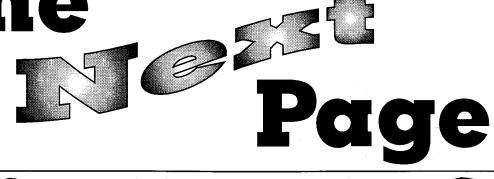
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1999 Homecoming Friday, September 17 & Saturday, September 18

HONORING

Veterans & Present Military Personnel

SPECIAL RECOGNITION TO

Class of '49 Class of '74 Class of '89 &

5 Year Increment Classes

MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS BY TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

Schedule of Events

Friday, September 17, 1999:

9:00 am	3nd Annual VHS Scholarship Golf Tournament
	Victoria Golf Course
2:00 pm	Open House at K of C Hall
4:45 pm	Homecoming Parade leaves VHS
5:30 pm	VIP tailgate at football field and tours through school.
7:00 pm	Football game - Knights vs. Osborn Bulldogs
9:00 pm	(Or immediately after the game) social at K of C

Saturday, September 18, 1999:

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10:00 am	Memorial Mass, St. Fidelis Church
	(Veterans meet in back of church to enter with celebrant)
11:00 am	Luncheon and business meeting Grade School
5:00 pm	Social and banquet, American Legion
9:00 pm	Dance
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Gold Medal



Gold Medal: Dustin Hansen, graduating senior at VHS, won the gold in the 300 meter hurdles at the 1999 state track meet in Wichita. His time was 39.93 seconds. He will be a member of the FHSU track team in the fall. He broke the record previously held by Chris Wellbrock '85. Other records broken this year were the 100 M. Dash broken by Corey Schmidtberger '99 previously held by Karl Staab'90 and the girls Triple Jump by Amy Folkerts '03 previously held by Amanda Pruitt '98.

Track Records currently held at VHS:

Shot Put:	Kaylene Jacobs	39' 2.5"	1995
	Monty Beisel	57' 51/2"	1996
Discus:	Kari Austin	117' 4"	1986
	Monty Beisel	162' 6"	1996
Javelin:	Karen Dinkel	124' 9"	1992
	Monty Beisel	195' 10"	1986
High Jump:	Jessica Brungardt Dale	5' 5"	1993
	John Ruder	6' 6"	1989
Long Jump:	Maria Sander Dinkel	8' 1"	1988
	John Windholz	21' 9.5"	1993
Pole Vault:	Amanda Pruitt	7'0"	1996
	Tim Pfeifer	13'0"	1976
	Mark Dreiling	13'0"	1978
Cross Country:	Rose Ann Schulte Kreller	12:42	1984
Triple Jump:	Amy Folkerts	32' 1/2"	1999
Triple Jump:	Jeff Ruder	43' 2 3/4"	1996
100 M. H.Hurdles:	Janine Windholz Kisner	15.45	1986
110 M. H. Hurdles:	Alan Pfeifer	14.89	1988
300 M. I. Hurdles:	Terri Dreiling Maring	46.90	1992
300 M. I.Hurdles:	Dustin Hansen	39.93	1999
100 M. Dash:	Ronda Werner Fionda	12.15	1979
100 M. Dash:	Corey Schmidtbrerger	11.00	1999
200 M. Dash:	Coleen Billinger Carlson	25.63	1991
200 M. Dash:	Larry Robben	22.8	1984
400 M. Dash:	Coleen Billinger Carlson	58.8	1989
400 M. Dash:	Jeff Miller	51.4	1982
2 Mile Run:	Ralph Schmidtberger	10:36.1	1970
800 M. Run:	Hollie Ptacek	2:25.5	1995
800 M. Run:	Mike Dreiling	1:59.6	1976
1600 M. Run:	Hollie Ptacek	5:49.46	1996
1600 M. Run:	Terry Pfeifer	4:26.3	1978
3200 M. Run:	Tina Brungardt Herrman	13:17.0	1990
4x100 M. Relay:	Colleen Billinger Carlson, Alycia Pruitt Howard	50.5	1990
•	Renee Kuhn Wasko, Cathy Wagner McPhail		
4X100 M. Relay:	Craig Dinkel, Jeff Miller	44.5	1983
,	James Pfeifer, Larry Robben		
4x200 M. Relay:	Cathy Wagner McPhail, Kara Kuhn Shorb,	1:46.2	1991
,	Coleen Billinger Carlson, Alycia Pruitt Howard		
4x400 M. Relay:	Alycia Pruitt Howard, Renee Kuhn Wasko	4:03.89	1990
,	Colleen Billinger Carlson, Kara Kuhn Shorb		
4x400 M. Relay:	Bart Dreiling, John Ruder,	3:31.4	1989
•	David Younger, Alan Pfeifer		
4X800 M. Relay:	Darren Windholz, Jason Scheck,	8:39.1	1992
	Brandon Schmidtberger, Matt Dew		
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Class of 1999

Our newest members of the alumni association are of course the 1999 graduating seniors of Victoria High School. They are thirty-eight in number and of these, twenty-two will be going on to a four year YOU'RE TOPS college, one will be attending a community college, eleven will be attending area technical colleges, and four will begin working in the work force.

Attending FHSU will be: Megan Austin, Amadee Befort, Joni Biernat, Sarah Biernat, Lisa Garner, Dustin Hansen, Lindsey Koerner, Jennifer Lapka, Sarah Leikam, Janae Linenberger, Beth Ptacek, Andra Rome, Jarett Schmeidler, Angie VonFeldt, and Sarah Wasinger. The University of Kansas will be home to Jackie and Jenny Kenne while Margo Straub will be going to Southwestern College in Winfield. Kansas State University will be getting four VHS graduates: Brenda Hoffman, Shaun Karlin, Brandon Robben, and Corey Schmidtberger. Dan Quakenbush will be attending Colby Community College after completion of his army reserve training in Maryland. Those attending North Central Kansas Technical College in Beloit will be: Joe Crathorne, Jason Garner, Troy Weigel, and Brandon Dinkel. Going to Goodland to the Northwest Kansas Technical School will be: Jared Scheck, Cory Hammerschmidt, Travis Dinges, and Scott Wellbrock. Corey Pfeifer, David Robben, Brett Wellbrock, and John Kuhn have joined the work force and Salina Area Vocational Technical School will be attended by Josh VonLintel, Bob Sander, and Eric Dinges.

We congratulate them all and wish them the best in their future endeavors. We welcome them to the alumni association and hope they will realize its benefits as the years pass by.



Board Briefs



The paid alumni membership at this time is 488. Honorary members, including classes of 1922-48 stands at 222. The total lifetime memberships is 41 and the associate membership is 8. With the 1999 graduates who have been awarded a one year free membership, our total membership stands at 748.

Our records show that 2427 individuals have attended VHS. Membership is open not only to graduates, but also to non-graduates and associate members who are former VHS educators. Our listing of non-graduates may not be complete, so if anyone has additions, please inform us. The potential paid membership, minus the deceased, honorary members & the 1999 graduates is 1951. Wouldn't it be great to boost our paid membership to at least half of the potential number for the upcoming millennium?

Some of the future goals of the alumni association is to increase the number of scholarships awarded and possibly fund some of the needs of the school that would enhance the education of current and future VHS students.

Several positions on the alumni board of directors will become available for the upcoming year. Various committees are in need of help as well. Many of you have a great loyalty to your school and this alumni association. We need you to step forward and offer your time and talents to keep this wonderful organization green and growing. Please make note of your willingness to serve by making a note of it on your membership form or call any of the present board members. New faces and ideas are certainly encouraged and necessary for the continued success of your alumni association. The new board members will be elected at the annual business meeting on Sept. 18, immediately following the memorial mass.

Remember!

- Membersip due each homecoming
- * Fill out membership form and send with check (If you don't fill it out, we have to. Help us please.)
- * Homecoming reservations due by Sept. 7

Scholarship Recipients

The Alumni Association awarded four, three hundred dollar scholarships to members of the 1999 graduating class at Victoria High School. The committee chose the receipients from ten applicants. The scholarship committee had a difficult task before them and decided V.H.S. has some very energetic, intelligent, and interesting students. Those receiving the scholarships were: **Jennifer Lapka** - daughter of John and Joe Lapka, **Dustin Hansen** - son of Rich and Jane Hansen, **Shaun Karlin** - son of **Tony Karlin** '74 and his wife, **Wanda Dreiling Karlin** '76, and **Corey Schmidtberger** - son of Jerry and **Louise Windholz Schmidtberger** '72. The scholarship committee would like to encourage seniors to apply for the scholarship. Any VHS senior seeking post graduate schooling is eligible for the award and is identified by social security number only. The committee hopes to have more applicants in the future.

The 3rd Annual VHS Alumni Scholarship

Golf Tournament

Friday, Sept. 17th, 1999

High School Golf Course

Victoria, Kansas

Shotgun Start @ 9:00 a.m.

Prizes Awarded to 1st - 2nd - 3rd place & Longest Putt

Lunch & Beverage

ENTRY DEADLINE: TUESDAY, SEPT. 7

The VHS Alumni Scholarship Golf Tournament is in its third year. The tournament will be played in honor of Joe Hammerschmidt who was a strong supporter and promoter of the tournament in its first two years of existence. **Allen Dreiling '55** and **Bernie Roth '45** will be organizing the tournament again this year.

The entry fee will be \$25.00 and will include lunch served from the back yard of Das Younger Haus Bed and Breakfast which borders the golf course. This has been a great finish to the morning game.

PLEASE: Help is desperately needed to get the course ready for action. More hands would be appreciated.

Contact:

Allen at 735-2261 or 735-2359

Bernie at 735-9231

You will find your entry form on your membership/reservation form in this newsletter. Reservations should be in by Sept. 7. Guys & Gals, get your group together for a fun-filled morning. Participants need not be VHS Alumni to participate.

District 432 News

New Superintendent: Linda Kenne took over the job of superintendent for the school district on July 1, 1999. She has taken on a dual role as she will remain the elementary and middle school principal. David Ottley will become the assistant principal. Mr. Ottley has been with the Victoria School District for the past 15 years.

New Football Coach: Bruce Engel will take on the duties of football coach for the Victoria Knights. He has been employed by USD #432 for 7 years teaching Industrial Technology. Mr. Engel has been one of the assistant football coaches for the past 6 years. Joining him on the coaching staff will be Bob Leikham and Mark Pahls. Mr. Engel has had the weight room open 2 hours a day this summer and is encouraged by the response. He is expecting 25 to 30 students out for football.

Volleyball coach: Coach for the 1999-2000 season will be Debbie Bottorf assisted by Eric Austin. All girls planning on playing volleyball this season are encouraged to take part in the volleyball camp sponsored by the Victoria Recreation Commission. Coach Bottorf will be in charge of the camp.

Tennis coach: Carla Pruitt will be coaching the tennis team again this year. Mrs. Pruitt has been coaching tennis for the past 24 years and has had much success. She was named Tennis Coach of the Year in 1 -2 & 3A for 3 different years.

Men's Basketball: Dave Ottley will be returning as the Victoria Knights basketball coach for the 1999-2000 school year. He will be assisted by Mark Pahls who teaches math and science. Mr. Ottley offered a basketball camp for the boys at the beginning of the summer sponsored by the Victoria Recreation Commission.

Ladies' Basketball: Coleen Dickenson will be coaching the Lady Knights basketball team. This will be Coach Dickenson's second year as the ladies' coach. Assisting her will be Debbie Bottorf. Coach Dickenson is the school nurse for the district. Mrs. Dickenson offered a week long camp for her Lady Knights at the beginning of the summer.

New Classes: Three new classes will be offered at VHS for the 1999-2000 school year: art appreciation, chorus, and weight lifting.

New Face: Scott Lee will be joining the faculty at USD #432 teaching art, K-12. He is a graduate of Emporia State University. He, his wife, and their one year old daughter will be living in Victoria.

Band Uniforms: The new band uniforms have been ordered and should be here in time for homecoming.

Retireree: Mary Brungardt has decided to retire after 25 years at Victoria Elementary. Many of you remember Mary at the front desk of the elementary school always ready to lend a helping hand whether it be answering phone, taking lunch money, assisting with a skinned knee, or just listening to problems and then giving her sincere words of advice. We will miss her and we thank her for her many years of service.

Colleen Dinkel Kuhn '84 will be taking over Mary's job as elementary and middle school secretary. Colleen has been working in the school district as secretary-treasurer of USD #432. Taking Colleen's place at the board office will be **Melissa Weber Schmidt '86.**

Alumni Association Membership

Membership is \$5.00 per year per member. Graduating seniors have an honorary membership for one year. Honorary members also include graduates of fifty years and beyond. Lifetime memberships are also available at a five percent discount. Alumni Association members will receive a copy of The Next Page twice a year, in the spring and in the fall. Nonmembers will receive only the fall newsletter.

Members only will be able to attend the Alumni Association homecoming activities, including the post-game Friday night social and Saturday's luncheon/meeting, banquet, and dance.

Your address label indicates your membership status. If you are a current member you see Exp. 99 and beyond, Lifetime, or Honorary. Memberships expire in the fall of each year. Your membership renewal form can be found in this newsletter.



1940's

Class of 1944, how about getting together for your 55th class reunion? Start making plans now for homecoming weekend Sept. 17th and 18th. We would love to have you be a part of all the festivities. Get your reservations in by Sept. 7.

Mary Louise VonFeldt Dreiling '47 and her husband Herb celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary May 1, 1999, in Victoria. They have four daughters: Susie Dreiling Windholz '69, Betty Dreiling Brungardt '73, Theresa Dreiling Brantley '74, and Patty Dreiling Rohr '82 and two deceased sons: Frank '68 and John.

1950's

Alice Sander Rohr '52 and her husband Al have decided to get closer to home after 40 years in Colorado. They bought a home in Russell where they will be between travels in their new motorhome. They just returned from 3 1/2 months in southern Texas and will be leaving for the nothern states with their motorcycle in tow.

Class of '54, it has been 45 years ago that you graduated from good old VHS. Hopefully you are making plans to join in all the festivities for the weekend of Sept. 17th and 18th. All you golfers will find a challenging morning on the sand greens of the Victoria Golf Course. The memorial mass on Saturday morning is probably one of the most overwhelming experiences of the weekend, and of course the banquet and dance brings us all together to renew the ties we all have to good old VHS. Try to get your reservations in by Sept. 7 to allow ample time for planning.

Class of '59, get the word out to your classmates and make them aware of the fact that you graduated 40 years ago, and it's time to get together. Alumni weekend would be the perfect time to meet all those old friends. **Mary Lou Wellbrock Mirkovich** '59 has made her reservations and will be taking part in her first VHS Alumni Weekend. We certainly hope more of you will be joining us. Your reservations can be found in this newsletter. Please return them by Sept. 7.

1960's

Class of '64, this would be a great year for a class reunion. It's been 35 years since you've all been together. Get those plans started for a great homecoming weekend in '99. In looking over your class list, we can see a fun time if you all show up. Fill out your reservation form and get it mailed in by Sept. 7.

Class of '69, did you realize you graduated from VHS 30 years ago? September 17th and 18th would be a great time to get together. Your alumni association does all the work for you. Come and join in the fun. Your reservation and membership form are in this newsletter. We would appreciate your response by **Sept. 7**.

1970's

Janet K. Gross Trombley '73 is Director, Benefit Plans Investments for Campbell Soup Company, Camden, New Jersey, where she is respoinsible for the financial management (formulation of investment strategies, asset allocation, and investment performance evaluation) of the Company's \$1.7 billion defined benefit plan and its \$850 million defined contribution plan. Recently she assumed additional responsibility for global pension fund management of Campbell's funded benefit plans in all its non-U.S. locations including the United Kingdom, Australia, France, Germany, and Canada. Janet and her husband Don, and son Ryan reside in Yardley, Pennsylvania. She is the daughter of **Rita Rome Gross '47**.

Class of 1974, you are our 25 year honor class. A spot has been reserved for you on the program. Your class organizers are anxious to hear from you. Get your reservation and membership filled out and sent in ASAP. Reservations due Sept. 7.

Class of 1979 is organized and ready to go. They have a fun filled weekend planned and are expecting a great turn out. Your reservations need to be in by Sept. 7.

Frank Gerhardt '79 and his wife Racquel Gasper Gerhardt '87 proudly announce the birth of their daughter Madisyn Dianne, born May 4, 1999. She weighed 9 pounds, 3 ounces and was 21 inches long.

Randy Dreiling '79, head football coach of the Hutchinson Salt Hawks, was selected to be the defensive line coach for the West Team in the 1999 East / West Shrine Bowl game, played July 31 in Wichita. He has four children: Blake 16, Ashley 14, Grant 10 and Nate 9. Randy is the son of Verlin Dreiling '57 and his wife, Patty.

1980's

Ivan Kuhn '83 and his wife Kelly Wittman Kuhn '84 announce the birth of a son Gabriel Michael born April 3, 1999. He weighed 6 pounds, 15 ounces and was 20 inches long. He has a sister Haley, four years old. Gabriel's paternal grandmother is **Tina**Dreiling Kuhn '51 and his maternal grandparents are Warren Wittman and his wife, Arlene Huser Wittman '64.

Mike Gross '83 recently became a partner at the law firm of Shook, Hardy & Bacon, L.L. P. in Kansas City, MO, where he practices as an intellectual property attorney. Mike's wife, Virginia, also became a partner at the law firm of Polsinelli, White, Vardeman & Shalton P.C. in Kansas City, MO, where she practices as a tax attorney. They both graduated from law school at the University of Texas at Austin in 1990. Mike and Virginia have one son, Sam, age three. Mike is the son of **Rita Rome Gross '47.**

Class of 1984, make plans now to be part of "Homecoming '99" to celebrate your 15th class reunion. Mark your calendars for the 17th and 18th of September. Reservations can be found in this newsletter and should be returned by Sept. 7.

Dave VonFeldt '84 and Judy Anschutz were married July 10, 1999, at the United Emanuel Lurheran Church in Russell. Dave is employed by Geist Hauling and Spreading and Judy is a student at NCK Technical College and employed by Intelliselll. Dave is the son of **Jim VonFeldt '61** and **Charlene Braun Unrein '63**.

Craig Dinkel '84 and Anne Ruder Dinkel '90 had their marriage blessed at St. Fidelis Catholic Church on July 17, 1999. Craig is employed by Rohleder Electric and Anne is an elementary teacher for USD #432 in Victoria. They have a daughter, Christen 10, and a son, Cory 5. They are living on the Ruder farm south of Victoria. Craig is the son of Rosie Braun Dinkel '60 and Anne is the daughter of Allen and Mary Kuhn Ruder '62.

Mike Rome '86 and his wife, Desiree, announce the birth of a son Tanner Aaron, born March 12, 1999. He weighed 8 pounds, 2 ounces and was 21 1/2 inches long. He has a brother Taylor, two years old. Tanner's paternal grandparents are **Gary Rome** '58 and his wife **Janice Bell Rome** '65.

Class of '89, you are the 10 year honor class! You should have received your tentative schedule of events. If you have any questions concerning alumni association membership, ideas regarding the ten year reunion, location for post-game party or possibly some float ideas, please contact David at (913) 367-1753 or younger@journey.com. Reservations should be in by Sept. 7.

Stacy Dreiling '89 and Chris Dreiling were married April 24, 1999, in St. Fidelis Catholic Church. Stacy is employed by Brungardt Hower Ward Elliott & Pfeifer LC and Chris works for Golden Belt Bank of Hays. They are living in Victoria. Stacy is the daughter of **Norman Dreiling '55** and his wife, Joann.

David Younger '89 and his wife, Stacy, are proud to announce the birth of their first child, Madalyn Nichole, born July 6, 1999. She weighed 5 pounds, 13 ounces and was 19 inches long. Madalyn's paternal grandparents are Tom and **Det Roth Younger '58**.

1990's

Bart Dreiling '90 was married to **Kim Freitag '91**, July 4, 1998 in Victoria. Bart is a project manager for Tensile Design International, Inc. and Kim is a speech-language pathologist for the DeSoto School District. They are living in Overland Park, KS.

Loren VonLintel '90 and Trisha Kraus were married July 24, 1999, at St. Francis Catholic Church in Munjor. Loren is a graduate of FHSU and has been teaching physics and introduction to technology the past three years at Hays High School. Trisha earned a degree in geology from FHSU and is employed by Sternburg Museum in Hays. Loren is the son of **Dennis VonLintel '56** and his wife. Kay.

Kim Freitag Dreiling '91 graduated in December of 1998 from FHSU with a Master of Schience degree in Speech-Language Pathology. She is the daughter of Jerry and Carol Freitag.

Class Notes Continued

Shanna Dreiling Gatschet '91 joined the staff of Wesley Rehabilitation Hospital as a Registered Occupational Therapist. She is a graduate of Newman University and Wichita State University. She is also employed with Total Home Care. Her husband Michael Gatschet '90 is also a graduate of Wichita State University. He is employed by Rainbow Construction Co. as a finish carpenter. They reside in St. Marks, KS. Shanna is the daughter of Tom Dreiling '59 and Jeanette Kippes Dreiling '60.

Nancy Dreiling '92 received her master's degree in social work from the University of Kansas. She is employed by High Plains Mental Health Clinic in Hays. Nancy is the daughter of **Julius Dreiling '52** and his wife, Rosemary.

Jacqueline Dreiling '93 received her B.S. in Speech-Language Pathology from Fort Hays State University. She will be attending graduate school in the fall. Jacqueline is the daughter of **Mike Dreiling '79** and his wife, Polly.

Jared Windholz '93 and Andrea Dinges '96 were married July 17, 1999, in St. Fidelis Catholic Church. Jared is employed with Eagle Farms of Victoria and Andrea is working for the City Manager of Hays. Jared is the son of Marvin Windholz '64 and Mary Catherine Miller Windholz '65. Andrea is the daughter of Debbie Braun Geschwentner '76.

Class of '94, we know it has only been 5 years, but we would love to have you gather your class together and join your alumni association for Homecoming '99. Reservations should be in by **Sept. 7**.

Stephen Stramel '94 and Nicole Schmidtberger '98 were married May 1, 1999, at St. Fidelis Church in Victoria. Steve is working for Haselhorst Construction and Nikki is a student at FHSU and working at Master Cleaners in Hays. They have a son Taylor. Steve is the son of Stan Stramel '69 and his wife, Patty. Nikki is the daughter of Bill Schmidtberger '74 and his wife, Diane Braun Schmidtberger '78.

Danny Kuhn '94 and Deann Ochnmacht were married May 15, 1999, at St. Fidelis Church in Victoria. They are both employed by Fuller Brush in Great Bend and are living in Otis. Danny is the son of Norman Kuhn and his wife, **Kathy Billinger Kuhn '68**.

Sarah Robben '94 received a B.S. in Agriculture from Fort Hays State University. She is working for Rush County Farm Service in LaCrosse. She is the daughter of **Steve** and **Fran Miller Robben '67**.

Jason Kippes '94 graduated from Kansas State University in May with a degree in Business Finance. He is employed by Kippes Insurance Agency and is the son of **Norman '59** and Ramona Kippes.

Chad Dague '95 received a B.B.A. in Computer Information Systems from Fort Hays State University. Chad is the son of Larry and Mary Dague.

Jennifer Wagner '95 received her B.S. in Elementary Education from Fort Hays State University. She will be teaching 3rd and 4th grade at Sacred Heart of Jesus Parochial School in Larned. She is the daughter of **Gary Wagner** '69 and his wife, **Marilyn Wagner** '71.

Krista Freitag '95 graduated magna cum laude from Northwestern Oklahoma State University in December of 1998 with a B.S. in Accounting. She is currently living in San Diego, CA, working as a corporate lease accountant for Burnham Pacific Properties, a real estate investment trust based out of San Diego. Krista's parents are Jerry and Carol Freitag.

Chris Sander '96 and Kerry Deines were married July 10, 1999, at St. Fidelis Catholic Church. Chris is attending FHSU majoring in finance and is employed by PromarkOne as site trainer. Kerry graduated from FHSU with a degree in biology and is seeking her nursing degree from FHSU and is employed as a laboratory assistant at Hays Pathology Lab. Chris is the son of **Dave Sander** '72 and Michelle Sander.

Class of '98, just a reminder, your honorary membership is now expired and you will need to pay your \$5.00 membership in order to enjoy the association's activities for the weekend and the newsletters throughout the year. You can find your membership form in this newsletter. Reservations for homecoming should be in by **Sept. 7**. Many of you joined us last year for the homecoming festivities. We hope you are planning a return visit. Your participation is welcomed.

CLASS OF '22-'98 If you are enjoying this newsletter, THE NEXT PAGE, and find yourself waiting for the next edition, won't you please take the time to fill out your membership form with your dues of \$5.00 or a donation from you honorary members, and send it today. Your donations are necessary in order for this newsletter and all the other activities to continue.

Victoria High School Notes From The Past

Article Researched By -Michael Kreller Victoria High School Principal

The following information was taken from transcripts of the minutes of Board of Education Meetings and Annual Building Reports of the Victoria Schools regarding planning for the construction of the present Victoria High School from 1946 - 1949. The minutes from this period suggest that it was customary for the Board of Education to meet annually for a regular meeting; and during the remainder of the year to meet only when necessary to address serious issues.

The Board of Education of Ellis County Rural School District #2 met on April 12, 1945 at 2:00 in the afternoon. The meeting was chaired by Dr. Anderson. Nine legal voters were present including the Officers of the Board. Treasurer of the Board was Leo Rajewski, and Clerk of the Board was E.M. Pfeifer. Actions of the Board at this meeting included: voting to approve all repairs to facilities in the schools that were deemed necessary, approval for the school year to be nine months in length and to begin Monday, September 12, 1945, approval of Frank Schippers and Rick B. Dreiling to audit the books of the school district clerk and treasurer, approval of the purchase of "five additional acres of land adjoining the Goetz tract now owned by the school district, for the purpose of constructing a new building", and that the board should "get in touch with some architect company and draw up necessary plans and contact contractors, get bids, and let contracts to start construction as soon as possible."

The total budgeted school district expenditures for the 1944-45 school year were \$20,683.88

Itemized Breakdown of the budget by line item included.

Teachers Salaries: \$13,823.55 Instructional Supplies: \$463.84 Janitors Salary & Supplies: \$1229.63 Lights, Power Fuel, Water: \$400.31

Insurance & Other Fixed Expenses: \$50.60

Auxiliary Agencies: \$502.70 Maintenance & Repairs: \$1900.26 Capital Outlay Expenses: \$2492.99

Other District Data in 1944-45
District Valuation: \$3,500,000.00
Length of School Year - 172 Days
Superintendent - Sr. M. Regina
of Class periods in the school day - 8
of Faculty Members at the high school - 8
Length of High School Class Periods - 40 Minutes
Units of Credit Required for High School Graduation - 16

Enrollment 1944	<u>- 45</u>
First Grade	41
Second Grade	40
Third Grade	40
Fourth Grade	31
Fifth Grade	45
Sixth Grade	48
Seventh Grade	35
Eighth Grade	47
Freshmen	32
Sophomore	46
Junior	37
Senior	29
Total Enrollment	471

In her annual report Sister M. Regina listed the following items as major problems confronting Victoria High School in 1944-45: "Crowded classrooms, inadequate science labs. lack of gymnasium facilities, no home economics department make a new building highly desirable.

Home economics, art, dramatics, should be added. Physical fitness programs cannot be fully carried out. Sidewalks are needed to outdoor toilets. Physical education is needed for girls."

Improvements made in 1944-45 were "purchase of a sound motion picture machine for \$436.00, all typewriters were overhauled at a cost of 450.00, welding equipment was purchased for the manual training department at a cost of \$200.00, and mats for tumbling were purchased for \$357.00."

In March of 1946 the Board of Education received permission from the state education commissioners office to increase the tax levy and proceed with the sale of bonds to finance the construction of a new high school for the students of Victoria.

IN LOVING MEMORY

Jim E. Dreiling '47 died Nov. 14, 1998 in Wichita. He is survived by two daughters: **Donna Dreiling Miller '73**, and Linda Dreiling Rogers, and one son, Joe Dreiling. Four sisters: Tillie Dreiling Wagner, **Leona Dreiling Werth '33**, Sr. Mary Donna C.S.A. and **Irene Dreiling Schumacher '43**.

Katherine E. "Kay" Tholen died April 6, 1999, at Hays Medical Center. Survivors include three sons: Fred '64, Jim '69, and Tom '74; and four daughters: Carol Tholen Wamsley '62, Diane Tholen Horner '63, Chris Tholen LaShell '68, and Debi Tholen '75.

Kenneth J. Quint '46 died April 14, 1999, at his home in Westminster Colorado. He is survived by his wife, one son and a daughter; three brothers: Clarence, Clyde and Don, and a sister, **Mildred Quint Kuntzsch '45**.

Joan Marie Berens died April 19, 1999, at the University of Arkansas Medical Center, Little Rock, Arkansas. Survivors include her husband, **R. Joe Berens '55**, one son, five daughters, and three grandchildren.

Vern G. Rajewski '48 died April 21, 1999, at the Hays Medical Center. Survivors include his wife, Albertine Pfeifer Rajewski '49, two sons, two daughters, two brothers: Hubert and Marvin '51, two sisters, and 15 grandchildren.

Beverly Reidel '77 died at Hays Medical Center on May 11, 1999. She is survived by a daughter McKenzie and a son Mikail, two sisters: Tina Riedel Thomas, Robin Riedel Becker'80 and two brothers: Gilbert Riedel Jr. '77 and Robert "Del" Riedel, and two step-brothers: Edward Brownbill and Melvin Brownbill and two step-sisters: Judy Brownbill Brunhoeber and Darlina Brownbill Dinkel.

Leroy J. Brown died May 15, 1999, at his home south of Victoria. He is survived by his wife, Jeanette, two sons: **Bradley '74** and **Kevin '80**, five daughters: **Pam Brown Wellbrock '72**, **Dee Dee Brown Doerfler-Schmidt '77**, **Robin Schmidt '82**, **Shelly Brown Johnson '84**, Leslie Brown and the late **Terry Brown '73**.

Elizabeth P. Rohleder Weigel '35 died May 17, 1999, at Columbia Wesley Medical Center, Wichita. She is survived by her husband, Lawrence A. Weigel '35, one son, three daughters, seven grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

Valeria Rome died May 26, 1999, at her home in Victoria. Survivors include her husband, Wilmer; a son, Randy '88, five daughters: Diane Rome Waldschmidt '63, Sherri Rome Windholz '67, Betty Rome Hansen '76, Dorothy Rome Taylor '73, and Donna Rome Lovelady '73, and eight grandchildren.

Father Celestine Pfannenstiel '29, died May 28, 1999, in Camden Mississippi. He joined the Missionary Servants of the Holy Trinity in Alabama. He was ordained at the Immaculate Conception Shrine, Washington, D.C., in 1941. He is survived by two brothers and four sisters, one of which is **Coletta Pfannenstiel Dreiling '36**.

Albert V. Weigel Jr. died June 2, 1999, at the Hays Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Clarita Goetz Weigel '52, one son, three daughters, and five grandchildren.

Alvin C. Dinkel died June 5, 1999, at St. John's Rest Home in Victoria. He is survived by his wife, Cyrilla, two sons: **Jerry '66**, and **Charles '74**, three daughters: **Dianne Dinkel Porter '64**, **Jeanette Dinkel Goetz '69**, and **Marilyn Dinkel '78**.

August Windholz Sr. died June 16, 1999, at Hays Medical Center. He is survived by three sons: Leroy, **Francis** '58, and Augie Jr., two sisters: Shirley Windholz Flax and Mildred Windholz Wittman.

Verna Befort died June 20, 1999, at the Osborne County Memorial Hospital in Osborne. Survivors include her husband, one son, one daughter, four sisters: Velma Dome Jacobs '48, Vera Dome Dreiling '56, Virgiline Dome Tanga '58, Verda Dome Graff '60, and a brother Bill Dome '62.

Mary V. Brungardt died July 18, 1999 at the Hays Medical Center. Survivors include two sons: **John Brungardt '57**, and **Gene Brungardt '69**, two daughters: **Connie Brungardt Dreiling '53**, and **Jane Brungardt Dinges '64**, two brothers: **Leo Kuhn '24** and **Francis Kuhn '45**, five sisters: Hilaria Kuhn Windholz, Dena Kuhn Riedel, Leona Kuhn Rohleder, Lillian Kuhn Windholz and Martina Kuhn Bieker; 15 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband **Leo F.** Brungardt and a son **Cletus Brungardt '58**.

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