

# WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL, SIOUX FALLS, SD

Serving The Classes of the Great '50's Decade. Photos & Stories Welcome!

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# **ALL SCHOOL REUNION**

Sept. 18, 19 & 20, 2015

Please note that activities for some individual classes will start Thursday 9-17-15

# Marlys Ahrendt Hohman '57 For President of the U.S.A

Marlys Ahrendt Hohman '57 is again serving as Chair of this year's All School Reunion (ASR). I think it is now safe and appropriate to declare Marlys, "*The Mother of WHS All School Reunions*". Marlys was responsible for organizing the very first ASR in 1992 and has now chaired 5 of the 6, (1992, 1995, 2000, 2005, 2015), ASR's that have been held. I'm sure no one realizes the amount time, devotion and energy Marlys has given to all of us in making them happen. Not to mention the stress she has had to endure dealing so diplomatically with those few of you that can be so difficult and real pains in the bottom.

Of course it takes many, many volunteer committee members to successfully produce the ASR. So we should never forget to thank and give credit to the dozens and dozens of volunteers that have also worked so hard on all of our very successful All School Reunions. But the one main driving force and common denominator for the success and continuation of our 23 years of ASRs has been Marlys.

Marlys and I started discussing, thinking and planning for this 2015 reunion before the 2010 event even concluded so I think I am as well qualified as anyone to know of the extreme amount of time, energy and devotion she expends on making it happen. I say all of that without even mentioning the large amount of personal financial contribution she makes on each ASR. She has never been reimbursed for any of her personal expense such as gas, meals, office expense, etc..

Now I want to share with you what may be her most crowning achievement. I have had several of you ask how she is able to offer all of this year's reunion activities for a mere cost of \$50.00 per person. That was also my first question to her when I first saw this year's schedule and I found the answer astounding!

After the 4th ASR that she chaired in 2005, she and the committee were able to accumulate approximately a \$20,000.00 budget reserve. Then rather than letting it just lay dormant in a flat savings account she wisely invested the money. Now, 10 years later, that reserve fund has grown to approximately \$26,000.00 thus allowing for the 2015 registration price of only \$50.00 per person. So thank you so very much Marlys! As a result of all of your wisdom, foresight, dedication and hard work you have so unselfishly allowed us all to benefit and enjoy so much.

And that is why I now proudly nominate Marlys Ahrendt Hohman for the office of President of the United States of America!

Jack M. Phillips, Class of 1954.

### WHS ALL-SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Sept. 18,19,20, 2015

Names:	Class Year:						
Maiden Name:	Spouse or Guest:						
Address:	City:		State:Zip:				
Maiden Name: Spouse or Guest:   Address: City: State: Zip:   Phone: Email:							
Weekend Cost, \$50.00 per person – Number attending:		ding:An	Amount Enclosed:				
Friday, Septemb		HEDULE OF EVENTS					
10 a.m. – 4 p.m.	Registration: Sioux Falls Convention Center (Hallway)						
5 p.m Kickoff	<b>C</b>						
\$5.00 per person Number of tickets: (Please add this amount to che							
7 p.m.	Heavy Appetizers – Cash Bar - Sioux Falls Convention Center Exhibit Hall 1						
8 p.m. – 12 a.m.	Visiting, dancing, getting reacquainted						
Saturday, Septer	nber 19 <sup>th</sup>	•					
10 a.m.	Continuing Registration – Sioux Falls Convention Center (Hallway)						
1 p.m. to 4 p.m.	Trolley rides – downtown Sioux Falls and The Falls #						
NOTE:	Tours of the Pavilion (Retired teachers/staff present in Alumni Hall) #						
Multiple Tours							
May Be Signed       "New" Washington High School # Sanford Sports Complex #         Up For.       Veteran's Memorial Park # Joe Floyd's Ford Car Collection #							
					Mary Jo Wegner Arboretun	n #	
5 p.m. to 6 p.m. 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.  Social Hour – Cash Bar - Sioux Falls Convention Center <b>Grand Ballroom</b> Dinner (Seated by year of graduation)  Please checkOriental Glazed Chicken Glazed Pork Tenderloin							
					•	(I) Tribute to the Beatles (Conc	cert)
				10:30 p.m. to midnig			
Sunday, Septeml							
10 a.m. – Continenta	Il Breakfast (Venue to be deci	ded) Please Indicate number a	ttending:				
Blocks of rooms:							
Sheraton Hotel	Comfort Inn and Suites	Holiday Inn City Center	Ramada Hotel &Suite				
605-331-0100		605-339-2000	605-275-2702				
\$119	\$109 Single/Double	\$119	\$118				
8/28 Cutoff	\$119 Suites	9/19 Cutoff	8/18 Cutoff				
3.6	9/1 Cutoff	1 6 1 :					
May stay at any of the	ne other motel/hotels/campgro	ounds of your choice.					
Make Check Payable to: WHS All-School Reunion and Send to:							
	Marlys Hohman, 1127 N	North Covell Avenue, Sioux Fa	ills, SD 57104				
Registra	ation Deadline: <u>September 1</u>	1, 2015 No refunds	after: September 1, 2015				
5	_	s at 605-271-9084 or <u>marlysan</u>	na@aol.com				

FOR INDIVIDUAL CLASS GET TOGETHERS SEE LIST BELOW.

See NEW "Special Note On Lodging" under Class of '54 on page 4.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Anyone with special dietary or wheelchair transportation needs, please contact Marlys.

Venues will be available Friday and Saturday afternoons for visiting.

### **DESTINATION TOURS:**

The "New" Washington High School, students will be available to give tours.

Mary Jo Wegner Arboretum is a historic 115-acre plot rich with evidence of the past - stone quarries, rail lines, building foundations, town roads, and more, which began as a dream. A local visionary for the environment, Mary Jo Wegner imagined a natural haven in Sioux Falls with wetlands, gardens and native plants. The Arboretum provides recreation and education. A living link to the past and a great stake in our future: the Arboretum will help future generations foster a relationship with the environment while sharing the story of how earlier cultures interacted with the natural world. 1900 South Perry Avenue, Sioux Falls, SD 57110

<u>Sanford Sports Complex</u> is 162 acres that will serve and excite people of all ages and all walks of life. If you can play it... it will be available on this complex. 2210 West Pentagon Place, Sioux Falls, SD 57107

<u>Veterans' Memorial Park</u> - The dream of a veterans' memorial that recognizes the military history of our community and allows for a place to reflect on the sacrifices that all veterans made has been realized.

First inspired by Msgr. James Andrasckho of Holy Spirit Church, the vision became reality as the City of Sioux Falls and veterans organizations embraced the idea. A committee began by researching various ideas, meeting with designers, veterans groups and the public. A professional design team refined those ideas and a master plan was developed for the Park.

The US Army Air Corps used the selected site, North of Terrace Park, during World War II. The park, which was dedicated on September 9, 2006, includes an entryway with flags, plazas, walls, and an amphitheater. The design of the park allows for memorials to be built over time in various spaces. 1021 West Bailey Street, Sioux Falls, SD 57104.

Joe Floyd Ford Car Collection – There are about 30 cars in the collection. The majority is the 1936 Ford. We do not have a complete collection of restored models. We have one of all the models Ford made that year (14). Then we have some examples of the Ford, Lincoln and Mercury "shoebox" design popular in 1949 thru 1951. Some trucks from the 1930's and 1948 all Fords. Plus a FORD Model A sport coupe. We have a 1967 and 1958 Chevy convertible. The shop is located at 200 Industrial Drive in Harrisburg just behind the new sports complex. Take the drive marked Harrisburg Public Storage just to the rear of the sports complex.

Anyone interested in a tee shirt or sweatshirt may purchase such on: **Washington High School Warriors Apparel Store** Website.

# **UPDATED** Individual Class Activites

Many individual classes are planning a "get together" for just their class during the 2015 All School Reunion. The O&B is most happy to list and help promote each of the class events. If your class has something planned and you do not see it on the list below, please let the O&B know.

Class of 1950: A true story: Two girls met the first day of college at Augustana in 1977. They became lifelong best friends. They soon realized that both their dads were graduates of the class of 1950 WHS! They are me - Kristi Erickson Clark (daughter of Charles Erickson) and Cathy Qualseth Bernard (daughter of Don Qualseth). We got together recently and decided to have a reunion for our dads and their classmates. Here are the details: We are doing it in conjunction with the all school reunion this fall. Friday Noon, September 18, Sioux Falls Convention Center: Luncheon, \$25 per person. RSVP and check made out to Cathy Bernard and sent to: WHS 1950 Reunion c/o Kristi Clark, 16516 Marais Drive, Olathe, Kansas 66062: Phone #s, Kristi, 760-525-4832 or Cathy, 507-213-1883

Class of 1952: A luncheon will be held at 11 am on Saturday, Sept. 19, 2015 at Beef O Brady's Family Sports located at 2210 W. 69th St. in Sioux Falls. You will order from the menu. For more information, and/or a ride, contact, Betty Holmoe Pfiefle '52 at 728 E. Greenbrier Place, Sioux Falls, SD 57108. Phone is 605-310-8687. Email, <a href="mailto:waltleyse@hotmail.com">waltleyse@hotmail.com</a>

Class of 1953: On Apr 24, 2015, Sharon Frank Johnson '53 <shrnfaye@sio.midco.net> wrote: Hi Jack, Thanks for your call and efforts to get our reunion news into the O&B. Since we did not have a 60th reunion, we're calling our gathering an "80th Birthday Party for the Class of '53"......seemed fitting, as we are all there or will be shortly. Plans are not totally finalized, but we have reserved Minnehaha Country Club for a brunch at 10:00 on Saturday Morning, Sept. 19. The cost will be about \$15 and Joanie Hobson Keuser will be taking the reservations and checks (separate from the reunion itself.) Her address is 2425 S. Main Ave., Sioux Falls, SD 57105. Her email is dj.keuser@sio.midco.net for anyone who has questions, or my email is shrnfaye@sio.midco.net. That will give everyone time to attend the afternoon tours, which, I believe they will find interesting. Marlys has done a great job of getting things organized!

Thanks again.

Sharon Frank Johnson '53

Class of '54: A Class of '54 dinner will be held on Thursday evening, Sept. 17, 2015 at the Country Club of Sioux Falls, formerly, The Westward Ho Country Club. There will be a no host cocktail party with a cash bar from 5:30 to 6:30 pm followed by dinner at 7:30 pm. A two entree, beef and chicken, buffet will be served. The price will be \$39.00 per person. This price will include the buffet, some mailing expense and some printing expense. We are still looking for both a chairman for the event and an emcee for the evening. If interested please contact Jack Phillips. Since this dinner is being held on Thursday night, Sept. 17th, the night prior to the All School Reunion commencing, all out of town '54 classmates should plan on arriving in Sioux Falls by at least that Thursday. Please send your check for \$39.00 per person to Jack Phillips, at 2261 Lauren Dr. Las Vegas, NV 89134. Be sure and include your phone number and indicate if you will need a ride. I will appreciate receiving your reservation as soon as possible for planning purposes, but they must be in by Sept. 1, 2015.

Special Note On Lodging: After being unable to obtain acceptable arrangements elsewhere for our Class of '54 dinner and 3 nights of lodging, I have reserved a block of rooms for the Class of '54 at the Dakotah Lodge, 3200 Russell St. in Sioux Falls, 57107. Phone, 800-658-4508 for a price of \$60.00 for Thursday night and \$80.00 for Friday and Saturday nights. As long as they last, you will have a choice of a room with one king bed or one with two queen beds. Breakfast is included each morning. You should ask for reservations under, "WHS Class of '54". The Dakotah Lodge is 1.4 miles from the Convention Center.

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# **MORE UPDATED** Individual Class Activities

Class of '55: Mavis Larson Carl '55 has informed me that the class of '55 will be holding a cocktail party on Thursday evening, Sept. 17, 2015 from 5 pm to 9 pm at Skellys Pub & Grill, located at 130 S. Phillips Ave. Sioux Falls, SD 57104, phone, 605-221-0244. "Heavy appetizers" will be served with the cash bar. Since this party is being held on Thursday night, Sept. 17th, the night prior to the All School Reunion commencing, all out of town '55 classmates should plan on arriving in Sioux Falls by at least that Thursday. For more information you may call Mavis at 605-360-4546 or email her at mcarl47071@aol.com

Other Classes: Hopefully, there will be more classes organizing a get together over the All School Reunion weekend and they will send their information to the O&B.



Sampson hopes to see entire tribe at 2015 All School Reunion. It always a guaranteed heap good time!

# LETTER'S TO THE EDITOR

# On Feb 13, 2015, at 11:59 AM, Jim Ward '53 <J-

CWard@charter.net> wrote:



Jim Ward '53 WHS Senior Photo

Jim Ward sent his "moth-eaten Camp Teepeetonka patch" and wrote, "I am sure many of your readers went to camp there!" He also sent his "Horse Shoe Championship Award", and said, he hoped it would impress someone.

Ed. Note: Jim, It impressed me! Thanks for sharing what is no doubt good memories to lots of O&B readers.







Vicki Brubaker '59 WHS Senior Photo

No Photo

of

Jeff Kayl '69

Available

### On Apr 4, 2015, Vicki Brubaker '59, BRUBAKERCHEER@COMCAST.NET wrote:

Jack - I hate to keep repeating myself, but I just don't know how you do it! Each issue of the O&B seems to pull through more and more memories of the great time I spent at WHS. Thanks for the tremendous amount of work and time you have devoted to this wonderful project. As I've told you, I'm sincerely looking forward to meeting you in September.

### Vicki Brubaker '59

Ed. note: Vicki, thanks for the kind words. I am so glad that you are planning on attending the 2015 All School Reunion in Sept. I hope and encourage your class of '59 to have some sort of class get together during that weekend in Sioux Falls and you will let the O&B help publicize it for you. Jack

# On Apr 4, 2015, **Jeff Kayl Sr. '69,** Jeff.Kayl@everestre.com wrote:

Jack, While I do have a copy of the 1941 Warrior yearbook, it's my dad's (WHS Class of '41) and it's framed and hanging in my oldest son's (WHS Class of 1987) sports room in SF, SD. So, unfortunately, we can't part with it, at least at this point in time.

(By the way, in two years, Whitney Kayl will become the fourth generation Kayl to enter WHS. Her older sister, much to our chagrin, chose LHS under SF's open enrollment, because all of her friends were going to LHS.)

Cheers.

### **Jeff Kayl SR, WHS Class of 1969**

Ed Note: Thanks for the future possibility of a '41 Warrior. I'll wait. And by the way back to you, I think Whitney's older sister should be severely chastised! Like maybe no inheritance. You can tell her it is highly unlikely that I will be leaving her anything in my will. I hope she realizes what she did. I would guess she will probably regret her decision in the years to come. Please tell Whitney we are all hoping she doesn't make the same mistake. Jack

# On Apr 27, 2015, **James Wylie '51** <jimwylie@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

So sad to hear **Dick Fredricks '52 (Deceased),** came to the end of the line. A classic example of energy and "can do". I remember him so well. As is with case with others, he is one you expect will just go on and on. I know his story from sports contact et al. May his memory be Blessed! **Jim Wylie '51** 



Jim Wylie '51 WHS Senior Photo

# Royce Adams '58 WHS Senior Photo





Deanna Frerk Adams '61 WHS Junior Photo

# On Apr 4, 2015, **Dee '61 & Royce '58 Adams** Litljump@aol.com wrote:

As always the O&B is great reading and entertaining. Enjoyed this issue!! Thanks for your effort Jack, it sure seems that with the online O&B we can continue "being in school". And for your reader's interest here's another story from the Adams Family.

Today, April 4th, was a day of great returns. I mean the return to our home by Daisy and Donald Duck. Daisy and Donald have been nesting in our back lot for 4 years now. They show up each spring and we wonder how they ever make it. Anyway we appreciate their being with

us. Daisy disappears after a while and we assume she is tending her nest of ducks-to-be. We place a kiddee pool beside the garage, put a brick beside it so they can step right in.

We fill it to the top with water and keep it clean and provide them with whole kernel corn. Donald seems to not like our Caddy because we find him pecking at the fenders. He may think his reflection is a rival, not sure.

They are fairly tame to us and we can get within 2 feet of them as we feed them and they do not panic. Across the street there is a larger backyard swimming pool than ours and they seem to prefer using that larger pool than using ours. The summer passes and one day, if we are lucky to be at the right place at the right time, we see Daisy leading her parade of "kids" and headed down 13th Street in the direction of the river. It's a long trek but apparently they all make it. If it ain't squirrels it's ducks. Life is good.



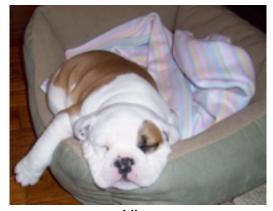
Donald

Dee '61 and Royce '58 Adams

# On Apr 15, Royce Adams '58, Litljump@aol.com wrote:

Jack, I know you don't do babies etc with family notices but maybe you would like to use this article. BTW, I was at the Air Guard Retiree's Coffee and had some great compliments from the Renners on the O&B and the stories you publish.

A week ago a friend of mine said he wanted to see me at my home at 1 PM. He said he had something to show me. So at 1 PM he was there with his girlfriend and she was holding the most beautiful cuddly Ole English Bulldog puppy. I had a bully long ago and they knew I was very fond of that breed. I ask to hold her and took her from his girl friend. My friend asked me if I liked the pup



Lilyana

and I said "Oh Yes!" He said "Great, I'm glad you do because he is yours now." At my age I always thought I don't want any pet that would outlive me,

but life keeps changing and I guess I can too. Lilyana is now in her "Forever Home" and we are training her. She catches on fast.

Thanks for the O&B's, they are great!!

Royce Adams '58



Jim Adams '54 WHS Senior Photo

On Apr 13, 2015, at 1:35 PM, **Jim Adams '54** <adamswest@earthlink.net> wrote:

Hi Jack:

A friend just sent this to me. It presents a period a little more recent than our high school days, but still makes for enjoyable viewing. I'm not familiar with Railroad Jack, or perhaps I just don't remember him.

Back to the 50's!!! Enjoy. Subject: Flickr: Railroad Jack's Photostream https://www.flickr.com/photos/blast\_of\_the\_past/

Jim Adams '54

On Apr 14, 2015, **Kay Salem Widdis, Cathedral '51,** murkaywaters@sbcglobal.net wrote:

Subject: Orange and Black Newletter, regard Murray Widdis '50 obituary

Date: 4/14/15 3:29 pm

I enjoyed **Jim Redfield's '50** letter regarding **Murray Widdis '50**, **deceased**, and his first car his senior year in high school. Jim needs to know that Murray reminded each child and grandchild of this fiasco when they went to buy their first car. He never forgot how he threw his money away.

I am also acquainted with **Jeanne Redfield '54**, Jim's sister. She was my pledge daughter my senior year at USD at the Theta House. Enjoy seeing her now when I get to Sioux Falls.

Thanks to you, Jack for putting these letters together, along with the obituaries. Murray and I always read them, even though I graduated from Cathedral High School. It is wonderful to see stories of today and yesteryear.

Kay Salem Widdis, Cathedral class of 1951







Jack Kittelson '54 WHS Senior

## On Apr 5, 2015, **JOHN KITTELSON'54** <kittelson@prodigy.net> wrote:

Jack, One of the teachers at Lowell Grade School put together a document which willed the talents of the class of 1950 (to be the WHS Class of 1954) to the Lowell Class of 1951.

Jack Kittelson '54

#### CLASS WILL -----1950

Be it remembered that we, the 8th grade class of Lowell School, being of unstable mind, memory and understanding, and considering the uncertainty of all 8th graders, do therefore make, publish and declare this to be our last will and testament in manner and form following, that is to say:

- I. Dick Ageton give and bequeath Freddie my invisible motor scooter to Shirley Kemnitz. And there are no putts about it.
  - I, Ron Alderson , give to Gene Larson my pretty, curly wig.
  - I. Sonja Anderson, bequeath to Carolyn Downard all my boyish shirts.
- I, Fred Aubey, give to one Dennis York my large, economy size of Vitamin B fortified with old pencil lead.
  - I, Joyce Bendtson, bequeath to Rusty Huhn my cute smile and freckles.
- I, Len Blue, give to Glen Jamtgaard all the time I spent in the washroom. Perhaps he wants to learn to be a plumber too.
- I, Jerry Braa, give all my back copies of BILLBOARD and my carnival ballyhoo to Jim Johnson.
  - I. Linda Bradley, bequeath my flirting and eye-rolling to Janet Krueger.
  - I, Merlyn Christensen, leave my Toni wave kit to Mary Ellen Jones.
  - We, Dick Brook and Ron Jolivette, leave our curly locks to Mr. "Trigger"
- I, Shari Dee Clayton, give my ability to sit in front of the room and know what's going on in the back to Bill Erickson.
- I, Mary Ellis, bequeath to Loralee Hawkinson my job as swift office messenger.
  - I, Joy Erickson, give to Dona Wood my collection of school romances.
- I, Dick Engel, give to Garth Smith three rockets, a fizzled out jet and a cracked flying saucer.
- I, Don Erickson, give to Sharla Dworak my uncontrolled giggles and mumbled recitations.
  - I, Joyce Fink, bequeath to Shorty Batcheller some of my height.
- I, Ed Fletcher, give to Bob Scholtes a scooter crank and a triple-padded Cushman seat.
- I, Julie Gibson, give to Karen Johnson my explosive chuckles and 7th grade boy friends.
  - I, Janice Gray, give all my Nancy Drew mysteries to Judy Allen.
- I, Roland Hagen, bequeath to Jim Angle my deskful of junk, my boxing talent and my nicknames.
- I, Marilyn Joy Hansen, leave to Larry Johnson my Woody Herman brand licerice stick.

- I, Bill Johnson, give to Jerry Bjorge my manual training projects and a dull hatchet.
- I, Keith Johnson, leave my huge drawing of Hitler and other historical characters to Eleanor Hays.
  - I. Jerry Kemnitz, give my dainty voice to Bob Shreve.
- I. John Kittelson, give to Neil Hansen my assortment of excuses for not having my work on time.
- I, Ina Lockhart, bequeath my assortment of French doll pencil sketches to Joan Sorenson.
  - I, Mary Maxwell, Give my tumbling ability to Una Mae Nybaug.
  - I. Carolyn Merry, give to Jim Angle all my olf LINE magazines.
  - I, Joe Dean Miller, leave my hunting season absences to Garth Smith.
- I, Wayne Mitchell, give my dragging walk and tired attitude to Tom Simmons. Call me Dragalong, Mother, I ironed all day.
  - Es Karen Moore, give my landlady and her phonograph to Joyce Norlin.
- I, Max Moore, leave the whole town of Wichita in Kansas where it belongs. The class says I should have done this two years ago.
  - I, Carmen MNessan, give my fancy tricks on skates to Karen Johnson.
- I, Cynthia Nold, leave to Everette Martinson my fidd. a rosin and --er a--cat innards.
  - I. Denny O'Dea, give my terrific throwing arm to Larry Johnson.
- I. Donna O'Dea, give to Caroline Vader my sense of humor and my secret knockout punch.
  - I, Bonnie Otten, give my volleyball medals to Daisy Vossos.
- I, Shirley Peterson, give to Sharla Dworak my ladder for climbing up to my locker.
  - I, Sharlene Ploosater, leave to Don Ann Campbell my noisy manner.
- I, Mary Lee Posz, give to Dolly Tague all my interests in Mark Twain school. Hubba-hubba!
  - I, Don Reid, give to Tom Simmons all my flirty-flirty ways.
  - I, Jimmie Riemann, give to Denny Anderson my duties as official flunkie.
  - I, Dick Ronken, bequeath to Gay Spielman my "little-but-oh-my" talents
- I, Ronald Salem, leave to Stan Stearns my professional attitude and two old bats.
  - I. Roger Slocum, give my paper route to Laurence Tieszen.
- I, Jesse Smith, give my ability to enter with the tardy bell to Bob Scholtes.



in 1964!



Don '54 & Dette Stucker '52 Norstrom **WHS Senior Photos** 

On Apr 16, 2015, at 4:02 PM, freckles7@cox.net wrote:

Hi Jack,

Couple of guestions. I know you have attended previous all class reunions and we have not.

We are assuming that all classes can mingle with any other class at any time. Correct?

Have you heard of any get together, dinner, lunch, etc for the class of 52? We hope to attend this year, good Lord willing. Time will tell. The last '54 reunion we attended was

Don and Dette Norstrom

Ed. Response: On Apr 16, 2015, at 7:24 PM, Jack Phillips '54 jack@jackmphillips.com wrote:

Hi Don and Dette,

I am so happy to hear that you guys are planning on attending the All School Reunion in Sept.. Everything "official" that happens with the All School Reunion is for ALL Classes mixed together. The All School doesn't have any events that breaks everyone into their own classes.

The only time I have seen anything that made sort of a distinction regarding classes has been at the main dinner on Saturday night and that was in the big banquet room where they did have signs up on some tables to let people kind of find other members of a class year. But those signs were NOT mandatory. They were just there to kind of help people that wanted to sit in the area of others from their class.

Everyone could sit at any table in any area of the banquet room they wanted. The reason the All School Reunion doesn't make distinctions regarding classes is simply that there are way too many couples such as yourselves that are from different class years.

All of what I have said above is for the actual and "official" All School Reunion. But now for "Unofficial" happenings. Each year there are a lot of individual classes that have their own class get togethers scheduled sometime during the weekend. I think these individual class get togethers are great and I, through the O&B, try to strongly encourage them.

For example, Don, our class of '54 always has a class dinner for just our classmates and their spouses on Thursday night, the night before the OFFICIAL All School Reunion starts. Of course, Dette, you, as all spouses are always included in it. And then Dette, at our last All School Reunion 5 years ago I know that your class of '52 had a luncheon on Saturday at noon and again all spouses are included.

I have not heard of any plans for the class of '52 yet, but I would bet they will have a get-together and as soon as I hear I will include it in the next O&B.

I know you will both enjoy the weekend. It is great fun and I am glad you are coming.

Jack Phillips '54

Ed. New Response: 4-4-15, Dette and Don, please see page 4 of this issue for info on '52 Sat. luncheon and '54 Thursday night dinner. Jack



On Apr 14, 2015, Mavis Larson Carl '55, MCarl47071@aol.com wrote:

Hi Jack. We lost another classmate this week. Mavis Lubbinge Teslow '55 died. I think her obit should be in the Argus tomorrow. The complete obit should be at George Booms tomorrow. I also wanted to tell you about an article in one of our local mags. "605 mag" for March has an article

about one of your classmates Donna Odea '54. I am going to try to email

it to you tomorrow. If you are interested and the email does not work I can mail the mag to you. Meeting for all school tomorrow. Thanks.... Mavis Larson Carl '55



Mavis Lubbinge '55 **WHS Senior Photo Deceased** 





Donna Bishop '52 WHS Senior Photo

# On Apr 28, 2015, Donna Bishop Landsman '52 <featherartlady@hotmail.com> wrote:

I mailed you pictures of our group working on the mailing to our class, yesterday, by priority mail. If you haven't sent your mailing, I don't know if you want these or not. I see you had two funeral info sent out. I just mailed our class the info from Marlys and from our class. We have alot of catching up visiting when we get together.

Donna Bishop Landsman '52



Above: Class of '52 planning their Saturday, Sept. 19, 2015 Luncheon. See Page 4 Wally Klawiter, Donna Bishop Landsman, Gene Tornow, Betty Holmoe Pfeifle, Bonnie Fisher Irvine, Lolita Johnson Larson.



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Class of '52: Lolita Johnson Larson, Bob Portice, Wally Klawiter, Marlene Anderson Marquesen, Judy Jacobson Hamilton, Bev Ostrander Semmer, Betty Holmoe Pfeifle, Luella Buckley Baumgartmer, Bonnie Fisher Irvine, Gene Tornow, Tom Lemonds.



Laurel Pierce '55 WHS Senior Photo

# On Apr 29, 2015, Laurel Pierce Hampel '55 < laufred@att.net> wrote:

Hello Jack,

Sending greetings to you & yours & wanted to compliment you on another fine job with the current newsletter! I was especially interested in reading about the history of the Arkota Ballroom, as my husband, Fred, & I were one of those couples who met there back in 1954, & married in April, 1956, & we just celebrated 59 years of marriage last week! At the time of our meeting, Fred was stationed at Ellsworth AFB in Rapid City, & he & a male friend had been on leave

Fred & Laurel Pierce '55 Hampel Married 59 Years, Congratulations!

a dance there with one of my best friends, **Gail Pruitt Smith**, **Class of '55**, **now deceased**. Fred asked me to dance & we hit it off right away, but such was not the case for Fred's friend & Gail. They didn't click at all, actually quite the opposite...they seemed really irritated with one another which I never really understood as he seemed like a nice enough fellow. These guys were four years older than Gail & myself which may have explained it as that was considered to be quite an age difference at that time in our

lives. We danced & conversed until the music ended, then exchanged telephone &

visiting their families in Illinois & were on their way back to the base when they found themselves in Sioux Falls & the lure of the lights of the Arkota beckoned them. I had gone to

address information. Gail & I took a taxi home as was our custom & Fred & his friend went on their way. We started writing letters & calling back & forth over the coming months & as they say, the rest is history & very ancient history by now! So, as you can see, this issue was of special interest to Fred & myself, but I enjoy all the issues & find some very interesting information in each one & am so pleased that you bring such joy to so many with your considerable efforts to put out this fine newsletter for the WHS grads. Thank you so very much!

My Best,

Laurel Pierce Hampel, WHS Class of '55



# On May 3, 2015, at 11:34 PM, Jim Redfield '50 jimwred@cox.net wrote:

Thank you Jack. I remembered **Maureen (Sisson '50, deceased)**, the minute I saw the subject of your e-mail & before I opened the obituary. I knew her as a very nice young lady in my graduation class. Ironic that we both lived in the Pt. Loma area of San Diego. My condolences to her family. Jim Redfield, Class of '50

# On May 3, 2015, at 8:39 PM, Annette <aneterb@aol.com> wrote:



Jack, I am wondering if you could resend the "obit" of Mr Anderberg. He was a classmate of my brother John Hillgren. The copy I sent him, he gave to Deb Anderberg. She was thrilled to get this memorial. Now John who hates computers, would like a new copy.

Thanks a million! Annette Hillgren Bray '58

Annette Hillgren '58 WHS Senior Photo

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Sara Hart '58 **WHS Senior Photo** 

On Apr 30, 2015, Sara Hart Blizzard '58 <sara.i.blizzard@att.net> wrote: Hi Jack.

I just finished reading the latest Alumni O&B. How I love getting it. I was thrilled to see Joan Hanson Stark's, Cathedral '58, note. I went to Cathedral with Joan from the time she moved to Sioux Falls until I had to go to public school



Joan Hanson '58 **Cathedral Senior Photo** 

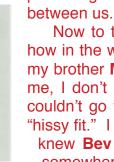


Henry Jons '58 WHS Senior Photo

when Cathedral decided to have only students from the Cathedral Parish, which meant I was at Mark Twain for 8th grade (more on that in a minute). I returned to Cathedral for my freshman year but the tuition rate of \$100 was HUGE and with my mother fighting her cancer battle and cash not falling from trees, I transferred to WHS. I kept up with many of my Cathedral class through high school but then lost track of them, often wondering where they were, what they were doing, etc. While working on the 50th reunion for the class of '58 I got an e-mail from a name I didn't recognize and, long story short, it was from Joan. It took a trip through my freshman SPIRE to figure out who she was and vice versa. And the wonderful discovery was, she lives in Valrico, Fla. and I in Clearwater. After our respective reunions we got together for the first time in over 50 years and spent seven hours poring over year books, reunion pictures. and just remembering Sioux Falls and our fabulous growing up years. And because of her attendance at

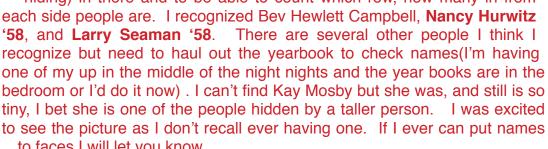
their reunion we learned that Ann Whitcomb Jon's, Cathedral '58, (deceased), who had been married to Henry Jon's, WHS '58, was in an ALF in Tampa! We reconnected with Ann who was suffering from an neurological disease and spent many a wonderful Sunday afternoon with her until her death. We were each about 45 min. from where Ann lived. Joan and I just had lunch together two weeks ago-----we told the waiter to just put up with us because it had been so long since we'd seen one another----our schedules seem to

prevent getting together too often despite the relatively short distance



**Bev Hewlett '58 WHS Senior Photo** 

Now to the Mark Twain picture. As I look back on it, I don't know how in the world I got to go there as we weren't in that "district." In fact, my brother Michael, WHS '59, didn't go to Mark Twain and for the life of me. I don't recall which school he went to. I know I was so ticked off I couldn't go to Cathedral I really had what my mother would refer to as a "hissy fit." I knew my cousin Kay Mosby '58 went to Mark Twain and I also knew Bev Hewlett '58 as our parents were friends and I wanted to go somewhere where I could have a familiar face. I guess somehow my parents got it worked out! It was a wonderful school and I loved 8th grade there. I need to find a magnifying glass to find myself (I was probably hiding) in there and to be able to count which row, how many in from



to faces I will let you know.

Thanks again for the O&B and to all of you who write in, reminding us of our "wonder" years, when people from a whole town went to school together and formed friendships which have lasted years. While I am



Michael Hart '59 **WHS Senior Photo** 



Kay Mosby '58 **WHS Senior Photo** 



Larry Seeman '58 **WHS Senior Photo** 

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writing this, I have to add that when I tell people we had Study Halls that held over 100 students people think I am crazy. One of my favorite stories from Study Hall is about the day some guy fell asleep, at least I think that was his infraction, and **Marie Conway**, **(U.S. History Teacher)** got up from her desk, stomped back to the desk he was at, grabbed him by the ear (she had to hold her arm up to reach it he was so much taller) and marched him across the front of the "hall", down the stairs to the first floor and the principal office. There were some snickers in the room and some low murmurs of talk but no one got out of hand and when we heard the first clank of the metal tread on the stairs silence returned, Miss. Conway returned to her desk and complete silence again reigned. We were really a remarkable group of people from a remarkable town. **Sara Hart Blizzard '58** 



Marie Conway U.S. History Teacher

# On Apr 16, 2015, at 5:00 PM, **Preston E. Smith '63** <smithprestone@gmail.com> wrote: Subject: **SENIOR DISCOUNT LIST** (Revised)

Keep this list and send a copy to your senior friends and relatives.

As I was waiting in line behind an older gentleman at Wendy's recently, I heard him ask for his senior discount. The girl at the register apologized and charged him less. When I asked the man what the discount was, he told me that seniors over age 55 get 10% off everything on the menu, every day. Being of 'that' age myself, I figured I might as well ask for the discount too. This incident prompted me to do some research, and I came across a list of restaurants, supermarkets, department stores, travel deals and other types of offers giving various discounts with different age requirements. I was actually surprised to see how many there are and how some of them start at the young age of 50. This list may not only be useful for you, but for your friends and family too.

### YOU must ASK for your discount!

### **RESTAURANTS:**

**Applebee's:** 15% off with Golden Apple Card (60+)

Arby's: 10% off (55+) Ben & Jerry's: 10% off (60+)

Bennigan's: Discount varies by location (60+)
Bob's Big Boy: Discount varies by location (60+)

**Boston Market:** 10% off (65+) **Burger King:** 10% off (60+)

Chick-Fil-A: 10% off or free small drink or coffee (55+)

Chili's: 10% off (55+) CiCi's Pizza: 10% off (60+)

Denny's: 10% off, 20% off for AARP members (55 +)

**Dunkin' Donuts:** 10% off or free coffee (55+)

Einstein's Bagels: 10% off baker's dozen of bagels (60+) Fuddrucker's: 10% off any senior platter (55+)

Gatti's Pizza: 10% off (60+)
Golden Corral: 10% off (60+)

Hardee's: \$0.33 beverages everyday (65+)

IHOP: 10% off (55+)

Jack in the Box: Up to 20% off (55+)

**KFC:** Free small drink with any meal (55+)

**Krispy Kreme:** 10% off (50+)

Long John Silver's: Various discounts at locations (55+)
McDonald's: Discounts on coffee everyday (55+)
Mrs. Fields: 10% off at participating locations (60+)

Shoney's: 10% off

Sonic: 10% off or free beverage (60+)

Steak 'n Shake: 10% off every Monday & Tuesday (50+)

**Subway:** 10% off (60+) **Sweet Tomatoes:** 10% off (62+)

Taco Bell: 5% off; free beverages for seniors (65+)

TCBY: 10% off (55+)
Tea Room Cafe: 10% off (50+)
Village Inn: 10% off (60+)

Waffle House: 10% off every Monday (60+)

Wendy's: 10% off (55 +)
Whataburger: 10% off (62+)
White Castle: 10% off (62+)

### **RETAIL & APPAREL:**

Banana Republic: 30% off (50+)

Bealls: 20% off first Tuesday of each month (50+) Belk's: 15% off first Tuesday of every month (55+)

Big Lots: 30% off

Bon-Ton Dept 15 % off on senior discount days (55 +)

C.J. Banks: 10% off every Wednesday (50+)

Clarks: 10% off (62+)

Dress Barn: 20% off (55+)

Goodwill: 10% off one day a week (date varies by location)
Hallmark: 10% off one day a week (date varies by location)

Kmart: 40% off (Wednesdays only) (50+)

Kohl's: 15% off (60+) Modell's Sporting Goods: 30% off

Rite Aid: 10% off on Tuesdays & 10% off prescriptions

**Ross Stores:** 10% off every Tuesday (55+)

The Salvation Army Thrift Stores: Up to 50% off (55+)

Stein Mart: 20% off red dot/clearance items first Monday of every month (55 +)

### **GROCERY:**

Albertson's: 10% off first Wednesday of each month (55 +)

American Discount Stores: 10% off every Monday (50+)

Compare Foods Supermarket: 10% off every Wednesday (60+)
DeCicco Family Markets: 5% off every Wednesday (60+)
Food Lion: 60% off every Monday (60+)

Fry's Supermarket: Free Fry's VIP Club Membership & 10% off every Monday (55+)

Great Valu Food Store: 5% off every Tuesday (60+)
Gristedes Supermarket: 10% off every Tuesday (60+)
Harris Teeter: 5% off every Tuesday (60+)

Hy-Vee: 5% off one day a week (date varies by location)

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Kroger: 10% off (date varies by location)
Morton Williams Supermarket: 5% off every Tuesday (60+)

The Plant Shed: 10% off every Tuesday (50 +)
Publix: 15% off every Wednesday (55 +)
Rogers Markelace: 5% off every Thursday (60+)

**Uncle Guiseppe's Marketplace: 15% off (62+)** 

### **TRAVEL**:

## Airlines:

Alaska Airlines: 50% off (65+)

American Airlines: Various discounts for 50% off non-peak periods (Tuesdays - Thursdays) (62+) and up

(call before booking for discount)

Continental Airlines: No initiation fee for Continental Presidents Club & special fares for select destinations

Southwest Airlines: Various discounts for ages 65 and up (call before booking for discount)
U.S. Airways: Various discounts for ages 65 and up (call before booking for discount)
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**Rail:** Amtrak: 15% off (62+)

Bus: Greyhound: 15% off (62+) Trailways Transportation System: various discounts for ages 50+

### **Car Rental:**

Alamo Car Rental: Up to 25% off for AARP members
Avis: Up to 25% off for AARP members

**Budget Rental Cars:** 40% off; up to 50% off for AARP members (50+)

Dollar Rent-A-Car: 10% off (50+)

Enterprise Rent-A-Car: 5% off for AARP members
Hertz: Up to 25% off for AARP members
National Rent-A-Car: Up to 30% off for AARP members

### **Overnight Accommodations:**

Holiday Inn: 20-40% off depending on location (62+)

Best Western: 40% off (55+)
Cambria Suites: 20%-30% off (60+)

Waldorf Astoria - NYC: \$5,000 off nightly rate for Presidential Suite (55 +)

Clarion Motels: 20%-30% off (60+)
Comfort Inn: 20%-30% off (60+)
Comfort Suites: 20%-30% off (60+)
Econo Lodge: 40% off (60+)

Hampton Inns & Suites: 40% off when booked 72 hours in advance

**Hyatt Hotels:** 25%-50% off (62+)

**InterContinental Hotels Group: Various discounts at all hotels (65+)** 

Mainstay Suites: 10% off with Mature Traveler's Discount (50+); 20%-30% off (60+)

Marriott Hotels: 25% off (62+)

Motel 6: Stay Free Sunday nights (60+)

Myrtle Beach Resort: 30% off (55 +)
Quality Inn: 40%-50% off (60+)
Rodeway Inn: 20%-30% off (60+)

**Sleep Inn:** 40% off (60+)

### **ACTIVITIES & ENTERTAINMENT:**

AMC Theaters: Up to 30% off (55 +)

Bally Total Fitness: \$100 off memberships (62+)
Busch Gardens Tampa, FL: \$13 off one-day tickets (50 +)

Carmike Cinemas: 35% off (65+)
Cinemark/Century Theaters: Up to 35% off

Massage Envy - NYC: 20% off all "Happy Endings" (62 +)

U.S. National Parks: \$10 lifetime pass; 50% off additional services including camping (62+)

Regal Cinemas: 50% off Ripley's Believe it or Not: @ off one-day ticket (55 +)

SeaWorld, Orlando, FL: \$3 off one-day tickets (50 +)

### **CELL PHONE DISCOUNTS:**

AT&T: Special Senior Nation 200 Plan \$19.99/month (65+)

Jitterbug: \$10/month cell phone service (50 +)

**Verizon Wireless:** Verizon Nationwide 65 Plus Plan \$29.99/month (65+).

### **MISCELLANEOUS:**

Great Clips: \$8 off hair cuts (60+)
Supercuts: \$8 off haircuts (60+)

NOW, go out there and claim your discounts ---- and remember ---- YOU must ASK for your discount ---- no ask, no discount.

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# **EARLY AS POSSIBLE**

for both the All School Reunion and your individual class get togethers helps the committees a great deal!

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