

PRESIDENT'S INBOX: NICOLE GRAZIANO '86



Fellow ALHS Alumni-

The Foundation is hosting the first RAILS Party – an all class reunion at Carl's Place on Saturday, April 29, 2017.
Carl's is a Sherman Hill bar owned by Lincoln alumni Jimmy '85 and Mike Daughenbaugh '92 since 1996. There are eight Daughenbaugh siblings that graduated from Lincoln between 1984 & 1993. Join us for drinks and fun times starting at 2 PM. Admission is \$10 and

includes an annual membership to the Alumni Association and **free beer**, compliments of Carl's Place. Help us spread the word to your classmates, family and friends!

The Foundation welcomed two new board members in March: Matt Meline '86 and TJ James '10. Matt established a scholarship with the Foundation in 2015 for graduating seniors who excelled on the swim team at Lincoln. He is a financial advisor for Morgan Stanley Wealth Management in Des Moines. TJ is a 2010 Lincoln graduate who was a standout on the Lincoln football team. He is going to provide our board with some much needed social media skills we can use to better communicate with our alumni. TJ is employed as a counselor/therapist for the Center for Behavioral Heath in Des Moines; and he's a running back for the Sioux City Stampeded, a semi-professional football team.

We made some modifications to our Web site (www. alhsalumni.com) to make it easier for you to update your contact information and renew your membership. Be sure to check the Web site for upcoming events.

During my tenure as President we achieved a significant fundraising goal: our endowment now exceeds **\$1 million**. Our endowment continues to grow, allowing us to award more scholarships each year. I want to thank a few of our recent donors. Earl Agan, Jr. '76, Thomas Agan '80 and

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Check out the ALHS Web site!

www.alhsalumni.com

President's Inbox (cont)

Barbara Agan Timmins '86 established the Myrna Newbury Agan Memorial Scholarship in memory of their mother. Without the generosity of people like Earl, Thomas and Barb we could not fulfill our mission of making post-secondary success possible for Lincoln High School students through scholarships and educational support. I would also like to recognize some of our ongoing contributors: Jeni Weldon VanWyk, Dr. Patricia Tice, The Erickson Family Foundation, the Coralie Cherry Family, the Des Moines East & South Chamber of Commerce, John and Lisa Mahoney, Matt Meline, the Sarg Fontanini Family, the Ruth Johnson Nichols family, Phil Barber, Dave Ostrem, Elton Wolfe, Zac Bales-Henry, Gloria Gray, Harry & Margaret Flaugh, Richard Geil and Shirley McKibben.

For information about how to establish a scholarship with the Foundation, feel free to contact me, **Skip Timmons** or any other member of our Alumni board. *Your contributions to the Foundation are tax deductible.* See page 12 for more information.

In November we held the 3rd Annual Silent Auction in the Round

House during the Winter Sports Kickoff. The auction was a big success, generating over \$1,800 for the Foundation. Many thanks to alumni **Lisa Whitmarsh Peterson '75** and **John Thielke '80** for chairing that event. See page 9 for more details.

Our Annual Dinner Celebration is May 24, 2017 in the Lincoln Commons. The social hour starts at 5:30 PM, followed by dinner, our Hall of Fame induction ceremony and our scholarship awards. This event is a great opportunity to reconnect with alumni and meet current staff and students. Our 2017 Hall of Fame inductees are Ron Foreman '66; Lynnea Smith Hagen '65; and Terry Bob Hyatt '60. See page 15 for your registration form.

See you at the RAILS Party on April 29th at Carl's Place. Go Rails! ■



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Paul Williamson



Hello Railsplitter Alumni!

We have now wrapped up our first semester and winter sports and activities seasons. There was a lot of success both in and out of the classroom. The three highlights that come to mind immediately are our three state wrestlers that finished on the podium, and our girl's

bowling team now has the defending state champion on the squad. In the pool, our men's team set multiple school records and won our conference for the first time in many years!

As we gear up for the remainder of the school year, we are making plans for our

commencement ceremony which will occur on Saturday, May 27, at 3:30 PM on the Drake campus in the Knapp Center. We expect to graduate around 500 seniors. Following graduation, we will be making some structural changes at the main building. We will be moving the main offices (convert current offices to classrooms) to

connect to the Commons and flip the vocal music room with the counseling center. With the office changes, we will be able to make the community functions of our building more centralized to best meet the needs of visitors and alumni. This will also involve relocating the Alumni Room down close to the Commons. This work is scheduled to begin the first day of summer break and be completed by the beginning of the school year. This summer may be a challenge for any groups wanting to tour the building.

I hope you enjoy your spring! When you get a moment feel free to stop by and see the exciting things at your Abraham Lincoln High School. Finally, please join us April 27-29 at 7:00 PM in our newly renovated auditorium for our annual musical. This year we will put on stage a production of *High School Musical*.

Take Care!

Paul Williamson

ALUMNI NOTES

Anna Williams '63



We never know where the information for Notes will come from or what interesting facts we'll learn about our alumni! Lawrence E. Cook, January '59, recently sent us an article from *Chemical & Engineering News* featuring an article honoring 90-year-old chemist, Otto Theodor Benfey. In September, 2016, at the American Chemical Society's national meeting in Philadelphia, several prominent speakers remembered "Ted" Benfey's lifetime contributions to chemical

education and history. Larry wanted us to know that one of those speakers was his Valedictorian classmate, **Dr. Paul Ogren!** Paul was one of Ted's students at Earlham College. He is now retired from Earlham College where he was a professor of physical chemistry. Larry is retired from 3M and maintains his membership in the American Chemical Society. He and his wife, **Jean Parker Cook, August '58**, reside in Andover, Minnesota. Larry had something else to share with us—his mother, **Marie Harbert Cook '35**, was classmate of **Albert F. Graziano**. You know where this is going! Albert F. Graziano is, of course, father to retired ALHS Principal, **Al Graziano '60**, who is father of our Alumni Foundation President, **Nicole Graziano '86**. Small world.



On February 2, 2017, **Phil Barber '68** was awarded the Des Moines East and South Chamber of Commerce Entrepreneurial Spirit Award. This award recognizes a member owner who exemplifies the entrepreneurial spirit exhibited by former East Des Moines Chamber President, Jim Goodman. This entrepreneurial spirit

includes skills to improve the community through volunteerism, leadership, etc., and balancing their personal and professional life for the benefit of their family, business and the community. The Barber family has lived on the south side of Des Moines since the 1900s. Many will remember Lil Joe's restaurant at S. W 9th and Davis, where Phil gained much business experience as he and his sister, **Delana Barber Hutchinson '67**, managed the restaurant for their parents, **Phil** and **Jackie**. Phil purchased Brewer Food Service in 1994. We've all enjoyed the South Des Moines Sculpture Park and Annual Art Festival established by Phil and his friend, the late **Chuck Mettler '61**. Mark your calendars, the **9th Annual South**

Des Moines Art Festival will be September 16, 2017. Phil and Chuck also established the **South Des Moines Sculpture Park Scholarship** in 2015 for ALHS seniors seeking advanced education in the field of art.

Mary Cansdale Mendenhall-Core '81, has recently taken on a new challenge as the Regional Director for the Pinky Swear Foundation. The Foundation's mission is helping kids with cancer and their families with direct financial support to assist with basic needs like rent and mortgage payment, auto repairs, utilities, groceries and childcare. The mission is near and dear to Mary's heart

as her daughter, Erin Mendenhall Sawhill



'00, of Ankeny, is a 17 year cancer survivor. She knows first-hand the challenges these families face. To learn more about the Pinky Swear Foundation, go to pinkyswear.org. Other family members who are Lincoln alumni include sister, the late Claudia Cansdale '67, brother, Skip Cansdale '71, and son, Brian Mendenhall '05.

An anonymous and random act of kindness took place at the Alumni Foundation Silent Auction last fall. A youngster was bidding against an adult on one of the items. When the bidding closed, the adult won, but realizing the bidding was against a young person, anonymously paid for it. What a pleasant surprise that child had when presented the paid-for item!

In October, Beth Albright '83 traveled to Claremont, California to visit her online LHS friend, Jeannette Freeman **Spotswood '43**. They had been corresponding for about four years. Jeannette had first contacted Beth looking for a classmate. They just kept chatting! Jeannette invited Beth to her home in California. They were never short on conversation, she introduced her to friends and family, toured town and went to an arts and crafts fair. Jeannette's daughter and son-in-law joined them for lunch one day. She was at Iowa State University during WWII and they talked about what it was like then and what it's like now. Jeannette had her old yearbooks from ISU and LHS out for Beth to enjoy. When Jeannette's classmate, Jack Evans '43 paid his membership via PayPal, Beth let him know she was going to California to visit her. He remembered Jeannette, as well as some of Beth's relatives from the Class of '43. Jack has written a book, "E-3073-The Last Battle," about the life of a teenage boy caught in the grips of WWII, from toy soldiers in Iowa to bloody battles in France." Beth purchased the book and her son, **Tristan**, is currently reading it.

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Speaking of classmates writing books, my classmate **Sandy Geyer Goff'63**, has been encouraging her now retired U. S. Navy Captain husband, **Wally**, to continue his writing. He has a published book, "Chain of Command," by Walter B. Goff, II. It's a page-turner! He's scheduled to release another book by this summer.



And speaking of the Class of 1963, in addition to their annual summer reunion they've been meeting at the annual BLH Pancake Breakfast. Such a nice way to break up the winter.

Nathan Mundy '00 was recently spotlighted in the Polk County Bar Association newsletter. Nathan is an attorney in private practice in Des Moines. He's married to another attorney, Anna Mundy, who is with Principal Financial Group. They have two sons, Jack and Ben. Nathan was active at Lincoln – was All-Conference in football, ran track, participated in show choir, theater and the State Champion All-male Dance Team. He received a football scholarship to

play at St. Ambrose University in Davenport, Iowa. After college, he went to Drake Law School. Last fall Nathan ran the New York City Marathon to raise awareness and funds for the National Spina Bifida Association. During six months, Nathan's team raised over \$7,600, the most of any Team Spina Bifida member since 2013. To read more about Nathan, visit http://pcbaonline.org/member-spotlight-nathan-mundy/.

We are sorry to report that two of our ALHS Alumni Hall of Fame members have recently passed away—Noah Lacona '41 and Jim Wilson '45. Noah was the owner of Noah's Ark Restaurant, a long-time favorite in Des Moines. Jim, together with his brother, the late Ralph Wilson '49, established the Jim & Ralph Wilson Scholarship in 2009 for Lincoln's graduating seniors.

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!

FUNDRAISING

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 ALHS Garden Stones. These stones are molded from concrete by our friends at One of a Find Creations, and are embossed with the ALHS emblem. They are available in sealed natural for \$32, or hand-painted for \$42. These garden stones are a mobile and long-lasting keepsake.

Order forms are available on our Web site: www.alhsalumni.com.

Limited Time Only! ALHS Auditorium Seats

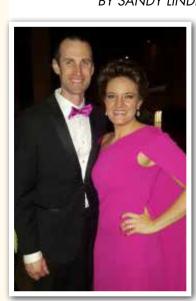
Last fall, the old Auditorium seats were removed and replaced with new seats. We have a few of these seats for sale, along with several row marker end caps. These end caps have the ALHS monogram and a letter to designate the row. Due to the limited nature of these

seats, orders will be filled on a first come, first PAID basis. When they are gone, they're gone. Not all letters of the alphabet are available, but we have most. Seats are priced at \$50 for an individual seat and \$25 for each additional attached seat. Each seat, or group of seats, has an endcap on each end with the row letter of your choice (if available). End caps will be available for purchase at \$20. Endcaps can be reserved, but seats have first priority. All proceeds go to the Alumni Foundation to fund scholarships.

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



ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT: SARA JAMES KUROVSKI '03 BY SANDY LINDEN WELDON '68



Sara James Kurovski graduated in the Class of 2003 as an ALHS Alumni Scholarship Recipient. She looks back fondly "on memories of marching band season and being drum major during the fall. The springtime always brought on track season and high jumping. But I clearly remember those teachers that would go above and beyond to help tutor me when I was struggling (especially with math!) and would inspire me when I would need it the most." After her Lincoln years, Sara graduated from Truman State University, receiving a Bachelor's Degree in Communications and Drake University with a Master's

Degree in Public Administration.

Sara's work experiences in the Des Moines area are wide spread. She held a variety of positions within The Metro Waste Authority. In 2013, at age 29, Sara was elected as the first female mayor of Pleasant Hill, as well as the youngest mayor in the metro area. She is currently in the final year of her four-year term. She was the Manager of Sustainability at the Kum & Go Corporation and is currently the Tocqueville Society Director at United Way of Central Iowa.

Sara is passionate about early childhood education. She strongly believes that Iowa should be a national leader by introducing children at an early age to STEM initiatives, languages, and cultures. Sara has served on, as well as chaired, multiple boards and committees. In 2015, the Business Record honored her as an 'Emerging Woman of Influence.' That same year she was part of the Metro's '40 under 40.' Yet another highlight came in May of 2016 when she was invited to go to Israel as part of a sevenmember delegation for the US with the American Council of Young Political Leaders (ACYPL).

Sara's parents and grandparents instilled in her the value of service. "Seeing how they gave of themselves in such a selfless way was very humbling and from there I started getting involved in service projects at my church and in the community." Sara was also influenced by Facebook COO Sheryl Sandberg's book "Lean In." She was included in Sheryl Sandberg's second book "Lean In For Graduates." Sara was just selected as one of twelve for the "Inspiring Women of Iowa" award presented by Girl Scouts of Iowa on April 5th.

Sara enjoys going on walks, spending time at parks, or attending events in the metro area with her husband, Todd, and their two sons. She sums up her work life and her home life by stating, "I am a mother and a passionate public servant. Who is to say that I am not capable of being both?" Way to go, Sara!

25TH ANNUAL LINCOLN HIGH BOB VANDERLINDEN MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING

ALL PROCEEDS HELP SUPPORT LINCOLN ACTIVITIES

DATE: Friday, June 9, 2017

TIME: Check-in at 11:00 AM, Shotgun Start at 12 PM.

FORMAT: 4-Person best shot.

COST: \$90.00 (per person) – includes green fees, cart, lunch, complimentary gift pack, dinner, and a chance at numerous prizes.

PLACE: A. H. Blank Golf Course

Please complete the registration form and mail it and your check by May 27th to: Phil Chia, A.D., Lincoln High School, 2600 SW 9th St., Des Moines, IA 50315

Name:	
Address:	
Phone:	

Please check:

- () I will be a single please add me to a foursome (\$90.00 enclosed)
- () I am registering my foursome (\$360.00 enclosed). List the other three golfers:
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All participants are asked to pay in advance.

FOUNDATION NEWS

OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

OFFICERS

President – Nicole Graziano (1986) Vice President – Anna (Ruperto) Williams (1963) Treasurer – Alan Kincheloe (1980) Assistant Treasurer – Becky (Clinton) Dewey (1983) Secretary – Jeni (Weldon) Van Wyk (1991) Past President – Ray "Skip" Phillips (1968)

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Kris (Bird) Cooper (1988), Gloria Gray (1966), Cara (Graziano) Edmondson (2005), TJ James (2010), Matt Meline (1986), Shirley (Eaton) McKibben (1953), Lisa Whitmarsh Peterson (1975), Phyllis (Knouf) Stegman (1943) John Thielke (1980)

INVITE THE ALUMNI FOUNDATION TO YOUR CLASS REUNION

Invite the ALHS Alumni Foundation to your next reunion! We can provide people to staff the registration table 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 an Association membership, commemorative brick, driveway emblem or garden stone. 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 December 31, 2016)

ALHS Alumni Operating Accounts

Checking and investment accounts

\$26,501

Your annual dues offset our operating expenses.

ALHS Alumni Foundation

Checking and investment accounts

\$1,169,040*

* 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

- Senior Celebration After Prom Party April 22, 2017, Public Walk-through 7-9 PM
- Spring Musical Performance, "High School Musical" (at the ALHS Auditorium) April 27 – 29, 2017, at 7 PM
- RAILS Party All Class Reunion (at Carl's Place) April 29, 2017 at 2:00 PM. See above "Reunion News" for details.
- Spring Band & Orchestra Concert (at the Bowen Round House) May 1, 2017, at 7 PM

- Spring Vocal Music Concert (at the ALHS Auditorium) May 2, 2017, at 7 PM
- Pop, Popcorn & Jazz Concert (at the ALHS Student Commons) May 9, 2017, at 7 PM
- Spring Show & Jazz Choir Concert (at the ALHS Auditorium) May 16, 2017, at 7 PM
- Spring Vocal Music Concert (at the ALHS Auditorium) May 23, 2017, at 7 PM
- 42nd Annual ALHS Alumni Celebration featuring Scholarship Awards & Hall of Fame Induction Ceremonies (at the ALHS Student Commons) May 24, 2017
- Class Night (at the Bowen Round House) May 26, 2017 at 6 PM
- Commencement (at the Knapp Center, Drake University Campus) May 27, 2017, at 3:30 PM
- 25th Annual Bob VanderLinden Golf Outing June 9, 2017. Contact Phil Chia at (515) 242-7525 for details.

BUILD LINCOLN HIGHER BOOSTER CLUB, INC.

BY LISA MAHONEY

Build Lincoln Higher Booster Club has had a very busy school year. The main goal of BLH is to raise money to support school sponsored activities as well as the students. We started out the school year with our annual Chicken Bowl. Over 1,000 chicken dinners provided to us by Hy-Vee were sold to Lincoln parents,



students and alumni, and all fall sports were introduced. Our next event was the Winter Kickoff/Chili Challenge. Many Lincoln activities provided chili and were judged on different categories such as Most Enthusiastic Table.

Spiciest Chili, Best Dressed Table, and the People's Choice. At this event, all winter activities were introduced.

On January 30th, we had the Pancake Breakfast. We had a tremendous turnout and were able to serve over 3,000 hungry people. Lincoln's Performing Arts Groups showcased what a fabulous group of gifted and talented students we have on the south side. See more photos at www.alhsalumni.com. A special

thanks to Hy-Vee and Anderson Erickson Dairy for their generous donations and discounts for this amazing event. We also want to thank BLH Members, volunteers, students, and parents for all of their support.

On April 22nd, we would like to invite everyone to walk through Lincoln from 7 PM to 9 PM to see an amazing transformation. Senior Celebration works very hard to provide a safe and fun environment to Lincoln students after Prom. The theme is top secret until the 22nd, but hard work from parents and other volunteers transforms Lincoln into another world.

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.

To keep up to date on our activities, follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. For membership information, please visit www.lincoln.dmschools.org. Click on the activities tab and follow the BLH Booster Club link.

GO RAILS! ■

Lisa

FOUNDATION CONTRIBUTORS

The **Board of Directors** thanks the following individuals for your kind donations received since our last newsletter went to print:

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Harry & Margaret Flaugh

3RD ANNUAL ALUMNI FOUNDATION SILENT AUCTION A HUGE SUCCESS!

BY LISA WHITMARSH PETERSON '75

The Foundation held our 3rd annual Silent Auction in conjunction with the Winter Sports Kickoff, on November 18, 2016. Many generous alumni donated gift baskets, certificates, gift cards and other items. The proceeds from this event offset the costs of our Annual Dinner Celebration held each year in May, where we award our scholarships and induct distinguished alumni into our Hall of Fame.

We are grateful to Lincoln staff for assisting with publicity and setup.

We would like to thank the following individuals, groups and business for their donations to the Auction:

Beth Baker Albright '83 ALHS Build Lincoln Higher Club **ALHS** Railettes Baratta's Restaurant (Joe Gatto '85,

Lisa Wing Kruger '86) **Bella Creations**

Bordenaro's Restaurant

Brewer Food Services (Phil Barber '68) **Buffalo Wild Wings**

Common Clay Studio (Job Cooper '86, Kris Bird Cooper '88)

Daiker Designs

Becky Clinton Dewey '83

Dot's Frame Shop and Gallery (Lori McNulty Landgren '87)

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Cara Graziano Edmondson '05 Faller Kincheloe & Co. PLC (Alan

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Fleur Cinema Linda Folden

Fred's Bike Shop Gateway Market (Sheila Baker

Formaro '87)

Gong Fu Tea (Rusty Bishop '86) Nicole Graziano '86

Alice Guerrero Lori Gruwell '83

Heather's Haberdashery Amy Whisler Hutchens '83 Iowa Barnstormers

Iowa Cubs Iowa Energy Iowa Wild

Jim's Coney Island La Hacienda

Livingston's Automotive (Dennis

Livingston '77)

Midas (Steve Stoermer '87, Tom Chapman '93, Joe Hernandez '07, Nick Thompson '09)

Nan's Nummies Nick's Tenderloin

Noah's Dry Cleaners (Dave Noah '59) Noodles Pasta & Sandwich Shop **Oddest Perception Art**

One of a Find Creations (Jim Roberts '68)

Orlondo's on the Bike Trail (Patrick O. Renda '72)

Paesano's Pizza (Bruce Kennedy '74) Lisa Whitmarsh Peterson '75

Riccelli's Restaurant (Pete Riccelli, Jr. '73, Terry Riccelli '87)

Katherine Scott '77 Yvonne Smith Scott '56

Sisters (Honoring Jeannette Bierma Davis '51)

Conner Smith '16

Smitty's Tenderloin (Greg Smith '68, Cheri Wentzel Smith '74)

Something Italian (Louie Baratta '88)



Strudl Haus The General Store Eatery The Finishing Shop John Thielke '80

Trixie's Aveda Salon (Tricia Fogue Rivas '95)

Tumea & Sons Restaurant Twisted Pizzaria Jeni Weldon VanWyk '91

West Bank

Wines of Iowa

Wyckoff Heating and Cooling (Andy Wyckoff '85, Job Cooper '86)

Anna Ruperto Williams '63 Kathy Whisler Williams '80

Many thanks to the Silent Auction Task Force: Kris Bird & Job Cooper, Becky Clinton Dewey, Amy Whisler Hutchens, Phyllis Knouf Stegman, Anna Ruperto Williams.

Fundraising Committee Co-Chairs: John Thielke and Lisa Whitmarsh Peterson



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. In 2016, the Foundation awarded \$65,500 in scholarships to 2016 ALHS graduates.

The following scholarships are available through the ALHS Alumni Foundation Dollars for Scholars Chapter in 2017:

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.

Bill Backstrom Memorial Scholarship

Established by Nicholas Mancuso '48 in memory of Alumni Foundation co-founder Bill Backstrom '48, 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.

BLH Bevington Scholarship

Build Lincoln Higher Club (BLH Club) established an endowed scholarship in memory of Erna Bevington, a former language arts teacher and department head at Lincoln. The amount of the scholarship is \$1,000. The number of scholarships awarded varies yearly based on the interest earned on the endowment. Applicants must be related to a current member of the BLH Club who joined prior to January of the applicant's year of graduation, have a minimum **GPA** of 2.50, and have been accepted to a post-secondary institution.

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.

Coralie Cherry Memorial Scholarship

Established in memory of Coralie Cherry '47, 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.

Dan Smoot Memorial Scholarship

Established by Jeni Weldon Van Wyk '91 in memory of her friend Dan Smoot '90, one \$500 scholarship will be awarded annually beginning in 2016 to a student who is accepted to a trade school program. Preference will be given to applicants who participated in band or choir at Lincoln.

The Dave Mills Scholarship

Dave Mills '50, 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.

The Dave Ostrem Family Scholarship

Established by Dave Ostrem '49, up to five (5) \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to students who plan to declare a major course of study in **math** or **science**. The **GPA, financial need** and **community service** of the applicants will also be considered. Preference will be given to students who plan to attend college in Iowa.

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.

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.

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.

The Erickson Family Foundation Scholarship

Established in 2015 by Miriam Erickson Brown ⁵80 and Warren Erickson '86, one \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded annually beginning in 2016 to a student seeking advanced education in the field of **business**. A minimum GPA of 2.5 is required. The financial need of the applicants will also be considered.

The Gloria Gray Scholarship

Established by ALHS Alumni Foundation Past President Gloria Gray '66, 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.

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 Jerry, Linda, Katelyn, Erin and Conor Crawford Scholarship

Established by Jerry '67 and Linda Crawford in honor of their children Katelyn '0), 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.

Jim & Ralph Wilson Scholarship

Established by alumni Jim '45 & Ralph Wilson '49, one \$1,000 scholarship is awarded annually based on the **GPA** and **financial need** of the applicants.

Leo Bridal Memorial Scholarship

Established in memory of Leo Bridal '41, by Mary Vaught, a lifetime friend, in accordance with Leo's wishes, one \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded annually starting in 2016. The **GPA, financial need** and **community service** of the applicants will be considered.

Mahoney Family Scholarship

Established by John and Lisa Mahoney, one \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded annually beginning in 2016 to an ALHS senior who participated in **Baseball** or **Railettes**. The **GPA** 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.

The Myrna Newbury Agan Memorial Scholarship

Established in memory of Myrna Newbury Agan, Class of January, 1955, by her children; Earl Agan, Jr. '76, Thomas S. Agan '80, and Barbara Agan Timmins '86; one \$500 scholarship will be awarded in 2017 and one \$500 scholarship will be awarded in 2018 to students who plan to pursue a degree in **Education**. A minimum **GPA** of 2.5 is required.

Dollars for Scholars (cont)

Neff Family Scholarship

Established by alumni Rose Mary Schwent '42, 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.

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.

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.

Ruth Johnson Nichols Memorial Scholarship

Established in 2009 by Ruth Johnson Nichols '42, this scholarship has been awarded annually to benefit a student who demonstrates great financial need. Beginning in 2015, Ruth's family is continuing one \$1,000 scholarship in her memory.

Sarg Fontanini Memorial Scholarship

Established by the Fontanini family to honor the memory of Sarg Fontanini '33, 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.

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.

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.

William "Bill" McKibben Memorial Scholarship

Established in 2011 in memory of Bill McKibben '53 by his wife Shirley McKibben, one \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded based on the GPA, community service and **financial need** of the applicants.

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.

Zac Bales-Henry Scholarship

Established by Zac Bales-Henry '05, one \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded annually starting in 2016 to a student with a documented learning disability who plans to pursue postsecondary education. A letter of recommendation from a teacher or staff member who has observed the student's efforts to overcome challenges is required.

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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2017 ATHLETIC & WRESTLING HALLS OF FAME INDUCTEES

On January 27, 2017, four 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 76 in the Athletic Hall of Fame.

THE 2017 INDUCTEES ARE:

John Ligouri '70: John participated in football, wrestling, baseball and track and earned a total of eight varsity letters. In wrestling, he was a sectional, district and metro champion and was a place winner in the state tournament. He participated in the state track meet. John was president of the Letterman's Club. He coached both wrestling and softball at

Tom Dusterhoft '78: Tom "Dusty" participated in baseball, football and basketball while at Lincoln. He was recognized with various All-City and All-State honors. Tom achieved 16 school records during his time at Lincoln, lettered eight times and was captain of the football and baseball teams.

Brad Pippett '88: Brad was a three-sport athlete, earning a total of seven letters in football, basketball and track. In football, he was a first team All-Conference selection his senior year and he holds the co-school record of most touchdown receptions in a season. He was a three year letter winner in track and was a part of the state qualifying 4 by 800 team his senior year. In basketball, he was a two year letter winner, All-Conference and All-State selection his senior year, and was a part of the 1987 state qualifying team. In 2016, Brad was inducted into the NIACC Athletic Hall of Fame.

Angella Welch Gonzalez '96: Angela was a two-sport athlete, lettering in basketball two years and track and field four years. She was a three-time Drake Relays qualifier. She finished second in the state in the 200m and third in the state in the high jump. In basketball, she was a two time All-Conference selection and was First Team All-State her senior year. She led her conference in scoring for two straight years and was a part of the 1996 state qualifying team.

THIRD ANNUAL LINCOLN WRESTLING ALUMNI HALL OF FAME DINNER

The Wrestling Alumni Hall of Fame was started in 2014, and now has nine members. The dinner helps 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.

On November 5, 2016, two new members were inducted into the Lincoln Wrestling Alumni Hall of Fame:

Matt Vasey '01: Matt is a second generation Lincoln wrestler. He began his journey for the Lincoln Jr. Wrestling club as a kindergartner. At Lincoln, Matt was a 4X State Qualifier for the Rails while making his way on to the podium three times. In 1999, he reached the State Championship match where he was defeated by future Iowa Hawkeye Ryan Heim. Matt finished the season as the State Runner Up and added a 6th place finish '00 and a 4th place finish '01 to his resume. In 2001, Matt was a captain on first Des Moines Public School team to qualify for the Iowa High School State Duals in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. With a career record of 126-18, he sits 3rd on the all-time wins list at Lincoln.

2001 Lincoln Team: The 2000-2001 Lincoln High School Rails Wrestling Team became the first Metro team in history to qualify for the State Wrestling Duals. That season the Rails posted a 17-4-1 dual meet record. The team won the Conference Tournament with seven champions, two runnerups and two third-place finishers. To qualify for the State Wrestling Dual Meet Tournament, the Rails needed to win the District Tournament. During that 2000-2001 season, 11 of 14 wrestlers ended the season with winning records. Overall, that team's wrestlers accounted for 29 first-place finishes, 13 second-place finishes and 17 third-place finishes in tournaments. The team won four tournaments. The six wrestlers who qualified for the traditional State Tournament that year finished the season with a school record fourth place, missing third place by just four-and-a-half points. The wrestlers who were part of the 2000-2001 team during the course of their high school wrestling careers accounted for 13 state place finishes, including three who became state champions.

Team members include: Brandon McDonough (103), Brent McCormick (112), Travis Snover (119), James Johnston (125), Austin Dagenais (130), Doug McCool (135), Scott Martens (140), Matt Vasey (145), Justin Vasey (152), Derek Veldhouse (160), Dan Zepeda (171), Wed Kappelman (189), Dan Hamm (215), Mark Sapp (HWT). ■

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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 **Beth Albright** at **justagall@mchsi.com**.

Class	Lincoln Alumni		
1938	Alma Fontanini Angaran	1959	Marilyn Thompson Hamby
1940	Ru-Nell "Ronnie" Wroe Wolf		Cynthia Jane Badger Jones
1941	Hubert Mote		Donald Kitterman
	Clair Harper		James Francis Weddell
	Noah Lacona	1960	Becky Wallace Crowley
1942	Frank McCaw		Ronald Armstrong, Sr.
	E. Corrine Witt Luff		Forrest Crees
	Dorothy Lusman Bakken	1961	Harold E. Jordan
1944	Jean Furrow Calhoun		Gerald Dale Kinton
	J. Marvin Van Ginkel	1964	Christy Dysart Leavell
	Jean Morris Davidson	1965	Anna Tillinghast Danneman
	Julia Loffredo Nagie	1965	Peter L. Goodwin
1945	Lola Randall Hill	1966	Linda Brightwell Olsen
	Jim Wilson		Albert Meek
1947	Lucille Durbin Kissel	1969	Craig E. Carson
	Oralmay Wilson	1970	Jack Taylor
	Betty Hedberg Culp		Alva "Al" Glen Battin
1948	Charles H. Kline	1972	Rosemarie Miller
1949	Marilyn Hemming Rowell Schmidt	1973	Marcia Zarley Taylor
	Daniel Knight		Beverly Carroll Dinnen-Campbell
	Roberta Kyar	1976	Tim Jordan
1950	Waletta "Billie Jean" Abrahamson Ellis	1978	Pauline Nicoletto Jacobsen
1951	Merle Murphy	1981	Wade Berhow
1952	Bonnie Hawbaker Hettinger	1983	Ruth Anne Patch
	James "Jim" Engel	1986	James Gilbert
1954	Georgia L. Tilton Chase	1992	Todd Babberl
1957	Patricia Moon Garton	2001	Ryan Oakley
1958	David Glenn Sever	2004	Kara Lynn Rae
	Sherry Liggett Cross		Brandon McDonough

ALHS ALUMNI FOUNDATION ANNUAL CELEBRATION

DATE: May 24, 2017

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 24, 2017. The following will be awarded during the program:

2017 ALHS Alumni Hall of Fame Members 2017 ALHS Alumni Foundation Scholarships

Entertainment will showcase student performers from Lincoln's instrumental and vocal departments.

Come and renew friendships, enjoy a pasta and meatball 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 **May 5th**, to:

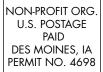
Becky Dewey 608 Leach Avenue Des Moines, IA 50315

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

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All Class Reunion

SATURDAY, APRIL 29 • 2 PM CARL'S PLACE

> 1620 Woodland Ave, Des Moines, IA 50309

\$10 at the door includes FREE BEER compliments of Carl's and a 1 year membership to the Alumni Association

REUNION NEWS

- Class of 1946 will hold its annual class luncheon at noon, Friday, June 9, 2017, at Village Inn, 1140 E. Army Post Rd. For more info contact **Denise St. John** at (515) 246-0711.
- Classes of January and June 1957 meet for lunch the second Thursday of every month, 11:30 AM, at the restaurant in The Ramada Inn on Army Post Rd. They will also hold their 60th Class Reunion Friday, September 15, 5:30 PM at The Ramada Inn on Army Post Road and Saturday, September 16, 6:00 PM at Echo Valley Country Club. Contact Jackie Thompson Tinker at (515) 967-6232 or TINK967@aol.com.
- Classes of January, June and August 1959 hold a Ladies luncheon at Baratta's, 11:30 AM, the second Friday in June. Call one week before to make reservations with Dee Kenworthy Holland (515) 285-3560 or Elsie Bassett Weaver (515) 961-7324. Breakfast is at Prairie Meadows every first Tuesday of the month at 8:15 AM; no reservations needed. For more information contact Dee Holland (515)285-3560.

- Class of June 1961 Lunch Bunch will meet at 11:30 AM on Saturday, April 29th at Skip's on Fleur Drive; Saturday, August 5th at Bravo's at Jordan Creek; and Saturday, October 21st at Skip's on Fleur Drive. For information, contact Dixie Jeffries at djeff1943@gmail.com or (515) 243-5700.
- Class of 1962 will hold its 55th Class Reunion June 24 & 25. June 24 pasta and pizza at The Tavern on 50th in West Des Moines. June 25 Potluck Picnic, 11:30 AM, at Mac Rae Park. For information contact Linda Latimer Nutting at (515) 225-1221 or lnutting@ mchsi.com.
- Classes of January and June 1963 will hold their annual gathering on June 23-24, 2017. Plans include informal gathering Friday night, and friends and alumni from other classes are welcome! Saturday includes breakfast at Cozy Café, 6401 SE 14th Street, golf and a Potluck dinner at MacRae Park. Send williamsanna@netzero.net your e-mail address to help keep informed. Information will be sent to classmates.

- Class of 1967 will hold its 50th Class Reunion July 14 & 15. July 14 at Cubs Club 6 – 11 PM for meet and greet/ snacks and drinks. July 15 dinner at Airport Holiday Inn, 5:30 PM. For information contact Phyllis Dougherty Riley at (515) 287-0518 or Margaret Woolheater Padavich (515) 490-5605.
- Class of 1977 will hold its 40th Class Reunion July 28 & 29. July 28 at Pal Joey's 6 PM and July 29 at Echo Valley (time TBD). For more information: www.facebook.com/ALHSClassof77.
- Class of 2001 will hold a reunion this year, June 16 & 17, 2017. Friday, June 16, event at Prairie Meadows. For more information contact: Chrystal Eblen at (515) 371-5892 or cveblen83@gmail.com.

Report Reunion news to **Becky Dewey** at
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If you would like the Alumni Foundation to assist you at your class reunion (registration table, etc.) call Becky!

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