



RAILSPLITTER

review

SPRING 2020

PRESIDENT'S INBOX: JENI WELDON VAN WYK '91



Greetings!

As I write this revised Spring message, Iowa, like many states across the country, has activated its State Disaster Emergency plan in an effort to slow the spread of Covid-19. Iowa schools remain closed, large events have been cancelled, and gatherings of any kind are limited to no more than 10 people. While Lincoln students and teachers know they will not return to classrooms this Spring, seniors hold out hope that activities like Senior Prom, Class Day, and Commencement,

will be part of their high school memories just as they have been for all of us.

These are unusual times for sure. Because of the uncertainty, our Board recently made the difficult decision to **cancel this year's Annual Alumni Dinner Celebration**. We know this is the right decision, but we will miss celebrating -- in person -- Lincoln's past and present alumni. It is always inspiring to hear about the accomplishments of our alumni who are inducted into the Hall of Fame and reaffirming to see the promise and possibilities in the eyes of the graduating seniors receiving scholarships.

While we will not be able to physically be together to celebrate, we are still **moving forward with the 2020 Hall of Fame inductions and the 2020 scholarship awards**. We are pleased to announce that four individuals from the class of 1964 are joining the ALHS Alumni Hall of Fame:

- **Doug Barakat**
- **R. Michael Williams, MD**
- **Judy Lewis**
- **Clarence 'Laddie' Jobe**

More information about these individuals' varied career accomplishments and their community contributions can be found on page 8 of this newsletter. Please join me in congratulating these individuals by sending your sentiments via email to our Foundation email address, alhsalumnifoundation@gmail.com. We will forward all messages received, and we plan to celebrate them at next year's Annual Alumni Dinner Celebration. And stay tuned for the Fall newsletter in which we will include the

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RAILS PARTY All Class Reunion

SEPT. 19 • 2-6 PM
MULLET'S
(on the bike trail)
1300 S.E. First Street
Des Moines

*\$10 at the door includes
FREE BEER, LIVE
MUSIC and a one year
membership to the Alumni
Association*



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www.alhsalumni.com

FOUNDATION NEWS

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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**. ■

FINANCIAL REPORTS

(As of December 31, 2019)

ALHS Alumni Operating Accounts

Checking and investment accounts

\$21,803

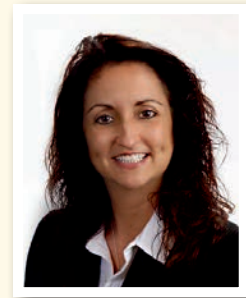
Your annual dues go to help with operating expenses.

ALHS Alumni Foundation

Checking and investment accounts

\$1,406,042*

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



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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George Davis for the **Class of 1964 Memorial Scholarship**

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Classes of 1959 for the **ALHS Classes of 1959 60th Reunion Scholarship**

In Memory of **Lana Beggs Love '63** for the **ALHS Class of 1963 Memorial Scholarship**

In Memory of **Corey Phelps '63** for the **ALHS Class of 1963 Memorial Scholarship**

Anna Williams in Memory of **Catherine Marino Lucia '31** and **Arlene Knouf Macy '44**

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

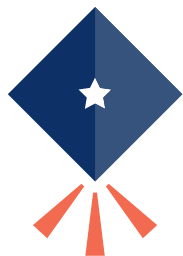
Jeni Weldon Van Wyk for the **Dan Smoot Memorial Scholarship**
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Gloria Gray for **The Gloria Gray Scholarship**
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Richard Hurd for the **Richard Hurd Scholarship**
Shirley McKibben for the **William "Bill" McKibben Memorial Scholarship**
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Maroon Club Contributions (*Gifts of \$5,000 - \$9,999*)

Marilyn Wilson for the **Ray "Monk" and Erma Wilson Family Scholarship**
Dave Ostrem for **The Dave Ostrem Family Scholarship**



ALHS Alumni Foundation

Dollars for Scholars®



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 2019, the Foundation awarded \$112,500 in scholarships.**

The following scholarships are available through the ALHS Alumni Foundation Dollars for Scholars Chapter in 2020:

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 2.5 is required. The number of scholarships awarded varies yearly based on the interest earned on the Foundation Endowment. We will award fifteen (15) Association scholarships in 2020.

ALHS Class of 1963 Memorial Scholarship

Established in memory of their 1963 classmates in 2018, and increased in 2019, one \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded annually. The scholarship will be awarded based on **GPA, financial need and community service** of the applicants.

ALHS Classes of 1959 60th Reunion Scholarship

Established by the Classes of 1959, at their 60th Class Reunion, one \$1,200 scholarship will be awarded in 2020. The scholarship will be awarded based on **GPA, financial need and community service** of the applicants.

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 by January 31st of the applicant's year of graduation, have a minimum **GPA** of 2.5, and have been accepted to a post-secondary institution.

Carole Jones Memorial Nursing Scholarship

Established by **Todd Kincheloe '79, Alan Kincheloe '80, Janette Kincheloe Brenner '82, and Mark Kincheloe**, to honor the memory of their mother and her lifetime of service as a nurse in recovery rooms and nephrology clinics, a \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded annually beginning in 2019 to a student who plans to major in **nursing**. A minimum **GPA** of 3.0 is required.

Class of 1964 Memorial Scholarship

The Class of 1964 Memorial Scholarship was established in 2019 by members of the ALHS Class of 1964 in memory of their former classmates. A \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded annually to a student who demonstrates **solid academic performance, community service, leadership and financial need**. Acceptance at an accredited institution and a minimum **GPA** of 2.5 are required.

Class of 1979 Scholarship

Established by the Class of 1979, at its 40th Class reunion, one \$500 scholarship will be awarded in 2020. The scholarship will be awarded based on **GPA, financial need and community service** of the applicants.

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

Established in 2012 by **Dr. John '35 McCaw** and his wife **Maxine** in honor of their children, all of whom graduated from ALHS, four (4) \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded annually to students who demonstrate 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 in 2015 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.

Dr. John W. Green, Jr. Family Scholarship

Established in 2012 by the late **Virginia Green** in honor of her family, two (2) \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded 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 \$1,000.00 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 '80** 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.

Fuse DSM, Your 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.

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.

Established in 2019 by Marlene Timmons and family, two \$500 scholarships will be awarded to students who plan to major in nursing. A minimum **GPA** of 2.5 is required.

The Gloria Gray Scholarship

Established in 2015 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.

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.

Hugh Kent Memorial Science Scholarship

Established in 2011 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 '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

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Dollars for Scholars *(continued from page 5)*

University. The **GPA, financial need** and **community service** of the applicants will also be considered.

Jim & Ralph Wilson Memorial Scholarship

Established in 2009 by alumni **Jim '45** and **Ralph '48 Wilson**, one \$1,000 scholarship is awarded annually based on the **GPA** and **financial need** of the applicants. The scholarship was changed to a memorial scholarship in 2018.

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.

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 2017 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 annually to students who plan to pursue a degree in **Education**. A minimum **GPA** of 2.5 is required.

Nicholas J. Mancuso Scholarship

Established in 2012 by **Nicholas Mancuso '48**, and increased in 2019, one \$1,500 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.

Ray "Monk" and Erma Wilson Family Scholarship

Established to honor the parents of **Jim '45**, **Vivian '44**, **Ralph '48**, and **Ray '46**, one \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded annually beginning in 2018. The scholarship will be awarded based on **GPA** and **financial need** of the applicants.

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.

Richard Hurd Scholarship

Established in 2019 by **Richard Hurd '70**, one \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded annually to a student who intends to major in **business**. The **career goals, financial need** and **community service** of the applicants will also be considered

Rolland Geil & Ruth Johnson Nichols Memorial Scholarship

Established in 2009 by **Ruth Johnson Nichols '42**, one scholarship has been awarded annually to benefit a student who demonstrates **great financial need**. Ruth's family is continuing this \$1,000 scholarship in memory of both Ruth and their father, **Rolland Geil '40**.

Sarg Fontanini Memorial Scholarship

Established in 2012 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.

Stuebaker Elementary School Scholarship

One scholarship of at least \$500 is awarded annually to a student who attended **Stuebaker 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

Established in 2012, and increased in 2019, one \$1,500 scholarship will be awarded annually 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 in 2016 by **Zac Bales-Henry '05**, one \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded annually to a student with a documented learning disability who plans to pursue post-secondary education. A letter of recommendation from a teacher or staff member who has observed the student's efforts to overcome challenges is required. ■

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list of all scholarship awards and recipients. We will also recognize the Alumni Hall of Fame and Scholarship recipients on our Alumni Web and Social Media sites!

A final note regarding Spring events, this year's all alumni reunion, **the RAILS Party, is being postponed.** Railsplitters are an optimistic bunch (and, let's face it, we always enjoy a good party!) and our hope is some level of socializing will not only be permitted but encouraged. Our tentative date is September 19th! Date and location will be posted on our Website (alhsalumni.com) as well as our social media sites (Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram) – so stay connected!

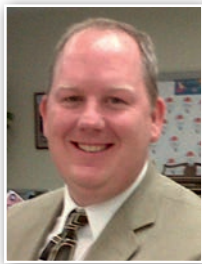
Until we meet again in the Fall, take care of yourselves. And take care of each other. Whether that means distancing yourself from others, helping out a neighbor with grocery shopping, or calling an old friend to bring a smile to his or her face, you make a difference. **Remember, LHS alumni have 'lots of pep, lots of pep'** and I think we can all use a little **'Rah! Rah! Rah!'** right now! ■

All my best,

Jeni

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Paul Williamson



Greeting Railsplitter Friends,

As I write this message, Lincoln High School has closed our doors to students and the community for the remainder of the school year. We are working hard (as is the rest of DMPS) to prepare to deliver instruction to our students online for grades K-12. This is a tremendous undertaking, yet exceptionally important to the health and

safety of our students, staff, and community members.

As you know, we brought back the 9th graders to the main building this year. Whereas we are a bit more crowded, the desired effect of better mentoring opportunities has been fruitful. Our juniors and seniors are doing a great job of working with our freshmen students. Unfortunately, with the closing of school, we will be rethinking how we hold graduation as it most likely will not be in a traditional way unless we postpone the event.

Lincoln will implement a small renovation plan this summer. We will be using part of the large library to create three additional classrooms. We are moving our wrestling facility (you probably remember it as the small gym or girls gym) to the old 9th grade building where the baseball and softball fields are located. We will now convert this gym space into a more significant weight training facility which will better serve our athletic programs. The current weight room will be converted into a PE space and staff wellness area.



Congratulations to **Mickey Griffith**, sophomore, for winning Lincoln's first state wrestling championship in 10 years or more. Finally, I had the pleasure of performing with the Lincoln jazz band at



the 3rd Annual Maroon & Gold Gala in February when their bass player was unable to attend. I hadn't played in over 10 years, but quickly learned it was like riding a bike!

Please feel free to reach out to me if I can be of any assistance. ■

Take care,

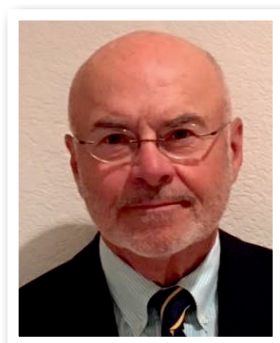
Paul Williamson

2020 ALUMNI HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

BY GLORIA GRAY '66

With the 2020 Alumni Hall of Fame inductees, we now have 117 members. If you would like to nominate an accomplished alumnus for the Alumni Hall of Fame, please submit your written nomination to Gloria Gray, ALHS Alumni Foundation, 2600 SW 9th Street, Des Moines, IA 50315. Please include a detailed description of what the nominee has accomplished since graduating from Lincoln, including career successes, community service, and service to Lincoln High.

The 2020 Alumni Hall of Fame inductees are all graduates of the ALHS Class of 1964:



Douglas J. Barakat went to Simpson College where he majored in Business, and graduated in 1968. He worked at American Republic Insurance Company for 38 years, retiring as Senior Vice President, Chief Operating Officer of ARS, a subsidiary of American Republic. He currently has his own consulting firm in Colorado.

While at Simpson, Doug was a member of Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity, and served as its president. He was later presented with the fraternity's Loyalty award in 1994, and was placed on the Wall of Fame in 2018. Doug lettered in football and was named captain of the team his senior year. Doug and his wife Mary received the Simpson Alumni Loyalty Award and served as National Alumni Chairpersons in the "Secure the Promise for Simpson" campaign, the most successful fundraising campaign in the college's history.

Doug first served on the Simpson Board of Trustees when he was an ex-officio trustee by virtue of his office as President of the Alumni Association Board of Directors 1990-92. He was then elected an alumni representative to the board 1997-2003, being elected a regular trustee in May 2003. Fellow trustees elected him treasurer of the board in 2001 and he served in that capacity until 2007. Doug's committee work for the board was extensive during his seventeen years as a trustee - business and finance, audit, academic affairs, executive, investment, audit and compliance, and resource management, and chairing audit and compliance for six years.

Doug has become a Lifetime Honorary Member of the Simpson College Board of Trustees.

Doug has been involved with and supported United Way. He was also active at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Des Moines and served on its board of governors for many years.



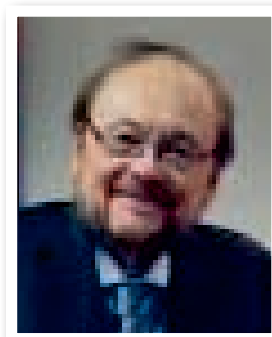
Clarence "Laddie" Jobe joined the Navy after high school. After his Navy service, he joined the Des Moines Police Department. During his 33-year career with the Des Moines Police Department, he moved up through the ranks, spending much time in working on crimes against persons.

Laddie attended and graduated from the FBI Academy, Quantico, Virginia, after which he continued to work on homicide cases, and additionally took on recruiting and training new officers at the Des Moines Regional Police Academy. His ongoing homicide work included solving some of the highest profile cases of his time: the murder of three teen boys who were shot and killed while cleaning a downtown building; the Drake Diner killings; the torture and murder of two elderly women; and the case of a murdered infant found in a garbage can. A 1995 *CITYVIEW* headline stated that Des Moines homicide cops rank among the nation's best when it comes to finding solutions.

Jobe spoke to many community groups about being safe, from crime and drugs, and to parent groups about drugs on the street. His last role at DMPD was a Lieutenant in the Narcotics and Vice Department. He received many

accolades from the Drug Enforcement Agency, FBI, U.S. Attorney, U.S. Marshall, and U.S. Postal Inspectors, for his integrity and leadership, and reflecting a career of protecting and serving his community.

In retirement he serves on several police boards and committees, continuing to serve his community.



R. Michael Williams, MD graduated from Yale with a BA in Culture and Behavior, from Yale with a master's degree in Microbiology, from Harvard Medical School with an MD, and from Harvard Graduate School with a PhD in Immunology.

Mike's career began in his pre-doctoral training as a research associate, assistant and fellow, at the University of Iowa, Yale, and Harvard. Mike's employment has represented a growing and expanding knowledge of neurology and medical oncology, with over 46 years of diverse experience, in hospital and medical school settings, in private practice and as a consultant. He has developed affiliations with many hospitals and cancer centers, including Doctors Medical Center, Memorial Medical Center, and Oak Valley District Hospital. He also cooperates with other doctors and physicians in medical groups. For the past decade, Mike has been the Medical Oncologist for the Northern California Cancer Center, and Director of Northern California Cancer Center and Research Institute. He is board certified in internal medicine and medical oncology.

Mike has been principal investigator in many grants for cancer related studies, has served on many boards and review panels, is a member of many professional medical oriented organizations, and has been published numerous times. He has been a professor, a medical director and chief medical director, and a medical oncologist, and has received many honors and awards, from Yale, Harvard, the American Cancer Society, and from other organizations. Over the past several decades, Mike has dedicated his life to help people survive and heal.

We look forward to recognizing the 2020 Alumni Hall of Fame inductees at our Annual Dinner Celebration in May, 2021. ■



Judy Lewis went on to graduate from University of Iowa with a BS in Sociology and with Honors and High Distinction, and where she was Class President. She graduated from Yale with a master's degree in Sociology. She then began her life's work in Community Medicine and Pediatrics at

the University of Connecticut School of Medicine, where she is now 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.

Judy began working in global health in 1984, beginning in Sri Lanka where she spent a sabbatical year learning about women's reproductive health and access to family planning. 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. Her longest commitment has been to Haiti where she has worked continuously for 30 years. 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.

ALUMNI NOTES BY ANNA WILLIAMS '63



Thanks to all the folks who have been sending in information about our ALHS friends and family. Keep it coming! Submit your news to williamsanna@netzero.net.



Terry Mansfield '60 called recently looking for information on a 60th reunion for his class. During the conversation the “old days” came up. Seems Terry is repeating history from his days at Lincoln. Under the direction of **John Whaley**, Terry (tenor) participated

in the LHS Barbershop Quartet along with classmates **Wayne Cole** (baritone), **Gary Ramsey** (lead) and **Ralph Petersen '61** (bass). They sang at senior homes in the area and other Des Moines high schools during their school gatherings. Three years ago Terry joined the **Grandmas Boyfriends Barbershop Quartet**. Their average age is 82, and they won the 2019 a capella sing off championships for the Houston Area. Check them out at <https://grandmasboyfriendsbarbershopquartet.weebly.com/>. A recent highlight for the group was to perform in the “Music Man” along with the Symphony. Terry also sings in four other groups. He is a radio announcer for the internet program, “The Group Travel Voice,” as he was a tour operator for decades and traveled throughout North America. Terry and his wife, **Linda**, a Valley High graduate, live in Richmond, Texas at the Del Webb Senior Community, “Sweetgrass.” Terry’s parents — you guessed it — **Mary Coburn** and **Ellsworth Mansfield**, 1939 LHS classmates.

After last fall’s newsletter went out, we heard from **Lanny Helton '54**. He wanted to share Tributes for his brothers and sisters: **Lester '38**, **Robert '39**, **Frank '41**, **Leah Helton Ballard '43**, **Roy '44**, **Lawrence '46**, **June Helton Way '47**, **Jay '49**, **Gene '52** and twin brother **Larry '54**. Five of his siblings served in World War II — Lester, Robert, Frank, Roy and Leah, who was commissioned. Lanny shared that the Helton family grew up on the south side of Des Moines and his mother had eleven boys and two girls. Two boys died in their youth. He went on to say that his historian sister, June, said there was a Helton at Lincoln High for sixteen straight years! At 83, Lanny says he is “the last of the

Fabulous 15, but still going strong.” He and his wife, **Kay**, work part time at Universal Orlando Park; and for seven years, have been Bell Ringers for the Salvation Army in Summerfield, Florida. “Go Railsplitters!”

Friends from the **Class of 1983** — **Beth Baker Albright**, **Tracy Armstrong Steigleder**, **Tonette Soda-Stevens**, **Becky Clinton Dewey**, **Julie Martin Amadeo**, **Carmen Carrasco Putzier**, and **Amy Whisler Hutchens** — volunteered their time and cooking skills at the Ronald McDonald House this past Christmas, and discovered Resident Manager of the House, **Beth Hill Janson**, is also an alum, **Class of 1977**.



“Alumni Notes” is just that ... alumni notes. But sometimes there’s a great story like the one **Jeffrey Barber '63** submitted about a close ALHS connection that just needs to be told. The story is about **Bob Knudson** who is 95 years young. Bob graduated from high school in Mason City. He immediately joined the United States Navy in 1943 at age 18. Both his older brothers went off to the war before him. That was what was expected of young men in those days. He lost his oldest brother when he was “shot out of the air,” as Bob puts it, over the then Japanese held Island of Guam, which today is a United States territory. Bob spent a good share of his service time on the island of New Caledonia, 750 miles east of Australia, in the Coral Sea. Upon his discharge from the Navy, and thanks to the GI Bill, Bob entered Drake University and graduated with a degree in business. While attending Drake Bob met the love of his life, **Geneva Cowden**, and enjoyed 66 years of marriage before losing her in 2016. Bob and Geneva owned and operated a familiar Southside business on Valley Drive for several years. Many will remember Valley Bait and Grocery. When he sold Valley Bait in 2005 he thought he’d retire. Not so. Bob says he’s “meant to work!” So here’s the ALHS alumni close connection: Bob is a meat slicer at Brewer Food Service, located not a nine iron shot away from his old Valley Drive location. Bob starts work sharply at 6:00 AM and works to around 1:00 PM five days a week. The Brewer Food Service business is a family owned and managed enterprise. **Phil Barber '68** is the President and his older brother, **Jeff Barber '63**, is the general manager. The family team is made up of Phil’s son **Alec**,

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FUNDRAISING

BY LISA WHITMARSH PETERSON '75 AND JOHN THIELKE '80

SIXTH ANNUAL ALUMNI FOUNDATION SILENT AUCTION & SALE

The Alumni Silent Auction & Sale was held in conjunction with the Winter Sports Kickoff Friday, November 22, netting \$3,071.00. Our highest total yet gleaned from seven decades of alumni donors and friends. The new features in 2019 of a “Grab & Go” table and “Buy Me Now” enhanced the event by allowing immediate purchasing. The proceeds of this fundraiser help pay for the Alumni Annual Dinner Celebration each May, where we award senior scholarships and induct our Alumni Hall of Fame members. We are grateful for the support of the Lincoln High School staff, our loyal donors and many volunteers.



Please remember to patronize our Silent Auction donor businesses:

**ALHS Build Lincoln Higher
Booster Club, Inc.**

Baratta's Restaurant (Joe Gatto
'85, Lisa Wing '86)

Blank Park Zoo

Bowlerama

Bordenaro's Pizzeria, (Chris
Bordenaro '90)

Brewer Food Service (Phil
Barber '68)

Cici's Pizza

Confluence Brewing
Dawn Davis, '77 (*in memoriam*)

Des Moines Buccaneers

Des Moines Menace
Becky Clinton Dewey '83
Frances Peterson Colston '41
(*in memoriam*)

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

**Echo Valley Golf and Country
Club**

Exile Brewing Company

Faller Kincheloe & Co. PLC
(Alan Kincheloe, '80)

Family Dollar

Fareway Foods

Fleur Cinema

Flowers By Anthony, Inc.

Fred's Bike Shop

Graziano Brothers Store

Hartland Flags

Henry J's Taco House (Cody
Rivas '03)

Amy Whisler Hutchens '83

Iowa Barnstormers

Iowa Cubs

Iowa Wild

Iowa Wolves

Jay's CD and Hobby

Jim's Coney Island (Eric
Frangos '82 & Tonya
Portinga Frangos '90)

John's Barber Shop (John
Scavo '51)

Ron Keener '75

La Hacienda

Livingston's Automotive
(Dennis Livingston '76)

Janice Smith McClafflin, '60

Midas (Steve Stoermer '87,
Tom Chapman '93, Joe
Hernandez '07, Matt

Jaskuloski '09, Nick
Thompson '09 and Kevin

Camp '80)

Nick's Tenderloin

Noah's Ark Ristorante (*in
memoriam- Noah Lacona '59*)

Noah's Dry Cleaners

One of a Kind Creations (Jim
Roberts '68)

Paesano's Pizzeria (Alec
and Courtney Ghee
Kennedy '10)

Park Avenue Pub (Dick
Horton '71)

Brendan Peterson '06

Lisa Whitmarsh Peterson '75

Raymond "Skip" Phillips '68

Powell's Outdoor Service

(Harold Powell '80)

Rodman Comic

Katherine Scott '77

Yvonne Smith Scott '56

Scornovacco's Ristorante

Sisters (*honoring Jeannette
Bierma Davis '51*)

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

Southside Sculpture Park (Phil
Barber '68)

The Finishing Shop

The Tavern on 50th

John Thielke '80

Trixie's Aveda Salon (Tricia

Fogue Rivas '95)

Trostel's Greenbriar

Restaurant (Suzanne
Summy '65)

Tumea & Sons Restaurant

(Louie Tumea '98)

Jennifer Weldon VanWyk '91

Village Inn Restaurant

Anna Ruperto Williams '63

Wines of Iowa

*2019 Silent Auction Volunteers:
Kerry Burrows '91, Becky Clinton
Dewey '83, Roger Dewey, Linda
Mincks Hendricks '65, Amy
Whisler Hutchens '83, Nicole
Graziano '86, Suzette Stephens
Jensen '64, Gene LeRoque '64,
Cheri Johnson Judge, '87, Jody
Judge & Reagan Judge '22,
Raymond "Skip" Phillips '68,
Katherine Scott '77 and Anna
Ruperto Williams '63.*

Co-Chairs: Lisa Whitmarsh
Peterson '75 and John Thielke
'80. ■

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SHOW YOUR SCHOOL PRIDE!

If you are interested in showing your Lincoln Pride, order forms are available on our Website: www.alhsalumni.com.

Commemorative Bricks: 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: 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 Flag *(New this year!)*: Flag and metal pole available for \$20, or flag and window stick for \$15.

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

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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Jeff's grandson **Jon**, their nephew **Nick**, great nephews **Brant** and **Ryne**, and Lincoln graduates they've known for over 40 years — **Mike Miller '72**, **Gary Ponce '72**, and **Toni Barber '72**. You may recall **Phil** and the late **Chuck Mettler '61** established the **South Des Moines Sculpture Park Scholarship** in 2015. The entire Brewer team considers Bob their hero and they look after him in that way. He is considered part of the extended family.



Paul Levang '63 was recently inducted into Hillcrest Luthern Academy's Athletics Hall of Fame. Hillcrest is a private boarding high school for grades 9-12 located in Fergus Falls, Minnesota. In part, Paul's award reads as follows: "If Hillcrest were a country, Paul Levang would be its greatest patriot. Known for his unwavering devotion to Hillcrest, particularly the Athletic Department, for nearly four decades, he proved year after year his deep concern for students and always strived to please God in his work. He gave endlessly to ensure that students at Hillcrest were developing into skilled and successful athletes as well as helped to cultivate the spiritual growth of many of them. Furthermore, there has never been a more skilled or conscientious statistician. Paul kept immaculate records, and his scorebooks will always be compared to exceptional works of art. As a coach, players

and colleagues always respected Paul and appreciated his efforts." Congratulations, Paul!

Sydney Bentley '12, ALHS Alumni Foundation **Neff Family Scholarship** recipient, is in her final year at Emory College. She met her Neuroscience and Behavior Biology Major requirements and is now studying for the MCATs (Medical College Admission Tests). **Jody Ramey Bentley '80** is a very proud parent! Another example of a successful ALHS graduate!

On March 10th, **John McCaw '35** celebrated his 103rd birthday. Because of Coronavirus precautions, his celebration was low key, but his daughter, **Milva Sandison '65**, was able to be with him, flying in from England. Happy Birthday Dr. McCaw!



Brenda Ferrari '80 is now probably better known as comedian, **Etta May**. She was the winner of the American Comedy Awards Stand-Up Comic of the Year, and has appeared on MTV, Oprah, Comic Strip Live, and as a guest commentator on CBS Sunday Morning. And recently, People magazine crossword puzzle included "Singer James or comedian May" and the answer was "Etta." ■



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 **Anna Williams** at williamsanna@netzero.net.

Class **Lincoln Alumni**

1931	Catherine Marino Lucia	1958	Gregory Rosky
1938	Lester Helton		Kenneth Leland May
1939	Robert Helton		Judy Crouch Piper Cross
1941	William "Bill" Wittkowski	1960	Suzanne Steele Reeves
	Anthony T. DeFino		Kevin Joseph Kaiser
	Bernice Atkinson Snyder		Daniel D. Grindle
	Frank Helton		John Fedro
1943	Robert Ahlberg	1961	Frank DeFrancisco
	Dorothy Lacona		Jackie Breitkruetz Posekany
	Leah Helton Ballard	1962	Warren L. Burge
1944	Velma Arlene Knouf Macy	1963	Lana Beggs Love
	Roy Helton		Corey Phelps
1945	Marguerite Marchesano Walker	1965	Dennis Mefferd
	Norma Ackelson Roush		Cheryl Surber Jesse
	Shirley A. Schaff Voumard	1970	Charles Holmes
1946	Lawrence Helton		Peary Scott Sinopoli
	Marilynn Crane Armstrong		Paul F. Bridgford
1947	June Helton Way		Robert Davidson
1948	Craig Textor	1972	Jeff Allen Cox, Sr.
	Lucia Rosalie Macri Anania	1973	Donna Morano Frowick
1949	Jay Helton	1974	Pam Mekus Kleen
	John Sarasio	1975	Douglas Speicher
1950	Marilyn Farr O'Neel		Michael R. Mitchell
	Kathryn Oliphant Watts	1978	Hillary Sinopoli
1951	Mary R. Young Owens		Kevin Joseph Kaiser
1952	Patricia Grossnickle Dunahoo	1980	Scott Anderson
	Gene Helton	1981	Bryan Curtis Ankeney
	Jerry Flaherty	1982	Michael Leach
1953	Marilyn "Lynn" Fisher	1983	Robert Watson
	Theresa May Shutt	1988	Jeffrey Adam Hewitt
	Russell D. Parks	2001	Eliza Nosek
1954	Larry Helton	2015	Jeremy Parker, Jr.
1956	Larry Mitchell		Dimitrious Galvan-Wambsgans
	Deanna Wilcox Mills	2016	Travis D. Bainter
	Guyla Wallace Binford	2022	Malachi Swank
	Beverly Fatino Fontana		Thayne Wright
1957	John Rae Rice		

BUILD LINCOLN HIGHER BOOSTER CLUB, INC.

PRESIDENT: JASON LEVANG

Build Lincoln Higher Booster Club (BLH) is staying busy this school year. As always, we are dedicated to supporting Lincoln High School and its students. Our main goal is to raise money through the operation of the concession stand at home sporting events, the selling of Lincoln spirit wear at the Rails Shop (now online) and also through memberships. We also provide volunteers to help at school-sponsored events and promote enthusiasm and pride for Lincoln High School. We would like to thank our Lincoln Families, Alumni, Lincoln Faculty and BLH members for their continued support. Without all of you there is no BLH.

Most recently we held our Annual Pancake Breakfast and, considering the snow and cold, we had a great turnout. Thanks to everyone who bought a ticket or took a turn flipping pancakes. Once again we had many student organizations perform at the breakfast and they did a wonderful job. I also want to thank Hy-Vee and Anderson Erickson for their generous donations and discounts for this event.

The Winter Kickoff/Chili Challenge was held in November and was a great success. We had more entries than last year and more people vote for their favorites. Everyone seemed to enjoy the chili and the program for the winter sports. This event is growing every year and we are happy to be a part of it.

Make sure to visit our website in the coming months to get your Lincoln Merchandise. We are going to be introducing a new way to get your Lincoln gear.

Lastly, do not forget to mark your calendars for June 5th for the Annual Lincoln Golf Outing. Once again this year we hope to be offering a double shotgun start followed by dinner and awards. If you have played before, we look forward to seeing you again, and if not, please join us for this great event. We would love to have you.

For membership information and to see what is going on with BLH please visit www.buildlincolnhigher.com. ■

GO RAILS!

Jason



28TH ANNUAL LINCOLN HIGH BOB VANDERLINDEN MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING

All proceeds help support Lincoln Activities

The 28th Annual Lincoln High School Bob VanderLinden Golf Outing is planned for **Friday, June 5, 2020, at Blank Golf Course**.

Over the past five years, the money raised from this event has gone directly toward purchasing uniforms, equipment, and facility upgrades needed to improve student activity programs

at Lincoln High School. We hope that you will join us for this Railsplitter celebration and consider being a sponsor of this worthy cause. For more details contact the Lincoln Activities office at 515-242-7526.

To register, go to www.buildlincolnhigher.com.

2020 ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES – MAROON & GOLD GALA

On February 29, 2020, two members were inducted into the ALHS Athletic Hall of Fame during the Maroon & Gold Gala held at the Marriott in Downtown Des Moines. With the new members, Lincoln now has 82 in the Athletic Hall of Fame.

The Gala is an annual event that includes a social hour, student performances, dinner, the Athletic Hall of Fame induction, auctions, games, music, and more. Over 400 people attended this year, and Build Lincoln Higher raised \$65,000 for the Maroon & Gold Fund. The Maroon & Gold Fund was created to enhance the LHS student experience through academic enrichment, athletics, fine arts, and student clubs. Thank you to all Alumni that supported this event and our current Lincoln students again this year. GO RAILS!

The 2020 Athletic Hall of Fame inductees are:



Lowell Reed

Lowell Reed grew up in Guthrie Center, Iowa. In 1953 he graduated from Simpson College with a degree in math and physical education. Lowell was active in sports at Simpson lettering in football, basketball and track; and excelled in track, winning Iowa Conference championships in

both the 100 and 220 yard dashes. He later earned a Masters Degree from Truman State University, Maryville, Missouri. In 1953 Lowell started a 39-year career in secondary education as a math teacher, coach, and athletic director. He joined Lincoln High School in 1964 where his career spanned 28 years. He taught math and was on the football and basketball coaching staffs for six years. In 1970 he was appointed Athletic Director and held that position for 19 years. One of the most significant improvements in our athletic program occurred in the late 1970s when a full slate of sports for girls was added which included cross country, volleyball, basketball, gymnastics, track and softball. Prior to this time girls sports were limited to golf, tennis, and swimming. He was an early member of the Iowa High School Athletic Directors Association. He served as Central District Director of

the IHSADA from 1985-1987 and was Central District Athletic Director of the Year 1987-88. He was later inducted into the IHSADA Hall of Fame.



Josh Kline '99

When Josh graduated from Lincoln, he had finished a five-year stretch as one of the most accomplished, record-setting baseball players in the history of Lincoln. Josh was a member of the 1998 State Championship team and the starting pitcher in the final game, pitching five 1/3 innings. During his time on the

Lincoln baseball team, Josh was 1997 2nd Team All-Conference, 1998 Super Team All-State, 1999 1st Team All-State and member of the IBCA All Star Team. He also played Football for three years and Basketball for two years. After high school Josh attended and played baseball at Indian Hills College. In 2015 Josh joined Lincoln as a campus monitor and was recently named Head Baseball Coach for the Railsplitters. Josh's parents are **Joyce and George**, a 20-year baseball coach at Lincoln. Josh is married to **Christina Anania Kline '02** and they have four children. ■

ALHS ALUMNI FOUNDATION SOCIAL MEDIA

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The ALHS Alumni Foundation has established a number of ways to connect to our alumni community. On the left you will find various social media outlets. Please connect with us through social media to get involved and be engaged with Lincoln alumni across all of the class years!

Additionally, we have created an email for anyone to use to ask us questions or connect with us on any topic. The email is: ALHSAlumniFoundation@gmail.com

Lastly, don't forget about our alumni website: www.ALHSAlumni.com



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the Alumni Association*

REUNION NEWS

Report Reunion news to **Becky Dewey** at (515) 280-5386 or dewrbth@outlook.com. If you would like the Alumni Foundation to assist you at your class reunion (registration table, etc.) call Becky!

- **Classes of January and June 1953** meet for coffee the second Thursday of the month (except June, July, August) 9 AM at the Hy-Vee on Fleur Drive. Contact Donna Balzer at 285-7787.
- **Classes of January and June 1957** meet for lunch the second Thursday of every month, 11:30 AM at Hilltop Restaurant, 29th and Hubbell. Contact **Jackie Thompson Tinker** at (515) 967-6232 or TINK967@aol.com.
- **Classes of 1959** meet for breakfast the first Tuesday of the month, 8:15 AM at Prairie Meadows. Anyone is welcome to join the group!
- **Class of 1960** will hold a **60th Class Reunion** on Thursday, September 10, 2020, location TBD. Entertainment will be provided by the ALHS Music Department. Contact **Terry Mansfield** at (832) 847-4186 or lindamansfield42@yahoo.com.
- **Class of 1961 Lunch Bunch** will meet at 11:30 AM on May 2, July 25 and October 24, 2020 at Bravo's Cucina Italiana, 120

S. Jordan Creek Pkwy, in West DM. 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, 2020. Plans include an informal gathering on Friday night at the Eagles Lodge, breakfast at Fleur Drive HyVee and golf Saturday morning, and a potluck at MacRae Park Saturday evening. Details will be emailed to classmates. Send your email address to williamsanna@netzero.net to receive information on activities and classmates.
- **Class of 1964** meets for lunch in The Market Grill at HyVee on Fleur Drive every third Thursday of the month at noon. All are welcome! Contact **Laddie Jobe** at laddiej@msn.com or (515) 249-7081 or **Suzette Stephens Jensen** at sjensen3127@gmail.com or (515) 360-6261.
- **Class of 1965** will hold a **55th Class Reunion** September 19, 2020 from 4:00 PM to 9:00 PM at the Blank Golf Course Clubhouse. Contact **Tim Meline** at tmeline100@aol.com or (515) 745-2486.
- **Class of 1970** will hold a **50th Class Reunion** September 25-26, 2020. Contact: **Jean Crigler Birlingmair** (515) 256-7916 or **Deb Gullord Ostrem** (515) 981-5083. Friday night cocktails at The

Eagles and football game, Saturday a tour of ALHS and dinner at Wakonda Golf & Country Club. Watch for your registration form via email or postal service by end of May. If you don't receive one, please contact Jean or Deb to learn about registration for the weekend.

- **Class of 1975** will hold a **45th Class Reunion** on August 14-15, 2020. Friday plans TBD, Saturday event will be held at Blank Golf Course starting with cocktails at 6 PM with a light dinner served at 7 PM. Contact: **Debbie Palis Hansen** at Cdhanzen82@gmail.com or **Christy Moon Graziano** at cmoon9.cmg@gmail.com
- **Class of 1980** will hold a **40th Class Reunion** on September 26, 2020 early evening at Blank Park Zooplex. Contact **Rachelle Sonntag** at rachellesonntag@gmail.com
- **Class of 1990** will hold a **30th Class Reunion** at Easter Lake Shelter #2 on Saturday, August 29, 2020, 1 PM to 7 PM. Contact: **Tammy Monaghan (Polson)** at tammon71@gmail.com or Facebook group class of 1990.

Visit the Alumni Social Media sites for the latest information on Alumni activities (see page 15 for details).