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HOMECOMING 2008

Friday, September 26
Saturday, September 27

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Hall of Fame Inductees 2008

HONORING

Class of '58
Class of '83
Class of '98

&

5-Year Increment Classes

**MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS BY
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2008**

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

----- **Friday, September 26, 2008** -----

9:00 a.m. 12th 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 & Walk thru Halls of VHS
7:00 p.m. Football Game – Knights vs Stockton
9:00 p.m. Social – VFW Hall

----- **Saturday, September 27, 2008** -----

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

HALL OF FAME 2008

FRANK WINDHOLZ ~ MARGE ROME ~ BERNADETTE ROTH YOUNGER

It is with great pleasure and an honor that I present to you the three following candidates named to the Victoria Alumni Hall of Fame for 2008. Those three members are Frank Windholz, Marge Rome, and Bernadette Roth Younger. I have been influenced by all three people, and each is linked to the other in some way. Marge and Det are classmates and good friends who are celebrating their 50-year reunion this year, and they both had Frank Windholz as their high school English teacher. I have worked with Marge and Det for years in various organizations, and I also had Frank Windholz for a speech and English teacher. I will never forget those infamous words from Mr. Windholz upon my return to visit VHS after my college education that allowed me to teach English. With a disbelieving and 'what's this world coming to' look, he uttered the words, "YOU'RE an English teacher"???

Rich Billinger

FRANK WINDHOLZ earned both a bachelor's and a master's degree from Fort Hays State University. He taught English, Latin, and Spanish, and was the librarian at St. Joseph's Military Academy in Hays. After that, he taught for four years in Arnhold, KS. It was in the spring of 1957, Frank Windholz accepted a job at Victoria High School as an English, Spanish, speech, and debate teacher. During the last few years of his career at VHS, Frank worked as the school's full-time librarian. After retiring at the age of 62, he worked full time on helping families and towns research their genealogies. Frank enjoyed fishing and playing cards, but his greatest passion was reading. His sincerity and knowledge of the subject matter he was teaching was always evident in the classroom. Frank passed away on November 23, 1997. He and his wife, Thecla, had five children: **Mary Lou '63, Aggie '66, Esther '68, Frank '70, and Charlie '71.**

MARGE ROME '58 received a bachelor's degree in 1962 and a master's degree in 1967, both in elementary education at Fort Hays State University. She taught in Hays for one-half year at Jefferson East Elementary School, which is now Holy Family Elementary School. She began teaching in Victoria in 1962 and remained there until her retirement in 2001. She taught first grade for thirty-two and one-half years and kindergarten for seven years. In that time she taught a total of 788 students. She has two sisters: **Rita Gross '47 and Mary Rome '65.** She also has a niece and two nephews who are VHS alums: **Janet Gross Trombley '73, Bob Gross '79, and Mike Gross '83.**

BERNADETTE ROTH YOUNGER '58 received a Bachelor of Music Education from Mount St. Scholastica College in Atchison, Kansas, and later an elementary endorsement from Fort Hays State University. Her twenty-three-year teaching career started in Chase, Kansas, where she was the vocal music instructor in both the elementary and high school. She then taught fourth grade at Jefferson East Elementary School in Hays. Later, she taught music and a combination third, fourth, and fifth grade classroom at Walker. When the Walker school district was closed, Det joined the Victoria school district where she taught first, second, fourth, and fifth grades. Det retired in 2003 and is in her seventh year of substitute teaching from preschool to 12th grade classes including PE, art, and music. Det and her husband, Tom, have five children: **Cathy '82, Amy '87, David '89, Blaine '98, and Beth '00.** They also have eight grandchildren, including VHS alumna, **Ashley Dreiling '03.**

Newsletter Response

In the April newsletter there was an article about an idea presented at a VHS alumni board meeting proposing that the newsletter, **The Next Page**, be sent to alumni members via email rather than physically printing and mailing two newsletters each year.

The main reason for this change was to save money since production and mailing cost kept creeping higher, but the alumni board wanted responses from other alumni members. Amazingly, all the responses received indicated this would be a great idea.

However, some of the responses did suggest that the newsletter would still have to be printed for those that do not have computer access, or for those that simply like to still read the newsletter. Either way, only paid members would receive the April newsletter.

This proposal is still under discussion by the board, and alumni members' input will be appreciated at the VHS Alumni Banquet. You may also send comments to info@victoriaalumni.com.

Homecoming 2008

Another homecoming weekend is fast approaching. September 26 and 27 are the dates set aside for VHS Alumni to come home to celebrate the good times. All are welcome especially those class years ending with a three or an eight. The 50-year honor class is the **Class of 1958**. The **Class of 1983** will be honored as the 25-year honor class and the **Class of 1998** 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 recognized. The 2008 Hall of Fame recipients will be honored at this time as well.

The weekend kicks off with the annual Victoria Alumni Golf Classic beginning with a shotgun start Friday at 9 o'clock at the Victoria Golf Course next to the high school. The entry fee for this event remains at \$25.00, which includes lunch and drinks for the participants. Your entry form is included on your homecoming reservation form found in this newsletter or on the VHS website at www.victoriaalumni.com. All proceeds from the tournament will benefit the alumni scholarship fund.

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, dinner, 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 for the third year to satisfy your dancing pleasure.

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, open bar, and dance Saturday evening. You hopefully received the enclosed envelope to return your dues and reservation form found at the back of this newsletter or printed from the website. Thank you to **Buddy Kuhn '85** and his company, Results Direct Marketing of Wichita, for supplying the association with the return envelopes.

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

ANNOUNCING THE 2008 ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Rachel Bunner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Bunner; **Jaelyn McLaren**, son of Randy and **Geralyn Ruder Graver '85**; **Jordan Karlin**, daughter of John and **Susan Robben Karlin '82**; and **Cade Scott**, son of Pat and Gia Scott; were selected by the Alumni Scholarship Committee to receive the 2008 Alumni Scholarships.

Each of these graduates received a \$500 scholarship to be awarded upon verification of payment 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 honors and awards. All applicants remain anonymous throughout the selection process and are identified by number only.

These scholarships continue to be funded by generous donations to the scholarship fund and the annual golf classic that takes place on Friday of homecoming weekend. Awarding of these scholarships is one of the main purposes of this alumni association.



Alumni Association Welcomes Victoria High School Class of 2008

Janae Brungardt is the daughter of **Chris '81** and Bertha Brungardt and the granddaughter of **Jim '55** and **Gladys Kippes Brungardt '58**. Janae plans to attend Fort Hays State University and pursue a career in child development.

Rachel Bunner is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Bunner. Rachel plans to attend the Universtiy of Kansas.

Ethan Cook is the son of Bill and Renee Cook. He will be pursuing a degree in business and economics and plans to attend Baker University where he will participate in cross country and track.

Jacob Dechant is the son of James and **Brenda Schumacher Dechant '78**. He will be attending Fort Hays State University and pursue a degree in accounting.

Cole Dreiling is the son of **Joe '84** and Brenda Dreiling and the grandson of **Norman '55** and JoAnn Dreiling. Cole plans to attend Hutchison Community College where he will participate in football and pursue a career in welding and auto body.

Austin Gagnon is the son of Dave and Lisa Gagnon and plans to attend Fort Hays State University and pursue a degree in math and computer science.

Carmen Garcia is the daughter of James and Colleen Paine. Carmen will be attending Fort Hays State University and pursuing a degree in physics.

Ross Hammerschmidt is the son of **Vernon '75** and Sharon Hammerschmidt. Ross plans to attend a Vo-tech and join the work force.

Jordan Karlin is the daughter of John and **Susan Robben Karlin '82**. Jordan plans to attend Fort Hays State University and is considering a career in architectural design or interior design and graphic arts.

Amber Klaus is the daughter of **Pete '82** and Karen Klaus and **Fred '79** and **LaDonna Brown Braun '87**. Amber plans to attend the International Culinary School at the Art Institute of Colorado to pursue a career in baking and pastry arts.

Taylor Lang is the son of **Daren '83** and **Dana Dreiling Lang '84** and the grandson of **Tom '59** and **Jeanette Kippes Dreiling '60**. Taylor will be attending Fort Hays State University and pursue a degree in business management.

Christine Leikam is the daughter of Robert and Trudy Leikam. Christine will attend Fort Hays State University and pursue a career in para-legal services.

Jaelyn McLaren is the son of Randy and **Geralyn Ruder Graver '85** and the late Joel McLaren, and the grandson of **Allen '62** and **Mary Kuhn Ruder '62**. Jaelyn will be attending Kansas State University to pursue a career in mechanical engineering while participating in the Air Force ROTC Program.

Eric Pfeifer is the son of **Tom '76** and Kathy Pfeifer and the grandson of **Al '50** and **Arlene Wellbrock Pfeifer '50**. Eric has joined the United States Air Force.

Steven Rohleder is the son of **Gerald '81** and **Karla Dinkel Rohleder '80** and the grandson of **Leland '58** and Marlene Dinkel. Steven plans to attend North Central Technical College and pursue a career in residential electricity.

Cade Scott is the son of Patrick and Gia Scott. Cade plans to attend Coffeyville Community College to pursue a career in teacher education and participate in the football program.

Alisha Smith is the daughter of Pamela Swanson and plans to attend Fort Hays State University and pursue a career in graphic design.

Parker Wilson is the son of **Norman '78** and **Pam Braun Scheck '80** and the grandson of **Fritz '56** and Anita Braun. Parker plans to attend North Central Technical College and pursue a career in residential electricity.

Cole Younger is the son of George and **Myra Younger Younger '78**. Cole plans to attend North Central Technical College and pursue a career in residential electricity.

USD #432 News

Retirements

Michael Kreller spent 23 years as principal at Victoria High School. He and his wife, Ruth, have two children, **Jennifer Kreller Leiker '97** and **Chris '98**. They have two grandchildren. Mr. Kreller was inducted into the Victoria High School Alumni Hall of Fame in 2007.

Nancy Piatt spent 25 years teaching language arts at Victoria Middle School. Nancy and her husband Bob have two sons, Christopher and Matthew.

Pat Scott spent 32 years teaching and coaching in the Victoria school system. Pat and his wife Gia have two children, **Amy Folkerts '02** and **Cade '08**.

Jerry Brungardt '62 spent 35 years as guidance counselor, coach and teacher at Victoria High School. Jerry and his wife Mary have a son, **Dale '86**; three daughters, **Michelle Brungardt '87**, **Shannon Brungardt Karst '90**, and **Jessica Brungardt Dale '94**. They have eight grandchildren.

Administrator

John Linn has been hired as the high school principal. He is no stranger to the school or the community. He has been teaching in the business department since the Fall of 2003 and has coached middle school football and high school basketball.

Teachers/Coaches

Stuart Moeckel will take over the business department at Victoria High School. He will also be head coach of high school boys' basketball, assistant coach of high school boys' football, and middle school athletic director. Stuart is the son of Doug Moeckel, who was a former teacher and coach and also a 2004 Alumni Hall of Fame inductee.

Torri Braun will be the guidance counselor at Victoria High School. She is the wife of **Dave Braun '89**.

Lance Sharp is the new math teacher at the high school and will be head middle school football coach and assistant high school track coach.

Stephanie Anglemeyer is the new band teacher for the elementary and high school. Victoria will be sharing her teaching day with the WaKenney school district.

Ashley Norton will be teaching 5th grade at Victoria Elementary and be the high school dance team coach.

Sara Saddler will be teaching 2nd grade at Victoria Elementary.

Randy Stanley will be the cross country coach.

Kim Nowak will be an assistant high school girls' basketball and middle school girls' basketball coach.

Shelly Huser will be middle school head girls' basketball coach and middle school quiz bowl coach.

Bruce Engel will be assistant middle school football coach.

Annie Ruder Dinkel '90 will be assistant high school girls' basketball coach.

Drew Steffen will be the assistant high school boys' basketball coach.

Class Notes

1930's

Class of 1938! Luella Leiker Dreiling, Albert Rohleder, and Alvin J. Schmidtberger. We are going to make a special effort to encourage you to return for Homecoming 2008 to honor you at your 70th class reunion. Your alumni association will be contacting you.

1940's

Class of 1943, hopefully you have marked September 26 and 27 on your calendar. It is time to celebrate your 65th reunion of your graduation from high school. It will be great to see all of you again. **Sr. Francis Rose '43** writes: "*Class of 1943, it's time for us to reminisce. How about getting together to celebrate our 65th Class Reunion, September 26 and 27, 2008 Homecoming. There are still 13 of us remaining of the original 29 classmates.*"

Class of 1948, we are looking forward to having you join us for Homecoming 2008. This will mark your 60th reunion. Wilfred Sander alerted us to the fact that you were not mentioned in the April newsletter. We apologize for this oversight. Our records show there are 19 of you that could possibly join us for homecoming. Make your travel plans now for September 26 and 27.

1950's

Class of 1953, it is time to celebrate your 55th class reunion. You always seem to have such a great turnout for your reunions. We are looking forward to seeing all of you in September.

Class of 1958!! Are you ready for an exciting weekend? You are going to be the honored 50-year class for Homecoming 2008. Some of you have responded to our first mailing. You will find the reservation form in this newsletter. Get it filled out and mailed today. We are hoping you and many of your classmates from grade school are making plans to join us September 26 and 27.

Bernadette Sander Arnhold '58 and her husband Gary celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a family gathering in Colorado. They have four children, ten grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. Gary and Bernadette were married June 14, 1958, at St. Fidelis Catholic Church, Victoria.

1960's

Class of 1963, it's number 45. Give some thought to coming home for all the hoop-la on September 26 and 27. We'd love to have you. Spread the word and mark the calendar.

Gary Dinkel '63 and his wife, Mary, celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary August 12, 2007. They have two children and four grandchildren. Gary and Mary were married Aug. 12, 1967, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Hays.

Roseann Kuhn '66 writes: "*On December 7, 2007, I retired after 30 years employment with the Women's International Bowling Congress and three years with the United States Bowling Congress, which was formed when the WIBC and the American Bowling Congress merged in 2004. For the WIBC I served in a number of positions, the last one as the Executive Director of that organization. With the United States Bowling Congress, I served as Vice President of Tournaments and Events. I was responsible for overseeing and conducting 13 national bowling tournaments, a \$15 million operation, which brought approximately 200,000 + competitors each year to participate in the various adult and youth national tournaments throughout the country. That was in addition to oversight of the USBC yearly convention. July 2008, I am moving from Milwaukee, Wisconsin to Hays, Kansas and plan to either do part-time work or travel to the USBC Women's Championships to work that tournament for four months each year.*"

Class of 1968, it is time to be part of Homecoming 2008 to celebrate your 40th class reunion. Please consider returning for this important occasion. Your presence will make the weekend perfect.

1970's

Agnes Dinkel Dreher '71 and her husband Dean are pleased to announce the ordination of their son, Daniel, into the Order of the Priest's of Jesus Christ of the Amarillo Diocese. Fr. Daniel was ordained June 7, 2008, and has been assigned as assistant pastor in Herford, Texas.

Class of 1973, we know who you are and are excited about getting you back home for your 35th reunion. The years pass by so quickly so why not take this opportunity to come back and get reacquainted with your classmates from VHS.

Leroy '74 and his wife, **LeeAnn Braun Schmidtberger '80**, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with an Alaskan Cruise. They have two sons, **Chad '06** and Colin, and a daughter, **Meagan Schmidtberger Wellbrock '02**. Leroy and LeeAnn were married June 3, 1983 at St. Fidelis Catholic Church.

Class of 1978, another reunion year is fast approaching. Number 30 to be exact. Hope you have your calendars marked for September 26 and 27.

Ken Billinger '79 is the coordinator of St. Dismas Prison Ministry. Their mission is to bring others closer to Jesus Christ and the Church through witness, discipleship, evangelization, and service to Catholic Christians and Christians alike. Their goal is to help individuals gain a better understanding of all aspects of the Church and to help those individuals grow in the Catholic faith. For more information on this ministry you can check awakencatholic.org.

1980's

Ivan Sanders '81 and his wife, **Sherry VonFeldt Sanders '83**, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary October 8, 2007. They have four sons and four grandchildren. Ivan and Sherry were married October 8, 1982, at St. Fidelis Catholic Church, Victoria. Sherry is the daughter of **Jerry '57** and **Harriett VonLintel VonFeldt '58**.

Class of 1983, Important Notice!! Your 25th class reunion will be celebrated September 26 and 27 of 2008. That is just a few short weeks away. You are our honored guests. Get your spokesperson ready to clue us in on the interesting facts about the Class of '83.

Kurt '86 and **Shanna Robben Dinkel '89** announce the birth of a daughter, Emma Elizabeth, born May 11, 2008, at Hays Medical Center. She has a brother Brady, 10, and a sister, Ally, 7. Her grandparents are **Otto '57** and **Carol Ann Rome Dinkel '59** and **Steve '67** and **Fran Miller Robben '67**. Shanna has also accepted a new position in the Hays district as Assistant Principal of Felten Middle School.

Richard Weber '87 and his wife, Sandra, announce the birth of a son, Bryson Albert, born November 14, 2007, at Hays Medical Center. He has two sisters, Anniston Ann, 9, and Madison Elizabeth, 5. His grandparents are **Richard '66** and his wife Diana Weber.

Class of 1988, it is time to be thinking about coming home for your 20th class reunion. We're sure all of you have some news to share with your classmates. Some of you have never been back for a reunion. We encourage you to get your class back for a fun weekend.

Darian Dinkel '89 and his wife, Tori, announce the birth of a son, Aiden, born May 29, 2008, at Hays Medical Center, Hays. Aiden's grandmother is **Rosie Braun Dinkel '60**.

Judy Braun Brummer '89 has taken a job with the Smoky Hill Education Service Center doing math and education consulting for schools and teachers within the Hays region. She will also be teaching intermediate algebra at Fort Hays State University.

1990's

Jerry Braun '91 received a master's degree in Instruction Technology from Fort Hays State University in December, 2007. He will be teaching math at Felten Middle School in Hays and will be the District Math Coach for the Hays district.

Class of 1993, be sure to mark the calendar for September 26 and 27. It was 15 years ago that you graduated from VHS. This is a perfect time for you to return and touch base with all of your classmates.

Alycia Pruitt Howard '93 and Dane Straight were married April 5, 2008, at Evangelical Covenant Church, Lindsborg. Alycia received her elementary education degree from Kansas State University. Dane graduated from Hays High School and is a 1997 graduate of Bethany College with a bachelor's degree in biology and chemistry. He is employed by Cowley County Community College as the assistant men's soccer coach and head women's soccer coach.

Jason Kippes '94 and Bridgett Blattner were married April 19, 2008, at St. Fidelis Catholic Church, Victoria. Jason received a business management degree from Kansas State University. He is president of Kippes Insurance Agency Inc. and a farmer. Bridgett is a 2004 graduate of South Gray High School and received a certified nurse's aide license from Dodge City Community College. She is employed at Hays Good Samaritan Center in the physical therapy department. Jason is the son of Ramona Kippes.

Christine Wellbrock Weber '95 graduated from Fort Hays State University with a master's in Special Education. Christine is the daughter of **Gene '56** and Joan Wellbrock.

Kent Schmeidler '95 and his wife, Carla, announce the birth of a daughter, Sienna Marie, born August 9, 2007, at Hays Medical Center. She has a sister, Shelby, 3 ½, and a brother, Eli, 2.

Jeff Ruder '96 and his wife, Summer, announce the birth of a daughter, Kinley Rose, born April 18, 2008, in Olathe. Her grandparents are **Allen '62** and **Mary Kuhn Ruder '62**.

Chris Sander '95 and his wife, Christie, announce the birth of a son, Wesley Stephen, born March 26, 2008, at Hays Medical Center. He has a sister, Lydia, 5. His grandparents are **Steve '68** and **Bonnie Schmidtberger Sander '71**.

Sue Ruder Murnane '95 and her husband, Jason, announce the birth of a son, Lincoln John, born July 3, 2008, in Lawrence, Kansas. His grandparents are **Allen '62** and **Mary Kuhn Ruder '62**.

Cindy North Zadina '97 and her husband, Christopher, announce the birth of a son, Chase Christopher, born March 17, 2008, at Hays Medical Center. He has a sister, Julia, 2.

Justin VonLintel '97 and his wife, Amanda, announce the birth of a son, Ethan Michael, born May 2, 2008.

Class of 1998, check out your personal website at www.myspace.com/258719383. You are the 10-year class and another of our honored classes. We've heard some plans are already in place.

Troy Weigel '99 and Denise Augustine were married August 18, 2007, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, Hays. Troy graduated from North Central Kansas Technical School, Beloit. He is employed at Fort Hays State University as a plumber. Denise is a graduate of Ellis High School and Fort Hays State University. She is a radiology/mammography technologist at Hays Medical Center.

Brandon Dinkel '99 and Lisa Janne were married October 20, 2007, at St. Fidelis Catholic Church, Victoria. His parents are **Wilmer Dinkel Jr. '73** and his wife, Darlinea.

Andra Rome Cunningham '99 and her husband, Preston, announce the birth of a daughter, Kate Elizabeth, born May 10, 2008. Her grandparents are **Mark '71** and **Mary Jo Schulte Rome '71**.

Jenny Kenne Kivett '99 graduated in May 2008 from the University of Kansas School of Architecture and Urban Planning with a Master's Degree in Architecture. Her thesis project was the 5.4.7 Arts Center in Greensburg, Kansas, designed and built by her and her classmates this spring to help the town recover from a tornado one year ago. Jenny says the building is open to the public and encourages anyone passing by to check it out. She currently works as the assistant director for Studio 804, a not-for-profit architecture practice in Lawrence. Jenny and her husband, Joel, live in Lawrence. She is the daughter of Linda and John Kenne. Linda is the superintendent of schools for USD #432.

2000's

Cole Dinkel '00 and his wife, Nikki, announce the birth of a daughter, Caidyn Lynn, born July 11, 2008, at Hays Medical Center. Cole has recently been named Victoria Chief of Police, replacing former Chief of Police, Don Pruitt, who retired after 33 years of service to the Victoria Community. Cole is the son of **Wilmer Dinkel Jr. '73** and his wife, Darlinea.

Leslie Ann Brown '02 and Byron James Goodspeed were married November 4, 2006, at Victoria VFW Hall. They are pleased to announce the birth of a son, LeRoy James, born July 30, 2007.

Sheena Billinger '02 and Jonathan Salinas were married September 22, 2007, at St. Fidelis Catholic Church, Victoria. Sheena graduated from North Central Kansas Technical College. She is a nurse at Hays Medical Center. Jonathan is a student at Fort Hays State University.

Troy Pfeifer '02 and **Wendy Hoffman '03** were married May 3, 2008, at St. Fidelis Catholic Church, Victoria. Troy graduated from Kansas State University and is employed at ESB Financial, Manhattan. Wendy graduated from Kansas State University and is employed at Meadowlark Hills Retirement Community, Manhattan. Troy is the son of **Ken '70** and **Diane Younger Pfeifer '73** and the grandson of **Jeanette Schumacher Younger '50**. Wendy is the daughter of **Dave '82** and **Brenda Braun Hoffman '83** and the granddaughter of **Fritz '56** and Anita Braun and **Ernest Hoffman '47**.

Seth Schulte '02 and Abby Kuhn were married June 7, 2008, at St. Fidelis Catholic Church, Victoria. Seth is employed at T & J Construction. Abby is a 2006 graduate of Thomas More Prep-Marian High School and is attending Fort Hays State University. She is employed at Glassman, Bird, Braun and Schwartz. Seth is the son of **Tom Schulte '70** and Vicki Shuttleworth.

Brett Karlin '02 and Hannah Grose were married July 19, 2008, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Baileyville. Brett graduated from Kansas State University with a bachelor's degree in business administration. He is employed at Midland Loan Services, Overland Park. Hannah is a 2002 graduate of Bern High School and a 2007 graduate of Kansas State University with a bachelor's degree in elementary education. She is employed in the De Soto school district and will be teaching fourth grade. Brett is the son of **Tony '74** and **Wanda Dreiling Karlin '76**, and the grandson of **Allen '55** and **Connie Brungardt Dreiling '53**.

Class of 2003, you have made it to the first milestone as members of the Victoria Alumni Association, that being the 5-year reunion class. We have been hearing that the Class of '03 will be back for homecoming in full force. Get your calendars marked for September 26 and 27.

Ken Wagner '03 and Denise Vosters were married December 28, 2007, at Church of the Ascension, Overland Park. Ken is a 2006 graduate of Pittsburg State University with a bachelor's degree in communication. He is employed as a debit services project coordinator for TIB. Denise is a 2007 graduate of Pittsburg State University with a bachelor's degree in communication. She is employed as director of marketing and communications for Communities in Schools of Greater Tarrant County, Fort Worth, Texas. Ken is the son of **Ron '65** and Jane Wagner.

Sara Rohleder '03 graduated from Fort Hays State University with a bachelor's degree in general studies. Sara is the daughter of **Gerald '80** and **Karla Dinkel Rohleder '81**, and the granddaughter of **Leland '58** and Marlene Dinkel.

John W. Schmidtberger '03 graduated from Fort Hays State University with a bachelor's degree in technology leadership. John is the son of **Wayne '76** and Marie Schmidtberger and the grandson of Bob and **Marie Bollig Schmidtberger '47**.

Ashley Dreiling '03 graduated from Colby Community College with an associate's degree in physical therapy. She is a 2007 graduate of Kansas State University with a degree in kinesiology. Ashley is employed at Village Shalom, an assisted living community in Overland Park, as a physical therapist assistant. Ashley is the daughter of **Randy '79** and Stefani Dreiling, and **Cathy Younger '82**, and the granddaughter of **Vernie '57** and Patty Dreiling, and Tom and **Det Roth Younger '58**.

Kim Knipp '04 and Christopher Feldt were married July 18, 2008, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, Hays. Kim graduated from Fort Hays State University with a bachelor's degree in psychology. She is employed at Seayle House, Hill City. Christopher is a 1999 graduate of Hays High School and a 2007 graduate of Fort Hays State University with a bachelor's degree in justice studies. Christopher is a police officer for the Hill City Police Department.

Josselyn McLaren '06 graduated from Hays Academy of Hair Design in October of 2007. She is currently employed by Hairware & Company in Hays. Josselyn is the daughter of Randall and **Gerilyn Ruder Graver '85** and the granddaughter of **Allen '62** and **Mary Kuhn Ruder '62**.

TROPHY CASE

Thanks to a very generous donation from the estate of **Robert J. Schamber '28** and added funds from the alumni association, a new trophy case has been added along side the original trophy case which now houses many of the trophies from the earlier years. Bob Schamber was born and raised in Victoria and received his elementary and high school education from the Victoria schools. He was a successful business man in Hays and wanted to leave something to the high school in appreciation for the education he received. Be sure to take notice when you return for homecoming weekend.

In Loving Memory



Clarence 'Pete' Wellbrock died March 17, 2008, at Abilene Memorial Hospital, Abilene. Survivors include his wife, **Leona Kuhn Wellbrock '43**; three sons, **Stan '63**, Neil, and Rick; two sisters, Viola Repshire and Mildred Wellbrock; seven grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Albert R. 'Al' Hoffman died April 4, 2008, at Wesley Medical Center, Wichita. Survivors include his wife, **Almeda Brungardt Hoffman '43**; one son, **Don '70**; a sister, **Philomena Hoffman Buckingham '41**; three grandchildren; and one great-grandson.

Brother Eugene Pellegrino OFM Cap. died May 2, 2008. Some of you remember Brother Eugene as a CYO and CCD instructor here in Victoria. He was also responsible for directing the annual CYO Talent Shows.

Alvin R. Sander died May 8, 2008, at St. John's Health Care Center, Victoria. Survivors include his wife, Ventura; one son, **Dywane '61**; two daughters, **Jeanette 'Speedy' Sander '57** and **Lois Sander '64**; two granddaughters; and a great-granddaughter.

Sister Leonissa Karlin CSA died May 18, 2008, at Nazareth Center, Fond du Lac, WS. Survivors include three brothers, John, **Tom '56**, and **Pete '58**; and two sisters, Sister Mary Martha CSA and Betty Pfeifer.

Elizabeth M. 'Betty' Schmidtberger died May 21, 2008, at her home in Victoria. Survivors include six sons, **Raphael '70**, **Stephen '73**, **John '76**, Tobias, Mark, and Gregory; five daughters, **Anna Schmidtberger Graber '63**, **Margaret Schmidtberger Tappan '66**, **Therese Schmidtberger Suelter '68**, **Agnes Schmidtberger Sander '69**, and **Mary Schmidtberger Naillieux '72**; her mother, Emma Hamel; a sister, Norma Bicker; 37 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

Jack Carraher, died May 7, 2008. He is survived by his wife, **Rosemary Sander Carraher '58**.

Richard Rohleder '35 died June 2, 2008, at his home in Victoria. Survivors include two brothers, **Albert '38**, and **Gilbert '42**, and a sister, **Clara '45**.

Ventura R. Sander died June 2, 2008, at Hays Medical Center. Survivors include one son, **Dywane '61**; two daughters, **Jeanette "Speedy" Sander '57** and **Lois Sander '64**; two granddaughters; and a great-granddaughter.

Wilma Wellbrock Hoffman '50 died June 5, 2008. Survivors include her husband, Steve; one son, Glen; three daughters, Linda Garner, Marcy Watson, and Karen Brown; two brothers, **Bill '64** and **Wayne '67**; three sisters, **Shirley Wellbrock Augustine '61**, **Lucy Wellbrock Boucher '64**, and **Sunell Wellbrock Koerner '73**; 13 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Mary Catherine Rajewski Nowak '48 died June 9, 2008, at her home in Edmond. Survivors include her husband, Donald; four sons, Lynn, Duane, Dennis, and Phil; and one daughter, Ruth Phelps; two brothers, Gilbert Rajewski and **James Rajewski '42**; two sisters, **Doris Rajewski Welbrock '46** and **Rita Rajewski Gibson '56**; 10 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Alma Robben Dreiling '44 died June 11, 2008 at St. John's of Hays Health Care Center. Survivors include one son, Tom; four daughters, **Marilyn Dreiling Clemente '69**, **Eileen Dreiling '71**, Ruth Dreiling Dellett, and **Gloria Dreiling Lambert '78**; 11 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Rita Schulte Walters '45 died June 17, 2008, at her home. Survivors include two sons, Leon and Jim; four daughters, Patty Walters Gomez, Mary Walters, Linda Walters Erb, and Geri Walters Deck; two sisters, Millie Berens and **Alice Schulte Schmidt '47**; eight grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Lelyn J. Braun '49 died June 21, 2008, at Hays Medical Center. Survivors include two sons, Glenn and Lelyn Jr.; one sister, **June Braun Clark '58**; and five grandchildren.

Velma Dome Jacobs '48 died June 30, 2008. Survivors include her husband, Marcellinus "Coxy"; three sons; five daughters; one brother, **Bill Dome '62**; and two sisters, **Virgiline Dome Tanga '58** and **Verda Dome Graf '60**.

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