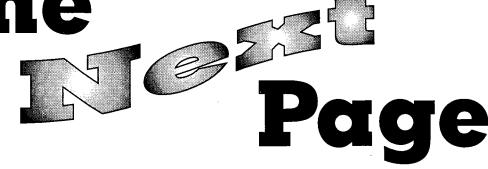
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Homecoming 2000 Friday, September 29 & Saturday, September 30

HONORING

VHS Baseball Heroes and Coaches

SPECIAL RECOGNITION TO

Class of '50 Class of '75 Class of '90

&

5 Year Increment Classes

MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS BY TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

Schedule of Events

Friday, September 29, 2000:

9:00 am 4th Annual VHS Alumni Scholarship Golf Tournament Victoria Golf Course
 2:00 pm Open House at K of C Hall Homecoming Parade followed by recognition of baseball players and coaches at pep assembly

5:30 pm VIP tailgate at football field and school tour7:00 pm Football game - Knights vs. Phillipsburg Panthers

9:00 pm Social at K of C Hall

Saturday, September 30, 2000:

10:00 am Memorial Mass at St. Fidelis Church

11:00 am Luncheon/business meeting in grade school cafeteria

5:00 pm Social/banquet at American Legion

9:00 pm Dance

Homecoming 2000 Festivities Theme: "Ocean of Memories" September 29 and 30

What to expect?



The annual VHS Alumni Scholarship Golf Tournament begins at 9:00 a.m. sharp. Last year 44 golfers signed up for the tournament and reportedly had a great time. It was followed by a delicious luncheon provided by Tom Younger at Das Younger Haus Bed and Breakfast. This year the luncheon will be catered by Tom, but will be served at the K of C Hall.

By 2:00 p.m., you will be seeing many alums gathering at the K of C just to get reacquainted and get organized for the parade which leaves the high school at approximately 4:45 p.m. This year all returning VHS baseball players and their coaches will be featured in the parade. The honor classes and five year increment classes will be riding in the parade using the theme "Oceans of Memories".

Our returning coaches will serve as grand marshalls for the parade this year. The baseball heroes and former coaches will be recognized at the pep assembly immediately following the parade.

The tailgate at the high school is ready to serve you immediately after the pep assembly. It is sponsored by the VIP, 'Victoria's Interested Parents', which always serves great food. This is the time to meet more old friends and take a nostalgic walk through the school and enjoy the football game between the Knight and Phillipsburg Panthers.

The K of C Hall will again bustle with excitement as alums gather for a great social after the game. The alumni association will provide snacks, soda, and beer.

By 10:00 Saturday morning we hope to find you at St. Fidelis Church for the beautiful memorial mass. Each year we see an increase in attendance. Once you have attended, you will place this as one of your main priorities of the weekend. The mood is set by the talented choir which is made up of present St. Fidelis choir members plus any alums who wish to join in. Kathy Schulte Dreiling '76 is the director and Gladys Wellbrock Pfeifer '53 is the organist. Kay Schulte Werth '79 and Everett Braun '60 add instrumentation to complete the music. A candle is lit to represent every year while the names of all deceased alumni and teachers are read. Wayne Billinger '73 has recorded the familiar German hymns which are played in the background as our roll call of deceased alumni are read. It is a cherished tribute to our deceased classmates and a very touching experience for all those present.

After mass there is a luncheon waiting for you in the grade school cafeteria. It is provided by the alumni association at no cost to you. Attendance has been at a minimum and we hope more of you will take the opportunity to join us. We want you to know that you will not have to worry about receiving an office as that has been predetermined by that time. You will be asked to vote on those people who have consented to the nomination. You will also have an opportunity to help make decisions about your association. We are always looking for new ideas. This will take no more than about an hour of your time at the most.

By 5:00 p.m., the parking lot at the American Legion is filling with cars as VHS alums gather for the festivities. Maroon and gold balloons greet you as you enter the ballroom and you feel the excitement build as you look for those familiar and maybe not so familiar faces. The social hour helps everyone to relax and get reacquainted and then you will be treated to the delicious banquet.

Rich Billinger '68 begins the program as soon as the cake has been served. Sit back and enjoy that good old Victoria humor. The time passes so quickly and this is the time we realize how we are all really one, brought together by our parents enrolling us at Victoria High School whether in the class of 1922 or 2000. We all have a common bond and this weekend only makes it stronger.

Tim Anthony and the Anamals will be providing the music this year. They are all VHS alumni consisting of :Tim Pfeifer '76, Tony Pfeifer '74 and Raphael 'Ray' Schmidtberger '70. They will play familiar tunes for the young and the old.

Do come and enjoy a wonderful weekend. We guarantee you'll be back for more next year.



Distinguished and Honored Guests Baseball Heroes and their Coaches

This year the alumni association will be honoring the former baseball teams and their coaches at VHS. It is our understanding that baseball started with Hyacinth Roth in 1941 and continued until 1976 under the leadership of Larry Thurlow. During that time "Oceans of Memories" were made by the coaches and players winning 6 state titles and finishing second 4 times. The sport was dropped when VHS became a member of the Mid-Continent League in 1976. None of the league teams had a baseball program thus eliminating enough teams to make up a season schedule. Joining the list of coaches during the baseball era are: Hyacinth Roth 1941-47, Al Reidel 1948-50, John 'Jack' Rheem 1951-53, Norbert Schmidt 1954-55, Clarence 'Perk' Reitemeier 1956-57, Art Droegemeier 1958-61, H. W. 'Willie' Wilson 1962-68, Fred Cottrell 1969-70, Burt Clemons 1971, Bob Drake 1972-73, Marvin Miller 1974 and Larry Thurlow 1975-76.

If you were a coach or a member of any of these teams, we are anxious to hear from you. We are looking for pictures and newspaper articles that you may have and would be willing to share with us. Gladys is planning to have a display of baseball memorabilia ready for the homecoming weekend. If you have any information, please make a copy and forward it to VHS Alumni Association at PO Box 382, Victoria, KS, 67671 by September 1.

Jack Rheem and Perk Reitemeier have already indicated their intentions to be here for the weekend. If you were a former baseball player or coach at VHS, be sure to check your membership/reservation form and mark the appropriate activities you will be attending.

Tee Off

The annual VHS Alumni Scholarship Golf Tournament will be the opening activity again this year for the homecoming festivities. The event will begin at 9:00 a.m. with a shotgun start. Prizes will be awarded to 1st-2nd-3rd place and longest putt. The presentation of awards will be presented at the luncheon at the K of C Hall immediately following the tournament. The entry fee will be \$25.00 which includes the lunch and beverages catered by chef Tom Younger.

You will find your entry form on your membership/reservation form in this newsletter. Reservations should be in by Sept. 19. Remember, participants need not be VHS Alumni to participate.

If you live in the area and would be available to help ready the course, **Allen Dreiling '55** and **Bernie Roth '45**, welcome your assistance. Give either of the guys a call.

Victoria High School is indeed fortunate to have such an active alumni association. Thank you for all you do for our school system, from attending athletic and music events to supporting the scholarship program.

I would like to update you on some of the changes that I feel we have made that lay the groundwork for a dynamic educational system. We have a fully functioning after school day care program. Students from ages 3 to 5 enjoy a five day a week preschool with transportation provided at the end of their session. Our middle school utilizes a block schedule for their main core classes and they have over twelve classes to choose from for their electives. At the high school we have added golf as an additional athletic option, and our students can earn college credit while still attending high school.

As we design new programs and features of our school system, we will retain our uniqueness, keep our traditions and maintain our heritage. We also want every child to have options. Options to go to college in or out of state, to succeed at a trade school and be prepared for a technology rich workplace. We will endeavor to treat each child as an individual, but prepare them for the world ahead. The education that you received has served you well. We will make the necessary adjustments for our students to have the tools they need when they leave the halls of Victoria High School. Enrollment will remain about the same as last year with 107 students. We will again be classified a 1A school.



Scholarship Recipients



The Alumni Association awarded four, \$500 scholarships to members of the 2000 graduating class at Victoria High School. The amount of the scholarship is up from \$300 last year to \$500 this year due to your generosity toward the scholarship fund and the annual scholarship golf tournament. We would like to thank the members of the scholarship committee for the time and effort they put into their selection. It is always a difficult decision.

Scholarship recipients were the following: **Jim Billinger**, son of **Gilbert** '63 and **Carol Stramel Billinger** '65, will be attending Kansas State University and major in mechanical engineering. **Jared Wagner**, son of **Gary** '69 and **Marilyn Karlin Wagner** '71, will be attending Kansas State University and plans to major in architectural engineering. **Rachel Carter** is the daughter of Dwight and Jeanie Carter. Rachel will be attending Fort Hays State University and major in nursing. **Beth Younger**, daughter of Tom and **Det Roth Younger** '58, plans to attend Kansas State University and major in psychology.

Class of 2000

CLASS OF 2000 - Welcome to VHS Alumni Association!

Congratulations to our 16 newest alumni members. They are one of the smallest classes to graduate in the history of VHS. Of these, nine will continue their education at a four year college, six will be attending area technical schools and one will be joining the work force.

Attending Fort Hays State University will be: **Kelly Spiess, Crystal Schumacher, Kristin Sander, Rachel Carter,** and **Cole Dinkel**. The University of Kansas will be home to **Adrian Motta**. Kansas State University is the college choice of three VHS graduates: **Beth Younger, Jim Billinger,** and **Jared Wagner**. **Wade Schmidtberger** will be attending Salina Area Vocational Technical School and **Michael Brungardt** will be in Salina as well as a student at Kansas State University College of Technology and Aviation. **Gabe Flaska** plans to attend Northwest Kansas Technical School in Goodland. **Marc Younger** will be attending a VoTech as well, but is undecided as to the location. **Preston Dreiling** will be joining the work force.



Current Events at VHS

Golf at VHS had its beginning in the year 2000. A total of 10 boys participated this first year. Bob Leikam and Chris Butler coached the boys to a very successful season. Three of the boys were medalists and the 4-man team placed sixth in the league meet. Mr. Leikam feels the boys did exceptionally well for their first year. They lost two boys to graduation but feel they will do as good or better next year. They participated in 8 tournaments.

Track results: The Lady Knights dominated this track season. New records were set by: Rachelle Geist in discus at 122ft. 9 in.; Erica Schmidtberger in pole vault at 7 ft. 1 in.; Jolene Hoffman in triple jump at 32 ft. 10 and 1/4 in., and Meagan Schmidtberger, Jolene Hoffman, Jeanie Lapka and Wendy Hoffman in the 4x800 M. relay with a time of 9:59.7. Rachelle Geist won the MCL 1st place championship in shot put and discus.

The girls qualified in seven events for state competition. Results were: Rachelle Geist, shot put - 3rd and discus 6th; Meagan Schmidtberger, Jolene Hoffman, Jeanie Lapka and Ashley Dreiling, 4x400 relay - 7th and Meagan Schmidtberger, Jolene Hoffman, Jeanie Lapka and Wendy Hoffman, 4x800 Relay - 2nd. Carla Pruitt retired as the Lady Knight Track Coach after 25 years.

New Teachers for VHS:

Math: Erin Holms will be the new math teacher at VHS this fall. She is a graduate of Kearney State University of Nebraska. She has taught in Texas and just recently moved to Hays where her husband manages the GNC Health Store in the Mall. Mrs. Holms will also take on the duties of assistant volleyball coach and head girls track coach.

Business/Computers: John Adams will be the business and computer teacher and be head track coach as well. Mr. Adams is a graduate of Ft. Hays State University with a BS in Physical Education and Business Administration. He taught at Morland High School last year. He is also a football and basketball official.

Librarian: Rhonda Carey will be the new librarian for the upcoming school year. She is a graduate of Ft. Hays State University with a BS in Elementary Education and an endorsement in Library Science. She did her student teaching at Victoria Elementary and has been teaching at Hoisington, Kansas. Rhonda and her husband live on a ranch near Gorham.

Cheerleading sponsor has been taken over by Brenda Dreiling who is also in charge of the computer lab and a paraprofessional at the elementary school. Brenda and the cheerleaders attended a week long cheerleading camp in Emporia this summer. They won "Most Improved Team" award and gained many ideas to improve the spirit at VHS. They hope to purchase new uniforms with the help of several fund raisers. Two dance team members, Amy Folkerts and Erica Schmidtberger also attended the camp and came home with the "spirit stick" and the superior trophy for their performance. Brenda is the wife of **Joe Dreiling '84**.

Allen Windholz '64 has retired from his custodial duties at USD 432. He has been with the district for 26 years. He will keep busy on the farm tending all of his animals as well as working part-time for the humane society at Hays.

Custodians: New custodians at USD 432 will be Allen Kreutzer, **Theresa Schuckman Wasinger '74** and Robyn Karlin.

Computer lab at VHS will be upgrading with the addition of seven new iMac computers and four Dell power PC Computers. They will also be adding several new color printers.

New classes being offered this school year will be a second weight lifting class, music appreciation, Art I and Art II, plus art appreciation.

Fire Alarm System has been installed in the high school over the summer.

Class Notes

1930's

Sarah Schmidtberger Brungardt '30 and **Pauline Wasinger Brungardt '30** graduated from Victoria High School 70 years ago. Sarah lives in her home in Victoria and Pauline is a resident at St. John's Nursing Home in Victoria.

Lawrence Weigel '35 is a member of the 65 year class. Lawrence is a resident at St. John's Nursing Home of Hays.

1940's

Class of '40, it has been 60 years since you graduated from high school. Your alumni association is hoping to see some of you take part in our homecoming activities this year.

Class of '45 has been a very active class in our alumni association. Several have been regulars in the annual golf tournament and Bernie Roth has been instrumental in organizing and managing the tournament each year. We hope you will be well represented at our homecoming banquet this year.

1950's

Class of 1950, you are the 50-year honor class for this year's homecoming on September 29-30, 2000. Your local classmates have been meeting to make plans for a wonderful weekend. You will be getting a letter from your organizing committee very soon. We hope you will be able to get back home for all the festivities.

Marvin Schmidtberger '52 and his wife Nancy celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary on January 18, 2000. They are enjoying their children and grandchildren, and now have a married granddaughter. Marvin and Nancy live in Pratt.

Kenneth Braun '52 and Yvonne Brungardt Rohleder '56 were married June 30, 2000 at St. Fidelis Church in Victoria. Ken is Vice-President of Finance for Kansas Natural Gas. They now have a joint family of 13 children and 25 grandchildren and with son-in-laws and daughter-in-laws, they total 50. They recently returned from a trip to Germany and surrounding countries. Ken and Yvonne are living in Hays.

Class of '55, some of your classmates have met and are making plans for a special weekend. You should be hearing from them very soon. Be sure to mark you calendar for September 29-30. Reservations need to be in by September 19.

1960's

Class of 1960, you have some classmates planning another great reunion weekend for all of you. You are the 40 year class so try to get back for all the festivities.

Marlene Billinger Brown '61 is in the process of organizing a 40th class reunion to be held during the Victoria Alumni Association Homecoming in September 2001. She asks that you renew your membership in the VHS Alumni Association by submitting the \$5.00 dues and updating your address, telephone number and email address. Marlene has called some of you but doesn't have phone numbers of others. If you're interested in helping with the Class of '61 reunion plans, have information about hard-to-locate classmates, or just want to reminisce, Marlene can be reached at 4905 BelleRiver Road in Attica, Michigan 48412. Her telephone number is 810-724-5685 and the email address is mabrown@tir.com.

Class of 1965, this would be a great year to come together for a class reunion. It's been 35 years and there is surely lots of catching up to do. Mark your calendars now for September 29-30, 2000.

Joyce Berens Newell '67 has earned the use of a pink Cadillac for her outstanding sales achievements with Mary Kay Cosmetics. This is Joyce's seventh Mary Kay career car. Joyce and her husband Stan live in Hays.

1970's

Class of 1970, it's time for a get-together. You are our 30 year class and we would be honored to have you join us for Homecoming 2000.

Leon Kuhn '74 participated in the Annual Truck Driving Championship that was held at Hutchinson June 2 & 3. While there he had to take a written exam, inspect a truck, have a personal interview and drive an obstacle course. He received a 1st place trophy in the cattle division. His wife **Colleen Dinkel Kuhn '84** participated in the spouses competition by driving in a simulator and received a 2nd place trophy. Leon and Colleen have two children Dylan eight and Nathan four. Colleen is the daughter of **Leland Dinkel '58** and his wife Marlene.

Class of 1975, you are our 25 year honor class. A spot has been reserved for you on the program. Your local class organizers are planning a great weekend and are anxious to see all of you. Mark your calendars for September 29 and 30.

Darrell Dome '77 has taken the oath of office to be the Chapman postmaster. He was appointed to the post May 6, 2000. Darrell lives in Chapman.

1980's

Class of 1980, it has been 20 years, but it sure doesn't seem like it! We hope everyone will attend the 20 year class reunion during VHS homecoming this year. There will be a class float available for all the classmates for the parade on Friday. After the game be sure to meet at the K of C Hall for some good times and reminiscing. The memorial mass on Saturday morning is very special, so please attend if you can. There will be tables reserved for the class at the banquet. It will be a great time and we can make some more good memories.

Doug Braun '80 and his wife Michelle announce the birth of a daughter, Heather Leann, born December 19, 1999. She weighed 6 lbs. 12 oz. and was 21 inches long. Heather has a sister Kendra, two years old. Doug is employed at Orscheln's in small engine repair and Michelle works at Stromgrens Supports INC. They are living in Victoria. Heather's paternal grandparents are **Albert Braun '53** and his wife Stella.

Kenny Billinger '80 and his wife Patty Sander Billinger '81 have moved to Wichita. Ken has taken a job as a registered representative for New England/Financial/Colby Group of Wichita. Patty is employed by the Social Security Administration as a management support specialist.

Paula Schippers Schumacher '81 and her husband Steve announce the birth of a son, Wyatt Paul, born June 28, 2000. He weighed 9 lbs. 10 oz. and was 21 inches long. He has a brother, Wade, seven years old. The Schumacher's live in Topeka. Wyatt's paternal grandparents are Laverne and Jane Urban Schumacher '57. His maternal grandparents are Paul Schippers '55 and his wife Theresa.

Cathy Younger Hobus '82 and her husband Patrick have been featured in a leading teddy bear magazine, *Teddy Bear Review*, in the Sept./ Oct. issue. Cathy and Patrick are the United States importers for the Hermann-Spielwaren Teddy Bears from Coburg, Germany. They now have 500 shops in the U.S. and Canada to which they distribute the Hermann teddy bears. See their website at www.columbusintl.com. They will soon be opening the European Gift Haus on east 8th street in Hays. Cathy is the daughter of Tom and **Det Roth Younger '58**.

Clyde VonLintel '83 graduated from Salina VoTech School in heating and air conditioning. He is employed by Pestinger Heating and Cooling of Salina. Clyde is married to **Jennifer Ruder VonLintel '86** and they have a five year old son, Colten. Clyde is the son of **Bob VonLintel '53** and his wife Gloria.

Melissa Brungardt Haley '83 and her husband Keith announce the birth of a daughter, Madison Elizabeth, born March 16, 2000. She weighed 7 lbs. 5 oz. and was 20 inches long. Melissa and Keith live in Keizer, Oregon where Keith is owner of CAD Northwest and Melissa will be a 'stay at home mom' with Madison.

Julie Dreiling Dzierawski '83 and her husband Joe are proud to announce the birth of a daughter, Carly Ann, born June 17, 2000. She weighed 7 lbs. 7 oz. and was 20 inches long. Julie has been working for a property management company and Joe is an engineer and vice-president of a steel company in Pittsburgh, PA. They are living in Alison Park, a suburb of Pittsburg. Julie is the daughter of Fritz Dreiling '49 and his wife Myrna.

Class of 1985, make plans now to be part of "Homecoming 2000" to celebrate your 15th class reunion. Mark your calendars for the 29 and 30 of September. Your reservation/membership form can be found in this newsletter.

Buddy Kuhn '85 joined two other individuals in forming their own marketing venture, Results Direct Marketing. The business has been covered by the *Business Weekly* and also the *Wichita Business Journal* for the firm chalking up billings which propelled it to No. 12 in the Wichita 1999 Advertising Agencies list. Buddy is the son of Frank and **Estelle Schippers Kuhn** '56.

Anita Dreiling Walters '86 and her husband Martin are happy to announce the birth of a daughter, Katheryn Ann, born April 11, 2000. She weighed 7 lbs. 10 oz. and was 20 inches long. Katheryn has three brothers: Anthony five, Joey three, and Nathan two. Anita is a 'stay at home mom' and Martin works for RDH Electric of Hays. Katheryn's maternal grandparents are LaVern Dreiling and Patsy Crawford Dreiling '56. Katheryn's birth gives LaVern and Patsy 22 grandchildren.

Terry Reidel '86 and his wife Gina announce the birth of a son, Layton James, born July 21, 2000. He weighed 6 lbs. 14 oz. and was 19 inches long. He has a brother Parker, two and 1/2 years old. Terry is employed by the city of Victoria in the public works department and Gina is executive director for the area Hays Chamber of Commerce. They are living in Walker. Layton's paternal grandparents are **Frank Reidel '49** and his wife Mable.

Joyce Robben '89 has moved to Kansas City where she will be a hair stylist at Cutting Loose, 12675 Metcalf in Overland Park, KS. She will begin working September 5. You alums in the K.C. area, give Joyce a call. She would love to hear from you.

Shanna Robben Dinkel '89 was awarded the Wal-mart teacher of the year for 2000. She received \$500 to spend in her class-room and a certificate. Shanna was nominated by the area school principals. She teaches English at Felten Middle School in Hays. Shanna and her husband **Kurt Dinkel '85** will be moving into a new home in Victoria soon. They have a son Brady two and 1\2 years old. Shanna is the daughter of **Steve and Fran Miller Robben '67**.

Alan Pfeifer '89 graduated from Wichita State University in May with an electrical engineering degree. Alan is employed by CSI Logic in Wichita. Alan and his wife Missy announce the birth of their daughter, Caitlyn Marie, born April 6, 2000. She weighed 9 lbs. 11 oz. and was 21 inches long. Caitlyn's paternal grandparents are Norman (Dale) Pfeifer '52 and his wife Gladys Wellbrock Pfeifer '53.

1990's

Class of '90, you are the 10 year honor class! Some of your classmates have been together to make plans for a fun filled weekend. You should be getting something in the mail very soon. Until then, mark your calendars for September 29 and 30. Your reservation form, found in this newsletter, needs to be filled out and sent in by September 19.

Jason Robben '90 and Tami Dreiling were married November 27, 1999 at St. Fidelis Church in Victoria. They are living in Overland Park, KS. Jason is a superintendent with J. E. Dunn of Kansas City, MO and Tami is a regional accountant with Encompass Services Corp. in Overland Park. Jason is the son of Steve and Fran Miller Robben '67 and Tami is the daughter of Charlie Dreiling '51 and Nancy Dreiling.

Colleen Billinger Carlson '91 and her husband Rick announce the birth of a daughter, Regan Nicole, born July 17, 2000. She weighed 6 lbs. 14 oz. and was 20 inches long. Reagan's maternal grandparents are Gilbert Billinger '63 and his wife Carol Stramel Billinger '65, Colleen graduated from Wichita State University in May in medical technology and Rick teaches middle school science in Lincoln, Kansas. They are living in Lincoln.

Ron Sauer '92 and his wife **Tammie Kippes Sauer '91** are proud to announce the birth of a son, Mason Joseph, born June 10, 2000. He weighed 6 lbs. and 10 oz. and was 19 1/4 inches long. Mason has a sister Julia two years old. Ron is part owner of Show-Low Motor Sport and Tammie is a 'stay at home mom'. They live in Show-Low, Arizona. Mason's maternal grandparents are **Norman Kippes '59** and his wife Ramona. His paternal grandmother is **Donna Windholz Sauer '70**.

Kathy Kippes Ricke '92 and her husband, Mike, have moved to Plymouth, Massachusetts. Kathy is teaching middle school English and Mike works for Citco Oil.

Ken Schoenrock '92 and his wife Amy Scheck Schoenrock '93 announce the birth of a daughter, Aspen Shae, born May 25, 2000. She weighed 9 lbs. and 9 oz. and was 22 inches long. Ken and Amy are both teaching science at Southwestern Heights High School. They live in Plains, Kansas. Aspen's maternal grandparents are Jim and Becky Schmidtberger '73.

Chris Hunt '93 and Stacie Wiggins were married June 24, 2000 at the Trinity United Methodist Church in Russell. Chris is employed with Contact America and Stacie is a student at Barton County Community College in Great Bend.

Curtis Kuhn '94 and Rochelle Yarmer were united in marriage May 6, 2000 at St. Ann Church in Olmitz. Curtis is employed by Sprint PCS Wichita and Rochelle is employed by Kansas Heart Hospital in Wichita. Curtis is the son of Frank and **Estella Schippers Kuhn '56**.

Jason Scheck '94 and Mindy Newell were married on July 22, 2000 at St. Fidelis Church in Victoria. Jason graduated from Hutchinson Community College with an associate degree and he is majoring in biology and elementary education at FHSU. He will be doing his student teaching at Sherman Elementary in Hutchinson and will be assisting with the football program at Hutch JUCO this fall. Mindy graduated from FHSU with a major in office training. She is employed in the administration office at Hutch JUCO. Jason is the son of Jim and Becky Schmidtberger Scheck '73.

Class of 1995, you know it's been five years since you graduated from VHS and homecoming weekend September 29 and 30 would be a great time to touch base with one another again. Carry Schmidt contacted us for a newsletter and was wondering if there were any plans for a reunion. By the way, Carry is living in Murfreesboro, TN.

Deanne VonLintel '95 graduated from Kansas State University in May with a degree in psychology and criminology. She is working as a probation officer for a juvenile detention center in Ft. Worth, TX. Deanne doesn't live too far from her sister **Luane VonLintel Brungardt '82** and her husband **Eddie '80**. Deanne is the daughter of **Bob VonLintel '51** and his wife Gloria.

Chris Younger '95 and Dana Leiker '92 were married July 29, 2000 at St. Fidelis Church in Victoria. Chris is a mechanic with Midwest Kenworth in Salina. They will be living in Salina. Chris is the son of Frank Younger '70 and his wife Jolene.

Jay Dinkel '95 and Janea Scheck '96 were united in marriage June 24, 2000 at St. Fidelis Church in Victoria. Jay is owner of Jay Dinkel Construction and Janea is a senior nursing student at Ft. Hays State University. They are living in Victoria. Jay is the son of Bob Dinkel '73 and his wife Connie Berens Dinkel '74. Janea is the daughter of Judy Sander Dreiling '69 and Paul Dreiling '72, and Joe Scheck '70 and his wife Jeanie.

Eric Pfeifer '96 graduated from Ft. Hays State University in May with a degree in communications. Eric is a DJ with Y 102 Bull Country and is better known as Eric Anthony to his radio fans. Eric is the son of **Ken Pfeifer '70** and his wife **Diane Younger Pfeifer '73**. He is the grandson of **Jeanette Schumacher Younger '50**.

Jason Knipp'96 and **Amy Schoendaller '97** were married June 10, 2000 at St. Fidelis Church in Victoria. Jason is employed by the City of Hays Public Works Division as a maintenance worker. Amy is a graduate of Fort Hays State University and is currently employed at the registrar's office at the college as an office assistant. Amy is the daughter of Wendelin and **Sharon Scheck Schoendaller '70**.

David Robben '99 and **Melissa Crathorne '98** were united in marriage April 29, 2000 at St. Fidelis Church in Victoria. David and Melissa are both employed by Heartland Building Center in Hays. David is the son of **Mike Robben '74** and his wife Sandy.

Shaun Karlin '99 has been inducted into the National Society of Collegiate Scholars at Kansas State University. He will be a sophomore at K-State this fall, majoring in engineering. Shaun was one of the alumni scholarship recipients in '99. He is the son of **Tony Karlin '74** and **Wanda Dreiling Karlin '76**.

Dustin Hansen '99, a member of the Fort Hays State University track team, was a letter winner for the 1999-2000 school year. He placed 4th in the 400 M hurdles at the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference Championships held in Gunnison, CO, May 9, 2000. His time was 56:64.

Alumni Association Membership

If you would like to be an official member of your alumni association, your membership fee will be \$5 per year. You may pay a life time membership by figuring your number of years to your 50th anniversary date, multiply that x \$5.00 and then subtract 5%.

Your membership form can be found in this newsletter. Please fill it out carefully and include it with your payment. Many of you just mail in your dues and this is a bit of an inconvenience as we have to go back and update all of the information. Your newsletter mailing label indicates your expiration date.

By being a paid member, you are helping pay for the newsletters, contributing to the cost of homecoming expenditures as we try to keep your tickets at a minimal cost, and your extra donations help our scholarship and general funds.

Your membership entitles you to two newsletters a year, the postgame Friday night social and Saturday's luncheon/meeting, banquet, and dance.

Once you have reached your 50 year anniversary, you are an honorary member and are exempt from paying your yearly dues. All donations however are greatly appreciated and many of you have been very generous.



Web site: Take Notice

We printed this information in the last newsletter but since the newsletter only went to paid members, we would like to print it again as you may want to take advantage of it. You can now communicate with your classmates by logging on to High School Alumni Web site at: http://www.highschoolalumni.com. The web site has a listing of every high school in America. You find your state, city, school, and graduating year. Then simply add your name and contact point. Get yourself registered and soon you can contact anyone from your school that is already registered. In doing a little research, we have found that as of July 15th, 125 of you have registered. The class of 1990 leads the number of registered alumni with 11 people. The class of '76 is right behind with 10. The earliest class registered is the class of '53. Be sure you visit this sight. We know you will enjoy it.

IN LOVING MEMORY

Michael Schmidtberger died May 1, 2000 at his home. Survivors include three sons:

Kenneth '66, Paul '70, and Karl '69; three daughters: Diane Schmidtberger Carter '73,

Janice Schmidtberger Tholen '77, Carol Schmidtberger Dreiling '84; two brothers: Robert

A. Schmidtberger and Marvin Schmidtberger '52; seven sisters: Mary Schmidtberger,

Hermina Schmidtberger Roth, Hubertine Schmidtberger Schultz, Roseline Schmidtberger Leiker

'54, Albertine Schmidtberger Foos, **Sister Vivian Schmidtberger '47**, and **Edna Schmidtberger Ptacek '50**; 17 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Ervin Rohleder died at his home south of Victoria on May 3, 2000. Survivors include four brothers: Herbert Rohleder '28, Richard Rohleder '35, Gilbert Rohleder '42, Albert Rohleder '38, and a sister, Clara Rohleder '45.

Merlyn M. Dome died May 13, 2000 in Pueblo, Colorado. Survivors include two sons, a daughter, and one sister, **Twila Dome Wagner '49**. His wife, **Irma Jean Schumacher Dome '48** preceded him in death in 1982.

Benita Sander Goetz '49 died May 19, 2000 at Hays Medical Center. Survivors include four sons: Bruce Goetz '73, John Goetz '77, Jeff Goetz '79, and Rod Goetz '82; nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Her husband, Marvin H. Goetz '47, preceded her in death in 1994.

Bertha Denning died June 5, 2000 at the Lawrence Memorial Hospital. Survivors include a son **Donald Denning '59** and a daughter **Darlene Denning Ward '62**; five brothers: Peter Scheck, Edwin Scheck, **Melvin Scheck '49**, Linus Scheck, and Gilbert Scheck; four sisters: Mary Scheck Weigel, Katie Scheck, Rubina Scheck Dinkel, and **Lena Scheck Meder '56**; two grandchildren and a great-grandson.

Fidelia Brungardt died June 8 at Hays Medical Center, Survivors include her husband, Herman J. Brungardt; a son, **Jerry Brungardt '62**; a daughter, **Mary Brungardt Davis '70**; two sisters: Pauline Karlin Dinkel and Dorothy Karlin Herl; eight grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Conrad 'Connie' Hoffman died June 8, 2000 at St John's of Victoria Nursing Home. Survivors include his wife Kathryn of the home; three sons and three daughters; a brother Albert Hoffman and a sister **Philomene Hoffman Buckingham '41**; 17 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Mary Hammerschmidt died June 27, 2000 at Hays Medical Center. Survivors include three sons: Leon Hammerschmidt '57, Lloyd Hammerschmidt '63, and Allen Hammerschmidt '68; two daughters: Dianna Hammerschmidt Neville '59 and Geri Hammerschmidt Glick '72; three brothers: Ernie Hoffman '47, Eddie Hoffman '51, and Leroy Hoffman '53; four sisters: Leona Hoffman Manor, Verna Hoffman Befort, Angie Hoffman Burk, Henrietta Hoffman Windholz '44; 12 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. Her husband Gerard Hammerschmidt '36 preceded her in death in 1993.

Anthony 'Tony' Bollig died July 6, 2000 at Hays Good Samaritan Center. Survivors include a son, **Francis Bollig '59**; a daughter **Marie Bollig Schmidtberger '47**; a brother Adolph Bollig; a sister, Katie Bollig Dreiling; nine grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Rita Jacobs died July 14, 2000 at her home in Salina. She is survived by her husband, Alfred of the home; two sons: Al Jacobs '67, and Tim Jacobs '77; two daughters: Karen Jacobs Baczkowski '71 and Stacy Jacobs Harbin '85; two bothers: Norman Jacobs and Larry Urban '64; three sisters: Florence Morris, Virginia Crain and Janice Leiker, and seven grandchildren.

Elmer 'Schu' Schumacher'37 died July 23, 2000 at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock, Texas. He is survived by his wife Beryl; three brothers: Melvin Schumacher '43, Norman Schumacher '45, and Leland Schumacher 46; two sisters: Jeanette Schumacher Younger '50 and Paula Schumacher '56.

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Maiden Name				
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Address				
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Will you be attending parade/pep assembly? Half-time Ceremonies? Years Played? Team accomplishments?				
\$5.00 Annual Membership Fee per Alum			\$	
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Donation to Association General Fund			\$	
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