

### WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL, SIOUX FALLS, SD

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

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## The 2015 All School Reunion Sept. 18 - 20 2015

(Please note: Some class 'get togethers' begin on Thursday, Sept 17th)

This Year's ASR Is Going To Be
A Truly Great Weekend Full of EXTRA Activities!
It No Doubt Will Be A Fun & Exciting Reunion!
I HOPE YOU WILL BE THERE!

Your Registration Form Is On Page 3

This year's All School Reunion already has more individual class "get togethers" planned over the weekend than ever before. (See the full schedule of **extra events** on page 5 and 6).

One of the newly added events is indeed very special and exciting. The WHS Historical Committee has for the very first time scheduled their, "OLD WHS ALL STAFF REUNION" in conjunction with the ASR. It will be held on Saturday, Sept. 19, 2015 from 2 - 4 pm in the Alumni Hall on the 3rd floor of the Washington Pavillon. We are all invited to attend and make our suggestions for candidates for "WHS HALL OF DISTINCTION". (Please see full details on Page 2)

### **Photographers Needed for ASR**

Because of the significant increase in the number of scheduled activities for this years All School Reunion, the O&B needs volunteers to help photographically cover each event. You DO NOT need to be an expert at all. You just need to have a digital camera and be willing to attend certain activities that you will be assigned to cover for a half hour or so and take photos of as many attendees as your time allows. Of course your assignments would NOT conflict with your own personal schedule. In the past spouses of WHS Alumni have volunteered and have worked out wonderfully. Please let me know if you are interested in volunteering.

Jack Phillips, Editor

# Old VVHS All Staff



September 19\*, 2015 2-4 pm at the Alumni Hall 3rd floor of the Washington Pavilion

FREE REFRESHMENTS WILL BE AVAILABLE

-Informal atmosphere-Be prepared to visit with old friends



### Be you a former:

HOME OF Teacher WARRIORS

Administrator

Counselor

Office Staff

Custodian

COOK

Nurse

or any staff position,

Please come and share your stories and memories

- If you have memorbilia you wish to donate, please bring it.
- The WHS Historical Committee is currently searching for possible candidates for membership in the WHS Hall of

Distinction. If you know of any former students who might quality, let us know at the reunion.

Qualifications for Hall of Distinction, and a list of members,

can be found at our website at : www.sfwhshc.org or

on our Facebook page.

\*Date coincides with the WHS All School Reunion

For more information, contact Bob Caselli at: recfancy@sio.midco.net, or Mick Zerr @ zermick@gmail.com Old WHS
All Staff

Sept. 19, 2015 2-4pm

Pver the years you were at WHS, you probably had an interesting, funny, or otherwise memorable experience/photo or two. These stories/pictures would be great to share.

We encourage you to e-mail them to us, (preferred) or send them U.S. Mail. These stories will be compiled and put in a booklet which we can make available to all staff alumni. Even if you can't make it to the Sept. 19th reunion, please send us your story/photo.(we will send you a copy of the booklet.)

### Please include the following:

- 1. The approximate year and location it took place. (such as: 1961, in the cafeteria)
- 2. Your position at the time (please indicate if you do not want your name included).
- 3. Do not give other peoples names in the story; just give their position at the time\*.

(\*such as: assistant principal, senior, junior, janitor, cook, counselor, home-coming marshall, basketball center, etc).

- 4. Since photos can't be returned, please scan/copy your original if you want to keep it. Best is to e-mail a copy of the photo to us.
- 5. Restrict photos/stories to events that took place at WHS, or at a school activity. Photos of the building, both outside and inside, are welcome, even if no people are present. We can also use such photos for our website.

Please e-mail your story(s)/photo(s)to: sfwhshc@gmail.com or mail to:

Mick Zerr 6009 W. Jordan Ct. Sioux Falls, SD 57106

For questions: zerrmick@gmail.com



#### WHS ALL-SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Sept. 18,19,20, 2015

Names:		Class Year:			
Maiden Name:	Spouse or Guest:				
Address:	Email:	City:	State:	Zip:	
Phone:	Email: _				
Weekend Cost, \$50.0	00 per person – Number atten	ding:	Amount Enclosed:		
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Friday, Septembe	_	HEDULE OF EVENTS			
10 a.m. – 4 p.m.	Registration: Sioux Falls Convention Center (Hallway)				
5 p.m Kickoff	Homecoming Football Game (WHS vs. O'Gorman): Howard Wood Field \$5.00 per person Number of tickets: (Please add this amount to check)				
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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, Septen		•			
10 a.m.	Continuing Registration – Sioux Falls Convention Center (Hallway)				
1 p.m. to 4 p.m. "Just Visiting" will be available in venue to be announced. #					
	Trolley rides – downtown Sioux Falls and The Falls #				
NOTE:	Tours of the Pavilion (Retired teachers/staff present in Alumni Hall) #				
Multiple Tours Destination tours Include: (Rotating Buses will be stopping at all 5 destinations)					
May Be Signed	"New" Washington High School # Sanford Sports Complex #				
Up For. Veteran's Memorial Park # Joe Floyd's Ford Car Collectio					
	Mary Jo Wegner Arboretum #				
5 p.m. to 6 p.m.	Social Hour – Cash Bar - Sioux Falls Convention Center <b>Grand Ballroom</b>				
6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.					
Please check Oriental Glazed Chicken Glazed Pork Tender					
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Sunday, Septemb					
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Blocks of rooms:	·		-		
	Comfort Inn and Suites	Holiday Inn City Center	Ramada Hotel &	& Suite	
605-331-0100	605-275-9577	605-339-2000	605-275-27		
\$119	\$109 Single/Double	\$119	\$118	02	
8/28 Cutoff	\$119 Suites	9/19 Cutoff	8/18 Cuto:	ff	
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May stay at any of th	ne other motel/hotels/campgro	ounds of your choice.			
	Make Charle Davoblo	to: WHS All-School Dawnier	and Send to:		
Make Check Payable to: WHS All-School Reunion and Send to:					

Marlys Hohman, 1127 North Covell Avenue, Sioux Falls, SD 57104

Registration Deadline: <u>September 1, 2015</u> No refunds after: <u>September 1, 2015</u>

Any questions: Marlys at 605-271-9084 or marlysanna@aol.com

FOR INDIVIDUAL CLASS GET TOGETHERS SEE LIST BELOW.

#### 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 Activities

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 1946: The class of '46 is holding a luncheon at 12 noon on Saturday, Sept. 19, 2015 at Touchmark at All Saints located at 111 W. 17th St., Sioux Falls, SD 57104. For more information call Ardis Colby Williams '46 at 605-332-5384.

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, the 17th. 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.

Class of '54 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

### Individual Class Activities - Continued

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. The Dakotah Lodge's email address is frontdesk@dakotahlodge.com Of course you are welcome to stay at any other hotel of your choice.

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: If your class is having a class get together but it is not listed above please let me know the details and it will appear in the next O&B.

### **Current Lodging Information: Letter From Jane Winnett '54.**

On May 16, 2015, **Jane Winnett '54** <winnettjane220@gmail.com> wrote: Just made my reservations at the **Sheraton** and thought I would tell you she said there were only 2 more rooms available at the \$119 rate. But there is a special of \$114. for Thurs. nite.

### Additional Hotel Rates: From ASR Chairwoman, Marlys Ahrendt Hohman '57:

On May 13, 2015, Marlys Ahrendt Hohman '57, <marlysanna@aol.com> wrote:

Jack, I did some checking with the other motels that are in the area of the Convention Center and thought maybe these motels and approximate cost should be published.

Super 8 - 2 queens/2 people \$75.80 (Before senior rate)
American Budget - 2 queens/2 people \$65.00 (Before senior rate)
Sleep Inn - 2 queens/2 people \$89.99 (Before senior rate)
Motel 6 - 2 full/2 people \$65.99 (Before senior rate)
Best Western Ramkota - 2 queens/2 people \$98.99 w/Senior Rate

These are the rates before taxes and people should read the reviews. You already have the Dakotah Lodge. Marlys





**WHS Senior Photo** 

### Letters to the



### Sincere Condolences To The Wachendorf Family

Bob Wachendorf, age 51, passed away May 11, 2015. Bob is survived

by his wife Jillaina, daughter Samantha and son Ethan, his parents, Myron and Carole Wachendorf of Sioux Falls, SD, his brother Kris Wachendorf (Tara) of Sioux Falls, SD, and sister Kelli (David) Laughlin of Kyle, TX. A



Carole Fredrickson Wachendorf '59 WHS Junior Photo

Memorial Service will be held on Friday, May 15, 2015 at 3:30 p.m.at Horan & McConaty Family Chapel, 5303 E. County Line Rd. Centennial, CO 80122. In Bob's memory, in lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Wish of a Lifetime at <a href="https://www.seniorwish.org">www.seniorwish.org</a>.

Thanks to the many, many Orange & Black readers (far too many to list), that informed the O&B of the sad and tragic news of Myron Lee '59 and Carole '59 Wachendorf's son, Bob, passing away on May 11, 2015.



Carl Turco '58 WHS Senior Photo

### On May 4, 2015, **Carl Turco '58** <a href="mailto:suddenlink.net">mmparadise@suddenlink.net</a>> wrote: Hello Jack.

I finished reading the last issue (April) that you published. It amazes me how you squeeze so much in these interesting and factual Issues.

As soon as I saw the article, about the Arkota Ballroom, past memories of **Joan Hanson** (**Stark, Cathedral '58)**, flooded my mind. I immediately wrote an e-mail to **Sara Hart Blizzard '58**; I asked her if she had seen the Issue, with Joan, saying "yes", we both sent each other long e-mails, about the past.

I then e-mailed Joan. We were the "North End Kids" we lived at Terrace Park Swimming Pool all summer and

spent all winter at Covell Lake ice skating. My Sister Sandra (deceased in 1969) went to Cathedral and Graduated in 1958, Along with Joan. Others were John Bechtold, Peter Barnett, Jerry Collins, Chuck Lynch. I had to walk past Joan's house to get to **Dianna Dagget '58** ( **deceased** ) house, on my way to Covell Lake.

Joan and I talked a lot about the Arkota. I spent a lot of time there, arranging tables and chairs, as I was working for my Father. He was Executive Chef, of the two Sheraton Hotels, in Sioux Falls. He and Joan's Father Mag Hanson, spent a lot of time together, planning for Ballroom vacant time, as My Father was scheduling huge dinners for various clubs and organizations.

What a life we had in the 50's.

Jack, again I want to thank you, for all the time and effort you put in the O & B Issues. You give us such an advantage Other schools will never experience. Great Job. We are planning to make the trek to Sioux Falls, for the Reunion.

Carl J Turco '58



Sara Hart Blizzard '58 WHS Senior Photo



Joan Hanson Stark '58 Cathedral Senior Photo



Di Ann Daggett '58 WHS Senior Photo



Sheldon Songstad '56 **WHS Senior Photo** 

### On May 4, 2015, **Sheldon R. Songstad '56 < srsongstad@msn.com** > wrote: Hi my friends.

After six months of on and off medical problems starting with a stroke in Cabo San Lucas the end of Oct., ten weeks of recovery and tests in Calif., then the flu followed by a false heart attack which led to exploratory surgery followed by gallbladder removal surgery.

Tomorrow is final surgery to remove stints from exploratory surgery.

On my stay in Calif. I had many tests on my heart and brain to see what caused the stroke as they were also concerned because I had had open heart surgery eight years

ago. The new"machine"

at Stanford Hospital in Calif. showed my heart to be sweeter and nicer than most people and my brain questionable but in perfect condition considering I am diabetic (which means my blood is also extra sweet).

I feel great the past few days and hope to be back to normal soon. If that happens my emails will increase again so if you want off my list, now is the time to email me and let me know.

Senator Sheldon "r" Songstad '56, Retired "And also TIRED"



Vicki Brubaker '59 **WHS Senior** 

### On May 5, 2015, Vicki Brubaker '59, BRUBAKERCHEER@COMCAST.NET wrote:

Thanks much for your information - it is greatly appreciated. A big thanks to Maryls as well - but let's give a shout of thanks to Connie Henline Nelson who was chairman and handled every single one of the Class of 59' reunions since the 10 year reunion!!!! She is a master at it. All the committee members for 59' class reunions were "good workers" as well, but "Cookie Connie" carried the ball for years. I guess every class should be grateful that we have an individual (or more) that make it possible for us to all share the "reunion of great friendships" at least every 5 years or so. I'm so looking forward to September for our all school reunion! I'm ready!



**Marlys Ahrendt** Hohman '57 **WHS Senior Photo** 

Vicki Brubaker 59'

Ed. Note: Yes, we owe these two women, plus all of the other individual class leaders, so much for their many, many hours of hard work on behalf of all of us. Many thanks to each of you!

Connie Henline Nelson '59 **WHS Senior Photo** 



Ron Veenker '54 **WHS Senior Photo** 

### On May 8, 2015, Ronald Veenker '54 < rveenker@ec.rr.com> wrote:

Dear Jack, Thanks again for each and every email you send out. The obituary for Gloria Lundstrom was a bit of a shock. I don't know how many of us new Gloria at WHS as she was a bit shy. I knew her name and face during our years in school, but after graduating she finished her accounting program at Nettleton's and was hired to work for my father at Polar Cold Storage Co. on E 13th St (the buildings are gone now, replaced by urban renewal housing). Gloria was a coworker with me there for a few years as I recall and then moved on



Gloria Lundstrom '54 **WHS Senior Photo Deceased** 

to bigger and better things with Wendel Fritzel, my father's golfing buddy, in his architectural firm. She was guiet and very competent, kind and even tempered. I know her family and friends feel a great los



Keith Hill '50 **WHS Senior Photo** 



Jack... Enjoyed hearing Sara Hart Blizzard's '58 description of Marie Conway and the study hall student!

I was in Miss Conway's American History class as a Junior in the fall of 1948. It was a Wednesday in November. The day before. Harry S. Truman had up-set the highly over confident Thomas E.

On May 5, 2015, at 1:11 PM, Keith Hill '50

<kwhill@sio.midco.net> wrote:

Dewey earning, in his own right, another four years in the White House. Marie had to be a democrat. Her joy over old Harry's win was unbounded and she let the class know how she felt! This did not go over so good with one of our classmates. This young lady, who will remain nameless, was furious and the madder she became the more Marie poured it on! I wonder if any teachers would be able to do this in today's. world.

Anyway, Marie made the day for all of us who had been pulling for the under-dog Truman. Old "give'em Hell" Harry!

I was surprised to learn the she was still teaching when Sara Hart was attending classes at WHS. Marie loved teaching history and I enjoyed being in her class.as I was, and still am, a history buff. What

I remember most about Marie was her gray hair, usually unkept and going every which

Keith Hill Class of 1950

Thomas E. Dewey **NOT The 33rd US President**  Ed. Note: Keith, I remember so well my Republican Grandfather taking me to the Oklahoma City train station to see Dewey make a whistle stop speech just a few days before the election. My Grandfather was quite disappointed when Dewey lost. Jack Phillips '54



Harry S. Truman 33rd US President





Tom Anderson ' 54 **WHS Senior Photo** 

### On May 6, 2015, Thomas D Anderson <anderson.tom36@gmail.com> wrote:

Hi Jack, I want to join the many others to once again thank you for the tremendous effort in putting together regular issues of the O&B as well as the obituary notices. I recently come across the 1952 Chips book and thought if you did not have it, it might be of interest to some of the 50's graduates. I had nothing to do with either the Chips staff or with any of

the poems or stories but for some reason held on to this issue of the book for all these years. I probably held on to it because one of the stories was authored by a WHS student that later become my sister in-law. I scanned the cover, title page, table of contents, dedication page, and the first few stories and poems and attaching them to this email. If anyone would have an interest in the entire book I would be glad to scan all of it, a total of 48 pages. Use this in any way you want or not use it all all as you wish. Thanks again Jack for all your work.

Tom Anderson, WHS Class of 1954



Sara Hart Blizzard '58

**WHS Senior Photo** 

Marie Conway

**WHS History Teacher** 



### On May 6, 2015, Jim Redfield '50, jimwred@cox.net wrote:

Jack: Another one our 1950 graduating class leading ladies has gone on to a better place. Seems like the surviving class member list is dwindling fast. My condolences to her family & Jenny's. (Jim's nice note is in regard to the Special Edition & obituary on Dorothy Boersma '50) Sincerely.

Jim Redfield - 1950

Jim Redfield '50, WHS Senior Photo

### On May 8, 2015, **Peggy Servold Teslow '57,** pwolset@sio.midco.net wrote:

Jack, some of us women from the class of '57 get together monthly for lunch. Attached is a picture of some that have attended. **Peggy Servold Teslow '57** 

Upper left: Peg Voss Merrow, Mary McNamara Otto, Sharon Trumm Devereaux and Valerie Zahrenhusen Rea.

Upper right: Harriet Sunde Grosz and Janice Meyer Mitchell

Middle left: Natalie Becker Siemonsma, Loreene Roddel Perkinson and Peg Voss Merrow

Middle right: Lauverne Berger Harr, Hinde Light Butts and Barb Shephard Muller Bottom left: Jackie Obeslo, Marlynne Portz Gustafson and Marcia Edmunds Ostrem

Bottom middle: Peg Servold Teslow and Valerie Zahrenhusen Rea Bottom right: Evelyn Oberg Graff and Rosemary Robinson Savage



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Ladies of '57, Thanks for these photos, but I haven't heard anything about a "Class of '57 Get Together" during the All School Reunion. I hope you are planning something and will let me help you promote it. Jack



Bill Friedhoff '50 WHS Senior Photo

### On May 10, 2015, billfriedhoff <br/> suddenlink.net> wrote:

Jack.

Sorry to hear about Maureen. She was a good friend during our days at W.H.S. and then at U.S.D. She was a classy, classy lady.

Bill Friedhoff '50

### On May 12, 2015, Dorothy Langley Carlson '54<d37carlson@aol.com> wrote:

Dear Jack, The Center for Western Studies at Augustana College recently published a book by Dr. Lynwood E. Oyos entitled "Reveille for Sioux Falls: A World War II Army Air Forces Technical School Changes a South Dakota City'. I purchased it from Amazon and am enjoying reliving those years. It brings back memories and recollections of stories from my family. I highly recommend it.

Dorothy Langley '54 WHS Senior Photo

I'm looking forward to our All School Reunion in September.

**Dorothy Langley Carlson '54** 

### On May 7, 2015, Harry Hoiland '54 <paveknife@hotmail.com> wrote:



Harry Hoiland '54

**WHS Senior Photo** 

Jack, in case you might have missed this on Yahoo, I thought you might like to see where our home state ranked. The Top 5 Happiest States in the Nation were: No. 1 - Alaska, No.2 Hawaii and No.3 SOUTH DAKOTA, No.4 Wyoming, No. 5 Montana!! Sorry, but Nevada did not make the cut.

### Harry Hoiland '54

South Dakota ranked #3 when it comes to the happiest states in the U.S. South Dakota's unemployment rate is at 5.2% which is considerably less when compared to other states in the U.S. While most states are feeling the impact of the harsh economy, South Dakota has a thriving job market that is keeping residents employed and financially stable. Their high employment rates and

job opportunities could also be related to the fact that approximately 92% of South Dakota residents hold at least a high school diploma or more.

Financial aspects aren't all that contribute to South Dakota's high levels of satisfaction. Those who live in the Mount Rushmore State also report great sleep levels, as well as less days of feeling mentally unstable. Mental health issues are a huge contributor to unhappiness under certain living conditions, and South Dakota residents face a much lower rate than comparative states.



Jane Winnett '54 WHS Senior Photo

### On May 15, 2015, **Jane Winnett '54** <winnettjane220@gmail.com> wrote:

This would be good to play at the 50's reunion. can you forward it to the chairman? IF YOU LIKE DOO-WAP,DOO-WAP music, vintage cars and jukeboxes, then spare 4-5 minutes and take a trip down memory lane......

This was my favorite song to dance to

I Guarantee You'll Forward This To SOMEBODY!

Click here: http://safeshare.tv/w/FEDEwZHZXu

# The Alumni Orange & Black Is Beginning It's 7th Year!

I have always said that the first Alumni O&B Newsletter was emailed out on May 1, 2009, but in checking my records on the beginning of this 7th anniversary I discovered that actually the first mailing went out on March 24, 2009. That first edition went out to only 40 email addresses of the WHS 1954 Class.

However, by early 2010 the number of subscribers had grown to over 200 and were from every class of the fifties decade. So on April 8th I announced that the O&B would from that day on cover news and events of the entire '50's decade. The subscriber growth has never stopped and today the O&B boasts more than 900 readers, a number I am very proud of. To date there have been a total of 986 separate newsletters and special editions mailed out.

I thank each of you for being such loyal and appreciative readers. And... I thank you more than you know for NOT being too severe of a journalistic critic. We all know that my journalistic skills are not what Miss Lorraine Norman would take much pride in, that you have lovingly overlooked my many glaring mistakes and my simple prose has not required the need for you to frequently refer to your dictionaries and I truly appreciate all of those generous kindnesses from you. Maybe you just feel that you get what you pay for and I guess the price is certainly right.

I am sincerely hoping to see most of you at our wonderful All School Reunion in Sioux Falls in September. There is no question that we were all so very fortunate to attend such an outstanding school with such wonderful and dedicated teachers during the time period we did and in a city like Sioux Falls. I honestly feel that most of you share those thoughts and will therefore try to do everything possible to support such a huge undertaking as the All School Reunion. It only happens every five years and it deserves the full and enthusiastic support of us all.

Jack M. Phillips, '54 Your privileged editor.

### Smiling & happy faces from 2010 ASR

