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John Hardin . . .
Master-of-Ceremonies



Master-of-ceremonies for the 1977 Alumni Banquet program will be John Hardin, Class of 1957, of Castle Rock, Colorado.

After graduating from Arnold High, John earned his Bachelor of Science degree from the College of Business of Administration at the University of Nebraska in 1961. He received his Masters of Business Administration from the University of Denver in 1966.

A duty tour with the Air Force

from the Colorado Air National Guard occupied him for 1 1/2 years.

He was employed in management consulting and also worked with Mountain Bell Telephone and Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company previous to going to work for the Atlantic Richfield Company in Denver.

This work has to do with the purchase, trade, sale and leasing of real estate property in the western half of the United States for the exploration and development of uranium, base metals and coal.

John is a member of the Board of Trustees and Mayor Pro Tem of Castle Rock, chairman of the Industrial Development Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, and on the Board of Directors of Douglas Development Corporation.

John and Shirley Parker of Lincoln, Nebraska, were married in June, 1963, and they have two daughters, Jill 7, and Kelly, 3.

John says Shirley is a domestic executive.

Playing the guitar, songwriting, oil painting, and camping are John's hobbies.



THE KEYSTONE COPS FROM THE '76 ALUMNI PROGRAM —
Left to right: Bob Lucas, Gene Tullis, Bill Shaw, Marvin
Beatty, Ron Cunningham and Loren Scott

NEW DIRECTORIES

New Alumni Directories were compiled and published this year and are on sale.

Five new classes have been added, the memorial list has grown longer, a separate section lists those obtaining their diplomas outside the regular classroom routine, and a list of those serving as officers in the Alumni Association adds to the volume this edition.

It's true the price has had to be raised to meet the cost of the paper, printing and etc, but at \$5.00 you are still getting a "lot of bargain". The \$5.00 includes the taxes and mailing for those out of town.

Darlene Hagler Rimpley was chairman of this year's work, with help from many, many people. Dorotha McClure Hill designed the cover.

To order, send your money to Sharron Bean or the Arnold Alumni Association.

Some Mistakes....and corrections already....

I'm sure upon close reading there will be some mistakes found, although there was much proofreading done to try to prevent this. Some address changes were sent in after the directory was printed and several deaths have occurred. Some of the corrections are.

Class of 1927
Orval Sauter
7222 Princeton
La Mesa, California

Snyder, Althea
701 1/2 S. 3rd Avenue

Class of 1939 and 1942
Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Frosh
1221 East Park Lane
Santa Ana, California 92701

Class of 1970
Halstead, John
Arnold, Nebraska 69120

IN MEMORIAM
1917
Nolan Alexander
Eva Richards
Ward Zimmerman
1927
Melvin Brumbaugh
LaVern Claudson
Crystal Spratt Wills
1937
Harvey Bailey
Wayne Koch
Roger Van Wormer
1957
Alice Romans Butler
Those who died since April, 1976.

Verle Brown '22
Emma Gion Mills '22
Frank Pinkston '23
Leila Harrell Pearce '24
Alice Spratt Olson '29
Charles Nansel '30
Alice Romans Butler '57

Penny Hodges Miller '73

A smile, like sunshine filtering through the trees, to burst full upon you, can come and go. And a smile of a friend can warm you whole being, and brighten your whole day. A smile of a friend and classmate, although he or she is gone, can be remembered for a lifetime.

Although our friends named above are now gone let us remember their smile.

Class of 1942
Babcock, Ernest
1500 Centennial

Class of 1958
Peterson, Arland
305 Concord
Hurst, Texas 76053

Class of 1966
Watson, Rodney
Arnold, Nebraska 69120

Class of 1970
Dan Crosland
So. 1829 Glenrose Drive
Spokane, Washington
Class of 1970

1976 Alumni Banquet A Big Success

If someone was asked to pick out their favorite moment from the 1976 Alumni Banquet, I doubt if they could do it. The joy of seeing a classmate and friends that you hadn't seen for one-or five-or 25 years; the thrill (?) at seeing an old "flame"; the satisfaction you have when someone says to you "You haven't changed a bit" or "no gray hairs?" these moments and many more; combined with a superb, funny, memory-making program all wrapped up into ONE GRAND NIGHT!

The roast beef dinner was attended by around 650 guests, and many, many more came to enjoy the program.

The solemn moment of the Memorial was led by Ardith Nansel Sheets, with a solo by Evelyn Cunningham Young, accompanied by Cecil Nansel

Smith.

Alumni president Darrell Crow then introduced the master-of-ceremonies, Wendell Smith '51, of Sedalia, Missouri. Out-of-state visitors were recognized with California, Maryland, Virginia, and Kentucky being a few of the states. Roll call was taken with the class of '73 having 19 members present. Returning faculty (Hello-Mr. Fuller!) stood; and the third generation graduate showed that Cleo Spratt Deterding added two more members to her list: Joy Crow and Judy Deterding.

The five honored classes were met with all of them having great attendance. The 50 year class of '26 had 12 members present.

Door prizes were given, and the class of '76 presented their class picture to the Alumni, and their class song.



Upper right - Dan Keyser '75 (right) and Jackie Kolbo

Arnold's Laurel & Hardy - Marion Scott '48 and Wes Larreau '52

Right - The night before at rehearsal



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Eddie Morrison was narrator for a program that brought tears of joy and laughter. Ken Wehrman in a stirring rendition of "Over There", a dance team of Letha Morrow McDowell and Lucille Comer Peters doing the Charleston brought cheers and whistles, and the scene of Charlie Chaplin (Doug Cole) the lady (Frances Geiser Scott) and the Keystone Cops all brought back many memories.

Charlie Roth, trios made up of Ken Wehrman and Don and Ben Hardin and Winnie Shaw Johnson and Dorothy and Melody Larreau added to enjoyment. Background music was provided by Winnie Johnson, Don Hardin, Denny Larreau, and Sharon Shaw.

New officers for the coming year are president, Don Hardin, '54; 1st vice-president, Karla Nansel, '58; 2nd vice-president, Signa Pierce Harter, '34; secretary-treasurer, Sharon Welty Bean, '56.

The dance marathon, "The Tennessee Waltz" by Dick Bassett and Sharon Shaw which brought down the house, a

western number by Wendell Smith, the jitterbug and two-step, musical numbers by Margaret Tullis Beatty, (her "Oh Johnnie" was fantastic).



Walter Fox '29, Alice Spratt Olson '29 and Leatha Iiams Wilmoth '27 recall memories around the picture wall



"Busy Time"



Visitin' - Wendell Smith '51, Dee Scott '52 and Marilyn Best Scott '53



Len Steburg '35, Mrs. Steburg, Ralph Stupplebeen '34 and Ray Atkins '34 "Old Friends Meet"



Louis Paul Rose '43, Hazel Holt Matthews '46, Dorothy Beltz Bowman '46 and Emma Gion Mills '22



"Now if you ask me . . ." - Margaret Lilly Jensen '52 and Dot Lindholm Gast '46

Class of '27

Seniors of 1927---oh! what a class. Surely the most beautiful girls and the most handsome guys to pass through the halls of old Arnold High. Their Sneak Day was one glorious "trip". On Thursday morning, May 12, 1917, before any Junior was out of bed, the Seniors met at the park and "sneaked" off to Doris Lake. Some of the group stopped at Anslemo and New Helena to "see the sights". Three of the boys spent about half an hour looking over the State Park for the mineral springs.

They all had arrived at Doris Lake by noon and took possession of all the row boats in sight. After lunch some went back to the boats, and two of the boys went swimming. About 4:00 they went to Sargent and from there home to spend the rest of the day roller skating.

Their class play presented on April 1, was entitled "The Nervous Wreck".

Their Junior-Senior Banquet was May 14, 1927, Baccalaureate Services were May 22, and Commencement was May 25.

They published the "Dionra", the school paper.

The class members were active in sports and the Senior boys defeated the Juniors, 9-7 in their baseball game.

One of the fun-things they observed was Color Day, the day the Seniors chose to decorate the school and in the case of '27 the town with their class colors. The class colors of old rose and silver ever floated proudly over the water tank.

Class Members were:

Aritt, Sylvia
Atkins, Edythe
Backes, Beulah
Brumbaugh, Melvin
Claudson, LaVern
Goodenow, Melvin
Holden, Walter
Liams, Leatha
Koch, Berniece
Maxon, Glen
Mills David
Phifer, Max
Sauter, Orval
Snyder, Althea
Spratt, Cleo
Spratt, Crystal

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Wilmeth, Ellis
Wood, Floyd
Yarrington, Ida
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Class Motto: Build for Character, Not for Fame.

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Sylvia Arritt Sheets '27
Long Beach, California

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Karl Thelan '27
Salem, Oregon

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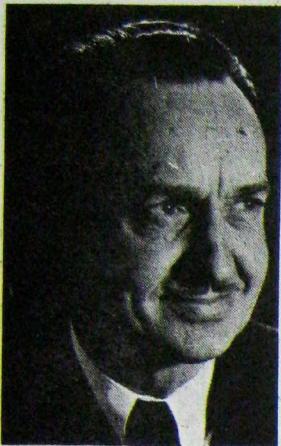
Sylvia Arritt Sheets '27
Long Beach, California

Dear

Former Arnold Teacher Dies On July 2, 1975

Editors' Note: The following item should have been included in last year's news. Since we did not have this information then, we are including this in this issue.

DR. JAMES W. BENJAMIN



Dr. James W. Benjamin

Dr. James W. Benjamin passed away July 2, 1975, enroute to a local hospital after suffering a circulatory attack while walking near his home at Grand Island, Nebraska. His ashes were interred in the Haskell family plot at the cemetery at Arnold, Nebraska.

Dr. Benjamin was born September 13, 1899, at Chester, Pennsylvania and was the son of Rev. and Mrs. Frederick Benjamin. The family moved to Grand Island when he was a youth, and he attended schools there. He graduated from the Grand Island College (His father was pastor of the Baptist Church of Arnold, Nebraska, for one year, 1923-24).

Dr. Benjamin was principal and coach in the Arnold High School from 1922 to 1925. He taught in the Grand Island High School during the late 1920's when he was a science teacher and assistant athletic coach. After leaving that post, he attended Northwestern University Medical School and received his master and doctoral degrees from Northwestern in anatomical science.

During his career he served in the Orient and in the Mid-East and was a professor at Northwestern University and at the New York Medical College. In 1954 he became professor of anatomy at the University of Nebraska College of Medicine. At his retirement in 1969, he was

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assistant dean of the college. His wife (the former Peggy Haskell), a son, James H. of Laurel, Maryland and three grandchildren survive him.

Mrs. Benjamin said her husband had a marvelous career and still enjoyed being with young people after his retirement. Wherever they traveled he found doctors who had trained under him.

"Coach" Benjamin as he was known when he was at Arnold, was admired and greatly respected by the Arnold community and student body. His life is an inspiration to all who knew him.

Where's The Class Of 1957?

Howard Morrison lives in North Platte and is employed by Fairmonts. He and his wife, Linda, have two children, Danny, 11 and Susan, 7. Linda works at McDonald State Bank. Their family enjoys camping, fishing and playing cards.

Dianne Thompson (Mrs. Robert Swaim) lives in Colorado Springs, Colorado, and does substitute teaching for elementary grades. They have two children, Michael and Debra. Dianne enjoys painting.

Ruth Frosh (Mrs. Larry Ross) moved to Arnold 11 years ago and are engaged in farming and ranching northeast of Arnold. Larry and Ruth have three children. Lisa, Randy, and LeAnn and are Chapter Parents for the sophomore class of Arnold's FHA organization.

Kenneth Hartman resides in McCook where he is Guidance Director at McCook High School. His wife, Joanne works at Hinkey Dinky and they have two daughters, Barbara, 15, who plays basketball and the piano, and Sue, 13, is in band. Both girls are on the swim team.

Dee Hall lives on a sod farm at Wheatland, Wyoming, is married and has three children. He is employed at a nursery and does landscaping.

Joyce Welch Carlson is working

for the State Department of Roads at the State Capitol in Lincoln, Nebraska. She has one son, Eric, who is 6 years old.

Noel Olin is married to the former Brenda Geiser, Class of 1960, and they live in St. Paul, Nebraska. Noel works with retarded children and their families.

Sharon Crow (Mrs. John Leonard) lives at Callaway and is engaged in the trucking business with her husband. They are the parents of four children, Coleen, 18, who is FHA president, Shelly 16, Christy, 12, and Jeff, 8. Sharen and John are Chapter Parents for FHA.

Myron Andre of Bedford, Texas, assists as minister of the Church of the Nazarene and also transports cars. The Andres have seven children Karen, Tracy and Paul Black, and Steven and Loriann, Michael and Allan Hoyt Andre.

Judy Chapin (Mrs. Keith Shirk) is an Avon representative in North Platte. She and her husband enjoy camping and fishing with their children Kenda 12 and Stephan 10.

John Hardin, who is mayor of Castle Rock, Colorado, works for Atlantic Richfield Petroleum Co. He and his wife, Shirley have two children, Jill, 7, and Kelly 3.

Joeleen Oman (Mrs. Kenneth Sndyer) lives south of Arnold with her husband and three girls, Rhonda, 17, who is a junior at AHS, Sharlyn, 11, a fifth grader at Tallin and Alanna 6 who is in Kindergarten at Tallin. Kenneth is employed at Arnold Feed and Seed.

Eddie Morrison is engaged in farming and ranching west of Arnold. He and his wife, Sharron have four children, Kandi, 13, Robyn, 11, Jeff, 5, and Connie, 3.

Mary Hickenbottom (Mrs. Lloyd Eggen) is a registered nurse in Carnation, Washington, and is in the process of moving. She and her husband have one son Tony who will be 10 in October.

Sherry Hircock (Mrs. Jim Davenport) lives on a farm

southeast of Arnold. She and her husband have 9 children ranging in age from 18 to 2 years. Their oldest daughter, Julie, will graduate from AHS in May of this year and was selected Miss Nebraskaland-Buffalo Bill Rodeo Queen in June, 1976, at North Platte.

Bill Watkins and his wife, Carolyn, operates a farm and ranch northwest of Arnold. They have two children, John 11, and Renee, 7.

Shirley Frazer (Mrs. Elvin Anderson) lives in Broomfield, Colorado. She and her husband and their children, Tracy 15, Todd, 13, and Wendy, 6, enjoy skiing. They just returned from a week's vacation at Phoenix, Arizona.

Joanne Troyer (Mrs. David Craig) is a volunteer at the Medical Center Auxiliary in North Platte. She and her husband have two children, Todd, 16, and Chris 13.

LETTERS . . . From The Old Gang

Betty Twiss Korb '42
Poulsbo, Washington

Enclosed is my check for \$2.00. I'm never sure just where I stand with my dues--but hopefully this will take care of both '76 and '77 dues.

I'm looking forward to receiving paper. It's always good for bringing back memories of the good times and good friends that have been long forgotten with the passing of these 35 years.

My family usually request an explanation of my delight and I'm only too happy to tell them about the good old days--when I was young.

One of these years--I'll make it back in May.

Till then warm regards to all--especially the Class of 42.

Betty Twiss Korb

Grace Klump Hammond '31
Maywood, California

Dear Alumni

Can't make it this year to the very nice banquet you always have plus the good entertainment.

Enclosed are my \$1.00 dues.

Thank you
Grace Hammond