



# RAILSPLITTER

## review

FALL 2017

### PRESIDENT'S INBOX: ANNA RUPERTO WILLIAMS '63



Greetings!

Who'd a thought, when I was a 1963 ALHS senior in high school working on the **Railsplitter** newspaper, years later I'd be a senior citizen working on the **Railsplitter Review!** But here I am, honored to be your new ALHS Alumni Foundation President.

I've got to say, **Nicole Graziano '86** is going to be a tough act to follow! Much has been accomplished under her leadership in the last two years. Perhaps one of the most exciting,

and successful, the 1st Annual RAILS Party. The party was an all class reunion and membership drive, held at **Carl's Place** on April 29th. Carl's Place, a Sherman Hill bar, is owned by **Jimmy '85** and **Mike '92 Daughenbaugh**. Jimmy and Mike

donated kegs of beer and snacks, and their staff were gracious hosts for our Lincoln crowd. Music was provided by the **Joe Inman & Co. Band**. Band members include Lincoln grads, **Ward Phillips '04** and **Mark Davis '03**.

Approximately 30 class years were represented – ranging from the Class of 1943, **Phyllis Stegman**, to the Class of 2012, **Reanna Trujillo Hagge** and **Jesse Hagge**.

More photos are on our alumni website, [www.alhsalumni.com](http://www.alhsalumni.com). I'm already looking forward to the 2018 RAILS Party!



We held our Annual Dinner Celebration on May 24th. We inducted three new members into the Alumni Hall of Fame: **Bob Hyatt '60**, **Lynnea Smith Hagen '65** and **Ron Foreman '66**. Read their amazing biographies on our web home page, [www.alhsalumni.com](http://www.alhsalumni.com).

At the Annual Dinner our Dollars for Scholars Chapter awarded 14 Alumni Association scholarships and 65 named scholarships, totaling \$91,000! See page 12 for these deserving 2017 ALHS graduates.

All Annual Dinner Celebrations are special, but this year *continued >>>>*

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Check out the ALHS Web site!  
**[www.alhsalumni.com](http://www.alhsalumni.com)**

## President's Inbox *(cont)*

was extra-special! We helped **Dr. John McCaw '35** continue his **100th Birthday Party!** Dr. McCaw turned 100 on March 10, 2017.



You may recall Dr. and the late Mrs. McCaw established a scholarship in honor of their children, **The Clayle, Milva, Maxhn, and Janine McCaw Scholarship Fund**, in 2012.

This summer Alumni Foundation members assisted the Classes of 1957, 1962, 1967 1977 and 2001 with their Reunions by conducting tours of Lincoln High School and handling their registration tables for them. We participated in the Chicken Bowl in August and in September shared a booth with the **Build Lincoln Higher Club** at the Des Moines SW 9th Open Street Fair. September also found ALHS Foundation members at the Ninth Annual South Des Moines Art Festival! Photos for all these events can be viewed on our Website, [www.alhsalumni.com](http://www.alhsalumni.com).

November 17, 2017, is the Winter Kickoff at the Bowen Round

House. At this writing, I'm trying to decide if I want to enter the Chili competition! One thing is for sure – the Alumni Foundation will hold its **4th Annual Silent Auction** at the Winter Kickoff. See Page 6 for details.

When I was in school, I always enjoyed writing and even thought that one day I might like to be a reporter. Since my involvement in the ALHS Alumni Association's 75th Anniversary in 1999, I've been able to do some of both! Before my retirement, I worked in educational and professional development. Again, through our Dollars for Scholars activities, I'm able to continue that interest. Whatever it is you enjoy doing, I'm positive you'll find ways to volunteer with other ALHS alumni in activities that interest you. As you read through this newsletter, feel free to get in touch with any one of the people listed as contacts in the articles.

We hope to hear from you! ■

*Anna*

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

**Paul Williamson**



Hello Railsplitter Alumn,

School is back in session! Currently Lincoln High School has 2,391 students enrolled. The demographics of Abraham Lincoln High School has changed significantly over the years. Currently 52% of our students are a part of our minority population (25% Hispanic, 12% Black/ African American, and 9%

Asian). The percentage of students who qualify for free/reduced lunch dropped a bit and rests at 67%. Lincoln now has over 300 students as part of our ELL program which serves many different nations. Such diversity at Lincoln!

This past summer we changed up the building at the main campus. The Main Office has now been relocated to the Commons/Cafeteria level. Our Student Services teams (VPs, Counselors) have also been moved to the same area. The new Chandler Room (formerly Alumni Room) is now just behind the new main offices which provide much more room for alumni meetings, booster club meetings, and more. I invite you to come in any time to take a look around... after you sign in. Other changes we have made are the elimination of the front side walk that led up to the front doors on SW 9th. The purpose of this change was to encourage students to use the crosswalks when leaving school. There are new sidewalks now in place to help

guide students in this direction. Finally, the entrance on SW 9th Street is no longer a public or student entrance. All visitors and students now enter from the northwest side of the building which is in the back by the parking lot.

On September 1st we honored our military veterans at the varsity football game. There were thousands in attendance and everyone I visited with at the game was very appreciative of our efforts. On top of a great evening to recognize their service to our country, we sent them on their way with a 20 point victory over the East High Scarlets! I hope you consider coming back to the football stadium this fall season. We have several more home games remaining with homecoming scheduled for October 6 at 7:00PM.

Finally, our music and theater departments will join forces to put on a musical November 2-4. This year's performance will be "Little Shop of Horrors!" There are many more events for you to attend. I encourage you to take a look at our website and follow us on a variety of social media outlets:

**Facebook:** LHSrailsplitters

**Twitter:** lhrsails

**Instagram:** lhrsails

**Website:** <http://lincoln.dmschools.org>

I hope to see you soon. ■

*Paul Williamson*

## ALUMNI NOTES

**Thanks** to all the folks who have been sending in information about our ALHS alumni, friends and family. Keep it coming! Submit your news to [williamsanna@netzero.net](mailto:williamsanna@netzero.net).



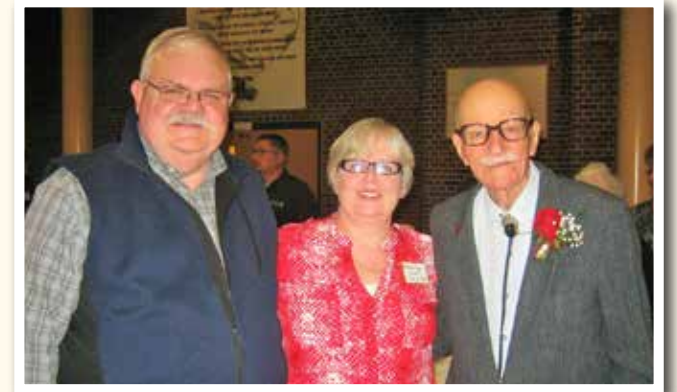
Let's start out with "A Love Story!" **Karen Marguerite Keefe** and **James Robert (Bob) Greenleaf** first met at Park Avenue Presbyterian Church when they were about ten years old. They attended Lincoln 7th Grade through 12th Grade, graduating in **June of 1961**. After graduation they both attended college, had

careers, married, had children, grandchildren, and both were divorced. At their 55th class reunion, in July of 2016, they sat at the same table, visited, shared tiramisu for dessert, and a connection was made. After Bob returned home to Mississippi, he emailed Karen, which led to phone calls and a trip to Dallas, Texas, where Karen lives, for a "get to know each other" adventure. Exactly one year after their class reunion, on July 29, 2017, Bob and Karen married at Wakonda Club in Des Moines, overlooking the 18th green. Congratulations and best wishes! (One more reason to attend your class reunions!)



Thinking about reunions, former Lincoln P.E. teacher and swimming coach, **Tom Cady**, likes to crash class reunions! He surprised the Class of 1977 this summer and, at this writing, was planning to surprise the Class of 1972 at their events.

Mr. Cady taught at Lincoln for 22 years. In addition to teaching and coaching the swim team, he also taught soccer, tennis and even gymnastics for two years! Mr. Cady has spent 48 years teaching swimming in his back yard and still gives lessons today. Mr. Cady is a North High School graduate and has been inducted into their Alumni Hall of Fame. He enjoys "crashing" the reunions and visiting with his former students! And they don't mind a bit!



At the Annual Alumni Dinner Celebration, **Barbara Agan Timmins '86**, asked friend **Lisa Whitmarsh Peterson '75** about a name in the evening's Scholarship Donor List, **Dr. John E. McCaw '35**. It turns out John's father, **Clayton Clair McCaw**, was the minister who married Barbara's grandparents: **TJ Newbury** and **Leah Hawbaker**, on January 5, 1930, in the front room of Leah's cousin, **Vera Corneilson**. The Lincoln story continues: Leah and TJ's daughter (and Barbara's mother) **Myrna Newbury Agan**, graduated from ALHS in **January of 1955**. Vera's daughter, **Ellyn Corneilson**, graduated from ALHS in **June 1955**. Myrna had three children who graduated from ALHS: **Earl Agan, Jr. '76**, **Tom '80**, and **Barbara Agan '86**. Three grandchildren also hailed from ALHS: **Shelby Agan '98**, **Shane Agan '02** and **Shauna Agan '07**. Barbara, husband **Rob**, and brother, Earl, were attending the Celebration for the first presentation of **The Myrna Newbury Agan Memorial Scholarship**. Dr. McCaw joyfully added to the story that as a seminary student, he was student pastor assigned to Park Avenue Presbyterian Church—the same Southside church where Lisa belongs and has served on numerous committees, including a Women's Circle with Myrna Agan!

**Mark Marturello** has been an artist for the *Des Moines Register* for 27 years, offering his take on Iowa news, events, issues and people. If you have sketch ideas, contact Mark at [mmarturo@registermedia.com](mailto:mmarturo@registermedia.com). If you'd like to take a look at Mark's sketches, you can see them online at [DesMoinesRegister.com/marturello](http://DesMoinesRegister.com/marturello). Mark is the son of **Doris Pitney Marturello '47**.



**Jane Patrick Sturgeon '71** was one of four individuals receiving the Iowa State College of Business "Citation of Achievement" Award at the 85th Annual Honors and Awards Ceremony. This award was established in 1985 to honor distinguished alumni who have demonstrated outstanding achievement in life beyond the campus. Jane was a single mother of three, receiving her Accounting Degree at the age of 32! She worked as a CPA at an accounting firm, and in 1986 met and married **Robert Sturgeon**, an entrepreneur who had recently started Barr-Nunn Transportation in Granger, Iowa. Jane joined the company in 1988 and helped the company grow from four employees to over 500 when she retired in 2015. She and her husband owned the company and she served as CEO from 2007-2015. They sold the company in 2014 and the new owners retained all of the company's employees. Jane is a member of the College of Business Dean's Advisory Council, an Order of the Knoll member, as well as a lifetime member of the ISU Alumni Association.

We are sorry to report the passing of two former ALHS Alumni Foundation Board Members, **George "Skip" Timmons '53** and **Tom Borg '64**. Skip also served as Foundation President and was an ALHS Alumni Hall of Fame member.

We like to keep up with our scholarship recipients. **Alysa "Aly" Olson '11** received our **Al Graziano Scholarship**. She was crowned Miss Iowa in June, 2014. Aly graduated summa cum laude from the University of Iowa with a Bachelor of Music in Vocal Performance in 2015.

She moved to Madison, Wisconsin where she works for Epic Systems, an electronic health record company, and travels frequently to work with health care organizations across the country. Aly is engaged to **Michael Turek**, from Monroe, Wisconsin, and will be getting married in June, 2018.

**Olivia Simpson '14** was awarded the **Neff Family Scholarship**. In May, 2017, she graduated from Truman State University with a BS in Health Science. She spent this summer in Des Moines, working for ChildServe in Johnston as a Skills Development Assistant in their Supported Community Living Program. Olivia said she had incredible experiences with the ChildServe organization and gained

valuable skills for graduate school and her future career as an occupational therapist. In August she moved to Chicago to start classes at Rush University in their Occupational Therapy Doctorate Program. "It has been quite an adjustment coming from Des Moines, but I am quickly learning my way around and have enjoyed the excitement of the city. I have been visiting friends and family as the semester doesn't begin until after Labor Day. I am looking forward to beginning this next step in my educational journey and appreciate the continued support of Abraham Lincoln High School and the Alumni Foundation."



serenaded Jane with a humorous, but touching, farewell song. Good luck, Jane! We'll miss you.

**Jane Hohrmann**, long-time Secretary at Lincoln High School, retired at the close of the 2017 spring semester. Staff, teachers and students held a surprise party, and it truly was a surprise for Jane! Several Lincoln retirees and alumni stopped in for the "open house." Students



Hello, Marjorie is up and running! **Nick Tillinghast '07** and **Kyle McClain** opened the classics forward cocktail lounge (named for Nick's grandmother) this spring. You'd never know it's the old Des Moines Register and Tribune Building. Moms and friends of Lincoln grads got together recently for a fun night out.

**Dixie Jeffries '61** traveled to China in March for 15 days. The trip included tours of Beijing (Tiananmen Square, Forbidden City, The Great Wall, Temple of Heaven, Summer Palace, Hutong tour by rickshaw); Xi'an (City Wall, Terra-cotta Warrior and Horses, and Bronze Chariot); Chongqing (Giant Pandas at zoo); 4-night/3-day cruise on the Yangtze River (sailed through The Three Gorges, Goddess Stream, Three Gorge Dam); Shanghai and Suzhou, known as "Venice in the East," "City of Gardens," and "Capital of Silk." Trip of a lifetime!



**Lisa Whitmarsh Peterson '75** is a member of the Iowa Committee of Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve. ESGR is an agency of the Department of Defense whose volunteers provide advocacy, education and mediation for employers and Service Members of all military branches in the National Guard and Federal Reserve forces. On April 22, 2017, at the Iowa ESGR Awards Luncheon in Johnston, Iowa, **Smitty's Tenderloin** was awarded the *Above and Beyond Award*. Owners **Greg Smith '68** and **Cheri Wentzel Smith '74** received this award based on the nomination of employee and son-in-law **Matthew Flowers '01**, a member of the Iowa Air National Guard. The state award requirement honors employers who greatly exceed the federal employment laws, benefits, pay differentials concerning the military members of the Reserve. Congratulations on a job well done. Incidentally, The Smith Family have been generous donors to the Annual Alumni Silent Auction, too!

The **Classes of 1959** hold several gatherings throughout the year. The first Tuesday of the month they meet for breakfast. In September, they got together at the Cubs Club. Friends are welcome to join them!



The **Class of 1962** held its **55th Class Reunion** on June 24 and 25. They met at The Tavern on 50th in West Des Moines on Saturday night and had a Potluck Picnic at MacRae Park on Sunday afternoon.



The **Classes of 1963** held their annual gathering June 23 and 24. They had an informal gathering on Friday night at the Eagles Lodge. On Saturday they met for breakfast at the Village Inn on Army Post Road, some went golfing and then had a Potluck Dinner at MacRae Park in the evening.

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The **Class of 1967** held its **50th Class Reunion** on July 14 and 15. They had a meet and greet with snacks and drinks at the Cubs Club Friday evening and had a dinner and program at the Airport Holiday Inn Saturday night.



The **Class of 1977** held its **40th Class Reunion** on July 28 and 29. Activities included an informal gathering at Pal Joey's on Friday night, a tour of Lincoln Saturday morning, and dinner at Echo Valley Country Club Saturday night.



The **Class of 1982** held its **35th Class Reunion** on July 22, 2017 at Echo Valley Country Club. A delicious buffet dinner was served, followed by a class photo from our long time photographer; Charlie Stover. Trivia from the 80s was played and awards were distributed for a variety of fun categories. To stay in touch for future class reunions, news and informal gatherings, be sure to like facebook page: Lincoln High School Class of 1982 (@alhs.classof82).

The **Class of 1997** held its **20th Class Reunion** on June 2 and June 4, 2017. They met at Extra Innings Sports Bar on Friday evening and at Principal Park on Sunday.

The **Class of 2001** got together on June 16th for an informal gathering at Prairie Meadows Race Track and Casino.



## ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT:

### JUDY LEWIS '64

BY NICOLE GRAZIANO '86



Judy Lewis graduated in the Class of 1964 as a Rosenfeld Memorial Scholarship Recipient from ALHS. She was active in many groups at Lincoln and was elected Class Secretary. Judy remembers her teachers and the excellent quality of education she received. She remains close to many of her classmates who have stayed in contact all these years. Judy attended the University of Iowa where she received other scholarships and was elected Class President.

She graduated in 1968 with a BS

with Honors in Sociology and High Distinction. Judy then attended Yale University on a Public Health Service Fellowship, receiving an M.Phil. in Sociology in 1973. She then began her life's work as a faculty member in the Departments of Community Medicine and Pediatrics at the University of Connecticut School of Medicine, where she is now an Emeritus Professor.

Judy has always been passionate about improving health and services to low income and vulnerable communities in the United States and around the world. She created one of the first models for school health programs in the country, providing health and dental care to children in Hartford, CT one of the country's poorest cities. The model expanded to the entire public school system serving 24,000 children for a period of 35 years.

Her educational focus in the medical school was on developing curricula to help future doctors learn about the resources and needs of communities—to see their patients in the context of their families and environment, not just as a patient in a gown with a specific health problem. She developed the Community Based Education Program

and worked with over 300 local agencies to provide an innovative four-year curriculum.

Judy began working in global health in 1984 and immediately saw the linkages between global and local health issues. There is so much to be learned in many low resource countries and how they approach critical health problems. Her work began in Sri Lanka and she spent a sabbatical year there learning about women's reproductive health and access to family planning. She married her husband, Stuart Sakovich, there in 1987 and they had an elephant as chief guest! Judy continued her work in Sri Lanka until the civil war made it impossible, but now that it is over the university is reconnecting. Judy has worked in more than 50 countries conducting research, training and evaluation. She helped develop the Global Health Program at the medical school and directed it for 10 years. She has worked with hundreds of students. Her longest commitment has been to Haiti where she has worked continuously for 30 years. Her work is always directed toward understanding people's perspectives and using this information to improve health. In Haiti, she has worked to address maternal and child health, pneumonia, post-disaster (earthquake and hurricanes) needs, cholera and breast cancer.

Judy has held many leadership positions at the university, in Hartford, the state of Connecticut, nationally and internationally. Her commitment to public service began at Lincoln and continues today. "We all have been given so much—it is really important to give back." She loves learning and her career has given her the opportunity to do this in many different settings. In addition to her love of travel, she is an accomplished cook. She spends her free time reading fiction with a global influence and attending theater and many types of music events. ■

## FUNDRAISING EVENT – 4TH ANNUAL SILENT AUCTION

BY LISA WHITMARSH PETERSON '75

The Alumni Foundation holds fundraising events throughout the year to raise money to support our mission. Our next event is the 4th Annual Silent Auction during the Winter Kick-off. Mark your calendar for Friday, November 17, 2017 at the Bowen Round House. There will be themed baskets for every age and taste, including donations from local businesses, gift cards and certificates, and unique giftable items. The proceeds of the Silent Auction support our Annual Alumni Dinner Celebration held in May.

How can you help?

- Create a Gift Basket
- Donate New Items, Gift Certificates or Gift Cards
- Spread the Word on Social Media to Support the ALHS Alumni Foundation
- Volunteer to help the Silent Auction Task Force
- Attend the **WINTER SPORTS KICK-OFF ON FRIDAY NOVEMBER 17, 2017** and bid on our baskets.

Treat yourself (or others on your holiday gift giving lists) to one of the Silent Auction basket creations. *Donations are tax deductible and a Giving Statement will be provided to all donors.*

*Questions on Silent Auction themed basket creation? Contact Amy (Whisler) Hutchen '83 at hutch1963@msn.com. To volunteer, contact Fundraising Committee Co-Chairs: Lisa Whitmarsh Peterson '75 at Lefty-Lizard@juno.com or John Thielke '80 at johnthielke.jt@gmail.com. ■*





## FOUNDATION NEWS

### OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

#### OFFICERS

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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, garden stone, spirit sleeves or a window sticker. Membership apps for the ALHS Alumni Association are also available.

If you are interested in knowing more about how we can assist you at your reunion, email **Becky Dewey** at dewrbth@outlook.com. ■



### FINANCIAL REPORTS

(As of July 31, 2017)

#### ALHS Alumni Operating Accounts

Checking and investment accounts

**\$26,240**

*Your annual dues go to help with operating expenses.*

#### ALHS Alumni Foundation

Checking and investment accounts

**\$1,181,009\***

*\* Interest earned from our investment accounts funds Association scholarships.*

### ATTENTION STATE OF IOWA EMPLOYEES!

The ALHS Alumni Foundation Dollars 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 September, 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 2009! If you are a State of Iowa employee, please pledge to the 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

- Fall Musical Performance, “Little Shop of Horrors!” (at the ALHS Auditorium) November 2 - 4, 2017, at 7 PM
- Winter Kick-Off, Chili Bowl and Silent Auction (at the Bowen Round House) November 17, 2017
- All-City Jazz Concert (at the ALHS Student Commons) November 20, 2017, at 7 PM
- Winter Orchestra Concert (at the ALHS Auditorium) December 4, 2017, at 7 PM
- Winter Band Concert (at the Bowen Round House) December 11, 2017, 7 PM
- Winter Vocal Music Concert (at the ALHS Auditorium) December 19, 2017, 7 PM
- Winter Break December 22, 2017 – January 2, 2018
- Winter Show Choir Concert (at the ALHS Auditorium) January 9, 2018, at 7 PM
- Annual Pancake Breakfast (at the ALHS Student Commons) January 27, 2018, at 7 AM
- 1st Annual Maroon and Gold Gala featuring ALHS Activities and Athletic Hall of Fame Inductions. February 24, 2018. Contact cara.edmondson@dmschools.org for more information.
- Festival of Music Band Concert (at the Bowen Round House) February 26, 2018, at 7 PM
- Orchestra Concert (at the ALHS Auditorium) February 27, 2018, at 7 PM
- Spring Break March 9 – 16, 2018
- Spring Play (at the ALHS Auditorium) April 12 – 14, 2018, at 7 PM
- Senior Celebration After Prom Party April 21, 2018, Public Walk-through 7-9 PM
- Spring Band Concert (at the Bowen Round House) April 30, at 7 PM
- Spring Orchestra Concert (at the ALHS Auditorium) May 3, 2018, at 7 PM
- 2nd Annual RAILS Party - All Class Reunion (To be announced)
- Pop, Popcorn & Jazz Concert (at the ALHS Student Commons) May 8, 2018, at 7 PM
- Spring Choir Concert (at the ALHS Auditorium) May 15, 2018, at 7 PM
- 43rd Annual ALHS Alumni Celebration featuring Scholarship Awards & Hall of Fame Induction Ceremonies (at the ALHS Student Commons) May 16, 2018
- Class Night (at the Bowen Round House) May 26, 2018, at 6 PM
- Commencement (at the Knapp Center, Drake University Campus) May 26, 2018, at 3:30 PM
- 26th Annual Bob VanderLinden Golf Outing June 8, 2018. Contact Phil Chia at (515) 242-7525 for details.

### BUILD LINCOLN HIGHER BOOSTER CLUB, INC.

#### PRESIDENT: PAT RUSH

Build Lincoln Higher Booster Club (BLH) has had a very busy start to the school year! BLH is a non-profit volunteer organization dedicated to the support of Lincoln High School and its students. Our main purpose is to raise money for school sponsored activities, provide volunteers who assist with school sponsored events, and promote enthusiasm, pride and spirit for Lincoln High School!



We kicked off the school year with our annual Chicken Bowl on August 17th. Over 500 chicken dinners, provided to us by Hy-Vee, were sold to Lincoln parents, students and Alumni as all fall sports were introduced: Intra-squad football

scrimmage, band performances, cheer squad and the Railettes all performed.

Our next event will be the “Winter Kickoff/Chili Challenge” on November 17th, where many Lincoln activities provide

chili and are judged on a variety of different categories such as “Most Enthusiastic Table,” “Spiciest Chili,” “Best Dressed Table,” and “The People’s Choice.” At this event, all winter activities will be introduced. January 27th will be the Annual “Pancake Breakfast.” We have a tremendous turnout each year and are looking forward to another great event, serving over 3,000 hungry people! Lincoln’s Performing Arts Groups will showcase their talented students. See photos at [www.alhsalumni.com](http://www.alhsalumni.com).

A special thanks to Hy-Vee and Anderson Erickson Dairy for their generous donations and discounts for these events. We want to extend a special thanks to our Lincoln families, Alumni, BLH Members, and corporate sponsors for your continued support. All of your dedication to our Lincoln community makes BLH successful.

Look for more news on the “Senior Celebration” in the spring issue. To keep up to date on our activities, follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. For membership information, please visit [www.lincoln.dmschools.org](http://www.lincoln.dmschools.org). Click on the activities tab and follow the BLH Booster Club link. ■

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### In Memory of: James "Jim" Wilson '45

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Lisa Whitmarsh Peterson  
Anna Williams

### In Memory of: Debbie Morlan

Greg & Suzanne Fontanini

### In Memory of: Bonnie Hawbaker '52 & Don Hettinger '49

David & Donna Ohlson

### In Memory of: Thomas "Tom" Borg '64

Mary Ann Bousfield  
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### Job & Kris Cooper for the Myrna Newbury Agan Memorial Scholarship

### Rail Club Contributions (Gifts of \$500 - \$999)

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Stephen & Brenda Mahannah for the **Howard Foust Memorial Scholarship**

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BY JOHN THIELKE '80

### 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.

### Driveway Emblems

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!

### Garden Stones

New this year, we are offering Garden Stones. These stones are molded from concrete by our friends at **One of a Find Creations**. They are available in sealed natural for \$32, or hand-painted for \$42. A truly mobile and long-lasting keepsake.

If you are interested in showing your Lincoln Pride with one of these fundraisers, order forms are available on our Website: [www.alhsalumni.com](http://www.alhsalumni.com).

### Limited Time Only! ALHS Auditorium Seat Endcaps

Last fall, the old Auditorium seats were removed and replaced with new seats. We were given a few of these seats, along with several row marker end caps. These end caps have the ALHS monogram and a letter to designate the row. While the actual seats have all been sold, we still have a limited supply of the end caps. Not all letters of the alphabet are available, but we have most. When they are gone, they're gone. End caps will be available for purchase at \$20. All proceeds go to the Alumni Foundation to fund scholarships.

If you are interested in getting one of these pieces of history, you will need to act fast. Contact [johnthielke.jt@gmail.com](mailto:johnthielke.jt@gmail.com) for availability and to place your order.

### AmazonSmile Foundation

Don't forget to bookmark <http://www.smile.amazon.com/ch/42-1392969>. When you shop Amazon, the **AmazonSmile Foundation** will donate 0.5% of your purchase price to the ALHS Alumni Foundation. You're shopping anyway—what an easy way to help our Foundation endowment grow! ■



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Thanks to the generosity of many ALHS alumni and friends, the ALHS Alumni Foundation awards scholarships to deserving Lincoln seniors each year. We are pleased to announce five new scholarships:

**Howard Wayne Foust Memorial Scholarship**

Established by Brenda Foust Mahannah '57 and Stephen Mahannah '57 in memory of Brenda's father, Howard Foust '37, one \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded annually beginning in 2018 to a student who excelled at sports at Lincoln. The financial need of the applicants will also be considered. A minimum GPA of 2.5 is required.

**George "Skip" Timmons Memorial Scholarship**

Skip '53 was a lifelong advocate of Lincoln High School and "Southside Pride." He established the ALHS Alumni Foundation in 1991 with Bill Backstrom '48 and Marge White '39; and served as President of the Alumni Association from 2001 - 2003. They created the endowment fund that provides scholarships to Lincoln graduates to this day.

To honor the exceptional medical care Skip received from the nursing staff at Methodist Hospital during his life time; two \$500 scholarships will be awarded in 2018 to students who plan to major in nursing. A minimum GPA of 2.5 is required.

**ALHS Class of 1963 Memorial Scholarship**

Established in memory of their 1963 classmates, one \$500 scholarship will be awarded annually beginning in 2018. The scholarships will be awarded based on GPA, financial need and community service of the applicants.

**ALHS Class of 1967 Scholarship**

Established by the Class of 1967, in recognition of their 50th Class Reunion, two \$750 scholarships will be awarded in 2018. The scholarships will be awarded to one male and one female and will be based on GPA, financial need and community service of the applicants.

**Tom Akers Scholarship**

Established by Tom Akers '60, one \$1,500 scholarship will be awarded in 2018 to student who had notable academic success at Lincoln and who also has great financial need. A minimum GPA of 3.0 is required.

**The following 2017 graduates of Lincoln High School received our Alumni Foundation Scholarships in May 2017:****ALHS Alumni Association Scholarship**

Morgan Anderson, Grand View University  
Lal Awm, Simpson College  
Noel Buster, University of Northern Iowa  
Kaylee Grother, Grand View University  
Ajay Gurung, Simpson College  
Elia Juarez Garcia, Iowa State University  
Kaleb Luong Luong, Des Moines Area Community College  
Paw Na, Des Moines Area Community College  
Donavan Patterson, University of Northern Iowa  
Riley Reynolds, University of Iowa  
Kayla Roberts, Grand View University  
Isaac Scott, Arizona State University  
Georges Seakor, Des Moines Area Community College  
Alexia Stumpf-Davis, Iowa State University

**Bill Backstrom Memorial Scholarship**

Alexia Stumpf-Davis, Iowa State University

**BLH Bevington Scholarship**

Jessica Bahnsen, Iowa State University  
Nicholas Bowers, University of Iowa  
Natalie Butler, Des Moines Area Community College  
Patrick Caligiuri, University of Iowa  
Kelsie Cooper, Simpson College  
Michael Crimmins, University of Northern Iowa  
Spencer Davidson, Central College  
Sara Davis, University of Northern Iowa  
Jordan Edmundson, Des Moines Area Community College  
Lauren Edwards, Iowa State University  
Colton Elert, Iowa State University  
Allison Else, University of Iowa  
Domenic Gardner, Iowa State University  
Ajay Gurung, Simpson College  
Laura Harper, Iowa State University  
Alan Hoover, University of Iowa  
Moriah Knoebel, Des Moines Area Community College  
Allison Lane, Iowa State University  
Riley May, Iowa State University  
Brock Newton, University of Iowa  
Nicholas Ochoa, University of Iowa  
Drew Peterson, University of Iowa

Lindsay Richter, Simpson College  
Chelsy Rivera, Iowa State University  
Sophia Sanchez, Central College  
Skyler Sanford, Des Moines Area Community College  
Jonthan Shelabarger, Simpson College  
Samantha Van Roekel, Iowa State University  
Nicolas Vitiritto Robinson, Kirkwood Community College  
Benjamin Williams, Iowa Central Community College  
Cooper Worth, Iowa State University  
Noah Worthington, Wartburg College

**Coralie Cherry Memorial Scholarship**

Emily Rizvic, Iowa State University

**Dan Smoot Memorial Scholarship**

Ryan Day, Des Moines Area Community College

**Des Moines East and South Chamber Educational Scholarship**

Nicolas Vitiritto Robinson, Kirkwood Community College

**Dr. John W. Green, Jr. Family Scholarship**

Alexander Meza-Garcia, Grand View University  
December Thaw, Des Moines Area Community College

**Dr. Patricia K. Tice Scholarship**

Laura Harper, Iowa State University

**Hugh Kent Memorial Science Scholarship**

Megan Rutherford, University of Iowa

**Jim & Ralph Wilson Scholarship**

Alondra Perez, Central College

**Leo Bridal Memorial Scholarship**

Allison Lane, Iowa State University

**Mahoney Family Scholarship**

Dominic Dominguez, Kirkwood Community College

**Neff Family Scholarship**

Selena Davis, Grand View University  
Daniel McLaughlin, University of Iowa

**Nicholas J. Mancuso Scholarship**

Colton Elert, Iowa State University

**Raymond and Shirley Phillips Memorial Scholarship**

Lindsay Richter, Simpson College

**Ruth Johnson Nichols Memorial Scholarship**

Brenda Villanueva, Iowa State University

**Sarg Fontanini Memorial Scholarship**

Zhaoying Qin, Iowa State University

**South Des Moines Sculpture Park Scholarship**

Ser Paw, Iowa State University

**Studebaker Elementary School Scholarship**

Jessica Bahnsen, Iowa State University

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

Skyler Sanford, Des Moines Area Community College

**The Dave Mills Scholarship**

Spencer Davidson, Central College

**The Dave Ostrem Family Scholarship**

Selena Mendoza-Camacho, Des Moines Area Community College  
Frances Nielsen, Iowa State University  
Megan Rutherford, University of Iowa  
Noah Worthington, Wartburg College

**The Erickson Family Foundation Scholarship**

Brittany West, Des Moines area Community College

**The Gloria Gray Scholarship**

Natalie Butler, Des Moines Area Community College  
Jordan Edmundson, Des Moines Area Community College

**The Meline Family Swimming Scholarship**

Domenic Gardner, Iowa State University

**The Myrna Newbury Agan Memorial Scholarship**

Sara Davis, University of Northern Iowa

**William "Bill" McKibben Memorial Scholarship**

Giovanni Tenikat, Iowa State University

**Wolfe Family Scholarship**

Elia Juarez Garcia, Iowa State University

**Zac Bales-Henry Scholarship**

Timothy Tucker, Des Moines Area Community College

**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.

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## REUNION NEWS

- **Classes of January and June 1957** meet for lunch the second Thursday of every month, 11:30 AM, at The Village Inn on Army Post Rd. Contact **Jackie Thompson Tinker** at (515) 967-6232 or TINK967@aol.com.
- **The ladies of January, June and August Class of 1959** plan to have a “59 year” luncheon at Baratta’s Restaurant, 11:30 AM, Friday, June 15, 2018. Contact: **Ande/Edna (Custer) Glaese** at (509) 765-3984 or ergrogwa@nctv.com to let us know if you are interested in attending. Planning has begun in preparation for a **1959 60th Class Reunion** in 2019. We are looking for current information on classmates. A yearbook will be compiled. Please send e-mail, phone or address contact information to **Ande/Edna (Custer) Glaese** (509) 765-3984 or ergrogwa@nctv.com.
- **Classes of 1959** meet for breakfast the first Tuesday of the month, 8:15 AM, at the Cubs Club. Anyone is welcome to join the group!
- **Class of June 1961** Lunch Bunch will meet at 11:30 AM on Saturday, October 21st at Bravo’s, 120 S. Jordan Creek Pkwy. For information, contact **Dixie Jeffries** at djeff1943@gmail.com or (515) 243-5700.
- **Classes of January and June 1963** are planning a **55th Class Reunion**, June 22-23, 2018. Plans include informal gathering on Friday night at the Eagles Lodge, breakfast on Saturday morning at the Village Inn on Army Post Road, golf, and dinner Saturday evening at Blank Golf Course. Send williamsanna@netzero.net your email address to help keep informed. Additional information will be sent to classmates.

*Report Reunion news to **Becky Dewey** at (515) 280-5386 or dewrbth@outlook.com*

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