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Homecoming 2006  
Friday, October 13  
Saturday, October 14

**SPECIAL RECOGNITION TO  
Hall of Fame Inductees 2006**

### HONORING

Class of '56  
Class of '81  
Class of '96

&

**5 Year Increment Classes**

MAKE YOUR RESERVATION BY  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### Friday, October 13, 2005

9:00 a.m. 10th Annual VHS Golf Classic  
2:00 p.m. Open House - VFW Hall  
4:45 p.m. Homecoming Parade & Pep Rally - VHS  
5:15 p.m. VIP Barbecue & Tour - VHS  
7:00 p.m. Football Game - Knights vs. Natoma  
9:00 p.m. Social - VFW Hall

### Saturday, October 14, 2005

4:00 p.m. Memorial Mass - St. Fidelis Church  
5:30 p.m. Social/Banquet - Fanchon Ballroom, Hays  
9:00 p.m. Dance "Country Dutchmen" - Fanchon Ballroom



**Hall of Fame 2006**

**Bruno Basgall ~ Benny Schulte ~ Bob VonLintel**


Bruno Basgall will be named to the Victoria Alumni Association's Hall of Fame for 2006. He will be our deceased honoree this year. Bruno began driving the school bus from Loretta in 1959 picking up students along the Pfeifer Road. He doubled as custodian at Victoria High School until his death. He was loved by all and devoted many hours to maintaining the building. His love for the game of baseball was very evident and he shared his knowledge of the game with the students at VHS. Bruno's four children attended Victoria High School. They are **Melvin '60, Norma '61, Kenneth '63, and Kay Basgall Guffy '66**. His wife, Angela, lives in McPherson and hopefully she and some of Bruno's children will be joining us for homecoming weekend to accept Bruno's award.

**Benny Schulte '49**, will have his name placed in the Hall of Fame for 2006. Benny, a respected musician throughout the area, taught instrumental and vocal music in the Victoria school system during the sixties and seventies. His bands and choral groups ranked among the best in the state. Benny and his wife, **Cora Braun Schulte '55**, have been life-long residents of Victoria. They have two sons, Mark and **Bernie '88**; three daughters, **Kathy Schulte Dreiling Amrein '76, Kay Schulte Werth '79, and Karen Schulte Ruder '84**.

**Bob VonLintel '53**, the third nominee for 2006, devoted his time as a custodian at Victoria High School for 31 years. He was loved by the students, as he always made time for them as well and took a great deal of pride in keeping Victoria High School and its grounds in immaculate condition. Bob and his wife, Gloria, have four children, **Luane VonLintel Brungardt '82, Clyde VonLintel '83, Karla VonLintel Roth '84, and Deanne VonLintel Thomas '95**.

Your letters of nomination are now being accepted for the 2007 recipients. Your letter should state your reasons for nominating a particular person and should reach the alumni board by June 1, 2007. The board needs to review all letters of nomination and be ready to publish the winners for 2007 in the August newsletter.

Persons eligible include anyone who has ever been associated with the Victoria schools from 1922 to the present, including elementary as well as high school personnel. These include superintendents, principals, teachers, secretaries, cooks and custodians. Each year three individuals are inducted, two living and one deceased.

Submit your letter of nomination by email at [www.victoriaalumn.com](http://www.victoriaalumn.com) or mail to Victoria Alumni Association, PO Box 382, Victoria, KS 67671-0382.



## Hall of Fame Recipients



### 2002

Lawrence Marcotte  
Tony "Red" Pfeifer  
Eugene Dreiling

### 2003

Charles Bahl  
Al Riedel  
Lisa Colwell

### 2004

Margaret Ryan  
Raymond Schulte  
Douglas Moeckel

### 2005

Parick O'Brien  
Jack Rheem  
Marcellus Leiker





## Homecoming Cost Analysis 2005



At a recent alumni board meeting, there was a change made that will affect the Victoria High School Homecoming weekend. The Board felt that persons paying their five dollar dues and attending only the Friday night social were not really helping the financial status of the association. Therefore, the change is that there will be a five dollar charge for those persons attending the Friday night social, and not attending the banquet on Saturday night. In case any of you are wondering how your money is spent for Homecoming weekend, the alumni association treasurer, LeeAnn Schmittberger, compiled figures for each activity as well as a breakdown of the cost per person for each item. Notice the overall cost per person exceeded the cost the alumni association charged for each person. Also, the more people that attend the banquet, the more it helps cut down the cost per person. The breakdown of expenses can be seen in the following report.

	<u>Total Cost</u>	<u>Cost per Person*</u>	
<b><u>Overhead</u></b>	\$664.33	\$2.75	liquor (used Friday & Saturday)
	\$106.00	\$0.44	Homecoming ad
	\$103.84	\$0.43	Hall of Fame plaques
	<u>\$22.64</u>	<u>\$0.09</u>	football mums
	\$896.81	\$3.71	
<b><u>Friday Activities</u></b>			
Golf	\$184.77	\$0.76	golf luncheon
Parade	\$20.00	\$0.08	magnetics
After Game Get-together	\$275.00	\$1.14	hall fee
	<u>\$219.87</u>	<u>\$0.91</u>	snacks
	\$699.64	\$2.89	
<b><u>Saturday Activities</u></b>			
Mass	\$160.00	\$0.66	candles for Memorial Mass
	<u>\$75.00</u>	<u>\$0.31</u>	Mass stipends
	\$235.00	\$0.97	
Dinner/Dance	\$2,395.37	\$9.90	meals (242)
	\$1,059.32	\$4.38	mixes/bottles beer
	\$700.00	\$2.89	band
	\$368.55	\$1.52	rental fee
	\$290.38	\$1.20	decorations
	\$121.02	\$0.50	punch/nuts/champagne fountain
	\$80.30	\$0.33	cakes
	<u>\$72.21</u>	<u>\$0.30</u>	name badges
	<u>\$5,087.15</u>	<u>\$21.02</u>	
Total	\$6,918.60	\$28.59	

\*cost per person was based on the number of meals paid for at the banquet



# CLASS NOTES

## 1940's

**Class of 1941**, how time flies. We were honored to have two members of your class attend the homecoming festivities last year. We were told they were just scouting things out to help you plan for your 65th class reunion from St. Fidelis High School. We look forward to seeing you. If your Alumni Association can assist you in any way, please let us know.

**Rita Toepfer Brungardt '43** and her husband, Joe, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary May 28, 2006. Rita and Joe were married February 11, 1946, in Victoria. They have six grandchildren and one great grandchild.

**Class of 1946**, we cordially invite you to celebrate with your class and fellow alumni on the occasion of your 60th class reunion. What a milestone! Homecoming festivities will be October 13 and 14.

## 1950's

**Frank Stremel '50** and his wife Helga, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary August 5, 2006 with a Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Hays followed by a luncheon for family and friends at Castilian Gardens Club House. They have three sons and eleven grandchildren. Frank Stremel and Helga Rieser were married Aug. 4, 1956, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Loretta.

**Class of 1951**, a request for a copy of all your addresses by one of your classmates has already been granted. You should be receiving a letter soon about possible activities for Homecoming 2006, October 13 and 14. Fifty-five years ago you were the seniors at VHS.

**Norman Dale Pfeifer '52** and his wife, **Gladys Wellbrock Pfeifer '53**, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary July 29, 2006 in Avon, Colorado. The Wellbrock family gathered for their 3rd family reunion in Avon at that time. Gladys and Dale were married August 2, 1956, in St. Fidelis Church, Victoria. Their children are **Geralyn Pfeifer Windholz '81**, **Steven Pfeifer '82**, **James Pfeifer '83**, **Kimberly Pfeifer '86**, and **Alan Pfeifer '89**. Dale and Gladys have 15 grandchildren, two step-grandchildren, and three step-great-grandchildren.

**Robert VonLintel '53** and his wife, Gloria, celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary May 13, 2006, with a dinner reception at Meridy's Restaurant, Russell, hosted by their children and grandchildren. They have one son, **Clyde '83**; three daughters, **Luane VonLintel Brungardt '82**, **Karla VonLintel Roth '84**, **Deanne VonLintel Thomas '95**; and eight grandchildren. Robert VonLintel and Gloria Schmeidler were married May 13, 1961, at St. Severin Catholic Church in Severin.

**Patricia Brungardt Kreutzer '54** and her husband, Wilfred, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary April 29, 2006, with a meal for their family at the Vagabond Restaurant in Hays. They have three children and three grandchildren. Patty and Wilfred were married April 28, 1956, at St. Fidelis Catholic Church, Victoria.

**Class of 1956**, we are looking forward to honoring you as our 50-year class during homecoming festivities on October 13 and 14. We have been told that you have already been contacted by some of your local classmates and they are excited about the response they are receiving. Don't miss out on this memorable weekend.

**Patsy Crawford Dreiling '56** and her husband, LaVern, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on July 29, 2006, with a mass at St. Catherine Catholic Church and a dinner and dance at Victoria VFW, hosted by their children. They have four sons; **Bob '76**, **Mike '79**, **Jim '78**, and **Mark '81**; three daughters, **Ellie Dreiling Herl '77**, **Diana Dreiling Clay '82**, and **Anita Dreiling Walters '86**; 22 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. LaVern and Patsy were married July 28, 1956, at St. Fidelis Catholic Church, Victoria.

## 1960's

**Class of 1961**, it has been a while since you have all been together for a class reunion. October 13 and 14 would be the perfect time to come home and reminisce with former classmates. Mark your calendars now for the fun-filled weekend. **Marlene Billinger Brown '61** is anxious to begin plans for the 45th reunion of your class and would love to hear from you via email at [kmbrown@intouchmi.com](mailto:kmbrown@intouchmi.com).

**Gary Stramel '62** and his wife, **Arlene Urban Stramel '64**, celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary May 31, 2006, with a family dinner in Salina, attended by their daughter and family. Gary and Arlene were married June 4, 1966, at St. Mary Catholic Church, Loretta. They have scheduled a Caribbean cruise in early 2007 and will be joined by Gary's sister, **Bernadette Stramel Strong '59** and her husband, Merv, who are also celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary.

**Class of 1966**, we hope you have the ball rolling and have been in contact with your classmates from Victoria High School to get plans made for your 40th class reunion. Your alumni association does all the planning; all you need to do is show up.

**Mary Jemma Rome Keberlein '67** and her husband, John, celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary May 7, 2006, with a family dinner in Kansas City, MO, hosted by their children. Mary Jemma and John have a son and daughter living in Kansas City and one son living in Hays. They were married on May 7, 1976, at St. Fidelis Church in Victoria.

**Joyce Berens Newell '67** has earned the use of the exclusive Mary Kay pink Cadillac, the most coveted incentive awarded by the company. This is the tenth Mary Kay career car Joyce has been awarded. She began her independent Mary Kay business in 1989. As an independent sales director, she provides education, leadership, and motivation to other Mary Kay independent beauty consultants and offers her customers high quality Mary Kay products.

**Kathy Billinger Kuhn '68** and her husband, Norman, celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary August 19, 2006, with a mass at St. Fidelis Catholic Church and a dinner and dance at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Victoria. They have two sons, **Doug '92** and **Danny '94**, and five grandchildren. They were married June 15, 1950, at St. Fidelis Church in Victoria.

## 1970's

**Tim Hertel '70** and his wife, Sharon, have both retired from USD #489 in Hays and have relocated to Greeley, Colorado to be closer to their son, Kevin and daughter, Kim.

**Class of 1971**, just a little reminder to begin plans for Homecoming 2006 and your 35th class reunion, which will be happening October 13 and 14. In looking over your class list, we definitely remember all of you and the mark you made on Victoria High School. We know you would have a totally awesome time if you would just make plans to return and join in the fun. It just takes a few of you to get the ball rolling. See you in October.

**Class of 1976**, it's your 30th reunion, so it's time to party. We certainly enjoy your reunion years as you always bring a huge crowd and lots of enthusiasm to the weekend. Are the class officers still around? Don Hart, Mike Dreiling and Tammy Keenan; that would be you. I'm sure there are many in your class who will be eager to get plans in motion. We are anxious to hear from you.

**Mary Beth Leiker Fisher '76** is in a new office. She is now with Landmark Realty LLC, Hays. She made "Top Producer 2005" with the previous company and hopes to achieve it again in her new office. She would love to assist you with your real estate needs.

**Jane Baier Schumacher '79** and her husband, Brian, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary May 15, 2006, and are planning a cruise with their family later this summer. Jane and Brian have three sons, Dustin, Derek, and Dylan. Their parents are **Paul '49** and **Lucy Schippers Baier '54** and Lavern and **Jane Urban Schumacher '57**. Jane and Brian were married May 15, 1981, at St. Fidelis Catholic Church, Victoria.

## 1980's

**Class of 1981**, you will be our 25-year honor class for Homecoming 2006. It is certainly not too early to get your thoughts and plans organized for the weekend of October 13 and 14. As in years past, you will be given time to share your class accomplishments while attending VHS and, of course, how you've made your mark on society in the past 25 years. It will be great to see all of you again.

**Class of 1986**, another five years has passed and we invite you to gather your classmates and let us help you celebrate your 20th reunion. Start getting reacquainted so you will be ready to return for your 20th.

**Jeanne Brungardt '86** completed requirements for her master's degree during the 2006 spring semester. She received an M.S. Elementary Education degree and is currently a teacher at Victoria Elementary School. Jeanne is the daughter of **Edwin '50** and **Theresa Dreiling Brungardt '50**.

**Darian Dinkel '89** and **Tori Conrad** were married June 17, 2006, at St. Fidelis Church, Victoria. Darian attended FHSU and is employed by Champion Technologies, Hays, as a chemical salesman. Tori graduated from Russell High School and Brown Mackie College, earning an associate degree in administration assistance. She is employed by the Kansas Highway Patrol as an administrative assistant. Darian is the son of **Rosie Braun Dinkel '60**.

**Shanna Robben Dinkel '89** has become the new coordinator of The Learning Center of Ellis County, replacing the retiring Anita Schlegel. Shanna received her master's degree in administration from Ft. Hays State University and has spent the past 10 years teaching language arts at Felten Middle School in Hays. The center is a high school diploma program that offers more than 100 courses both online and at an alternative school site in Hays. Shanna is married to **Kurt Dinkel '86**. They have two children, Brady and Ally. Shanna is the daughter of **Steve '67** and **Fran Miller Robben '67**.

## 1990's

**Class of 1991**, do you realize you have been alumni of Victoria High School for 15 years? We hope you will take the time to come back for Homecoming 2006, October 13 and 14. This will be one of the best homecomings ever. We've been hearing about many of the classes coming for the festivities.

**Drew Stewart '93** and his wife, Beth, announce the birth of their son, Levi Austin, born June 16, 2006. Drew works for Archer Daniels Midland, ADM, in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. They are at home in Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

**Craig Patterson '94**, the chief flight instructor for Midland College's Professional Pilot Program, has achieved the rating of Master Certified Flight Instructor (CFI). He received the designation from the National Association of Flight Instructors. There are approximately 87,000 CFIs in the United States, but fewer than 500 of them have achieved the distinction of "Master Instructor." The Master Instructor designation is a national accreditation recognized by the Federal Aviation Administration. Craig will be honored for this achievement at air shows in Oshkosh, Wisconsin and Lakeland, Florida.

# CLASS NOTES continued

**Jaclyn Schmidt '94** and Arthur Gonzales Jr. were married July 1, 2006, at St. Fidelis Catholic Church in Victoria. Jaclyn is attending FHSU where she is majoring in business management. Arthur is a graduate of La Crosse High School and is employed by Berexco Inc. Jaclyn is the daughter of **Melvin '68** and **Connie Schmidt**.

**Renae Bosch Lumpkins '95** and her husband, Tom, announce the birth of a daughter, Hope Olivia, born June 20, 2006 in Wichita. She was welcomed home by two sisters, Faith 10 and Grace 4, and a brother, Colton 7.

**Class of 1996**, you are cordially invited to be our guests at Homecoming 2006 as our honored 10-year class. We hope you are making plans to attend. You will find your reservation form in this August newsletter and the VHS website. Appoint a spokesperson to tell us all about the great class of '96. You have a spot on the program.

**Ryan Bosch '97** and his wife, **Jill Sander Bosch '98**, announce the birth of a daughter, Kate Ava, born March 25, 2006 in Overland Park. Ryan and Jill live in Olathe. Kate's grandparents are **Sam Sander '60** and **Joyce Braun Sander '65**.

**Jennifer Kreller Leiker '97** and her husband, Jeff, announce the birth of a daughter, Allison Rose, born April 28, 2006. She has a brother, Ryan 2 1/2. Allison's grandparents are **Neon Leiker '54** and Mike and Ruth Kreller. Mike is the principal at Victoria High School.

**Jake Schmidtberger '97** and his wife, **Joyce Robben Schmidtberger '89**, announce the birth of a son, Landon John Schmidtberger, born May 9, 2006, at Hays Medical Center. He has a brother, Lane 1. Grandparents are **Louise Braun Robben '57** and **Rich '61** and **Kathy Kuhn Schmidtberger '64**. Landon's great-grandmother is **Josie Windholz Robben '24**.

**Jeff Brungardt '98** and Cassity Wagoner were married April 22, 2006, at Drexel Hall, Kansas City, Missouri. Jeff is a graduate of Goodland Vo-Tech and is employed by South Kansas City Electric. Cassity is a graduate of Wellington High School and attended Kansas State University. She is employed as a cosmetologist. Jeff is the son of **Gene Brungardt '69** and his wife, Jan.

**Joshua VonLintel '99** and Debra Ann Giles were married April 29, 2006, at Canterbury Wedding Chapel, Las Vegas. Josh is a driver at High Plains Machine Works, Hays. Debra graduated from Collinsville High School, Collinsville, OK and is a sales coordinator at Holiday Inn, Hays. The couple was honored with a wedding reception, June 3, 2006, in Victoria.

**Andra Rome '99** and Preston Cunningham were married June 24, 2006, at St Fidelis Catholic Church. Andra is a graduate of FHSU with a master's degree in speech-language pathology. She is currently a speech-language pathologist in the Kansas City, Kansas, public schools. Preston is a graduate of Ashland High School and FHSU with a bachelor's degree in agriculture. He is employed by Sod Shop Inc., Olathe. Andra is the daughter of **Mark '71** and **Mary Jo Schulte Rome '71**.

**Corey Schmidtberger '99** and Kimberly Weber were married July 22, 2006, at St. Isidore Catholic Church, Manhattan. Corey is a graduate of Kansas State University with a master's degree in accountancy. Kimberly is a graduate of Trego Community High School, WaKeeney, and Kansas State University with a master's degree in accountancy. Corey and Kim are both employed with KPMG LLP, Kansas City, Missouri. Corey is the son of Jerry and **Louise Windholz Schmidtberger '72**.

**Jenny Kenne '99** has received her BA in architecture and is presently working on her MA in architecture at the University of Kansas.

**Jackie Kenne '99** has been awarded a BA in design and a BFA in art history from the University of Kansas. She will begin working in Bloomington, Indiana in August.

## 2000's

**Jim Billinger '00** and **Emily Gatschet '02** were married April 29, 2006, at Holy Cross Catholic Church, Pfeifer. Jim is a graduate of FHSU. He is employed by Rural Telephone Co. as a systems developer. Emily graduated from Barton County Community College. She is employed as a private childcare provider in Lenora where they live. Jim is the son of **Gilbert Billinger '63** and his wife, **Carol Stramel Billinger '65**.

**Wade Schmidtberger '00** and Jody Werner were married June 3, 2006, at St. Fidelis Church, Victoria. Wade is employed by Glassman Corp. as a service technician. Jody is a graduate of Hays High School and is attending North Central Kansas Technical College majoring in nursing. She is employed by Hays Medical Center as a licensed practical nurse. Wade is the son of **Bill '74** and **Diana Braun Schmidtberger '78**. Wade's grandparents are **Alfred 'Fritz Braun '56** and his wife, Anita Braun.

**Class of 2001**, reunion weekend will be here before you know it. Five quick years have passed and we hope you will get your class together and join your fellow alumni for Homecoming 2006, October 13 and 14.

**Brent Hansen '01** graduated from Kansas State University on May 13, 2006, with a Bachelor of Architecture. He is employed by HOK Sport Venue Event of Kansas City, Missouri. They design sport complexes throughout the country. Brent is the son of **Betty Rome Hansen '76**.

**Suzy Hansen '02** graduated from the University of Kansas, Lawrence May 21, 2006, with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration with an emphasis in International Business and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Marketing.

**Steve Motta '02** graduated from Kansas State University, May 13, 2006, with a degree in Business Administration majoring in Marketing. He is employed by Amerus Life of Topeka.

**Troy Pfeifer '02** graduated from Kansas State University, May 13, 2006, with a degree in Business Administration majoring in Finance. He is employed by ESB Financial Services of Manhattan. Troy is the son of **Ken '70** and **Diane Younger Pfeifer '73** and the grandson of **Jeanette Schumacher Younger '50**.

**Amorette Windholz '02** graduated from Fort Hays State University on May 13, 2006, with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Agriculture and emphasis in Animal Science. Amorette is the daughter of **Leland '67** and **Mary Ann Dinkel Windholz '74**.

**Tracy Rohr '03** and Jacob Helget were married April 22, 2006, at St. Fidelis Catholic Church, Victoria. Tracy is attending Fort Hays State University majoring in business communications. Jacob is a graduate of Hays High School and is employed by the City of Hays Parks Department. Tracy is the daughter of **Roger '79** and **Patty Dreiling Rohr '82**. Her grandmother is **Mary Louise VonFeldt Dreiling '47**.

**Kenneth Wagner '03** graduated from Pittsburg State University with a Bachelor of Arts degree. Ken is the son of **Ron '65** and Jane Wagner.

**Scott VonFeldt '03** and Rachel Marie Stouffer were married July 8, 2006, at St. Catharine Church, Catharine. Scott is a 2004 graduate of Salina Area Vo-Tech. He is employed by APAC, Hays. Rachel is a graduate of TMP Marian High School and is employed as a nanny in Hays. Scott is the son of **Steve '69** and Teri VonFeldt and the grandson of **Art '42** and **Joan Mermis VonFeldt '47**.

**Kristen Robben '03**, a senior at the University of Kansas, majoring in sports science with an emphasis in pre-physical therapy, received the Joie Stapleton Honor Award. This honor is bestowed to an outstanding senior majoring in physical education who is a good citizen of the department, has attained high academic achievement, and is involved in extra-class activities. Kristin is the daughter of **Jim '70** and Crystal Robben and great granddaughter of **Josie Windholz Robben '24**.

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## Announcing the 2006 Alumni Scholarship Recipients

**Danielle Dinkel**, daughter of **Dale '83** and **Kris Newton Dinkel '86**; **Chelsey Dreiling**, daughter of **Cletus '79** and **Rose Ann Kuhn Dreiling '77**; **Josselyn McLaren**, daughter of Randy and **Geralyn Ruder Graver '85** and the late Joel McLaren; and **Chad Schmidtberger**, son of **Leroy '74** and **LeeAnn Braun Schmidtberger '80** were selected by the Alumni Scholarship Committee to receive the 2006 Alumni Scholarships.

Each of these graduates receives a \$500 scholarship to be awarded upon verification of registration at their chosen institutions. Scholarship applicants must be admitted into a post secondary school. This may be a four-year college or a two-year technical school. They must have a minimum high school GPA of 2.5. The scholarship committee members base their selection on criteria that includes involvement in extra-curricular activities, work-job experiences, community and church activities, as well as special academic and extra-curricular honors and awards. All applicants remain anonymous throughout the selection process and are identified by number only.

Thanks to all alumni for your generous financial support, which makes the awarding of these annual scholarships possible. We also thank the scholarship committee for taking time to study the applications submitted and making a fair and unbiased selection for these annual scholarship awards.

Certificate of Achievement

# Presenting.....CLASS OF 2006

We welcome you, the class of 2006, to the Victoria High School Alumni Association. Your Alumni Association will be your connection to your school and your fellow classmates for the rest of your lives. We congratulate you on your recent graduation from VHS and wish you continued success as you pursue your careers. We hope you will stay in touch and become active members of the association.



We take this opportunity now to introduce you to the newest members of the alumni of Victoria High School.

**Leah Dinkel** is the daughter of **Glenn '82** and **Paula McClurg Dinkel '83**. Leah plans to attend North Central Kansas Technical College in Hays and pursue a career in business and computer technology.

**Danielle Dinkel** is the daughter of **Dale '83** and **Kris Newton Dinkel '86**. She will be attending Creighton University in Omaha. Danielle plans to major in English with an emphasis in creative writing.

**Marshall Dover** is the son of Sandra Dover and the late Larry Dover. Marshall will be entering the work force.

**Chelsey Dreiling** is the daughter of **Cletus '79** and **Rose Ann Kuhn Dreiling '77**. Chelsey plans to attend Hutchinson Community College and pursue a career in sports medicine.

**Skylor Flaska** is the son of Steve and Gail Flaska. Skylor plans to attend Northwest Kansas Technical College in Goodland and pursue a career in engineering technology.

**Clayton Hoffman** is the son of **Dave '82** and **Brenda Braun Hoffman '83**. Clayton will be attending Fort Hays State University to begin his studies in dentistry.

**Niki Jones** is the daughter of Tim and Jackie Jones. Niki plans to attend Fort Hays State University to pursue a degree in nursing.

**Greta Kaufeld** is the daughter of Ulrike and Bedo Kaufeld. Greta was the host daughter of Bob and Nancy Piatt. She plans to attend the Marion-Donhoff Gymnasium in Nienburg, Germany.

**Mandy Kinzie** is the great granddaughter of Frances Glimes. Mandy plans to attend Fort Hays State University and pursue a career in business administration.

**Josselyn McLaren** is the daughter of Randy and **Geralyn Ruder Graver '85** and the late Joel McLaren. Josselyn plans to attend the Hays Academy of Hair Design and pursue a degree in cosmetology.

**Bobby Rohr** is the grandson of Gilbert and Jeneice Rohr and the son of Pam and Ben Beiker. Bobby plans to attend North Central Kansas Technical College in Hays and pursue a career in automotive technology.

**Greg Sander** is the son of **Steve '68** and **Bonnie Schmidtberger Sander '71**. Greg will be attending Fort Hays State University and is undecided on a college major.

**Chad Schmidtberger** is the son of **Leroy '74** and **LeeAnn Braun Schmidtberger '80**. Chad plans to attend Fort Hays State University and pursue a career in agri-business.

**Lance Schmidtberger** is the son of **Bill '74** and **Diana Braun Schmidtberger '78**. Lance will be attending Fort Hays State University and pursue a degree in health and human performance.

**Frederick Schuckman II** is the son of Fred and Kathy Schuckman. Frederick plans to attend Fort Hays State University and pursue a career in architectural engineering.

**Anthony Smith** is the son of Pamela Swanson and Rod Smith. Anthony will be attending Fort Hays State University and pursue a career in nursing.



**David Velasquez** is the son of Jorge and Julian Velasquez and the host son of **Joe '81** and Gail Robben. David plans to attend the E.S.P.E. University in Quito Ecuador.

**Jared VonFeldt** is the son of **John '69** and **Lita Dome VonFeldt '71**. Jared plans to attend Kansas State University and major in kinesiology and pursue a career in coaching.

**Corrie Wright** is the daughter of Terry Derr and Jesse Wright. She plans to attend Barton County Community College and pursue a career in nursing.

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## USD #432 News

### Retirements

**Kathalie Dortland Hoffman '63** retired from teaching in May after 38 years of service. All but five of those years have been in the Victoria School District. Some of you remember Mrs. Hoffman as your home economics teacher. She taught at the high school for 13 years and then relocated to the elementary school where she taught 4th grade for five years and the past 15 years have been spent in the 3rd grade classroom. Kathalie is married to **Tom Hoffman '63** who also retired from teaching several years ago. They have two sons, Tracy and Troy, and two grandchildren.

Carla Pruitt retired from her position as physical education teacher after 32 years of service in the Victoria schools. She taught P.E. in grades K through 12 since the mid 1970s. Carla coached several different sports throughout her tenure but was best known for the success that her VHS girls' tennis teams enjoyed year after year. Carla was named to the Kansas Tennis Coaches Hall of Fame in 2006. She was named Coach of the Year in 1990 and again in 1996. Carla is married to Don Pruitt, Victoria city police chief and has two daughters, **Alycia '93** and **Amanda '98**.

**Vera Stramel Braun '65** began working as a cook for the Victoria School district back in 1979. Her retirement became effective at the end of the 2006-07 school year. She cooked at the high school a few years but moved up to food service director in the early 1980s. She is married to **Pete Braun Jr. '62**. Vera is the mother of **Jeff '85**, **Chris '86**, **Craig '86**, and **Tami Braun Haberkorn '90**.

**Arlene Huser Wittman '64** has retired from food service at Victoria Elementary School. Arlene joined the school district in 1978. She will continue as a substitute cook and assist her husband, Warren, at their meat market in Hays. They have two daughters, **Kelly Wittman Kuhn '84** and **Lori Wittman Lane '86** and a son, **Curtus '88**. They have eight grandchildren.

### Personnel Changes

Summer Moeckel will be teaching 3rd grade for the 2006-07 school year. She will be filling the position vacated by Kathalie Hoffman's retirement. Summer is married to Stewart Moeckel who will be teaching in the Russell school district. Summer is the daughter-in law of former coach and VHS Hall of Famer, Doug Moeckel.

Deb Bottorf will be teaching the P.E. classes at the elementary and middle school, stepping into Carla Pruitt's shoes. Deb will also coach high school volleyball again this year and take on the duties of girl's middle school basketball coach.

Marcey Schmidtberger will become an elementary para-professional. She had been working with the school district as a substitute teacher. Marcie is the wife of **Mike Schmidtberger '90**.

Doug Oberle will be head football coach for the Knights. He had been an assistant to **Chris Windholz '90** and helped lead the team to their first eight-man state title in 2004.

Chad Beisel will be an assistant coach to Coach Oberle. Chad is familiar with Victoria as he attended Victoria Elementary School while his dad coached football at Victoria.

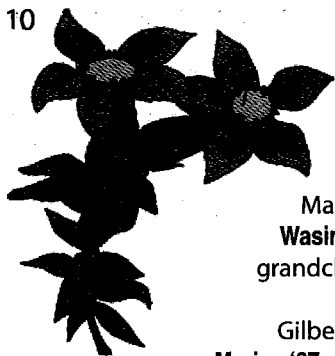
Coleen Dickinson, the school nurse, will also be the new food service director for the Victoria School District. She will replace **Vera Stramel Braun '65** in this position.

Shauna Braun has been hired as an elementary para-professional. Shauna is the wife of **Chris Braun '86**.

Matt Taylor has also been hired as an elementary para-professional.

# In Loving Memory

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Ray Courtney died April 9, 2006, at Wesley Medical Center, Wichita. He is survived by his wife, **Esther Windholz Courtney '68**; one son, **Jeff '93**; one daughter, **Terri Courtney Braun '91**; his mother; one brother; three sisters; and four grandchildren.

Marvin E. Thompson died April 11, 2006, at Russell Regional Hospital. He is survived by his wife, **Armella Leiker Wasinger Thompson '41**; one son; one daughter; three stepdaughters; a sister; seven grandchildren; five step grandchildren; and four step great-grandchildren

Gilbert Miller died April 15, 2006, at St. John's Nursing Home, Victoria. He is survived by his wife, Mary; one son, **Marion '67**; one daughter, Patricia Grabbe; three brothers; six sisters; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

**Bertha Dinkel Prewo '37** died April 16, 2006, at Logan County Manor, in Oakley, KS. She is survived by two sons; two brothers, Father Harvey Dinkel and George Dinkel; nine sisters, Julitta Dinkel Dechant, Regina Dinkel Dechant, **Sr. Francis Rose Dinkel '43**, **Irene Dinkel Scruggs '45**, **Melinda Dinkel Griebel '48**, **Mary Dinkel Younker '48**, **Viola Dinkel Richmeier '51**, **Sr. Paul Ann Dinkel '51**, and **Rita Mae Dinkel Rohr '55**; five grandchildren; and one step great-granddaughter.

**Laverne M. Toepfer Wiesner '46** died May 16, 2006, at Greenwood Village, CO. She is survived by three sons; three daughters; a brother, Vic Toepfer; and four sisters, **Rita Toepfer Brungardt '43**, **Valeria Toepfer Pelzel '44**, **Helen Toepfer McCourt '51**, and **Joan Toepfer Collins '56**; and 10 grandchildren.

**Fred A. Karlin '61** died May 19, 2006. Survivors include his wife, Nadine; four brothers, Felix Karlin, John Karlin, **Tom Karlin '56**, **Pete Karlin '58**; four sisters, Sr. Leonissa Karlin, Sr. Mary Martha Karlin, Betty Karlin Pfeifer, and **Martha Karlin Biegler '60**.

Mary A. Schulte died May 21, 2006, at St. John's Nursing Home, Victoria. Survivors include three stepsons, **Norman Schulte '58**, **Gary Schulte '60**, and **Tom Schulte '70**; two sisters; 12 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

**Robert F. Meis '58** died June 9, 2006. He was preceded in death by his wife, Delores, in 1987. Survivors include his father, Edmund; two sons; two daughters; three brothers, **Ernest Meis '56**, **Paul Meis '60** and Harold Meis; one sister, Sister Ronald Meis; and two granddaughters.

Leona Sander died July 15, 2006, at Hays Medical Center. Survivors include three sons, **Deloyd Sander '65**, **David Sander '72**, and **Dale Sander '77**; a daughter, **Delilah Sander Green '73**; two brothers; three sisters; seven grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

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## VHS Alumni On-line!

[www.victoriaalumni.com](http://www.victoriaalumni.com)

We have had almost 4500 hits on the website at the time of this publication. Many of you have responded with very favorable comments. We would like your help in making us aware of any corrections we need to make. More and more of you have given permission to post your personal information in the class lists. We have tried to accommodate your wishes. If you haven't visited the site, you need to check it out to get news - old and new - and remember to check out the photos.

### Policy Change

\*The board of directors has changed the number of board members from nine members to thirteen members. The newest board members are; **Regis VonLintel '62**, **Randy Leiker '70**, **Ken Billinger '79**, **Sandy Dreiling Goetz '82** and **Sandy Schmidtberger McAlonan '83**. **Daren Lang '83** resigned his position effective Homecoming 2005. Daren has been an effective board member and we certainly thank him for his years of service to our organization.

\*The time for the annual business meeting has been changed from homecoming weekend to the first scheduled meeting after homecoming.

\*For those alumni attending only the Friday night post game social, and not attending Saturday's events, there will be a \$5 cover charge per person plus your current membership fee.

### For Sale

Your alumni association has comfortable stadium seats in maroon and gold with the Knights logo for sale at a cost of \$30. If you are interested in purchasing one of these seats, you can contact Jeff Hertel at (785) 735-2708 or Marge Rome at (785) 735-2352.

# VHS Alumni

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Please note any news concerning marriages, births, promotions, accomplishments, retirements, anniversaries, change of address, your letter of nomination for VHS Alumni "Hall of Fame" 2007.

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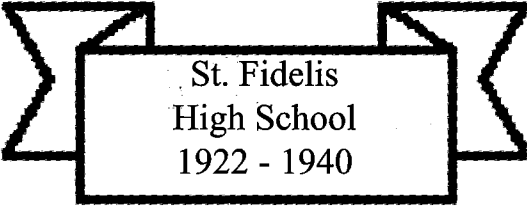
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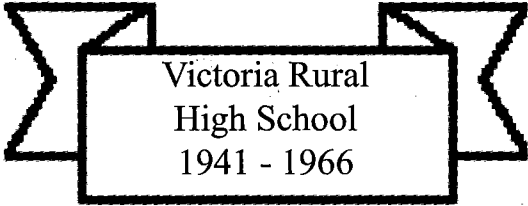
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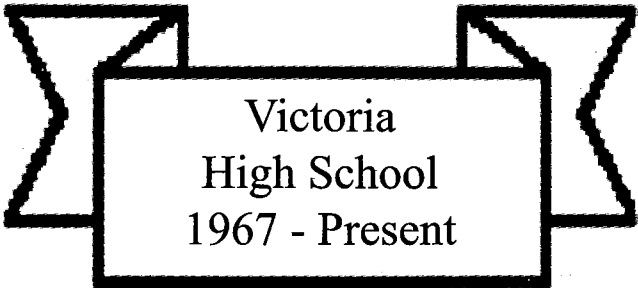
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