established in memory of Coralie Cherry, Class of 1947, by her family and friends, one \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded annually beginning in 2015 to a student who attended either **Morris Elementary** (formerly Mann-Watrous) or **McCombs Middle School**, is actively involved in Lincoln activities, and who demonstrates service to the south Des Moines community. Coralie was a lifetime South Sider, a true supporter of Lincoln and south Des Moines. She worked in the Lincoln feeder schools, was very active in the Alumni Foundation and worked hard to keep the history of Fort Des Moines alive.

South Des Moines Sculpture Park Scholarship

Established by Phil Barber '68 and Chuck Mettler '61, one \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded annually beginning in 2015 to a student seeking advanced education in the field of **art.** Applicants must submit a letter outlining why the student is pursuing a career in art and two examples of his/her artwork (drawing, painting or sculpture) to the Lincoln High School art department. The South Des Moines Sculpture Park Board of Directors will judge the submissions.

Elizabeth C. Vencil Chandler Memorial Scholarship

Established by the late Everett Chandler, Class of 1927, in memory of his loving wife, Elizabeth C. Vencil Chandler, four (4) four-year scholarships of \$1,500 per year are awarded every four years, beginning in 2007. The **GPA** and **financial need** of the applicants will be considered.

Des Moines East & South Chamber of Commerce Scholarship

Established by the Des Moines East and South Chamber of Commerce, one \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded annually beginning in 2014 to a student who has worked or volunteered on the south side of Des Moines. The **GPA** and **financial need** of the student will also be considered.

Raymond and Shirley Phillips Memorial Scholarship

Established by Raymond "Skip" Phillips '68, Pam Phillips Brennan '66, Shirley Phillips Kunkle '68, Kirk Phillips '71 and Candy Phillips Conlan '65, one \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded annually beginning in 2015 to a student who plans to pursue a major course of study in music. The GPA, financial need and community service of the applicants will also be considered.

The Gloria Gray Scholarship

Established by ÁLHS Alumni Foundation Past President Gloria Gray, Class of 1966, two scholarships up to \$1,000 each will be awarded beginning in 2015, to students who plan to attend a **DMACC Workforce Training Academic Vocational Training Program**. The career areas include: Business/Information Technology, Health Care, and Manufacturing/Industrial Technology. The scholarship may be used for tuition, books and/ or supplies. A minimum **GPA** of 2.5 is required. **The financial need** of the applicants will also be considered.

The Meline Family Swimming Scholarship

Established by Matt Meline '86, one \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded annually beginning in 2015 to a qualified participant of the boys or girls Lincoln High swim team that has demonstrated leadership, team support and consistent participation on the team. A letter of recommendation from the swim team coach is required. The financial need, academic performance and extracurricular activities of the applicants will also be considered. The intention to swim during one's post-secondary education is not required.

Dr. Patricia K. Tice Scholarship

Established in honor of Dr. Tice, long time ALHS award-winning Senior Guidance Counselor & Scholarship Chair who retired in 2013, one \$2,000.00 scholarship will be awarded to an ALHS senior who has a **strong academic record, high morals,** demonstrates **financial need**, and has been accepted to attend Iowa State University in the fall.

Under Dr. Tice's leadership, the ALHS College Bound Rails Wall was created. Dr. Tice's advocacy and tireless efforts for students resulted in ALHS students earning more than \$30M in scholarships, including a DMPS record of \$8.2M for the Class of 2010. Dr. Tice encouraged and motivated Lincoln students to be the best they can be, no matter what their field of endeavor might be.

Neff Family Scholarship

Established by alumni Rose Mary Schwent, Class of 1942, two (2), four-year scholarships (\$1,250 per year) are awarded annually to applicants who intend to declare a major course of study in **science** or **mathematics**. The **GPA**, **financial need** and **community service** of the applicants will also be considered.

Ruth Johnson Nichols Memorial Scholarship

Established in 2009 by Ruth Johnson Nichols, Class of 1942, one \$1,500 scholarship has been awarded annually to benefit a student who demonstrates great **financial need**. Beginning in 2015, Ruth's family is continuing this scholarship in her memory.

Jim & Ralph Wilson Scholarship

Established by alumni Jim & Ralph Wilson, one \$1,000 scholarship is awarded annually based on the **GPA** and **financial need** of the applicants.

ALHS Class of 1983 Scholarship

The Class of 1983 is sponsoring one scholarship in the amount of \$500. The scholarship is awarded based on **GPA**, **financial need** and **community service** of the applicant.

Studebaker Elementary School Scholarship

One scholarship of at least \$500 is awarded annually to a student who attended **Studebaker Elementary** for at least three years. The **GPA** and **financial need** of the applicants is also considered.

Al Graziano Scholarship

Established in 2011 in honor of retired Principal Al Graziano, Class of 1960, one \$1500 scholarship will be awarded to a student who intends to declare a major course of study in **education**. The **GPA**, **financial need** and **community service** of the applicants will also be considered.

Stephen Brodie & Gail "Bud" McAninch, II Memorial Scholarship

Established in memory of Stephen "Steve" Brodie, Class of 1965, and Gail "Bud" McAninch, II, Class of 1970, one \$500.00 scholarship will be awarded to a student who participated in **football** at Lincoln, has a **strong academic record** and demonstrates great **financial need**.

Hugh Kent Memorial Science Scholarship

Established in memory of Hugh Kent, a former Biology teacher at Lincoln, one \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded annually to a student who demonstrates a passion to learn about **science** and intends to major in science at the college or university of his/her choice. A minimum **GPA** of 2.0, a statement of interest in science, and a written recommendation from a teacher who has observed the student's growth and interest in science are required.

The Dave Mills Scholarship

Dave Mills, Class of 1950, dedicated his retirement years to community service. To honor Dave's work, one \$500 scholarship will be awarded annually to a student who has shown leadership, commitment and passion for volunteer service to improve the community. The student should be recognized by established service organizations for demonstrating strong organizational, leadership and communications skills to accomplish stated goals and benefit others through volunteer efforts.

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Dollars for Scholars (cont)

William "Bill" McKibben Memorial Scholarship

Established in 2011 in memory of Bill McKibben, Class of 1953, by his wife Shirley McKibben, one \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded based on the **GPA**, **community service** and **financial need** of the applicants.

Steve Tomlinson Memorial Scholarship

Established in memory of Steve Tomlinson, Class of 1991, by his brother, Rob, Class of 1987, one \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a **varsity athlete** with a **GPA** of 2.5 or higher.

Wolfe Family Scholarship

One \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded annually, beginning in 2012, based on the **GPA**, **community service** and **financial** need of the applicants. A minimum GPA of 2.5 is required.

Dr. John W. Green, Jr. Family Scholarship

Established by the late Virginia Green in honor of her family, five (5) \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded annually for six years, beginning in 2012, to students who demonstrate **financial need** and **solid academic performance**. A minimum GPA of 2.5 is required.

The Clayle, Milva, Maxhn, and Janine McCaw Scholarship Fund

Established by Dr. John ('35) McCaw and his wife Maxine in honor of their children, all of whom graduated from ALHS, one \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded annually to a student who demonstrates a **solid academic performance, community service** and **financial need**. Acceptance at an accredited institution and a minimum GPA of 3.0 are required.

Sarg Fontanini Memorial Scholarship

Established by the Fontanini family to honor the memory of Sarg Fontanini, Class of 1933, one \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded annually to a student who demonstrates **exceptional character, solid academic performance** and **financial need**. A minimum **GPA** of 2.5 is required.

Nicholas J. Mancuso Scholarship

Established in 2012 by Nicholas Mancuso ('48), one \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded annually to a student who intends to declare a major course of study in **business**. The **financial need** and **community service** of the applicants will also be considered.

Bill Backstrom Memorial Scholarship

Established by Nicholas Mancuso ('48) in memory of Alumni Foundation co-founder Bill Backstrom, Class of 1948, one \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded annually to a student who intends to major in **business**. The **financial need** and **community service** of the applicants will also be considered.

The Jerry, Linda, Katelyn, Erin and Conor Crawford Scholarship

Established by Jerry ('67) and Linda Crawford in honor of their children Katelyn ('02), Erin ('05) and Conor ('08), one \$5,000 scholarship will be awarded to a student who attends Macalaster College, Skidmore College, Columbia University, Creighton University or Yale University. The **GPA, financial need** and **community service** of the applicants will also be considered.

CONTACT US:

Are you interested in establishing a scholarship?

The Foundation can help you establish a scholarship in your name or in memory of a family member or friend.

Are you considering including the ALHS Alumni Foundation in your will? Contact us for the legal language for making a bequest to the Foundation and to specify how your funds should be used by us.

Nicole Graziano

nicolemgraziano@gmail.com

Skip Timmons (515) 287-6510

ATHLETIC & WRESTLING HALLS OF FAME

On February 20, 2015, six new members were inducted into the ALHS Athletic Hall of Fame during halftime of the boys basketball game at Lincoln. With the new members, Lincoln now has 64 in the Athletic Hall of Fame.

The 2015 inductees are:

Dan Zepeda '02: Dan is a State Champion Wrestler and four-time state qualifier.

Missy Koll '99: Missy participated in three sports – basketball, softball and golf. She was three-time All-State Softball, including Elite All-State.

Mary Sims '88: Mary was four-time All-State Softball.

Darin Rippey '87: Darin was State Champion and Drake Relays Champion in Track and holds school records in Track (1600, 800) and Cross Country.

Dennis Livingston '76: Dennis was First Team All-Conference Basketball and member of State Championship Team.

Gordon Blenderman: Gordon was long-time Wrestling Coach and Teacher at Lincoln and coached two State Champions at Lincoln.

FIRST ANNUAL LINCOLN WRESTLING ALUMNI HALL OF FAME DINNER

On November 15, 2014, six were inducted into the new Lincoln Wrestling Alumni Hall of Fame:

Gordon Blenderman, Coach 1960-1985

Todd Buckland '96 Dave Cherry '63 Larry Hayes '57 Brandon McDonough '04

Mike McGivern, Coach 1985-2013

The Wrestling Alumni Hall of Fame was started by current wrestling coach, **Dustin Roland**, and the dinner helped with fundraising for the **Rails Wrestling Club**. This club was created to support wrestling for kindergarten through high school. Their Board votes on how fundraising money will be spent. Some of the efforts they've helped include: Shoes, knee pads and headgear for K-12 wrestlers, practice gear for the high school team, workout and weightlifting gear (medicine balls, kettle bells, jump ropes, etc.), and scholarships for wrestlers to attend summer camps.

23RD ANNUAL LINCOLN HIGH BOB VANDERLINDEN MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING

ALL PROCEEDS HELP SUPPORT LINCOLN ACTIVITIES

Name:

DATE: Friday, June 5, 2015
TIME: Check-in at 11:00 AM, Shotgun Start at 12 PM.
FORMAT: 4-Person best shot. Put together a Team, or be
placed on one.
COST: \$80.00 (per person) – includes green fees, cart,
lunch, complimentary gift pack, dinner, and a chance at
numerous prizes.
PLACE: Blank Golf Course
Please complete the registration form and mail it and your
check by May 29th to: Phil Chia A.D. Lincoln High

School, 2600 SW 9th St., Des Moines, IA 50315

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) I will be a single – please add me to a foursome (\$80.00 enclosed)
I am registering my foursome (\$320.00 enclosed). List the other three
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TRIBUTES

The following is a list of deceased ALHS Alumni, by graduating class, reported to us since our last newsletter went to print. If you would like to report the death of a classmate or loved one to the Alumni Foundation, please contact **Amy Hutchens** at **hutch1963@msn.com**.

Class	Lincoln Alumni			
1933	Helen Wagner Cook	1958	Nancy Perk Brown	
1935	Louise McDaniel		Fred Anthony Jr.	
1937	Florence Rector Betts		Dale Brown	
1938	Mando Oliver		Jay Flatt	
	Peter Acri	1961	Jack Petersen	
	Anna Riccelli Falbo		Michael Riley	
1940	Victoria Vito Jordan		Ray Faubus	
1941	Sara Anania Graziano	1963	Dennis Houghtaling	
1942	Mary Kerchberger Gary	1965	Pete Mazza	
	Esma Stifel Graham	1966	Sandra Evans Burgett	
1943	Doris Wenger Macon	1967	Patricia Tantillo	
	Norma Ferrari Bliquez		Dan Christensen	
	Robert Oliver, Jr.	1969	Gregory Caudill	
1944	Wayne Bell	1970	Gary Swackhammer	
	Eunice Tate Newman		Gail "Bud" McAninch, Jr.	
	Patricia Harmon Edwards	1973	Janet Kauzlarich	
1946	Richard Walker	1975	David Allen	
	Susan Fazio Marasco	1977	Jill Macy	
	Colleen Hagan Griffiths	1979	Lori Woods Stoermer	
	Mary Ann McElwee Jackson	1987	Denise Smith Potter	
1947	John Matalone, Sr.	1992	Jason Schultz	
1948	George Nelson Close	1995	John D. Scaglione	
	Ila Stifel Hay	2003	Nicholas Brickman	
1949	Ralph Wilson	2005	Robert Kirby Fetters	
	Charles Celsi	2014	Ty McGhee	
1950	Patricia Jaynes Perry			
1952	William Guthrie	Attend	tended: Janice Davis McDivitt, Joe Cardamon	
	Francis Crusan			
1956	Rosemary Dearden			
	Judy Pendry Fraser			

ALHS ALUMNI FOUNDATION ANNUAL CELEBRATION

DATE: May 7, 2015

TIME: 5:30 PM - Social hour 6:00 PM - Dinner 7:00 PM - Program

LOCATION: Lincoln Commons

Join us for the Annual Alumni Foundation Celebration, May 7, 2015. The following will be awarded during the program:

- 2015 ALHS Alumni Hall of Fame Members
- 2015 ALHS Alumni Foundation Scholarships

Alysa "Aly" Olson '11, current Miss Iowa, will be our featured speaker, and entertainment will showcase student performers from Lincoln's instrumental and vocal departments.

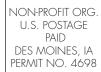
Come and renew friendships, enjoy a pasta dinner catered by Baratta's, and congratulate your fellow alumni and students on their achievements. Complete the form below and send it, along with your check, by **Friday, May 1**, to:

Becky Dewey 608 Leach Avenue Des Moines, IA 50315

For more information, contact Becky Dewey at (515) 280-5386.

ALHS ALUMNI FOUNDATION CELEBRATION RESERVATION

Please print:	
Name:	
Address:	
Phone:	
	Tickets @ \$15.00 each = \$
	Make your check payable to ALHS Alumni Foundation





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REUNION NEWS

Report Reunion news to John Thielke at jboythere@aol.com

- Classes of January and June 1945 meet for lunch at 11:30 AM on the first Friday of every month at Old Country Buffet. For information contact Thelma Horton Penland at (515) 285-3371. Can you imagine — 2015 puts these "kids" in their 70th year of reunions!
- Class of June 1946 will hold its annual class luncheon at noon, on the second Friday in June, 2015, at the Okoboji Grill on SE 14th Street. For information contact Denise St. John at (515) 246-0711.
- Class of June 1950 will meet at the ALHS Alumni Foundation Annual Dinner Celebration and the BLH Club Pancake Breakfast for its 65th Class Reunion. Contact Dee Duff at (515) 288-2283 if you'd like to plan any other festivities for your 65th!
- Class of January 1951 will hold its annual brunch at 10:00 AM on Saturday, June 13,2015, at the Hy-Vee Coffee Shop on Fleur Drive. For information contact Ann & Jack Mayer at (515) 961-6363 or granmayer@msn.com.
- Class of 1955: will hold a 60th Class Reunion on September 4, 2015 at Echo Valley Country Club. Social from 4-6 PM. Group photo at 5 PM. Picnic lunch on September 5, 2015 at Fort Des Moines Park Shelter #1 from 10 AM 5 PM. Contact Harry/Margaret Flaugh at hflaugh@msn. com or (505) 662-6496. Also, if you have an e-mail address, please send that to Harry so that he and Margaret can keep you up to date on reunion plans and other items of interest.

- Classes of January and June 1957 meet for lunch on the second Thursday of every month at 11:30 AM, at the Okoboji Grill on S. E. 14th Street. For information contact Jackie Thompson Tinker at (515) 967-6232 or TINK967@aol.com.
- Class of June 1961 Lunch Bunch gets together periodically. Lunches for 2015 are scheduled for 11:30 AM, May 16, August 15 and October 17. All gatherings are at Mezzodi's, 4519 Fleur Drive. For information, contact Dixie Jeffries at djeff1943@gmail.com or (515) 243-5700.
- Classes of January and June, 1963 will hold their annual gathering June 26-27, 2015. Plans include Friday night informal get-together at All in the Family, and on Saturday breakfast, golf, and pot luck dinner at MacRae Park. Classmates will receive more information via e-mail or postal service. Send williamsanna@netzero.net your e-mail address so that you can be included on classmate information.
- Class of 1965 will hold its 50th Class Reunion August 8, 2015, at the Holiday Inn Downtown. The celebration includes testing your memory on junior high and high school tunes, a visual power point trip down memory lane, and a chance to renew old acquaintances. Please send Tim Meline your e-mail address to help keep in touch with everyone: tmeline100@aol.com. Future reunion updates will be sent via your e-mail address.
- Class of 1970 will hold its 45th Class Reunion July 24, 2015, 5:00 PM, at the Cubs Club. For information, contact Vicki Fogue at (515) 238-8044.

- Class of 1975 will hold its 40th Class Reunion August 14-15, 2015. Friday night will be a "mixer" at Pal Joey's on Grand Avenue from 7 PM to midnight. The Class of 1975 would like to invite the Classes of 1974 and 1976 to join them at Pal Joey's. Saturday night will be at Jasper Winery from 6-11 PM. For information, contact Frank Filippelli at frankly@aol.com, Christy Moon Graziano at cmoon9@earthlink.net or Kathy Johnson at Kathleen.johnson@veretivcorp.com or (515) 360-3919. See also facebook page, Lincoln High School Class of 1975 DSM, Iowa.
- Class of 1980 will be holding a 35th Class Reunion on August 15, 2015 at the Cubs Club. RSVP to Tracy Forbes at tracyjforbes@icloud.com or Rick South at ricksouth1961@gmail.com. For details, see the facebook page, LHS Class of 1980 Class Reunion.
- Class of 1985 will hold its 30th Class Reunion in the summer, 2015. If interested in helping with the reunion, send an email to eischeid6@msn.com, lilrunk@mchsi.com, or dawn@rafferty.us. See also facebook page, Lincoln High School Class of 1985.
- Class of 2005. If anyone from the class of 2005 wants information for, or would like to help plan, the 10th Class Reunion, please contact Cara Graziano at Cara.graziano@gmail.com.

Visit the Alumni Web site at **www.alhsalumni.com** for the latest information on Alumni activities.