

WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL, SIOUX FALLS, SD
Serving The Classes of the Great '50's Decade. Photos & Stories Welcome!
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The O&B is 10 years old!

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WHS Class of 1954

65th Year Reunion Registration

Name: _____

Spouse or Guest: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____ **Email:** _____

Subject: Our 65th Class Reunion: September 4(Wed), 5(Thur), 6(Fri) 2019

1. Reunion Hq: Hilton Garden Inn, 201 E 8th St, Sioux Falls, SD 57104
(Register at Hilton Garden Inn 2pm – 5pm)

2. Activities: **Number Attending:** **Yes** **No**

Wednesday: 4:30 pm Reception at Hilton _____

Thursday: 5pm Reception & Dinner at Hilton _____

Friday: 9:30 – 11 am Brunch at Hilton _____

(Bonnie Assam Luke Memorial Brunch)

3. Costs:

- Reunion package: \$60 per person x _____ persons = \$ _____

- (After June 15: \$75 per person)

- **Meals bought separately:**

- Wednesday reception: \$0 x _____ persons = \$ _____

- Thursday dinner: \$40 x _____ persons = \$ _____

o *Lemon Garlic Chicken* _____

o *Beef Medallions* _____

- Friday Brunch: \$20 x _____ persons = \$ _____ Total _____

(After June 15: dinner \$50, brunch \$25)

Mail your response and check (made out to: WHS Class of 1954) to:

John Kittelson, 3201 West 33rd St, Sioux Falls, SD 57105

4. **Rooms:** We have reserved a number of rooms. This hotel is only about 3 years old and all rooms have appropriate amenities such as coffee maker, hair dryer, iron & board, WiFi, indoor pool, Whirlpool, airport shuttle, etc. There is free underground parking with elevator access. Rooms are normally \$200 per night plus tax. Our rate:

Traditional double Queens \$129 per night plus tax

Traditional King \$134 per night plus tax

For **early arrivals & late departures:** Rates will be same if made early.

Reservations: Your responsibility:

- (1) Special reservations number 605- 444-4704
- (2) Identify yourself as Washington High School Class of 1954

Please note that the Annual "Sidewalk Arts Festival" will take place on Saturday. This event attracts thousands of people from a wide geographical area. **So, make your reservations as soon as possible.** If you have problems, call John (Jack) Kittelson at 605-334-3345.

A number of classmates from a distance away have indicated their attendance. We look forward to hearing from you as soon as possible.

The Class of 1954 Reunion Committee

Class of 1959 Reunion 60th Reunion

Note Change of Dates:
September 5th & 6th, 2019
(Thursday & Friday)



Connie Henline Nelson

Following is the information we have so far for our reunion:

Thursday, September 5th - 6:00 - informal no-host gathering in the bar at the Downtown Holiday Inn.

Friday, September 6th - 5:00 at Cherapa Place. Cash bar with heavy hors d'oeuvres.

We haven't decided if we are going to ask for a contribution. We have some money left in our checking account and would like to be able to provide the food - not the liquor. We'll note in our mailing if there will be any charge.

Thanks Connie, **Connie Henline Nelson '59** connienelson59@gmail.com.

NOTE TO CLASS OF '59: If you are planning on attending your 60th reunion and need hotel rooms the class of '54 would be happy to share their block of rooms and you would enjoy receiving their reduced room rates. If interested contact, Jack Kittelson 605-366-5433 kittelson@Prodigy.net.

Editorial: ALL SCHOOL REUNION

Our Wonderful “*All School Reunions*” are in DANGER of being No More!

Do We Want Another All School Reunion or Not? That is The Question.

For over a year now the O&B has been diligently searching for someone to volunteer chairing the 2020 All School Reunion. But sadly so far no one has stepped forward and since time is running short I fear that there may not be a 2020 All School Reunion. Unfortunately, if that happens I then have serious doubts we will ever have another ASR.

Farsighted **Marlys Ahrendt Hohman '57** organized the first ASR in 1992. I have attended all 6 of them and in my opinion all of the All School Reunions have been super successful and in many ways even more fun than our individual



Marlys Ahrendt '57
WHS Senior Photo

class reunions. It has always been great fun once again seeing my upper class heroes and idyls and then also seeing how well and mature those lowly underclassmen/women turned out. Strangely and to my surprise it always seems that they faired much better than I had ever thought possible.

Unfortunately, a time deadline is fast approaching for us to find a hero to save this wonderful event. We **must very soon** find some wonderful, a Godsent person or persons to organize the 2020 event or those wonderful past gatherings will be no more.

I frequently lay awake nights wrestling with how to save the ASR, but my solutions always hinge around someone coming forward to organize and save our unique and cherished event for 2020.

OPTION #1: Laying awake at night I keep coming up with the following option. Records from past All School Reunions have shown that our decade of the fifties has been the largest decade in attendance. So my suggestion is to just have a **“Fifties Reunion”**.

I think without any doubt the biggest and toughest job for the past committees has been that of reaching out and letting every one that ever attended WHS know of the reunion. Up to date mailings lists for many classes from the 1920s to 1992 are just not available. Marlys has always said that “organizing the actual reunion is a piece of cake, it is getting the word out to everyone that is so difficult”.

So having just a 50’s reunion and utilizing the OB’s mailing list would make it so much easier to reach the target audience. Of course the organizing committee would make all of the reunion policies but I would suggest that even though it would be primarily a ’50’s reunion that all classes wishing to attend be welcome.

Whether it be truly an “All School Reunion” or just a “Fifties Reunion”, **the main question that still needs to be answered is “do enough of us even care and even want another reunion???”**

I just do not honestly know the answer to that question. Therefore I am asking each of you to send me your brief opinion.

- 1 **YES, PLEASE CONTINUE TRYING TO SAVE THE “ALL SCHOOL REUNION”.**
- 2 **I WOULD BE IN FAVOR OF JUST HAVING A ’50’S REUNION”..**
- 3 **NO, I AM NOT INTERESTED,IN EITHER REUNION. JUST LET IT GO.**
- 4 **I MIGHT EVEN CONSIDER CHAIRING IT OR WORKING ON THE COMMITTEE.**

REGARDLESS of your opinion you won’t hurt my feelings, but you will help guide me and help me get more sleep at night.

I promise you I will read every response and make note of your opinion; I hope I receive lots of responses and in the event I do, please now accept my thanks for writing. However please understand that I just don’t have time to personally reply to each of you. I am still receiving about 200 emails a day and I already have trouble answering all of those.

One other comment, I am reaching a point that I am having to consider retiring from publishing the O&B sometime soon. However, as long as there is a chance that we will have a “2020 Reunion”, I will commit to not retiring the O&B until after the reunion in hopes of assisting with it’s promotion and success.

Sincerely,
Jack Phillips ’54

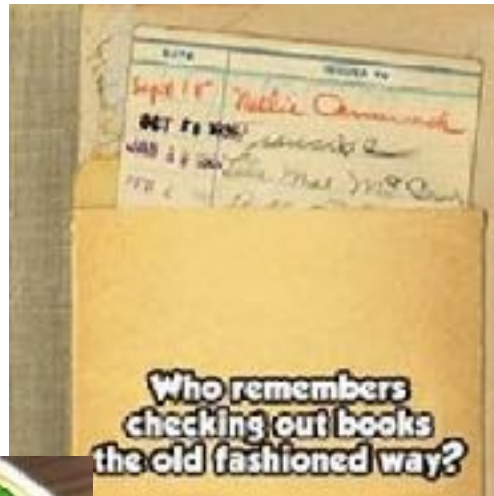


Jack Phillips ’54
WHS Senior Photo

Glen Jamtgaard '55 Asks if you remember these?



Glen Jamtgaard '55
WHS Senior Photo



Who remembers
checking out books
the old fashioned way?

WHO REMEMBERS USING THIS...



TO OPEN THIS.

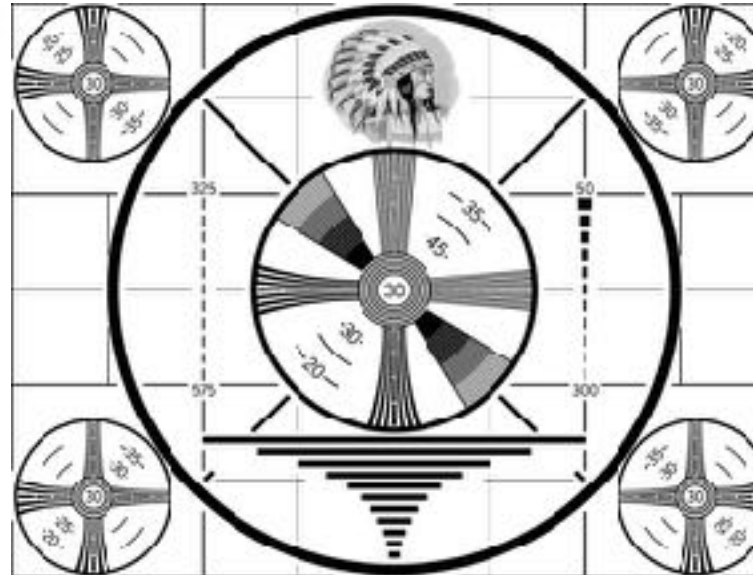


DO YOU REMEMBER OPENING A
CAN WITH A KEY?

Who remembers waiting
until after 7 pm to call long
distance,



because it was cheaper?



More from Glen.

AT AN OPTOMETRIST'S OFFICE:

"If you don't see what you're looking for, you've
come to the right place."

ON A PLUMBER'S TRUCK:

"We repair what your husband fixed."

On another Plumber's truck:

"Don't sleep with a drip. Call your plumber."

The “Arnie Bauer Story”, Continued.

The O&B recently received the following email Dr. Doug Bauer, our beloved classmate, teacher and coach, Arnie Bower '42.

From: bauerdb@aol.com

Subject: Newsletter

Date: April 27, 2019 at 4:35:46 PM EDT

To: jack@jackphillips.com

Jack

Are you still doing the Orange and Black newsletter? I would like to get a copy of the November 4, 2011 issue featuring Arnie Bauer and Fred Hecker.

Thank you.

Dr. Doug Bauer

The following is my reply.

Dear Dr. Bauer,

Yes, I am still publishing the WHS Alumni Version of the O&B. For over 10 years now.

Is it safe for me to assume you are related to Arnie? If so please fill me in on how you are related, where you currently live, what kind doctor and if you attended WHS / what year?

Here is the newsletter you requested. I hope you enjoy it. I certainly enjoyed reading it again. Out of the hundreds of newsletters I have now published it is one of favorites simply because I admired both Arnie and Fred so much.

Enjoy.

Jack Phillips,

WHS class of '54.

Now retired and living in Las Vegas, NV

Here is Dr. Bauer's most interesting and enjoyable reply.

On May 3, 2019, at 1:16 PM, bauerdb@aol.com wrote:

Dear Jack

Thank you so much. I had lost my copy and am grateful you were able to supply one.

I am Arnie's middle son who's wedding family photo is pictured in the article. I grew up at Washington High School in the gym, playing during practices, exploring the school including the wood shop areas for some scrap wood and "the tunnels" as we called them. The huge locker room downstairs and the equipment storage area with all of the old uniforms were fascinating. I accidentally locked myself in a locker one time playing hide and seek and it took a while for Arnie to find me. When I was about 12, I knew enough about basketball to be given a whistle and "officiate" scrimmages. I remember as a child being dropped off at football practices at the old practice field where the old Sears store was built when Bob Burns was coaching. Back then Arnie coached basketball and assisted in football and track as did many of the other coaches. Dad was with Bob Burns for the famous Sioux City illegally scouting Washington High from the roof of a building incident.

When the NAIA national track championships were held at the new Howard Wood Field from 1959 through 1967 Arnie worked at the meet and, of course so did I. For some reason I was setting starting blocks in the lane that Bob Hayes (the world record holder in the 100 yard dash) was running in. Later in a

meet he told me to hustle over and watch the long jump where Ralph Boston, another world record holder, was jumping.

Coincidentally, I was, at about age 5, the personal attendant (I believe I was called the "Scepter Bearer") for Fred Hecker the year he was voted WHS Homecoming King.

Arnie and my brother Dave and I all ran on SD State Champion mile relay teams that set state meet records.

We lived 4 blocks from Lincoln High School and Arnie was an assistant principal there to Lloyd Dobratz who was Arnie's assistant coach at WHS. So I went to Lincoln. My first day of school at Lincoln I saw Lloyd and said "Hi Dobbie" as I had for many years. Some things don't change. Lincoln was born from a nucleus of teachers and coaches from Washington. Lincoln's first state championship was in track, coached by Arnie and many fine assistant coaches.

Jack, I'm retired and live in Rosemount, MN in the summer and Peoria, AZ in the winter. My wife of 33 years died of colon cancer in 2007. I have two daughters, Mari who I practiced dentistry with is married and has 3 sons, ages 4, 2 and 3 months and Brynn who is a property attorney at Target Corp. is married and has one son who is 1.

Jack would you add me to your mailing list, I really enjoy reading the articles.

Sincerely

Doug Bauer, DDS



The 1956 OLD Coronation starring 5 year old, Doug Bauer as "Scepter Bearer". Other incidental participants were left to right, Karen Grove, Cynthia Borgen, Sharon Trumm, Nancy Frank, Queen Karen Osgood, Marshall Fred Hecker, Mark Line, John Simko, Jim Luce and Steve Spitznagel Sorry but the identity of the two flower girls is unknown.

Below is a reprint of the 6 page lead story on the tremendously popular Arnie Bauer '42 that appeared in the O&B on November 4, 2011. Arnie was an extremely popular WHS student '42 as evidenced by him being elected homecoming Marshall in 1941. He was also a WHS teacher, coach & administrator and truly a loved and respected gentleman by all that knew him.

This tribute to my beloved coach has always been one of my most favorite O&B stories. Now Doug's email plus the fact that most of my readers knew Arnie but so many of you have not seen the 7 1/2 year old story has prompted me to run Arnie's story again.

Arnie modestly assisted me with his personal information for his story. He passed away on Dec. 3, 2012.and I have always be grateful that I published my tribute to him before his passing

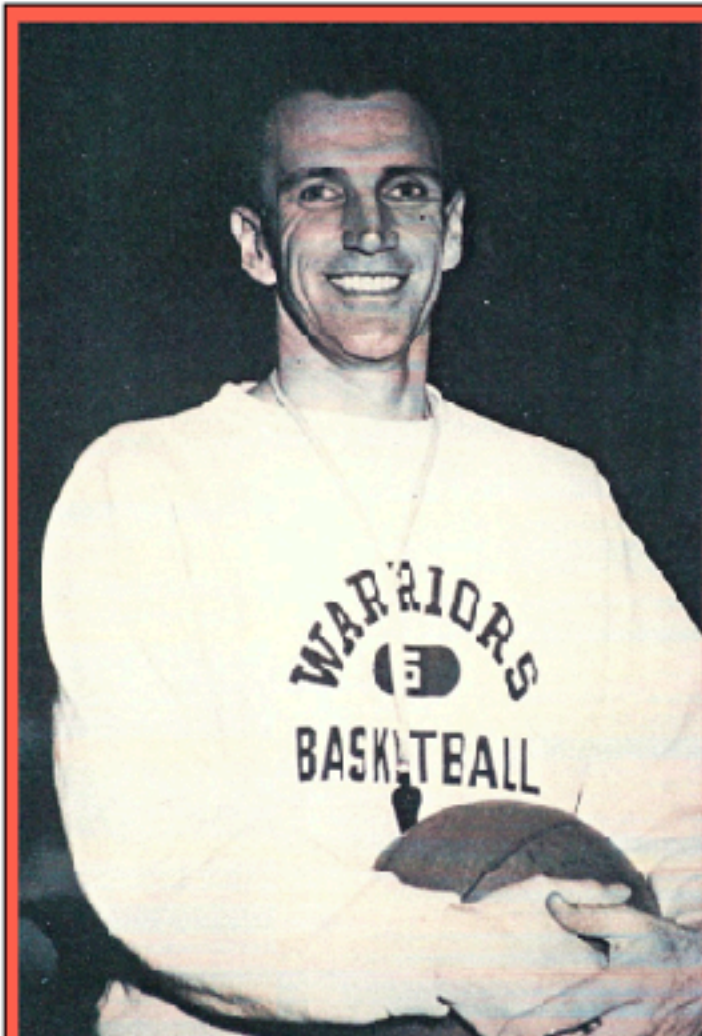
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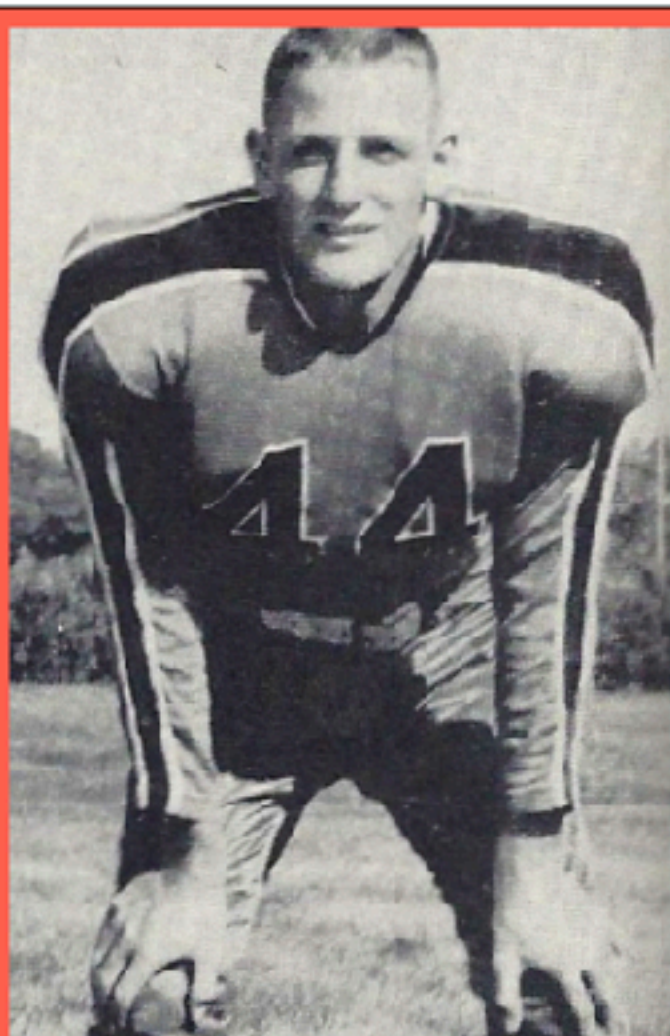
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The Arnie Bauer Story

WHS Student '42, Coach & Teacher
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Fred Hecker '57

Arguably WHS's Greatest All-Around Athlete
Story Pages 7 thru 11

The Arnie Bauer Story

WHS Graduate, '42 - WHS Science Teacher & Coach 14 years, '50 to '64
Educator & Administrator in Sioux Falls School System 34 years, 1950 to 1984

If you attended WHS anytime from 1950 to 1964 it is likely you were either taught a Science Class or coached in some sport at some level by this warm, caring and gentle man. Those of us he did touch were so very fortunate to have him as part of our formative years.

"Coach Bauer", as I addressed him on the old Howard Wood football field on East 10th Street, was always one of my favorite coaches. Out of total respect he was always, "Mr Bauer", in any other environment. Now that we seem closer in age, (he is now 88 and I am 75), I always prefer the much more endearing and affectionate, "Coach Bauer".

After reading and re-reading the considerable research I was able to gather on Coach Bauer, it became abundantly clear as to why both the "Coach Bauer" and the "Mr. Bauer" were always so loved and held in such high esteem by not only myself but by everyone that knew him.

Coach Bauer put together an "epistle" for his family and friends in 2002. I loved reading every word of it and will pass on some of it in this tribute to him. Reading it helped me understand why I have always felt Coach Bauer was such an extraordinary person and such an extraordinary mentor to young people.

While reading and learning more about Arnie's life it kept coming to my mind that another American classic movie such as, "*It's a Wonderful Life*" or the popular 50's TV sitcom, "*Father Knows Best*", could easily be made from Coach Bauer's life. Coach Bauer is and always has been the epitome of both characters, "George Bailey", played by Jimmy Stewart and "Jim Anderson", played by Robert Young. All three were just average, hard working, God fearing and unselfish American men that so positively effected all those

that came into contact with them throughout their lives.

Coach Bauer's life has had all of the ingredients of an unsung American hero. The story of a very gentle man who's life tells the American success story of simple devotion to his country, his family, his God and his career. In Arnie's case, his career translates to his thousands of students that he so positively touched during his 35 year career with his soft spoken manner. There are so many parts of this really good man's life story that readily bring tears of love, compassion and admiration each time it is read.

He was born in his Grandmother Phillip's home at the edge of Parker, SD in 1923 which makes him a bonafide member of America's "Greatest Generation". He had two older brothers, Harry, 10 years older, and Roland, 2 years older.

Arnie's early life was happy and totally filled with love from his family, but in quite a humble setting.

Coach Bauer wrote in his epistle, "My mother, Clara Phillips attended school in Parker though the 8th grade. She was a sweet lady. Mother was dedicated and expressed much love for her three sons. I can recall a time when she literally gave me her last dime so I could pay for a school magazine. I wouldn't say our family was poor; we just never seemed to have any money."

Arnie's father, Martin Bauer, in his later years shared this comment with Arnie, "In my lifetime, the highest wage I ever received was \$2.50 an hour. Get an education, Arnold."

Arnie continued to write, "We left the farm and Dad became a custodian at the Orland



Arnold Bauer '42
Faculty Photo - "General Science"
From 1956 WHS Yearbook.

Consolidated School near Madison, S.D. My mother, father, two brothers and myself - five people, all lived in a single room on the third floor of the school. I was just a year old so don't recall making that move. I do, however, remember starting first grade in that building and Rollie and I having the task of emptying the wastebaskets each

Some of The Outstanding Honors Coach Bauer So Proudly Received.

⌘ Elected WHS Homecoming Marshall 1942. (An honor that was a high point in Arnie's high school years.)

⌘ Elected president of the WHS Monogram Club in his senior year.

⌘ Won the 1942 SD State quarter mile championship.

⌘ Inducted into the Washington High School Athletic Hall of Fame.

⌘ Member of the Lincoln High School Hall of Fame.

⌘ Member of the Augustana College Athletic Hall of Fame.

⌘ Member of South Dakota Coaches Hall of Fame.

night after school. It was a three-story brick building, first grade through high school. It seems that most of my life has been spent in a school of some form or another."

Arnie's Mom, Dad and two brothers moved to Sioux Falls when he was in the 5th grade. He attended Bancroft, Franklin, Whittier and Washington High, graduating from WHS in 1942. He played basketball and ran track throughout high school and was a member of the varsity teams in his junior and senior years, winning SD state championships in both sports. In track Arnie ran on the 880 and mile relay teams.

Arnie received an appointment to the U.S. Naval Academy after WHS graduation, but declined it. He was anxious to do his part in the war effort and didn't want to spend 4 years of the war in Annapolis. Instead he entered the Navy V5 program to become an aviator. In 1945 he received his "Wings of Gold" as a Navy ensign.

Right after his Navy graduation in 1945 he married Marian Caldwell from Detroit Lakes, MN,



Arnie & Marian Dating in 1944

whom he had met in 1941. Their long courtship was carried on via U. S. mail since he was not allowed to have a wife during his Naval training. They were married in the First United Methodist Church in Sioux Falls, which Arnie still attends.

Arnie and Marian were then able to be together while he was stationed in Florida, South Carolina and Washington State. He was separated from active duty in 1945

and they moved back to Sioux Falls. Arnie stayed active in the Naval Reserve as a training officer and eventually as executive officer of the local surface division. He retired as a lieutenant commander after 22 years.

After the war, with encouragement from Marian, Arnie immediately enrolled at Augustana and Marian worked as an assistant buyer at Shriver - Johnson Co until their first son, David was born



The Marriage of
Marian Caldwell to Arnold Lyle Bauer
in Sioux Falls, SD, February 9, 1945



These two photos were taken of Marian and Arnie on their honeymoon in Sioux City, IA in 1945.

in 1947. She then became a full - time mcm for the next 17 years. After the boys were in high school she completed her college work and took a position as a biology instructor at WHS.

The Bauer's were blessed with 3 fine sons.

David Leslie Bauer was born in 1947. He and his wife Jayne live in Texas and have 4 children.

Douglas Martin Bauer was born in 1951. He is now widowed, has two daughters and lives in Rosemount, Minnesota.

Bradley Arnold Bauer was born in 1954. He and his wife, Kathy, live in Florida and have 5 children.

Everything I have read about Marian and Arnie's marriage indicates that they enjoyed a wonderfully happy marriage and were ideally suited to be life time partners. It seems so evident that they truly loved each other and were totally devoted to each other.

When Arnie graduated from Augustana in 1949 he was hired as the track and basketball coach in Hawarden, IA at an annual salary of \$2,700.00. The Bauer family stayed in Hawarden only one year as Arnie was asked to return to WHS to become assistant coach in all sports and teach general science.



The Arnie Bauer Family at son, Doug's wedding.
L to r. David, Arnie, Douglas, Marian and Bradley.

Then in 1956 Arnie was appointed head basketball coach at WHS and held that prestigious position for eight years, accumulating a winning record of 149 wins - 43 losses.

In 1964 the new Lincoln High School opened in Sioux Falls and Arnie accepted what he described as "the finest coaching position in the state of SD", that of head track coach at Lincoln. Arnie was able to win the South Dakota state track championship in just his 2nd and 3rd years at Lincoln. But then he was asked to move into school administration.

With the exception of his first

year in Hawarden, IA, he and Marian's entire careers were spent in the Sioux Falls School District. Marian completed 14 years of teaching biology and Arnie spent a total of 34 years. The last 14 years Arnie spent as principal of Axtell Park Junior High School.

To add to his teaching income over the years Arnie worked in the summer adjusting hail damage to farm crops and officiating basketball and track. He served as the head starter of the state track meet in Sioux Falls or Rapid City for fourteen years until he was unable to continue because of a brain aneurysm. For over 50 years he worked as a volunteer on the Howard Wood Dakota Relays.

The last paragraph Coach Bauer wrote in his epistle to his family and friends speaks volumes to the kind of man he is and always has been, the character he has always possessed and why he so deeply touched and embellished thousands of people's lives, from his students to his contemporaries.

"As I look back, it occurs to me that I've been fortunate to have lived during a great period in history. I've had a multitude of experiences -- most of them enjoyable. Being born into a home with very little money and much love, was an advantage. We learned early that a person can get along well without a lot of material things. I've found that one does not need to hunt for happiness -- it's always there if we can recognize it."

So Coach, CONGRATULATIONS! Up to now you most certainly have lived a **"Wonderful Life"**! A life that has so positively touched literally thousands in ways and degrees you will never fully know and we are all looking forward to enjoying your blessed friendship and inspiration for many more years to come.

Sadly, Coach Bauer lost Marian, the love of his life, quite suddenly in February of 2003. Coach continues to live in the Sioux Falls retirement complex that he and Marian selected together in 1998. **His mailing address is 3408 W. Ralph Rogers Rd., Apt. B204, Sioux Falls, SD 57108-2636, and his email address is Alb2212@aol.com.** He would dearly love to hear from any of you who would like to write.

The End

Affectionately & admiringly written by Jack M. Phillips 54

ADDITIONAL TRIBUTE LETTERS TO COACH BAUER



November 2, 2011.

From John Simko '57

"You need to wait until the end of the day to judge what kind of day it has been." That's what he said. But we don't have wait to judge what kind of man Arnie Bauer is. We knew even as uninformed kids that he was special, that we were blessed to have him as coach and teacher.

Mary and I have spent some memorable Saturday mornings in the Bauer home visiting with Coach Bauer and his late wife Marian over rolls and coffee. This elite quarter miler survived a life threatening aneurism shortly after retirement and uses a cane to help with balance. But he doesn't let that small thing affect his life's balance. He's got a great sense of humor. He tells of the guy who was puzzled about his condition. After the exam he asked "Doc, how do I stand?" Doc said "that's what puzzling me!"

Coach Bauer loves to tell of the pranks the coaches pulled on each other. One of them was Coach Lloyd Dobratz filling a bucket with water the night before, and then slowly and endlessly pouring the bucket of water into the toilet bowl in Coach Wally Diehl's small office the next morning. Coach Bauer reports— "nonplused, Teddy Bear said nothing." (Coach Bauer would never call Coach Wally Diehl "Teddy Bear." That was our affectionate reference to Coach Diehl.)

He's still a great teacher. A private pilot friend credits former Navy pilot Bauer for teaching him more on one flight than he had learned before. In the midst of a trip from Sioux Falls to Rapid City, someplace where no could guess, WWII Navy pilot Bauer asked some pertinent questions: "Where is the wind? What speed? What's your ETA? What's your ground speed? How much fuel do you have left? How much are you burning per hour? Do you charge course with your feet? Where do you look when flying into the sun?" Coach Bauer didn't tell the private pilot what to do or how to do it. His questions were the lesson.

He's a philosopher as is apparent from the opening sentence. He's a collector of toy box toys.

His collection is worth thousands. He's a learner. He quickly embraced the computer age. He keeps current with the news and travels the world in his den with his Mac. He's a trusted friend. Just ask his teammates— Lloyd Dobratz, Ken Kessinger, and Virg Sandvig, — and his coaching colleagues Dick Day and Bob Caselli, — and his neighbor Roger Fredrikson at Trail Ridge. He's humble. Just try to get him to talk about himself. He is a proud dad. Just ask him about his boys. (He would also remind us not to use the word proud.) He's widely respected and revered in South Dakota sports world. Just ask John Egan. He is the longest serving member of the Howard Wood Dakota Relays group, serving way more than fifty years collectively as Meet Director and member of the Board of Directors. Just ask Dean Mann and Fich Greeno. He is adored by his players. Just ask Mark Line. He is a man to be emulated. Just ask anyone who knows him!

Coach Bauer's basketball teams won conference championship each of the eight years he was the coach. He stopped coaching when his son was a member of the basketball team because, true to his values, Coach Bauer did not want to embarrass his son by his dad's decisions about playing time. Jim Luce speaks for the class of '57 when he says "one of the biggest disappointments for me our Senior year at WHS was that we could not give Coach Bauer the State basketball Championship he so truly deserved." Jim adds "he was a great coach and is a great role model."

It is no overstatement to say we were blessed to be students and players under Coach Arnie Bauer!

John Simko, WHS '57



November 2, 2011
From Mark Line '57:

I was in a Minot motel when I picked up on the radio the finals of the South Dakota State Basketball Tournament. The year was 1965 and Sioux Falls won the state championship under coach Lloyd Dobratz after Arnie Bauer retired. Dobratz was clear in crediting Arnie with this team and pointing out what a great coach Arnie Bauer had been. He said this was Arnie's team and he

deserved credit for the win. So Arnie wins his first championship after he retires.

Personally, he was in my eyes the best coach I had in all of sports. I remember his starting me daily in track and field to improve my start. He was "class" and dedicated to his craft of developing young people. He went on to be an outstanding principal and led his staff to their highest achievement.

How many lives did he touch....thousands. How much he meant to each young athlete is immeasurable. He was excellent in the class room, on the athletic field, and in the community. He was a leader who got things done without fanfare. Think of the many Dakota Relays that he chaired and grew into one of the finest in the Midwest.

His hands are on my shoulders and have been for many years. A great man and a caring citizen.

Mark Line, WHS '57



November 3, 2011
From: John Egan
RE: Arnie Bauer Tribute

It was through Coach Ole Odney while playing basketball at Augustana College in 1950 that I first met a man who would become a lifelong hero and mentor to me. Arnie Bauer is a gentle and compassionate person, and he was as gentle and compassionate as a coach could be while still maintaining discipline. He and Wally Diehl and Lloyd Dobratz were friends and coaching colleagues who became dear friends of mine. I treasure the memories with them and join in the well deserved tribute to a wonderful man, Arnie Bauer.

John Egan

Note for those of you not familiar with John Egan, he graduated from Augustana College, I think in 1950. As a result of his outstanding journalistic talents, John worked his way up to the position he held for many years of Sports Editor for the Sioux Falls Argus Leader. John has been retired from the Argus Leader, again I think for about 25 years. He now resides in Sun City, AZ, just outside of Phoenix. John is the older brother of Dal and Doug Egan, the most popular twin brothers that were members of the WHS class of 1951.

Letters to the



Royce Adams '58
WHS Senior Photo

On Feb 7, 2019, **Royce Adams '58** <Litljump@aol.com> wrote:

Jack, I'm retired and live in Rosemount, MN in the summer and Peoria, AZ in the winter. My wife of 33 years died of colon cancer in 2007. I have two daughters, Mari who I practiced dentistry with is married and has 3 sons, ages 4, 2 and 3 months and Brynn who is a property attorney at Target Corp. is married and has one son who is 1.

Jack would you add me to your mailing list, I really enjoy reading the articles.

Sincerely On Feb 7, 2019, at 10:10 PM, Royce Adams <Litljump@aol.com> wrote:

Jack, I have an original picture of this OLD parade event of the Class of '58 with Ms. Wagner holding the reins of a big Bumble Bee but I don't have the picture in my computer. In the 1958 WHS Annual, on page 151, is a print of Ms. Wagner as she rode on our "float" that year. You can see the title of the float was "Queen Bee of OLD". Now the explanation of why that title on the parade float was used. Perhaps you can use the picture from the annual.

Ms. Josephine Wagner was an Algebra teacher and a good one too. If any teacher could get me to do well in any class, to cause me to develop a great interest in the subject studied, or to even pass the course, he or she was a good teacher. Ms. Wagner did that for me. Ms. Wagner was, as WHS history goes, the person who originated and developed the idea of OLD, Orange Letter Day and the parade. Being as that was the case, we of homeroom 213, decided to build a float that recognized and honored her. We won first place in the beautiful category that year. Of course the OLD parade was actually held in early fall of 1957. I am sorry to say I can't remember anyone that was in our homeroom but I do remember working on the float. We used orange, yellow and black papers or napkins on a wire frame plus other materials in the design. The wire frame was the shape of a large bee. Ms. Wagner rode on the flatbed of the truck. As to whose truck we used I have no idea. The parade was a fun event and we were proud to have been involved in it. WHS was a fun, fun, and fun time for me

Royce Adams '58



Beautiful—first prize—H.R. 213

Royce also sent this photo of he and 3 buddies having lunch in Sioux Falls in March of this year.

Left to right is Tom Brown '58, Dick Baker '58, Royce Adams '58 and Bill Clayton '58.



Tom Brown



Dick Baker



Bill Clayton





Sandra Brix '59
WHS Senior Photo

On Mar 24, 2019, Sandy Brix Hembd '59 <sandyhembd@comcast.net> wrote:

Jack: Another outstanding edition of the O&B. It really is a service to our memories— a love gift you have given all of us. Thanks again. Sioux Falls in the “50s” was just a perfect place to grow up and so many stories highlight that! I think many stories also reflect the fact that our parents sacrificed a lot to make sure we had the best life possible. It was following a world war and they were struggling to go forth with vigor. The success stories (which you often highlight) of many of the graduates from the “50s” proves that their sacrifice was well worth it. The parents also supported the schools, as versus suing the schools, and it paid off as our generation could possibly be one of the most responsible generations of all times. Thank you to the parents of the kids from the “50s”!!

Sandy Brix Hembd '59 303 410 9699



Ron Veenker '54
WHS Senior Photo

On Mar 25, 2019, **Ronald Veenker '54** <rveenker@ec.rr.com> wrote:
Jim Ward '53,

Your classmate **Del Kroon '53** certainly led a full life. His exemplary community service is to be lauded and is very admirable.

I remember him as one of the truly good guys of the class of '53. Of course, so many of you were heroes of ours in the class of '54.

One last thought: Del was 83 when he passed. Did I read correctly that he is survived by his mother???? Wow, that is pretty amazing!

all the best, guys,

Ron Veenker '54

Ronald Veenker

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Jim Ward '53
WHS Senior



Delmar Kroon '53
WHS Senior Photo

I preferred Crawfords.



**Permella
Bedford '56
WHS Senior
Photo**

On Mar 27, 2019, **Perm (Permella), Kielman '56** <4perm.roger@gmail.com> wrote:

CELEBRATING
FRIENDSHIP AND
AN ENGAGEMENT
IN SEATTLE:
ROGER KIELMAN
'55 AND PERMELLA
B E D F O R D
KIELMAN '56 WITH
MYRA SCHOLTEN
SWANSON '56 AND MYRA'S
FIANCÉ VON KAYS.



Von Kays, Myra Scholten Swanson '56, Permella Kielman '56 , Roger Kielman '55

On Mar 29, 2019, **Perm
Kielman '56** <4perm.roger@gmail.com> wrote:

Hi Jack, This photo was taken on March 26. Myra's husband, Murray Swanson, died two years ago, and Von Kays also lost his wife a few years ago. Myra and Von (originally from TN) were introduced by a mutual friend and met for coffee. This was on Dec. 28. One month later, they were engaged. The wedding will be in Issaquah, WA on June 21. I did get Myra's consent to give out this information. She was one of my first friends when I moved to Sioux Falls from Omaha in 8th grade and walked to Longfellow together. We lost track of each other until the 1990's, when Roger and I moved from southern CA to WA. I looked up Myra, who was an interior designer in WA. I told her what I wanted, gave her the keys to our new house, and returned to Thousand Oaks. A few months later, Roger and I returned to a newly decorated house. Since then, Myra and I have lunched, shopped, traveled together, and remained close friends. Roger and I also met on a blind date, although I was a freshman at WHS and Roger a sophomore. Our first date was set up by Bob Shreve '55. I guess he did a pretty good job, as we will celebrate our 60th anniversary in June. We are also on the move...to Peoria, AZ. We will be closer to our family, the first time ever. This is move #20 for us. Roger's twenty-two years in the Army and twenty-five in healthcare kept us on the go. We lived in TX, KS, WA D.C., IL, CA, WA, France, and Iran, usually moving with two kids and one or two dogs. During a layover at the airport in Rome, I remember Roger walking out on the tarmac and getting our dog out of the plane for a walk. How times have changed! I taught English at an Iranian elementary school and the Iranian National University while living in Tehran in the 1970s. This interest in teaching English continued as we moved from place to place. We both enjoy keeping in touch with friends from WHS. Roger checks in with his Gibbs Hi-Y buddies. And visiting Sioux Falls is always a highlight. It just keeps getting better! Thanks, Jack, for your interest in our little corner of the world. Even in our 80s, we can still make new friends, fall in love, and even publish a successful on-line newspaper. Let's keep on trucking as long as possible! Perm



**Myra Scholten '56
WHS Senior Photo**



**Roger Kielman '55
WHS Senior Photo**



Dick Sweetman '54
WHS Senior Photo

On Apr 7, 2019, **Richard Sweetman '54**

<rcsweetman@gmail.com> wrote:

Jack, I am very shocked to receive your email concerning **Keith. (Hodge)** I was at the December Class of '54 lunch. There were only 4 of us - Keith, **Gayle Hoover, and Wayne Mitchell**. Everyone was in good humor and apparently good health. It is hard to realize that Keith is gone, A very good guy in every sense of the word - humble, friendly, enjoyed a good joke, and always interested in what anyone was saying, even though in many cases it was a repeat of what we had all heard about a dozen times before! His dear wife always attended with 2 or 3 of her friends. They sat at a nearby table so as to not impede our lofty discussions (they were smart enough to know that nothing of substance ever came up!). Keith will be missed.

Dick Sweetman '54



Gayle Hoover '54
WHS Senior Photo



Keith Hodge '54
WHS Senior Photo
Deceased

Wayne Mitchell '54
WHS Senior Photo



George Bogdos '49
WHS Senior Photo

Dick Sweetman '54 also wrote to inform me that the ever popular 1949 WHS O&B photographer, **George Bogdos' WHS '49** had passed away. **George Louis Bogdos**, born May 27, 1931 in Sioux Falls, South Dakota passed away April 25, 2019 in Bedford, Texas surrounded by his loving family. George was survived by his loving wife of 60 years, Sotera Props Bogdos; children, Stacia and David Dube, Andrea and Douglas Macpherson, Louis and Amanda Bogdos, Anthea and Richard Chade, Michael Bogdos. His funeral service was held at 11 am, Saturday, May 4, 2019 at St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church, 303 Cullum Drive, Euless, Texas 76040



Harry Hoiland '54
WHS Senior Photo

On Apr 10, 2019, **Harry Hoiland '54**
<paveknife@hotmail.com> wrote:

JACK, HERE IS A PHOTO OF MY SON, CAPT. TIM AND MY DAUGHTER-IN-LAW, DEBRA (LEAD FLIGHT ATTENDANT) ON A TRIP TO PHOENIX. IT IS NICE WHEN THEY BOTH FLY FOR ALASKA AIR LINES!!

Harry Hoiland '54





Jane Hackett '53
WHS Senior Photo

On Apr 30, 2019, **Jane Hackett Harris '53** <janeharris914@icloud.com> wrote:

Hi JACK, Here is some good information for the Orange and Black. Thanks again for all you do. I truly enjoy every issue.

Jane Hackett Harris '53

Men Are Happier People!

What do you expect from such simple creatures? Your last name stays put. The garage is all yours. Wedding plans take care of themselves. Chocolate is just another snack. You can never be pregnant. You can wear a white T-shirt to a water park. You can wear

NO shirt to a water park.

Car mechanics tell you the truth. The world is your urinal. You never have to drive to another gas station restroom because this one is just too icky. You don't have to stop and think of which way to turn a nut on a bolt. Wrinkles add character. Wedding dress - \$5,000. Tux rental - \$100. People never stare at your chest when you're talking to them. New shoes don't cut, blister, or mangle your feet. One mood all the time. Phone conversations are over in 30 seconds flat. You know stuff about tanks.

A five-day vacation requires only one suitcase. You can open all your own jars. You get extra credit for the slightest act of thoughtfulness. If someone forgets to invite you, he or she can still be your friend. Your underwear is \$8.95 for a three-pack. Two pairs of shoes are more than enough. You almost never have strap problems in public. You are unable to see wrinkles in your clothes. Everything on your face stays its original color. The same hairstyle lasts for years, maybe decades. You only have to shave your face and neck.

You can play with toys all your life. One wallet and one pair of shoes — one color for all seasons. You can wear shorts no matter how your legs look. You can 'do' your nails with a pocket knife. You have freedom of choice concerning growing a moustache. You can do Christmas shopping for 25 relatives on December 24 in 25 minutes.

No wonder men are happier!

- * If Laura, Kate, and Sarah go out for lunch, they will call each other Laura, Kate and Sarah.
- * If Mike, Dave, and John go out, they will affectionately refer to each other as Fat Boy, Bubba, and Wildman.

EATING OUT

- * When the bill arrives, Mike, Dave, and John will each throw in \$20, even though it's only for \$32.50. None of them will have anything smaller and none will actually admit they want change back.

When the girls get their bill, out come the pocket calculators.

MONEY

- * A man will pay \$2 for a \$1 item he needs.
- * A woman will pay \$1 for a \$2 item that she doesn't need but it's on sale.

BATHROOMS

- * A man has six items in his bathroom: toothbrush and toothpaste, shaving cream, razor, a bar of soap, and a towel.
- * The average number of items in the typical woman's bathroom is 337. A man would not be able to identify more than 20 of these items.

ARGUMENTS

- * A woman has the last word in any argument.
- * Anything a man says after that is the beginning of a new argument.

FUTURE

- * A woman worries about the future until she gets a husband.
- * A man never worries about the future until he gets a wife.

MARRIAGE

- * A woman marries a man expecting he will change, but he doesn't.

- * A man marries a woman expecting that she won't change, but she does.

DRESSING UP

- * A woman will dress up to go shopping, water the plants, empty the trash, answer the phone, read a book, and get the mail.
- * A man will dress up for weddings and funerals.

NATURAL

- * Men wake up as good-looking as they went to bed.
- * Women somehow deteriorate during the night.

OFFSPRING

- * Ah, children. A woman knows all about her children. She knows about dentist appointments and romances, best friends, favorite foods, secret fears, and hopes and dreams.
- * A man is vaguely aware of some short people living in the house.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

A married man should forget his mistakes. There's no use in two people remembering the same thing!



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