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Homecoming 2026

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SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Hall of Fame Inductees 2026

PARADE GRAND MARSHAL:

Wilmer Dinkel Jr. '73

HONORING

Class of 1976

Class of 2001

Class of 2016

&

5-Year Increment Classes

**MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS BY
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2026**

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

----- Friday, September 11, 2026 -----

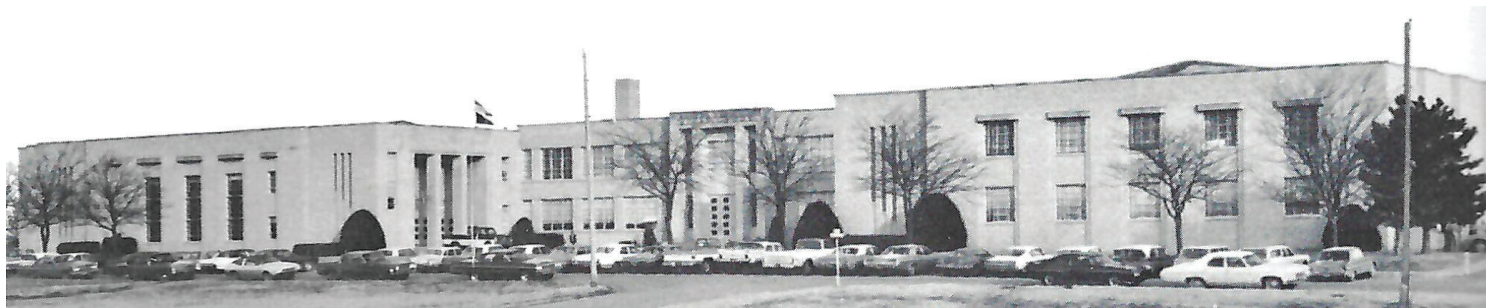
8:00 a.m. 30th Annual Victoria Alumni Golf Classic
Fort Hays Municipal Golf Course
4:00 p.m. Homecoming Parade
5:00 p.m. Pep-Assembly, High School Gym
6:15 pm Crowning of Homecoming Royalty
7:00 p.m. Football Game – Knights vs. Kinsley-Offerle Coyotes

----- Saturday, September 12, 2026 -----

4:30 p.m. Roll Call of Deceased Alumni
5:00 p.m. Memorial Mass – Basilica of St. Fidelis
6:00 p.m. Social – V.F.W. Hall, Victoria
6:45 p.m. Banquet – V.F.W. Hall, Victoria
9:00 p.m. Dance “Anthony and the Anamals”

Schedule is tentative.

Check the alumni website or the USD 432 Facebook page for most up-to-date information.



Victoria High School 1974

Homecoming 2026 Brings Changes

Golf * Memorial Mass * Football * Reunions * Nostalgia

Homecoming 2026 will have several noticeable changes from what you have become accustomed to in previous years. First off, homecoming is relatively early this year, with the festivities occurring in week two of the football year. The biggest change will be the switch to hold the homecoming banquet at the Victoria VFW for the first time ever. Another change will occur just before the banquet, with the Memorial Mass at the Basilica of St. Fidelis being held at 5:00. Before explaining these changes, let's start where the homecoming weekend kicks off, the golf tournament.

The golf tournament is where many will begin their homecoming celebration. **Bernie Schulte '88** is heading up the tournament for the second year. He has some big plans for this year's tournament, and you can read about those plans elsewhere in this

newsletter.

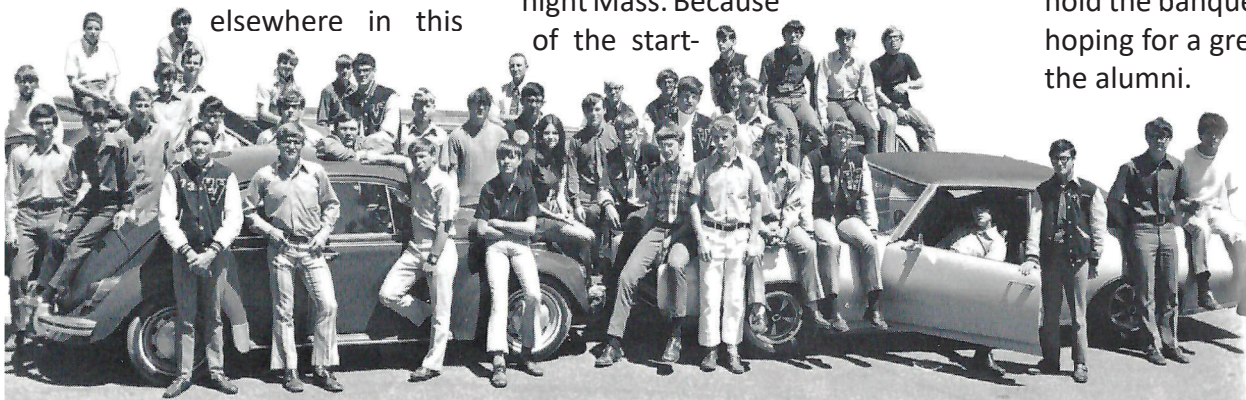
After the golf tournament, the homecoming parade will be held as usual. The traditional starting time for the parade is 4:00. There will be a pep rally after the parade, and crowning of royalty will be held before the football game. All of these plans are tentative and are subject to change. To keep up-to-date with the latest schedule, go to the alumni website, www.victoriaalumni.com, and look for the homecoming schedule. You can also check the schedule by following the USD 432 Facebook page. The football game will kick off at 7:00 and the opponent for this year is Kinsley-Offerle.

Homecoming Saturday is where most of the changes for 2026 are occurring. The Memorial Mass will be held at the regular 5:00 Saturday night Mass. Because of the start-

time change, the reading of the roll-call of the deceased alumni will be moved up to around 4:30.

After Mass, the homecoming banquet will be held at the Victoria VFW. The banquet this year will cost \$35 per person. The meal will be served by 7:00, and the Hall-of-Fame inductions will occur after the meal. There will also be a small amount of time allotted to the 50-year and 25-year reunion classes to brag about their classes. The dance will begin around 9:00, and this will be a kind of throw-back type of dance. The alumni association will provide beer, wine, and setups. Any hard-liquor will be up to the guests to bring in. The party should continue until midnight with Anthony and The Anamals providing the entertainment.

The Alumni Board is excited to hold the banquet in Victoria, and is hoping for a great turnout from all the alumni.

Victoria High
School V-Club
1971

USD 432 Administrators introduce themselves

Roger Perkins, Superintendent

My name is Roger Perkins and I have always valued education. During my educational journey, I have had the privilege of teaching and coaching at Lewis Schools, Thomas More Prep High School, Hays High School, Ellsworth Schools, Attica Schools, and Southern Cloud Schools — Miltonvale and Glasco.

My administrative experience began as an Assistant Principal in Attica, then as the K-12 Principal in Miltonvale and Superintendent of the Southern Cloud District for the past 19 years. I retired after 41 years in education, and I am looking forward to extending my educational journey into the future.

I have taught drafting, woodworking, welding, and physical education, as well as driver education. I have coached cross country, football, volleyball, basketball, golf, and track throughout my career.

I enjoy spending time with my family, hunting, fishing, camping, and woodworking. Spending time with my wife, Jolana, of 46 years and our kids and

grandkids is the highlight of my life.

Jolana has also been a part of education, as a para, secretary, deputy board clerk, board clerk, and a class and cheer sponsor. Our daughter, Janae Haslouer, is a 1st grade teacher. Our son, Ryan Perkins, teaches woodworking, as well as being the head girls basketball coach. Our daughter-in-law, Cassy, teaches 1st grade. They all teach in the Abilene School District. Education is a very important part of our lives.

We have six grandchildren: Kaylor, Grace, Avery, Walker, Rexton, and Atlynn.

I've enjoyed working with the USD 432 faculty, staff, administration, and the community of Victoria. Everyone has made us feel very welcome and appreciated. I feel that Victoria has a wonderful educational system in place and I value the chance to be a leader in our district.



Amber Deutscher, Principal

I live in Ellis with my husband Riley and our two daughters, Reagan and Ava. We love spending time together, making memories with our extended families, and finding any excuse to be outdoors, whether we're camping, hiking, or simply enjoying an adventure together. One of our favorite places to visit is Colorado.

This year marks my 16th year in education, with the past seven years proudly serving Victoria. I earned my Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education, Master's degree as a Reading Specialist, and Building Leadership endorsement from Fort Hays State University.

While most of my career has been in elementary education, stepping into the role of Jr./Sr. High

School Principal last year sparked a whole new passion. I truly enjoy interacting with students each day, building relationships with staff and students, celebrating their successes, and helping them navigate both the challenges and opportunities that come with middle and high school.

The support I have received from the Victoria community over the past seven years has made it incredibly meaningful to serve this district. The staff, students, and families have welcomed me, encouraged me, and made Victoria feel like home. I am grateful to be part of a school community that values relationships, works together, and always strives to do what is best for kids. It is truly an honor to serve as principal, and I look forward to another wonderful year at Victoria Jr./Sr. High School.

HALL OF FAME 2026

SHANA GATSCHET '91

DOUG OBERLE

SHANA DREILING GATSCHET '91

daughter of the late **Thomas Dreiling '59** and **Jeanette Dreiling '60**, graduated from Victoria High School in 1991. She earned bachelor degrees in Psychology from Wichita

State University and Occupational Therapy from Kansas

Newman College.

She is the sister of **Dana Dreiling Lang '84** and **Scott Dreiling 93**.

Today, Shana serves as Co-Founder and Director of Education and

Member Services for Club Parkinson's, a nonprofit established in 2021 to empower people living with Parkinson's through evidence-based wellness, education, and support. She is also co-owner and an occupational therapist with Parkinson's & Neuro Connect. With more than 28 years of clinical experience and 14 years in advanced Parkinson's-specific training, she is recognized as a leader in Parkinson's care throughout the Wichita community.

Her passion for Parkinson's care began in 2013 after meeting a newly diagnosed patient whose only guidance was a prescription and a six-month follow-up appointment. Recognizing the gap between diagnosis and living

well, she helped create a different model of care. That vision led to the founding of Club Parkinson's, which celebrates its 5th anniversary in September 2026 after growing from 12 founding members to more than 130 today.



"I discovered that Parkinson's doesn't have to define a person's future. When people are empowered with the right education, support, and opportunities, they can make meaningful lifestyle changes and live well. Yet many still lack these resources for the

world's fastest-growing neurological disorder. The strength of our members inspires me every day. At Club Parkinson's, patients quickly discover they are not alone and there is hope. They quickly become part of a support family, ending each class with one reminder: 'Not Today, Parkinson's!'"

Shana has been recognized with the Wichita Business Journal Health Care Hero Award (2013) and the Kansas Occupational Therapy Association Clinical Excellence Award (2018). In 2025, she was among several representatives from Club Parkinson's at the Michael J. Fox Foundation Parkinson's Policy Forum in Washington, D.C., advocating for people living with Parkinson's.

In 1993, Shana married her VHS sweetheart, **Michael Gatschet '90**. Together they have two sons, Cade and Braden. Faith, family, and lifelong friendships are at the center of her life. She enjoys traveling, attending sporting events, and embracing new adventures.

DOUG OBERLE was born August 27, 1971, in Wichita, Kansas, to Jim and Pauline Oberle, the third of six children. After living in Wichita for six years, the Oberle family moved to Claflin, Kansas. Doug graduated from Claflin High School in 1989, where he participated in football, basketball, and tennis. His claim to fame is being the worst two-year starter in the history of Claflin High School football.

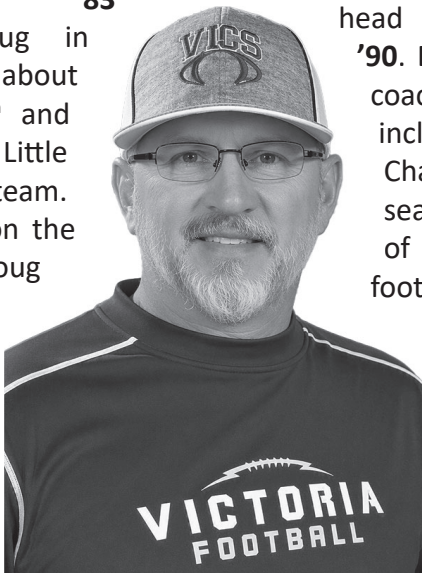
After graduating from Barton County Community College in 1991, Doug attended Kansas State University, then enlisted in the United States Army, spending over two years as an active duty member.

After being discharged from active-duty military, Doug returned to Barton County Community College and was accepted into the Occupational Therapy assistant program. While at BCCC, Doug married his wife Gina, then graduated and became a Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant.

Following a year of work in the Kansas City area, Doug and Gina

decided to move their family closer to their parents and accepted jobs in the Hays area. Missing the small-town atmosphere they both knew well, the Oberle's decided to purchase the "Ole Gerstner House" at 602 Sunset in beautiful Victoria, Kansas. Doug currently works as a Rehab Director at Hays and Ellis Good Samaritan Societies, and has worked for Select Rehab for 23 years.

Neighbor **Curt Pfanenstiel '83** approached Doug in the early 2000s about coaching the 4th and 5th grade Huskers Little league football team. As an assistant on the Husker team, Doug met a lot of great people and really fell in love with coaching football and the passion



Victoria has for football.

"The Coaches on that team were phenomenal role models and coaches for me. I could not have asked for a better introduction into coaching. I truly enjoyed this experience and was hooked at that point. I had a disease — it was called football."

After coaching youth football, Doug was hired as a high school assistant football coach under head coach **Chris Windholz '90**. Doug served as assistant coach for three seasons, including the 2004 State Championship team, a season Doug says is one of the greatest in VHS football history. Doug had a wonderful experience as an assistant under Coach Windholz and says Chris' fingerprint is still on the program today.

In the spring of 2006, Coach Windholz stepped away from coaching and Doug was named the head football coach. And what did Doug accomplish in his first year, but another State Championship for Victoria High School. And the winning sure didn't stop there!

Entering his 21st season this fall as the head football coach at Victoria, Doug has compiled a record of 185-41, an 81.8% winning percentage. His teams have made the playoffs in 18 of his first 20 seasons with a record of 40-15, including appearances in six state championship finals. Under Coach Oberle, the Knights have won State Championships in 2006, 2014, and 2015. In 2015, Doug was named the 8-man Coach of the Year.

Doug and Gina continue to reside in Victoria, where they are active in the community and with St. Fidelis Church. Their daughter Karly is a 2017 graduate of VHS and their son Caden is a 2019 VHS graduate.

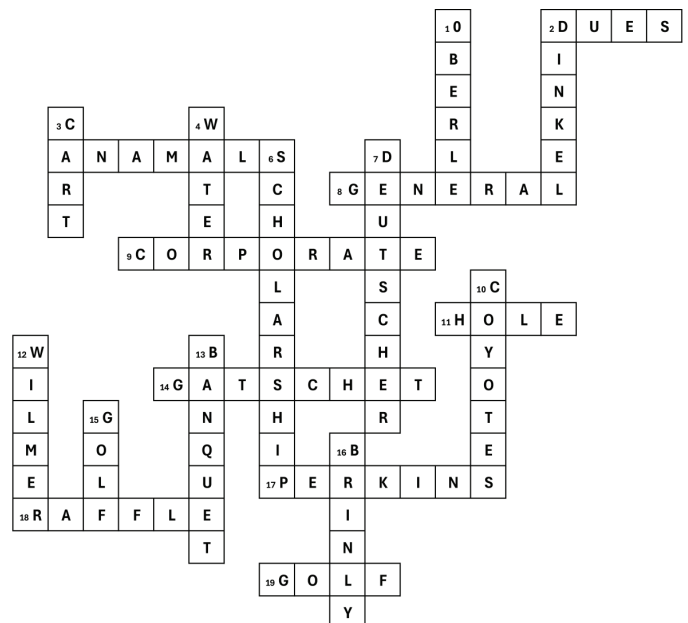
You Can Do Your VAA Business Using the Online Store

Please remember that the Victoria Alumni Association has an online store where you can complete your annual business with the VAA. Dues, banquet reservations, raffle tickets, scholarship and general fund donations, and all things related to the golf tournament can be paid online. The store is easy to find. Just go to www.victoriaalumni.com and click on "Online Payments" on the left side of the screen. That link will take you directly into the online store and you can quickly complete your transactions for the year.

If you would like to pay for a lifetime membership, you can do that online too, but lifetime memberships are unique to each individual. To request your amount for a lifetime membership, please send an email to info@victoriaalumni.com and you will receive a link that will allow you to pay for that online as well.



DON'T LOOK AT THESE ANSWERS UNTIL YOU DO THE CROSSWORD ON PAGE 9



Future Plans for Class of 2026 Grads

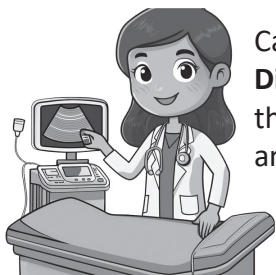
Hailey Anderson is the daughter of Josh and Jen Anderson. Hailey plans to attend Fort Hays State University and study social work.



Abigail Bronson is the daughter of **Cory '03** and Tiffany **Unrein**, the granddaughter of Glen and **Michele Schumacher Unrein '81**, and the great-granddaughter of **Clarita Dreiling Schumacher '58**. She plans to attend Fort Hays Tech North Central and study practical nursing.

Brekan DeWald is the daughter of Tasha Werth and Chris DeWald. Brekan plans to attend Fort Hays State University and major in social work.

Aidan Dinkel is the son of **Darian '89** and Tori **Dinkel** and the grandson of **Rosie Braun Dinkel '60**. He plans to study HVAC at Fort Hays Tech North Central.



Caidyn Dinkel is the daughter of **Cole Dinkel '00** and Nicole Dinkel and the granddaughter of **Wilmer '73** and Darlinea **Dinkel**. Caidyn plans to attend Fort Hays State University and enroll in the Diagnostic Medical Sonography program.

Emma Dinkel is the daughter of **Kurt '86** and **Shanna Robben Dinkel '89** and the granddaughter of **Carol Rome Dinkel '59** and **Steve '67** and **Fran Miller Robben '67**. She plans to attend Kansas State University and is undecided on a major.

Shelby Dorzweiler is the daughter of Heath and Cheri Dorzweiler. Shelby plans to attend Fort Hays Tech North Central and study business office management.

Wes Dreiling is the son of **Brett '98** and Heidi **Dreiling** and the grandson of **Kenny '65** and **Patty Dreiling Dreiling '66**. He plans to attend



Pratt Community College and enter their electrical lineman program.

Zack Herdt is the son of Gari Herdt and Bart Tarbell. Zack plans to attend Fort Hays State University and study business.

Kyle Huser is the son of **Kevin '84** and Kathy **Huser** and the grandson of **Leon Huser '61**. He plans to attend Fort Hays State University and major in construction management. Kyle also plans to play football at FHSU.



Brinly Lichter is the daughter of Ryan and Tammy Lichter. Brinly plans to attend Kansas State University and will study nutrition science.

Saige Moos is the daughter of JC and Nicole Moos. She plans to attend Sterling College and will join the cheerleading team.

Matthew Pfeifer is the son of Jay and Jana Pfeifer. Matthew plans to attend Clarendon Community College and will study ranch and feedlot operations.

Wesley Sander is the son of **Chris '95** and Christie **Sander** and the grandson of **Steve '68** and **Bonnie Schmidtberger Sander '71**. He plans to attend Fort Hays State University and is undecided on a major.

William Schmeidler is the son of Brian Schmeidler and Courtney Schmeidler. William plans to attend Fort Hays Tech North Central to study HVAC repair.



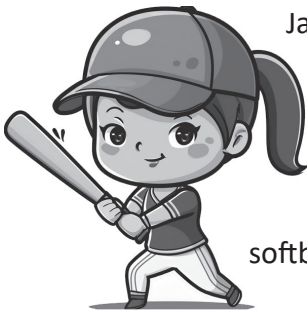
Cody Schmidtberger is the son of **Wade Schmidtberger '00** and Jody Schmidtberger, the grandson of **Bill '74** and **Diana Braun Schmidtberger '78**, and the great-grandson of **Fritz '56** and Anita **Braun**. He plans to attend Fort Hays Tech North Central and study plumbing, heating, and air conditioning.

Future Plans (continued)

Emma Schmidtberger is the daughter of **Wade Schmidtberger '00** and Jody Schmidtberger, the granddaughter of **Bill '74** and **Diana Braun Schmidtberger '78**, and the great-granddaughter of **Fritz '56** and Anita **Braun**. Emma plans to attend Hutchinson Community College to study business administration and minor in accounting.



Wyatt Schmidtberger is the son of **Wade Schmidtberger '00** and Jody Schmidtberger, the grandson of **Bill '74** and **Diana Braun Schmidtberger '78**, and the great-grandson of **Fritz '56** and Anita **Braun**. He plans to enroll at Barton Community College and study business.



Jameson Toon is the daughter of Nate and Kari Toon. Jameson plans to attend Neosho County Community College and study athletic training. She also plans to play on the softball team.

Ethan VonLintel is the son of **Justin VonLintel '97** and Amanda Migchelbink. He plans to attend Fort Hays Tech North Central to study electrical technology.

Samuel Windholz is the son of **John '93** and **Danielle Tholen Windholz '93** and the grandson of **Julius Windholz '70** and **Susie Windholz '69** and **Jim '69** and Jane **Tholen**. Samuel plans to attend Fort Hays Tech North Central and study electrical technology.

Myah Younger is the daughter of **Michael '92** and **Sarah Robben Younger '94** and the granddaughter of **Ethel Younger '59** and **Steve '67** and **Fran Miller Robben '67**. She plans to attend Kansas State University and major in agronomy.



Three Lucky Scholarship Winners Helped by Donations and Annual Raffle

The alumni association was able to award three scholarships to members from the class of 2026. Each scholarship was valued at \$2,000. The winners from this year are Caidyn Dinkel, daughter of **Cole Dinkel '00** and Nicole Dinkel; Emma Dinkel, daughter of **Kurt '86** and **Shanna Robben Dinkel '89**; and Brinly Lichter, daughter of Ryan and Tammy Lichter.

These scholarships are possible because of the generosity of the members of the alumni association and through the businesses that support the alumni association by donating to the annual golf tournament.

The alumni raffle is also a large contributor to the scholarship fund. Raffle tickets cost the same as previous years, \$5 per ticket or 10 tickets for \$40. There is a sheet of tickets included with your newsletter, but if you want more tickets, you can go to www.victoriaalumni.com and print out more sheets to send in. The 2026 raffle will be held at the homecoming banquet and the prizes are the same as in recent years: \$500, \$400, \$300, \$200, and \$100. Winners will be drawn right after the new Hall of Fame members are inducted.



In Loving Memory



Leroy Meis passed away April 12, 2026, at Hays Medical Center. He is survived by his brother, **Kenneth Meis '62**; his sister, **Edie Meis Braun '67**; his brother-in-law, **Wayne Braun '64**; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Robert J. Karlin passed away April 14, 2026, at Hays Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, **Paulette VonLintel Karlin '61**; five children, four grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.



Dorothy "Dora Mae" Rome Taylor '73 passed away April 22, 2026, at Paramount Community Living and Rehab, Newton, Kansas. She is survived by her husband, Leonard; her sisters, **Donna Rome Lovelady '73** and **Betty Rome Hansen '76**; her brother, **Randy Rome '88**; and her brother-in-law, **Floyd Windholz '67**.

Sue Tholen Lang '56 passed away May 4, 2026, at Via Christie Village, Hays, Kansas. She is survived by two sons, four daughters, eighteen grandchildren, and eleven great-grandchildren.

Yvonne Brungardt Rohleder Braun '56 passed away May 6, 2026, at Hays Medical Center. She is survived by nine children, 21 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren, three step-children, and one sister, **Ruth Polifka '58**.

David Weber died May 14, 2026, at Hays Medical Center. He is survived by his sister, **Melinda Weber Rogers '80**, and his brother, Jeffery.

Marlene Brungardt Linenberger '57 passed away May 27, 2026, in Manhattan, Kansas. She is survived by one son, three grandsons, and her brother, **Wayne Brungardt '59**.

Evelyn Zellmer died May 30, 2026, at her home in Hays, Kansas. A dedicated teacher, Mrs. Zellmer taught second and third grade at Victoria Elementary School from 1970-2007. She is survived by two sons, one daughter, and eight grandchildren.

Hubert Linenberger '96 passed away June 19, 2026, at Wesley Medical Center, Wichita, Kansas. He is survived by his mother, **Rosie Braun Linenberger-Hammerschmidt '76**; his stepfather, Gerald Hammerschmidt; his father, **Keith Linenberger '74**; and by his sister, **Janae Linenberger '99**.

James "Jim" VonFeldt '61 passed away June 28, 2026, at Wesley Medical Center, Wichita, Kansas. He is survived by his wife, Constance; his children, **Sandra VonFeldt Scheck '82**, **Dave '84**, **Peggy VonFeldt Klaus '89**, his stepson, Chad Teichman; his siblings, **Darlene VonFeldt Schlesinger '58**, **Diane VonFeldt Ruder '65**, and **John '69**; his sister-in-law, **Lita Dome VonFeldt '71**; five grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and two step-grandchildren.

Dianne DeBey Gasper passed away July 2, 2026. She is survived by her husband, Edward; her children, **Troy '83**, **Terry '86**, **Tyler '89**, and **Racquel Gasper Gerhardt '87**; seven grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

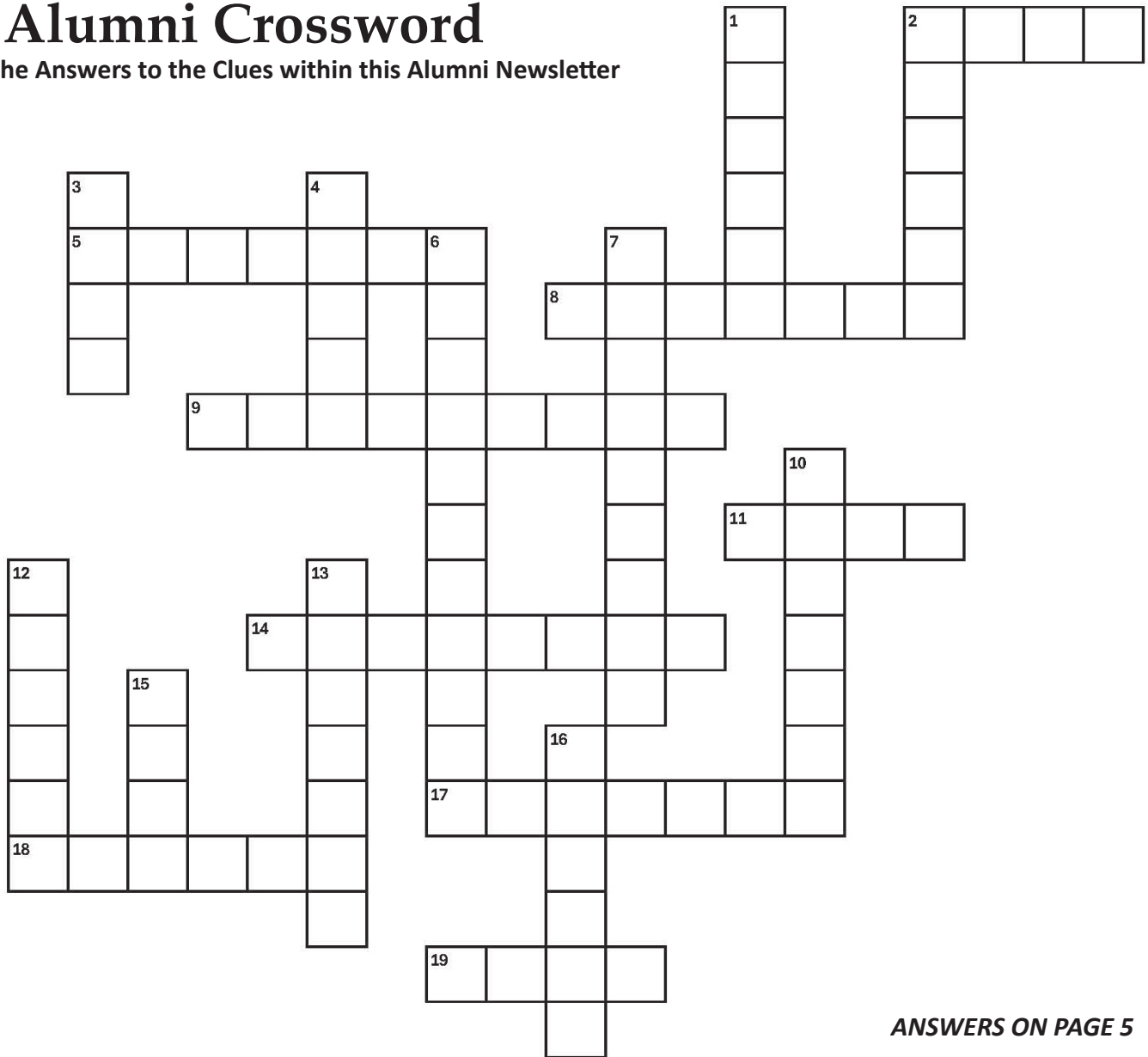
Leroy C. Braun '59 passed away July 10, 2026, at Good Samaritan Society, Hays. He is survived by his wife, JoAnn; his daughter, **LeeAnn Braun Schmidtberger '80** and husband, **Leroy Schmidtberger '74**; two sons, **Terry '81** and wife **Deb Brungardt Braun '87** and **Tim '87** and wife **Kristin Wagner Braun '87**; his brothers, **Wayne '64** and wife **Edith Meis Braun '67** and **Allen Braun '72** and wife Patti; his sister, **Lorita Braun Berens '61** and husband **Ron Berens '61**; a brother-in-law, Tony Leiker; eight grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and two step-great-grandchildren.

Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine
upon them.
May they rest in peace.



Alumni Crossword

Find the Answers to the Clues within this Alumni Newsletter



ANSWERS ON PAGE 5

ACROSS

2. These cost \$5.00 per year
5. Will provide music for the homecoming dance: Anthony and the _____
8. Donations to the _____ Fund helps the VAA
9. Golf Tournament _____ Sponsorships are \$100.00
11. Golf Tournament _____ Sponsorships are \$50.00
14. Hall of Fame inductee for 2026: Shana _____
17. New Superintendent at USD #432: Roger _____
18. A sheet of ten _____ tickets cost \$40.00. A single ticket is \$5.00
19. This event is holding it's 30th edition in 2026: _____ Tournament

DOWN

1. Hall of Fame inductee for 2026: Doug _____
2. Last name of two of the 2026 scholarship winners, but not closely related
3. A golf _____ gets you around the course faster than walking
4. Victoria landmark that was removed from the skyline earlier this year: _____ tower
6. Donations to the _____ Fund help graduating seniors
7. New Principal at Victoria Junior/Senior High School: Amber _____
10. Mascot of the opponent for the Homecoming Football Game
12. Grand Marshall for the 2026 Homecoming Parade: _____ Dinkel Jr.
13. This event is going to be held at the Victoria VFW in 2026
15. Registrations for the _____ tournament cost \$60.00 per person
16. First name of one of the 2026 scholarship winners _____ Lichter

No Longer 29 & Holding: GOLF Turns 30!!

by **Bernie Schulte '88**

Some things age well, like fine wine (and Wellers). Here are a few of the things turning 30 this year: "The Macarena", the debut of Everybody Loves Raymond, the Nintendo 64, and the first Happy Gilmore. So let's get your "Happy Gilmore" swings ready once again for the 30th Annual Victoria Alumni Golf Tournament. Yes! The time has come to start signing up your team to play some golf and have a great time. All are welcome to play, whether you're a seasoned pro or a consummate hack. Just remember, like Chubbs told Happy, "It's all in the hips!"

VHS Alumni festivities begin on Friday morning, September 11, at the Fort Hays Municipal Golf Course. Registration begins at 8:00 AM with a shotgun start at 9:00 AM! Last year at the tournament, I added a couple of twists to make things interesting. We'll have new twists this year as well. Please be sure to text or call me as soon as you can to let me know who will be playing on your 4-person team. Fees for the 2026 tournament will remain the same as last year: \$80/person if renting a cart or \$60/person if you supply your own cart.

Once again, there will be delicious cinnamon rolls and coffee waiting for you when you arrive at the golf course. We welcome another wonderful meal provided by **Matt Sander '03** and **Brenton Hoffman '09** at the

turn, and we plan to have a fully stocked beverage cart making the rounds throughout the tournament.

The Alumni Golf Tournament is a benefit golf tournament, so there are no cash prizes, but there are many that play for pride.

So then who receives the benefit? The beneficiaries of this tournament year after year are Victoria High School seniors heading off to college. Each year the scholarship committee provides financial assistance to deserving seniors. The past few years, three \$2,000 scholarships have been given to help defray the cost of tuition.

Additionally, the tournament raises money by selling Hole Sponsorships for a \$50 hole sign. This is a great way to advertise your business or to give recognition to someone special.

Our Corporate Sponsors donate at least \$100 in cash or services. Corporate Sponsor names are displayed on a specially designed banner, which is present at the golf course and at the banquet on

Saturday evening. Anyone can be a sponsor. If you don't play golf but would like to be part of this event, we would welcome you as a sponsor.

To register, you can text/call me at 785-472-1494 or email me at bernie.schulte@oneok.com. I need to know who will be playing on your team to ensure we have enough food, drink, and carts available for everyone. Back again by popular demand will be the ability to pay golf fees by Venmo. You will be able to pay your fees prior to the tournament and avoid the registration line. So, get those registrations turned in to me and let's get ready to play the 30th Annual Victoria Alumni Golf Tournament!



VHS Alumni

VICTORIA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

PO BOX 382

VICTORIA, KS 67671

2026-2027 MEMBERSHIP FORM DUE: Wednesday, September 2, 2026

Graduating Class

Name _____

(Year)

Maiden Name _____

Spouse / Guest _____

(Year)

Non-graduate _____
(Year)

Associate Member ☐

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone # _____ E-mail Address _____

IMPORTANT: Permission to enter personal information on website:
(Please disregard if you have already addressed this issue.)

Address	_____ Yes	_____ No
Phone	_____ Yes	_____ No
E-mail	_____ Yes	_____ No

Annual Membership Fee per Alum \$5.00 \$ _____

Number attending the banquet and dance _____ (\$35.00 per person)..... \$ _____

Donation to Scholarship Fund \$ _____

Donation to Association General Fund \$ _____

Raffle Tickets \$ _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Please note any news concerning marriages, births, promotions, accomplishments, retirements, anniversaries, or change of address.

ST. FIDELIS HIGH SCHOOL
1922—1940



**VICTORIA
RURAL
HIGH
SCHOOL**
1941—1966

VICTORIA HIGH SCHOOL
1967—2010

**VICTORIA JUNIOR/ SENIOR
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AUGUST 2010—PRESENT

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Old Water Tower Taken Down - Bye, Bye!!

On Monday, June 8, 2026, a daring heist was pulled off within the City of Victoria. The target of the caper had been a staple of the Victoria skyline since 1921, and the scoundrels responsible are still at-large. If anyone has information, please contact the Victoria Police Department. The item that was removed: The original Victoria water tower.



Of course, the preceding was all in jest. The new water tower became operational around five years ago, and it was time to take the old tower down. The company hired to remove the tower came from Michigan, and their supplies began showing up about a week before they did. When June 8 arrived, the crew started dismantling the 105-year-old structure from the top down, and used a crane to lower the pieces to the ground.

By noon, the 50,000 gallon bowl of the tower was gone, and all that remained were the four metal posts that supported the weight of the tower. A number of recycling trucks were coordinated to carry off the metal as it was brought down. By 3:00, the posts were down and headed for recycling, and the crew started cleaning up their project.

