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# VHS Homecoming 2006 Now A Memory

Friday, October 13 was a beautiful day and just perfect for a round of golf. The annual scholarship golf tournament was the kick-off for the homecoming festivities as it has been for the past 10 years. There were 29 participants in this year's event. Tying for 3rd place and shooting a 33 were **Pete Braun Jr.** '62 and his team consisting of **Frank Younger** '59, **Gary Stramel** '62 and **Tom Drelling** '59, and **Rick Robben** '76 and his team, **Mike Dreiling** '76, **Tim Pfeifer** '76 and **Danny Pfeifer** '83. Second place honors with a score of 31, went to members of the 10 year honor class, **Eric Pfeifer** '96, **Jeff Ruder** '96, **Dan Windholz** '96 and **Brent Prockish** '96. Capturing the first place spot with a 29 were **Vernon Berens** '53, **Allen Dreiling** '55, **Paul Schippers** '55 and Don Pruitt. **Allen Dreiling** '55 awarded the teams their plaques after the luncheon at the VFW Hall. A thank you goes out to Allen for organizing the tournament each year and to **Jeff Hertel** '79 who is responsible for organizing and cooking the delicious luncheon following the tournament.

The parade is always the first introduction to all the classes returning for the weekend. Everyone waits in anticipation to see that 50 year class and watches in amazement at how young they all look. The reunion classes came out in large numbers and made Homecoming 2006 one of the best ever. The class of '56 had 18 classmates return for the weekend. The class of '76 had a strong representation as did the 25 year honor class of 1981 and the 10 year honor class of 1991. Following the parade many of the alumni were found wandering the halls of VHS, remembering those days gone by. The football game ended at half time because the Knights led by more than 45 points. Everyone stayed to witness the crowning of the homecoming king and queen. The queen was Kelsey Robben, daughter of **Joe '81** and Gail Robben and the king was Alec Monhollon, son of Gregg Monhollon and Lonna Taylor. The other candidates were Jared Pfeifer, son of **Steve '75** and **Mary Baier Pfeifer '75**; Christen Dinkel, daughter of **Craig '84** and **Anne Ruder Dinkel '90**; Cody VonLintel, son of **Chris '83** and Phyllis VonLintel; Tafra Brown, daughter of Rodney and Michelle Brown. Alumni, old and young, enjoyed refreshments and more socializing at the VFW after the game.

The 50 year honor class gathered at Gutch's restaurant at noon on Saturday for lunch and some quality time with fellow classmates and spouses. The Memorial Mass was well attended and was, once again, one of the highlights of the weekend as the names of the deceased were called out one by one. From there it was on to the Fanchon Ball Room where approximately 300 alumni enjoyed a delicious meal and more camaraderie. The three Hall of Fame recipients were honored with their plaques and congratulatory comments. **Benny Schulte '49** and **Bob VonLintel '53** graciously accepted this honor while Bruno Basgall was represented by his son **Melvin '60** and his daughter **Kay Basgall Guffy '66**. The evening ended with dancing to the "Country Dutchmen" who were definitely a hit. They will be back for this year's homecoming along with Verlin Honas DJ Service, October 6, 2007.

### **Alumni Association – HALL OF FAME**

Who will be added to the Hall of Fame for 2007? It is all determined by your letter of nomination for that individual who made a lasting impression on you. Whether you spent 12 years or 1 year in the Victoria school system, hopefully there were many but especially one person who deserves your vote of praise. Each year three individuals are inducted, two living and one deceased.

We are now accepting letters of nomination for that deserving teacher, coach, secretary, cook, custodian, principal, or superintendent. Your letter should state your reason for the nomination and should reach the alumni board by June 1, 2007.

You may submit your letter by email at www.victoriaalumni.com or mail to Victoria Alumni Association, PO Box 382, Victoria, KS 67671-0382

## **Homecoming 2007**

Victoria High School Alumni from across the country will be gathering here in Victoria the first weekend in October for the annual homecoming festivities. Activities begin Friday morning, October 5th with the Alumni Scholarship Golf Tournament and end with the banquet and dance at the Fanchon Ballroom Saturday evening, October 6. This is a fun filled weekend that sends you back home with wonderful memories of days gone by and renewed friendships.

Mark your calendars now and start making plans to attend.

Reunion classes are placed front and center for special recognition. If your graduating class year ends with a 7 or 2, you will be considered a reunion class. The 50-year honor class is the Class of 1957. The Class of 1982 will be honored as the 25-year honor class and the Class of 1997 is the 10-year honor class. These three classes will be given the privilege of sharing treasured memories and current news about their respective class during the program following the banquet Saturday evening. All five year increment classes will be introduced. The 2007 Hall of Fame recipients will be honored at this time as well.

The schedule of events will remain the same as in previous years. The Victoria VFW will be the headquarters for all of Friday's events including the golf luncheon, open house before the parade, and the social after the football game. The Memorial Mass will be celebrated on Saturday afternoon at 4:00 in St. Fidelis Church and will fulfill your Sunday obligation. The banquet, program, and dance will take place at the Fanchon Ballroom in Hays following Mass. The "Country Dutchmen," a popular band in the area, will be back again this year to satisfy your dancing pleasure plus the Alumni Board has decided to add a DJ to accommodate our younger alumni. The smaller club room will house the DJ. You are welcome to bounce back and forth. Should be a great time.

The cost for the weekend will remain at \$25 per person plus your updated membership dues of \$5. This fee will entitle you to attend the social Friday evening and the banquet and dance Saturday evening.

If you plan to attend only the Friday evening postgame social at the VFW Hall and not attending any of the Saturday's events, there will be a \$5 cover charge per person plus your current membership fee. Snacks, soft drinks, and keg beer will be provided.



# **Knights Capture Yet Another - State Title**



The Victoria Knights football team captured their second eight-man state title with an impressive 40–12 win over Hope. Victoria was very well represented as fans traveled to Newton's Fischer Field for the eight-man division II title game. The stands were filled with the home town crowd as well as VHS alumni throughout the state.

The Knights shut down an explosive Hope offense featuring a 1,400 yard passer and a powerful 185 pound runner who had scored 28 touchdowns before the title game. That touchdown total did not increase during the final game.

Behind its five-man rushing attack, the Knights ran for 273 yards with 43 of them coming on the final drive.

The Knights are coached by first year coach, Doug Oberle. He was an assistant in the 2004 eight-man championship game.

This was the fifth State Football Title for the Victoria Knights who won the Class 2A title in 1981, the Class 2A-1A title in 1985 and 1988, along with the Eight-Man Division I title in 2004.

# **Class Notes**

### 1940's

Class of 1942, plan for your 65th class reunion from Victoria Rural High School. We look forward to seeing you. If your alumni association can assist you in any way, please let us know.

Betty Quint Crawford '44 taught for 37 years in the Salina schools and loved every minute of it. She sends her greetings.

Class of 1947, 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 5 and 6.

Kenneth Dinkel '49 and his wife, Peggy, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on January 6, 2007, at the American Legion Post No. 178 in Lakewood, Colorado with family and friends. Kenneth and Peggy were married December 29, 1956 in Denver.

### 1950's

Vitus Lang '50 and his wife Anita, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary September 2, 2006, with a Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Fidelis followed by a reception, dinner and dance at the VFW Hall in Hays. They have one son **David '87**; three daughters, **Laurie Lang Lang '76**, **Janet Lang Frank '77**, and **Karen Lang Cruce '80**; eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild. They were married October 1, 1956, at St. Joseph Church, Hays.

Eddie Brungardt '50 and Theresa Dreiling Brungardt '50 celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a cruise to Hawaii accompanied by their son Cletus '75 and his wife, Jeri, who were celebrating 25 years of marriage. Eddie and Theresa have another son Ed '80; and two daughters, Susan Brungardt Gorth '78 and Jeanne Brungardt '86. They have six grandsons and one granddaughter. Eddie and Theresa were married September 10, 1956, at St. Fidelis Catholic Church in Victoria.

Marvin Rajewski '51 and his wife, Betty, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on July 1, 2006 with a Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Rose Church and a dinner and dance for family and friends at the K of C Hall in Great Bend, Kansas.

Class of 1952, 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 2007, October 5 and 6. Fifty-five years ago you were the seniors at VHS.

Julian Huser '53 and his wife, Norma, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a family vacation to Colorado Springs, CO. They have five children; Becky Huser Staab, Bryan Huser, Beverly Huser Brungardt, Bonita Huser Philip and Bernadette Huser Fischer '82; 12 grandchildren and one great-grand-daughter. Their children hosted a reception at the couple's home following a blessing at the 9 a.m. Sunday Mass at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Vincent on September 3. Julian and Norma Jean Gabel were married August 25, 1956 at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in Munjor.

Norma Jean Dreiling Dreiling '54 and her husband, Norman, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a dinner and dance at the Westminster Elks Lodge. They have one son; three daughters; eight grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. Norma retired from Denver Food Service in May of 2005 after 25 years of service. Norm retired in 1998 and works part time to keep busy. Norma hopes to do some volunteer work but definitely needs to save time for Central City and those poker machines.

**Ted Crawford '54** and his wife, Cecelia, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on October 14, 2006 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, Hays, followed by a reception, dinner and dance hosted by their children. They have two sons and two daughters. Ted and Cecelia Kreutzer were married October 2, 1956 at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Hays.

Class of 1956, you pulled it off. So many of your class returned and what a good-looking group you were. We hope your time was well spent. It was great seeing all of you again. A special thank you for your significant donation toward the Knights Band Scholarship fund. They will be awarding their first scholarship this year to a graduating senior band member.

Lilyota Leiker Brungardt '56 is enjoying retirement. She is the proud grandmother of six grandsons, the most recent born August 2, 2006. She says, "No girls – yet."

Class of 1957, we are looking forward to honoring you as our 50-year class during homecoming festivities on October 5 and 6. Get that date on your calendar and begin contacting classmates. Merlin will be mailing information to you very soon. We would love to have permission to post more of your email addresses on the website. This would be very helpful for those trying to contact you.

Mary Ellen Dreiling Williamson '57 says, " See you in October."

**Don Braun '59** and his wife, Linda, celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary August 12, 2006 with a diocesan Mass at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Hays. A reception, hosted by their children, followed at the Golden Corral. They have one son and one daughter and three grandchildren. Don and Linda Leiker were married August 27, 1966, at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in Munjor.

#### 1960's

Gary Schulte '60 and his wife, Bonita Linnenberger Schulte 61, celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary Saturday, August 12, 2006, with a diocesan Mass at Immaculte Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Hays. The couple has two sons and a daughter, and eight grandchildren. Gary and Bonita were married September 5, 1966 at St. Fidelis Church in Victoria.

Class of 1962, it has been a while since you have all been together for a class reunion. October 5 and 6 would be the perfect time to come home and reminisce with former classmates.

**Robert '63** and Twyla Stang Gerstner '63 celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary August 20, 2006, with a family celebration hosted by their children. They were married August 20, 1966 in Victoria. Robert and Twyla have a daughter, **Jackie Gerstner Leiker '86** and a son, **John Gerstner '92**. They have two granddaugters.

Eileen Kippes Wilcox '64 is residing in Centennial, Colorado. She is a real estate agent in the Denver Metro Area.

Wayne Ruder '65 would like to announce his marriage to Carmen Ambrosier on February 5, 2004. They are living in WaKeeney.

Class of 1967, 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.

Marilyn Kuhn '68 and Arthur Leiker were married November 25, 2006 at St Ann's CatholicChurch, Walker. Marilyn attended Ft. Hays State University and is employed at the Ellis County Health Department. Arthur is a graduate of Thomas More Prep-Marian High School. He is a retired Hays firefighter and is employed at Hays USD 489.

# **CLASS NOTES cont.**

### 1970's

Class of 1972, just a little reminder to begin plans for Homecoming 2007 and your 35th class reunion, which will be happening October 5 and 6. Your alumni association has an exciting weekend planned for all of you. Join in the fun. Your class was small but mighty. Hopefully we will know the Class of '72 is in the crowd.

**Bryan VonFeldt** '73 and his wife, Nancy, would like to announce the marriage of their daughter, Sarah to Jay Holland on April 22, 2006. Bryan and Nancy live in Lucas, Texas, and Sarah and Jay live in San Antonio, Texas. Bryan is the son of **LaVina Kuhn VonFeldt** '50.

Cletus Brungardt '75 and his wife, Jerri, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on a Norwegian Cruiseliner to five Islands in Hawaii. They have two sons, Jason and Ryan. Cletus is the son of Edwin '50 and Theresa Dreiling Brungardt '50.

Steve '75 and Mary Baier Pfeifer '75 difinitely have royalty running in their family. It all began when Steve was chosen as a homecoming candidate back in 1974 followed by a son Jason '94, two daughters, Jill Pfeifer Pfannenstiel '96 and Jennifer Pfeifer Amrein '01 and finally, their son Jared '07. Jared also had the destinct honor of being named to the Salina Journal All-Area Top 11 Football Team.

Laurie Lang Lang '76 and her husband, Al, announce the marriage of their daughter, Katie, to Mike Middleton on December 30, 2006. The wedding vows took place at St. Mary's Church in Sycamore, Illinois, hometown of Laurie and Al. The couple will reside in Monterrey, California where Katie is attending the Military International Language School for the United States Army. She will be studying Arabic. Katie's grandparents are Vitus '50 and Anita Lang.

**John F. Schmidtberger '76** just celebrated 22 years of marriage to his wife Trish. They have identical twin daughters who are in their freshman year in Austin, Texas. John and his wife live in Garland, Texas.

Class of 1977, it's your 30th reunion, and it's time to party. Mark your calendars for October 5 and 6. If you have never been back for a reunion, you might give it a try. Bet you will never miss another.

Randy Dreiling '79, head football coach for the Hutchinson Salthawks, captured the 6A State Football title for the third consecutive year. The victory was the 23rd straight win dating back to last season. Randy is in his tenth year with the Salthawks. Randy is the father of Ashley Dreiling '03 and the son of Vernie Dreiling'57 and his wife, Patty.

#### 1980's

James Rohleder '81 is the owner of Rohleder Veterinary Service in Hays.

Mary Dreiling Jones '81 and Carroll Jones were married September 9, 2006, in Lexington, Kentucky. Mary is the daughter of Fritz and Edna Schulte Dreiling '42.

Class of 1982, you will be our 25-year honor class for Homecoming 2007. It is certainly not too early to get your thoughts and plans organized for the weekend of October 5 and 6. 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.

Troy Schippers '85 and his wife, Geralyn Huser Schippers '88, announce the birth of a daughter, Gracyn Marie, born September 18, 2006. She has two sisters, Sarah and Emily. Gracyn's grandparents are Paul '55 and Theresa Schippers and Leon Huser '61.

**Gerard Wellbrock** '86 recently finished in 2nd place for play-by-play and sportscast with the Kansas Association of Broadcasters. Gerard is the son of **Gene** '56 and Joan Wellbrock.

Class of 1987, another five years has passed and we invite you to gather your classmates and let us help you celebrate your 20th reunion. Pam Irwin has called for a class list so you should be hearing from her soon.

Mitch Berens '87 has been promoted to the rank of sergeant with the Hays Police Department. Mitch and his wife, Stacy, have a daughter Shelbie 10 and a son Shane 8. Mitch is the son of **Vernon** '53 and **Norma Kuhn Berens** '54.

Kevin Klein '89 and his wife, Kay, announce the birth of a daughter, Lauren Violet, born November 5, 2006. She has a brother, Lucas 3, and a sister, Courtney 12.

Matt Berens '89, has taken a job as a middle school principal in Johnson City, Kasnas. Matt and his wife Cheryl Billinger Berens '85 have four children, Jenna 11, Tia 9, Devin 7, and Hogan 4. Matt is the son of Vernon '53 and Norma Kuhn Berens '54.

1990's

Jerry Braun '91 is the Northwest Kansas Educational Consultant for Southwest Plains Regional Service Center. He is currently facilitating a Western Kansas Math Grant, working with math teachers throughout the state on math content, teaching strategies and curriculum alignment. Besides the grant work, the job entails traveling to schools and providing professional development, training, in-service opportunities, curriculum alignment, data analysis, content coaching, and school improvement support. He currently serves as the Zone Coordinator for Northwest Kansas on the Kansas Association of Teachers of Mathematics state board and is trained as an Ambassador for the North Central Accreditation school improvement process. Prior to this position, Jerry taught 7th grade math for 10 years at Felten Middle School in Hays. Jerry is the son of John Braun '49 and his wife, Josie.

Class of 1992, 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 2007, October 5 and 6. This will be one of the best homecomings ever. There will be a DJ in the clubroom as well as a polka band in the ballroom.

Karen Dinkel Nowak '92 and her husband, John, announce the birth of a son, Brody, born March 25, 2007, at Hays Medical Center. He has a sister, Brooklyn, 2. Brody's grandmother is Rosie Braun Dinkel '60.

Brandon Schmidtberger '94 and his wife, Angie, announce the birth of a daughter, Paige Delaney, born October 14, 2006, in Overland Park. Her grandparents are Jerry, associate member, and his wife Louise Windholz Schmidtberger '72.

**Jason Weber '94** and his wife, Tammy, announce the birth of a daughter, Haleigh Elizabeth, born October 10, 2006. She has one brother, Tanner 5 and a sister, Hannah 3 1/2. Haleigh's grandparents are **Lavon '58** and **Charlotte Braun Weber '65**.

**Bob Brungardt '94** and his wife, Christie, announce the birth of a daughter, Presley Renee, born October 23, 2006 in Overland Park. She has a sister, Riley Nichole 6. Her grandparents are **Gene Brungardt '69** and his wife Jan.

**Jennifer Mader Lehmann '94** and her husband, Vince, announce the birth of a son, Carson Michael, born January 5, 2007 in Salina. He has a sister, Macy, 1. His grandparents are Eddie and **Lena Meder '56**.

**Jason Scheck '94** and his wife, Mindy, announce the birth of a son, Ty Robert, born March 6, 2007 in Elk City, Oklahoma. He has two brothers, Laken 5 and Cooper 3. Ty's grandparents are **Jim '73** and **Becky Schmidtberger Scheck '73**.

Jay Dinkel '95 and his wife, Janea Scheck Dinkel '96, announce the birth of a daughter, Juliana Rose, born July 28, 2006, at Hays Medical Center. She has a sister, Jalyn 4 and a brother Jaxon 2. Her grandparents are Paul '72 and Judy Sander Dreiling '69, and Robert '74 and Connie Berens Dinkel '74, and Joe Scheck '70 and his wife, Jeanne.

**Kaylene Jacobs '95** and Chris Gabel were married September 16, 2006, at Sahara Wedding Chapel in Las Vegas, Nevada. Kaylene graduated from Hutchinson Community College and Fort Hays State University. She is a graphic designer for Commercial Sign Company in Hays. Chris is a graduate of Hays High School and Spartan School of Aeronautica, Tulsa, Oklahoma. He is employed by Coca Cola Enterprises in Victoria. The couple is at home in Hays.

Kelly VonLintel Giffin '95 and her husband, Waylon, announce the birth of a son, Wyatt Levell, born October 15, 2006, at Hays Medical Center.

Dan Windholz '96 and his wife, Melissa, (Pip), announce the birth of their first child, Jace Owen, born August 3, 2006, at Hays Medical Center. Dan is a claims adjustor for American Family Insurance and Pip works for Nex Tech. Jace was welcomed home by his first cousins; Jaxson, Cooper, Kinley, Maggie and Nathan Windholz. His grandparents are Julie '70 and Susie Dreiling Windholz '69.

Class of 1997, you are cordially invited to be our guests at Homecoming 2007 as our honored 10-year class. We hope you are making plans to attend. Appoint a spokesperson to tell us all about the great class of '97. You will have a spot on the program.

Jason Garner '99 and his wife, Crystal, announce the birth of a son, Michael, born October 12, 2006.

**Beth Ptacek '99** and Chad Stenzel were married December 30, 2006 at St. Fidelis Church in Victoria. Beth graduated from Ft. Hays State University and is employed by Nova Care, Wichita. Chad graduated from Northwest High School, Wichita, and Kansas State University-Salina. He is employed by Koch Industries, Wichita.

Brett Wellbrock '99 and Kelly Spiess Wellbrock '00 announce the birth of a son, Carson David, born January 22, 2007, in Salina. Brett works at Salina Vortex as a C & C Programer and Kelly is a receptionist for Dr. Jerry Lundgrin, DDS. Carson's grandparents are Neil and Pam Brown Wellbrock '72 and Kathy Braun Edsall '69 and Ivan Edsall '64, and Jerry Spiess.

Angie VonFeldt '99 and Brett Steinhelder were married February, 2007 at the Church of the Resurrection, Leawood. Angie graduated from Fort Hays State University where she earned a degree in finance. She is employed as a personal trust accountant for Great Plains Trust Co, Overland Park. Brett is a graduate of Kansas State University, where he earned a degree in marketing and general management. He is employed with Overhead Door Co., Kansas City, MO. Angie is the daughter of Steve '69 and Teri Vonfeldt and the granddaughter of Art '42 and Joan Mermeis VonFeldt '47.

Jared Scheck '99 and his wife, Sumar, announce the birth of a daughter, Joslyn Marie, born March 26, 2007 at Hays Medical Center. She has a sister, Mattyson, 3. Her grandparents are Jim '73 and Becky Schmidtberger Scheck '73.

### 2000's

Cole Dinkel '00 and Nicole Stremel were married October 2006 at St Fidelis Catholic Church, Victoria. Cole is a member of the Victoria Police Department. Nicole is a graduate of Fort Hays State University, where she earned a bachelor's degree in business administration. She is employed by the university. Cole is the son of Wilmer Dinkel Jr. '73 and his wife, Darlinea.

**Beth Younger '00** graduated from the University of Kansas, Lawrence, in December of 2007 with a Masters Degree in Counseling Psychology. Beth is employed as a Human Service Counselor with the Social Rehabilitation Services of Kansas in the Overland Park office. She is the daughter of Tom and **Bernadette Roth Younger '58**.

Kristin Sander '00 and Ryan Mauch were married April 14, 2007 at St. Fidelis Catholic Church, Victoria. Kristin graduated from Northwest Kansas Technical College with an associate's degree. She is employed by Hess Clinic, Hays, as a certified medical assistant. Ryan graduated from NWKTC and is employed by the Hays Fire Department. Kristin is the daughter of **David Sander '72** and Michelle Callen.

**Jeremy Geihsler '01** and **Kristi Hoffman '01** were married September 2, 2006 in Shawnee. Jeremy is a graduate of the University of Kansas and is a supervisor at UPS. Kristi is a graduate of the University of Kansas. She is a social worker at KVC Behavioral Healthcare. They are living in Lenexa. Kristi's grandmother is **Wilma Wellbrock Hoffman '50**.

**Audrey Unrein Lewis '01** is the recent co-owner of a new physical therapy clinic, Turning Point Rehabilitation, in Ellinwood, Kansas. Audrey is the daughter of Glen and Michele Schumacher Unrein '81 and the granddaughter of Arlyn and **Clarita Dreiling Schumacher '58**.

Clayton Robben '01 announces the birth of a son, Joseph Julian, born July 13, 2006. Joseph's grandparents are Rick '76 and Marla Brungardt Robben '78.

Class of 2002, 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 2007, October. 5 and 6.

Lynette Kuhn '02 announces the birth of a daughter, Savanna Lynn, born May 3, 2005. Lynette graduated from North Central Kansas Technical College with a diploma in business and computer in 2005 and received a Business Management certificate in 2006. She is currently attending North Central Kansas Technical College to obtain an associate degree in business and computer technology. Lynette is employed at Express Well Service and Supply in Victoria as a part time secretary.

Jolene Hoffman '02 and Tyler Haas were married August 19,2006, at St. Mary Church in Gorham. Jolene will graduate from Ft. Hays State University in May and will be employed with Brungardt, Hower, Ward, Elliott and Pfeifer as an accountant. Tyler graduated from Hoxie High School and Ft. Hays State University. He is a manager of supervised living at DSNWK. Jolene's grandmother is Wilma Wellbrock Hoffman '50.

**Dustin Thull '02** and Angela Dunson were married September 2, 2006, at Spirit of God Fellowship, Columbus Georgia. Dustin is a specialist in the United States Army, stationed at Fort Benning Georgia. The couple is living in Columbus.

Jesse Lewis '02 and his wife, Audrey Unrein Lewis '01, announce the birth of a son, Branden James, born September 5, 2006 at Hays Medical Center. Grandparents are Norman Scheck '78 and Pam Braun Scheck '80, Mike Lewis '81 and Glen and Michele Schumacher Unrein '81. Great grandparents are Fritz Braun '56 and his wife Anita and Arlyn and Clarita Dreiling Schumacher '58.

**Leslie Brown '02** and Byron Goodspeed were married November of 2006 in Victoria. Leslie is a senior at Fort Hays State University, where she is completing a degree in elementary art education. Byron is a program specialist at NEW Corp. in Hays.

Brett Karlin '02 graduated from Kansas State University in December of 2006 with a degree in business administration. He is employed with Novastar Mortgage Inc., Kansas City, as a loan consultant. Brett is the son of **Tony** '74 and **Wanda Dreiling Karlin** '76 and the grandson of **Allen** '55 and **Connie Brungardt Dreiling** '53.

Wendy Hoffman '03 graduated from Kansas State University in December of 2006 with a degree in business administration majoring in Human Resource Management. She is employed as a human resource specialist for Meadowlark Hills Retirement Community in Manhattan. Wendy is the daughter of Dave '82 and Brenda Braun Hoffman '83 and the granddaughter of Fritz '56 and his wife Anita Braun and Ernie Hoffman '47.

Justin Gottwald '03 and Jennifer Robben '02 were married April 21, 2007 at St. Fidelis Catholic Church, Victoria. Justin graduated from Independence Community College with an associate's degree in science and from Salina Area Technical College with a certificate in auto body technology. He is employed by D & L Body Shop, Hays. Jennifer graduated from the North Central Kansas Technical College, Hays. She is employed by Hays Medical Center as an office assistant for Medical Specialists. Jennifer is the daughter of Mike Robben '74 and his wife, Sandy, and the great—granddaughter of Josephine Windholz Robben '24. Justin is the son of Dave and Cindy Gottwald. Mr. Gottwald was a former elementary and middle school teacher in Victoria.

## IN LOVING MEMORY

Ellen Crawford died August 28, 2006, at St. John's Nursing Home, Victoria. Survivors include two sons; **Ted Crawford '54** and **Lee Crawford '60**; one daughter, **Patsy Crawford Dreiling '56**; a sister; 14 grandchildren; 38 great-grandchildren; and one great grandchild.

Mary Frances Baier Klaus '45 died September 21, 2006, at Hays Medical Center. Survivors include her husband, Marvin, of the home; three sons; five daughters; one brother, Paul Baier '49; two sisters, Armella Baier Schippers '49 and Alice Baier Erickson '60; 22 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Herbert Rohleder '28 died September 28, 2006 at his home in Green Valley, Arizona. Survivors include a son, Richard; five daughters, LaVonne Rohleder Davidson '53, Vera Rohleder, Sylvia Rohleder Hovey, Theresa Rohleder Clasullo, and Rita Rohleder; three brothers, Richard '35, Albert '38, and Gilbert '42; a sister, Clara '45; and one grandchild.

Albert B. Schulte died October 1, 2006, in Imperial Beach, California. Survivors include two sons, Charlie and Albert; three daughters, Judy Bellinger, Kitty Lewins, and Dotty Gorham; a brother, Virgil '45; a sister, Bernice Rohleder Schulte '33; four grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Elaine Quint Sander '50 died October 9, 2006, at Trego County-Lemke Memorial Hospital, WaKeeney. Survivors include her husband, Wilfred '48; two sons, Aaron and Mark; five daughters, Ann Friesen, Gwen Cutsinger, Margaret Wedel, Carmelita Olson, and Maria Sander Dinkel '88; two brothers, Eugene '32 and Virgil '42; and two sisters, Viola Kuhn and Norma Jean Quint Fellers '52.

Gary VonLintel '54 died December 5, 2006, at his home in Mead, Colorado. Survivors include three sons, Ken, Kevin, and Kerry; three daughters, Kelly, Kathy, and Kris; former wife, Rita Rajewski Gibson 56; four brothers, Robert '53, Dennis '56, Regis '62, and Roger '62; a sister, Judy VonLintel Murphy '60; and 10 grandchildren.

Norman F. Schulte '58 died December 12, 2006, at his home in Hays. Survivors include his wife, Wanda; two daughters, Debbie and Brenda; two brothers, Gary '60 and Tom '70; and four grandchildren.

Alexia "Lex" Munk died December 19, 2006. Survivors include a son, **Leroy '55**; a daughter, **Mary Terese Munk Jones '60**; two sisters; nine grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Martha Schulte died January 2, 2007, at her home in Victoria. Survivors include two daughters, Mary Schulte '68 and Margaret Schulte '74.

Vera Stramel Braun '65 died January 12, 2007 at her home in Victoria. Survivors include her husband, Pete Braun Jr. '62; three sons, Jeff '85, Chris '86 and Craig '86; one daughter, Tamara Braun Haberkorn '90; three brothers, Julian '54, Robert '56, and Stan '69; a sister, Mary Ann Stramel Hagen '59; and six grandchildren.

William 'Bill' Jacobs died January 28, 2007. Survivors include three sons, Chesley '60, William '67, and Merle; one daughter, Jane Jacobs Silvia '55; a sister; and five grandchildren.

Donald E. Klaus '53 died February 11, 2007, at his home in Victoria. He is survived by four nephews and two nieces.

Norma J. Schmeidler died February 15, 2007. Survivors include her husband, Harold; three sons, **Glenn '72**, **Kevin '78**, and **Kelly '78**; two daughters, Myra Schmeidler Burns and **Wanda Schmeidler Tabor '70**; her father; a brother; 16 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Marvin Rome '47 died February 21, 2007. Survivors include a son, Stephen '71; three brothers, Emery, Elmer '43, and Bernie '57; and a sister, Edna Rome Stecklein '50.

**Tom Ingenthron** died February 9, 2007. Mr. Ingenthron taught industrial arts, general metals and drafting from 1956 to 1958. He retired from teaching in 1985. He is survived by his wife. Marcia, and their three sons.

Florence Gerstner died March 9, 2007. Survivors include two sons, **Robert '63** and **Richard '67**; a brother, John Arnold; two sisters, Helen Pfeifer, and **Juanita Arnold Hoffman '52**; two grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Bernie Hoffman '66 died March 10, 2007, at the KC Hospice House in Overland Park. Survivors include his wife, Lori; two sons and a daughter; his mother, Leona Hoffman; a brother, Tom '63; two sisters, Char Hoffman Goodnow '61 and JoAnn Hoffman '69.

Marcian J. (Rocky) Hammerschmidt died March 28, 2007, at Hays Medical Center. He is survived by a brother, Elwyn '59 and a sister Roseann '66.

Ray Schmidtberger '69 died April 1, 2007, at Hays Medical Center. He is survived by his special friend, Rose Dreiling Rifford 70; a brother, Randy '66; a sister, Mary Kay Schmidtberger Hirsch '73; and a friend Tina Braun Geist '58.

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