



Ames High School Alumni Newsletter

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Another \$5,000.00 in scholarships awarded by AHSAA

The Ames High Alumni Association once again awarded five \$1,000.00 scholarships to Ames High seniors. Our first scholarship was awarded to Kirk Foote in 1990. As contributions and memorials have increased during the past twenty years, we have been able to increase the yearly number of awarded scholarships. This year's five recipients, four of whom are second-generation graduates from Ames High School, bring the total to sixty-nine. Congratulations to these outstanding seniors! Also, a hearty thank you to all alumni who make these scholarships possible!

Taylor Kay Bodholdt is the daughter of Rod and Sandee Bodholdt. She plans to attend Iowa State University majoring in Early Childhood Education. Taylor has been very involved in activities in high school and her church. She has also volunteered extensively in the community. Her high school activities include volleyball, softball, French Club, the Ames High Homecoming Committee and being a Senior Mentor.

Dree AutumnAnn Brakke is the daughter of Chris (AHS-1984) and Trace Ann Houge Brakke. Her grandmother, Bette (Hiserote) Herbold ('64), and grandfather, Wynn Houge ('59), are also Ames High graduates. Dree plans to attend the University of Northern Iowa majoring in Movement and Exercise Science with a career goal of becoming a physical therapist for children with disabilities. Her high school activities included cross country, track, cheerleading and drill team.

Samantha Sue Flickinger is the daughter of Timothy and Camille (AHS-1983) Ripp Helgeson. She plans to attend the University of Iowa majoring in pre-pharmacy.

Her high school activities included the marching, pep, jazz, concert and symphonic bands, the AHS horn choir, orchestra, drama, track, soccer, the AHS blood drive and the DECA work program.

Joshua Michael Gorman is the son of Gary (AHS-1981) and Tina (Ferleman) Gorman (AHS-1984). He plans to attend Iowa State University majoring in History Education and Coaching. In addition to his out-of-school job where he worked 10-15 hours per week, Joshua participated in baseball and intramural basketball and bowling.

Ryan Douglas Tucker is the son of David and Susan (AHS-1982) Frahm Tucker. He plans to attend Iowa State University majoring in architecture. His high school activities included marching and symphonic band, the AHS drum line, intramural basketball, cross country, track, I-Pong and I-Quiz. He was also active in his church and volunteered for community activities.



Samantha Flickinger, Joshua Gorman, Taylor Bodholdt, Ryan Tucker, Dree Brakke

Ames High Class of 1960

The Ames High Class of 1960 met for their 50th reunion May 20-23. Classmates gathered Thursday and Friday night to mix, mingle, and talk. It was a great time to catch up on what was happening in others' lives. On Saturday evening a dinner and program was held, where over 100 classmates and spouses heard a superb presentation from the Historical Society on Ames in the 50s and 60s. Lots of audience participation made

the program even more memorable. (For instance, we found out that the bear in Brookside Park was really Lee Scheuermann's father's pet bear who got too big for the Scheuermann's back yard.) We were delighted that classmates who had never attended a reunion before made the effort to attend this one. To our knowledge, not one of them was disappointed!



Roosevelt Elementary Alumni, by far the largest group of elementary school classmates



CIC Song: Gary Kirk, Rita Bappe Holmes, Larry Alfred, Steve Dreeszen, Dave Page



Cheerleaders: Larry Thompson, Dallas Wall Rust, Sue Mendon Powley, Sheila Porter Schreiber



Iowa Championship Track Team 1960: Mick Von Bergen, Ron Fain, Dave Chipman, Lee Scheuermann, Denny Tice, Dave Page, Mike Foreman

Walker Reunion August 1, 2010



L-R Dave Clark '75, Nancy (Neff) Clark '48, Doug Clark '77.



L-R Jim Freshwaters, Shirley (Stevens) Freshwaters '55, Aaron McElherne '00.

Ames High Athletics 1950 to 1955

The five year period from 1950-51 school year through 1954-55 has produced six current members of the Ames High Athletic Hall of Fame.

These athletes are from a great period of Ames High athletics that produced four state championships. The six Hall of Famers are Dick Fowler '51, Jim Allen '52, Nick Piper '52, Bill Houk '53, John Krocheski '55 and Jack Wolf '55.

1950-51. The 8-0 1950 football team was named the Des Moines Register's #1 Team. Coach Ken Wells was honored as the Iowa High School coach of the year, also by the Register. Fullback Bob Spangler was first team All-State. The 13-6 basketball team was led by leading scorers, Dick Fowler and Don Webber. In track, Dick Fowler set a state record in the 180 lows with a 19.2 time.

1951-52. First team All-Stater Jim Allen was the star at halfback for a 1951 football team that posted a 6-1-1 record. The basketball team made it to state led by Don Webber, Jim Allen, Dick Stuber and Bill Houk. Nick Piper was the state pole vault champ. Don

Webber led in golf and brothers Keith and Don Paulson led the tennis team.

1952-53. Senior Bill Houk made first All-State and was named team MVP on a 3-4-1 football team. The basketball team had a great year with junior Denny Rust as their leading scorer. Their record under coach Ron Norman was 14-3.

1953-54. Ken Wells' 6-2 football team was led by All State tackle Denny Rust. Basketball had a great year, finishing with a 17-2 record. They lost in the Sub-State finals at Drake Fieldhouse by one to Council Bluffs Abraham Lincoln. Their leading scorer was again Denny Rust, followed by Jack Wolf, George and Bob McJimsey. The Mile Relay was the victor at the Drake Relays under coach Hi Covey. Senior Dave Everds was the medalist in most of the meets in golf.

1954-55. A state championship in basketball and one each in indoor and outdoor track highlighted the 1955 season. Football went 6-1-1.

The basketball team finished 19-3, one more loss than 1953-54. They defeated Iowa City 64-58 to win the first championship ever played at Veterans Auditorium. John Krocheski was first team All-State. The top seven on the team were seniors Krocheski, Terry Rust, Ed Mezvinsky, Jack Wolf and Joe Williams and sophomores Bob Covey and Bill Stuart. Hi Covey's tracksters won five events at the State Outdoor. They were the shot put (Ed McDowell), 880 Run Yard (Pete Errington), Pole Vault (Jack Stevens), 880 Yard Relay and Two Mile Relay. 1955 was the inaugural year for baseball. Ray Smalling's nine finished 10-4. Jack Wolf was the leading hitter. Gene Downs was the leading pitcher.

In summary the five years from 1950-51 to 1954-55 produced four State Championships, a Coach of the Year award and four first team All Staters. The football team was 29-8-3 with four of those losses in one year. The basketball teams' winning percentage was nearly 80%, 78-20. The 1955 track team won the first championship of a string of four in a row. It was a remarkable period in Ames High Athletic history.



Some of the Participants in the 2010 Alumni Baseball Game.

Back Row: Mike Reese '59, Tyler Farner '89, Joe Peterson '90 Jack Smalling '58.
Middle Row: Mark Pollmann '89, Joe Glotfelty '88, Dave Posegate '59. **Front Row:** Ian Smith '03, Trey Burge '00, Dave Orsinger '80, Scott Bochmann '89.

1948 Class Reunion



Class of 1948, Back Row: Howard Clemens, Mel Bell, Merrill McCarty, John Fitzsimmons, Bob Ringgenberg, Ken King, Bill Gaessler, Dave Larson, Wayne Spangler, Tunney Hagen **3rd Row:** Andy Christensen, Forry Barnes, Jerry Johnson, Helmut Seaman, Tom Kelly, Darrell Moore, John Angle, Hubert Bowers, Rog Arney **2nd Row:** Norman Zenor, Pat Johnson (Larson), Ann Bice (Barnard), Sharon Petersma (Arrasmith), Libby Momberg (Bennett), Rosie Wilson (Iverson), Bonnie Nicola (Rynkiewitz), Bev Selby (Peterson), Bob Amme, Joe Beeman **1st Row:** Marion Mehle (Ramsey), Lee Murray (McFarland), Janet Hoff, Marilyn Russie (Ethington), Nancy Clark (Neff), Mary Ann Barnes (Plagman), Jody Kelly (Lechner), Jonnie Bell (Wheelock), Pat Rae (Burton), Margaret Grassley (Merrill)

Ames Historical Patriarch Brown Dies

By Bob Zientara
Staff Writer

Editor's note: Longtime Ames resident and historian Farwell Brown, 99, died Wednesday at Northcrest Health Care Center in Ames. Brown was born in Ames on Dec. 17, 1910. He graduated from Ames High School in 1929 and from Iowa State University in 1934. Following is a story that first ran in The Tribune on Dec. 18, 2007, a day after Brown's 97th birthday.

There was a time when Ames pioneer Kendrick Brown would walk into the small apple orchard behind his home, retrieve some shiny red specimens, and peel them for the boys who would stop by on their way home from school.

"When the children came, he would tell them stories from the Civil War," remembered Ames historian Farwell Tilden Brown, who celebrated his 97th birthday Monday at Northcrest Community.

Kendrick Brown was an upstate New York native who had served in the Union Army. He was at Appomattox Court House in April of 1865 when Robert E. Lee surrendered the Army of Northern Virginia to Ulysses S. Grant.

It was from Grandpa Brown's after-school storytelling young Farwell acquired his fascination with history.

"I think one reason why history is important is continuity," said Brown, sitting in his Northcrest living room with Ruth, his wife of 67 years. They would soon join a crowd of well-wishers at a party that included a salute to Brown's more than 30 years of service to his community,

including four books, untold numbers of newspaper stories and a collection of thousands of historic photos from Ames' past, now available on the Ames Historical Society Web site.

"If you don't know how your ancestors got here, you're missing something," Brown said. "They had a reason for coming. They were going in some direction, after all."

After a career in what started in his father's insurance business and ended in real estate appraisal with the Iowa Department of Transportation, Brown began to pursue his interest in history, appropriately, during the Bicentennial year of 1976.

He started speaking to local groups, delivering a slide presentation. Later, he helped move the one-room Hoggatt School house to its present site near Meeker Elementary School, and acquired and catalogued the photo collection.

"When you think about it, Farwell is carrying on the same tradition started by his grandfather," said Dennis Wendell, ('59) Historical Society collections curator, who assisted with a Powerpoint

presentation celebrating Brown's life.

Family members and friends gathered in the Northcrest Community's Green Room to greet Brown, watched the presentation and enjoyed refreshments.

By his side was Ruth, who said she had been introduced to him by an aunt after a church service. She said she'd come to Ames to do graduate work at Iowa State University, after earning a degree from the University of Illinois.

"We began seeing each other shortly after," Farwell said.

"Actually, it took him only two days," Ruth said.

A former nursery school teacher with the Works Progress Administration, she went on to teach child development at Iowa State University, then spent 17 years at Meeker Elementary School.

"I loved every minute of it, but I was glad when I retired," she said with a laugh.

For more about the life of Farwell Brown, visit www.ameshistoricalsociety.org.

Some Have Left US

The following alumni are known to have died in recent years. Those listed in previous newsletters are omitted here. Some information may be incomplete. If you have any more information or unreported deaths, please advise the AHSAA.

A complete listing of all known deceased alumni is available at www.ahsalum.org.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>City</u>
1929	Brown, Farwell Tilden	d. 9-1-2010	Ames, Iowa
1941	Eldredge, Philip G.	d. 2-27-2010	Nampa, Idaho
1941	Eller, Betty Colleen (Berhow)	d. 6-16-2010	Ames, Iowa
1941	Friedrich, Robert Kurt, Sr.	d. 7-25-2010	Ames, Iowa
1942	Mackin, A. Vivian (Coleman)	d. 3-29-2010	Spokane, Wash.
1942	Willis, Alice Caroline	d. 1-19-2010	Des Moines, Iowa
1944	Conroy, Donald James	d. 7-29-2010	Wichita, Kans.
1945	Robison, Patricia G. (McKee)	d. 4-17-2010	Davenport, Iowa
1946	Poulsen, Ramona Ann (Olson)	d. 8-19-2010	Mountain Home, Ark.
1946	Johnson, Juanita (Allen)	d. 7-9-2010	Ames, Iowa
1946	Sutherland, Jo Ann (Erslund)	d. 9-3-2010	Ottawa, ILL.
1947	Hippaka, William H.	d. 5-15-2010	San Diego, Calif.
1949	Vance, John Frank	d. 7-6-2010	Ames, Iowa
1950	Weber, John	d. 7-8-2010	Navasota, Texas
1951	Adams, Loya Nancy (Getz)	d. 7-31-2010	Ames, Iowa
1952	Hoerman, Shirley Mae (Baker)	d. 6-29-2010	Rome, Wisc.
1959	Gammack, Gregg Lee	d. 9-9-2010	Pike County, Pa.
1963	Grande, Margaret Anne (Wilson)	d. 8-17-2010	Edina, Minn.
1964	Hayward, Richard T.	d. 8-12-2010	Vancouver, B. C.
1964	Kropf, Collins R.	d. 7-7-2010	Coatsville, Ind.
1966	Healy, Timothy John	d. 7-29-2010	Winnetka, Ill.
1970	Anderson, Theodore Andrew	d. 12-2-2009	Lawrenceville, Ga.
1971	Hegstrom, Erik Roy	d. 3-11-2009	Broomfield, Colo.
1973	Sand, Todd Michael	d. 6-4-2010	Cathedral City, Calif.
1973	Sturtevant, David Lee	d. 10-23-2009	Des Moines, Iowa
1981	Strand, Kimberley Sue (Rollefson)	d. 5-13-2009	Munds Park, Ariz.
1999	Jutting, Christopher Jonathan	d. 8-31-2010	Fort Collins, Colo.
2002	Alexander, Lauren E.	d. 11-12-2005	Springdale, Ark.
Staff	McNally, Mary	d. 7-30-2010	Ames, Iowa

Mary McNally

Mary McNally, 97, passed away Friday, July 30 2010, at Northcrest in Ames. Memorial services and a celebration of her life and accomplishments were at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 17, at First United Methodist Church in Ames. Visitation was from 5 to 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 16, at Adams Funeral Home. Burial was at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 18 at Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell.

Mary was born April 15, 1913, in Grinnell, to Christie L. and Ida McNally. She attended Grinnell High School, received a B.A. from Grinnell College and a master's degree from Iowa State University. During her professional career she worked at Ames High School as an English teacher, led the English Department

and was a guidance counselor. During her career at Ames High School she received many awards for teaching excellence.

She married Richard E. Paulson on Nov. 24, 1984, in Fox Point, Wis. As many in Ames are aware, Ms. McNally had a unique passion for the education, achievement and success of her students. Within and beyond her family, she affectionately and respectfully known as "Auntie Mary", an irreplaceable mentor and companion, always distinguished by her love, enthusiasm, dignity, wisdom and respect for others. Mary's interests included, reading and literature, music, theater, the outdoors and travel.

Memorials

In memory of:

John R. Harlan, '43

By: Milton C. Potee, '43

In memory of:

John R. Angle, '48

By: William B. Gaessler, '48

In memory of:

Patricia O'Brien Dale, '52

Bonnie O'Brien McLaughlin, '42

By: Mary Janet O'Brien Weir, '52

In memory of:

Kay Zickefoose Silet '57

By: Barbara Kurtz Bunning, '57

In memory of:

Kay Zickefoose Silet, '57

By: Katy Reed Burr, '57

In memory of:

Dan Stephen Linder, '67

By: Lorelee Linder Sauer, '59

In memory of:

Patricia McKee Robison, '45

By: Jean Hollowell Caine

In memory of:

All Deceased AHS Graduates

By: Robert "Bob" C. Bundy, '58

In memory of:

Thomas L. Anderson, '59

By: Darvin D. Pierce, '59

In memory of:

Patricia McKee Robison, '45

By: Alyce M. Bailey, '45

In memory of:

Michael L. Roberson, '61

By: Norman L. Eckard, '61

In memory of:

Chrystal Meier Eckard, 36

By: Norman L. Eckard, '61

Diane Eckard Manthei, '66

Randolph J. Eckard, '71

In memory of:

Richard J. Reynolds, '46

Norma Hammond Baker, '46

By: Robert ('46) & Milly ('46) Long

In memory of:

John Harlan, '43

Bruce Ross, '43

By: Annabelle Vernon Corey, '43

In memory of:

Paul Sjurson, '46

By: Joyce A. Reynolds, '46

In memory of:

James D. Myers, '40

By: G. Donald McCord, '40

In memory of:

Robert W. Sevey, '45

Patricia McKee Robison, '45

By: Mary F. Larson, '45

April 2010 Memorials continued

In memory of:

Mary Hillyard Lottman, '58

By: Margaret Hillyard Ericson, '61

In memory of:

Roger M. Brown, '58

By: Mary Brown Howard, '60

Ken L. Brown, '62

Catherine Brown Tkacz, '69

In memory of:

Jan Paul Severson, '59

Patricia Ritland Willig, '59

By: Margaret "Peggy" Lee Koch, '59

In memory of:

Mary Alice Merchant, '55

By: Marcia K. Campbell, '55

In memory of:

Merrill L. Anderson, '66

By: Deborah Zack Schultz, '66

In memory of:

Erik Hegstrom, '71

By: Trey Hegstrom, '67

In memory of:

Norman Dunlap, '35

By: Jody Dunlap, '76

In memory of:

Dorothy J. Timmons, '58

By: John L. Timmons, '64

In memory of:

George H. Clark, '48

John R. Angle, '48

By: Robert C. Amme, '48

In memory of:

David McGlothlen, '61

By: David ('50) & Norma ('50) Bappe

In memory of:

John R. Harlan, '43

Bruce M. Ross, '43

By: Mary Dodds Schlick, '43

In memory of:

Norma Hammond Baker, '46

By: Rosella O'Neil Sayers, '46

In memory of:

1938 Deceased Classmates

By: Warren C. Friest, '38

In memory of:

Gloria Anderson Fink, '43

By: Richard H. Anderson, '47

In memory of:

Thelma Levine Worthen, '39

By: Mary T. Watkins, '39

In memory of:

Richard J. Reynolds, '46

By: Phyllis Anderson Rademacher, '42

In memory of:

Nancy Houge Hadaway, '68

By: Karen Houge Haines, '58

Ames High Athletics 1955 to 1960

The five year period from the fall of 1955 to the summer of 1960 has produced twelve members of the Ames High Athletic Hall of Fame. The twelve Hall of Famers are Larry Spear '56, Chuck Lamson '57, Bob Covey '57, Jack Stevens '57, Bill Stuart '57, Jim Dresser '58, Gary Ellis '58, Ben Fellows '58, Stan Scholl '58, Larry Munson '59, Dave Posegate '59 and Jack Carr '60. State championships in track and undefeated football teams were a benchmark of this period.

1955-56. The state champions in track were led by Larry Spear, a sprinter. They won in the 440 and mile relays at both the state meet and Drake Relays. They also won the 880 relay at state. Bob Covey (440) and Jack Stevens (pole vault) placed first. Larry Spear also was 4th team all state in football while rushing for over 1000 yards. Ken Wells squad posted a 6-2 record. Wally Linn coached the basketball team to 14-7. The second year baseball team, coached by Ray Smalling, lost only to Council Bluffs T.J. in the districts at Denison. They finished 15-1. Fritz Jackson, Bob Ellis and Jim Balloun were senior leaders on the team.

1956-57. 1956 may have been Ken Wells' and Ames High's best team ever. With an 8-0 record and a final #1 ranking by the Register they were led by All-Staters Chuck Lamson, Bill Stuart and Dave Sucher. Fifteen players from this team played football in college. Bill Stuart led the basketball team as a 3rd team

All-Stater. Track produced another state championship. Winning four relays at state, they won all but the medley. Jack Stevens won the pole vault at state and shared the Drake title with teammate John Murray. Both were 15 foot vaulters in college. Ames also won three relays at Drake. The baseball team had a 14-1 record and was led by underclassmen Gary Ellis, Jack Smalling and Dave Posegate, who all batted .400 or better.

1957-58. The 1957 football team picked up where the '56 team left off with another 8-0 record. Led by first team All-State linemen Ben Fellows and Larry Munson they finished with a #2 ranking by the Register. The track team, led by Stan Scholl, Jim Dresser and Alex Lykkegaard won the state title for the third consecutive year. They won the 440 and mile relays at both State and Drake as well as the 880 relay at State. Stan Scholl won the 440 yard dash. Ellis was a second team All State basketball player on a team that finished 14-6. Gary Ellis and Jack Smalling were named to the first ever CIC baseball all-conference team as first teamers. At Iowa State Gary Ellis was a three year starter at punter in football and shortstop in baseball. David Nairn played #1 on Oscar Ourth's tennis team. Jim Merchant and David Browning paced the golfers.

1958-59. The 1959 track team was the only team not to win an outdoor championship, they finished third. However, they were the only team, in this

period, to win a State indoor title. They were led by their two mile relay team, winners at Drake, Denny Tice, Blaine Zenor, Lars Laslett and Earl Holtz. Larry Munson, a three year starter and a two time All State lineman, was the backbone of a 5-3-1 football team. Steve Burrell and Gar Smith were the senior leaders of a 11-7 basketball team. Baseball had a fine 15-4 record. Dave Posegate was a 3 year starter and All-CIC. Larry McHone was All-CIC as a catcher.

1959-60. Another state championship in track marked the spring of 1960. Blaine Zenor (mile run) and Jim Piper (long jump) were state champs as well as the Two Mile Relay. The 6-3 football team won the CIC. Led by first team All-Stater Jack Carr the basketball team also won the CIC. Senior pitcher Gary Kirk had a 17-3 record over a two year period. He, Blaine Zenor and Denny Tice were All-CIC as Ames also won the conference title.

The five year period of 1955-1960 produced four outdoor track championships and one indoor as well as two undefeated football teams. 33-8-1 was the five year record of Ken Wells' teams. Ray Smalling's baseball teams posted a 67-16 record with two years of only one loss. Ken Wells, Wally Linn, Hi Covey and Ray Smalling were the only coaches that football, basketball, track and baseball had. Consistency certainly marked this period in Ames High Athletic history.

Ames Education Foundation (AEF) News



The Ames Education Foundation, as you know, does really Big Campaigns for the Ames Community Schools

But did you know each year the Ames Education Foundation awards Mini Grants which allow teachers to purchase amazing educational materials that are used in classrooms year after year. Last year High School Teachers Mike Todd and Mike Lazere purchased equipment that enabled students in environmental science classes to assess the conditions of a city park pond, develop a restoration plan, implement the plan and assess the pond after the implementation was complete. Probes were purchased to help students measure the concentration of nitrates, ammonia and water quality in local streams. It was a great experience for students and teachers. From High School to preschool, Mini Grants are great!

Ames Education Foundation



Let the Beat Go On



Drumming Up Support for the Ames School Band Program



Lost List - We have no address for the names listed on this page. If you have a current address or lead to finding them, Please let us know. Send all information to: Jack Smalling, 2308 Van Buren Avenue, Ames, Iowa 50010 or email jack@baseballaddresses.com Thank you.

Table with 10 columns of names and years. The first column lists years from 1925 to 1955, and the remaining columns list the names of individuals corresponding to those years. The table is organized into 10 vertical columns of data.

We Get Letters...



Mary Ellen Farley Hanley

Dear Alumni Association, I have been meaning to send in some information about something that happened to me three years ago, so here goes on a special appointment I received from the Women of the Moose.

The enclosed picture was taken on July 3, 2007, just before the Closing Grand Finale of the 119th Moose International Convention held in Orlando, Florida. During this meeting, I was installed, along with 45 other Collegians, as the Incoming Deputy Grand Regents for the State Association that we belong to. Deputy Grand Regents are chosen from recommendations by the Past Deputy Grand Regents and Past International Officers of the state in which they belong to a Women of the Moose Chapter. During the one-year term of office, I was responsible for planning and conducting, with the help of a Hostess Chapter, a Mid-Year Conference with a Convocation Conferral Ceremony that was held in Gatlinburg, Tennessee in March, 2008 and an Annual Conference with a Convocation Conferral Ceremony that was held in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee in October, 2008. At the end of the Convocation Ceremony, the tassel that I wear on the cap with my College of Regents gown, was changed from the black of a Deputy Grand Regent to a red and black one signifying that I am now a Past Deputy Grand Regent from the State of Tennessee. It was a privilege to serve the state of Tennessee in this position for the 2007-2008 Chapter year, and I treasure having received the opportunity to hold the position. I have been a member of the Women of the Moose for over 30 years and have held various positions in the Wood River, Illinois Chapter where I joined in 1979 and the Dyersburg, Tennessee Chapter that I transferred to after moving to Dyer County.

I am looking forward to being in Ames in three weeks for the 50th Reunion of the Class of 1960 and know that all those attending will have a great time. I haven't been to Ames in a few years and know that a lot has changed since I moved from there in the late 1960s. It is always great to get back to Iowa to see friends and family.

- Mary Ellen Farley Hanley '60

A matter of proof:

Several years ago a friend and I were having a drink in a bar in Westwood, Los Angeles. He was chatting up the woman bartender. She was less than interested. Finally, he prolonged the conversation by asking her, "Where are you from?" Her reply was, "Ames, Iowa." I couldn't resist saying, "I'm from Ames too." A look of compete doubt crossed her face, "Sure. Sure you are." "I can say two words and prove it," I came back. "So?" she challenged. "Carr's Pool." She laughed. "You got it! I do believe you."

- Frank Paine, '44

Greetings from Houston, TX. Here is my check for membership renewal. I really look forward to receiving the newsletter and all the alumni news. Good luck to everyone.

- Eugene "Gene" Ballard, '45

Greetings AHSAA

Thank you for keeping us over "50" informed. I am now the mason at the Castle at the Smithsonian Institution on the mall in Washington, D.C. Being the mason at the Castle is a very interesting position. So now there is a graduate of the Ames High Class of 1973 in the Castle. Come!

- Steven Netcott, '73

Hello Jack and Bill!

Thank you for taking on the AHSAA Newsletter. Your solo issue is great, full of very interesting articles, such as "Women's History Month" highlighting the varied accomplishments of far different AHS grads. I was particularly moved by the letter about Sara Siebert's courageous work with abused women in Haiti--truly inspiring.

- Veronica Lynch Lim, '62

At the age of eighty-eight, paying dues for 3 years makes me an optimist, but considering my mother lived to 101, maybe not!

- Maxine Davis, '39

Dear AHS Friends,

At 83, I'm going to tempt fate and sign up for 3 more years. Once in awhile, among all the youngsters I never met, you come up with an article about an old friend. Years ago I crossed paths with Ada Hayden when I pattered around the old Botany Hall. Helping my dad in his lab was one of my favorite weekend activities.

- Jean S. Moeller, '44

Hi AHSAA,

My brother, David Toms, and I are still living here in California--he in Newport Beach and I in Costa Mesa. We were back in Ames last July when we lost our dear mama, Margaret Eleanor Toms. Life is tough out here, cost of living is horrendous, but it's good to be alive. Enclosed is my check for the alumni newsletter. Take care and thanks for all your hard work.

- Annie Toms Hull, '63

Ames Alumni Newsletter,

I just finished reading The Girls from Ames. Wow!!! What a trip back to my beloved Ames. Detasseling corn, what a horrible job. I stepped up and for two summers I worked at Ames Laundry on 5th Street across from the Fareway

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grocery store. My dad made me park our '59 Chevy station wagon down by the Bandshell because it was free. The Fareway parking lot cost 1 cent per hour.

After our marriage in 1970, Mert re-enlisted in the Army and our life as military nomads began. My brief trip back to Ames from '75-80 was due to our divorce. We remarried in '79. This is what the Army would call a "break in service." While I lived in Ames, I worked at McFarland Clinic. I remember Dr. McCormack as a caring and compassionate doctor. We also got the chance to have our son be his patient while Mert was an Army recruiter in Ames in '82. My last trip to Ames was in March of 2008 to bury Mert's ashes in the Ontario Cemetery. My plot of Ames real estate is right beside him.

Although I have lived in Lawton, OK for more than 30 years, I will always be an Ames girl. When I describe Ames to my friends here, they can't relate. This is a transient Army town. I stay here because I still have to work, and I have a great job. I have my wonderful church family and am close to my son in Dallas. We always wished our son could have grown up in Ames and loved it the way we did. The book made me envious of the friendships they kept over so many years. I regret not doing the same. I am missing my dear Ames.

-Marlene (Lee) Bonwell, '68
Wife of the late Retired Army Master Sgt.
Merrill (Mert) Bonwell, '65

Dear Friends,

After graduating from Ames High School in 1942, I went to Ottawa University in Ottawa, Kansas. I taught school near Ames for one year and then went on to Andover-Newton Seminary in Boston, Massachusetts. There I met and married Rufus Miller. We divorced in 1970. I then taught school in Tehran, Iran for two years. Then I taught school in Texas for two years. I now live in an assisted living facility in Pleasant Hill, Tennessee where we have lots of activities and many volunteer opportunities.

I am thankful for the education I received in Ames. College was a snap after Ames High.

Enclosed is my check for a 2 year membership

- Etha Davis Miller, '42



Dear AHSAA,
I am Chris Classick, Nic Classick's wife. I just wanted to send a note along with our AHSAA newsletter renewal to thank you on Nic's behalf for all of your hard work through the years keeping the AHS graduates in touch. Nic and I have been married for 31 years, and we met while students

at UNI. I am a 1972 graduate of Hoover High in Des Moines, and our alumni doesn't do anything like this.

Nick suffered a heart attack and traumatic brain injury on September 26, 2007 while on a business trip in San Francisco. He was in a coma for almost five months and has been fighting hard to come back from his injuries since then. He can talk now, after more than a year without any voice. Nic was hospitalized for over a year and still goes to Craig Rehabilitation Hospital for rehab twice a week. He's still in a wheelchair, but should be walking in the next six months, we hope and pray!!

Throughout this "adventure" Nic's fellow AHS 1972 friends have been AMAZING support to Nic and me. We have heard from so many of them and the kindness and encouragement they have shown us has been truly inspirational. If you remember Nic, you know he is a determined and positive individual who WILL make a full recovery from his injury

We had dinner last month with four fellow graduates, and one classmate even brought homemade biscotti to the hospital in San Francisco while Nic was hospitalized there. Countless other classmates have written, called and visited. We have even heard from Coach Duvall. It has been wonderful.

Thanks, again, for your continued work for the AHSAA. Nic enjoys reading the newsletters and has wonderful memories of Ames High. Keep up the good work.

-Sincerely,
Nic and Chris Classick



Joe Ingvoldstad, Mary Thompson Ingvoldstad (twin), Nic Classick, Bill Ripp, tour guide, Neil Thompson (other twin)

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AHSAA Calendar

- 2010 -

Sept. 16	Distinguished Alum Presentation
Sept. 21	AHSAA monthly meeting
Oct. 8-10	Class of 1955 Reunion
Oct. 19	AHSAA monthly meeting
Nov. 16	AHSAA monthly meeting
Dec. 21	AHSAA monthly meeting

- 2011 -

July 15-16	Class of 1991 Reunion
July 22-24	Class of 1971 Reunion
Sept. 16-18	Class of 1966 Reunion

- 2012 -

Sometime	Class of 1987 Reunion
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The AHSAA meets monthly on the third Tuesday of the month. Please email or call (515-232-8343) for the exact time and location of the meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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