



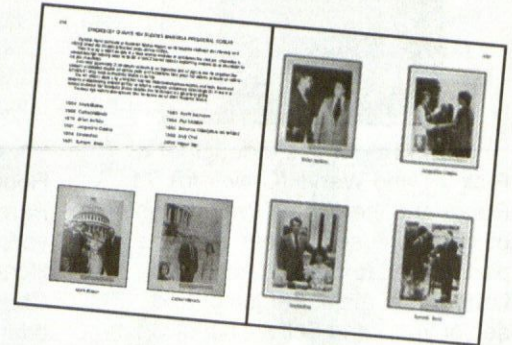
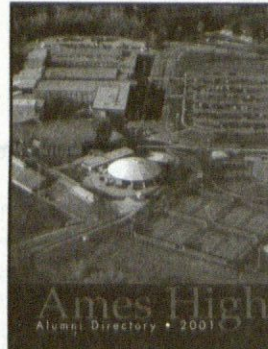
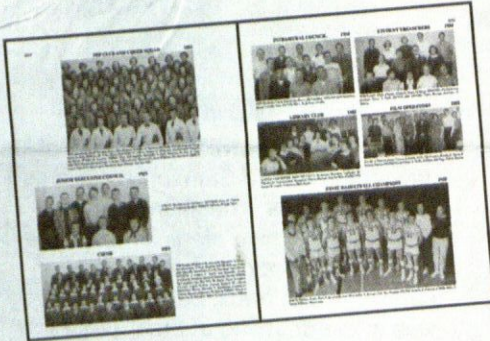
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New Alumni Directory Now Available



The second issue of the Ames High School Alumni directory rolled off the presses in mid-August and is now available to purchase. It contains all the sections that were in the first issue, printed in 1994, plus much, much more.

As in the first issue, all AHS graduates (now 21,171) are listed in alphabetical order, in order by graduation class and in order by geographical location. Even deceased graduates are included with the date and place of death, if known. This issue covers the classes from 1878 through 2000. An alphabetical listing of faculty is also included.

New with this issue is 52 pages of pictures from Spirits beginning in 1920. There are two to three pictures from

every year! There are also many lists included in the directory such as Homecoming Kings/Queens, Presidential Scholars, Athletic Hall-of-Fame members, AHSAA Distinguished Alumni, AHSAA Scholarship winners and more.

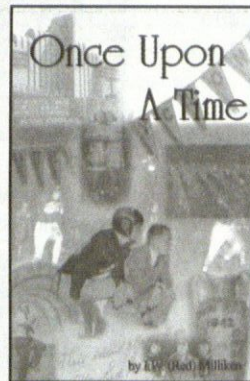
Thank you to Jim Hoekstra who converted AHSAA's database into the printed pages, to Jack Smalling who is the "keeper of the database" and to Bill Ripp who worked diligently on this project, getting it through many snags, until it was complete.

To order the AHSAA directory, please use the order form on page 9. The directory is priced at \$15 with a \$4 shipping charge.

Once Upon A Time is printed

The book written by **I. W. (Red) Milliken '51** has now been printed and is available for purchase. An order form on page 9 can be used. The book is priced at \$20 with a \$4 shipping charge.

As stated on the book's back cover, "Yes, the centerpiece of the book is the football season of Red's senior year--but it is so much more than just football. It offers a delightful remembrance of the way things were for those growing up in the 40's and 50's in Ames, Iowa. His writings offer a gentle nudge to our memories when we spend time in reflection or with old friends talking about old times. His remarkable memory and good humor have truly captured the way things



were...Once Upon a Time."

Red's classmates **Bruce and Nancy Adams** and **Gordon Shepherd** edited the book, added pictures and printed it after Red's untimely death in December 1999.

www.ahsalum.org up and going

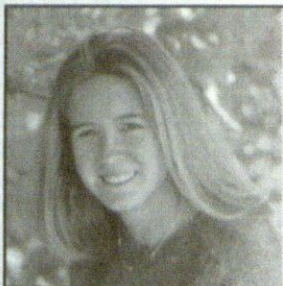
Good news at last about the AHSAA web page. It is up, the email directory is again active and even the May 2001 issue of the newsletter is there. The calendar is now current and the reunion schedule is updated.

Thank you to the 20+ alumni who responded to our plea for help with the page. **Ed Hendrickson '74** has gotten us going again and hopefully soon we will be able to coordinate sharing of the tasks involved with the web page among many alumni.

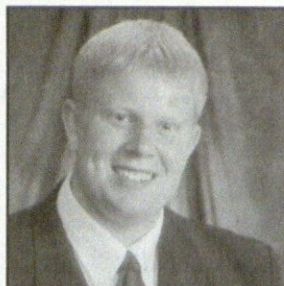
Please continue sending ideas for the page (and offers to help) to email@ahsalum.org :-)

\$3,000 in Scholarships Awarded

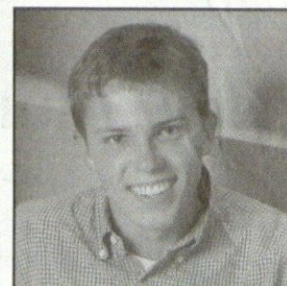
Three Ames High School seniors each received a \$1,000 scholarship from the Ames High School Alumni Association. The scholarships were awarded based on grade point, student involvement and financial need. One scholarship was funded from the AHSAA memorial donations and two scholarships were funded from general AHSAA donations. This year all recipients are second generation Ames High School graduates. Ames Hi Aims High continues on.



Julie Reger is the daughter of Rick '71 and Wendi (Crawford) '71 Reger and the Great Granddaughter of Mary (Madsen) Spear '27. She participated for four years in choir, band (drum major her junior and senior year) and Fellowship of Christian Athletes. She also was co-captain of the cross country team and ran varsity track. Julie participated in orchestra and Madrigal singers and was the Madrigal Queen her senior year. She also worked part time at Fareway Stores. Julie plans to become a teacher and attends Iowa State University.



Christopher Parrish is the son of Robert and Rita (MacBride) '68 Parrish. He was co-captain of the varsity football team and received Honorable Mention All-Conference. Chris was a 4-year choir letterwinner, chamber singer and band member. He was the Madrigal King his junior year. Chris also participated in track, was an Ames High volunteer and a reporter for the Web. He worked for Hunziker Real Estate and also for Ames Parks and Recreation as a youth basketball coach. He plans to be a Journalist, teacher or coach and attends Drake University.



Nathan Staniforth is the son of Jayne and Art '70 Staniforth. He was active in drama, Thespians and has been a performing magician since he was eight years old. Nate also participated in track, basketball and was in the drumline of the Ames High Band. Kirk Daddow said of Nate in his recommendation letter, "I believe that Nate has genius level creativity. This is a young man who will make a substantial contribution to this country." Nate plans to be a professional magician and now attends the University of Iowa.

Staff says farewell to AHS by Anna Steele, Web Reporter



Bud Legg has occupied several positions at Ames High since he came to the district, including athletic director, assistant principal, coach and teacher. Twenty-five years ago, Legg came welcoming the challenge of both teaching and starting a girls' basketball and softball program. The people and flavor of experiences that the Ames community provided for Legg are what he enjoyed most about his multiple occupations here at Ames High.



Joyce Bowers, a 1957 Ames High alumna, came to work at the school 26 years ago at a job that would fit into her kids' schedules. Bowers says that her job as a Food Service Manager has given her the chance to watch the school change over the years. After retirement, Bowers is looking forward to volunteer work in the community, including at the hospital, nursing homes and the school.



Richard White has been a social studies teacher at Ames High for 32 years and was the Social Studies Department head. He started teaching while working on his Ph.D. at ISU. He enjoyed the job so much that he gave up his doctorate to become a full-time teacher. White says that he has enjoyed the students most of all, but also liked working with those who were his teachers when he graduated from Ames High in 1958.



Ylene Longwell, media assistant, has been working in the district for 22 years with 13 of those at Ames High. Longwell says that the school's atmosphere kept her learning and feeling young. She especially enjoyed watching and being part of the students' growth from freshmen to graduating seniors. After retirement, Longwell will be spending time with her children, grandchildren and possibly doing some work as a travelling nurse.

Fifty years for the Class of 1950

The Ames High Class of 1950 held their 50-year reunion Oct 8-10, 2000. The Holiday Inn Gateway was the scene of 3 days of festivities, including a hospitality room, an opening night hors d'oeuvres reception, class photo, dinner & program, and a "good-bye" breakfast buffet. Sixty people enjoyed a bus tour and lunch at Hickory Park and a small, hardy group played golf at Veenker in an unseasonable cold snap! Sixty-nine classmates and 43 spouses attended.



Front row: Beverly (Ott) Guyan, Darlene (Roberson) Arnold, Richard Mumm, Alan Abbott, Jo Ann (Hoffman) Devolder, Roberta (Gillpatrick) McRoberts, Norma (Roelofsen) Bappe, Arthur Schanche, John Weber, Iris (Edwards) Harper, Margaret (Getz) Vance, Arlene (Daniels) Konrady.

Second row: Dorothy (Parsons) Schory, Martha (Judge) Wicklund, Mary (Rierson) Amick, Ann Steele, Audrey (Townsend) Hall, Alice (Irvine) Webber, Lavonne (Peterson) Erickson, Sally (Cleary) Ryan, David Bappe, Mary (Hayenga) Olson, Sally Haverly, Joyce (Gray) McManus, Elizabeth L. (Martin) Watson.

Third row: Richard Schory, Jane (Allen) McCoy, Avonell (Zenor) Simpson, Betty Jones, James Hoffman, Lucille (Erickson) Hoffman, Barbara (Heywood) Finley, William Ohlsen, Donald Kjerland, Elaine (Griffith) Arney, Marilyn (Norton) Stewart, Martha (Stuber) Griffith, Patricia (Morrissey) Kvidera, Winifred (Stein) Johnson, Jane (Mendon) Bauerle.

Fourth row: Anne (Knuths) Buck, Phillip Pearson, Helen (Cody) Helgeland, Normand Edwards, Richard Dunlap, George Wyatt, O'Dale Brue, Donald Platt, Charles Arnold, Richard Cox, Don King, Joanne (Mikkelsen) McBane, William Lee, Reinhard Friedrich.

Fifth row: Robert Buck, Dewey Fitch, Grantland Shipp, George Robinson, John Brayton, Kenneth Rowe, Robert Griffin, Harold Olson, David Jehlik, James Champlin, George Kelley, Conrad Berhow, Norman Robinson, Gary Carr, Robert Taylor.

Walker Reunion August 5, 2001

The annual Leech Lake reunion in Walker, Minn. almost hit a snag this year. The outdoor shelter we normally occupy was taken over by a church revival group. **George '53 and Betsy (Hertz) '55 Allan** found us a better shelter 200 yards to the east. We were surrounded on two sides by Leech Lake. It was a beautiful location on a gorgeous day.

Thirty five to forty alumni, spouses and children were in attendance. The pot luck meal provided amply for all of us. Two families of siblings were in attendance: **Bill '50, Ann '53 and**



**Peggy (Lee) Koch '59, Bill Lee '50,
Ann (Lee) Harris '53**

Peggy '59 Lee were there as well as **Shirley '55 and Jack '57 Stevens**. The oldest alum was **Mary (Collins) Johnson '30** and the youngest was **Robbie Smalling '98**.

Thanks to the organizing commit-



George Clark '48, Nancy (Neff) Clark '48, Don Harris '53

tee of **Sue (Wymore) '53** and **Jack Rolfs**; **Barb (Teig) '54** and **Jack '49 Adams**; **Martha (Groth) '58** and **Harry Winter** and **Carol (Wells) Emery '54**.
Jack Smalling '58

Class of '81 Reunion

Although we agreed that we were far too young to be holding a 20-year reunion, the AHS Class of '81 gathered July 27-29 in Ames anyway. Some hesitated to attend. After all, it's been - what? 20 years!? - since we promised not to lose touch, since the band played Pomp and Circumstance at Hilton, since **Paul Zingg** made that unforgettable speech about...uh...uh...the future.

Yet those nervous nellys needn't have worried. This weekend was so much fun, it prompted one spouse to hastily make plans to attend his own 20-year high school reunion the following weekend. (Betcha it's not as good as ours. Ames Hi Aims High!)

Alumni came from all over - Southern California, Texas, the East Coast and Des Moines were particularly well represented. **Diane (Yoerger) Bjorklund** took the prize for traveling the farthest. She lives in Hawaii and the entire class plans to visit her in February.

The festivities began Friday night with "Reminisce and Reacquaint" at the Corner Pocket/The Zone. Classmate **Scott Griffen** owns the Main Street bar. This was a wonderfully relaxed time to begin reconnecting with friends from elementary, junior and senior high school.

A golf tournament at Twin Anchor's Golf Club (owned by Ames High graduates **Rick and Cheryl (Borgen) Pietz** kicked off Saturday's action-packed agenda. One great highlight of this event had to be when **Susie (Yager) Fox** actually skipped a ball across the pond, making her ball loss for nine holes only eight balls!

Saturday afternoon brought classmates gathering at Hickory Grove for the "We Are Family" picnic. Cleverly disguised as "Silly Sally," the balloon-twisting clown, classmate **Sally Shaver** entertained alumni's kids, who ranged from teens to tots.

The theme of that night's dinner and dance at the Holiday Inn/Gateway Center was "Disco to Compact Discs: 20 Years After AHS." And speaking of changes...**Troy Nesbitt** - now an Ames minister - said the prayer before the buffet dinner. Troy humorously thanked the Lord for name tags!

Celebrity greeters included **Carolyn Bollinger, Bill and Jane Ripp** (who later gave Troy and Darwin detention just for fun), **Mr. and Mrs. Al Wiser** and **Mr. Keith Bailey**.

Teresa Albertson and **Todd Richardson**, shy as ever, served as MCs for the program. Commencement speakers, **Rachel (Heggen) Inouye** and **Paul Zingg**, spoke at the banquet. Rachel came equipped with her own visual aids - including little balls and a big glass jar - to help make her point that life is short, focus on what's important. Paul was prop-less, but nevertheless had the crowd laughing as he reminded us of how we looked in our tight shorts and permed hair while sucking face with foxes and studs.

Sunday morning brought classmates and their families out to "Ye Olde Alma Mater," a tour of Ames High School. **Jeff and Stacy (Bartz) Sturdivant** were host and hostess changes made since we were at the high school. It was wonderful to hear of how Ames High is still "Aiming High" in both scholastic and sporting events. **Mark Kislingbury** gave his own standing ovation to the statistic that the chess club has grown immensely and has been very successful.

Many of us were surprised to learn that there is no Reunion Fairy who magically gets everyone together and plans the party. Apparently, it takes a lot of work, a lot of unpaid work. **Deb (Frye) Tjelta** - who two years ago came up with the wacky idea of holding a 20th reunion - **Jodi (Peterson) Nelson** and **Lisa (Miller) Ailshie** spearheaded the effort. The rest of the reunion committee also worked tirelessly: **Jennifer (Martin) Adler, Teresa Albertson, Jim Byriel, Anne Dunn, Kristen (Ripp) Finn, Gary Gorman, Mark Hanson, Angela (Bendorf) Jamison, Lauren Kernam-Smith, Todd Richardson** and **Michele (McKinney) Wright**.

The Reunion Committee would like to thank all of the class of '81 alumni who attended the weekend activities. Your participation and enthusiasm was infectious, as we remembered times gone by and shared about our lives and paths we have taken.

Note: There are still reunion Portfolio's available for sale. These great books have bio's on our classmates. The cost is \$10 (made payable to AHS '81 Reunion). To order, send \$10 to Kristin (Ripp) Finn, 4305 92nd Street, Urbandale, IA 50322.

Kellye Carter '81

1981 Class Reunion Committee: Deb (Frye) Tjelta, Teresa Albertson, Angela (Bendorf) Jamison, Anne Dunn, Kristin (Ripp) Finn, Jim Byriel, Gary Gorman, Jennifer (Martin) Adler, Michelle (McKinney) Wright, Jodi (Peterson) Nelson, Todd Richardson, Lisa (Miller) Ailshie, Mark Hanson

Alumni Still Aiming High

Mary (Pierre) Morrisett '48 was chosen to receive the third annual Adele M. Warnock Good Citizenship Award in recognition of her role in developing a new public library in Irvington, NY. Over an eight-year period, she led the charge to restore a building to house the library, raising \$1,400,000 for construction costs.

Jim Lamson '54 is retiring after being the Des Moines Valley High School drama teacher after 30 years. Along with his wife Cindy, they directed more than 70 shows together. The Lamsons said the past 30 years have gone by quickly, and they never got tired of working together.

Kathryn (Burnet) Andre '65 was named one of Ames' Unsung Heroes. She was nominated for her volunteer work in a number of different areas in the community - from Heartland Senior Services to the Iowa State Honors program, from mentoring programs for women in science and engineering and "housemother" at Alpha Delta Phi to an advocate for the arts, she always steps forward to help. Andre says, "Being a volunteer means so much; it gives life purpose. If I didn't volunteer, life wouldn't be as happy and I would not be making a difference."

Jami Simon '76 presented an interactive program titled "Family Vaudeville" at the Ames Public Library. Simon lives in New York City and did several area presentations while in Ames. Her program is about growing up, following a child's life from pre-school through the fifth grade and the positive influences that creative education and the media have on reading, writing, thinking and growing up in general. Most of the presentation comes from Simon's firsthand experiences and childhood memorabilia that she has kept from her grade school years in Ames.

Rich Elliott '79 was promoted to Senior Exhibition Manager with Texas Instruments, Digital Imaging organization. He travels the world doing marketing and exhibitions, promoting the new era of digital projection. He has worked with Hollywood and has credits on Star Wars and Toy Story 2 among other movies.

Rebecca Glatz '97 was recently awarded a graduate fellowship by the National Science Foundation. The fellowship will fund Glatz' first three years of graduate school. She has begun graduate study in environmental geochemistry at Stanford University and is particularly interested in issues surrounding nuclear waste. She recently completed her undergraduate study in geology and civil engineering at the University of Notre Dame. Glatz said her interest in geology could be traced back to AHS. "It all started in Jack Troeger's earth science class," Glatz said. "That was my favorite class at Ames High."

Meg Johnson '01 recently competed in the National Baton Twirling Championships, America's Youth on Parade, at the University of Notre Dame. She placed first in the Open World Strut competition and is now the National Open Strut Champion for her age group and division. She also placed sixth in the Open World Solo Twirl competition.

Brittany Prater '01 was recently mentioned in a cable television's A&E Network special featuring the greatest impressionist painters of all time. Prater's submission to the network's "Make an Impression" competition was one of three of the 2,000 entries selected to be showcased on the A&E Biography special, "The Impressionists". Prater is also an accomplished pianist, clarinetist, actress and poet. She is attending the Kansas City Art Institute.

The following poem was sent to the AHSAA by **Laura (Matson) Voss '30**. She is 88 years old and lives in Bellflower, CA. Her husband practiced medicine for 45 years and died in December 1995.

Laura wrote, "After he died I decided to write poems to help me. I am enclosing one that will be published by International Library of Poetry. I miss my husband so much but to write poems helps me so much."

Grandchildren at Play

Our Lord we wish to thank Thee
For all Thy gifts and care;
We are so happy with our little
ones
There's nothing else can compare.

To see those precious eyes so
bright
Each time looking up at you;
It tells about all their thanks
When you give them things to do.

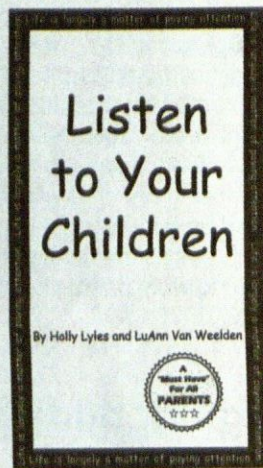
They seem to love keeping houses
And like to pour a cup of tea;
They set a table all for us
They are as happy as they can be.

Then they pretend they wash
dishes
And they dry them all with care
They put them back where they
belong
They all seem to want to share.

I don't know what we would do
Without the visits they make;
We miss them when they have to
go
We want them to stay for our sake.

By **Laura (Matson) Voss '30**

Book Designed to Record Children's Words



LuAnn (Forssman) Van Weelden '86, along with her sister **Holly (Forssman) Lyles '92** have written "Listen to your Children", a book to stimulate and provide a spot to record children's words.

"Parents, grandparents and teachers have all heard the wonderful things kids say," said Van Weelden. "This book provides you with encouragement and space to write down all those word pictures and wise thoughts your children say."

Around the borders of the paperback book, filled with pages to write down those clever words and moments, as well as story-starter ideas, is the quote: "Life is largely a matter of paying attention."

Lyles said listening to what children are saying is an important aspect of raising them. "There are everyday moments, carseat moments and sandbox moments," she said, adding that children share so many life-enriching words. "How many times have you said to yourself, 'Oh, I should write that down?'"

The book stems from Van Weelden's and Lyles' own childhood when their parents, John and Sharon, wrote down the clever and cute words the two had used. The authors said the record would be a treasure for parents, grandparents and children to

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 is incomplete. If you have more information, or unreported deaths, please advise the AHSAA.

Class	Name	Date of Death	Place of Death
'17	Soper, Ruby S. (Wasser)	3-6-2001	Jackson, Miss.
'19	Janssen, Edna May (Dressler)	5-25-2001	Cedar Rapids, Iowa
'21	Matthews, Josephine Evelyn (Maroney)	11-30-1999	Long Beach, Calif.
'25	Sinnard, Harriet (King)	1-15-2000	Corvallis, Ore.
	Toms, Margret Irene (Larson)	6-23-2001	Ames, Iowa
'26	Ruggles, Arthur S.	12-12-1999	Swanton, Ohio
'27	Caswell, Frances Emily (Martin)	5-6-2001	Salinas, Calif.
	Smith, Mildred (Kulow)	9-4-2001	Hinsdale, Ill.
'28	Brown, Robert Heath	10-6-1998	Sarasota, Fla.
	Stubbe, Margaret (McLeod)	9-13-1984	Greene, Iowa
'29	Allen, John Kenneth	10-11-1998	Irvine, Calif.
	Davis, Robert Kimball	9-17-2000	
	Levine, Norman	7-18-1999	Champaign, Ill.
	McWhinney, R. Theodore	1-30-2001	Denton, Texas
'30	Coykendall, John	2-18-1998	Syracuse, N. Y.
	Edge, Dorothy M. (Arrasmith)	9-10-2001	Plymouth, Minn.
	Reddy, Barry (McMillin)	10-4-1998	Key Largo, Fla.
	Sorenson, Forest J.	10-3-2000	Stillwater, Minn.
'31	Byers, Donald J.	12-1-2000	Clearwater, Fla.
	Hedrick, Max Yale	4-19-2000	Cedar Rapids, Iowa
	Nichols, Sabin A.	5-23-2001	Nevada, Iowa
'32	Banks, Harold Warren	8-22-2001	Ames, Iowa
	McCullough, Donald E.	2-23-2001	Hopkins, Minn.
	Van Patter, Charles Orlando (Bud)	9-21-2001	Madrid, Iowa
'33	Beck, Vincent H.	9-19-2001	Des Moines, Iowa
	Dean, Lauren White	5-2-2001	Rogers, Ark.
	Manning, Gwen (Cameron)	3-24-2001	Miami, Fla.
	Detlefson, Elinor C. (Vannote)	2-22-2001	
	Moses, Gerald L.	7-31-2001	Bellingham, Wash.
	Peck, Wayne Leslie	5-8-2001	Nevada, Mo.
	Sawin, John Frederick	5-16-2001	Nassau Bay, Texas
	Trauger, Robert James	5-29-1999	Las Vegas, Nev.
	Wheeler, Robert Bernard	12-12-2000	Des Moines, Iowa
'34	Kennedy, Thomas D.	10-24-1994	Saginaw, Mich.
	Swearingen, Julie Elaine (Sawin)	1-1-2000	Denver, Colo.

look back on those early developmental years.

Lyles, a third-grade teacher in Norwalk, said it is important to value children's words. Van Weelden, a fifth-grade teacher in Ankeny, agreed the book was inspired by the students who they have had to carefully listen to throughout the years.

Van Weelden added that psychologists remind parents constantly to listen to their children because "over

time they tell their parents what they need to know to raise them as they reveal daily who they are in their own words."

"Listen to Your Children" is available for around \$13 at area bookstores in Ames, Des Moines and the Twin Cities.

Jayne Bullock
Staff Writer
Daily Tribune
(Ames)

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<u>Class</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>Place of Death</u>
	Weir, Phyllis Jules (Frasche)	4-15-2001	Burlingame, Calif.
'35	Nordby, Lois (King)	8-19-2000	Portland, Ore.
	Olson, Eldon Solomon	12-12-2000	Milwaukee, Wisc.
	Parker, Lyle Robert	6-1-2000	Waterloo, Iowa
'36	Koch, Miriam Elizabeth (Faber)	5-5-2001	Arlington, Texas
	McHone, Sidney Lorraine	11-9-1997	Cheyenne, Wyo.
	Musser, Gertrude (Mann)	7-10-2001	Clearwater, Fla.
	Young, Richard Calvert	3-21-1996	Bedford, Texas
'37	Olsson, Sigvard M.	3-14-2001	Kansas city, Mo.
	Patterson, Ruth Lucille (Clapp)	8-22-2001	Ames, Iowa
	Thompson, Barbara Ellen (Bates)	10-1-1994	Westminster, Calif.
'38	Fisher, Mary Alice (Friedrich)	5-4-2000	Novi, Mich.
	Light, Herbert M.	3-11-2001	Laguna Hills, Calif.
	Reilly, Dorothy Jean (Waller)	7-31-2001	Ames, Iowa
'39	Menze, Forrest Keith	12-23-2000	Fort Collins, Colo.
'40	Ruggles, Herbert Browning	3-7-1993	Wooster, Ohio
'41	Gibson, Dorothy M. (Rafdal)	4-21-1999	Newport Beach, Calif.
	Shugart, Harold Leroy	8-18-2001	Estherville, Iowa
'42	West, James Russell	8-11-2001	Ames, Iowa
'43	Maakestad, Loren M.	9-10-2001	Mankato, Minn.
'46	Ballard, Albert R. (Tubby)	5-23-2001	Chandler, Ariz.
	Frangos, Wilma Jean (Burnham)	5-9-2001	Ames, Iowa
	Manschreck, John L.	9-11-2001	Ames, Iowa
'47	De La Hunt, Stanley George	4-20-2001	Jacksonville, Fla.
	Martin, William Cunningham	7-8-2001	Marshalltown, Iowa
	McClure, Jon Earl	12-14-2000	Okoboji, Iowa
'48	Munson, Marvin Sloan	1-26-2001	North Kansas City, Mo.
	Von Tersch, Alma LaValle (Sills)	2-15-2001	Lansing, Mich.
'49	Fincham, Richard Wayne	11-11-2000	Iowa City, Iowa
'50	Sailsbury, Maurice Lee	8-14-2001	Des Moines, Iowa
'51	Spangler, Robert Melvin	8-5-2001	Springfield, Mo.
'56	Carpenter, William Dean	7-21-2001	Des Moines, Iowa
	Holt, Barbara Ann (Gilchrist)	7-26-2001	New Albany, Miss.
'61	Reynolds, Carl Roger	8-25-2001	Lake Forest, Calif.
'62	Toppenberg, Sahron (Ballard)	7-8-2001	Des Moines, Iowa
'66	Haynes, Milton Ray	5-7-2001	Coralville, Iowa
	Smith, Cynthia Lynn (Moore)	4-6-2001	Chapel Hill, N. C.
'68	Rod, William Thomas	6-24-2001	Ames, Iowa
'77	Mehle, John E.	5-29-2001	Hardin County, Iowa
'88	Shevokas, Paul Edward	6-1-2001	Polk County, Iowa
Staff	Smalling, Raymond Howard	8-7-2001	Ames, Iowa

Memorials

The Ames High School Alumni Association has received the following memorials since the last newsletter. Memorial funds go into the Memorial Scholarship Fund for AHS seniors.

In memory of

- Charles Apple '33**
- Betty (Bergman) Houghan '33**
- Ralph Ruggles '33**
- Zac Dunlap '34**
- Jane (Helser) Bliss '35**
- William R. Bliss '36**
by Robert G Pasley '33
Mary E. (Abbott) Pasley '34

In memory of

- Michael McNertney**
- Willie Williams '82**
by Curt Ringgenberg '82

In memory of

- Luann Hansen '72**
by Nancy (Jellinger) Graeve '72

In memory of

- Loren Verne Forman '30**
- Mary Gail (Forman) Mack '33**
by Wallace R. Forman '42

In memory of

- Gwendolyn (Young) Ethington '33**
by Marlene (Ethington) White '70
Donna (Ethington) Kaiser '61
Karen (Ethington) Hendrick '67
Chris James Ethington '75

In memory of

- John Chamberlain '60**
by Janice L. Bruckdorfer '60

In memory of

- Chuck Goetz '54**
by Rev. Roger M. Goetz '58

In memory of

- Nancy (Houge) Hadaway '68**
by Karen (Houge) Haines '58

In memory of

- Nancy (Houge) Hadaway '68**
by Patricia (Hadaway) Lowe '71

In memory of

- Judy (Matterson) McLeran '58**
by Alvin "Bud" Erickson '58

In memory of

- Coach Kenneth Wells**
by R. M. "Woody" Woodward '41

In memory of

- Lecia (Bowen) Riva '67**
by Gayle (Bowen) Lindmark '59

In memory of

- Bernice L. Sills '43**
- Carrold K. Iverson '42**
- Cornelia "Nike" Buck '42**
by Mary D. Schlick '43

In memory of

- Damon Dwayne Catron '58**
by Michelle (Catron) Mango '84

In memory of

- Deceased '53 Classmates**
- Everett G. Ritland (staff)**
by Nancy (Fox) Judd '53

In memory of

- Dave Varland '52**
- Jim Mullica '52**
by Elizabeth S. Siemers '52

AHS Yesterday

(excerpts from AHS Spirits)

1996 (5 years ago) ... A Bold Beginning

This year marked a beginning for girls soccer. It was the first year that girls soccer was included as a school sport. Despite this being the first year, the soccer team was successful. Many of the girls that played on the varsity team had experience playing together in club soccer. Since this was not their first year together, a team bond had already begun to develop, and it continued through out the season.

1976 (25 years ago) ... State Champs

For some it had been a junior high dream; to others it was their just reward for the many hours of grueling practice. The state basketball championship was the climax to a near perfect season which saw the cage team go 24-0 and claim the state title by 27 points against an outclassed Marshalltown team.

1966 (35 years ago) ... A strange thing happened before the game

After much wheeling and dealing, a helicopter was chartered by the Homecoming Committee to bring Queen Debbie Politis and attendants Marcia Frigaard and Sandy Spatcher to the new field as a pregame surprise. The stands were filled to capacity and the crowd filled the night air with spirit and enthusiasm as they cheered when the surprise descended onto the field.

1946 (55 years ago) ... Celebrities - Diana Magill

In competition with 27,000 other high school students, Diana won the Pepsi-Cola scholarship contest. This award gives her a four-year college education. During high school, Diana was a member of Library Club, editor of the Web, Devotions chairman on Girl Reserve Cabinet and assistant editor of the Spirit.



1931 (70 years ago) ... Debate

"Therefore, ladies and gentlemen, since our most worthy opponents have failed to provide adequate proof to the contrary, we contend that the chain store system is detrimental to the best interests of the American people." With some similar burst of oratory, the Ames High debaters close another debate.

AHS Today

AHS introduces automated phone system

This fall, Ames High School parents may answer their phones to find a recorded message notifying them their child is not in school or inviting them to an open house. The school has begun using an automated phone calling system called School Messenger. Ames High Principal Mike McGrory said the messenger is one component of a larger goal. "We've put a real emphasis on communication and any way we can improve or enhance the communication system," McGrory said.

Media center honors Farrar's legacy

The media center at Ames High has been renamed the Ralph Farrar Media Center after the longtime Ames High principal. At an Ames School Board meeting, John Forssman read the inscription on the plaque that now hangs in the media center. The plaque honors Farrar for serving as Ames High principal from 1969 to 1993 and for striving to make the media center the heart of Ames High.

Schmaltz named Ames girls' track coach

Kirk Schmaltz has been named the next Ames High girls' track coach, succeeding the legendary Jim Duea in one of Ames' most high-profile sports. "I always said it would be one of the happiest days of my life to have the honor and privilege of being the head girls' track coach at Ames High," he said. "But it's also one of the saddest days because I've had the privilege of coaching with one of my best friends, Jim Duea. He has just done an outstanding job and did it in a class way." Schmaltz has been the head girls' cross country coach since 1983 and will continue in that capacity. He was an assistant boys' track coach for two years before beginning his 18 years as an assistant under Duea.

Vertanen named Ames football coach

Bruce Vertanen will succeed Jim Burrow as head football coach at Ames High. He served as defensive coordinator for nine seasons under Burrow and former coach Kirk Daddow. He also has been the Little Cyclones' head girls' basketball coach for 12 seasons and an assistant boys' track coach. Vertanen will give up the girls' basketball position, something he says he will miss, but plans to continue as a track assistant. He believes strongly in the Ames tradition of multi-sport participation and hopes to act as an example for Ames athletes.

Ames High adds fashion merchandising

This year, Ames High School begins offering a class in fashion merchandising. The goal of the course is to expose students to the many careers associated with the fashion industry. Students will learn about everything from fashion design and window display design to fiber research and the business of merchandising.

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Your father's first and last name: _____

Your mother's first and maiden name: _____

Names and addresses of brothers and sisters who graduated from AHS: _____

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Name and address of someone who will always know your address: _____

Suggestions / comments for the AHA (special events, newsletter ideas, anything): _____

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Ames Education Foundation News

Be Instrumental...Support the AHS Band

The Band Boosters have begun the *Be Instrumental* capital campaign to raise funds for new uniforms. We want to order enough uniforms to suit up the entire Marching Band, with extra uniforms for future growth. We need your help to raise \$110,000 to cover all these expenses.

In 1987, AHS band members proudly marched in the VEISHEA parade showing off their brand new uniforms! Yes, it seems like only yesterday, but it wasn't! The Marching Band members have been wearing those uniforms for 14 years! The band has grown from 175 members to 275 members! We currently have enough uniforms to suit up 180 members of the Marching Band. The remaining 95 members wear black pants and orange turtlenecks in an attempt to blend in.

Our students spend many hours practicing their instruments and learning the various marching routines. The twirlers and the color guard are ready to lead the band

and team to victory. We are looking good -- until, we hear the familiar cries from our band members. "There goes the hem in my pants." "Oh no, my helmet broke again." "Hey, my band uniform is too tight."

The lifetime of a marching band uniform is usually 10 to 12 years. That is, if the uniforms are used for just the marching band. Our uniforms (at least the pants) are also used for concert performances during the school year. This amount of usage puts a lot of wear (and yes, tear) on those uniforms.

We will be asking alumni and the Ames community to play a role in this project by making financial contributions. It is an exciting time for the Marching Band, and we hope you will be a part of this very important project.

Our goal is to once again have our Ames High School Marching Band members showing off new uniforms at the 2002 VEISHEA parade! Won't you please join the band and *Be Instrumental* in our efforts?

Increasing the Endowment

To help build a stronger financial future for our students in the Ames district, the Ames Education Foundation is working to increase our \$50,000 endowment.

The Foundation is making it possible for individuals to leave a portion of their estate to benefit the students in the Ames Community Schools. We need your help in developing the recognition part of the Wills Program. We hope you can take a few minutes to respond in writing or email about your experiences at Ames High School.

Is there a place, an event, or a thing that was well known to your graduating class? For example, there is the "senior railing" which was a railing in the front lobby of the building that the seniors leaned on. Or does the Spirit have special meaning? Does the "bell" bring back memories, or the "tunnel"? We want to hear from you and learn about your memories. This will help us create a meaningful recognition club for those individuals who have included us in their estate plans. Please contact Jean Kresse at the Ames Education Foundation Office.

Entrepreneur Program at Ames Middle School

Last school year, Cal Halliburton (a longtime Ames Middle School Teacher) piloted the Entrepreneurs Grow on TRIZ (Theory of Inventive Problem Solving) program at Ames Middle School (AMS). Eighth-grade students voluntarily attended an all-day workshop, which covered the requirements to be an entrepreneur and taught them a few of the basic TRIZ concepts.

During the workshop they were given examples of how to identify inventive problems and how to create products that solve them. Then, during the next two weeks, they

worked in teams to invent or improve a product and developed a strategy to market it. Their final presentations, in Power Point, video and/or story board, gave them an opportunity to experience what it would be like to promote their invention to a real company.

The objectives of the curriculum are to introduce students to an effective method of thinking and making decisions and to excite them about a bright future as an entrepreneur. Cal, who is now working to sell the TRIZ curriculum to school districts throughout the country, is asking if local Ames patrons would sponsor the project for the Ames Middle School. The curriculum, including the workshop, staff development training, product evaluation, and student feedback, will cost \$5,000 to repeat this year.

Eight of last year's participants recently formed a new business in Ames, Swivel Ideas, LLC, to develop and sell their products to manufacturers.

Rick Anderson (the teacher who took Cal's place at AMS) is excited and willing to take on the project. The Ames Education Foundation will assist Cal's efforts by accepting gifts to benefit the project. If you would like to learn how you could help promote entrepreneurial opportunities for AMS students, please contact the Ames Education Foundation.

Contact the Ames Education Foundation

The AEF is now on the Web and can be reached through the Curriculum Department. The Curriculum address is www.ames.k12.ia.us/district/curr.

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We Get Letters . . .

Dear Ames High Alumni Assoc.,

Thank you so much for rewarding me with your scholarship. It will help immensely towards my college education. I loved my years at Ames High and will never forget them.

Julie Reger '01

AHSAA,

Greetings from a proud member of the 1939 graduation class! I'm ordering a 2001 address directory, the 1994 one has seen "better days"! And a plus for 2001 - Spirit pictures!

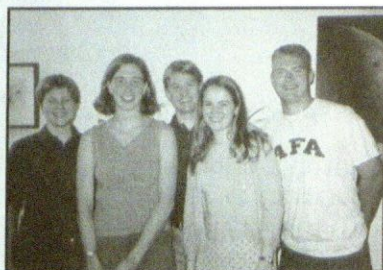
Our class' 60th reunion in September 1999 was wonderful! So many good friends, good memories, and a special warm feeling seeing that we were (and still are) close to each other although divided by miles. "Heart strings" are strong and true.

Betty (Yeomans) Poirier '39

Hi,

Here's some news from the class of '94. It turns out there are a lot of us out here in the San Francisco Bay area! A few of us managed to get together for dinner (see photo): **Adria Nelson, Angela McConnell, Judd Bowman, Cassie (Dunham) Bowman and Bryan Warne**. We've also seen **Margie Mayfield** and emailed with **Tom Pepper**. We've also gotten together with two members of '93, **Frank Green** and **Steve Edelson** and randomly ran into **Kevin James '85**. If anyone else from AHS wants to join in, email us at uncar11@hotmail.com.

Cassie Bowman '94



Dear Alums,

I want to report the death of **Miriam (Faher) Koch**, May 5, 2001 in Arlington, TX. She graduated Ames High in 1936.

I really enjoy your paper. Our old building is gone, but our spirit is still around. Much of our class of '36 went on to college (ISU of course). Many, many fond memories of high school days. I'll never forget. I'll send any more obits as they come in. We're 83 this year!

Betty (Ames) Hargrove '36

AHSAA,

I received the Alumni newsletter today and read it from cover to cover immediately. I was floored by the article about **Manzella (Groth) Fitch's** daughter and grandchildren being killed by the so-called husband and father. Manzella was one of my many good friends back in my high school days. To think that she died without knowing the truth about that self-centered son-in-law is almost more than I can bear. But it did make me feel better to know that he finally got his just desserts.

I think all of your staff do an incredibly good job to put out such a newsy letter. And I heartily approve of all the other things that you are pursuing. Therefore, I'm enclosing a check for you to use in any way you choose.

Elaine (Leffingwell) Smith '32

Dear Newsletter Folk,

Thanks for sending the May issue all the way to me in England.

According to my label, I may not have been a member for a while. I therefor enclose a check for three years membership and the extra postage involved mailing things internationally.

DeAnne Julius '67

Dear Ames High Alumni Assoc.,

Thanks you very much for this prestigious scholarship. I am honored to be recognized by the Ames High Alumni Association and appreciate the work put in by your members to make the scholarship possible.

I will be attending the University of Iowa next year to study Theater and English. I feel well prepared for the Fall and am thankful for all that I have gained from my four years at Ames High School. Ames High is exceptional in that it provides many opportunities for students to be challenged academically as well as in areas of personal interest. I have been privileged to expand my knowledge of theater through the Ames High Drama Department and to pursue my interest in music through the Ames High Band Program. Ames High challenges students to become multifaceted individuals and, at the same time, provides the students with the opportunities necessary to do so.

I am grateful for all that I have gained from Ames High School. Thank you for honoring me with your scholarship.

Nate Staniforth '01

Dear Ames Hi Persons,

Enclosed, order blank and check for 2001 Alumni directory.

It's always a treat to get the Ames Hi newsletter. The letter about the Nibble Nook (**Carol (Garfield) Carson**) was great. I no longer recognize number addresses on Lincoln Way. Was it the little cafe across from Younkers store?

I also related to the letter from **Mim (Morrison) Effler '41** (my class). Are there going to be no more reunions? Quoting her, a good share of us are still alive and well. Thanks.

Virginia (Dyas) Carpenter '41

Directory P.S.

Thank you for your patience! We had hoped to have the new AHSAA Directory off the press by the end of June. But, alas, it finally happened on August 12th. By that time we had received approximately 250 orders. All orders were filled and mailed the following day. We are interested in your reaction to the new directory. We would appreciate any communication along that line. Furthermore, your correspondence is always welcome, and we may publish some of it if space in our newsletter permits. So...if you have a message to share with your fellow graduates, put it in writing and send it our way. See the below for the many ways to contact the AHSAA.

Bill Ripp
Secretary/Directory

Notes from Jack

With a certain amount of bias, I can report that the new alumni directories are very nice, a great buy at \$15.00 and have been well received. You can buy them in Ames at First National Bank at 5th and Burnett or at Firststar Bank at LIncoln Way and Hayward.

Red Milliken's book, "Once Upon a Time", is great reading. His classmates John Maney, Bruce and Nancy Adams have done a very nice job of pulling it together. The picture illustra-

tions really compliment Red's story. It sells for \$20.00. Shipping on the directory and all the books is \$4.00 per book with a maximum of \$8.00.

A special thanks to Sally Haverly '50 who researched the Social Security Death Index and found twenty of our alumni who had passed away.

Finally, as of October 1st our paid membership totals 3,231!

Jack Smalling
President/Database

Upcoming Reunions

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July 26-27, 2002

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