



This photograph of the Hardwick All-School Reunion appeared in the June 30 edition of the Star Herald. Alumni have posted dozens of great photos of the All School Reunion at <http://hardwickmn.shutterfly.com/>

## Go .... HARDWICK WILDCATS!

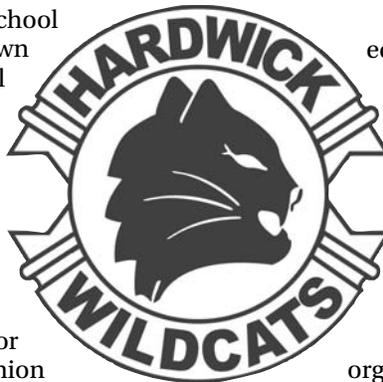
Hundreds of Hardwick Grade School alumni returned to their hometown Saturday, June 25, for an all-school reunion and Hardwick's annual Jubilee Days celebration.

Weather cooperated for a full weekend of celebration games and activities.

The fun started Friday morning when Hardwick Wildcat Headquarters opened at Hardwick City Hall.

Alumni could register there for weekend events and browse for reunion sweatshirts, T-shirts, caps and other alumni items that were available.

City Hall also served as a museum and display of Hardwick Grade School photographs.



Hardwick's Friday activities included a co-ed softball tourney, Whopper Wagon, fast pitch softball and Ben Davis music on Main Street.

Saturday activities included more ballgames, pasture pool, kids kickball, Ag Olympics, a beanbag tourney on Main Street, burgers at the Green Lantern, inflatables, all-school reunion meal and program under the tent, a parade, pedal pull and street dance.

Committee members who worked on organizing the weekend events include Lorna (Siebenahler) Bryan, Joni Petersen, Patti (Kirby) Pierson, Arlen Hansen, Dianne (Lorenzen) Ossenfort, Bryan Fodness, Kathy (Behr) Remme, Bill DeBates and Colleen (Obermoller) Deutsch.

### Thank you

WOW!!! What a Successful and FUN Weekend! THANK YOU to everyone who attended the Hardwick All School Reunion and Jubilee Days! It was great to see so many familiar faces from long ago, reminiscing and sharing stories and laughs.. and creating more memories to cherish! It was a GREAT weekend! We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did! GO WILDCATS!

~The Hardwick All School Reunion Committee

### Get your Wildcat gear

Due to the great demand we will have to put in one more order for Hardwick Wildcat Gear! This is your LAST chance! Available in Maroon or Gold, Caps are \$10, T-shirts (small-XLg) are \$12, Sweatshirts are \$20, Hoodies are \$27 (XXL and XXXL are \$2), Can coozies are \$2, Hardwick Memory Books are \$5, shipping is \$5.

Send orders to Patti Pierson, [piersonprp@frontiernet.net](mailto:piersonprp@frontiernet.net) before Aug. 1. All orders must be paid for in advance.

# Honor Roll of *Alumni News* Contributors

Compiled by Rhonna Jarchow

During this past quarter, March 21, 2011, through June 20, 2011, the *Alumni News* received money in the form of memorials and gifts totaling \$3,030.52.

In the memorial section below, the individual being memorialized is printed in bold print, followed by the individual or individuals who made the gift. Contributions given by graduates and friends follow the list of memorials.

**Thank you for your support!**

## Memorials

### **Olga "Sally" Gabrielson Olson, '32**

Ardith Holling Ahrendt, '49  
Rosa Tofteland Johnson, '43

### **Roland "Rollie" DeLapp, '39**

James Hamann, '56

### **Johnnie Johnson, '39**

Bud (Edwin) Oakland, '43  
Dennis Johnson, '67  
Sandi Brown Johnson, '67

### **Jeannette Wiese Helland, '40**

Eileen Sunde Kopp, '41

### **Robert Tim Tangeman, '41**

Eileen Sunde Kopp, '41

### **Richard Burmeister, '43**

Bud (Edwin) Oakland, '43

### **Ruth Roberts Hommen, '43**

Bud (Edwin) Oakland, '43

### **Christine Ronlund Marks, '43**

John Ronlund, '58  
Bud (Edwin) Oakland, '43

### **Marlene Remme Schwartz, '43**

Bud (Edwin) Oakland, '43

### **Mavis Schneekloth Strand, '46**

Leo Berning, '47

### **Marlyn LeMaire, '47**

Rosa Tofteland Johnson, '43

### **Curt Maxwell, Sr., '47**

Marcia Orsmseth Sedlacek, '55

### **Delores Hudson Dunn, '48**

Marlin Hudson, '44

### **Iona Wahlert Hartog, '51**

Darlene Burmeister Johnson, '51  
Walt Johnson  
Alice Hoiland Larson, '51

### **Lee Petersen, '51**

Gayle Frakes Beers, '51  
Roger Beers, '50

### **Orla Aanenson Powell, '51**

Gayle Frakes Beers, '51  
Roger Beers, '50  
Gloria Aanenson Rolfs, '63  
Joyce Aanenson Hansen, '65  
Carol Aanenson Hatting, '66  
Randy Aanenson, '70  
Alan M. Aanenson, '73  
Joan Aanenson Berry, '75  
Naidine Wulf Aanenson, '48

### **Lee Petersen, '51**

Emery Braa, '51  
Marlys Braa  
Jacqueline Medill  
Gayle Frakes Beers, '51  
Roger Beers, '50

### **Kathy Hoime Robinson, '57**

Deanna Vatland O'Toole, '43  
Mary O'Toole Hemme, '72  
Darrell Hemme, '73  
Kathy O'Toole Dahedl, '76  
Gary Dahedl  
Barbara O'Toole Brehm, '79  
Paul Brehm, '79  
Shirley Skoland Ford, '45  
Dorothy Skoland Foss, '42  
Bev Haroldson  
Lorraine Hoime Olson  
Clare VandeVelde  
Linda Bowman Moeller, '62  
Roy Moeller, '58  
Karen Hoime  
Ken Hoime, '57  
Carol Kasemodel Sels, '57  
Marcia Stoterau Binford, '57

### **Sondra King Soli, '58**

Donna Kallsen Connell, '58  
Karen Groth Schroepfel, '58

### **Lloyd Madison, '63**

Bill Mohr, '62  
Susan Reimer Mohr, '63

### **Charlie Weber, '67**

Judy Steiner, '67  
Allan Top  
Lona Gabrielson Klosterbuer, '70  
Janine Jordahl Papik, '69  
Gary Papik, '69  
Carol Aanenson Hatting, '66  
Jim Hatting, '66

### **Curt Maxwell, Jr., '68**

Marcia Orsmseth Sedlacek, '55

### **Jim Hommen, '70**

Sandy Arp Smith, '70  
Randy Aanenson, '70

### **Kathy Thorson, '77**

Patricia Teclaw, '76  
Joyce Thode, '77

### **Victor Hoeck**

Ida Olson Reverts, '46

### **Aldine Madison**

Connie Vegge Connell, '68  
Kenneth Madison, '68

### **Ernest Parry (teacher 1949-1952)**

Don Parry, '51

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#### **NOTE:**

**If you have recently made a contribution to the *Alumni News* and your name does not appear on this page, please let the staff know. The chances are your contribution was received after this page was compiled (June 20, 2011). Please watch for the next issue, October, 2011 (Volume 22, Issue 1), for additional names of *Alumni News* contributors.**

# What We've Heard . . .

**Martha Sellen Nuffer** (LHS 1953) writes greetings to all Luverne alumni from Elkhorn, NE. She loves to read what is going on in the community and Luverne graduates. "It is special. I doubt many schools have anything its equal."

It's not just alumni that enjoy reading Alumni News. Ron and Rose Tabbert of Magnolia enjoy keeping up with Alumni News because of their son Dana (LHS 1989) and daughter Tiffany (LHS 1993.) Dana and wife Molly live in Oskaloosa, IA. He is a photographer, amateur taxidermist, and works at Vermeer Mfg. in Pella, IA. Molly works in research and development at Aginimoto at Eddyville, IA. They have a son Ethan (11 ½ yrs) and daughter Emma (7 ½ yrs.) Tabberts' daughter Tiffany lives in Eugene, OR. Tiffany is a speech pathologist working with children. Tiffany is married to William Watson, an electrical engineer who does computer work.

**A. J. (Tim) Tangeman** (LHS grad) writes from Landisburg, PA. He sends thanks for the extra effort that our editor, Lori Ehde, puts toward crafting fine articles from the bits and pieces that she is given to work with.

**Helen Sell** (LHS 1938) celebrated her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday in October and enjoys living in Becketwood, a senior co-op in Minneapolis. She enjoys spending time coordinating and working with the landscape and gardens. Helen puts a call

out to classmates to reconnect... She hopes to visit this summer!

**Aldine and Keith Madison** provided more turkey meals in Rock County than people could count! Founders of Blue Mound Inn Restaurant and Catering Service, they raised their three children in Luverne. **Marlyce Madison Micklos** (LHS 1966), **Kenneth Madison** (LHS 1968) and **Shirley Madison Cook** (LHS 1970) fondly remember their parents' hard work in building this great dining empire. Marlyce, Ken and Shirley all look forward to receiving their new issues of Alumni News.

LHS graduate **Betty Wulf Justin**

sends greetings to friends and classmates from New Brighton, MN. Betty keeps busy with her family (2 sons, 1 daughter-in-law, 2 granddaughters, 2 cats, 3 dogs and 7 horses.) After retiring from teaching she traveled extensively before taking time to catch up on reading and becoming quite accomplished on the computer. The computer is a great way to keep in constant contact!

**Marlin Hudson** (LHS 1944) enjoys retirement in Sheboygan Falls, WI. Gardening and golfing are great ways to fill up your schedule when you are retired. He says that everyone should give it a try!

## Let's Hear from YOU!

Let us know what you are doing and we'll pass it on to other alumni. Complete and then place this form in an envelope and mail to:

**Alumni News**  
**709 N. Kniss Avenue**  
**Luverne, Minnesota 56156**



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# Alumni, this is your news

Alumni News launches TID-BITS, a column composed of alumni submissions

One of the greatest things about Alumni News is sharing the experiences of growing up in Luverne and Rock County. All of us have memories of things we did, people we knew, events we shared and what we witnessed.

At a meeting of the Alumni News Staff in May, the committee chose to introduce a new column in the fall 2011 edition called “Tid-Bits.” The column will be composed of a selection of comments and writings submitted by Alumni on a specific topic that will be introduced in the previous Alumni News.

Some ideas that were suggested for topics were: nights at Verne Drive-In, Hot Dog Nite, school bus rides, prom, band trips, Rock County Fair, summer memories, and snow days. Topic suggestions are endless and we are confident that our classmates can come up with stories we will all like to read. Alumni are also encouraged to submit digital images of those memories. All the photos may not be used but they will be uploaded on the Alumni news website.

What would be more appropriate to write about than the memories of the most famous author from Luverne? The subject for the first Alumni News Tid-Bit column is none other than our own beloved FREDERICK MANFRED. Those of us who grew up in Luverne have vivid memories of this imposing man living in Luverne. We may have known his children, listened to him speak, visit with him at the coffee shop or seen him at a school event.

Manfred brought fame and notoriety to Luverne through his writing. He created vivid images of life on the prairie through his prose and poetry. His stories told tales of heroes, villains and “everyman.”

Volunteers from throughout the community have come together to plan a year-long celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his birth. The year will be introduced in February with “READING ROCKS THE COUNTY,” a county-wide reading program with the adult featured book, Lord Grizzly. Year-long plans include: “Manfred at the Movies,” poetry and prose writing contest, Blue Mound Writers Series, Manfred Memorabilia and Art Show, photo workshop & Siouxland photo contest, and drawing workshop and Siouxland art contest. The highlight of the year will be the Manfred 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Birthday Reception (featuring informal conversation by Manfred family and friends) and Manfred at the Palace (featuring Manfred and original readings by regional authors) scheduled for Saturday, April 21.

## **MANFRED: THE SCRIBE OF SIOUXLAND** **2012: A Year of Celebration**

**You are invited to help us kick-off this year of celebration by sharing your stories and your memories of Frederick Manfred, one of our community heroes!**

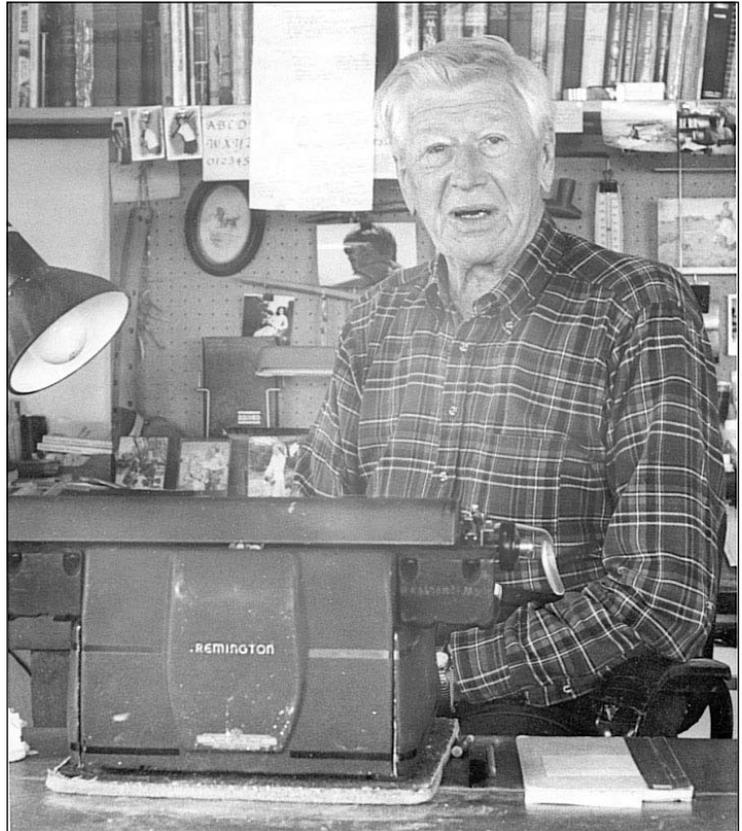
**Send your thoughts in written form to:**

**TID-BITS**

**213 East Luverne Street**

**Luverne, MN 56156**

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# Remembering our Classmates

## 1930-1939

**Olga Avilda "Sally" Gabrielson Olson '33** died April 12, 2011, at the Mary Jane Brown Home in Luverne. She was married to Russ Olson for 42 years. She graduated from Mankato College in 1972, at the age of 52, with a degree in special education. Olga taught in Rock County for twenty-five years, both in country school and in Luverne. Olga enjoyed bowling, golfing, pinochle, traveling and visiting her family. Olga set an example of love and sacrifice. Her positive attitude and delightful wit will be missed by all.

She is survived by her four children, Rebecca (Chris) Eyberg, Dr. Michael (Debby) Olson, Richard (Laura) Olson, and Kathryn (Bill) Harris, fourteen grandchildren, fourteen great-grandchildren; sister Clara George, and brother Arnold Gabrielson.

**Dorothea Hamann '37** died May 2, 2011, at the Hospice Cottage in Luverne. Following her graduation she began her career at Tri-State Insurance in Luverne. In 1963 she married Theodore Hamann. The couple made their home in Luverne. She worked at Tri-State Insurance for more than 40 years. Theodore preceded her in death on July 25, 2002. Dorothea was an active member of St. John Lutheran Church where she taught Sunday school for more than 25 years. She belonged to many organizations within the church. She enjoyed fishing and traveling with her husband. She also enjoyed needlework, flowers, and taking walks.

She is survived by her sister, **Louise (Lloyd) Beckman '45**, two sisters-in-law, Leona Goehle, and Joanne Goehle; many nieces and nephews; and other relatives and friends.

**Roland DeLapp '39** died March 19, 2011. Roland graduated from Macalester College in 1943. He served in the U.S. Navy in World War II. He was an educator in Minneapolis Public Schools, serving as a teacher, coach, and principal of Susan B. Anthony, North and Washburn schools.

Mr. DeLapp is survived by four children, Jane (Dick) Harris, Steve (Peggy) DeLapp, Diane (Jim) Otto, and Barbara Delapp; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

## 1940-1949

**Edia Refnes Doenges '40** died June 18, 2010; in Fort Collins, CO. Edia was a long-time resident of Elmhurst, Illinois. After graduation, Edia moved to Chicago and worked as a secretary. She married

William Doenges in 1951. Edia moved to Ft. Collins two weeks before her death.

Her daughter, Judy; a brother Phillip; many friends; and numerous nieces and nephews survive Edia.

**Jeannette Wiese Helland '40** died April 30, 2011, in Lakeville. After graduation she lived in Minneapolis for four years before returning to Luverne where she lived for 15 years. She married Jean Helland in 1946. They moved to Sioux Falls where she worked as a bookkeeper for Vern Eide Buick and as a counselor at the Diet Center. She retired in 1988. She enjoyed doing needlework, knitting, baking, playing cards and reading.

She is survived by her daughter, **Connie '66** (the Rev. Olin) Sletto; three sons, the Rev. Gregg (Debbie) Helland, Bruce (Julie) Helland and Scott (Elise) Helland; nine grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and one brother, **Roger Wiese '45**.

**Russell L. Ladd '41** died in August 2010 in Seattle, Washington. He was the youngest of seven brothers; he spent his early years on the family farm until he enlisted in the U.S. Army. During WWII, he served in the South Pacific. Russ graduated from the University of Minnesota and went to work for The Boeing Company as an aeronautical engineer, where he held several different positions during his 37-year tenure. In 1983 Russ married Cherie Bowen.

He is survived by his wife, Cherie, and brothers **Leslie '32** and **Lauren '55** and their families.

**Robert "Tim" Tangeman '49** died April 25, 2011 in Luverne. After graduation he attended Hamlin University in St. Paul. He served his country during World War II in the U.S. Army Air Corp, where he flew P47s and P51s. He returned to Hamlin and graduated from Hamlin Law School. Robert worked for Minnesota Mutual Insurance in Minneapolis. The family moved to Des Moines where he worked for Travelers Insurance. He was later appointed as assistant attorney general for the state of Iowa Highway Department, where he worked before serving as a judge for the Iowa Correctional Department. Mr. Tangeman was an active member of the community, belonging to many organizations. He was a charter member of the Luverne Hospice program, which he was very influential in starting.

He is survived by his wife, Jeanette Tangeman,

# Four New Scholarships Endowed With Local Organization

by Gregg Gropel

Next spring, four additional scholarships will be available to the Class of 2012 scholarship applicants. These new scholarships, endowed during the past three months, are the *Elmer and Frances Drost Memorial Scholarship, Jerry Jensen Scholarship, Lions 92 Scholarship, and Lee Petersen Memorial Scholarship.*



A short synopsis regarding each of these scholarships is printed below.

## Elmer and Frances Drost Memorial Scholarship

Elmer and Frances Drost were long-time Rock County residents.

Elmer Drost, the son of Frank and Sena Drost, was born in Rock County, 1917. On the other hand, Frances was born near Canton, South Dakota, in 1923. She was the daughter of Peter and Caroline Knutson.



Frances Drost

The two were married on December 17, 1944, in Hudson, South Dakota, and the newlyweds made their first home on a farm near Ellsworth, Minnesota.

Elmer and Frances became parents of three children: Twila, Gary, and Gregg. All three are LHS graduates, graduating in 1964, 1967, and 1971, respectively.

Elmer farmed his entire life, whereas many graduates will recall Frances working in the elementary school lunch program, as she worked 23 years for the school as a dietary aid.

At the time of Elmer's retirement from farming, the couple moved into Luverne.

Elmer passed away on January 19, 1983. Frances passed away this past May.

The Drost family, who established this memorial scholarship in Elmer's and Frances' memory, requested the scholarship be awarded to students who wish to further their education at a technical school.

The first *Elmer and Frances Drost Memorial Scholarship* will be awarded next spring, May, 2012.

## Jerry Jensen Scholarship

Hats off to Jerry Jensen. For many readers they only know this man as Mr. Jensen, the biology teacher.

Jerry, who garners praise from former students, colleagues, and parents for his excellence in education, called it quits after spending 38 years in the classroom.

Jerry, who hails from Madison, South Dakota, joined the Luverne school faculty in the fall of 1973. During his many years on staff he soon became a leader among his

peers and a person to whom others went to for advice.

Known as an innovator in education, Jerry created unique ways in presenting lessons. Jerry, perhaps, was one of the first teachers in the nation to fully integrate the computer into his curriculum. His classroom presentations seemed to inspire students and pull them into the realm of wanting to learn.



Jerry Jensen

After several years of hard work in his profession, he slowly developed into becoming a master teacher. His hard work did not go unnoticed. He soon received several accolades for his classroom ingenuity.

The first of those honors happened in 1992, when Jerry was named Luverne's Teacher of the Year for school year 1992-93. He eventually became one of the 12 finalists for the state's top coveted teaching honor.

Another commendation for Jerry occurred in 1994 when he was named the Outstanding Biology Teacher at the National Association of Biology Teachers Conference in St. Louis.

These are just a couple of several commendations bestowed upon the very distinct biology teacher.

Jerry wasn't the only teacher in the family.

Jerry's wife, Delaine, remains a member of the Luverne faculty. She is an educator in the elementary school.

This teaching duo are the parents of two children, Jennifer and Rebecca. Both children are LHS graduates. Jennifer graduated 1995 and Rebecca in 1998.

Family members—Delaine, Jennifer, and Rebecca—wanted to honor their husband/father for his outstanding career in education, and they did so by establishing the *Jerry Jensen Scholarship*.

The first scholarship carrying Mr. Jensen's name will be presented next year, May, 2012.

## Lions 92 Scholarship

As with many service organizations in recent years, a community service club's membership has become very difficult to sustain. So it is with the local Luverne woman's service organization known as Lions 92.



Lions 92, founded in 1992 as the counterpart to the local men's Lions Club, has worked diligently over the years in carrying out the mission of the organization, which included working with sight, hearing, and speech conser-

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## Dollars for Scholars Set to Exceed \$2 Million in Scholarship Dollar Awards

By this time next year the local scholarship program is projected to have surpassed \$2,000,000 in scholarship awards to LHS graduates over the program's 29-year history.

It took 21 years to exceed the first million in scholarship dollars. That milestone was reached when scholarships were awarded to the Class of 2004. Now, just a mere eight years later, the local scholarship program will reach another benchmark when it surpasses the second million dollars in awards. This will occur when the first few qualified recipients from the Class of 2012 come forward to accept their scholarship awards next May.

To the right is a chart showing the total number of scholarship recipients from each class and the total number of dollars awarded to those scholarship recipients.

Over the past 28 years, the local scholarship program has provided 1,337 LHS graduates with scholarships totalling \$1,945,225.

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vation programs, as well as being actively involved in many other local community projects.

But unfortunately, after nearly 20 years of community involvement, the changing times has brought about the dissolution of the local service organization. As the club formally packs away its meeting paraphernalia, the remaining members decided to establish a scholarship with Luverne Dollars for Scholars by using the residue of dollars in its treasury. Even though the club will no longer be in existence, the newly established *Lions 92 Scholarship* will continue to carry on a piece of service work each year for the defunct organization—forever.

The first *Lions 92 Scholarship* will be awarded next May, 2012.

### Lee Petersen Memorial Scholarship

Lee Petersen, a 1951 LHS graduate, passed away on Thursday, April 21, in Rochester, Minnesota.

Except for a few years after his retirement, Lee lived his entire life in Rock County.

Lee was born on June 14, 1933, to Emil and Lorraine Peterson. On that date, he joined two brothers—Herbert and Carl—and a sister—Bernice (Heckt). Later, a younger sister, Lois (Kindt), and brother, Loren, rounded out the senior Petersen family of eight. They lived on a farm in Springwater Township.



Lee Petersen



## 28-Year Summary of Luverne Dollars for Scholars

Graduating Class	No of Recipients	Dollars Awarded
Class of '84	2	\$1,000
Class of '85	9	3,600
Class of '86	11	4,100
Class of '87	7	4,250
Class of '88	19	7,175
Class of '89	16	4,950
Class of '90	22	8,550
Class of '91	25	10,400
Class of '92	25	23,750
Class of '93	33	45,000
Class of '94	34	44,750
Class of '95	54	47,600
Class of '96	47	50,700
Class of '97	48	54,700
Class of '98	67	103,500
Class of '99	78	134,750
Class of '00	100	142,750
Class of '01	65	119,000
Class of '02	78	94,250
Class of '03	75	94,500
Class of '04	74	94,250
Class of '05	68	96,000
Class of '06	63	95,000
Class of '07	63	95,500
Class of '08	70	144,500
Class of '09	66	111,250
Class of '10	64	138,500
Class of '11	54	170,950
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1,337</b>	<b>\$1,945,225</b>

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Luverne; 12 children Tim (friend Nan) Tangeman, Marc Tangeman, Fran Davis, Brad Tangeman, Dan (Leslie) Tangeman, Peggy (Mike) Quillman, Eileen (Ron) Salamon, Rita Partridge, Diane (Lee) Borden, Tom (Helen) Dempewolf, Nancy (Phil) Mella, and Kathy (Tim) Zigler, 19 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren; two brothers, Arthur, and Andrew, a niece and nephew; and other friends and relatives.

**Margaret Fitzer Nelson '45** died May 31st in Duluth, MN. Following graduation Margaret attended Northwestern Hospital School of Nursing in Minneapolis. She married Robert Nelson in 1950. She worked as a registered nurse and as a northwest Airlines flight attendant. She was involved in various volunteer and leadership roles within her church and community.

Mrs. Fitzer Nelson is survived by her husband, Robert Nelson, two children, Ann (Jim) Carlson and Tom (Mary) Nelson; four grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; a brother, **Maurice '45 (Helen) Fitzer**, and many other relatives and friends.

### 1950-1959-

#### **Iona K Wahlet Hartog '51**

**Lee Peterson '51** died April 21, 2011, in Rochester, MN. After high school he attended community college briefly and then worked in the carpentry field. In 1953 he married Delores Estergaard in Flandreau. After their marriage they lived in Luverne where he worked at the city of Luverne power plant as chief engineer. He then worked at Iowa Beef Processors for more than 25 years as the maintenance supervisor. During his years with the city and IBP he also farmed. In 1992 the couple moved to Walker, MN, where he retired in 1995. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and watching and participating in sports.

Mr. Peterson is survived by his wife, Delores Peterson; two sons, **James** (Jean) Peterson and **Jeffery '76** (Barbara) Peterson; five grandchildren, two sisters, Bernice Heckt and **Lois Kindt '49**; and one brother **Loren Peterson '55**.

**Orla Aanenson Powell '51** died April 4, 2011 in Fairfax, Virginia. On Jan 5<sup>th</sup>, 1953 she married William Powell. She enjoyed cooking and trying new recipes, playing bridge, entertaining friends and exercising at the gym.

Mrs. Powell is survived by her husband, William Powell, two children, Kathy (Don) Brock, and Julie (John) Fitzgerald; four grandchildren;

two brothers John (Gloria) Aanenson, and **Howard '46** (Lavenell) Aanenson; two sisters, Romona Skidmore and **JoAnn '54** Barmore; a sister-in-law, Ellen Aanenson; and many other friends and relatives.

**Iona Wahlert Hartog '51** died March 24, 2011, in Burnsville, MN. She married Albert W. Hartog November 22, 1953 in Luverne. Iona enjoyed collecting crystal angels, lighthouses and golf balls with logos on them. She enjoyed golfing and thanks to her son Curtis she was able to see three professional golf games.

**Sondra King Soli '58** died at her home in Coon Rapids, MN, on September 18, 2010, after a brief courageous battle with cancer. Those whose lives she touched will miss her. She met the love of her life, Robert, 50 years ago at the Swain Cross-Country Invitational in Duluth, MN. Sondra was a long time employee of North Memorial Hospital. She will be remembered for her love of travel, golf, wine, and spending time with family and friends.

She is survived by her husband of 49 years, Robert, father Lloyd King, brother Robert (Diane) King; daughter Teresa Dillenburg (Greg) sons, Chris (Cheryl) and Patrick (Sara); seven grandchildren; brother-in-law Edwin Soli (Patricia); nieces and nephews and other family and friends. "You will not see me, so you must have faith. I wait for the time when we can soar together again, both aware of each other. Until then, live your life to its fullest and when you need me, just whisper my name in your heart." ... I will be there." - Emily Dickinson

**Betty Roemeling Evanson '59** died May 7, 2011 in Austin, MN. In 1964 she married Everett Evanson. She worked as a beautician, at Mayflower, the Old Colony Home, and as a crossing guard at Ankeny's and at Culvers. Betty enjoyed crocheting, going to the Casino, and following Minnesota sports.

She is survived by her daughter Kris (Paul) Olson, a brother, Elvin (Lorraine) Roemeling, a sister-in-law Geraldine (James) Christian.

### 1960-1969

**Charles Weber '67** died April 6, 2011 at his home as the result of an accident. After graduation he continued to work on the family farm.

He served in the National Guard from 1968-1974. He married Shirley Oeding in 1974. Charles farmed his whole life and also worked at Hills

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Implement, Terrance Park Dairy, Busse Plumbing and Heating, and McClure Plumbing and Heating. He enjoyed gardening, growing vegetables, and canning, making salsas for his children, smoking meats, fishing and visiting friends.

Mr. Weber is survived by his wife, **Shirley Weber '70**, four children, **Beverly Weber '90** (Gonzalo Serano) **Rebecca Weber '92** (Clint Eichstadt), **Lynette '95** (Richard Preiner), and **Brian Weber '99** (Sara Newlon), his mother Ester Weber, a brother **William '74** (Barbara) Weber two brothers-in-law Waldo (Jane) Oeding and Eugene (Beverly) Oeding and six nieces and; and three nephews.

### 1970-1979

**Joel A Nath '72** died May 31, 2011. Following high school, Joel furthered his education at Minnesota West Community College. Joel farmed fulltime from 1977-1982. He then went to work for IBP until 1999, Joel then became employed by Hutchinson Technology. In 2005 he began his employment with Glens Food Center/ Food and Gas in Luverne where he continued to work until his illness forced him to retire in 2010. His favorite hobbies were fishing, bowling, playing cards, softball, biking and riding his motorcycle, along with being a "gaming" enthusiast.

Joel is survived by his three children Joel (friend Heather), Josh (Michelle) Nath, Jody (Brian) Moss; six grand children; parents Orlen (MaryJo) Nath and Corrine Nath; six siblings, Michael (Janet) Nath, Steven (Wendy) Nath, Gregg Nath, Pamela (Michael) Welch, Joni (Kraig) Keck and Thomas (Lisa) Nath; two step siblings, Kevin (Karen) Brandenburg and Susan (Randy) Schneekloth and other family and friends.

**Brenda Barth Smook '77** of Council Bluffs, Iowa, died of cancer on May 13, 2011, in Council Bluffs. Brenda married Brad Smook in 1978 and the couple lived in Council Bluffs most of their married life. Her husband **Brad Smook '76** and six sons, four grandchildren, her mother Doreen Barth, her father-and mother in-law, Mel and Jane Smook, her siblings Betsy, Brian, and Blaine and her grandmother, Flora Stuefen, survive her.

## Walgrave honored by peers as 'Young Engineer of Year'

Jeremy Walgrave, St. Paul, has been named the 2010 Young Engineer of the Year by the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) Minnesota Section.

Walgrave, son of Vance and Becky Walgrave, Luverne, is a 1995 graduate of Luverne High School and a 1999 graduate of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Walgrave is currently a Short Elliot Hendrickson Inc. (SEH) water resource engineer in St. Paul with 11 years of experience in the field of water resources engineering.

Walgrave's projects have included transportation drainage design, design of harbors and marinas, preparing water management plans for industrial facilities, floodplain and flood risk management analyses, streambank protection and restoration and water quality treatment.

He has also assisted several cities in establishing storm water utility funds; managed permitting and environmental assessments requirements for large-scale projects; and has managed preparation of detailed plans and specifications for small and large projects.

In January 2000 Walgrave joined the SEH St. Paul office, contributing to the overall technical capabilities of the Water Resources (WR) group. In 2001 he accepted an opportunity in the SEH Duluth office as the primary WR contact, improving the Duluth office's ability to address water resources design issues.

Walgrave then moved back to the St. Paul office and has since served as a key technical resource in the areas of transportation drainage, municipal storm water, flood risk management and erosion/sediment control.

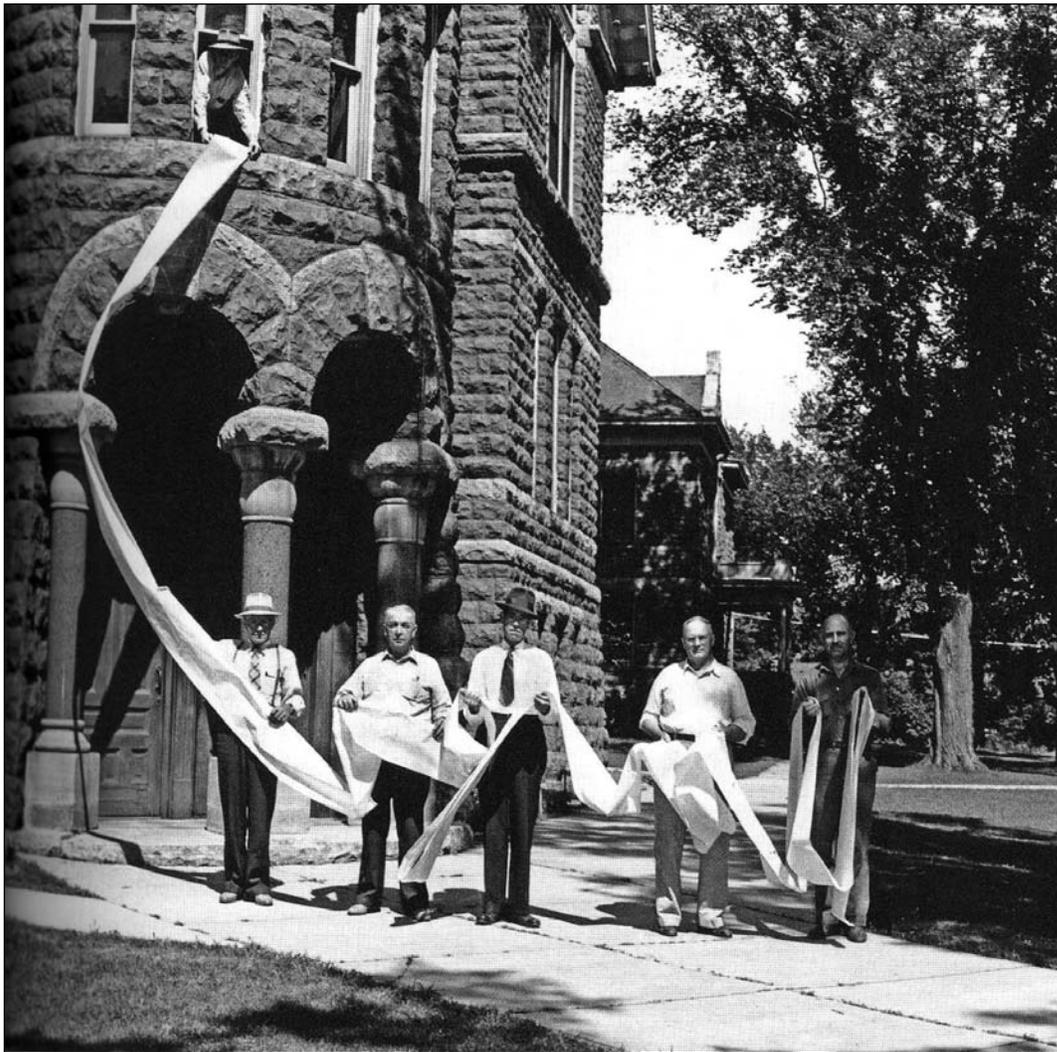
Walgrave has served as a member of award-winning projects, including the \$135 million I-494 Design-Build Project for which he served as the Mn/DOT Verification Lead for hydrology/hydraulic design, erosion/sediment control and overall environmental compliance.

He is a licensed engineer in Minnesota, Iowa and South Dakota and is certified as floodplain manager and MnDOT erosion/sediment control site inspector.

He is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), the National Association of State Floodplain Managers (ASFPM) and the Minnesota Chapter of the Association of Floodplain Managers (MnAFPM).

In order to be considered for the ASCE Young Engineer Award, Walgrave demonstrated the following:

- Outstanding performance in and societal contribution through engineering, science or technology
- Advanced degree in an engineering technology, physical science or mathematics field.
- Age 35 years or younger.
- Good standing as ASCE member.



## Thousand-foot letter to the troops similar to the one that was sent to local World War II soldiers in the 1940s

A 1,000-foot letter to deployed members of the Luverne and Pipestone National Guard unit is underway.

As a venture of the County Board, Luverne Area Chamber and the Rock County Star Herald, the roll of paper will be sent to local soldiers in time for Veterans Day in November.

“Come downtown and write a note to the soldiers,” said Chamber Director Jane Wildung Lanphere.

She said the idea comes from a similar effort in Rock County during World War II when 120 feet of signed paper was sent to soldiers overseas.

“We’re just trying to recreate that,” Lanphere said. “It should be a really fun project, and hopefully all 1,000 feet will be signed by Veterans Day.”

She said the roll of paper will travel around



Rock County to banks, schools, city halls, the courthouse and the Chamber office in an effort to fill the space with well-wishes to soldiers.

In the 1940s, the letter (pictured above) was organized by Luverne barber Kay Aanenson, and at least one serviceman responded.

“Dear Kay and everybody,” wrote soldier Vernon A. Fremstand.

“I wanted to let you know the battery received the swell letter. ... The boys are really having a time reading it. They’re on their hands and knees and have the paper strung from one end of the barracks to the other. ... It’s things like this that make us feel pretty darn good.”

Luverne alumni — next time you’re in Luverne, call the Chamber Office, 283-4061, to find out where the

letter is located and how you can add your message to the letters from home.

Honor Roll . . .  
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**Contributions** \_\_\_\_\_

**Class of 1938**

Arthur Tangeman

**Class of 1946**

Betty Wulf Justin

**Class of 1953**

Martha Sellen Nuffer

**Class of 1967**

Jeffrey Eberlein

**Class of 1970**

Sandy Arp Smith

**Class of 1981**

Chris Haycraft

**In Honor of** \_\_\_\_\_

**Dana Tabbert, '89**

Ron Tabbert  
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**Tiffany Tabbert, '93**

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Rosemary Tabbert

**Alumni News  
Financial Summary**

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**Income - March 21, 2011, through**

June 20, 2011 . . . . . **\$3,030.52**

**Current Balance . . . . . \$4,759.54**

\*The cost of the July, 2011, issue is unknown,  
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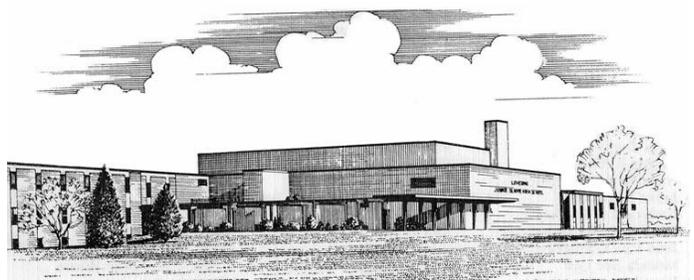
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Planning a reunion?  
Let us know. The staff is  
eager to announce each and  
every class reunion.



## Cafeteria Cuisine 2011

**By Carol McDonald**

As a paraprofessional I take/have lunch with some of my special ed kids and have all year. I know the kitchen staff pretty well. In retrospect they have been helpful and supportive with my “kids” by getting me extra things that I need to help them enjoy their lunch, like sharp knives to cut food that they can’t, extra portions, places to store wipes etc. They are a great group of dedicated ladies always willing to go the extra mile.

The Cardinal cafeteria continues to be a good place to eat. Some of the recipes have undergone modifications in order to meet government nutritional standards.

Diners are greeted by Dorothy (Woolsey) Goeske '54 as she mans the computer finger scanner to punch the student’s names in. She still has to balance the number of plates with the number of clicks on the computer.

One relatively new addition to Cardinal Cuisine is the salad bar. This is offered three days a week, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. The salad bar features a basic lettuce salad with lots of different toppings like sunflower seeds, cheese, peas, bacon bits, ham and wonderful homemade croutons. Round the corner in line 2 and there is another part to the salad bar which has a wide variety of salad bar items like cottage cheese, tuna salad, pudding etc.

Gone from the cafeteria are the malt machine (we can’t get parts to fix it) 2008, homemade chocolate chip cookies, huge sugar cookies for .25, and the third line. Still offered are homemade brownies, rice crispy bars and newly added and very popular cereal bars. We still have chocolate chip cookies but they are made from frozen dough.

Each day peanut butter sandwiches are available to fill up students who are not filled up with their regular lunch.

Pam Ruppert '81, Sonya Buss Goemle '72, and Laura Tomlinson Richters '89 are Cardinals alumni who work in the cafeteria.

## *Cardinal Diners 2011 Requested Recipes*

### **Peach Fluff**

Crust:

Graham cracker- 10lbs

Butter- 4 lbs

Sugar-4lbs

Peaches-12 # 10 cans drained  
Whipped topping = enough for above  
Save a little cracker for topping

### **Chocolate Chip Cookies**

Shortening-3lbs

Butter 3 lbs

Sugar 4 lbs

Brown sugar-6lbs

Eggs 20 or 43/4 cups frozen

Vanilla 2/3 cup

Flour 91/2 lbs or 10lbs with frozen eggs

Soda-3T plus 1 Teaspoon

Salt- 3T

Chocolate chips 2lbs

500 calories



### **Dunkers and Spaghetti**

The sauce recipe was the same,  
served with bread sticks or spaghetti noodles

Ground beef-60lbs

Puree 4 # 10 cans

Paste 2 # 10 cans

Sugar- 1-½ cups

Pepper ¼ cup

Salt to taste

Garlic salt- ½ cup

Chili powder-1/4 cup

Onions (dry) 4 cups

Water 5 # 10 cans

Spaghetti sauce 1 # 10 can

Spaghetti sauce dry 1 can

Brown beef and drain and add  
oregano to taste

Spaghetti noodles 45 lbs dry

Cook in boiling water-drain and  
rise with cold water

Put a little vegetable oil over  
noodle and put in oven

# Luverne High School Yells

Revised 1924.

1.

The head, the head, the head of the mule,  
Is always ahead like the Luverne School!  
The tail, the tail, the tail of the mule  
Is always behind like the \_\_\_\_\_ school!

2.

Hippity hoop, hippity hoop,  
\_\_\_\_\_ High School in the soup  
Hippity hop, hippity hop!  
Luverne High School right on top!

3.

Boom, boom, de aye!  
Boom, boom, de aye!  
Luverne High School wins the day.  
(repeat)

4.

Razzle, dazzle, hobble, gobble!  
Zis, boom bah!  
Luverne High School, Rah, Rah, Rah!

5.

\_\_\_\_\_ Boys are pretty!  
\_\_\_\_\_ Boys are nice!  
But when it comes to football,  
Luverne cuts the ice!

6.

What's the matter with the Luverne team!  
They are indeed just what they seem!  
Clear out of sight, and full of fight,  
For them we'll yell with all our might!

7.

Rip, Rop!  
Flip, flop!  
Dead Cinch!  
Can't stop! Luverne!

8.

Rif, Raf, Ruf!  
Rif, Raf, Ruf!  
Luverne High School  
Pretty hot stuff!

9.

Brickety, Brax, coax, coax,  
Brickety, Brax, coax, coax,  
Halabalean, Halabalean,  
Three times three for the Luverne team!  
Rah, rah, rah  
Rah, rah, rah  
Rah, rah, rah  
Rah!

10.

Boom-a-lacka, Boom-a-lacka, Bow, wow, wow!  
Chinga-lacka, Ching-a-lacka, chow, chow, chow!  
Boom-a-lacka, ching-a-lacka, who are we!  
L-u-v-e-r-n-e, Luverne, that's the way we spell it,  
That's the way we yell it, Don't you hear? Luverne.

## Remember any of these LHS fight songs or cheers?

Margaret Christensen-Freese (LHS class of 1967) shared with the Alumni News a weathered sheet of paper that she found in a box of high school memorabilia that belonged to her father, Magnus Chrisensen, who graduated from Luverne High School in 1928.

This particular item was an 8-by-14-inch sheet of blue paper that had "Luverne High School Yells" on both sides, plus some school songs.

Do any of these sound familiar?

## SONGS

As the backs go tearing by  
We will surely win to-day  
Many sighs and many tears  
Mingled with our rivals cheers  
As the backs go tearing by;  
Making gain on steady gain  
Fighting now with might and main  
Luverne High will win to-day  
She will surely win to-day  
As the backs go tearing by.

(Tune of On Wisconsin)

Luverne High School  
Luverne High School  
Plunge right thru that line,  
For your colors blue and red  
A touchdown sure this time  
Rah, Rah, Rah

Luverne High School  
Luverne High School  
Fighting for her fame.  
Fight fellows, fight, fight, fight,  
And we'll win this game.

Then here's to the Red and the Blue  
To the colors of our Alma Mater  
We're proud of its every hue  
And we'll cheer it with all our might.  
We'll never forget all the fun  
Nor the lessons of truth and of honor  
Then cheer Hurrah Ray! for Luverne  
And with a shout we'll fling it out  
The dear old banner.

Cheer, cheer, the gangs all here  
Mustn't say the naughty word  
Mustn't say the naughty word  
Cheer, cheer, the gangs all here  
Mustn't say the naughty word now

# Reunions in the Making

Compiled by Gregg Gropel

## Class of '46

**When:** August 13, 2011

**Location:** Blue Mound Banquet Center

**Contact:** Ida Reverts

1473 110th Avenue

Luverne, Minnesota 56156

Phone: (507) 283-8821

## Class of '51

**When:** Sept. 24, 2011

**Location:** Blue Mound Banquet Center

**Contact:** Jim Herman

Phone: (507) 283-8674

Barbara Newton Ball

Phone: (507) 283-8216

Don Spease

Phone: (507) 283-2705

## Class of '61

**When:** Sept. 23 & 24, 2011

**Location:** Friday - Prairie Hts. Bison Ranch and  
Rock Co. Veterans Memorial Bldg.  
Saturday - Luverne Country Club

**Contact:** Lorna Forrest Hansen

at [lornahansen@comcast.net](mailto:lornahansen@comcast.net)

### Committee:

John Drummond

DyAnn Olson Emery

Alex Frick

Sharon Ladd Frick

Gordon Hamann

Wilma Smidstra Jeffer

Lorna Forrest Hansen

Twilla Hamann Navara

Tom Serie

Nicky Wendt Stubbe

*(NOTE: The Class of '61 is hoping to establish a scholarship in its name with the Luverne Dollars for Scholars program. Classmates are asked to be prepared to help with this new class project. A total of \$2,000 is needed to be raised in order to create a perpetual scholarship.)*

## Class of '65 turns 65

Ideas and suggestions for the 2012 celebration can be directed to Randa (Smith) Gangestad at [rgangestadaz@hotmail.com](mailto:rgangestadaz@hotmail.com) or 507-283-8288.

## Class of '66

**When:** July 15 & 16, 2011

A Facebook page has been developed for classmates titled Luverne High School Class of 1966. If classmates are on Facebook, they are encouraged to join this group which currently has 24 members.

The 2011 Class Reunion Committee is comprised of the following classmates: Steve and Diane (VandeHoef) Thompson, Gary and Marsha (Haakenson) Gabrielson, Jennifer Holsen, Pam Holsen, Chuck and Cindy Rodman, Jim and Carol (Aanenson) Hatting, and Mary (Arp) and Leon Pick. Jennifer Holsen is the Reunion Committee contact and may be reached at [jenholsen@gmail.com](mailto:jenholsen@gmail.com).

The Luverne *Alumni News* has class name and address records which the Committee has obtained and is updating it for future reunion communications. Contact Holsen with updated address and e-mail addresses so you won't miss out on future notifications regarding the 2011 Reunion. Lloyd Stanley is compiling a photo portfolio of classmate childhood homes and old landmarks for a trip down memory lane. If you remember your childhood home address, please e-mail it to Holsen as well. Your Reunion Committee is working hard to make the 2011 Reunion fun and memorable.

## Class of '86

**When:** July 8, 9, 10, 2011

**Location:** TBD

**Contact:** Jeff Sudenga

**Email:** [jeffsudenga@yahoo.com](mailto:jeffsudenga@yahoo.com)

**Other Info:** Search Facebook Jeff Sudenga for details



## Scholarships . . .

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After high school, Lee married Delores Estergaard in Flandreau, South Dakota. The couple made their home in Luverne where Lee first worked for the City of Luverne, serving as the Luverne Power Plant's chief engineer.

Later, Lee spent 25 years working for IBP, a prominent beef processing plant in its days located just a short distance west of Luverne. Lee served as the maintenance supervisor for this former large Rock County employer.

During his many working years with these two employers, Lee also managed to find time to do some farming on the side.

Lee and his wife Delores became parents of two children, James, who lives in Waconia, Minnesota, and Jeffrey, who resides in Rochester, Minnesota. Both boys are LHS graduates. James graduated in 1973 and Jeffrey is a member of the Class of '77.

Although Lee was busy working for the City of

Luverne/IBP and farming, he found time to serve on the Maplewood Cemetery Board and was actively involved with the Luverne Jaycees in his younger days.

Lee's involvement with the Luverne Jaycees helped launch the Luverne Little League Baseball program.

The baseball program was divided into two groups—the minor league and the major league. The minor league was primarily designed for 3rd and 4th grade students while the major league was designated for 5th and 6th grade baseball enthusiasts. The program, implemented in the 60's, pretty much remains the same today as it did under Lee's careful guidance. Eventually, Lee even managed his sons' teams in this little league baseball program.

Lee passed away in Rochester at the age of 77. He is survived by his wife, two sons, brother Loren, and sisters Bernice and Lois.

The family implemented the *Lee Petersen Memorial Scholarship* in Lee's memory. It will be awarded for the first time in May, 2012.

## Magnolia "All-Fifties" Class Reunion Scheduled for September

by Gregg Gropel

Alumni, classmates, and teachers from the Magnolia High School Classes of 1950 through 1959 will be gathering the weekend of September 24 and 25, 2011, in Luverne to celebrate the "good old days!"

"Magnolia High School helped educate many Rock County students from 1922 through 1981," proudly remarked Magnolia graduate and co-reunion organizer Lorretta Schimel Wulf.

"We are excited that this (Magnolia reunion) is also Band Festival weekend in Luverne," penned Wulf, then went on to add, "plus the Palace Theater is scheduled to be open! This will provide the setting for a lot of great memories . . . like a step back in time!"

A Saturday evening banquet is planned at the Blue Mound Banquet Center, and Sunday plans include a brunch and get-together at the Coffey Haus in downtown Luverne. The deadline for registration, as well as for the meal at the Blue Mound Banquet Center and/or the brunch at the Coffey Haus, has been extended to August 24. The deadline for ordering sweatshirts, T-shirts, caps, and submitting photos is July 31.

Class reunion organizers urge all Magnolia graduates from the 50's (1950-1959) and/or their spouse, classmates, and teachers to reserve the date and attend this special event. "We would love to see you there," cried Wulf!

For information and/or registration materials please contact Loretta (Schimel) Wulf at 218-829-6105 (e-mail: helowulf@yahoo.com); or Roger Dean at 303-439-7762 (e-mail: rdean39@hotmail.com); or Lola (Hollander) Wulf at 712-274-2280 (e-mail: geniessearch@cableone.net).

### A Sign of the Past



How many LHS grads can recall seeing the above road sign which was prominently erected on the outskirts of Magnolia, proudly announcing the community as the home of WCCO radio personality Cedric Adams? One can bet all those who gather together at the upcoming Magnolia All-50's multi-class reunion, scheduled September 24 and 25 in Luverne, will not have forgotten about the legendary signboard.

(photo submitted by Henry and Lorretta Schimel Wulf)