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## HONORED CLASS REUNIONS

**1924:** Meet at 4:00 in the 8th grade room, and attend the banquet together. Lilly Troyer in charge.

**1934:** The class of 1934 will meet in the social studies room between 4:00 and 4:30 on May 26, 1984 and attend the banquet together. On May 27, 1984, they will meet for breakfast at the Model Cafe Green Room at 8:00.

**1944:** The class of 1944 will meet at the Jim Eastburn home for a social hour at 4:00. Then they will attend the banquet together at 6:00.

**1954:** The class of 1954 will meet in the 7th grade room at 4:00. Ken Wehrman and Marilyn Brohman in charge.

**1964:** The class of 1964 will meet in the 6th grade room at 4:00. Bev Engleman in charge.

## CLASS OF 1984

Christie Ambler  
Tracy Finch 2  
Ronda Flint 1  
Kathy Fuller  
Machell Gunnerson  
Kim Hatch  
Stacie Miller  
Ulla Pantsar  
Kendra Sheets  
Sharlyn Snyder Bean 1  
Mike Beshaler  
Cash Brewer  
Glen Clouse  
Dan Davenport 1  
Marshall Johnson 2  
Steve Koubek 1-2  
John Rockwell  
Timmy Schmidt  
J.M. Steele 1  
Tim Turley 1-2  
John Watkins 2  
Brad Weinman 1-2

## Officers For 1984

President: Marion Scott  
1st Vice :Mary Alice Atkins  
2nd Vice: Barbara Foran  
Secy-Treas.: Viola Geiser

## Mary Alice Britton Atkins Mistress Of Ceremonies



- 1984 -

Graduated 1939  
Married Roy Atkins 1942  
Worked for several years at Willards Grocery Store.  
Has four children and nine grand-children. Moved to a ranch north of Halsey in 1952, prior to '52 lived on Tallin Table.

I wish to welcome all Alumni and guests to the Alumni Banquet and program. I'm sure you will enjoy meeting old friends and classmates.

I also wish to thank those people who have devoted so much



- 1939 -

time and talents to make it a memorable evening for everyone.

Be sure to thank your President, Marion Scott; and your Secretary, Viola Geiser. They in particular have worked all year to make the Alumni Association function. And don't forget Barb Foran, who has made the meal such a success; Betty Cole, who worked so hard to put the Alumni news together; and of course without everyones help, the program cannot be a success. So thanks to you all.

See you May 26.

Mary Alice

## PROGRAM

Memorial Service  
Introduction by Mary Alice Atkins  
Honored Classes  
Out of State Visitors  
Returning Faculty  
Presentation of Class Picture  
A Night In Las Vegas  
Presentation Of New Officers

## Please Notice

I'll be at The Store in Arnold the afternoon of Monday, May 21; Thursday, May 24; and Friday, May 25.

You can pay dues and buy your banquet tickets then if you wish.  
Viola Geiser,  
Secretary

## ARNOLD ALUMNI BANQUET

Saturday, May 26, 1984  
Grade School Auditorium

### MENU

Ham  
Au Gratin Potatoes  
Corn  
Fruit Salad  
Ice Cream Cups  
Bread and Butter  
Tea and Coffee

## IN MEMORIUM

1914

Edith Judkins Watson  
Eldora Lester St. John  
Mae Lester Miles  
Helen Mills Dennis

1924

Henry Geiser  
Josephine Gion Charles  
Leila Harrell Pearce  
Martha Imboden Fenner  
Mabel Lindell  
Dessie Robinson McIsaac  
Roy Root

1934

Norman Horn  
Hazel Lindell Beltran  
Abbie Shaw Zoerb  
Ralph Stuppelbeen  
Dwight Steele

1944

Robert Anderson  
Pearl Pinkston  
Veva Strasburg Bowers  
Dean Vian

## Deceased Since April 1, 1983

Floyd Lucas	1917
Mildred Imboden	1926
Bess Imboden	1916
Vernon Hayes	1933
Floyd Pease	1918
Floyd Wood	1927
Dean Vian	1944
Alfred Porter	1970
Glen LeRoy Lewis	1930
Marshall Potter	1937
Clifford Engel-Voc-Ag Teacher	1972-1975

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## Letters From The Honored Class Of 1924

Wayne Ervin '24  
Woodward, Oklahoma

Arnold Alumni:  
Please excuse the poor writing. I don't see so good any more. Apply the enclosed check to my dues.  
Hope to make it this year.  
Wayne Ervin

Darr Ricker '24  
Billings, Montana

Dear Fellow Alumni;  
I have just received a letter from Lily Troyer suggesting that I come back for the May 'bash'. Now, I have been seriously considering coming back to Arnold for this event. It is the nearest thing to an invitation to return to the scene of my crimes. It has been so long since I finished the Arnold school program, that I very much doubt if very few there will recognize me - but I'll bring my American Express Card.

My family, like all of those of that period of the drought, and depression, were almost compelled to leave the Nebraska confines; but I am thankful that that the high school system did allow me to graduate. Eight of the Ricker's have vacated the premises, and two of us have even fled to Columbia, S.A. We did, however, hang around Arnold long enough that six of us were married to Arnold residents. Lynn, Bill and I went on to become Pharmacists; and Jim followed the rigors, and life, of a Mexican Drag Line operator, and I think that he has accomplished more than the four of we boys. The four girls were married to people from varied vocations, but all have done quite well.

It is true that none, from Arnold, ever went on to become President of the United States - as a small town boy from Illinois did - but as I read the list of Arnold graduates, then I think that we have all graduated to a full, and somewhat successful life.

It has been so long that I am not sure that I can find the 8th grade room for the 'get together', but I'll ask questions and I know that I will eventually find the spot!

Sincerely,  
Darr Ricker

Flora Parsons Beatty '24  
Merna, Nebraska

Dear Lily,  
I plan to attend the Alumni. Hope to get there for the 4 p.m. meeting.  
I don't have much to write about myself for the paper. I'm still living in Merna near my daughter and family. My son, Don and his family, still live in Indianapolis, Indiana. I visited them 2 months last summer. Hope to see many of our class of 1924. Sure doesn't seem like 60 years since we graduated from old Arnold High.

Flora Parsons Beatty

Carl Tabor '24  
National City, California

Dear Classmates of 1924,  
Sure appreciate your letter Lily. Well I'm Carls' wife. My name is Dorothy and as Carl is blind now, he tells me what he'd like to say.

Carl says he sure would like to come back for the Alumni, but isn't able health-wise or financially. But he would dearly love to know about the rest of you. It has been so many years. If there's any that could or would write, he would love to hear from you.

We have lived in National City since 1949 and in San Diego since 1940. We have our home we have lived in since moving to National City. When we came out here it was in the country and not much traffic and on a dead end street, but now it seems like a highway day and night. Carl and I never had any children, but he raised my son, and my son has furnished us with grandchildren; so grandpa is very much loved, and we have had lots of pleasures helping them with whatever we could. The oldest girl is 30 and the youngest is 4½, we have one grandson and are hoping for more. All but the oldest live in San Diego. The oldest and her husband live in Northern Michigan where he is in the Air Force. She came home to see us all in January, she is a great pleasure for us. Our youngest lives in the house in the rear, so she's around most of the time. As soon as we're up in the morning, she is down here to see if we're awake and has a snack with us.

Well, guess that's enough to

give you an idea. We would love to hear about the Alumni and who could be there. I hope they all can make it even if we couldn't, because it means so much to all, I know.

With all our best wishes.  
Carl and Dorothy

Edward E. Lindell, M.D. '24  
Roseburg, Oregon

Dear Lily;  
It was very nice to hear from you and be reminded that it has now been 60 years since we graduated from Arnold High School. Time has certainly passed quickly, or so it seems as I look back.

I am now retired from the practice of medicine. It was a very rewarding life. I was a general practitioner but basically did a lot of obstetrics. I delivered over 3700 babies besides all the other daily work of an M.D.

We will not be able to attend the reunion, as we have other obligations at that time. My wife, Ruth, and I will be married for 50 years on Saturday, May 19, 1984. We expect our children, grandchildren, relatives and friends to be around at that time for a celebration of that event.

I extend my greetings to all former classmates and friends.

Sincerely,  
Edward E. Lindell, M.D.

Wayne Ervin '24  
Woodward, Oklahoma

Dear Friend Lily,  
We were glad to hear from you. Wayne is hoping to get to go to Arnold. He can ride the bus to North Platte, but he will have to get someone to meet him there. He hopes to see you there.  
Your Friends,  
Wayne and Beulah Ervin

## Letter From The Old Gang

Neola Clark Holiman '47  
Kansas City, Missouri

Thank you for sending me notice of my dues. Mom always took care of this for me. Don't think I can attend the Alumni this year, maybe next.

Neola Holiman

We Will See You

At The

Alumni Banquet



Dennis Conner and Cindy Crow

John R. Pinkston '34

Hi Dorotha,  
Sure I'll be there for the 50th Alumni the 26th of May.  
I have been figuring on that for 10 years. I still have my class ring. My wife and I will both be there.

Your classmate of '34  
John R. Pinkston

Doris Mudd Linkhart '34  
Sea Girt, New Jersey

Dear Dorotha,  
Thank you for your note and the reminder of our BIG reunion. I am planning to be there and have asked for time off from my job in order that I might attend. My sister Marjorie may also attend. I will let you know more positively as soon as she lets me know. It will be most interesting to see how the years have changed us, some many changes, others very little I am sure.

I am still working in our elementary school here in Sea Girt as the school nurse, and I love the contact with the youngsters as well as the association of capable instructors.

My sons live fairly close to me and we see each other often, which is really great.

I am anticipating seeing many of my former classmates and acquaintances and friends and to seeing my hometown once more.

Many thanks are due you, Dorotha, and to many others who are making the effort to organize the activities in May. My sincere thanks.

See you in May,  
Doris Linkhart

Jane Nansel Goodwin '34  
Denver, Colorado

Dear Dorotha,  
As of now I plan to be at the banquet. Depends on how Del is feeling. Brought him home from the hospital Thursday. You know how hospitals are. You spent a lot of time there with Bill.

That's all I can tell you now. Hope to be there.

I heard from Alta Christmas, she said she was planning to come.

See you I hope,  
Jane

Maxine Scott Costello '34  
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Dorotha,  
Thank you for your letter of February 6th. I do, as of this date,

## Letters From The Honored Class Of 1934

plan to attend the 50th anniversary banquet and breakfast. Make a reservation for one.  
Looking forward to seeing you.  
Maxine Scott Costello

Frank Stacey '34  
Chanute, Kansas

Dorotha,  
Thanks for the letter. I'll do my best to be there for our class reunion this May 26th. There will just be myself. I'm looking forward to seeing you all.

Thanks,  
Frank Stacey

Ruth Turley Lloyd '34  
Mena, AR

Dear Dorotha,  
Thanks for writing us. We have been talking of coming back home this summer sometime but no definite plans were laid. Then your letter arrived and that helped us to settle on when. Yes, barring something unforeseen, we would like to come back for our 50th Alumni. It sounds like great fun. We would like to attend both activities.

Our winter here has also been hard. And by May 26th we should have some nice weather to enjoy for a change. Looking forward to seeing you.

Thanks,  
Ruth Lloyd

Eleanor Kellenbarger Horn '34  
Denver, Colorado

Dear Dorotha,  
It is so good to hear from you and know you are both doing O.K.

I'm really looking forward to being there with all of you to celebrate our 50th. I hope everyone can attend. And the breakfast Sunday morning will be an even better time to visit.

We're all well and keep busy. Beverly and family are living in Harbor City, Ca., and Judy and her family are in Salina, Kansas. Janice and Phyllis are both here in Denver. Phyllis lives with me and Janice has an apartment near us.

We enjoyed a trip to California last September to visit Beverly's and had fun sight-seeing.

We spent Christmas in Salina with Judy and family and felt lucky that it didn't snow during that week!

We'll probably arrive in Arnold

Friday, May 25th, and I will check with you on what other plans you all have made. See you soon.  
Love,  
Eleanor

Phyllis Bailey Anderson '34  
Savannah, Missouri

Dear Viola,  
Thank you for the card reminding me of this year's Alumni meeting. This is a special year for our class as it will be our 50th. As of now Arnold and I plan to attend.

We are quite well, and enjoying the simple life. Our families are scattered in Nebraska, Colorado, Texas and Missouri, so we don't see them as often as we would like. But try to get together once or twice a year with Dave's in Texas, and Nancy's in Denver. The two families in Nebraska, Elain's in Lincoln and Ellen's at Holbrook, will meet there or here every month or two. We have 11 grandchildren and one new great-grandchild - all of which are very special of course! Six grandchildren are in college this year, and one graduated from U.T. last spring.

Our son, Dave, was invited to teach some classes, and help organize the new law college at Wm. and Mary in Williamsburg, Va. last semester. So he and Karen moved there in August. In October Arnold and I were privileged to visit them there. It was a beautiful time of year and interesting history and activity that impressed us with the way the United States of America was born. They moved back to their permanent home in Austin, Texas in December.

Nancy does lots of traveling across the country for accidental insurance. Elaine is a speech (special ed.) supervisor in Lincoln schools, her husband is with Woodmen of Lincoln, and they are busy in a lot of things, with kids in college, high school and junior high.

Ellen and Bill and family are busy farmers and enjoy that life out of Holbrook, Nebr.

Walt, our youngest son, and wife Darla, live about 25 miles from us, east of St. Joseph. He is working at restoring antique furniture and she teaches kindergarten in St. Joseph schools.

We spend some time collecting primitives and other curiosities.

One can spend a lot of time at auctions, flea markets, shows and shops. Then if you buy something, you go home and look for a place to put or store it! Guess we need to get into the selling end of it for a while.

I'm looking forward to seeing old and young friends on May 26th. We really appreciate the efforts of the Alumni committee in keeping things going and doing such a fine job of it.

Sincerely,  
Phyllis Bailey Anderson  
(Mrs. Arnold Anderson)

Wm. F. McGuire '34  
Santa Clara, California

Arnold Alumni Assoc.,  
We are looking forward to returning to Arnold again for the annual Alumni banquet and seeing many friends in Arnold as well as those returning for the reunion.

Since graduating in 1934, my travels have taken me to many parts of the world. The first five years were spent mostly in California, followed by 20 years service with the U.S. Navy. Retired from the Navy in 1959, and returned to California to accept employment with the Lockheed Aircraft Corporation in the design, development, and testing of the U.S. Navy submarine missiles. Retired from Lockheed in the summer of 1980 and continue to enjoy my next job - full retirement.

In addition to returning to Arnold a number of times, we traveled with our camper through the United States to Halifax, Nova Scotia, returning via Canada. We enjoyed two trips to Asia and on one trip we spent ten days inside the Peoples Republic of China. Highlights were Shanghai, Peking, and walking to the top of the Great Wall of China; returning by way of Japan. Another enjoyable trip was ten days in Italy and ten days in Israel and Jordan. Of course we are glad that trip took place before all the trouble broke out.

Of course no trip was more enjoyable than returning to Arnold last year; and with my sister, served as Grand Marshall during the Arnold Centennial Celebration. Our entire family was able to attend and take part. Sincere thanks to Ray Preston, the Arnold Centennial Committee, and the Arnold community for that honor and for putting on the celebration.

Best Regards,  
Wm. F. McGuire



Robert Milligan '44  
Esther Shaw Milligan '44  
Woodland, Washington

Dear Classmates,

It hardly seems possible that 40 years have gone by since we all graduated from Arnold High. I will attempt to give you some highlights of our lives since that time.

We were married on April 6, 1947. We have two daughters, Laura Jean and Sharon Louise. We lived in Central Nebraska for six years. Bob worked for Lonny Swisher for two years and we farmed for four years until we moved to Washington State. Bob worked for the Food, Machinery and Chemical Co. which manufactured Hydrogen Peroxide for 12 years. I studied at Clark Jr. College and Lewis and Clark College and received my Masters degree in Elementary Education and now teach remedial reading in Woodland, Washington. Bob left F.M.C. Co. to start a building contractors business and continues in this field today. He primarily does remodeling, new home framing, plumbing, and wiring.

Both girls have married. Laura, however, is now alone with two active boys, Jeremiah Paul, age 10 and Terry Lee age 12. They are very involved in baseball, basketball, wrestling, hunting, fishing, music, and church youth group. They live in Woodland. Laura has a janitorial business. She also is very involved in church work, doing much vocal solo work.

Sharon lives in Seattle. She graduated with a B.A. degree from the University of Washington in textiles, clothing and art. She is now a sales representative for the Hanes Company. She is married to Jack Thomas. Jack is a pharmacist with his own pharmacy in Des Moines, Wash. They have recently moved into a lovely home on Lake Washington that they and Bob built.

We are very active in church work. We have done some traveling over the years including six weeks in Europe, two weeks in Hawaii and six weeks through Southern California and the Central States, and a month in the South Central States.

We all enjoy good health and keep very busy. Our home is in the country on top of Green Mountain. We have a lovely house that overlooks the Columbia River with a view of the mountain ranges from here to the Pacific Coast. At the top of our drive we have an excellent view of Mt. St. Helens. We sat and watched it the day of the first

## Letters From The Honored Class Of 1944

massive eruption. It was an awesome sight.

We would very much like to be with all of you this year. Bob, however, is going to be in Phoenix, Arizona serving as a lay delegate to the Presbyterian Church General Assembly at that very time. My school is still in session until June 8, so if I came it would have to be a very fast trip alone. I would really like to be there.

At any rate, I'll be thinking of you. I hope all of you are well and happy and have many more reunions to celebrate.

Your Classmate,  
Esther Milligan

Don Pearson '44  
Farmington, New Mexico

Dear LaVonne,

We plan on being to the reunion May 26th, and are looking forward to seeing all the old classmates and friends.

After graduation I farmed near Arnold and in 1946 married Venetta Fay Westman. We continued to farm and work in construction, moving to Sidney, Nebr. in 1951. There we got involved in the oil patch, doing construction, and in 1955 I went to work for Schlumberger Well Services and spent 22 years in Cody, Wyoming, Rock Springs, Wyoming and Farmington, New Mexico.

Along the way we picked up four daughters who are now all married, and we have three grand-daughters and one grandson, and of course four son-in-laws.

I took early retirement from Schlumberger in 1977 and we started our own wire line service company. We do work in the coal, uranium and oil fields.

Looking forward to seeing everyone.

D.E. Pearson

LaVerda Deterding Arow '44  
Lincoln, Nebraska

Dear Margaret,

Thank you and LaVonne for your letter of February 6, 1984. We have been on a months vacation in Febr. and I am slowly getting back to normal.

We are planning to attend the Alumni banquet this year and I thank you for your invitation to the social hour. I also think the "Dutch Treat" supper would be nice Sunday evening.

Since my graduation in 1944, I feel that God has been good to me. I have had a happy marriage, raised two daughters (with the help of Tom of course) and have had a successful career.

I taught Tallin School for two years after graduation, met Tom, we farmed for one year and then he joined the Nebr. State Patrol. We lived in Ashland for three years, was transferred to Lincoln in 1950 and have continued our residence here. Tom retired from the State Patrol in 1975, was bored, so took a position with the Drivers License Bureau and retired again in 1982. I am still employed. I started my career in 1959 and worked in the office of an electronics firm for three years, worked for the United Rental Franchise office until they moved operations to California in 1967. In the spring of 1967, I started working for ISCO, Inc. in the sales department and I am still here. ISCO, Inc. manufactures, designs and sells scientific research instruments which are used for research in chemistry, biology labs., genetic research labs., and cancer research labs.. I have supervised the order and quotations department for 12 years and I find my position to be very interesting and challenging. We take orders by phone and mail and deal with universities, colleges, government institutions, research institutions and oil companies that have research labs.. We have representatives in approximately 25 countries throughout the world. Approximately 30 percent of our sales are exported.

We have two grown daughters, Rebecca, who is married to Bill Wilcox and Sara, who maintains her own home. Both live in Lincoln and we see them often.

In 1982 we purchased a mini home and have taken several rewarding trips to Texas and Arizona. We plan to do more traveling if I ever decide to retire. Tom's health has finally improved this last six months so he is ready to travel now.

We like to play golf, camp, fish (Tom only, I read) and are avid University of Nebraska football fans.

Sincerely,  
LaVerda Arow

SEE YOU ON  
MAY 26th

Coralie Forrester Rogers '44  
Hawthorn Woods, Illinois

Dear LaVonne,

I do plan to come home for the memorial weekend, and I will plan to see you on the 26th of May. Perhaps we can catch up somewhat when I come home.

Sincerely,  
Coralie Forrester Rogers

Kathleen Spargo Sanders '44

Dear LaVonne and Margaret,

Great hearing from you and knowing the ball is rolling for another great Alumni gathering. Having served in office and on committees, I realize the tremendous amount of time and work involved and hope everyone will take a turn at it so this active association never falls by the wayside.

You ask what's happened since graduating from good ole' Arnold High. Well, it would take a book (several in fact) but will try to make a long story short.

I was married in June and stayed in Arnold and worked a while for the telephone company and the rest of the years in our family business, Spargo Stores.

I was blessed first with twin daughters, Kerry and Jerry and five years later Kathy. In 1968 I married Speck Sanders and had the good fortune of having three wonderful step-children, Bruce, Terri and Tony. All but Bruce graduated from Arnold High. We are the very proud grandparents of 11 grandchildren and five step-grandchildren.

After selling the business in 1978, we managed a tourist attraction in Hungry Horse, Montana and leased it in 1979. Having the longing to travel and already making an R.V. our home, we began selling Indian jewelry in the Rio Grand Valley of Texas in the winter and Nebr., Colo., Wis. and Minn. in the summer visiting our families and friends to and from. This has been a very interesting venture meeting so many people and find "its a small world after all." Just this winter, classmate LaVerda (Deterding) Arrow surprised us.

I have been fortunate in being able to attend every Alumni Banquet except the two summers in Montana. I'm recalling when this first began I thought 'how great' these 'old' graduates of 40 years can get together for this occasion and now I'm one of them. Time flies...

Looking forward to visiting with you fellow grads on our 40th and seeing many others.

Kathleen Sanders

## Letters From The Honored Class Of 1944

Marvin Clnebell '44  
Poulsbo, Washington

Dear Margaret,

Forty-years is a long time in ones life and it seems like only yesterday.

I've gone to school at the University of Nebraska and the University of Washington. I have worked for Boeing and now am employed by the government. I feel I have lived a pretty full life and I'm starting to reap the rewards of some of the things I like to do. I've been east to Karachi, west to Singapore, north to Circle, and south to Melbourne. I figure I have traveled 50,000 miles last year. I went to Pearl Harbor for a month last Feb. to go to school on a lithium bromide plant. Last July I went to Charleston, South Carolina to attend a school on a 1/4-114 refrigeration plant.

When October came around, I took a dream vacation. A circle Pacific tour, spent a month in Australia traveling approximately 10,000 miles criss-crossing the continent. I had a ball and the people down under were just great. After leaving Australia, I went to Singapore, Hong Kong, Taipei, and Tokyo.

After all that traveling last year, I haven't got much planned for this year except going to our 40th class reunion at Good Ole' Arnold High.

Marvin

Vern Whitney '44  
Lakewood, Colorado

Dear Margaret,

Thanks for your letter informing me of our 40th, "class of '44", reunion.

At this time I plan to attend, and it is fine with me to have a Sunday supper also. It will be nice to see our classmates again.

Briefly, my life after graduation consisted of several years as a merchant seaman and two years with the Army in the Korean War. I settled down in Denver, where I have a wife, daughter, and two young grand-daughters; which of course are very special.

After helping to produce a quarter of a billion barrels of beer, (that's a lot of water under the bridge) I took early retirement in the fall of 1982.

That's all for now - see you in May.

Vern Whitney

## Honored Class Of 1923



Left to right: Mildred (Deming) McMahon, Sadie (Chilcote) Bryan, Gladys (Pearce) Dennis and Altha Pinkston who was representing her husband Glenn who could not be present.

## Honored Class Of 1973



Back row, left to right: Ed Larsen, Gary Halstead, Blaine Hagler, Bill Turley, Paul Phillips, Joe Blowers and Regan Watson.  
Second row: John Beshaler, Dave Dennis, Penny (Crow) Strasburg, Merri Jo (Rosentrater) Halstead, Glen Bowers, Don Swanson and Judy (Collier) Gracey.  
Bottom row: Jim Weinman, Karla Cole, Polly (Reynolds) Hays, Melva (Scott) Phillips, Julie (Olofson) Eastwood, Angie (Koubek) Fischer, Marlys (Blinchow) Weber, Marla (Blakeman) Harris and Jean (Weinman) Watson.



## Letters From The Honored Class Of 1954

**Caro Overton Campbell '54**  
Lincoln, Nebraska

Dear Viola,

We certainly hope to be there this year since it is my 30th reunion.

I can't believe how fast the years have gone. It's been several years now since I've been able to get back for the Alumni banquet (since we moved to Lincoln) so I'm really looking forward to being there to see everyone again.

Hope Marlene and Pete get to come. It's been a long time since I've seen you too. Hope to see you

on May 26.

Caro Campbell

**Louella Frosh Connolly '54**  
Imbler, Oregon

Dear Mrs. Geiser,

Just a note for the paper if you want to include it.

It's highly unlikely that my family and I will be able to get back for this, our 30th anniversary, year celebration. Would surely be fun to see everyone again.

Our oldest daughter, Ann, will be graduating top in her class on

the 23rd of May and then she is showing a hereford steer in the Eastern Oregon Livestock Show the second week of June and has to have him trimmed, cleaned and in show-shape. Ann will be going to the University of Idaho in Moscow next year to study chemical engineering.

Our other daughter, Ruth, is a junior and has been active in volleyball and cheerleading. She will graduate next year and also plans to go to the University of Idaho. She is not sure what she will take up but is looking into some type of business or law. We will see.

Curt and I have been active in the real estate business for the past 15 years or so. We have had a ranch-farm which we have sold all but 40 acres which we built a new home on last year.

It would be fun to hear from old friends and we look forward to getting the news and seeing what has been happening to everyone in the past 30 years. We hope that all are well and healthy and that the Lord has blessed everyone with an abundance of good things.

Sincerely,  
Lou Connolly

## Letters From The Honored Class Of 1964

**David Leach '64**  
Big Sandy, Texas

Dear Bev,

So it's been 20 years already! How time flies!

Doesn't look like I'll make it to the banquet, so will at least write a few lines.

At present, my wife and I (no children) live near Big Sandy, Texas. Big Sandy is 100 miles east of Dallas in what is called the East Texas Piney Woods. We live

on our own 4 acres of sand. The soil is very poor, but we are able to raise a good garden each year. We plant potatoes and peas in February. The annual rainfall is about 40 inches.

I am presently the Farm Manager at Ambassador College. Ambassador is a small liberal arts college that owns several hundred acres of land. I graduated from Ambassador in 1969. My wife, who is originally from Illinois, graduated in 1971 and we were

married later that year.

I worked at the college until 1978. In 1979, we moved back to Arnold where we lived for about two and a half years. My wife learned to appreciate the Arnold area and people very much, and we wanted to stay; but a combination of a good job opportunity and our inability to sell our home in Texas, caused us to return to Big Sandy. I worked for a mail order company known as Annie's Attic for about a year and a half. I

performed a number of jobs, but my main function was cost accounting.

Then, last August, I was offered the job of Farm Manager at Ambassador. So it looks like I've become a Texan again.

Sure wish I could be there in May to see everyone and check out all the gray hairs (maybe even some bald heads)!

Best Wishes To All,  
David Leach

## Honored Class Of 1953



Back row, left to right: Melvin Clark, Bob Sailor, Larry Smith, Darrell Crow and Floyd Ondrak. Second row: Gayle (Andre) Beran, Shirley (Nansel) Bassett and Pat (Deterding) Crow. Bottom row: Marilyn (Best) Scott, Jeanette (Hays) Keller and Eleanor (Schlootman) Carlson.

## Letters From The Honored Class Of 1974

**Renee Yanken Cunningham '74**  
Castle Rock, Colorado

Dear Kim,

Just want you to know how much I appreciate your efforts in organizing the class reunion. I'm just sorry I'm not closer and more available to assist you. If there is anything that can be done from a distance, please do not hesitate to ask me for assistance.

Well, you asked for it so here it is; my life in a nutshell since graduation in 1974.

I attended college in San Diego all four years and graduated in June of 1978 with my Bachelor of Science in Nursing. After graduation I moved to Denver where I started my nursing career. I have dedicated my nursing career thus far to Pediatrics and have made an effort to learn as much about this field as possible in this amount of time. I have found the areas of well child care, parent-counseling and teaching, and intensive care, both interesting and challenging. My work has continued as part of my life throughout the years and I have managed my family and my job by working part-time in recent years. Nearly all of this time has been at Denver Children's Hospital.

In November of 1978, I was married to Ron. Who would have ever guessed it? He is the parts manager at O'Meara Ford Center in Denver and has been with that company 7 years.

We were blessed with the birth of our first child, Wendy, in June of 1980; and with the arrival of our second, Colin, in August of 1982. Both have been a continuous source of joy, as I'm sure you feel the same, we cannot imagine what our lives would be like without them.

I am really looking forward to our reunion, as there are many classmates I haven't seen either since graduation, or for a few years. It will be fun to refresh old friendships and meet their families. We plan to be there for both Saturday and Sunday.

Your Classmate,  
Renee Yanken Cunningham

**Karen Crow Hickenbottom '74**  
North Platte, Nebraska

Kim,

When we graduated I was employed at the Production Credit Association in Arnold. In June of '74 I married Dean Hickenbottom.

We moved to North Platte in August of '74, where Dean went

back to work on the railroad. I quit my job at PCA and started working as a waitress at Merricks. We moved out of our duplex into a larger rental in December of '74.

In 1975, I quit my job at Merricks and became a mother. Lane was born on New Years Eve of that year.

In 1977, we built a new home north of North Platte and decided to expand our family. Ryan was born in May of '78; also in July of '80 we had our daughter, Monaca.

In August of '83, I started working as a librarian in the Eisenhower School. In January of '84, I decided working and being a mother wasn't for me, so I quit my job at the school.

Two months later, I was in a bad auto accident and was laid up for what seemed forever. This last year, I've been getting myself back together and realizing how lucky I am to still be married to my high school sweet-heart and raising three children that I truly enjoy.

Karen Crow Hickenbottom

**Cynthia Romans Mattson '74**  
Roy, Utah

Dear Kim,

I was glad to get the letter and know you are planning on a reunion. I've been telling my husband for 2 years (ever since his 10 year reunion) that we are going to Arnold for mine. So now for the catch-up of the last 10 years.

1974-1979: Spent most of my time at Brigham Young University studying accounting. In 1978 I spent 4 months in San Jose working for a CPA firm; then, in the summer of 1978, I lived in Boston and took a sailing course, and played tourist. In April of '79, I graduated with a bachelors and masters in Accounting.

1979-1982: Beginning in June, I moved to Chicago and began working for Arthur Anderson & Co. as an auditor. I did a lot of traveling with them going to Kentucky, Tennessee, and Wisconsin. In Chicago I met my husband, Rand Mattson, while he was going to Northwestern University Dental School. We married in Sept., 1980. Then in June 1982, Rand graduated and shortly after we moved to Roy, Utah.

1982-1984: I taught accounting

at Weber State College for three quarters, while also developing a private CPA practice. In May '83 we had a little girl, Carly Lynn, and so I kind of took the summer off. Rand has been developing his dental practice all of this time.

That is a summary of what I have been doing over the past 10 years. Hope it is somewhat the type of information you wanted. See you in May.

Cynthia Romans Mattson

**Byron Fox '74**  
Stapleton, Nebraska

Dear Kim,

You asked in your letter for any news on your classmates, I'm afraid Byron hasn't changed much in ten years.

Byron graduated from Mid-Plains Vo-Tech in May of 1976. We were married on August 27, 1976 in Stapleton. We now have three boys, Jefferey, age 6; Levi, age 4; and Jason, 1.

Byron bought the Vance Merritt-Don Neison place in February of 1980 on highway 92 and 83 int. He also started working at Western International in North Platte at that same time.

At the present, Byron still works at W.I. and raises pure bred spot hogs.

Mrs. Byron Fox

**Glenda Deterding Kastens '74**  
Anselmo, Nebraska

Kim,

Hi, time sure flies by, doesn't seem like ten years since ole Arnold High. Am looking forward to seeing the old class. You wanted some information on our lives since 1974, well here goes...

After graduation, I attended Mid-Plains Community College in North Platte, taking a course in Computer Technology.

In February 1975, I married Garry Kastens of Merna. We started farming and ranching, in a dad and two-son partnership, and lived near Merna for two years. In 1977, we moved to Anselmo and here we are still farming and ranching.

Our first child was born in January of 1978; Matthew Dale, who is now 6, and a big kindergartner at Anselmo-Merna. Jodi Louise, our oldest daughter, was born in December of 1978, and is now 4½. And then there is Kelli Ann, 2½, who to say the

least keeps us on the run wondering what she'll do next. (She'll either keep us young, or turn us both gray at a very young age.)

As far as important career achievements, I don't have a nine to five job, but as a housewife, farm/ranch hand, and mother, I have a full time job. The pay isn't too hot, but the rewards are terrific; as I enjoy doing each one of them.

I guess that's all there is to tell about myself, but I do hope that all of the class of 1974 have fulfilled some of their dreams, and that you are all happy and healthy.

See You In May,  
Glenda Deterding Kastens

**Binde Parks Applegarth '74**  
Whitman, Nebraska

Kim,

Sept. '74-Sept. '75: Attended Lincoln School of Commerce, graduated with an executive secretarial degree.

Nov. '75-March '79: Was employed by Lincoln Benefit Insurance Co. as a correspondent in the policy holders service dept.

June 10, 1978: Married Andrew Applegarth.

March '79: We moved to Sandhill Ag Hall in Tryon, Nebraska, then in Nov. '82, we were transferred to the Jud-mundsen Sandhill Research Center in Whitman, where my husband is a research technologist.

I am currently employed by The Designers, who promote pure-bred Charolais cattle.

PeeWee

**Patty Sheets Miller '74**  
North Platte, Nebraska

Dear Kim,

Lived in North Platte from Sept. 1974 until Dec. 1975. Worked part-time and went to the North Platte Beauty Academy. I married Ike Miller on Dec. 27, 1975, and moved to Lexington, Nebraska. Received license in cosmetology in the fall of 1976. I worked at Winds Beauty Bar until Jan. 1978, when we moved to North Platte.

I started my new career as a full-time mother in Febr. when Brooke was born. Since then, we have had Lacey, in June of 1981; and Jason in Oct. of 1982. I stay busy with my three and by baby sitting full-time for several others. Ike is working for J.F. Fleecs Trucking of Sutherland.

See You In May,  
Patty Sheets Miller



Don Leach '74  
Arlington, Massachusetts

## Letters From The Honored Class Of 1974

Dear Kim,

I am sorry to have to begin this letter by saying that I will not be present for our 10th year class reunion on May 26. I have always planned on coming and was still planning on coming up until a few weeks ago. I have elected to forego the class reunion in favor of visiting my girl-friend in France; a secretary from Bordeaux. My absence from the reunion will be symbolic of the direction my life has taken. When one is normally expected to be married and settled down, I am presently living in Arlington, Massachusetts, a suburb of Boston, and am a Teaching Fellow at Harvard University where I am teaching a beginning French course and am working on a Ph.D. in French Literature. This must surely seem far removed from my plans as a senior at Arnold High School in 1974; and I would be happy to fill you in on how it happened.

I left for West Point without any great commitment to a military career, and after two years I was unwilling to commit myself to the five years of active service in the Army required of all West Point graduates, and I decided to transfer to the University of Nebraska at Lincoln. I majored in International Affairs and picked up a second major in French which I had begun studying at West Point; and which had interested me very much, but which I had never considered as a career option. Foreign languages are very important to the well-being of most American businesses and occupations, but the study of French for its own sake leads to only one thing: teaching, and that is the occupation that I have finally chosen. I graduated from the University of Nebraska in 1979, received a Master's degree in French there in 1982, and will receive my Ph.D. degree here in 1986 or 1987. I spent my junior year at Nebraska on a study-abroad program at Bordeaux, France. The year after graduating, 1979-1980, I spent teaching English in a French high school near Paris.

It does occur to me that I will be 30 years old when I finally obtain my first full-time, full-paying position. These last ten years have been very enjoyable, I have had my share of adventure, but economically they have been less exciting. I have gotten by for the

last five years by teaching English or French each place I have gone. Teaching is something I do find very rewarding, however, and I am looking forward very much to the time, not too far away now, when I will be able to start paying off my considerable debt.

I would like to stress in closing that I regret sincerely not being able to come to the reunion. Every place I have gone I have always been proud to say I was from Arnold, Nebraska. My outlook on life was formed there and I was looking forward to seeing my old high school class. I must say that if the next ten years go by as fast as the last ten did, the 20th year reunion is just around the corner.

Give all my best wishes to all of my old classmates of the Class of '74!

Don Leach

Robbin Preston Dennis '74  
Lexington, Nebraska

Kim,

Hi! I will get my Alumni info written to you before I forget it.

After high school graduation, I took a 9 month secretarial course at Mid-Plains Voc-Tech in North Platte.

From then, until 1980, I had various jobs and went through an unsuccessful marriage.

Now the best part of my life: I married David Dennis on Dec. 6, 1980. We lived in Arnold for a time and both worked. We then moved to Lexington and will soon be here 2 years. Dave is a mechanic at the Ford dealership, Platte Valley Auto Mart. I enjoy my roles as wife and mother. Our son, John Foster, was born Nov. 20, 1982, and our second baby is due to come sometime in May. I hope that all works out so that we can come to Alumni, but I think that our baby's arrival will decide for us. I am enclosing \$1 for postage for the class booklet in case we don't come.

I hope that all goes well with the Alumni preparations. I'm sure there's a lot of time and work involved for you.

Until May,  
Robbin

Kim Strasburg '74  
Arnold, Nebraska

Dear Kim,

As Kim Strasburgs' wife, I have been elected to the secre-

tarial duty of replying to you. I have checked with the boss on a few figures and here is what we came up with:

Kim attended the University of Nebraska during 1975-1976, also 1976-1977. He received his associates degree in agriculture. After college, he returned home and started farming.

In June of 1983, the 4th day, Kim and I, Aneita, were married. I brought three children into the marriage, whom since have been adopted by Kim. Their names are Becky, Seth, and Shawn; one girl and two boys. We are also expecting a new baby in July of this year.

We currently live west of Arnold and are engaged in farming and ranching.

This seems to sum up the last ten years, excluding all the calves pulled and hay baled, not to mention girls kissed and hearts broken. (He didn't know I put that part in.) I'm looking forward to meeting all of the classmates of 1974. Sounds like it will be a fun time!

See You In May,  
Aneita & Kim Strasburg

Roger Blakeman '74  
Broken Bow, Nebraska.

After graduation I worked for my dad for 2 years; then I worked at the Anselmo elevator for a year. In April of '77, I joined the Air Force. I spent basic at San Antonio, Texas; then I was sent to Cheyenne Wyoming where I was a military cook. In September of '77, I was married to Deana Turnipseed. In September of '79 my wife and I had a baby boy, we named him Jason Alan. In January of '80 I got an assignment to go over sea's to Guam. After being in Guam for about 3 months, I fell off a 40 foot waterfall and broke my back, so I was discharged from the service and sent home after 8 months of hospital living.

I am now living in Broken Bow where Dena and I have bought our own home.

Roger D. Blakeman

Steve Kilmer '74  
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Kim,

It was good to hear from an old (but not too old) classmate from high school days. I really do hope

that I will be able to make it back to Arnold for our ten year reunion to see everyone and catch up on the last decade in each of our lives. I'm sure I speak for everyone in the class when I say how much I appreciate you putting this booklet together and organizing our get together during that weekend. Life has been very busy and eventful for me since graduation from high school, so let me attempt to summarize 10 years.

Education:

I graduated from Sioux Falls College in South Dakota with a BA in Psychology and Education in 1979.

I earned my Masters degree in Counseling Psychology from Wheaton College in 1983.

I've started doctoral work towards a degree in Organizational Psychology.

Work:

After finishing college, I worked as an admissions counselor for two years at Sioux Falls College doing academic, career, and personal counseling and representing the college in a ten state area. I then moved to Illinois to work on my masters degree and to work at Wheaton College. Presently, I work in the student development office at Wheaton and have a private counseling practice in the Chicago suburbs. I also just had a job interview in Los Angeles, California, so I may be moving out west. (I would love to get away from these winters!)

Travel:

Since high school, I've had the opportunity to travel extensively, both in the states and abroad. Last Christmas I spent 3 weeks in Honduras in Central America advising a development project among the people there. I've also traveled to Europe, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guatemala, Cuba, and to Mexico four times - not just working of course!

Other:

The biggest news for me right now is that I just got engaged to be married. She's a southern belle from Texas so I will be getting hitched down there in July and then either coming back to Chicago for another year, or moving to sunny California.

I suppose there are other things I could talk about, but I'll save those for when I make the trek back to sandhill country. Thanks again for your work.

Sincerely,  
Steve Kilmer

Susan McKain '74  
Los Angeles, California

Dear Kim,

It was nice to hear from you. Thanks for the news about our class reunion; unfortunately I will not be able to attend. The spring is a very busy time of year for me with work and other activities. Please give my regards to everyone.

You asked what we've been doing since graduation in '74. I have nothing surprising to report, as I am doing pretty much what I've done since high school, which is writing, all kinds of writing.

After graduation, I attended Kearney State College where I majored in broadcasting, journalism and advertising. During my senior year, I was fortunate to do two internships. One was at KGFW radio where I wrote and produced commercials. From there I went to KHGI-TV's news department where I was hired

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after graduation as an assistant to the news director, reporter and anchorperson. While at the station, I was allowed to write and produce a few commercials which sparked my interest and led me to California to learn more about the industry.

In Los Angeles, I worked as a public relations director for Catholic Big Brothers until I was hired by McCann-Erickson in the creative department where I worked for 2½ years. During that time, I was given the opportunity to write copy for clients such as Western Airlines and learned a great deal about the industry. That led me to where I am now, back in reporting at a national publication called ADWEEK, covering the advertising industry.

On a personal level, mom will probably tell you I have turned into a typical Californian. I am very into health and fitness;

spend a lot of time working out at the spa, running at the beach, and pursuing my hobby of taking dance classes at Laurie Anderson's (used to be Harberts from Arnold) school of performing arts. I also am a Light Force dealer, which is a company that produces and sells spirulina (plankton)... super healthy food product.

As for being married...no, I'm not. Who has the time?:

I hope everyone has a really great time. Maybe I'll see everyone at our 20 year reunion.

Take Care,  
Susan McKain

Pam Troyer Holscher '74  
Ogallala, Nebraska

Dear Kim,

How are you? Getting everything all rounded up for Alumni? Well, I'm finally getting around to sending you the information

you wanted for the class booklet, so here it is...

After graduating from AHS in '74, I attended Central Technical Community College in Hastings for 2 years where I took Dental Assisting. There I met my future husband, Kelly Holscher, who was taking diesel mechanics. We were married in March of '77 and in December of that same year, we moved to Kelly's home town of Ogallala to live on the family farm. Kelly became an employee of Reed-Merrill Corp., the John Deere dealer; in addition to helping on the farm.

I worked as a dental assistant first in Grant, then in Ogallala until our first child, Clinton Cole, was born in July of '81. Since then, I've been staying home, enjoying taking care of Klint, and trying to help out on the farm.

Looking forward to seeing you and the rest of the class on May 26. Want you to know I appreciate your doing all of this work for the class.

Sincerely,  
Pam Troyer Holscher

## Honored Class Of 1963



Back row, left to right: Lyle Blixt, Raymond Holt and Darwin Rosentrater.

Second row: Jon Davenport, Duane Morrison, Calvin Joy, Jay Peterson, Bill Wilson and Charley, Holt.

Bottom row: Jerry (Fitzgerald) Dunker, Kerry (Fitzgerald) Brosius, Vicky (Anderson) Boston, Jane (McDowall) Hornung, Kay (Peterson) Kottwitz, Chuck Leach, Kay (Morrison) McConnell, Linda (Butler) Morrison and Carolyn (Lynch) Duponcheel.

## Where Your Surplus Alumni Money Goes

- 1964 - Paid on the stage curtains.
- 1965 - Bought folding chairs.
- 1966 - Got a P.A. system for school.
- 1970 - Bought the Multi-plex picture display. Cost-\$2325
- 1974 - Bought 100 more folding chairs.
- 1978 - Bought 64 folding chairs at \$6.25 each.
- 1978 - Got the P.A. System for the athletic field. Cost-\$731.56
- 1981 - Gave \$500 for back-drop stage curtains.
- 1983 - Installed electric panel in new gym.

Piano and back-stage cupboards

We Will See You

At The

Alumni Banquet

Saturday

May 26th



## Annual Arnold Alumni Banquet Enjoyed Saturday Night

By Darlene Rimpley

What song would you use to describe an Arnold Alumni get-together? It would take several for me. See if you agree.

I'd start with "Home To The Sandhills", a song written by John Hardin, a '57 Arnold graduate. Several lines describe the feeling alumni members have - "Going back to the place I have my memories", and "Best of all I've got to say, it's seeing all my friends". You have no more than reached the school house than you start hearing "Hello Dolly" or "Hello Melvin", or "Byrne" or "Stan" or "Gay" or "Bernadene", or . . . well, pick out 400 alumnus names, and you have it. Two songs would fit in the next space, "Memories" and "The Way We Were (10 years or 30 years ago)". Much laughter, talk and pictures always accompany the last two choices. Next choices would probably depend on the group of people. Among them would be "Show Me The Way To Go Home", "I Could Have Danced All Night" (or talked all night) or "It's Three O'Clock In The Morning". As they part company, either that night, after a class reunion the following day or the long weekend, surely the songs would be "Take Good Care Of Yourself" and "I'll Be Seeing You".

And so the 1983 Alumni Banquet and program are in the memory book.

A roast beef dinner was served to 550 guests, with 1984 seniors assisting banquet chairman, Joellen Oman Snyder, in the serving. More guests joined the crowd for the program.

Rich Hornung, '83 Alumni President, acted as MC, and introduced the out of state guests, with Mary Eleanore Mudd flying in from Hawaii. Carolyn Lynch Duponcheel, who has lived in Arnold for the past year but will be returning to Aguana, Guam soon, feels as if she had waited the entire year just to attend her first alumni in the 20 years since she graduated.

The honored classes were then introduced, with the Class of '73, taking honors for having the best attendance, with 23 attending. The Class of '63 was a close second with 18 members present.

The 60 year class had four members present. Twelve members of the '33 class made it. 1943 had 13 present and '53 had 11 there. Our first graduating class, 1913, was not represented this year.

The program "It Might Have Been Like This" was a series of narrations which gave Arnold's history, interspersed by short skits showing what might have happened. The first scene was a campfire sing by John Hardin, Bob Hough and Don Hardin singing "Tumbling Tumbleweeds" and followed by a memorial to the deceased members of the honored classes, with Bob Hough singing "The Old Rugged Cross" and John Hardin on the guitar.

Next was the settlers scene with Darry Bean as the pioneer, Lucinda Dennis as Mrs. pioneer, and Mark Peterson and Jeannie Worrell as the sobbing children.

The first school skit featured

Debbie Brosius as the teacher and Viola Geiser, Betty McKain, Shawn Gunther, Debbie Atkins, Brad Atkins and Bob Lucas as the students.

The scene relating the first Arnold High Commencement had Glen Weinman as E.C. Pickett, Jeannie Worrell, Shawn Gunther, Mike Beatty, Darry Bean and Mark Peterson as the class members and Professor Jerry Ahrens giving the address.

The "Coming Of The Railroad", had Dorothy Larfeau singing "The U.P. Is A Comin'", John Leach giving a political speech and Bob Lucas and Mark Peterson having a tug-o-war with Mark winning. (Honest, folks, he had a secret weapon, namely Karla Nansel.) The entire cast named above was the crowd scene, as well as Carol Watson and Pat Scott.

Rod Watson was the behind the scenes guy, and then a song written especially for Arnold's Centennial, by John Hardin, which relates our history, was sung by John, Don and Mary Hardin. The song, "A Feeling We Call Home", has the line "Where

good people live with caring hearts, the spirit it grows too" that tells Arnold's story.

The Hardins then sang "Home To The Sandhills", while a slide series was shown featuring scenes of early and present Arnold.

Officers for 1984 are Marion Scott, president; Mary Britton Atkins, 1st vice-president; Barbara Bidstrup Foran, 2nd vice-president and Viola Scott Geiser, secretary-treasurer (3 year term).

Debbie Bean Brosius has been the secretary-treasurer for six years and has done a super, super job. And so until next year, "Till We Meet Again".

### Letter From The Old Gang

Mable Smith Nelson '32  
Winlock, Washington

Arnold Alumni,

My health is so poor and I've had so many operations, am not physically able to come to the meeting and banquet. Know you will have lots of people and a lovely dinner.

Mable Nelson

### Honored Class Of 1943



Back row, left to right: Helen (Crow) Hickenbottom, Lloyd Beltz, Morris Geiser, Carl Glaze Robert Harris and Alice (Hagler) Conner.

Bottom row: Elaine (Graham) Deppe, Joyce (Landrey) Shields, Pauline (Tarr) Callahan, Betty (Peck) Winder, Donna (Shaw) Chesley, Bernelda (Nelson) Lehmkuhler and Norma (Shaw) Cole.

### Letters From The Old Gang

Lucille Butler Carter '35  
Boise, Idaho

Dear Viola,

Please send me the 1984 paper. I have enjoyed reading the letters from school mates and keeping up on their activities.

We purchased a new mobile and live in Boise. There is lots of hunting and fishing close by, and we really enjoy both.

Mother is still with us, she is 92 years young and doing real well. She is living in a retirement home close to Alberta. We plan on a reunion this summer.

Thanks in advance for the paper.

Sincerely,  
Lucille Carter

Hazel Mills Smith '36  
Andalusia, Alabama

Dear Viola,

How I would love to be there to celebrate with all of you, especially the class of 1934. I have many friends in that class. I am going to try to make it, but only time will tell.

Thanks so much,  
Hazel Marie Mills Smith

Alice Butler Trujillo  
Coeur d' Alene, Indiana

Dear Viola,

I really enjoy trying to keep up on all the classmates. We will be unable to come back for the banquet this year, but would love to be able to attend the 50th one.

We are again having winter weather.

Thanks for reminding me of the dues.

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Vern Trujillo  
(Alice Butler)

Grace Klump Hammond '31  
Maywood, California

Dear Viola,

Received your welcome card which reminded me to get moving.

You are doing a fine job and thank you.

Grace Klump Hammond

Genevieve McGuire Miller '36  
Arcadia, California

Dear friends,

I am sure the banquet will be

great as usual, wish I could be there. I treasure the memories of my visits in Arnold and the opportunity it affords to see dear friends.

Sincerely,  
Genevieve Miller

Orval Sauter '27  
Las Vegas, Nevada

Dear Viola,

Enclosed are my dues for 1984. I doubt that we will be back this year. As we are planning a big trip to Canada this year. I'm holding out to come back for our 60th reunion.

We are great motor home travelers, having already traveled over 17,500 miles and are driving our third one. We travel a lot with Clarence and Frieda Sutton.

If there are any of the Arnold folks who like to fish and come out this way, in July there will be about eight to ten motor homes and trailers meeting at Riff Lake, Washington the 25th of July through the first of August to fish there, then on across to Washington to an island to fish for Salmon and then on to Canada for Rainbow Trout. Some of us have made this trip before and caught loads of fish. If anyone is interested, drop me a line.

Mr. Orval R. Sauter  
7222 Princeton AV  
La Mesa, CA 92041

Thanks,  
Orval

PS. I've been trying to get my current address in to the directory for the past 10 years, see if you can get it done.

Francis Clerihan '39  
Panama City Beach, Florida

Dear Viola,

Enclosed is my check for \$1 to cover the 1983 and 1984 dues, plus the news directory. Sorry, but time does not permit me to attend the banquet this year. Perhaps another year and I will make it.

Regards,  
Francis Clerihan

James E. Ricker '36  
Barranquilla, Colombia  
South America

Dear Ms. Geiser:

Enclosed herewith you will find my check in the amount of \$15 for dues and a copy of the latest directory. Please mail the directory and the paper to me at the address given below.

I have spent the past 2½ years in Columbia, South America, in charge of constructing 100 miles of new railroad from the Caribbean inland to a coal deposit - the world's largest so we are told - which belongs to the Exxon Oil

Company and the Columbian Government. This railroad will be completed at the end of this year, and I will undoubtedly retire in the United States shortly thereafter.

Previous to this assignment, I spent three years in Saudi Arabia as Construction Manager of a new 3.0 billion dollar training base for the Saudi Ministry of Defense and Aviation, so you can see that I have not spent much time in the United States for several years.

I haven't been in touch with any of the AHS Alumni group, so am interested in reviewing your papers and the latest directory.

Very truly yours,  
James E. Ricker

Meneda Zoerb Phifer '39  
Mason City, Nebraska

Arnold Alumni Workers,

Just a line to express my sincere appreciation for your dedication and many hours of work to assure such a successful Alumni reunion.

We did enjoy it, and I do hope others will make an effort to attend.

If there is anything I can do to help - please let me know.

Thank You!  
Meneda (Zoerb) Phifer

### Honored Class Of 1933



Back row, left to right: Robert Mudd, Alta (Atkins) Babcock, Dillon Smith, Vivian (Johnson) Steele, Lester Hays, Dwight Horn and Paul Lewis.

Bottom row: Elva (Gill) Linderman, Verle (Morgan) Olson, Phyllis (Hamilton) Meseroy, Esther (Kelly) Andre and Effie (Claudson) Coleman.



## AT LAST YEAR'S ALUMNI BANQUET



## Letters From The Old Gang

**Thelma Shields Myers '43  
Fallon, Nevada**

Dear Lloyd and Jean,

I was very happy to receive your letter. I have been thinking about the banquet for a year.

I am hoping in the next few years that I will be able to attend a banquet. It has been 16 years since I have been to one. I think it is a great thing that they have had in all these years. I do want to thank all the ones that work hard every year to see that it is an enjoyable evening to so many that have come so far to see the classmates and friends. We have been away for near 31 years, which we spent 21 years in Calif. and 10 years here in Fallon, Nevada. We both feel like Arnold is still home to us. We look forward each week getting the Arnold Sentinel and even reading the want ads. (ha ha)

Jim will soon have ten years with the school district being a custodian. Such a small town would you believe they have four lower grade schools, one jr. high, and a high school and still need more room. The school Jim works at has three grades and still sends classes over to the jr. high to be taught, as no room for them over at the west end. The Navy base here brings in a lot of children. They run about 40 buses here a day. He never gets a vacation until the last of July or the 1st of August. We haven't been to

Arnold for three years and I don't know if we are going this year yet. I haven't worked since 1965, just staying home taking care of the girls.

I am hoping you will take a camera with you and take some pictures. I would love to have some made off or you could send me the negatives. I am getting a few gray hairs and of course, the scales are getting to read a little heavy. Maybe a few wrinkles here and there. I would love to see all the classmates again. Tell them all hello for me. I do hear from Jane Bowhay every Christmas.

As Ever,  
Thelma Shields Myers

**Ardelle Dillon Sheets '47  
David Sheets '50  
Loveland, Colorado**

Dear Viola,

While cleaning out my wallet a bit ago I find that our Alumni card says 79-83.

I'm enclosing a check for \$10.00 to pay dues for each of us for five years.

We're hoping to attend this year, but will have to wait a few weeks to be sure.

We out-of-town Alumni do appreciate all the plans made and carried out each year by the local Alumni.

It's 69 degrees here in Loveland. Am more than ready for spring this year!

Sincerely,  
Ardelle and David Sheets



Left to right: Roxie & Verdon Croghan - Bob Watson - Mildred Deming McMahon (she still keeps her camera handy) and Signa Pierce McIsaac.



Friends visit and remember old times - left to right: Donna & Norvin Pearce and Bob & Alberta Anderson



The Shields Family - standing left to right: Mutt Shields, Doris Bowers, Charles Shields and Carolyn Duponcheel. Seated are Carl and Berniece Glaze.



Friends share their "precious" pictures - Pauline Swanson Norman & Karla Ahrens Huscher



## Arnold Alumni . . . Those Who Stayed Home

### ALUMNI BUSINESS OWNERS

We receive letters each year from our out-of-town Alumni, giving us a little information on their years since leaving Arnold High. We thought it would be of interest to make a list of those who have stayed, or returned, to Arnold and own, or co-own, business here to keep our little town alive.

Dot Lindholm Gast '46 - "The Store".

Robert Watson '40 - Watson's Grocery Store.

Cal Joy '63/Brad Nansel '79 - Conoco Station.

Karla Olson Nansel '58 - Nansel Oil Co.

Ed Tullis '70 - Tullis Welding.

Bob Crow '48/Darrell Crow '53 - D&K Lumber/Dave Crow '70, Manager.

Robert Forrester '48 - Forrester's Dodge City.

Ken Wehrman '54 - Arnold State Bank.

Debbie Bean Brosius '75 - The Bargain Box.

Helen Leonard Crosland '42 - The Arnold Sentinel.

Wilber Purcell '38 - Arnold Recreation Center.

Dorothy McClure Hill '34 - Clay & Play.

Reta Hill Siddall '62 - RJ's Beauty Shoppe.

Marvin Larson '68 - Larson's Electric.

Ronnie Morrison '62 - Morrison Electric.

Richard Hornung '65 - Jim's Bar and Liquor.

Lucille Comer Peters '30 - Lucille's Beauty Shoppe.

Jean Miller Flint '67 - The Cardinal Inn.

Brian Olin '68/Tim Olin '65 - AZC-TECH Distributing Co.

Bobbie Conner '72/Marla Conner Caine '70/Brian Olin '68 - Arnold Communications Co.

Bobbie Conner '72 - Arnold Irrigation.

Alice Hagler Conner '43 - Central Implement.

Maurice Andre '60 - Andre's Body Shop.

Gary Larreau '78/Lee Eastburn '79 - Loup River Construction Co.

Tami Koubek '77 - Spring View Garden Nursery.

Leonard Croghan '47 - Croghan Insurance Office.

Roger Jacobson '61 - Jake's Trucking.

John Halstead '70/Craig Halstead '74 - Halstead Trucking.

Blaine Hagler '73 - Hagler Trucking.

Pat Corbin Hagler '51 - Hagler Trucking Inc.

Pat Hagler sold her Main St. Shoppe in Jan. of this year to Alice Halstead.

Hope I haven't missed anyone. I thought the town was small, it seemed to grow as I wrote. I'm glad I didn't set out to list the farmers and ranchers...maybe next year.

SEE YOU  
MAY 26th

### Letters From The Old Gang

Hazel Beltz Bowman '17  
Alliance, Nebraska

Dear Viola,

Have been rather slow about letting you know about my change of address. I sure don't want to miss the paper.

I'm not sure if I will be there for the banquet, but will sure try. I have been moved to the Good Samaritan high rise. This has

been a changeable winter, nice one day, then cold. Not much snow here, but they have had quite a bit around us.

Do hope to see you May 26th.

Mrs. Hazel Bowman

Mary Twiss Davenport '39  
Loveland, Colorado

Dear Viola,

I'm sending my '83 and '84 dues - always enjoy the paper. I would love to be there for the banquet, but never know ahead of time whether I'll make it or not.

We'll see how Orville is feeling by that time.

Thanks for sending the reminder.

Mary Margaret

Cathy Koubek '75  
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Viola,

Enclosed are my 1984 dues. Since the last directory up-date I've moved across the Missouri

river. My new address is:

Cathy Koubek  
4105 Lexington Plaza  
Apt. #12  
West Des Moines, IA  
50265

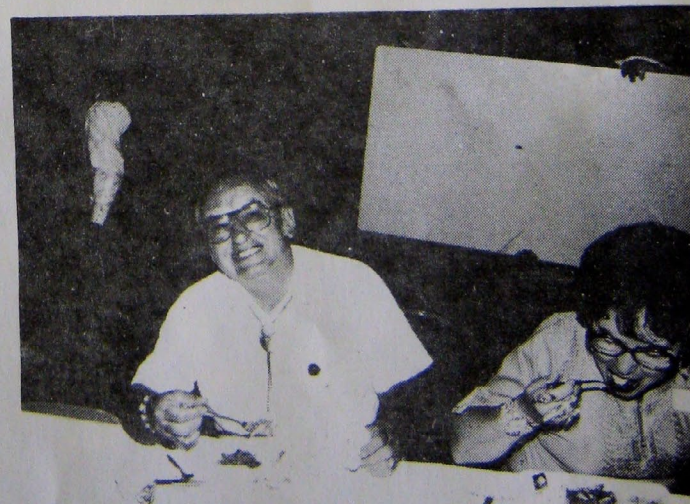
(515) 223-5691 - home  
(515) 281-8515 - office

Best wishes for a successful Alumni banquet.

Sincerely,  
Cathy Koubek



Some Come To Flirt . . .  
Cindy Peterson Osborne - Karla Cole Pierce 1973



Some Come To Eat . . .  
Speck & Kathleen Spargo Sanders 1944

### Letters From The Old Gang

Bertha Wemple Davis '25  
Longmont, Colorado

Dear Deb,

I think this pays me for 1984-85. Hope I'm right as I don't want to miss a paper.

Can't believe the wonderful job you people do.

Keep up the good work as I'm sure everyone appreciates it.

Sincerely,  
Bertha Davis

Alta Atkins Babcock '33  
Seal Beach, California

Dear Viola,

Saw your request for change of address for Alumni members so will send you mine.

Hopefully I'll be coming back again this year so see you then.

Sincerely,  
Alta M. Babcock

Margaret Stauffer Lee '37  
Franklin, Nebraska

Dear Alumni friend,

It has been a long time since we have been together. Hope Irene and I can make it this year, but haven't talked about it much yet. Would like to receive the news paper in 1984. Am sending this temporary address where I work so I will receive it.

Thank you,  
Margaret

Karl Thelen '27  
Salem, Oregon

Dear Friend,

Though I haven't been regular about keeping in touch with the Alumni Association, I want you to know that I do appreciate your keeping in touch every year.

Helen and I are still here in Salem where we've been since we left Nebraska in '42. I taught in the public schools here until I retired in '74. Since then we've done a little traveling, but mostly we've just enjoyed living here in the Willamette Valley. This being the first day of spring, I'd like to let you know that it's pretty hard to tell it's beginning except for all the blossoms...Plums, magnolia, camellias, daffodils and a lot more. But it won't be dry enough to begin serious gardening around my place for another month or more. I'm getting stuff started in the greenhouse, however.

My big activity besides Pop's Orchestra and church choir is performing with a barbershop quartet. We sing at all sorts of events around the community. We're all retired music educators so we call ourselves "The Musicators." I work with the Salem Men's Garden Club, edit their newsletter and help with projects.

I'm sorry circumstances kept me from making the class of '27's reunion. If there's a 60th, maybe I can get to that. Thanks again for keeping in touch.

Sincerely,  
Karl Thelen

Jessie Lindell Bartley '29  
RioHoda, Texas

Dear Pals,

Sorry I can not be with you, but wish I could, maybe another year. Thanks for sending me the invitation.

An old pal,  
Jessie (Lindell) Bartley

Ruth Spencer  
Oakland, California

Dear Arnold Alumni,

Thank you very much for sending me the Alumni news celebrating the 100th anniversary. I am surprised as I had no idea there was even a grade school there in 1883.

It was sad for me to see the names of all who had passed away, especially the ones I knew and loved so much. It was amazing to see how the school had grown since 1913, from a class of five to classes of 16, 19 and 22. More power to you, keep up the good work.

We celebrated our 62nd anniversary last January 1st, and while we aren't as agile as we might be, we are still holding up pretty well. Blake is 87 and I will be 87 next week.

But my travel days are over. Since I was there in '63 and showed my pictures of Africa and Russia, I have had five more tours through Asia and South America and two around the world tours, one solo. I enjoyed the one by myself much more as I made many friends. Everyone was so

willing and anxious to help with the language difficulty, and no matter where I was, I always found someone who spoke English.

I stayed most of the time with missionaries. Many of them thought since I was traveling alone, that I was an official checking up on them. It was great fun. I was invited to dinner by the Methodist Bishop of Korea, and was introduced to the King and Queen of Nepal and visited the Taj Mahal upstairs and down. It is the most beautiful building in the world. Now I have many more pictures to show to various clubs and churches here in Oakland including the Angkor Wat ruins of Cambodia.

I still miss my Arnold friends and feel badly that so many have passed away.

Thanks again for remembering me. With very best wishes for the future, all my love to all who remember me.

Ruth Needham Spencer

Kathi Halstead Nobbman '73  
Phoenix, Arizona

All is great in Phoenix. Dale and I are expecting our first born on July 4th. It seems to be encompassing our whole life right now. Dale and I are both working alot. We are really looking forward to 1984. Sorry we won't be home for Alumni this year.

Kathi



Doug Cole and Pete and Pat Hagler



Bernadine Dennis Hoppas '39, Winnie Shaw Johnson '39,  
Darrel Dennis Rosentrater '37 and Norna Lewis Tryon '28





Photo taken north of town by a friend of Carolyn Geiser's in Holdrege, Nebraska.

An amateur photographer, he had to show her "The most beautiful scene he had ever

photographed" when he discovered she was from Arnold. We would agree.

### 1983 Financial Statement

#### INCOME:

Dues	694.00
O.S. Directory	170.00
Nebr. Directory	285.00
Tickets	1785.00
Paper	3.00
Program	30.00
Dance	256.00
Food Resold	217.41
Total	\$3,440.41

#### EXPENSES:

Food	1353.46
Labor	329.60
Postcards	104.00
Postage	296.00
Janitorial	60.00

Sales Tax	92.53
Printing	344.00
Secy-Treas. Supp.	57.16
Banquet Supp.	112.90
Secy-Treas.	125.00
Program Supp.	71.81
Installing Outlet	135.42
Flowers	50.00
Band	525.00
Gift Certificates	20.00
Postage	20.00
B&D Office Supp.	239.15
Total	\$3,936.33
Beginning Bal.	\$3660.50
Ending Balance	\$3164.58

### Honored Class Of 1914

Elva Davis Potter '14  
Yoder, Wyoming

Dear Mrs. Geiser,

I would like to attend the Alumni banquet except I am 90 years old and have difficulty getting around. I have to use a walker, so I don't think I should try to make the trip.

Thanks for asking me. I thank you.

Elva Potter

### 1984 OFFICER BALLOT

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Greg Deterding 1972

1st Vice-President

Mitch Geiser 1971  
Rodney Watson 1966

2nd Vice-President:

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Judy Collier Gracey 1973

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