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DeAnne Shirley Julius 2013 Distinguished Alumna



A 1967 graduate who has carved out a significant reputation in business and public service in the United Kingdom has been named the Ames High School Distinguished Alum for 2013. She is DeAnne Shirley Julius, who last December was named by Queen Elizabeth as a Dame Commander of the Order of St. Michael and St. George. This is the second highest honor any woman can achieve in the British honors system. And she did it as a citizen of the United States living in England. As a result, she has earned the right in the United Kingdom to be addressed as "Dame DeAnne," but she is still just plain "DeAnne" to her parents, Marvin and Maxine Julius, 1801 20th St, Ames.

Besides being a Dame, DeAnne also has a doctorate in economics from the University of California and another honor from the Queen. She was named in 2002 as a Commander

of the British Empire (CBE) for her service to British business and industry. In spite of these lofty honors, Dame DeAnne says she is "quite chuffed" to have been selected as Ames High's outstanding alum for 2013.

Dr. Julius, who has lived in the United Kingdom for the past 30 years, has served as chief economist for Royal Dutch Shell and British Airways. She was also the first woman to be selected for a full-time appointment to the Bank of England's nine-member Monetary Policy Committee. As the name suggests, this committee is responsible for managing the monetary policy of the United Kingdom.

Dame DeAnne's other major accomplishment has been to rejuvenate the role of the Royal Institute of International Affairs. During the 9 years she served as chairman, she transformed the RIIA into "the best think tank in the United Kingdom "and perhaps the world."

In recognition of her work, the RIIA this past year established the "Julius Fellowship." The goal is to raise \$150,000 to "nurture individuals from the next generation interested in developing solutions to the complex challengers of global economic interdependence."

In addition, Dame DeAnne has published at least six books and 50 articles on global economic issues. She is also in demand as a news source and as a public speaker with a knack for explaining economic issues in understandable language.

Dr. Julius has also been awarded four honorary doctorates from British universities. She also is vice president of the Society of

Business Economists, which is considered the leading organization serving the profession in the United Kingdom.

Looking back, Dame or Dr. or DeAnne cites two Ames High teachers as being instrumental in her development.

First was Mary McNally, who taught literature at AHS from 1941 for about 30 years. "She set high standards and inspired me to do my best," she said. "She also insisted — and this has been important in my life — that you must finish every sentence and not let your thoughts just tail off."

Even more important to DeAnne was debate under coach Donald C. Cole. "Debate had the biggest impact on my future life," she said. "It taught me that there are two sides to every issue. We had to be prepared to argue the pro or the con – and we never knew which side it would be until the meet. Debate taught me not to be too dogmatic. I learned how to articulate key points without alienating my judges. This really has served me well in my career."

After graduating from Ames High in just 2.5 years, DeAnne earned a bachelor's in economics at Iowa State before moving on to the UC-Davis for a master's and doctorate. Julius and her English husband Ian live in a Sussex village south of London. Both are avid skiers. They have two grown children. Brock lives in Denmark and Nan in Boston. She is a grandmother four times over.

Tom Emmerson, '55

Two Blocks Long and Two Famous Alums

Donald Street stretches for just two leafy blocks (between Stanton and Ash Avenues) south of the Iowa State campus. But it has produced two truly notable Ames High grads: **Arthur Karr Gilkey**, **'44**, who died in 1953 in an attempt to be the first, along with 6 American teammates, to conquer K2, also known as "the Savage Mountain." His family lived at 2328 Donald. More recently, basketball star and Iowa State head coach **Frederick Kristian Hoiberg**, **'91**, lived at 2221 Donald, a house whose garage was devoid of a basketball bang board. According to his mother, Karen, they just never got around to putting one up. Both houses are still there.

2013 Ames High School Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees

Five athletes and one coach were inducted into the AHS Athletic Hall of Fame on Thursday evening, October 10th at a banquet held in their honor in the high school cafeteria.

Kylan Loney Lottich, '01, was a threesport star for Ames High and is considered one of the most prolific players in the sport of girls' basketball at Ames High. A rare four-year letter winner and starter from 1997-2001, Kylan set an all time record of playing in 95 consecutive varsity games. She still holds numerous career and season records in basketball. She was selected for all-state recognition in 2001. Kylan also lettered 4 times in track and field and earned 1 letter in cross country running. In track, she gathered 7 Drake Relays medals and 9 state track meet medals. She went on to have a very successful career as well at Arizona State University where she received her undergraduate degree. Today she and her husband, Matt, are the parents of three children and reside in Winnetka. Illinois.

Ed McDowell, '55, a two sport athlete, dealt with a mild case of polio at the age of 14. He then went on to surprise many with his track and football success at Ames High School. A state runner-up in the shot put competition his junior season, Ed went on to win 10 straight meet championships, and in six of those, he set new meet records. He was a record setting Drake Relay's champion as well as a state champion his senior season with a record setting throw of 56 feet, 3 inches. He also was a standout lineman and linebacker for two full seasons on the gridiron collecting second team all-conference honors and honorable mention by the IDPA. Ed attended Houston University on a full track scholarship in 1956 and 1957. Ed married his high school classmate, Mary Louise Taylor in 1958, and they parented two daughters and three sons. Ed, a widower since 2009, resides in Omaha, Nebraska.

Gabe Padilla, '96, is one of the all-time greats in the history of soccer at Ames High School. He still holds the school record for goals scored in a career--97. He lettered all four years of his high

school career, and twice he scored an amazing 6 goals in one game. He earned all-conference in 3 seasons and was first team all-state in 1996. Gabe earned his bachelor's degree from lowa State University, and he currently resides in Long Beach, California and works for the LLS. Customs and British and State University and Beach, California and works

for the U. S. Customs and Border Patrol as a chief agricultural specialist. He and his wife, Mariela, are the parents of three children.

Michael Miller, '01, earned multiple letters in football, basketball, track and field and baseball. Multi-sport athletes are becoming a rarity in the 21st century. An all-conference and honorable mention all-state tight end in football, Michael went on to earn all-conference and first-team all-state honors in basketball as well. His basketball career average of 18 points. 10.9 rebounds and 6 assists per game still ranks as one of the best in Ames High history. He went on to break a 52 year old Ames discus record and then was a state champion as a junior and senior. Michael also received all-academic honors in the CIML. Michael graduated from the University of Northern Iowa in 2005 where he played on the Panther basketball team for three years and won the 2004 Missouri Valley discus championship. He earned his master's degree from Minnesota in 2007. He currently lives in St. Louis Park, Minnesota with his wife, Quinn, where he is director of surgical business development at Fairview Ridges Hospital in Burnsville, Minnesota.

Amy Henderson, '94, is the proud owner of 6 state and Drake Relays gold medals. Her list of individual accomplishments in track and field is too numerous to mention. She helped the track team record 3 undefeated seasons including conference and district titles and the 1992 state championship. She was one of Coach Jim Duea's most versatile performers in the hurdles and sprints during this era. She also lettered 3 seasons as a diver for the Little Cyclones. Following high school she went on to Stanford University where she



Picture (left to right): Klyan Loney Lottich, '01, Ed McDowell, '55, Gabe Padilla, '96, Michael Miller, '01, Robert Heiberger, Coach, Amy Henderson Clevenger, '94.

won four letters in track and completed her undergraduate degree before gaining her MD/PhD at Colorado. She did her pediatric residency at Washington University in St. Louis. She is currently a pediatric critical care physician at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. She and her husband, Chris, are the parents of four-year old Samantha and eleven-month old Charles.

Robert Heiberger coached for an amazing 40 years at Ames High School. The girls' golf teams under his guidance produced 7 conference championships and 19 state appearances. His teams won 3 state titles and were second 3 times. He coached the Ames High girls' golf teams to an amazing 1,232 dual wins. He was named the state of Iowa coach of the year in 2009 and 2010. In 2012, Robert was inducted into the prestigious Iowa Golf Coaches Association Hall of Fame. Now retired, he is the longest tenured girlss head coach in any sport in Ames High history. He and his wife, Elaine, have raised three children--Kevin, Rob and Kristi--all Ames High graduates.



10 August 1953 - The Day Art Gilkey Died on Savage Mountain

He was a world-class climber, but Art Gilkey ('44) is probably best remembered for the way he died on what has been described as "the world's most dangerous mountain" some 60 years ago. Gilkey, 27, was part of an eight-man American-led expedition determined in 1953 to be the first climbers to conquer K2. They did not make it, partly because of bitterly cold blizzard conditions and partly because Gilkey collapsed – or to be more precise, because of his fellow climbers' determination to try to save Art's life – even though the odds against it were almost 100-to-one.

K2 is considered by experts to be a much more difficult and dangerous climb than Mount Everest, even though, at 28,251 feet, it's 770 feet lower. That's because of the fiercely inclement and changeable weather and the difficulty of ascent. In fact, for every four people who have reached the summit of K2, one has died trying. That is the highest fatality rate of all the world peaks over 28,000 feet. And, as is the case on all of the tallest mountains, the greatest danger for weary climbers occurs on the descent.

Art Gilkey was the fifth person to die in the first four attempts to scale K2 – also known by mountaineers as the "Savage Mountain." No one had successfully climbed K2 (let alone climbed and returned safely) when physician Dr. Charles Houston, one of the most highly regarded mountaineers even today, put together his team of eight in 1953. By high-altitude standards, it was a small, athletic group that could move with agility and relative speed during the narrow frame of good weather that was characteristic of K2. The climbers were also young. Only two were over 40 - Robert Bates, 43, and Dr. Houston, 40, both of whom had been on the expedition that came up short in 1938. The other six, including Gilkey, were new to K2.

Arthur Karr Gilkey, the son of Herbert J. and Mildred, of 2328 Donald St., moved to Ames at age six along with older brother Herbert Talbot Gilkey, '40. Ames High graduate, Marcia Wilsie (now Campbell) '55, knew Arthur as a Donald Street neighbor and playmate. Although he was 11 years older than Marcia and her friends, she said he led them on "adventures where we raced into everyone's backyards, climbed on top of garages and jumped up into oblivion." "He got along with everyone," she remembers.

At Ames High, Gilkey had a quiet sophomore year. As a junior, he became quite active in the Spirit, mixed chorus, Hi-Y, student council and Fire Squad. Then he graduated – after taking summer classes at Ames High. Gilkey, almost 17, enrolled immediately at lowa State in September 1943 as a geology major, but with war raging, he joined the Navy in September 1944 at age 18 and served 23 months – until August 1946. He then earned a degree in

geology at lowa State (1949) and followed this with a Master's and was well into his Ph.D. studies in geology at Columbia University when he was invited to join the K2 team.

Art had already earned his climbing spurs in the American west – Devil's Tower (with Ames High friend Walter David Loomis, '44), the Tetons and in Alaska. With his personality, plus his research and climbing skills, Gilkey was an almost obvious selection for the K2 team.

In 1953 the Cold War with the Soviet Union was in full force, but the Korean War had ended. Americans, seemingly, were looking for other kinds of excitement. That came on 29 May 1953 when New Zealand's Edmund Hillary and a Sherpa companion became the first persons ever to reach the summit of Mount Everest. It seemed obvious that the next climbing challenge had to be K2 and attention shifted to the Houston-led American expedition (including one Brit).

The team experienced no abnormal difficulties getting to Camp VIII - the last stop before the summit – some 2,600 feet above. That same night (August 1) a major storm blew up - and continued for five days. Houston described the conditions as "more severe and continuous than any of us had ever experienced or believed possible." The bitter cold was exacerbated by 70-90 mile per hour gales -- so fierce they could not always keep a fire going long enough to melt snow for drinking water. Dehydration set in and the climbers began to feel its weakening effects. The weather improved marginally on the sixth day (August 7) and the group decided to take a chance and go for the summit. But, that morning, Gilkey collapsed. He said he had a Charley horse and felt certain it would clear up in a day. Dr. Houston almost immediately recognized that Arthur had developed thrombophlebitis (or embolisms) -- blood clots in his leg that were headed toward or already in his lungs. Even at sea level today pulmonary embolisms are considered an almost fatal condition unless treated quickly with a blood thinner. But in 1953 at 26,500 feet, Dr. Houston realized that Arthur's chances of survival were practically zero. Others did,

Faced with Art's almost certain fate, his colleagues unanimously decided that their only job was saving Gilkey's life no matter how slim and no matter what the price. That price was to forgo the summit and risk their own lives getting Art to hospital. One member of the team recalled: "We thought Art was going to die. ... As far as we were concerned, while he was still alive, we were trying to carry him down." They started their descent on the 8th, but turned back because the slopes were too avalanche-prone. On the 9th the storm returned at full

force. Meanwhile, Art apologized for being a burden and urged the others to go for the top.

By the 10th, the rest of the party recognized that they had no choice but to start their descent or Art would die on their hands. Given the conditions, it was clear, as team member Bob Bates wrote, "Each of us realized that he was beginning the most dangerous day's work of his life." Gilkey was strapped into a makeshift stretcher consisting of a wrapped tent over his sleeping bag with ropes leading to team members. Whenever anyone asked him how he was doing, Art replied "Just fine... just fine." But he almost certainly knew his own odds of survival and the terrible risks he was creating for his seven teammates. Then disaster struck.

One climber slipped on hard ice and fell out of control. He pulled another off and the pair rammed into Houston and another climber. Their tangled ropes, in turn, jerked a fifth member of the team off his feet. All five, were headed towards a 7,000-foot death plunge - except for a single rope linking them to Pete Schoening, who had secured (belayed) himself with an ice axe iammed into snow behind a rock above the chaos. Miraculously, Schoening held all five for nearly an hour as they worked their way back up 300 feet to safety. One of the five lost his rucksack, glasses and, worst of all in sub-zero weather, his mittens. Dr. Houston suffered a severe concussion that left him confused and barely able to function. Most of their gear was gone, too. Gilkey, who had not fallen, was above the others anchored by two ice axes in a gully. The others left him to search for a flat place to erect their only remaining tent. When three members of the team returned 10-15 minutes later to collect Art, he was gone.

At first some thought Gilkey, realizing that he was endangering the lives of his teammates, deliberately cut his lifelines. Others reasoned that Gilkey was far too weak to make that effort. Instead, they concluded that Art "had been avalanched." It took the other seven battered climbers another five days to limp back to Base Camp. During the descent they looked for Gilkey's body, but found no trace of him or his gear.

The day after the team's return to Base, porters built a 10-foot high memorial cairn (tower of stones) on a rock spur overlooking two glaciers about a quarter mile from the camp. The 'Gilkey Memorial still stands today as a tribute to Art and the 79 other climbers who died on K2 (many of whose bodies were never found intact).

Almost as soon as the battered Houston party members returned to Base Camp, their heroics in foregoing the summit in order to try to save their comrade became the stuff of legends. The American team's selflessness and mutual respect became "a symbol of all

10 August 1953 - The Day Art Gilkey Died on Savage Mountain continued

that is best in mountaineering." In fact the world renown climber Reinhold Messner, who made the first solo ascent of Everest without oxygen, said that he most admired the Houston expedition. They were decent," he said. "They were strong. And they failed in the most beautiful way you can imagine."

Postscript: Due to lack of communication from the remote Pakistan interior, it took

a full 16 days before word of Art's death reached Herbert and Mildred Gilkey. One can imagine their grief, but they had one small consolation. Their last direct contact with their son was a walkie-talkie message relayed from one camp to another at the end of July 1953. In it, he said he was very happy and contented because he was where he wanted to be. It took another 40 years before the ice floes released enough of

his remains and some of his possessions (including his down jacket) for experts to identify Art Gilkey. These were returned to Ames in 1993. By then neither parent was alive to know that their youngest son had been re-united with them at the Iowa State University cemetery.

Tom Emmerson, '55

We Get Letters...

Dear Classmates,

Sixty years! What a journey it has been and there are still more that two-thirds of us here. That, in itself, is remarkable but, even more so, we are active. We travel, we participate in the communities we live in. We are care-givers for relatives, and, sometimes, the support for adult children. And we are on the move. Many of us have relocated in the last 5 years and many more of us will do that in the next 5 years. What does it all mean and what has it meant? We will have to leave it to our poets to put our collective journey into words that have deep personal meanings.

And yet, through all of this, we sometimes enjoy reaching out and getting in touch with classmates we haven't seen in years. It has been my pleasure these last few reunions to maintain, with considerable help from all of you, these class contact listings. I hope that you will use them to stay in touch with classmates who are not joining us for this very special sixtieth reunion. All the Best to All of You. (See 60th class reunion picture on page 5.)

Richard O. "Dick" Stenerson, '53

Attention: Class of 1961 and other AHS Graduates:

Last July I completed my second RAGBRAI. I started riding a bicycle again for mainly conditioning and to knock off 30 pounds or more of excess flab. Jogging was too boring and hard on my knees, and exercise machines in the gym are really tedious. Bicycling works wonders! When I first got on a bicycle, I could barely ride 10 miles without a rest break. My off-season riding is now about 3 times a week--typically 25 miles per session. Next spring ramping up for RAGBRAI, I'll up my mileage to 100-150 per week. I've knocked off 30 pounds so far, reduced my waist 4 inches and my stamina is much improved. (I even did the optional 109 mile Karras Loop on Monday of this year's event.)

I hope to see some of you saddling up for next year's RAGBRAI. Let me know if you're going to do this in 2014 and maybe we can get together during the ride for dinner or whatever. If an old guy like me can do it, you probably can too. (Of course, I wouldn't expect quite as much from graduates other than 1961.) RAGBRAI is basically a week long party and celebration of being part of lowa. See their website for further details. **Bruce D. Woods, '61**

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"Potential 70-Year Celebration!"
If you have any interest in a 1943-1944-1945
AHS Class Reunion On Monday June 16,
2014 and Tuesday, June 17, 2014, contact
one of the following:

- Milt Potee, 1718 South 41st Street, Rogers, Arkansas 72758
- Marylou Dahl Fritsch Wheeler, 2401 Lakeside Drive, Ames, Iowa 50010
- Betty Grant Dixson, 2429 Hamilton Drive, Ames, Iowa 50014
- Phyllis Thompson Harris, 1801 20th Street, No. E13, Ames, Iowa 50010

Marylou Dahl Fritsch Wheeler, '44

Hi Jack,

I hope you are well. We had an AHS 2013 graduate, Kendria Peterson, with us in Switerland this summer. She worked on her French and experienced living in Europe while helping with our kids. We had a fun summer! There were also a few other Ames' people encounters this summer including a visit from Mark Grundmann, '86 and his wife, and meeting up with Lisa Tice Damge, '86 who currently is living about 20 minutes from us while her husband works at P&G. Attached is a picture of Kendria and me and my boys when we visited Bern, the capital of Switzerland. (See picture on page 9.) Cathy Stidwell, '86

Hi Mr. Ripp and Connie,

I can't get back to Ames very often except for class reunions and family anniversaries, so when my Aunt & Uncle's 60th Anniversary celebration rolled around, I started looking forward to getting together with as many Little Cyclones from the Class of "76 as possible. And, it always has to be at Hickory Park, of course. When it turned out that Marilyn was also going to be in Ames at that time, it blossomed into a "Baker's Dozen!" My boyfriend said I should have put it out on Facebook--"Come One, Come All"--but we didn't want to overrun the place! (or did we?) Both the anniversary party and the mini-AHS reunion were a resounding success, I think! It was a great time! The Class of '76 rocks!!! (See page 9 for a photo of the AHS Girls from 1976 (and one gent) taken in mid-July.) Jami Simon, '76

Hi AHSAA Editors,

Once a month The Class of 1962, in the Ames area, has a meal out together. We call ourselves GORP. After the meeting I write a newsletter and send it out to a growing list of classmates. The purpose of the newsletter started out to be a reminder of where and when we were meeting next. It has evolved over the years. Many comment how they enjoy hearing what we all are doing. After reading your article in the August edition about AHS authors, I thought you should be told about two not mentioned. Below is an excerpt from the July Gorp Report 2013. In it is the mention of two authors from the class of 1962

Susan Miller Willeke wrote to tell us about an author in our class. Bob Talcott sent her a copy of the book written by Loran Randles about his experiences in Vietnam. Loran's sons encouraged him to write it. As many of us know, the guys that served over there rarely talk about it. I imagine this was a difficult book to write. Susan and Jim say it is well written and holds your interest. The title of the book is What Deepest Remains. It can be ordered through Tattered Cover Press in Denver, Colorado. Or Google it. Also, Jonathan Huntress has used his education in history and religion and personal experience to write the book, Tis the Gift to be Simple. Check Amazon.com to get a copy. Both books are being shared among GORPers. I hope you find this information worth pursuing.

Mary Sue Arrasmith Brown, '62

Ames High Class of 1953



Back row: Tom Dunlap, Bill McCallister, John Nervig, Joe Toresdahl, Gary Mallo, Earl McClure, Bill Miller, Dick Green, Jerry Johnson, Max Molleston, Jim Michaud and Kent Fritz.

Middle Row: Leo Lawlor, Chuck Benson, Dick Stenerson, Mike Ritland, Don Harris, John Johnson, Don Bappe, Everett Freel, Robert Krieg, Ben Buck and Bob Stacy. Front Row: Shirley Small Heckleberg, Jean Sevey Buck, Jan Burgess Mueller, Ann McCarthy Singer, Marge Bormuth Carnahan, Sue Wymore Rolfs, Ann Lee Harris, Sheila Shultz Waterbury, Mary Jean Struble Peters and Sarah Hall Maney.

Other News About Our Graduates

Larry N. Larson, '54 was honored by the Story County Democrats at their annual barbecue and family reunion at Inis Grove Park in Ames on September 21, 2013. "We're delighted to use this occasion to show Larry how much we appreciate all he's done for the people of central lowa over the past forty years," said Story County Chair Jan Bauer. Larry was elected to the lowa Legislature in the early 1970s where he represented southern Story County and parts of Jasper and Polk counties. Larry later served three terms as a member of the Story County Board of Supervisors. Featured speakers at the event were U. S. Congressional candidate for lowa's 4th District, Jim Mowrer, and candidates for lowa governor, Jack Hatch, Bob Krause and Tyler Olson.

Larry also graduated from Iowa State University, and Larson's family operated a grocery store on West Street in Ames for many years that later became Dugan's Deli. He currently owns the Town and Country Market in Slater.

Lisa Gaarde Hartsock, '78 has been named Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director of "The Be Kind People Project". a Paradise Valley, California non-profit organization dedicated to improving the nation's educational environment by recognizing teachers and positively impacting students. Working with founder Marcia Meyer, Hartsock will spearhead the next phase of the organization's rapid growth and the expansion of its nationwide programming to provide K-8th grade students with character development tools that build positive relationship skills while celebrating teachers and their contributions to society. Meyer said, "Lisa is a consummate professional with a proven track record for building strategic alliances with partners, affiliates and donors that will serve us well as we implement our strategic growth plan over the coming months. She is also a caring and compassionate individual who embodies our values as an organization and our commitment to children, teachers and community services." As CEO, Hartsock will hold overall strategic and operational responsibility for executing The Be Kind People Project's mission and directing its staff, programs, financial performance, capacity planning and growth initiatives.

John "Hamp" Tisdale, '63 entered the U. S. Naval Academy three weeks after graduating from Ames High School. After graduation from the Naval Academy, he served on two ships in

the surface Navy, deploying to the Mediterranean and Pacific Oceans. He served as gunnery assistant and missile officer. Upon leaving active duty he entered the Naval Reserve, retiring as a commander. After four years of active duty he attended and graduated from Washington and Lee University School of Law in Lexington, Virginia.

In 1974 he moved to Frederick, Maryland where he maintained a general law practice for 20 years. During those years he included among his clients seven municipalities. He was active in the community serving on the boards of the community college, the library, the hospital, and the literacy council, serving as the president of the first two and the Rotary Club. In 1995, the governor appointed him to Maryland's Circuit Court and for more than 16 years he heard cases of murder, rape, robbery, divorce, custody, medical malpractice, automobile accidents, contract disputes and juvenile cases. He chaired the state judicial ethics committee and the association of circuit court judges. He retired two years ago, but still returns to court as needed, several days a month. Hamp married Donna Ririe in 1967. They have two sons and are proud grandparents of two grandchildren.

Ames High Fall Sports Celebrate a Banner Fall

Ames High Athletics had another great fall season as the AHS girls' swim and dive team captured it's fourth consecutive state championship under the leadership of coach Dan Flannery. Our girls' cross-country team led by coach Kirk Schmaltz captured a state runner-up team finish while the boys' team guided by coach Tim Mooney finished 8th in the state as well. Coach Sarah Buss led the AHS Fall cheer team to a state title as well. Finally, the AHS football team went 11-1 while setting numerous state and school records before losing in the quarterfinals to WDSM Valley. Congratulations to Coach Bruce Vertanen and his staff for a job well done.

The Class of 1983 Reunion



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Where *did* the last 30 years go? The Ames High School Class of 1983 held their 30th Class Reunion August 9 - 12th. It was great to see so many of the 1983 graduates and their families reminiscing throughout the weekend of fun events! Highlights of the weekend included a social gathering at Olde Main Brewery followed by wine tasting at Della Vita Wine Bar Friday evening. Saturday was jam packed with a golf outing and lunch catered by Big Dawgs BBQ, a tour of Ames High by the new principal Spence Evans and a formal dinner & dance (DJ's by Ari

Boggard) at the beautiful Reiman Gardens with an amazing slide show of pictures old and new. Sunday's events included a family event with bowling, laser tag, games and pizza at Perfect Games. The weekend ended with live music and wine at Prairie Moon Winery.

A huge thanks to the planning committee! The weekend was a huge success! Everyone is looking forward to our next reunion!

Camille Sue Helgeson, '83

Mini 70th Reunion for Two 1943 Graduates



Picture: Einar Larsen and Milton Potee. (Also celebrating the reunion were Coleen Nutty (John Nutty, '43), Mary Jane Clithero (Bob Peterson, '43), Martha Coover Anderson, '44, and Jim Buck, '45.)

Milton Potee graduated from Ames High in June, 1943 after having been sworn into the Army Air Corps in May of 1943. After training, he joined the 13th Army Air Corps and was shipped to the Southwest Pacific. He flew in a B-24 bomber as tail gunner and assistant engineer. He was discharged and

arrived home to Ames in October, 1945, the day the war ended. He enrolled at lowa State College and then transferred to the University of Iowa. In December, 1947 he married Vivian. He graduated with a BS in Business Administration in 1950 and was soon employed by Pratt & Lambert Paint & Varnish Company. He worked in Texas, Idaho, Minnesota and the last 27 years in Chicago. He retired in 1988 and moved to Rogers, Arkansas where he enjoyes fishing and hunting and plenty of volunteering. He and Vivian have been blessed with four children, eight grandchildren and six and one-half great-grandchildren. Milt says: "It has been a great 88 years!"

Einar Larsen, like Milt, graduated from Ames High in June, 1943. He enrolled at Iowa State, but then on his December birthday, he joined the U. S. Army Air Corps. He was commissioned as both a navigator and bombardier, but he missed combat. Following his discharge, he again enrolled at Iowa State where he graduated in 1949. Following his marriage to Lois in 1950, he started a long career at Maytag in Newton, Iowa. He climbed the corporate ladder to become Director of Advertising and Merchandising and in his words--"was lucky to hit on the idea of using a repairman as endorser of our products! With great help from a very talented agency, he developed the "Lonely Maytag Repairman" ad campaign." He retired to Florida in 1987 to a sleepy, quiet golf and beach town north of Naples and loved it, but the developers and bureaucrats found and ruined it, so he came back to an Ames retirement community and Cyclone Country. Einar concludes, "Lois has given us four children, and they have given us nine grandchildren and two greatgrandchildren, who are now scattered over the United States, and who are the lights of our lives." "Ames Hi Aims High!"

The Class of 1948 Holds 65th Reunion



The Ames High School Class of 1948 held its 65th reunion over the weekend of September 20-22. Meet and greet time was at the American Legion Club on Friday evening. On Saturday morning, a tour of Ames showed the town's many changes since 1948, and Mr. Ripp gave a tour of the high school in the afternoon. Saturday night the group enjoyed a banquet at Quality Inn and Suites, followed by a memory time for all classmates who have passed away. The Ames Historical Society also presented a great program of "Old Ames." Twenty-six classmates attended and enjoyed their time together.

Front row (L-R): Joe Beeman, Bill Burnham, Bonnie (Rynkiewitz) Nicola, Mary Ann (Plagman) Barnes, Nancy (Neff) Clark, Rosie (Iverson) Wilson, Sharon (Arrasmith) Petersma, Mel Bell, Howard Clemens.

Second row: Bill Hukill, Mary (Bloomberg) Helland, Jonnie (Wheelock) Bell, Ann (Barnard) Bice, Janet Hoff, Jody (Lechner) Kelly.

Third row: Darrell Moore, Tom Kelly, Hubert Bowers, Bill Gaessler, Andy Christensen, Kendall Morgan, Wayne Spangler, Bob Ringgenberg, Bob Amme, Forest Barnes.

Seventy is Sensational!



Clockwise: Susan Adams, Bev Hull, Marcia Courson, Margo Reeg, Shirley Tice, Joyce Simpson, Karen Coletti, Karen McGregor and Ann Tyree

Operating on the premise that "old" birthdays are actually wonderful, nine women from the AHS Class of 1961 headed for Chicago to mark "Birthday 70" together. From all over the country came Susan (Campbell) Adams, Karen Coletti, Marcia (Heidel) Courson, Bev (Novak) Hull, Karen (Skarshaug) McGregor, Margo (Dunlap) Reeg, Joyce (Heald)

Simpson, Shirley (Busch) Tice, and Ann (Kirkham) Tyree. All nine are happily healthy and reasonably sound! Susan's impeccable planning for the "Great Chicago Party" included seafood dining and birthday cake with champagne on Friday night. Saturday morning found them strolling (? C'mon, we can't be late!) through Millenium Park on the way to the Chicago Art Institute's special exhibition "Impressionism, Fashion and Modernity." It was such fun to see the dresses from the Monet, Manet era! (But really, can anything beat the crinolines and turned up collars we wore?) Opting for a moment of genteel, lunch found them at The Walnut Room at the iconic Marshall Field's--now Macy's, complete with tres chic waitor.

But wait, there's more. Saturday night the group plunged full bore into their past with "Million Dollar Quartet" tickets in hand. What a great show! The Elvis couldn't resist giving Marcia his white scarf. Dinner followed at Volare Italian Restaurant with food and chatter volume both at the highest level.

After more midnight laughter, Sunday morning found the group saying "goodbye's" and already looking forward to the next reunion - cherishing the time in the now as much as we cherish the time spent as youngsters growing up in Ames. With gratitude to all from our past who nourished us, Karen Coletti.

Tribute to Hiram "Hi" Covey

For several years I have thought about writing our Alumni Newsletter staff regarding a tribute to my mentor and track coach, Hi Covey. I was spurred on by Tom Emmerson's (AHS '55) article, "It's never too late to say "Thank You," published in the August, 2013 issue of the newsletter. My one regret is that I did not impart to Coach Covey my sincere thanks before he passed away. It's well past time I gave Coach Covey a proper thank you. A little background first.

I was on the Sophomore Basketball Team when one day Coach Covey called me up to his desk in study hall and asked me what my future plans were following high school graduation. I told him I'd like to go on to college but my folks really didn't have the money to send me. I was a B/C student, and I figured that an academic scholarship was probably not in the cards. Coach had scouted all us guys when we were in Central Junior High, and he said to me, "Son, I think you could get a track scholarship if you would dedicate yourself to that end

through your senior year." Even though I loved basketball I knew in my heart that I wouldn't be good enough to get a college scholarship through that venue. But, I knew I could run. I told Coach that I'd give it a whirl.

Coach took a personal interest in me, as he did with lots of other kids, and he planned workouts tailored to me. Training in the winter was tough, but fortunately we had permission to run in the basement boiler room of lowa State College's old State Gym. When spring came and we were able to get outside. Coach asked me to run a mile against Blaine Zenor and some other upperclassmen. I thought he was absolutely out of his mind! I had never run the mile before, and I told him that. He said just hang in behind them and let them set the pace. I didn't beat Blaine, but I did cross the finish line ahead of the others. Talk about a confidence builder! As fate would have it, Coach Covey turned me into a pretty good half-miler, and I anchored most of our two mile relay teams. If Coach said do it, I did it. If Coach said you can do this, I believed I could. I did earn that college track scholarship and went on to graduate from Iowa State University with a Bachelor's degree in Industrial Administration.

Coach Covey believed in me and I in him. I have had two very successful and satisfying management careers--one in the Air Force and the other with the Boeing Company. The confidence, determination, focus and work ethic that my Coach installed in me were primary factors in my success as an Air Force Officer and a businessman. I will always treasure the memory of the interest Coach Covey personally took in me and the guidance he provided to me. Thanks from the bottom of my heart Coach.

Kindest regards, Michael R. "Mike" Van Scoy, '61 The Noteables formed in 1965 in Ames, lowa with band members from Ames High School and Iowa State University. While most had their start in other bands, this was a new endeavor for a couple of the members. By 1968, the group had the chance to meet Paul Revere & the Raiders, Stevie Wonder, Andy Kim, Carol Burnett and Tommy Rice.

Throughout the Noteables five years together, the band played a variety of music including rock and roll, rhythm & blues, and even a little jazz. The band always played Top 40 songs, as well as many long standing, crowd pleasing favorites. The group started out with five members, grew to eight during the "brass" era, and eventually went back to five. The band members were extremely versatile and could switch between many different instruments which allowed the group to play a wide variety of music. The first members of The Noteables were Mark Heggen (organ and later also trumpet), Jim Quam (lead guitar and later also saxophone), Louie Sodden (bass guitar), Jim Sucher (drums), and Dave Fincham (lead singer). All the original band members were from Ames except for Louie who was from Clinton. As members

The Noteables

graduated from Iowa State and began leaving the area, as well as losing a few to the on-going Viet Nam War, the band went through several transitions. There were about 14 different people who played in the band at one time or another.

Eventually, the core group of band members included: Dave Fincham (vocalist), Mark Ritland (drummer), Mark Heggen (trumpet and keyboard). Jim Quam (saxophone) John Quam (trumpet), Lindy Buck (lead guitar), Stewart Buck (bass guitar) and Charlie Sivesind (trumpet and keyboard).

The Noteables were popular throughout Central Iowa, and especially in the Ames area where they played numerous dances and parties for Iowa State fraternities and sororities, as well as dances at the ISU Memorial Union. In 1968, the Noteables were selected to perform on ABC's nationally televised Happening '68 in Los Angeles, California, a program hosted by Paul Revere and the Raiders. The group made three separate appearances on Happening '68, which was a competition show similar to



Picture (L-R): Lindy Buck, Mark Ritland, Dave Fincham, Charlie Sivesind, John and Jim Quam

battle of the bands. They took first place on the first two programs and second on the third program. The band released a record in 1968 with the titles Get Ready and Funky Frog. The Noteables retired playing as a aroup in 1970.

The Noteables were inducted into the Iowa Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in a ceremony held at Arnold's Park over the 2013 Labor Day weekend. The members who were inducted were Mark Heggen, Mark Ritland, Dave Fincham, Lindy and Stewert Buck, John and Jim Quam and Charlie Sivesind. Lindy Buck and Charlie Sivesind were honored posthumously.

Memorials

In honor of: Leland A. Perry, '56 By: William A. Brindley, '56

In memory of: Mary E. Platt, '56 By: Donald H. Platt, '50

In memory of: Jan, Pat and Gregg By: Margaret "Peggy" Lee Koch, '59

In memory of: 1952 Deceased Classmates By: Marvel Huff Varland, '52

In memory of: Nancy Houge Hadaway, '68 By: Karen Houge Haines, '58

In memory of: James R. Berhow, '51 By Roger A. Deal, '51

In memory of: Patrick W. Callahan, '77 By: Bonny K. Callahan, '51

William J. Duffy, '53 In memory of: Sally Fellows, '53 Dorothy L. Green, '53 By: Nancy Merchant Kirtley, '53

In memory of: Raymond Smalling, Staff By: Janis Jordan Dickens Coss, 71

In memory of: 1954 AHS Deceased Classmates By: David L. Everds, '54

In honor of: William and Jane Ripp, Staff By: Brian ('65) & Elaine Johnson Anderson, '66

In memory of: Steven L. Madsen, '67 By: Joyce K. "Joy" White, '67

In memory of: Joanna Conroy Grubb, '48 By: Jay C. Grubb, Spouse

In memory of: Steven E. Gradwohl, '79 By: Elizabeth Weber Berg, '79

In memory of: JoAnn Schrampfer, '56 By: Jacqueline Andre Schmeal, '56

In memory of: Irene W. Swanson, Honorary By: Family and Friends

In memory of: Mark E. Pedersen, '65 By: Ronald J. Pedersen, '70

In memory of: Charles E. Dahm, '60 By: Patricia Dahm Flores, '61

In memory of: 1958 AHS Deceased Classmates

By: AHS Class of 1958 55th Reunion

In memory of: Joan Bachman Burrell, '58 By: Ava Marie Eichler, '58

In memory of: Richard C. Culbertson, '52 By: Lloyd S. Kurtz, Jr., '52

In memory of: Joan Bachman Burrell, '58 By: Carol Smith Spachman, '58

In memory of: Herman Hagen, '26 Lawrence D. "Larry" Lasche, '68 Terrace G. "Terry" Tuttle, '68 By: Kent L. Hagen, '67

In memory of: Joan Bachman Burrell, '58 By: Kathleen (Kit) Carr Struthers, '58

In memory of: Sheryl Jean Barta, Staff By: Sally Mason, Staff

In memory of: Alfred Roswell Wiser, Staff By: Denise Reynolds Koncelik, '81

In memory of: Joan Bachman Burrell, '58 By: Carolyn Ellingson Houck, '58

In memory of: Hiram Covey, Teacher/Coach By: Michael R. Van Scoy, 61

In memory of: Richard O. Erickson, '38 By. Steven P. Erickson, '60

In memory of: Carroll L. Rierson, '54 By: Mary Rierson Amick, '50

In memory of: Archie Corwin Osborn, '34 By: Aileen Osborn Swanson, '41

In memory of: Steven E. Gradwohl, '79 By: Charles L. ('53) & Neala A. Benson

In memory of: Charles Miller, '42 By: Ruth Kunerth Bock, '35

In memory of: Jo Ann Schrampfer Ruckman, '56 Mary E. Platt, '56 Leland A. Perry, '56

By: Diana Rex Gammell, '56

In memory of: Mary Loras Decker Green, '42 Joseph Clyde Green, '41 By: Michael C. Green, '64

Some Have Left US

The following alumni are known to have died in recent years. Those listed in previous newsletters are omitted here. Some information may be incomplete. If you have any more information or unreported deaths, please advise the AHSAA. A complete listing of all known deceased alumni is available at www.ahsalum.org.

Class	<u>Name</u>	Date of Death	City, State
1935	Keltner, Eda K. (Petersen)	d. 4-16-2013	Colfax, Wisc.
1937	Christensen, Betty	d. 10-17-2013	Nevada, Iowa
1938	Morris, Maxine Jeannette (Fall)	d. 9-26-2013	Arlington, Va.
1938	Oakleaf, Arline Adeline (Peterson)	d. 1-19-2013	Manchester, Iowa
1938	Roberts, Florence Genevieve (Richardson)	d. 9-3-2013	Eustis, Fla.
1939	Matson, Vernon Clifton	d. 8-18-2013	Nevada, Iowa
1941	Morgan, Paul Emerson	d. 8-30-2013	Ames, Iowa
1942	Miller, Charles	d. 10-19-2013	Kirkwood, Mo.
1943	Hale, Margery (Osborne)	d. 8-10-2013	Naples, Fla.
1944	Kunz, Maxine Ruth (Sutherland)	d. 10-22-2013	Kansas City, Mo.
1944	Helen Catherine 'Trudy' (Becker)	d. 8-27-2013	Saint Louis, Mo.
1945	Fincham, Jack Gruber	d. 9-24-2013	Iowa City, Iowa
1946	Braun, Roger Warren	d. 5-5-1980	Newton, Iowa
1946	Peterson, Donald L.	d. 5-9-1994	Phoenix, Ariz.
1946	Pyle, Jane	d. 6-1-2013	Pittsboro, N. C.
1946	Spurrier, James Leroy	d. 5-1-1977	Grand Rapids, Mich.
1946	Thompson, Mavis E. (Sandman)	d. 8-12-1976	Mountain View, Calif.
1946	Wefold, David M.	d. 7-10-1970	Thief River Falls, Minn.
1948	Grubb, Joanna Katherine (Conroy)	d. 4-23-2013	Houston, Texas
1950	Edwards, Normand Francis	d. 10-22-2013	Slater, Iowa
1953	Miller, John Edward	d. 8-30-2013	Des Moines, Iowa
1954	Templeton, Robert D.	d. 3-25-2008	New Lenox, III.
1954	White, Paul Alexander	d. 10-5-2009	Grapevine, Texas
1956	Christianson, David Lee	d. 10-2-2013	Saint Robert, Mo.
1956	Platt, Mary Elizabeth	d. 7-11-2013	Park Ridge, III.
1956	Seymour, Ardis Lynne	d. 1-14-2013	Riverside, Calif.
1957	Kilstrom, Charles	d. 8-28-2013	Marshalltown, Iowa
1959	Stoner, William Boyd	d. 7-30-2013	Ames, Iowa
1960	Mullica, Karyn Lynn	d. 5-16-2013	Sun City, Ariz.
1962	Epstein, Karen Elaine (DeMoss)	d. 8-5-2013	Ames, Iowa
1962	Stephenson, Wallace Gregg	d. 7-12-2013	Oakland, Calif.
1963	Hertz, Joyce Elizabeth (Dickson)	d. 8-28-2013	Ames, Iowa
1963	Peterson, David Andrew	d. 10-10-2013	Ames, Iowa
1963	Simms, Lee Ann (McHone)	d. 8-3-2013	Iowa City, Iowa
1964	Porter, DeAlta Lou (Foderberg)	d. 5-28-2012	Forsyth, Mo.
1964	Ratliff, Allen Ernest	d. 9-16-2013	Des Moines, Iowa
1966	Block, Vivian Marguerite (McIlwain)	d. 10-9-2013	Des Moines, Iowa
1966	Dotson, Melinda Blanche	d. 10-27-2013	Ankeny, Iowa
1966	Houlson, Penelope Ruth	d. 9-3-2013	Ames, Iowa
1970	Schaefer, Deborah Lynn (Heldt)	d. 8-18-2013	Brooklyn Center, Minn.
1974	Blattert, Jon Lawrence (Dupler)	d. 3-28-2013	Newton, Iowa
1975	Stoops, Michael Eugene	d. 7-21-2013	Ames, Iowa
1980	Frank, Glynn Scott	d. 9-17-2013	Zearing, Iowa
1981	Bechtel, Michael Richard	d. 10-7-2013	Boone, Iowa
2002	Winkey, Chase Alan	d. 8-7-2013	Makwa Lake, Minn.
Staff	Spatcher, Cecil	d. 10-27-2013	Des Moines, Iowa

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-W.C. Ripp, Editor

1963 Grads at their 50th Reunion



Picture (L-R): Cheryl Diane Jetmund, Carolyn Hudspith, Annie Toms and Jean Miller.



Kendria Peterson, '13 and Catherine "Cathy" Stidwell, '86, and sons in Bern, Switzerland in summer of 2013.

The AHS Girls from the Class of 1976



Picture: The AHS Girls from the Class of 1976, plus one gent: (L-R) Michael Vaclav, Connie Martin Vaclav, Julie Sederburg Clark, Lisa Berger Amdahl, Karen Allen Kerper, Marilyn Schnormeier, Cathy Wood Barks, Peggy Samuelson Ulicki, Jane Pearson Beeman, Jodie Tryon Stokke and Jami Simon.

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June 6-8 Class of 1979 35th Reunion

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