

# THEDFORD HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



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## Theme this year is "Home Coming"

May 15, 2020

Dear Alumni

You are receiving this letter later than normal due to the COVID-19 virus, and as a result of the virus, Alumni Officers have decided to change the banquet date from June 20 to Friday July 24, this is Thomas County Fair weekend, with the BBQ on Saturday night. Connie is coordinating the banquet with the Thomas County Fair.

This year the Thedford Alumni Association honor the alumni who graduated in years that ends in 0. Letters were sent out to the honor members in December asking to provide information about them after high school. Attached is the information and a list of all members of the honor classes and a list of Alumni who we lost since the 2019 banquet.

Connie is working with the High School on getting the school mascots put up in the old gym, both the Trojan and Knights, they will be made by the school and so they can be taken down when the walls needs to be painted.

Last year the Association gave a \$250 scholarship to a Thedford High School senior and will give one again this year. With your donation we will be able to continue.

Last year the Alumni paid the \$1500 owed to Meriel Remero for the cost to change the website hoist, the website is thedfordalumni.org. Thanks to all who donated. She does a good job keeping the website updated, you are encouraged to visit it and comments and suggestions are welcomed.

If you have an email address, send it to <a href="mailto:thedfordalumni@gmail.com">thedfordalumni@gmail.com</a>, email will be used more to save time and postage. It is received by Bill Hardy and checked on a daily base.

Alumni President, Connie Elliott, has been working hard to make the alumni banquet a fun and enjoyable time for all.

This year the theme is "Home Coming" so bring your stories of remembering when you were in High School to the banquet or provide a written copy to share. The Alumni Officers look forward to a successful banquet. Hope you join us.

Your Alumni Officers President Connie Elliott (1961) Vice President Mary Alice Curtis (1970) Secretary/Treasurer Bill Hardy (1962)

# 2020 THEDFORD ALUMNI NEWSLETTER FOR HONOR CLASSES IN XXX0 "HOME COMING"

The Thedford Alumni Association has a desktop computer with a database program which holds all the records of the alumni of Thedford High School starting in 1914. This year a list of all the Honor Year alumni and the written information about the alumni who provided it. If you are aware of anything on this list is incorrect, please let me know so it can be corrected. The Association relies on its members to provide updates so please send changes in alumni status to the Secretary. If you provided a "Web Site Information Form" that information will be entered in the database and also will be available on the web site "thedfordalumni.org". Alumni that provided information that had to be typed, I apologize for any errors.

HONOR	CLASS	OF	1920
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First name	Maiden	Present name	
JAMES	DOYLE	JAMES DOYLE	DECEASED
HATTIE	HAUMANN	HATTIE McCOY	DECEASED
EVA	NOEL	EVA THOMPSON	DECEASED

#### **CLASS OF 1930**

First name	Maiden	Present name	
ANGIE	LUND	ANGIE MCGUIRE	DECEASED
CELL	MOWERY	CELL MOWERY	DECEASED
CLEO	PAXTON	CLEO NEAL	DECEASED
DON	HANNA JR.	DON HANNA JR.	DECEASED 1/05
GENEVIEVE	HANKS	GENEVIEVE WOODS	DECEASED 12/08
GOLDENA	BECKHOFF	GOLDENA BECKHOFF	DECEASED
JUANITA	STEVENSON	JUANITA RICKS	DECEASED
LEON	MICHEEL	LEON MICHEEL	DECEASED 2/00
LOTTIE	SWISHER	LOTTIE HERBAUGH	DECEASED
MARIAN	DEBOER	MARIAN DEBOER	DECEASED
MILDRED	BLAUVELT	MILDRED BUNNER	DECEASED 12/04
MILDRED	DAWSON	MILDRED LESTER	
OLIVE	TOLLE	OLIVE MORRIS	DECEASED
RALPH	PRICE	RALPH PRICE	DECEASED
RALPH	STEELE	RALPH STEELE	DECEASED 1/04
RAYMOND	HERBAUGH	RAYMOND HERBAUGH	DECEASED
ROBERT	PIEL	ROBERT PIEL	DECEASED
SYLVAN	RODABAUGH	SYLVAN RODABAUGH	

#### **CLASS OF 1940**

First name	Maiden	Present name	
MARLENE	GASTON	MARLENE NUTTER	DECEASED 8/27/2017
ALVIE	FRED	ALVIE FRED	DECEASED
BETTY	WARNER	BETTY LESTER	DECEASED
CARL	GEORGE	CARL GEORGE	DECEASED 3/00
DANA	MILLESON	DANA RUTH FINK	DECEASED 4/12
DONALD	PEARMAN	DONALD PEARMAN	DECEASED
DOROTHY	CORDIS	DOROTHY CORDIS	DECEASED
ERLE	FIGARD	ERLE FIGARD	DECEASED 10/99
GEORGIA	VOTH	GEORGIA VIAN	DECEASED
MAX	HESTER	MAX HESTER	DECEASED

#### CLASS OF 1940 (cont)

First name	Maiden	Present name	
PAULINE	LARREAU	PAULINE ANDERSON	DECEASED 12/04
PHYLLIS	NUTTER	PHYLLIS FIGARD	DECEASED 11/2015
ROBERT	FLOWERS	ROBERT FLOWERS	DECEASED 01/31/2011

#### **CLASS OF 1950**

First name	Maiden	Present name	
<b>ESTELEEN</b>	GOEHRING	ESTELEEN ANDERSON	DECEASED 12/13
BILL	ARNHOLT	BILL ARNHOLT	DECEASED
BILL	<b>SCRANTON</b>	<b>BILL SCRANTON</b>	DECEASED
JOHN	REGESTER	JOHN REGESTER	DECEASED 06/04/2018
WAYNE	JAMESON	<b>WAYNE JAMESON</b>	

#### **CLASS OF 1960**

First name	Maiden	Present name	
JUDY	HANNA	JUDY WIESE	
CAROLDEAN	BUECHLER	CAROLDEAN SLINGSBY	DECEASED 8/16
JIM	PRICE	JIM PRICE	DECEASED 1/2015
CARLA	SIMONSON	CARLA CRAWFORD	
ALBERTA	JONES	ALBERTA KRAMER	
BARBARA	BREWER	BARBARA JACKSON	
BETTY	BREWER	BETTY BOVEE	
BEVERLY	CARTER	BEVERLY DOLLARD	DECEASED
HOWARD	WRIGHT	HOWARD WRIGHT	
JUDY	HERBAUGH	JUDY CROSSX	DECEASED 4/2012
NEIL	BUNNER	NEIL BUNNER	
ROGER	GALUSHA	ROGER GALUSHA	DECEASED 4/07

#### BARBAR HANNA STICHKA

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In thinking back to Homecoming "1959", how wonderful it would be to get to ride around the football field in the back of Larry Jameson's convertible car!

Sixty years! Wow, where does the time go? After graduation in1960 1 went to CSU a couple of years, as did the "love of my life", Bernard Stichka. We stayed until 1962 and back to the Sandhills we came! In June 1962 we were married and "on to ranching"! We are very blessed and have three children, Pam, Bobbi, and Steve. Now, we have five wonderful grand kids and one very special great-grand\_daughter. We lived at the Stichka place west of Brownlee, NE for 16 years then moved north of Mullen in 1978, where we are today! Bernard passed away in 2018 after ten long years of dialysis! I am still at home on the ranch, watching the next generation move on. Hope to see you all in June at TCHS alumni!

#### CAROL CRAWFORD CAROL GRUMMERT

#### Memorable event:

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Sixty years ago this spring, our class was presenting the play, "Little Women." We weren't the first, and certainly won't be the last, to portray this story. But it was a memorable experience. (Wonder how many from our class recall the guys sending Betty Brewer's puppy onto the stage mid-scene; the cute little guy stole the show!)

#### MERRY EWOLDT MERRY JONES

I graduated in May. Married Willard Jones in June, and moved to Aurora, Colorado. Lived in a trailer for three years, while building our first house on two acers. Our three children were all born in the same hospital. In 1964 we moved to Salt Lake City Utah. Willie as forman, worked on the University of Utah library.

We moved back to Colorado after Willie was hurt in 1965.

We built our second home in 1970 on 80 acers, and our children went to school in the same distrect until they graduated,

I started in the horse and cattle business after we moved with one Quarter horse mare and a three tited Jersy milk cow. We built our herd to 85 purebreed Limousin cows. Selling and showing across the country. Our Quarter horse grew to 6 brood mares and a stall one. Our children showed the colts in 4-H. After they graduated from high school I sold the horses, I stayed in the cattle business until December of 2019. HOPE TO SEE EVERYONE JUNE 20, 2020

#### SHIRLEY MERZ SHIRLEY EPP

I attended grades K thru 8 in the Seneca Public Schools. After closing the Seneca school in the late 1950's most of the Seneca students, including myself, received their high school education in Thedford. I graduated from T.C.H.S. in 1960. After graduation I attended one year of college at Kearney State Teachers College before moving to Lincoln NE where I worked for Security Mutual Life Ins. In 1962 1 married Gary Epp and moved to AZ where we have spent the last 58 years. We raised our two living children, Brenda and Gary, in Mesa, AZ. Currently our daughter, Brenda and her husband live in Ft. McDowell, AZ. Our son, Gary and his wife live in Olympia, WA. Our oldest grandson lives in Ellensburg, WA and our youngest grandson attends Grand Canyon University in Glendale, AZ (he is also enrolled in the AF ROTC at Arizona State University in Tempe AZ). I retired in 2005 from the Mesa Unified School as a junior high school principal's administrative secretary. My husband and I keep active in our church and in a lifelong learning retiree group sponsored by the Mesa Community College. It is surreal that 2020 marks 60 years since our class of 16 graduated from T.C.H.S. I hope it will be possible that most of my classmates be able to attend the alumni banquet in June.

#### **CLASS OF 1970**

First name	Maiden	Present name
STEVE	MERCURE	STEVE MERCURE
BOB	WARREN	BOB WARREN
STEVE	JOHNSTON	STEVE JOHNSTON
MERRIAL	LOSH	MERRIAL RHOADES
SYDNEY	LOUDON	SYDNEY MICKELSON
CINDY	MERCER	CINDY OLSON
WAYNE	LICKING	WAYNE LICKING
ALLEN	GARNER	ALLEN GARNER
BILL	MANNING	BILL MANNING
CONNIE	OATMAN	CONNIE HUCKFELDT
DAN	ROGERS	DAN ROGERS
DAVE	ROGERS	DAVE ROGERS
DOUG	BLAUVELT	DOUG BLAUVELT
MARK	NUTTER	MARK NUTTER
MARY	HUGHES	MARY BURRIER
MIKE	HIGGINS	MIKE HIGGINS
PHIL	MASEBERG	PHIL MASEBERG
RICHARD	READY	RICHARD READY
RUSS	FINNEY	RUSS FINNEY
TIM	NEAL	TIM NEAL
WARREN	HAUMANN	WARREN HAUMANN

#### DARRELL ANDERSEN DARRELL ANDERSEN

**Activities since Graduation** 

After graduating in 1970, I attended McCook Junior College and graduated in the spring of 1972, in the fall of 1972 I entered the Army, and in December of that year married Patty Seeley in Halsey, NE. Upon being honorably discharged from the Army, I attended the University of Nebraska in Lincoln and graduated with a Business Degree in the spring of 1977.

From there, I had an 18+ year career in Banking and Finances beginning in Powell, WY where our son, Riley was born in 1979, and along the way in 0rd, NE where our daughter, Marci, was born in 1981. Most of my Banking career was spent in Alliance, NE. In 1997, I left the banking industry where I had been President of the Thedford Community First Bank, and pursued managing a ranch south of Lakeside, NE until it sold in 2004. From that time to the present, I have been the Administrator of a family Foundation working out of the home in Alliance, Ogallala, and our present location of Halsey since moving back in the Spring of 2012.

#### DAVE HAMILTON DAVE HAMILTON

After HS graduation in 1970, I attended Fairbury Jr College and majored in Agriculture Sciences and played basketball for 2 years. I then enrolled in Animal Science at UNL, graduating in December of 1974. At that time I returned to the family ranch where my wife Loretta (Doyle) and I raised cattle and 4 daughters, 3 of whom graduated from Thedford HS. We leased the ranch in 2015 and also have a home in North Platte while maintaining our mailing address at Thedford. We enjoy seeing our daughters and grand children in the Lincoln and Omaha area, playing golf and traveling.

#### DEBBIE EDELMAN DEBBIE CALL

Debora and Kenny own Call's Garage and Ranchers Auto Supply For

They have 2 girls

Jamie Call and she has one daughter

Harley that live in Papillion Nebraska Randi is married to Russ Booth they have two boys, Ryker and Rylan.

#### GLADYS ROE GLADYS HODGES

Two children: James (JW) and Connie Three grandchildren: Josh, Jon and Brooke

One great grandchild: Rhett

Lloyd and I are retired. I was in dental and Lloyd worked in municipal.

Both worked in our fields 40+ years.

We travel and camp a lot.

Two cruises: Caribbean and Alaska—so far.

#### JOHN BUTLER JOHN BUTLER

After graduation I attended Fairbury Junior College for one year then transferred to Kearney State College. Graduated from KSC in 1974 and returned to Thedford and worked for my dad until 1976 when I moved to Lincoln to work for the State of Nebraska Department of Revenue. Married Sally Wagner (Lincoln Southeast Grad) in 1979. We have a daughter Molly (1987). Can't live in Lincoln without being a Husker fan. Retired from the state last June and then went on an Alaskan Cruise. Now playing golf and enjoying life.

#### KENDRA MAGNUSON KENDRA BURGESS

Attended Chadron State College for 2 plus years after high school. Gave up on the plan of being an elementary teacher. Instead I moved to Omaha for most of a year to train and show Quarter horses; then I moved to Grand Junction, CO to train and show Arabians and Quarter Horses for 2 years. Married Larry

#### KENDRA (cont)

Burgess in 1976. Burgess's raised a few horses and I happily took over the breaking and training chores. After we became parents on my 28th birthday in 1979, we began leasing his parents ranch. In 1987 we purchased a ranch from a neighbor.

I was a 4-H horse leader and 4-H Council member for 30 years; I joined the National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution in 1982 and have served as treasurer and am currently regent. I've served on the Grant County Fair Board for about 15 years and am currently president. After Larry & I were married, we joined the Seventh-day Adventist Church; I am currently the treasurer.

Our oldest son Jim graduated from Hyannis High School, Doane College and University of Iowa School of Law; he lives and works in Denver, CO. He married Sekhar Paladugu in 2018.

Our second son Jack graduated from Hyannis HS, UN-Kearney and moved back to the ranch from a graphic design job in Kansas; he leases part of the ranch. He and wife Glenda are the parents of our grandchildren ages 4 and 1.

Our daughter Kristen arrived 9 years after Jack; she graduated from Hyannis HS, Doane College and later Turing in Denver to become a software engineer and currently lives on the ranch working remotely.

#### MARY ALICE DUGGER MARY ALICE CURTIS

50 YEARS!! Surely that is not possible! After graduation I married, and lived in Brownlee and various other places around the state. In 1976 I attended beauty school in North Platte. During that time I divorced, then went to work in a beauty shop in Valentine for a while. Came back to Thedford and opened my own shop for awhile, then moved away and remarried. We had a son Josh and lived in Lexington for a few years. I then divorced and remarried again and moved to Elsie NE in 1987, where I have been ever since. Doug and I have a daughter Jackie. I drove school bus for Wheatland Public Schools and then Perkins County Schools, after we consolidated, for 24 years. We also have a one man trucking company...he drives the truck, I drive the papers... I also worked in a beauty shop here in Elsie for awhile and sold Avon! I was Alumni VP, then President in 2010 and I am now the VP (whew..!! not the President...got Connie Elliot to do that again...she was so fabulous at it last year! HEY!! if it ain't broke, don't fix it...) Am truly looking forward to my 50th (shaking head...unbelievable) class reunion and hope that ALL my classmates make it to the banquet. At this typing...all of us are still standing on terra-ferma (to my knowledge) and we still hold the GRAND title of largest graduating class in history from TCHS/THS!!

		CLASS OF 1980	
First name	Maiden	Present name	
MIKE	WHITAKER	MIKE WHITAKER	
MARY	MINTLE	MARY MINTLE	DECEASED 4/28/2018
BEV	SMITH	BEV ROSE	
DAVID	BLAUVELT	DAVID BLAUVELT	
JULIE	IMIG	JULIE IMIG	
LONTY	BRYANT	LONTY BRYANT	
MARGARET	POLLARD	MARGARET GREEN	
MARTHA	MERCER	MARTHA HIGGINS	
MARY ANN	LESHER	MARY ANN BOSTOCK	
MITCHEL	MCINTYRE	MITCHEL MCINTYRE	
PAM	REISER	PAM DAY	
PAM	CLAYTON	PAM LIEBERTH	DECEASED
ROBIN	JAMESON	ROBIN JAMESON	
SCOTT	MILES	SCOTT MILES	
SHEILA	PETERS	SHEILA JOHNSON	
VAUGHN	BLAUVELT	VAUGHN BLAUVELT	

#### DALLAS JONES DALLAS JONES

After graduating from high school, I attended UN-L, received a B.S. in geology, then attended UN-L law school, graduating in 1987. I have been practicing in Lincoln with the firm of Baylor Evnen, LLP since that time and am the senior partner, specializing in workers' compensation and employment matters, primarily representing large, self-insured employers. I was married to Tish Gade in 1994, and we have three children, Dallas Jr. (21), Tillie (19) and Gunnar (15).

		CLASS OF 1990
First name	Maiden	Present name
DAVID	JOHNSTON	DAVID JOHNSTON
DAWN	HUNT	DAWN SEBEK
JADE	EGLE	JADE EGLE
LYNN	SMITH	LYNN SMITH
MICHELLE	ROGERS	MICHELLE GUTSCHENRITTER
RICHARD	JAMESON	RICHARD JAMESON
STACY	TAYLOR	STACY TAYLOR
STEVEN	KENNEDY	STEVEN KENNEDY
TAMARA	STUMPFF	TAMARA ELDER
TAMMI	RHOADES	TAMMI JAMESON
TONY	HAAKE	TONY HAAKE

### **CLASS OF 2000**

First name	Maiden	Present name
TYLER	DALY	TYLER DALY
JENEL	PURDUM	JENEL BAKER
SHENA	NUTTER	SHENA LIBEAU
CHRISTA	HAMILTON	CHRISTA PICHLER
CLINT	ALLEN	CLINT ALLEN
JAKE	PURDUM	JAKE PURDUM
MARISA	SCHAEFFER	MARISA BAXTER
MARTI	HUTCHISON	MARTI HUTCHISON
MORGAN	MASEBERG	MORGAN MASEBERG
SAMANTHA	HARRIS	SAMANTHA LOGSDON
WADE	NEBEN	WADE NEBEN

#### **CLASS OF 2010**

First name	Maiden	Present name
BRANDON	NELSON	BRANDON NELSON
CALDEN	LANGE	CALDEN LANGE
CALLIE	KOVARIK	CALLIE KOVARIK
JASON	ELLIOTT	JASON ELLIOTT
MEGAN	HANNA	MEGAN HANNA
TY	KELLER	TY KELLER

#### **GRADUATING CLASS OF 2020**

#### Graduate name

BRANDON DAHLGREN JARED INMAN CONNOR BURNS JAKOB SCHAEFER SHELTIN ANDERSEN

# **Deaths Since 2019 Banquet**

Class	First	Maiden	Present	Death date
<b>TEACHER</b>	SCOTT	LEISY	SCOTT LEISY	APRIL 06, 2020
<b>TEACHER</b>	DICK	HOFFMAN	DICK HOFFMAN	APRIL 05, 2020
1949	MELVIN	BLAUVELT	MELVIN BLAUVELT	NOVEMBER 01, 2019
1948	JUNIOR	MILLESON	JUNIOR MILLESEN	APRIL 11, 2020
1966	DOROTHY	<b>BREWER</b>	DOROTHY SORENSEN	AUGUST 15, 2019
1964	CAROL ANN	<b>HERBAUGH</b>	CAROL ANN KOSLOFSKY	MARCH 17,2020
1946	ROSE	CLAYTON	ROSE DOW	MARCH 30, 2020
1968	TONY	BOOTH	TONY BOOTH	APRIL 10, 2020
1957	GENE	PIEL	GENE PIEL	MARCH 15, 2020
1939	LEWIS	LYNCH	LEWIS LYNCH	NOVEMBER 02, 2019