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## Bob Jensen To Emcee 1995 A.H.S. Alumni Banquet

Bob Jensen, Class of 1976, will be Master of Ceremonies at the annual Arnold High School Alumni Banquet, set for Saturday, May 27.

Bob and his wife Penni have been married for 10 years and have two terrific children, Shea, age 7, and Jessica, age 3. They are publishers of the Central City (NE) Republican-Nonpartisan and also publish a group of statewide high school sports newspapers. The flagship of the latter group is Huskerland Prep Report, which has been published for five years.

Upon graduation from high school (the certificate was signed), Bob attended Kearney State College for one year (no signed certificate there) before working at a factory in Cozad for about three years. After spending six years learning journalism at the knee of such literary giants as Arnold Sentinel publisher Bill Crosland and Arnold H.S. journalism guru Don Hansen and English class impresario Bill Miller, Bob began his journalism career in earnest as sports editor of The Custer County Chief in Broken Bow in 1979.

After three years at Broken Bow, he later worked as sports editor at The Alliance Times-Herald (who hasn't). The Fairbury Journal-News and The Lexington Clipper-Herald. Bob and Penni were married in 1985 and moved to Callaway where he was publisher of The Callaway Courier for nearly 4 1/2 years. During this time, Penni was employed with the Region V mental retardation services unit in Cozad.

She was born in 1988 and one year later, Bob, Penni and Shea purchased the Central City paper, where they have worked together daily since. Huskerland Prep Report was established in 1990 and weekly sports papers in South Dakota, Iowa and Col-



orado have followed. For the past three years, Bob has served as some sort of expert commentator on Friday Night Sports Extra, a high school sports highlight show on the NTV television network, based in Kearney. Jessica was born in 1992, rounding out the Jensen "staff".

Bob is overwhelmed by the opportunity to serve as Master of Ceremonies for the 1995 banquet.

"It has been said many times, but can't be overstated, how special and unique the Arnold Alumni Banquet and associated activities are," he said. "I find it a great honor to be called upon to be emcee for this year's banquet. It should be an easy job if we tell nothing but Mr. Story stories - not that I ever had any run ins with Mr. Story!" "I am looking forward to seeing many of my dear friends from good old Arnold High and hope we all have a great time at the banquet. See you then!"

## By-Laws Of Arnold Alumni Association Published In This Edition

When the alumni was organized those many years ago, by-laws were adopted so the Arnold Alumni Association would have rules to govern themselves by, thus avoiding many problems in future years.

These by-laws were drafted by lawyer Roy Bixt (1934), who said that any organization to keep going good,

## Class Of 1995

Twenty-one members of the A.H.S. class of 1995 will become official alumni members at this year's banquet. Their senior picture composite will be presented to the president, and will take its place with the classes of previous years in the halls of Arnold High.

Second generation alumni are identified by 1) father is alumni, and 2) mother is alumni:

Roger Andre, 1 & 2

Carrie Brewer

Travis Brohman, 1 & 2

Jenne Brosius, 2

John Christensen, 1

Natalie Coleman

Scott Crow, 1

Marie DeLosh, 1 & 2

Travi Geiser, 1

Duane Gibson

Cody Herrick

Christopher Hough, 2

Richard Linegar

Clark McConnell, 2

Eric Nelson, 2

Cory Peterson, 1

Hannah Purcell, 1

Jason Steele, 1

Austin Swendener

Aron West

Todd Winder

needs rules and guidelines to follow. We believe this is the reason we have such a good alumni association.

Many people are not aware of the by-laws, and then are surprised when they are told, "that isn't allowed." Some such incidents are: no children are allowed at the banquet and program; each alumni member may bring one, and one only, guest to the banquet; dues must be paid for an alumni member to attend the banquet and program; and only alumni members and their spouses may be in the programs.

So that everyone will be aware of the by-laws, and the reasons for what we do, we are publishing the Arnold Alumni Association By-laws in this edition of The Alumni News.

## Banquet Menu

Second vice president Kim Myer Beshaler has planned the following menu for the dining pleasure of alumni and their guests. Meal tickets are \$5.00 per person.

Roast Beef  
Scalloped Potatoes  
Corn  
Fruit Salad  
Apple Pie w/Whipped Cream  
Dinner Roll  
Tea or Coffee

## Election Of 1996 Officers At Banquet

Officers for the 1996 banquet will be elected Saturday night by ballot. Only A.H.S. alumni will participate in the election process.

## Over 500 Served At '94 A.H.S. Alumni Banquet

By Darlene Rimpley

You're wrong, Thomas Wolfe, "you can go home again!" and the Arnold High Alumni Banquet proves it year after year.

As graduates and their spouses from far (21 states, Canada and South Africa) and near (right here at Arnold) gathered for class reunions and attended the banquet, program and dance, the feeling was truly, "I am home."

Guests began arriving at the school early to begin the evening, and enjoyed a delicious meal of roast beef and all of the side dishes. At the same time, they enjoyed visiting old friends, and trying to watch everyone else that entered the auditorium.

Melissa McCuiston Smith was the 2nd vice president and in charge of the meal. She enlisted a number of alumni to help in the many tasks involved in serving 500 persons, had a great kitchen crew, and the 1995 seniors did an excellent job of assisting guests, serving the drinks, and clearing tables.

The program began with a time of remembrance of deceased alumni, as Kent DeLosh led a short memorial service, assisted by the chorus singing, "I Believe".

Ron and Renee Yanken Cunningham were introduced as the master and mistress of ceremonies by the president, Carolyn Lynch Duponcheel. The Cunninghams did a great job of entertaining the crowd with their jokes, meeting the honored classes, and drawing for door prizes.

The honored classes had outstanding turnouts this year! Unfortunately, time does hold the key, and the 80

year class - 1914 - has no living members.

The '70 year class of 1924 had two members present: Flora Parsons Beatty of Merita and Gail McFarland Lindwall of Gothenburg.

The class of '34, which is the largest class to graduate from Arnold High with 42 members, had 14 of the 30 remaining members present.

The class of 1944 had 24 present out of the 27 still living members to take honors for best attendance.

The class of 1954 did not do too badly; they had 17 members (and Ken's frog!); the class of '64 had 19 members here; 25 members out of 35 graduated were here for the class of 1974; the class of '84 had 11 present, and the new members, the class of 1994 had at least nine members enjoy the supper, but only four came forward to be recognized! The class president, Nancy Mills, represented the class in presenting the token picture to the alumni for membership.

The recognition of out-of-state visitors went rather fast for some of the old-timers, but we did learn that we had a visitor from Capetown, South Africa, who turned out to be Stephen Louw, who was an exchange student graduate from Arnold in 1968.

Returning faculty members, all of whom are also alumni, included Mary Worrell Tryon, Alyce Whitney Swisher Crosby, Bonnie Smith Rose, and Suanne Mills Lind.

Then came the program, "Arnold Alumni and Spouses." Raoul Johnson, who was chased down by his irate spouse Judy, acted as narrator. Polly (Reynolds) and Jamie Hayes showed the true picture of getting

ready for an alumni. The sock hop of the '50's was demonstrated by Margaret (McDonald) and Gary Mills, Dianne and Duane Romans, and Jane (Crisp) and Rick Andrews, with Tim Rosenthaler in white sports coat and a pink carnation.

The flower children, Debbie (Bean) Brosius and Ronald Ferguson, wandered in and out of the scenes, except when they were supposed to appear. And finally, we had Ted and Jane (who looked remarkably like Brad Atkins and Gena Tullis), the later doing a lot of jiggling up and down.

For each scene, appropriate tunes were sung by the chorus: Pat Detering Crow, Mary Croghan Hardin, Patsy Finch Kilmer, Beverly Rosenthal Leach, Sunbeam Oman Swanson, Merri Jo Rosenthaler Halstead, Bernadene Dennis Hoppas, Darrell Dennis Rosenthaler, Jerry Ahrens, Don Swanson, Charles Blowers, Bob Hough, Dennis Rosenthaler, and Ken Wehrman. Don Hardin directed the choir and Dorothy Larrea was pianist.

To conclude the program, the audience joined in to sing "Arnold High".

New officers for 1995 are: President Darlene Hagler Rimpley; 1st Vice-President (program) Darren Weinman; and 2nd Vice-President (meal) Kim Myer Beshaler. Sharron Welty Bean has one year left in her three year term as secretary-treasurer.

A dance at Forrester's building and more get-togethers finished out the evening.

The number served at the banquet does not tell the true story of the crowd, as many people attended who did not eat, but came for the visiting and the program.

One more great year - 1994 - as we did "come home"!

## Welcome From The President

Dear Alumni,

The "event of the year" for Arnold Alumni is fast approaching, and the officers are working hard to make certain that the 1995 Alumni banquet and program will once again be one that will make pleasant memories for each one present.

The honored classes are making plans for their class get-togethers, and of course, that is the highlight of every ten years for those in the class.

Secretary Sharron Bean has been busy since the 1994 banquet, as the secretary's job is one that never quits. The three or four months preceding the banquet are especially busy, and we appreciate the fine job Sharron does.

Kim Beshaler, who is in charge of the meal this year, has also been busy. The Beshalers welcomed a baby son to the family in December, and right away Daddy got to babysit so Kim could attend the planning meetings. Catering Connection, which incidentally is owned by two Arnold High Alumni - Lisa Ross Geiser and Melissa McCuiston Smith - will be preparing the meal. Kim has many other tasks associated with her office: table favors, decorations, servers, "counting silverware" (really!), and making sure the tables are ready, so be sure to thank her for all of her work.

Darren Weinman is in charge of the program, and it promises to be a good one! He "commissioned" an almost professional writer to help him, and she (Debbie Bean Brosius) came up with a super script. It promises to be enjoyable! Each year, people will say, "How can the program possibly be as good as last year's?" Come and see what we have to offer you this year!

The Alumni paper is a task that seems to get little more difficult each year. We need letters from

serve. This is greatly appreciated!

The work of the president still lies ahead: getting people lined up to work at the various places in the hallway. Who would like to give an hour of your evening to do this? One good selling point on working in the hallway is that you get to see who comes to the banquet, and otherwise you might not even know some of them are there. Even if you are coming from out-of-town, you could help at an Alumni banquet in this way. Let me know if you are interested!

As someone (?) used to say, "The Lord willin' and the creek don't rise, we'll see you May."

Darlene Rimpley, President

## Program To Feature "Musical Fashions"

First vice-president Darren Weinman is in charge of this year's program.

Darren enlisted the help of talented local alumnas Debbie Bean Brosius to write the entertainment portion of the program. "Musical Fashions on Parade" will feature a song for each month of the year and a fashion to correspond. Debbie projects that the highlight of the program will be the song chosen for the month of July, "Itsy Bitsy Teeny Weeny Polka-Dot Bikini", modeled by some of our alumni men.

## The Alumni News Copies Available

Extra copies of Arnold Alumni News are on sale for \$2.00. These are available even to non-alumni members. Contact Sharron Bean.

Secretary Sharron Bean is also selling banquet tickets and taking dues at Bean's Boutique, downtown, during business hours.

## Terry Fales To Provide Dance Music

Following the banquet and program, alumni will gather at the Forrester's Dodge City building on Hwy. 92 to enjoy dance music provided by Terry Fales, D.J. Admission will be \$6.00 per couple, \$2.50 for singles.

## 1994-95 Officers

President - Darlene Hagler Rimpley, Class of 1952.

1st Vice President - Darren Weinman, Class of 1986.

2nd Vice President - Kim Myer Beshaler, Class of 1974.

Secretary - Sharron Welty Bean, Class of 1956.

## Banquet Pictures Available

Due to a lack of storage and a place to display them, pictures taken at banquets dating before 1985 will be in shoe boxes, sorted by the year, and are free for anyone wanting them.

## In Memory



Everett Bennett.....1929  
Keith Dewhurst.....1938  
Wayne Ervin.....1924  
Audrey Widholm Boone.....1941  
Irma Pinnell Babcock.....1938  
Donna Koch Beatty.....1932  
Albert Sergun.....1943  
Vernon Kolb.....1946  
Gail McFarland Lindvall.....1924  
Eunice Zoerb Phifer.....1936  
Cecil Nansel McCartney.....1928  
Idris Newman Peterson.....1922



Robert Reneau (1944) and Ruby Reneau

## - HONORED CLASSES -

1915:  
George Backes  
Anita Bonta  
John Dennis  
Laurene Menary Streitweiser  
Cecil Nansel Smith  
Vernon Tubb  
1925:  
Mentor Brown  
Thelma Bryan Thoms  
Ralph Dallard  
Margaret Downing Greenwood  
Virgil Haught  
Garner Kruser  
Ruby Maxson Claudson  
Roddy McIsaac  
Vera Morgan Steele  
Theresa Newman Kellenbarger  
Vera Purcell Atkinson  
Glen Robinson  
Mary Shaw Hunse  
Cecil James Simpson  
Eva Simpson Strasburg  
Marie Simpson Foster  
Gladys Wolverton Seever  
Helen Tabor Benson  
1935:  
Walter Bassett  
Anna Blixz Potter  
Charles Fisher  
Vance Kilmer  
Opal Maxson  
Eugene Sell  
Vern Shaw  
Elvin Strong  
1945:  
James Hutchins  
Barbara Lindholm Purcell  
Doris McMahon Railey  
Duane Nichols  
Donald Pearce  
Bernice Shields Glaze  
1955:  
Phyllis Lewis  
James Patton  
1965:  
Betty McDowell Sennett  
1975:  
Jim Phillips  
1985:  
Eddie Anderson



Cleo Spratt Deterding (1927) and Cammy Deterding Amen (1969)

and entered the banquet feeling just fine. George Backes Somehow I expected my classmates to stay as young as they were on that long ago day. We hugged "hello" hugs but like me through the years, they'd added gray to their hair, and pounds to their rear. But as we shared a few memories and retold some class jokes, we were 18 in spirit, though we looked like our folks. We turned up hearing aid volumes and dimmed down the light,

rolled back 50 years and were young for the night. regulations are changed by the Board of Directors.

## V - EXPENDITURES

The Board of Directors may expend what is necessary for the banquet and meeting and may hire an orchestra and contract for the hall for the dance following the banquet and may order printing service for the alumni banquet and pay necessary postage for the distribution of said magazines and not to exceed \$100.00 for other items. No other expenditures of funds shall be made unless such expenditure is first proposed by the Board of Directors and then said proposal published in the Arnold Alumni News and such expenditure approved by a majority vote of those present at the alumni banquet.

## VI - REGULATIONS

In case of a vacancy of an office, the person who was second in number of votes shall fill the vacancy. Dues - \$1.00 per Alumni

The Alumni paper mailed to only the Alumni who have paid up to date dues will pay for their meal.

It will require a \$50.00 deposit for anyone to use any of the alumni silverware, etc. If everything is returned, we will return the money.

We decided the portable mike

shouldn't be loaned, as the cost is too high.

## VII - OTHER FUNCTIONS

## OF THE ORGANIZATION

The association shall once each year and not less than three weeks and not more than ten weeks prior to the banquet, publish a newspaper known as the Arnold Alumni News, said newspaper shall contain articles of interest to members of the association, letters from various members of the association and other material which the Board of Directors may deem proper. This publication shall also be the medium of notifying the members of the association of its affairs and all matters pertaining to the association shall be published in said paper and shall constitute notice to all members of the association. All rules and regulations that have been promulgated prior to this constitution are hereby made rules and regulations of this organization until such rules and

## AMENDMENTS

This constitution may be amended

the following manner:

The Board of Directors shall propose the amendment prior to the publication of the Arnold Alumni News and the proposed amendment shall be adopted, if favored by a majority of the members voting by ballot at the annual banquet. Such voting on the amendment to the constitution shall appear on paper ballot. All published notices of said amendment shall contain both the present text to be amended and the proposed text.

## DUTIES OF OFFICERS

The president shall preside at all meetings of members and shall be the president of the Board of Directors and shall appoint committees to carry out the function of this organization.

## THE FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

The first vice-president shall be in charge of the program at each banquet and the second vice-president shall be in charge of the food-serving at each banquet. The first vice-president shall serve as president in case of absence, death or disability of the president - the first vice-president being the first in line of succession and the second vice-president being second in line of succession.

The secretary shall preserve the records of the organization, preserve and keep the minutes of each meeting of the Board of Directors or of the entire association and shall give notices to the press as the Board of Directors may deem advisable.

The treasurer shall collect the dues and collect all funds due the organization and disburse all funds of the organization in accordance with the constitution and by-laws of the organization. All disbursements shall be made by order of the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors shall determine the amount of dues that shall be collected each year from each member and shall make rules and regulations governing this organization not in conflict with the constitution of this organization. The Board of Directors shall determine the place

## OF SELECTION

The officers may make and print such rules and regulations not in conflict with this constitution, which shall be effective until repealed by the subsequent Board of Directors. All regulations adopted, repealed or modified by the Board of Directors shall be done in writing and the text of such rule and regulation shall be published in the Arnold Alumni News following immediately after such action.

## SECRETARY

Program should be presented by

Alumni or Alumni's husband or wife.

Not to go outside of immediate family for talent. Faculty or ex-faculty may be present.

Secretary's report to be put in the paper.

## TREASURER

Secretary-treasurer to serve 3

years with the pay of \$125.00 per year.

Send out post cards to all Alumni

reminding them of the banquet and urging them to send in dues.

Have Alumni paper in mail by the

21st of April to all who have paid last year's dues.

First Vice-President has charge of

the program.

Second Vice-President has charge of

the food.

Directories to be printed every five years.

## HONOR CLASSES

Honor Class Letters

Amy Ryan Georgeon '25

Maywood, Illinois

Dear Friends of the Class of 1925,

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camp I went to training in Memphis, Tennessee and then on to San Diego, California, where I finished my four year tour.

While in San Diego, I met my wife, Sandra, and we were married April 21, 1979 in North Platte, Nebraska. After leaving the Navy in August of 1979, Sandra and I moved to North Platte, where I started school at Mid-Plains studying electronics. For the next two years, I went to school during the day and worked evenings at the North Platte Telegraph and Sandra worked in the real estate business. In 1981 I graduated from Mid-Plains and in August of that year went to work for digital Equipment Corporation, a computer manufacturing and service company.

I repaired computers for Digital across most of western Nebraska for the next six years. My biggest customers were Union Pacific and the Burlington Northern Railroads. On August 31, 1985 our son Tyler was born at Memorial Hospital in North Platte. In March of 1987 I was promoted to manager and we moved to Colorado Springs, Colorado. From then until March of 1993 we lived in Colorado Springs where I continued to work as a manager and Sandra continued to work in real estate. While in Colorado Springs, I completed my Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration and my Master's of Art degree in Management.

In March 1993 I transferred to the Leeds, England office of Digital where I manage a group of engineers who do computer hardware and software maintenance at a local military base. We currently live in a small town near Leeds. Tyler goes to a U.S. school here and I am in the fourth grade. Sandra works at the base Health Services office.

We enjoy England and traveling: we have seen many of the European countries. It rains a lot here, almost every day, and therefore the countryside is always green. We do get some snow, but it doesn't generally stay long and the temperature seldom gets too far below freezing. There are mostly sheep and dairy farms in this part of England. Many times on my way to the office I will have to pass a local farmer on his tractor, this will often make me think about growing up on a farm. She likes to rollerblade and play sand volleyball in her spare time.

Tim Miller '75

Arnold, Nebraska

Hello, Fellow Classmates!

After graduation I moved to a farm southwest of Arnold. I raised hogs and cattle for all ours.

Elizabeth turned 5, we began home schooling. It has been challenging as well as rewarding. At present the children are enrolled in the Advanced Training Institute of America out of Oak Brook, Illinois. We are held accountable and enjoy the program very much.

In 1992, we wanted to move out of Denver and give the children a more rural upbringing. We sold our house and began renting here in Arnold to give ourselves some time to see if it was going to work out. The children loved being close to Grandma and Grandpa. So after a year, we bought Clarence Romans' house and are presently residing in Arnold.

This past March, we had our 7th child, Hannah Noel. Yes, I said, 7th child, and Hannah is all ours. Elizabeth 10, Joshua 9, Marlette 7, Rebekah 6, Jonathan 3, Sarah 1, and Hannah. Children are a gift from God.

I'm looking forward to seeing you at Alumni. God bless.

Dru Lyn (Smith) Magill

Then I attended VocTech school for a short time prior to joining the military. I was stationed in Hawaii and then received a medical discharge after one year of service.

I lived and worked in Cozad, Nebraska for two years before I began driving truck. I have been with my current employer, Marten Transport, for the past twelve years.

My wife, Mary, and I were married on August 31, 1991 in Arnold, Nebraska. We have one daughter, Monti Louise, who is two years old.

Looking forward to our reunion,

Wayne Lamberty

Tim Miller '75  
Arnold, Nebraska

Hello, Fellow Classmates!

After graduation I moved to a farm southwest of Arnold. I raised hogs and cattle for all ours.

In June of 1976 I married Kerri Kramer at Stapleton. Thanks to Lee Koubek and Wayne Lamberty, two weeks after our wedding I spent the night on the couch. After all these years, she's still married to me.

On November 2, 1979, our first daughter, Marlene, was born. She is a freshman at A.H.S. and keeps busy.

She's involved in 4-H in swine showmanship and does very well. She plans on showing her horse this year.

She participated in volleyball and basketball this year. She enjoys riding horses and helping her Dad.

I'm looking forward to seeing you at Alumni. God bless.

Dru Lyn (Smith) Magill

Deb Eastburn Atkins '75

Arnold, Nebraska

20 years! In some ways the last 20 years have gone by so fast. In other ways, it seems like high school times were such a long, long time ago.

I married Brad Atkins, who is also an Arnold Alumni. We have three great children. Jackie is 20 years old and attends College of Hair Design in Lincoln. It's really great to have your own cosmetologist and barber. Joe is 18 years old and is a junior at Arnold. His main interests are sports, girls, motorcycles, girls, carpentry and girls (I think he takes after his dad). He plans on having his own carpentry business. Jenny is our youngest at 14 years of age. She is a freshman at Arnold and participates in all sports. She likes to rollerblade and play sand volleyball in her spare time.

I've kept busy all these years taking the kids to story hour, gymnastics, little league baseball and softball, soccer games, federation wrestling, cub scouts, and 4-H meetings. Later on, it was carpooling to cheering camps, volleyball and football games, wrestling, track and drama meets. In my spare time I took night classes at Mid-Plains.

That pretty much brings you up to speed on me and my family for the past 20 years. I am looking forward to getting together with everyone again. I'm sure there are some of you that I haven't seen since the 10 year reunion and some that I haven't seen since graduation 20 years ago.

Cheers,

Chris Sheets

Dru Lyn Smith Magill '75

Arnold, Nebraska

Dear Susan,

It's hard for me to imagine that it's been 20 years since high school graduation, although there are times when I feel at least that much older.

I'll try to give you a short recap on what has taken place since that fateful day in May of 75. To begin, I went to college for a short time at UNL, then returned home to work with my parents on the family farm. In August of '77 I married Dena Weinman (class of '83). We have two very healthy, very active daughters, Briana, age 6, and April, age 4.

We continue to live on the same farm where both I and my father grew up. We have a cow-calf operation and farm. We are active members of the First Baptist Church in Arnold and are also involved in community activities.

I'm looking forward to seeing many familiar faces and visiting with old friends in May.

See you then,

Terry Mills

Cathy Koubek Rothmeyer '75

Elm Springs, Arkansas

Life has been full of fun and adventure since graduation in 1975. After four years at UNL I landed my first job in Lincoln which allowed me to stay in Nebraska for another four years. In 1983 it was off to Iowa where I continued to work in food and ag marketing. While in Iowa my wonderful "prince charming", Mark, popped up in the same office and we were married in 1988...who says that office romances don't work! Our courtship lasted four years with our paths continuing to cross as both of our careers took the direction of serving Christ on the mission field.

Currently, Mark and I serve as full time staff with Youth With A Mission, an inter-denominational Christian Missions Group. We have two precious pre-school boys, Matthew 4 1/2 and Michael 3, and would love more children. Our ministry responsibilities focus on planning and coordinating short term mission trips for Christians to take two weeks up to two months to assist priests, pastors, and long term missionaries, in targeted areas. Often this will include Bible distribution and mercy ministries such as distribution of food, clothing

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Ronny Rimpley '75

Arnold, Nebraska

Hello Classmates of '75,

The years since graduation for me have passed about like this:

The first 7 years were filled with a year spent in Wichita, Kansas going to an automotive institute. Then back to Nebraska, working in Broken Bow and North Platte.

The past 13 years I have been working in and around Arnold, doing lawn mowing, shoveling snow, odd jobs and transporting some older people to other towns.

Other information: single, gained some weight and grown older.

Ronny Rimpley

David Weber '75

North Platte, Nebraska

Dear Class of '75:

It doesn't seem possible that it has been two decades since our graduation in '75!

Some of the highlights of my life since graduation include:

On February 14, 1981, Marlys Blinn and I were united in marriage (I figured if I picked Valentine's Day, I wouldn't forget my anniversary!).

On March 29, 1988, we were blessed with our first and only child, Chelsea. She has changed our life not only for the better, but for the busier.

I've had three places of employment since graduation.

The first few years (app.) after graduation, I continued to work for



Kenny Goodenow (1983) and Patty Purcell Goodenow (1982)



Three generations: Freda Bowers Hircock (1931), Jacquie Davenport (1964), and Sherry Hircock Davenport (1987).



John Phillips (1970) and Melva Scott Phillips (1973)

vention in Newport Beach. She was hostess for three days. Then came and stayed here for couple days. Had a good "gab fest". If everything goes well, will see you in May.

As always,

Pat McMahon Denison '55  
Kearney, Nebraska  
Occupation: Assistant Professor at the University of Nebraska at Kearney.

FAMILY: Married on 8/3/58 to Mahlon Denison. We have two sons: Ed is married, and they have two daughters, Michelle and Teresa. Our youngest son, Roland, is single.

I have taught at UNK for 20 years. I received my Ph.D. in May of 1993. I presented one of my research papers in Montreal, Canada in 1992 which was a wonderful trip. My husband accompanied me.

Norah Janice Horn '55  
Denver, Colorado  
Occupation: Unit specialist with Colorado Blue Cross.

In December of this year I will celebrate 40 years with Blue Cross.

FAMILY: I have never married, but live a full and busy life traveling and spending time with all my family, which includes my mother and three sisters and their families and many close friends.

Memories of A.H.S.: I was not all that fond of school, but I do remember how I enjoyed being in band and how we went out of town different times to musical concerts.

I want to travel a lot more when I retire, and I hope to live part time in Arizona. It would be interesting to be a traveling companion with some of the people I've met there.

I belong to Wheat Ridge historical society.

April 22, 1995 at the Multiple Sclerosis Walk I will be helping as a volunteer.

April 29, 1995 I will walk in the March of Dimes Walk America, 9.3 miles.

One thing I am very active with is the "Up With People" International group. It's a great organization. We, as a host family, have met many interesting people, some from different states, some from other countries: Belgium, Sweden, and Denmark. Some of the youth still keep in touch with us and visit when they come to Tucson, Arizona.

Have had various positions in nursing and enjoy it. Took ten years off to stay home with Tyler. Have done some traveling and would love to do more.

Have remained a Cornhusker fan - belonged to Californians for Nebraska for several years - there's a lot of us out here!

I know you will have a great time at the reunion. Wish I could be with you, but at this point it doesn't look like I'll be able to make it, but my thoughts of the class of '55 will be.

I will not be able to attend our 40th class reunion, but I know you will all have a good time.

Janice Horn



Maurice (Moe) Sanford (1964) and Diane Dunn Sanford (1966)

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ing a home here.

So far, the past 18 years have been spent of that of a Navy wife, going with my husband to wherever he was assigned transferred to, no matter how good or how bad things got. It's been a very interesting life, going from place to place, and going with Rick wherever the Navy put us. But now since he has finally retired, we are finally settled down; no more moving, nice thought!! Now I'll see what the next 20 years brings.

I coached "Pop Warner Football" for 15 years which kept us very busy. We won the county championship 3 years in a row.

I worked for "Pure Flo Water Co." for 35 years and own my route.

My son, Randy, has worked with me for many years. In 1977, while on my route, I saved a little girl's life who was choking. Had my picture taken with Mayor, Pete Wilson, and received a certificate. Last year the girl called me and gave me her picture and a t-shirt from Notre Dame, where she is now a student.

Pat and I have sent kids to school for 34 years (they were so spaced out). Guess it kept us young. We enjoy our children and grandchildren a lot.

Bill Smith

Maryalice Quig Sheets '55

Lincoln, Nebraska

Occupation: Spec. Ed. Teacher

Forty years! WOW! I can't believe forty years have passed so quickly. Forty is four perfect tens!

The first ten years after graduation, Keith and I were married and we had our first two children, Jim and Marla. We farmed west of Arnold (I'm glad that decade is over, I never liked milking the cows).

The second ten years, we moved to Lincoln. Keith earned his college degree. We had our third child, Bill. I was born but also worked. We lived briefly in Lexington, and O'Neill as Keith entered the work-world, then back to Lincoln.

The third ten years I had my first experience in the school system as a Para Professional. This was supposed to be temporary, but I loved it. With Keith's encouragement, I decided to get my college degree.

The fourth ten years, with our children grown, I started my professional career. I have taught Special Education for two years. I love it!

We enjoy our five grandchildren (soon to be eight), love to camp, hike, bike, ski, play bridge, and now trying to play golf.

I will be there for the reunion.

Mel



Bruce McConnell, Jerry Wilson (1965) and Carol Pinkston Wilson (1964)

## Class Of 1955 Survey

Twenty-one members of the honored Class of 1955 responded to a survey, updating their classmates on their lives in the past 40 years:

Larry Yarrington '55

La Cote, Texas

Occupation: Retired

Forty years ago I never dreamed of writing this letter from San Antonio, Texas. I've been here 15 years and retired 2 years ago. This allowed me to start living in Fort Collins, Colorado during the summer.

We have lived

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Hardin, wife Susan, children, Ryan, Ethan and Betsey; Paula Hardin Bookler, husband Mike, children, Joshua, Tyler and Morgan; Kent Hardin.

**Memories of A.H.S.:** My first memory of A.H.S. is my first day of high school. I came from a country school where I went through eight grades by myself with no other classmates, and came to town to a class of over 40 classmates. I was real baulful and very much afraid.

**Keo Cole Ray '55**  
Conway, Arkansas  
Occupation: Worked many years as a secretary and in accounting.

Written by Pat Cole Smith

Family: Spouse, Jack Ray; child, Pamela. Pamela was a diabetic. She had many years of pain suffering. She had a kidney transplant in '79 and had her leg amputated in May of '83. She passed away November 1985.

I am writing this for my sister, Keo. It is hard for her to write since she has had stroke (her husband, Jack, says she has no trouble writing a check).

Keo was married to Buddy Summerville, who was in the Navy. They lived in many different countries: Spain, Japan, Guam and the Philippines. Pam, their only child, was born in Guam. They were divorced and she married Jack in 1979.

Keo is called the "miracle" of our family. She has had eight major operations, which included two heart attacks, two by-pass surgeries to her heart. She's had an aneurysm, a stroke, and was in a coma for six weeks after one heart surgery. She has such determination and an example of people who never give up. Many prayers have been said for her.

Keo is someone who enjoys life to the fullest and has spent Christmas in California the last two years with my family.

**James L. Catterson '55**  
North Platte, Nebraska  
Occupation: Teacher/Building Administrator, North Platte Public Schools.

Greetings to all of my 1955 classmates.

As like most of you, I find it rather hard to believe that 40 years have passed since we graduated from Arnold High School. I can account for 15 or 20 years, but I am having trouble believing that those other 20 could have passed so quickly.

Upon graduating from AHS, I worked in road construction during the summer of 1955 and entered the US Navy that October. I received my honorable discharge from the Navy on my 21st birthday in December of 1958 and returned home to Arnold to ponder my future. With the encouragement of Bill (Mouse) Morrison, I decided to attend college and become a teacher (hard to believe I know). Like Bill had done a few years earlier, I began teaching in North Platte in 1961 with a 2 year degree. Over the next few years while continuing to teach, I attended evening classes and summer school sessions, eventually earning my Bachelor's degree in 1964 and my Master's degree in 1968. I am presently in my 34th year as a classroom teacher and building administrator in North Platte Public Schools. Six years as a teacher and the remaining 28 as a building administrator at one or more of the North Platte elementary schools.

In December, 1964, I married Nellie Olson (who is also a teacher) and we just celebrated our 30th anniversary in December. We were blessed with 3 wonderful children, 2 boys and 1 girl. Our oldest son Darin was recently married and lives and works in Omaha. His wife is a teacher in the Council Bluffs School System across the river from Omaha. Our middle child Kimberly is married and lives in Sterling, Colorado with her husband and our two beautiful granddaughters, Chauntel and Tiffany. Our youngest son, Gregg, is in his senior year at the University of Nebraska at Lincoln.

I have many fond memories of our

few years at Arnold High School, the ball games, dances, plays and friendships formed. Nothing probably jogs my memory more than seeing an old Jeep and thinking of Vern Anderson spinning his old Jeep in circles in the main street down town. Fortunately, no cars or pedestrians happened to be present at that time. We certainly did some downright dumb things back then that we would absolutely want to kill our own kids for if they were to do them in this day and age. Of course, we considered ourselves grown up and had all of the answers, just as our own children now do. Little did we

turnout for this once in a lifetime event!

Larry Brohman

Rosella Beatty Geiser '55

Merna, Nebraska

Occupation: Homemaker

Family: Spouse, Allen Geiser; children: Colleen Peterson, LuAnn Geiser, Wayne Geiser, Kyle Geiser; grandchildren: Ben Peters, age 7; Jessie Geiser, age 9; Cole Geiser, age 11; Jake Geiser, age 4.

Jeanette Bassett Andrew '55

North Platte, Nebraska

Occupation: Domestic Housekeeper

I love every minute of being a stay at home wife, a mother and now a grandmother.

Family: husband, Albert Andrew. Al and I were married April 12, 1959 at Arnold. We have had a wonderful marriage. God has really been good to us. We praise Him for His love to us and for the three daughters He has given us. Tamu, our oldest, lives here in North Platte. She has three children. Tinley is 15. Todd is 7 and Tiana is 4. Tanda, our 2nd daughter, also lives here in North Platte and she also has three children. Anna is 12, Andrew is 9, and Nathan is 2.

Tracy, our youngest, lives in Kearney. She has one boy, Daniel, who is 5. Al, my husband, did work for Fairmont Foods, but left there and hired out to UPRR in 1968.

We lived southeast of Hershey from the fall of 1973 until May of 1986. Our girls all attended and graduated from Hershey High School.

We are active in the Berean Church here in North Platte. We are so thankful for our church family.

When things have been hard, I have come to realize "this to will pass". Sorry we are not able to attend the banquet this year - hopefully next year.

Thank you for all your effort and work spent on the alumni each year. You are all to be commended!

Dorothy (Brower) Gill

Beverly Jean Horn Townsend '53

Torrance, California

Dear Sharron,

I always enjoy reading the alumni news. I still live in Los Angeles, and my two boys do also. My daughter and family live up by Vail, Colorado. Will be looking forward to getting the newspaper.

Sincerely,

Beverly Jean Horn Townsend

Pat Hickenbottom Boucher '50

Council Bluffs, Iowa

Dear Sharron,

Enclosed is my check for the 1994 dues. I appreciate you sending the reminder cards. Plan to attend this year's banquet if possible.

Pat Hickenbottom Boucher

Charley Holt '63

Arnold, Nebraska

Dear Sharron,

I always appreciate all the work of

graduating from the Arnold Alumni Association in getting out the alumni newspaper, as it

helps keep us graduates informed.

Thank you,

Charley Holt

Lyle &amp; Eleanor Prell '48

Story, Wyoming

Dear Alumni,

I will be unable to attend this year's

alumni banquet but am sending a

check to pay for dues and the alumni

directory.

My, how the years go by so very

fast. It was just a couple days ago that

Marion Scott, Bob Forrester, and myself decided to go duck hunting and put some mallards to bed out

south of Arnold on the table. Also, at

gym when Coach Colvin brought

some boxing gloves to school and I

and Stan Deterding squared off in a

big match. I had to go to the dentist

after this and get a partial plate put in

because I forgot to "duck" and took a

shot right square in the mouth. Then

when some of the "older" guys there

decided that we would form up a team

football game with our rivals

from Stapleton. Remember the kick-

off Norvin Pearce?? Norvin returned

Stapleton's punt and when he came to

five minutes later, we continued the

game. The watermelon "swipes" at

Tunnels over by Stapleton, now there

was the good old times. Or Halloween

nights, and the morning after when

the main street was littered with farm

machinery etc. The corn wagon that

mysteriously appeared on TOP of the

high school. I can't remember if they

ever found the culprits that did that.

This is why we will really miss the

banquet this year, the reminiscing

with old classmates and friends.

As some of you know, I took an ear-

ly retirement from the U.P. and my

wife, Eleanor and I, along with our

pets, sold our home in North Platte

and bought a home in Story, Wyom-

ing. A small hamlet nestled on the

side of the beautiful Bighorn Moun-

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