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Farewell Pictures



The Last Three Standing!

In the spring of 1987, when the AHS Class of 2000 was in kindergarten, each of the sixteen (16) classes, with adult supervision and help, planted a tree along the Ames High Drive. None of the trees died a natural death. Thirteen of the trees were removed to make room for the present cafeteria and the expansion of student services, administration and athletic facilities. The last 3 have been demoted to sign posts! They, also, will "bite the dust"!



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- * Robert W. McKenna, '63
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- Angela Ulvestad Newton, '82
- Kathie Kinrade Obradovich, '83
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- David, '76 & Nancy Engen Wedin, '74
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- Kim Thompson Wiersen, '76
- * Thomas A. Wunderlich, '60

AHS Class of 1964 Awards Two Scholarships

The Ames High Class of 1964 is pleased to announce the recipients of their 2nd annual Ames High Class of 1964 scholarships. Selected from a pool of ten outstanding applications, this year's honorees are Julia Diane Marks, daughter of Dan and Teresa Marks, and Kaitlyn Elizabeth Will, daughter of Sally Metzger Gard and Geoff Will.

Julia Marks, while maintaining a perfect GPA, played in the Concert and Marching Bands, served on the Prom planning committee, participated in the Dance Marathon and the Student Ambassadors program as well as serving as a Senior Mentor. Additionally, she captained both the Ames High varsity soccer team and the varsity Cheer Squad. Ms. Marks' future plans include attending Iowa State University with the intent of studying Veterinary Medicine.

Kaitlyn Will, while maintaining a 4.1 GPA, served as co-chair of the Dance Marathon, chair of the Prom decorating committee, chair of the Homecoming parade, and participated in Bee Club, Key Club, Raising Readers in Story County, and Fellows Elementary School Remote Buddies (FARB). Ms. Will plans to attend the University of Iowa and study nursing with a career goal of becoming an ARNP.

After a very generous response from class members, the Class of 1964 hopes to establish a long-term scholarship fund. Scholarship recipients must be graduates of Ames High School and display a commitment to their education and community.



Julia Marks



Kaitlyn Will

Application deadlines will be posted through the Ames High School Student services Office. Members of the Class of 1964 who are interested in contributing to the scholarship fund may do so by contacting the Class of 1964 Reunion Committee.

Carol Carmean Houge, '64

Mary Kay Polashek Retirement



(Pictured l-r: Mrs. Polashek, Joanna Kim, Olivia Wong, Grace Kim and Conductor Sey Ahn. Back: Jeremy Wessels, (harp), Chloe Barry, Hannah Huang, Ryan Jeong, Daniel Lee and Amy Guan.)

Mary Kay Polashek, the Ames High School Orchestra Director for the last 35 years, will be retiring at the end of the 2022 school-year. Arriving on the scene in 1987, she found that she had inherited an orchestra that consisted of seven string instrumentalists. So, the first year she joined the group and

the eight of them played as a chamber orchestra. During her first nine years in Ames, she also taught orchestra at the Middle School, Fellows, Northwood and Sawyer. Eventually, she became full-time at the high school where she built the program to 104 string players. Then, COVID hit! During the current

2021-2022, the full orchestra consists of 73 string players and 23 wind, brass and percussion band instrumentalists. She is pictured above with the nine 2017 Ames High All-State Orchestra members.

AHS Class of 1960 61st Class Reunion



Row 1: Tess Pappas, Judy Sawyer Davis, Sue Hetzel Kolbe, Beth Strand Coon, Carol Black Meindl, Alice Paulson. Row 2: Victor Randecker, John Smith, Dallas Wall Rust, Linda Anderson Reynolds, Deanna Clem, Pam Owings Robinson, Ilo Leppik, Dave Chipman. Row 3: Kerry Van Winkle, Larry Alfred, Tom Beedle, Denny Tice, Mike McGuire, Dick Allen, Steve Rust, Dean Bailey, Steve Erickson.

AHS Class of 1972 50th Reunion

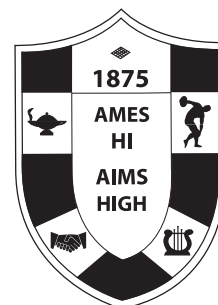
The Ames High School Class of '72 will be celebrating our 50th Class Reunion August 19-21 in Ames beginning with a 5:00 p.m. Friday picnic BBQ at Moore Park. Saturday morning we'll host a Fun Run/Walk for classmates and families at the Ada Hayden Park followed by elementary mini reunions, an eye-opening tour of the AHS New High School at 2:00 p.m., and the classic banquet at the ISU Alumni Center beginning at 6:00 p.m. Be prepared to share memories of our departed "*Classmates Remembered*" at a special table at the banquet. A Sunday Coffee/Brunch Bistro will be set up at Brookside Park at 9:00 a.m. for '72 grads to gather and bid our last

farewells until the next reunion brings us back together in 2027.

Watch your mail and emails for updated information and check AHS Class of 1972 50th Reunion on Facebook for the latest developments. Reservations for events will be posted there as well as information for ordering and contributing to the 50th Golden Anniversary Memory Book. We will also be establishing a Class of '72 memorial fund to aid in the environmental development of the new high school. The process for contributing to this fund will be forthcoming. If you have any questions, please contact Joan Waters at

jmwabq@aol.com . We hope to see all our 1972 graduates there to share in the good times as we ***Blast into the Past*** for our 50th reunion.

Elizabeth Pier Smith, '72
(e2smith@yahoo.com)



Class of 1957 Plans Reunion



A few Ames High gals keep in touch by trying to meet monthly all-year-round. It's just a lunch with much conversation reconnecting to each other. Currently, they are meeting to make plans for the AHS Class of 1957 65th Reunion. (Pictured l-r are: Shirley Backous Evans, Sharon Hagen Mott, Nancy Thompson, Nancy Hagge Woodley and Barbara Vogt Berry.)

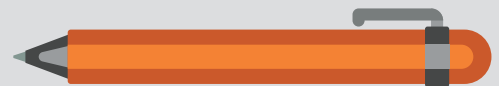
The dates for the reunion are May 13-14, 2022. The classmates will gather

for an informal get-together on the evening of the 13th and for dinner on the evening of the 14th. These events will be held at the Ames Women's Club, 106 South Dakota Avenue in Ames. Registration forms will be sent out in March. The form should be returned by April 20th.

Visitors from other classes are welcome to stop by for the Friday night "meet and visit" evening, during which we plan to share messages from those who are

unable to attend. We will enjoy music from the "Fifties"! We are hoping to see many classmates at the reunion. The last reunion was held in 2017 and was very successful. (Questions? Contact: Nancy Hagge Woodley, P. O. Box 238, Dike, IA 50624 - 319-269-3354 - nrwoodley@gmail.com)

From the Desk of the Editor



A "BIG THANK YOU" to all of you who participated in our Christmas/Holiday Directory Special! This is the fourth edition of the AHS Alumni Directory we have published, and as the 86th anniversary of my birth approaches, I am quite confident it will be my last. Our previous editions were published in 1994, 2001 and 2011. The 2001 directory was unique, maybe even special, in that there were pictures from the 1920 through 1994 yearbooks, plus pictures from the AHS athletic archives from 1945 through 1991, for a total of

162 "black and white" pictures. I would classify it as a "Collector"! (Sorry! There are none left for purchase!) So, in our 32 years of existence as a more formal organization, we are averaging a directory every eight years. I encourage you to order one. In addition to the alphabetical listing of all graduates with their addresses as current as we have them, there is a geographical listing which you may find helpful as you travel. The historical information and the statistical data are also interesting. WCR

Memories of growing up in Ames!

Memory No. 1: Grade school for me was at Beardshear Elementary School, and I lived between Main Street and Fifth. It was about an eight-block walk which was shortened slightly by cutting through Bandshell Park. There was a gas station across the street from the park that occasionally provided a candy bar, but that's not what this story about.

Walking home from school one day with one of my classmates, the name of whom I cannot remember, I was invited to see the rabbit hutch in the backyard of his home. I thought that was pretty neat, but when he offered to give me one of the little rabbits, I was thrilled. I wasn't sure how my parent would take that but I was going to find out. Happily, my parents were very receptive to the idea of having a rabbit living in the enclosed back porch of our house. My dad built some kind of a little pen and there the rabbit grew and flourished.

One day I got home from school and, as usual, I went to check on my rabbit. The rabbit was gone. I don't remember being very disturbed with that, but I must have been. My parents consoled me with the thought that, after all, it was a wild animal and it must have

gotten loose. Either that day or within a couple of days we had *stifatho* for dinner. *That's a Greek stew that you can make with any kind of meat (we often had chicken) and small onions flavored with cinnamon, cloves, bay leaves and tomato sauce. My mother was a great cook and that was one of my favorites. As I was munching away, I came to a small bone that turned out to be part of a mandible. Well, I know it was part of the mandible because it had teeth. I was probably in second or third grade, but it still seemed strange to me. I asked: "Mom, chickens don't have teeth, do they?" My sister, who was about three years older and considerably smarter, blurted out: "THE RABBIT!" That's what rabbits were for in my dad's village, Roumiri, located close to Kalamata. We also had a pet pigeon while at that house. That's another story, but I can tell you we never ate it.*

(Anthony G. "Tony" Pappas, '62)

Memory No. 2: After a day of school at Roosevelt Elementary School, my walk home took me past Fred Malander's Ninth Street grocery store. One day, there was a guy out front selling yo-yos and demonstrating the wonderful tricks you do with

them—walk the dog, around the world, and much more. They cost the same amount as two Hostess cupcakes at the same store, so I was torn. My principal cash flow was change found under the couch cushions where my dad took naps, so funds were limited. I caved! After a quick lesson from the guy, I went home with my new yoyo. Without his tutelage it would go down and up until the string got snarled, but that was it. No amazing tricks!

Lesson learned, until a few years later another guy (or maybe the same guy) drew a crowd outside the Hobby Shop on Main Street to demonstrate the boomerang. He had a good pitch; if he couldn't catch it, it would shatter the large store window behind him. When the crowd was sufficiently excited, he threw it out over the street. It curved a magnificent 180-degree arc and returned to his hand! Applause! How could I resist? By then I had a paper route and could afford one, so off we went to the school yard. Out it went. It had the aerodynamics of a rock. Try it again; same rock. Again. Rock. Lesson learned? Perhaps. I never bought anything from a barker at the state fair.

(Robert W. "Bob" Carr, '62)

Gift of AHS Class of 1967

The Ames High School Class of 1967 on Thursday presented a woodcut "Outside—the Woods" by Dorothy Mandel, in memory of Barbara French, a member of the class who died soon after enrolling at Iowa State University last fall. Mr. and Mrs. Dexter French, 3521 Ross Road, selected the picture. Diane Erickson, a member of the 1967 class and now a student at Iowa State made the presentation. William Ripp, senior class sponsor, at right, accepted the picture for permanent display in the AHS study hall.

(Tribune photo by Keith C. Sutherland)



Miscellaneous and Unassociated Pictures



Betty Keller Maguire-Hayzlett, '62 and Cheryl Wheelock Binzen, '62 spent some quality time last fall in Boise, Idaho getting caught up on social and family news. "The Griddle" sign in the background may be an indication that food was also intertwined with the conversation?



A once in a lifetime photo shot. God Bless America.



Picture Caption Contest Winners:

Jennifer Carmean Thomsen, '65, Jane Rumbeck Ripp and Carol Carmean Houge, '64 were caught on film in a "Would you look at that moment!" Although the number of entries did not meet our expectations—a contest is a contest! (We were trying to help out the USPS with "snail mail only entries". If there is a next time, we may update to modern technology!) "May I have the envelope please?" And the winners are:

1st Place: "Look, it's my HS boyfriend." "Mine too." "Mine too." "I'll take his picture." Bruce Woods, '61.

2nd Place: "Oh my God! A streaker! Look at all the wrinkles!" Loof Lirpa, '55.

3rd Place: "Look how fast the years keep going by!" Fred "Fritz" Jackson, '56.

Hon. Mention: "It takes a village!" Earnie Foshe, '65.

Friendships afresh & re-kindled -- Class of '85 does Las Vegas, Ninja style

By: Dan Emmerson, '85

When the Iowa State football schedule came out in 2019 the game that jumped off the page was UNLV in Las Vegas, and a germ of an idea started forming about getting a group together for that game. Circumstances changed. In addition to a truncated football schedule, the class of 1985 lost out on a reunion - which have always been spectacularly planned and hugely attended. So, when the UNLV game popped back up for Sept. 18, 2021, a small group of us decided to shift our 35th from Ames to Vegas.

But this isn't really a story about football, Las Vegas, Organizational Ninjas or people who were willing to put themselves out there financially based on the assumption that people who said "yeah, get me 10 tickets" were actually going to pay for 10 tickets. What it is is a story about a group of people, some of whom have known each other since kindergarten, and the genuine affection we have for one another. What that affection produced, in this case, was a locust-like swarm of almost 100 Ames High alum (mostly from '84 and '85) and spouses and friends of friends descending on an unsuspecting little town in the middle of the desert from Iowa and 11 other states - including California and the District of Columbia.

A group of us arrived at approximately the same time on Thursday of Game Week and thanks to social media (more on that later) we arranged to meet at baggage claim. The first thing that I noticed upon landing was that in the ten or so years since I had been there, McCarran Airport had undergone an "Angry Bruce Banner-Style Metamorphosis." What was once a compact and convenient airport had become enormous and out of control.

The upshot of this growth spurt was that baggage claim was no longer a shared entity by all airlines but now located in two, separate, terminals



Chris Benson, Dan Emmerson, Dan Schulz, Kurt Hockman, James Clark

served by a bus that made the journey every 30 minutes - which made for a somewhat rocky logistical start. But it was really only a blip thanks to Nancy Taylor Johnson, the Organizational Ninja, who had booked all our rooms at Harrah's and Paris, which are within a well-thrown stone of one another and got us access to most of the swimming pools and cabanas in the state of Nevada.

It wasn't very long on that first day before the main pool at Harrah's became the Ames High pool - with vastly less chlorine and without an intimidatingly high diving board. Those first few hours with the Three Ninjas: John Erickson (Ticket Ninja), Nancy Taylor Johnson (the aforementioned Organizational Ninja) and Mark Malenchik (Tailgate and Transportation Ninja) as well as Amy Healey, Molly Putzier Toot, Pat Jackson, Jayne Showers, Jeff Gaetano, Kip Johnson, Jeff Taylor, Shelly Taylor, Sheri George

Cooper, Randy Cooper, Dan Schultz and Linda Graver DeSchane essentially erased however many years had elapsed between the last time we had seen each other.

Stories were told, laughs were abundant, memories of those of us no longer with us were shared, \$28 margaritas were spilled and then miraculously un-spilled, but most of all it became clear that we were a very lucky group of people. I've always thought that Ames is a special place and we re-discovered in those first few hours that time and distance have done nothing to diminish the love we share for one another and how fortunate we are to be such a close group who have Ames and Ames High in common.

A few things about Vegas before I get back to the important stuff...It's hot, it's EXPENSIVE, and it's way bigger than you remember, so if you happen to miss the bus leaving the game on

Saturday with a dead phone, you're in for a LONG walk (more on that later). As far as I could tell, gambling was far down the list of priorities for most of us as we had an almost constant stream of updates on the group via Facebook about what people were doing and

there was an almost \$30 puddle was truly a moment to behold. Which only got better when we told her Pat had accidentally kicked it over. She smiled, but there was no denying the murder in her eyes until we let Pat off the hook (a little too soon, if you ask me).



Kellie Johnson Benson, Molly Putzier Toot, Michelle Tannehill Pfeiffer, Shawn Schnieder Osterloo, Amy Healey, Karen Koellner, Linda Graver De Schane

where we could meet. This group, set up by Laurie Lutz who could, sadly, not join us, provided an extremely useful method of keeping track of each other. Social media very much facilitated the trip itself and our connectivity in LV.

Another thing that was prevalent, but not a priority, was alcohol. Part of that is because we are presumably getting wiser with age, but also because Vegas is WILDLY EXPENSIVE. Jeff Gaetano's theory that the casinos, and the city in general, are trying to make back their Covid losses in a hurry, definitely holds water. When a frozen margarita costs \$28, one seems like a good limit. A \$28 margarita is also good bait for a pretty spectacular prank. On that first day, Molly left her untouched drink unattended and while she was away, Amy took the dregs of another drink, poured it on the ground, hid her actual drink and waited. Upon her return and her discovery that

Friday was spent meeting up and enjoying the city, but mostly enjoying each other's company. Shenanigans were abundant, but from my point of view, the best lunch of the weekend occurred when Charles Vondra made an unscheduled appearance. He, Chris Benson, Dan Schultz, Jeff Gaetano and I sat down for what turned out to be a liquid lunch on the patio of The Linq Hotel (offering 70 beers in cans). We probably offended everyone within earshot, but I am hard pressed to remember laughing more. Many stories of the late, great, Marty Kiser dominated the conversation. I wish I could report on the goings-on of others, but word count compels me to skip to Game Day.

Game Day dawned hot, dry and sunny (duh), auguring well for Iowa State's passing attack although the Death Star, as Allegiant Stadium is known to the locals, is an indoor arena. The tailgate,

held at the outdoor theater immediately between the hotels, was arranged by Mark Malenchik, who rather cryptically explained that he "knew someone." Great food and music and probably the first time during the weekend that the whole group was in one place at one time. From there we boarded our three buses and it was off to the Death Star.

The game itself wasn't much to speak of. Iowa State dominated on the field and their fans dominated in the stands, as attendance was announced as 35,200 or 54% of capacity and I estimate that we and other ISU fans comprised about 75% of that number. After the game we all piled back on the buses for the ride back to the hotel - except one of us. One poor soul lost his Bus Buddy and followed the wrong red shirts, eventually getting hopelessly lost and walking, dead phone in hand, all the way back to the hotel. At one point this poor unfortunate managed to somehow lose sight of the strip and eventually had to ask someone how to get back. The response was "that way," which happened to be the exact opposite direction I, I mean whoever it was, was walking. Order was eventually restored and again, eventually, a good laugh was had by all. The shin splints lasted about a week.

I think if there is any substantial takeaway from the fact that we all ended up *en masse* for a football game, it is that it wasn't for a football game. What it was was that dozens of years and thousands of miles didn't matter. What mattered was that we all have that one thing in common: coming from a very special town where we forged, literally, lifelong friendships.

Social media made it easier for this to happen as did Nancy's hotel magic, John's faith in humanity in purchasing 96 tickets at \$125 on spec, and Mark's ability to create a fantastic tailgate and bus transport at literally the last minute. But what really mattered was that we love each other. We are family. I would rather be from no place other than Ames, Iowa.

The Noteables

The Noteables formed in 1965 in Ames, Iowa with band members from Ames High School and Iowa State University. While most of the members had their start in other bands, this was a new endeavor for a couple of the members. As members graduated from Iowa State and began leaving the area, as well as losing a few to the on-going Viet Nam War, the band went through several transitions. There were 14 different people who played in the band at one time or another. Eventually, the core group of band members included:

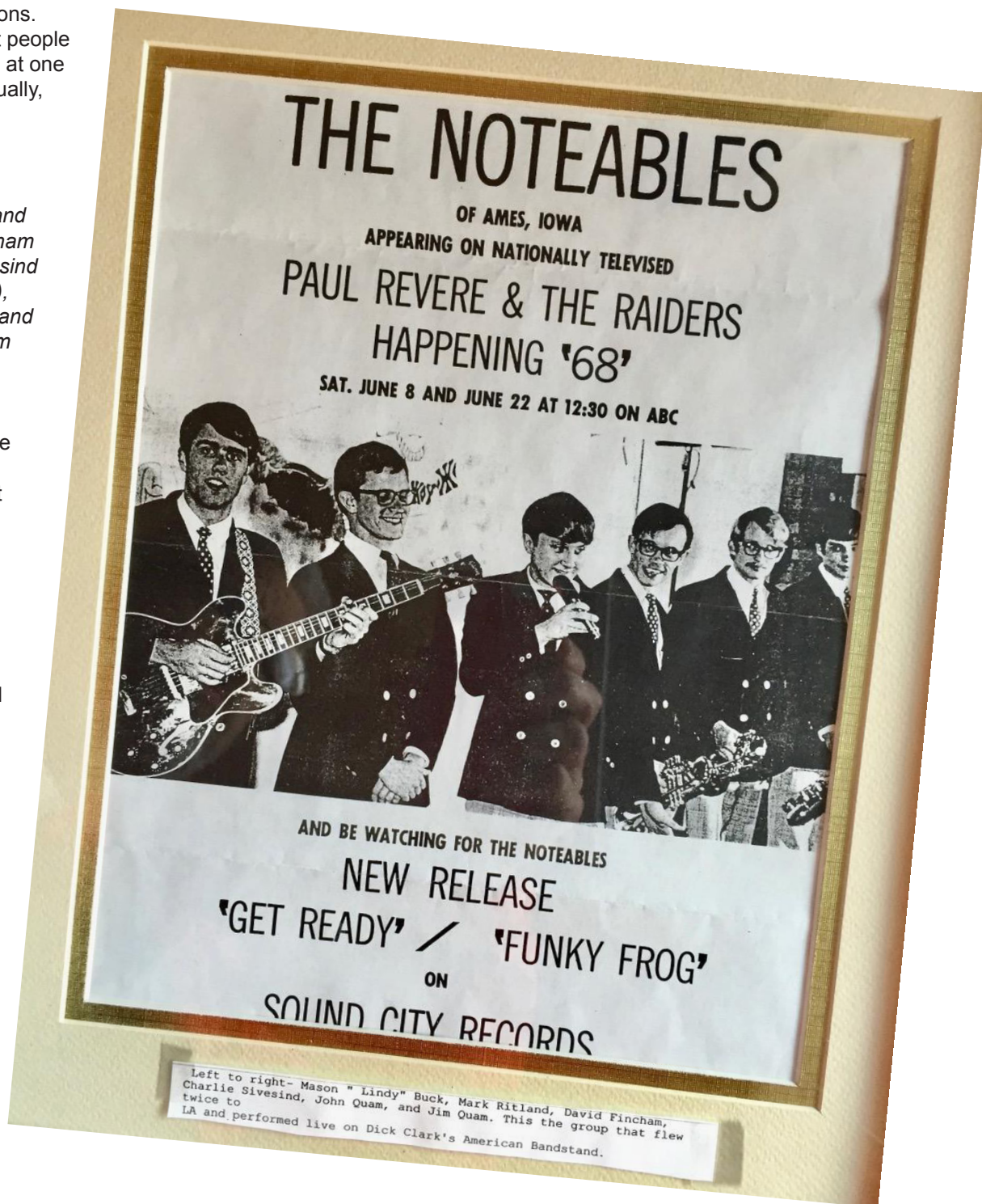
Picture l-r: Lindy Buck (lead guitar), Mark Ritland (drummer), David Fincham (vocalist), Charlie Sivesind (trumpet and keyboard), John Quam (keyboard and trumpet) and Jim Quam (saxophone)

The band members were extremely versatile and could switch between many different instruments which allowed them to play a wide variety of music. The Noteables were popular throughout Central Iowa, and especially in the Ames area where they played for numerous dances and parties for Iowa State fraternities and sororities, as well as dances at the ISU Memorial Union. In 1968, the Noteables were selected to perform on ABC's nationally televised "Happening '68" in Los Angeles, California, a

program hosted by Paul Revere and the Raiders. The group made three separate appearances on Happening '68, which was a competition show similar to battle of the bands.

The Noteables were inducted into the Iowa Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in a ceremony held at Arnold's Park over

the 2013 Labor Day weekend. The members who were inducted were: Mark Heggen, Mark Ritland, Dave Fincham, Lindy and Stewart Buck, John and Jim Quam and Charlie Sivesind. *(Lindy Buck and Charlie Sivesind were honored posthumously!)*



From the Archives of the Ames Historical Museum

Ames skaters swarmed to Brookside Park Thursday for the first full day of skating on the flooded tennis-basketball-badminton courts. The courts, which are almost the size of a football field in area, were flooded Wednesday under the direction of the city recreation commission. Other Ames youngsters scorned the luxury of the flooded tennis courts at Brookside Park and skated on Squaw Creek where it runs through the park. The ice here was favorable to skating because of successive freezing of the creek.

(Tribune photo published December 31, 1954.)



BROOKSIDE'S NEW ICE RINK -
The water shown here was being used today by many Ames ice skaters who had waited patiently for cold weather to arrive.

Flooding of Brookside Park's tennis-basketball-badminton courts for skating was done Wednesday. A fire hose was used to flood the 300x110 feet concrete curbed area. Because the courts were built with a higher crown down the center for drainage purposes, the ice will be thicker at the sides. [Helping with the project were firemen Harold Sorenson, fire chief Kenneth Taylor, park custodian Ralph Miller and Kenneth Wells, coordinator of the city recreation program.]

(Tribune photo published December 31, 1954.)



From the Ames High State Basketball Archives



Front: Phil Engen, Pudge Rasmussen, Dave Minnick, Sam Lersten, Sam Fouad, Joel Morton, Jim Elliot, Ed Beaudry Back: Manager Dave Pope, Rob

Klingseis, Kevin Shanks, Matt Burgason, Chuck Harmison, Chris David, Ted Potter, Scott Gibson, manager Max Duvall

1975: Surpassing expectations, the 1975 Little Cyclone basketball squad emerged as the state runner-up in Iowa losing to the undefeated Des Moines Lincoln team 56-51 in the state tournament finals and finishing the 74-75 season with a 21-3 record. "This has to be the most satisfying year in my ten years of coaching," commented Arnie Zediker. With only three returning lettermen off the 14-8 of the previous year, hopes for a loop title and, least of all, of a state title seemed dim. However, junior 6'7" Chuck Harmison provided the main punch for the offense as he dominated the scoring and rebounding categories and ranked as one of the state's premiere centers and was selected for the All-Tournament Team.

1976: With three starters returning from the runner-up squad of 1975, pressure for a gold trophy began to build. "We knew we had the potential to win it all," commented Chuck Harmison. "It was just a matter of proving it to everyone." From the first poll in November, to the final buzzer of the state championship game, Ames was ranked number one. The majority of the season saw the Little Cyclones completely dominating their opponents and winning by an average of 21 points per game. The state championship was the climax to a near perfect season which saw the cage team go 24-0 and claim the state title by 27 points against an outclassed Marshalltown team. Chuck Harmison and Joel Morton were named to the All-Tournament Team. "A season like we had is the dream of every coach," said Arnie Zediker.



VARSITY BASKETBALL—Front: Kent Kenyon, Phil Engen, Jim Sprowell, Dave Kaldor, Frank Brady, Joel Morton, Jerry Peterson, Mark Bunker, Ralph Merrill; **Back:** Coach Arnie Zediker, Greg Samuels, Kerry Ferguson, Cal Hemington, Chuck Harmison, Matt Burgeson, Dave Crawford, Rob Klingseis, Scott Gibson, Coach Pat Lawlor.

AHS Athletic & Academic Trophies and Memorabilia

--Transition to the New AHS Building--

A process has begun to determine what items will make the move to the new Ames High School scheduled for completion this summer. A committee led by long time Athletics Director Judge Johnston has met to decide on what items will make that move. Other committee members are Bill Ripp, Kirk Schmaltz, Mary Buck, Bud Legg and current AHS Athletics Director, Lyle Fedders. Factors that are helping to drive this process are: available wall space for display in certain areas, funding and design of new trophy cases in certain areas, current wishes of the ACSD administration on the professional and consistent look of the interior of the new building and finally the need to consider moving from physical displays to digital displays that incorporate tv screens and kiosks that display pictures and information electronically. Currently, an inventory of

all items—trophies, pictures, banners, memorabilia, signs, etc.--is being collected.

The committee continues to assess this information and make decisions to support this process. We do anticipate having three community display days of items that will simply not make the move, and these items will be given away to community and alumni members during three Saturdays in May. The dates are May 14, 21, 28 from 8:00 A.M to 12:00 noon at the current Ames High building. Please enter through the activities entrance. We will have further updates as we get closer to these days in May. The Ames Historical Society will be involved in some capacity as well during this process. In closing, we want to be transparent in our process and also make everyone aware that due to the

great success over the years of Ames High athletics and activities, the sheer number of trophies and plaques to sort and deal with is extremely high. We will do our best to continue to show case our highest placed trophies, history, pictures and banners that were earned over the many years by our students and student-athletes in the new Ames High school.

(Former A.D. Judge Johnston)



1975-1976 State Basketball Tournament Programs:
Courtesy of Annetee Raper Hoffman, '76



1976 State Championship Trophy

Memorials

- In memory of: **Jeffrey Craig Love, '71**
Laura Lee Taylor-Lloyd, '71
 By: Leisa H. Doran, '73
- In memory of: **Larry D. Spear, '56**
 By: Mark D. Spear, '81
 Troy L. Spear, '84
- In memory of: **1961 Deceased Classmates**
 By: AHS Class of 1961
- In memory of: **Gary Eugene Carr, '50**
 By: Connie Moore-Betten, '51
- In memory of: **Charles V. Bell, '49**
 By: Ross A. Bell, '76
- In memory of: **Mark S. Gerstein, '80**
Charles D. Ellis, '80
Susan M. Ostermann, '80
 By: Lisa A. Fung, '80
- In memory of: **Susan M. Ostermann, '80**
Richard B. Ostermann, '88
 Larry D. Spear, '56
- In memory of: **Kay Gibson Fellows, '58**
 By: Ben E., '58 and
 Peggy D. Fellows
- In memory of: **Pamella Cole Sipes, '61**
 By: Lois Knutson Lynch, '61
- In honor/memory of: **Class of 1950**
 By: Robert L. Byrus, '50
- In memory of: **James A. Adams, '60**
 By: Charles D. Adams, '54
- In memory of: **William David Ohlsen, '50**
Frank E. Ferguson, '45
Mary Jean Bond Tilden, '45
 By: Anita Ohlsen Wald-Tuttle, '45
- In memory of: **Mark E. Ritland, '65**
 By: David W. Schworm, '64
- In memory of: **Robert F. Doran, '66**
Jeffrey C. Shelton, '70
Lynn Bauske Hogan, '71
 By: Lance M. McGilliard, '71
- In memory of: **Mark E. Ritland, '65**
 By: David W. Schworm, '64
- In memory of: **1959 Deceased Classmates**
 By: David L. Posegate, '59
- In memory of: **Linda Adams Van Voorhis, '58**
 By: John, '50 &
 Jean Davidson Brayton, '64
- In memory of: **Mary Sue Arrasmith Brown, '62**
 By: Mary Beth Kirkham, '62
- In memory of: **Patricia Trow Hulsey, '59**
 By: Betty Schramper Azar, '59
- In memory of: **Ralph E. Patterson, III, '60**
 By: Thomas A Wunderlich, '60
- In memory of: **David Paul Coe, '60**
James Lee Merrick, '61
 By: Richard C. Johnson, '61
- In memory of: **Linda Adams Van Voorhis, '58**
 By: Jean Bachman Bruner, '58
- In memory of: **James T. Yoder, '49**
 By: Janet McCoy Yoder, '52
- In memory of: **James P. Piper, '60**
 By: Lynn Piper Jenison, '67
- In memory of: **1968 AHS Deceased Classmates**
 By: Jerry D. McCoy, '68
- In memory of: **Mark E. Ritland, '65**
 By: James, '65 &
 Beth Ward Billings, '65
- In memory of: **Donald Terry Mason, '61**
 By: Donald, '61 &
 Ann Petefish Siefert, '62
- In memory of: **Kenneth Duane Anderson, '74**
Daniel James Anderson, '77
 By: Donald K. Anderson, '52
- In memory of: **Edward E. Sorenson, '54**
 By: Carol Sorenson Begg, '58
- In memory of: **Mary McTague Huchting, '57**
 By: Nancy Hagge Woodley, '57
- In memory of: **Richard O. Erickson, '38**
Blaine G. Zenor, '60
John H. Miller, '60
Other 1960 Deceased Classmates
 By: Steven P. Erickson, '60
- In memory of: **Eveline Litchfield Copenhaver, '58**
Frederick K. Errington, '58
Richard C. White, '58
Kay Gibson, Fellows, '58
Linda Adams Van Voorhis, '58
Joan Bachman Burrell, '58
Edward E. Sorenson, '54
Barbara Martin Crawford, '54
Morris Bouge (Brother of Marvin)
 By: Jean Bachman Bruner, '58
- In memory of: **1954 Deceased Classmates**
 By: AHS Class of 1954
- In memory of: **Robert H. Talcott, '62**
 By: K. Loran Randles, '62
- In memory of: **Dennis Eugene Owings, '67**
 By: Barry A. Russell, '67
- In memory of: **Edwin Robert "Bob" Fitz, '46**
 By: David E. Fitz, '73
- In memory of: **Linda Adams VanVoorhis, -58**
Kay Gibson Fellows, '58
Richard C. White, '58
 By: AHS Class of 1958
- In memory of: **Janice Hines Irving, '55**
Sheryl "Sherri" McDonald Roman, '57
 By: Colleen Hines Kirkegaard, '58
- In memory of: **Mary Sue Arrasmith Brown, '62**
 By: Ruth M. Arrasmith, '51
- In memory of: **Carl F. Schaller, '71**
 By: Barbara A. Parsons, '82

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.**

Class	Name	Date of Death	City, State	Class	Name	Date of Death	City, State
1943	Faas, Frances C.. (Roberg)	d.8-11-2021	Des Moines IA	1965	Ritland, Mark Everett	d.12-2-2021	Ames IA
1948	Thomason, Mary Linn	d.12-14-2021	Ames IA	1966	Coyle, Jack Lynn	d.8-27-2021	Mount Pleasant IL
1949	LaGrange, William Somers	d.1-22-2022	Ames IA	1966	Critz, Lorraine Eleanor (Reilly)	d.3-18-2011	Onalaska WA
1949	Yoder, James Thurland	d.12-25-2021	Des Moines, IA	1966	Kuehl, Pamela Sue (Batman)	d.10-10-2018	Atlantic IA
1954	Sorensen, Edward Eric	d.1-7-2022	Ames IA	1966	Miller, David Guy	d.5-22-2015	Lafayette IN
1955	Crouse, Janet Kay (McCaffrey)	d.12-13-2021	Lake Jackson TX	1966	Raife, Ann Marie (Catus)	d.8-26-2015	Urbandale IA
1956	Caldwell, Larry LaVerne	d.2-14-2022	Parker CO	1966	Wright, Robert Earl	d.7-23-2015	Papillion NE
1956	Perry, Leland Albert	d.2-6-2022	Rolla M	1966	Wooten, Mary Ann (Morris)	d.8-3-2017	Myrtle MS
1956	Thompson, Harold L.	d.12-29-2021	Buffalo Lake MN	1969	Khan, Mohamad Shazada	d.1-24-2022	Des Moines IA
1957	Herring, Rochelle Irene (Evans)	d.8-4-2020	Bellevue NE	1972	Andrew, Karen M. (Jenkins)	d.1-5-2022	Ames IA
1957	Nelson, Debra Ann (Coe)	d.6-14-2025	Rogersville MO	1973	Heggen, Jane Elizabeth	d.3-30-2008	Des Moines IA
1957	Owens, Bonnie Fern (Rhoades)	d.8-2-2021	Springdale AR	1975	Holmes, Michael L.	d.10-24-2020	Parker CO
1957	Peterson, Patricia Earlene (Buchman)	d.12-8-2020	Nevada IA	1976	Bell, Lawrence Matthew	d.12-31-2021	Iowa City IA
1958	Van Voorhis, Linda Virginia (Adams)	d.12-26-2021	Ames IA	1976	Martinson, Gerald Eugene	d.12-30-2021	Ames IA
1959	Fye, Martha (Strand)	d.2-26-2022	Buckeye AZ	1979	Crabrey, Shawn Edward	d.2-23-2022	Des Moines IA
1959	Munson, Larry Dean	d.12-3-2021	Fountain Hills AZ	1979	Williams, Mindy Ann (Good)	d.1-25-2022	Des Moines IA
1960	Durand, Bernice (Black)	d.2-7-2022	Aspen CO	1980	Dias, Lisa R. (Bornmueller)	d.1-17-2022	Downey CA
1960	Brockdorfer, Janice Louise (Ustrud)	d.11-6-2022	Washington MO	1984	Powell, Eugene Charles	d.12-18-2021	Ames IA
1960	Williams, Hugh Andrew	d.11-23-2020	Hamilton VA	1986	Walsh, Matthew John	d.2-21-2022	Sioux Falls SD
1961	Swanson, Patricia Kay (Clayberg)	d.8-7-2020	Ames IA	1990	Krausman, Brian James	d.2-11-2022	Des Moines IA
1962	Talcott, Robert Huntington	d.1-13-2022	Richmond VA	1996	Shapiro, Abbe Bayer	d.1-30-2022	Indianapolis, IN

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AHSAA Calendar

2022 AHSAA Monthly Meetings:

April 19	May 17
June 21	July 19

2022 Class Reunions:

May 13-14	Class of 1957 – 65th Reunion
June 17-19	Class of 1955 – 67th Reunion
June 24-26	Class of 1977 – 45th Reunion
June 24-25	Class of 1981 – 41st Reunion
June 24-25	Class of 1982 – 40th Reunion
Aug. 19-20	Class of 1967 – 55th Reunion
Aug. 19-20	Class of 1972 – 50th Reunion
Sept. 30-Oct. 1	Class of 1966 – 56th Reunion
Sept. 30-Oct. 1	Class of 1962 – 60th Reunion

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The AHSAA meets monthly on the third Tuesday of the month. Please email or call (515-232-0230) for the exact time and location of the meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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