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Thanks to those of you who expressed your opinion about whether or not to put the newsletter on-line. Due to your response and the pros and cons of this proposal, the Alumni Board has decided to continue printing and mailing the two issues of the newsletter instead of putting it online.

The newsletter is getting more expensive to print and mail with each passing year so it is more important than ever to remember to **pay your yearly dues**.

We would like to share the status of our members:

As of April 2009:

Current Membership.....	475
Lapsed membership	772
Honorary membership	407
Never Paid	541

Thank you to the 475 of you who keep this association going. Lapsed memberships are those who have paid a time or two, usually in a reunion year, and then disregard it until reunion time rolls around again. There are 544 alumni who receive the newsletter once a year but have never paid dues or contributed in any way toward the association. We won't give up on them, however, because each year we do take in a few, first time, paid members. Many of you who are now honorary members were faithful in paying your dues and now you send a donation to support the association. These funds are so important and we thank you for your generosity.

Everyone enjoys receiving the newsletter and we will put forth every effort to keep it coming to you. We cannot do it without your help.



Alumni Association - HALL OF FAME

Those of you who have witnessed the awarding of the plaques to the Hall of Fame recipients at our annual alumni banquet realize what a prestigious award this is and how much the honoree appreciates this distinction. Hopefully, you will begin thinking about a teacher or other school personnel that you think truly deserve this award.

Based on your letters of nomination, the board chooses three individuals to be inducted into the Victoria Alumni Association Hall of Fame.

We are now accepting your letters of nomination for that deserving teacher, coach, secretary, cook, custodian, principal, or superintendent. This includes anyone from the elementary school as well as the high school. Your letter should state your reasons for the nomination and should reach the Alumni Board **by June 1, 2009**.

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

Homecoming 2008

Victoria High School Alumni from across the country gathered here in Victoria the last weekend of September for the annual homecoming festivities. Activities began Friday morning, September 26th, with the Alumni Scholarship Golf Tournament and ended with the banquet and dance at the Fanchon Ballroom Saturday evening, September 27th. It was another fun-filled weekend that sent all who attended back home with wonderful memories of days gone by and renewed friendships.

Those gathering for the golf tournament enjoyed the outing and found the competition to be quite satisfying. The proceeds of the tournament are vital to our scholarship fund.

The Fanchon Ballroom looked especially beautiful with the addition of round tables which seemed to allow more room for moving about and visiting. The floating candle centerpieces added that special ambiance. All tables had designated seating marked by the respective name tags.

Honor classes were placed front-and-center for special recognition. The **Class of 1958** was the 50-year honor class. They were well represented and all had a great time. The **Class of 1983** was out in full force and was recognized as the 25-year honor class and, last but definitely not least, was the **Class of 1998** who was honored as the 10-year class. This was the best participation we have had for a 10-year honor class. They had a record number attending. These three classes were given the privilege of sharing treasured memories and current news about their respective class during the program following the banquet. All five-year increment classes were introduced.

The family of Frank Windholz was present to accept their father's induction into the 2008 Hall of Fame. Our alumni president, Marge Rome, and alumni secretary, Det Younger, were honored for their years of teaching and accepted their induction into the hall of fame with great humility and appreciation.

"Let's Make A Deal", the audience participation game hosted by our own Rich Billinger, was a huge success again this year and brought in more funds for the scholarship fund. An added feature was the awarding of various prizes given throughout the evening to those attending the banquet and dance. Prizes were donated by a number of sponsors who were contacted by some of the board of directors.

The "Country Dutchmen," a popular band in the area, were back again and kept the dance floor hopping with familiar tunes from the past and present.

Class Notes



1940's

Class of 1944, your 65th class reunion is fast approaching. We certainly hope you will be able to join us for our annual homecoming festivities on October 9th and 10th.

Howard '46 and his wife **Aquina Leiker Rajewski '46**, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary August 24, 2008, with a Mass at St. Boniface Catholic Church, Vincent, followed by a barbecue hosted by their children at their home. Howard and Aquina have three sons, **Richard '69**, **Neal '71**, and **Roger '80**; four daughters, **Susan Rajewski Kisner '74**, **Rosann Rajewski Schippers '75**, **Joann Rajewski Wheeler '78**, and **Leann Rajewski Fortino '95**; 15 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Howard and Aquina were married August 25, 1948, at St. Fidelis Catholic Church, Victoria.

Class of 1949, we want you to begin planning for your 60th class reunion. In checking our files we see a great group of alumni who we think would certainly enjoy a weekend renewing old friendships. The homecoming date has been set for October 9th and 10th.

1950's

Class of 1954, it is your turn to be honored as the 55-year graduating class of Victoria Rural High School. Homecoming 2009 will take place on the weekend of October 9th and 10th of this year. The way time flies, it will be here before you know it. Mark your calendar and begin calling classmates. Check the website, www.victoriaalumni.com, for addresses and phone numbers.

Les Knoll '54 was inducted into Mesa Community College Sports Hall of Fame. He was honored for his 19 years as Student Financial Aid Director and Administrator. In this position he was responsible for helping many student athletes receive financial assistance through the federal student aid programs.

Marvin Bellendir '55 and his wife, Katie, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary August 31, 2008, with a Mass at St. Fidelis Church and a family dinner followed at the VFW Hall in Victoria. They have a daughter, **Debbie Bellendir Zachman '81**. They have three grandsons. Marvin and Katie were married September 27, 1958, at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Gorham.

Chuck Kuhn '55 sends his wishes and God's blessings to all of you from his home in Broomfield, Colorado. Chuck thanks all who are involved in the various stages of the Alumni Association. He says, "I really look forward to the newsletter each year."

Rita Rajewski Gibson '56 and her husband, Don, are happy to announce the birth of their 11th grandchild. Their most recent addition is a granddaughter born to Kerry Scott and Kathleen VonLintel on July 24, 2008.

Class of 1958, your Alumni Association would like to thank you for returning for your 50th class reunion. How wonderful to see all of you after so many years. What a good looking group you are. To those of you who couldn't make it for some reason or another, know that you were definitely missed and you were all remembered as many of the photos, scrapbooks, and yearbooks were passed among the group.

Clarita Dreiling Schumacher '58 and her husband, Arlyn, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on September 13, 2008, with their family. They have a daughter **Michelle Schumacher Unrein '81**; four grandchildren, **Audrey Unrein Lewis '01**, **Cory Unrein '03**, **Amber Unrein '07**, and Courtney Unrein; and one great-grandson. They were married September 13, 1958, at St. Fidelis Catholic Church, Victoria.

Norma Kuhn Wellbrock '58 and her husband, **Don Wellbrock '55**, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary November 8th, 2008. They were married at St. Fidelis Catholic Church, Victoria. They have two sons, one daughter, and five grandchildren.

Class of 1959!! Are you ready for this? You are going to be the **honored 50-year class** for Homecoming 2009. Many of you updated your dues this past homecoming and we thank you for that. The dates have been set for October 9th and 10th and the Alumni Board is busy planning all the festivities for the weekend. It is not too early to be planning your float for the parade and any other special events you might have in mind. If we can help you with a class list just let us know.

Elwyn Hammerschmidt '59 retired October 31, 2007, as a truck driver after 41 years. Elwyn lives in Hoisington, Kansas.

1960's

Mary Lou Windholz Clark '63 retired from teaching in 2006. She and her husband, Norman, have 11 grandchildren.

Class of 1964, it's time for a class reunion and it's number 45. Can you believe that? Begin planning now to come home for the weekend of October 9th and 10th. We'd love to have you spread the word and mark your calendar.

Lloyd '63 and Cheryl Schmidtberger Hammerschmidt '64 are the proud grandparents of two grandchildren: Bailey Ann, born to parents Dane and Katie Hammerschmidt of Lawrence, and Chase Isaac Hammerschmidt, born to parents Shane and Jacinda Hammerschmidt of Lee Summit, MO.

Eileen Kippes Wilcox '64 is working as a real estate broker with Cherry Creek Properties. Eileen lives in Centennial, Colorado.

Jerry Dinkel '66 and his wife, **Lois Kuhn Dinkel '66**, celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary in September of 2008. They have three daughters: Rachel, Malia, and Ann, and four grandchildren. Jerry and Lois were high school sweethearts.

Mary Ann Schmidtberger '67 and Morris G. Troxell were married July 19, 2008, at the Inn & Suites Horizon Room in Fort Worth, Texas. Mary Ann is the daughter of the late Ike and Albertina Schmidtberger.

Marilyn Brungardt Braun '68 retired from the Kansas Department of Social & Rehabilitation Services in March of 2008 after 30 years of service. She is now busy helping her husband, **Sam '67**, on the farm.

Class of 1969, hopefully you will want to be part of Homecoming 2009 to celebrate your 40th class reunion. Those years just keep flying by. Come join your Alumni Association for a fantastic weekend.

Michael Marcotte '69 and his wife, Holly, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary in October of 2008. They have five children ranging in age from 11 to 24 years. Michael and Holly Dinkel were married in St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Madras, Oregon.

1970's

Frank Younger '70 and his wife, Joleene, celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary on March 3, 2008.

Bryan VonFeldt '73 and his wife, Nancy, write that their daughter, Sarah, completed her masters degree in adult education and was promoted to the county agent in charge of the Tarrant County Texas Extension Service in Ft. Worth, Texas.

Class of 1974, it's class reunion time. Number 35 to be exact. Mark your calendars for October 9th and 10th of 2009 and plan on a fun weekend renewing old friendships.

Tim Pfeifer '76 and his wife, Karen, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with a Caribbean Cruise to St. Thomas and St. Marten Island. They were married July 23, 1983, at St. Fidelis Catholic Church, Victoria. They have two children.

Bill Billinger '77 and his wife, Cindy, owners and operators of Signs & Designs have built a new facility and celebrated 30 years in business.

Mark A. Dreiling '78 is currently enrolled in night classes at Hutchinson Junior College in residential heating and air conditioning. His daughter, Alisha, and oldest son, Joshua, both graduated from Trinity Catholic High School in Hutchinson. He has a three year-old grandson, Kaleb.

Class of 1979, it's reunion time. Hope to see you back in the area to celebrate your 30th class reunion. Get the ball rolling for a great time. October 9th and 10th are the dates scheduled for this event.

Jane F. Baier Schumacher '79 and her husband, Brian, informed us that their son, Dustin Thomas married Becky Maria Hendricks on May 10, 2008 in St Fidelis Catholic Church, Victoria. Dustin is the grandson of **Paul '49** and **Lucy Schippers Baier '54**.

1980's

Lt. Col. Roger J. Linder, husband of **Connie Robben Linder '80**, retired August 20, 2008, from the army after 23 years of service. They have three sons: Jerad, who is a second lieutenant at Ft. Benning, Georgia; Dustin, a student at Fort Hays State University; and Samuel, a fifth grade student in Leavenworth. Roger is a son-in-law of **Doris Braun Robben '55**.

Kona Austin Errebo '81 and her husband, Gregg, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on May 27, 2008, with a trip to San Francisco. They were married on May 27, 1983, at St. Fidelis Catholic Church, Victoria.

Frank Scheck '81 has been promoted to Assistant Vice President of Counseling Operations for Consumer Credit Counseling Services. He has been managing the Kansas City division for the past few years and recently took on the additional responsibilities of overseeing the Seattle and Nashville divisions. Frank is the son of **Marlene "Toots" Dinkel Scheck '57**.

Tim Pfeifer '82 was recently promoted to Colonel in the United States Air Force. The new rank took effect on March 1, 2009. Tim and his wife Karen, daughter Allison, 15, and son Lucas, 7, currently reside in the panhandle of Florida where Tim is assigned to Eglin Air Force Base. Tim received word that he will be relocating in the summer of 2009 with an assignment to the Pentagon in the Washington DC area. He is the son of **Al '50** and **Arlene Wellbrock Pfeifer '50**.

Class of 1984, this is one of the big ones. Reunions, that is. You are the **honored 25 year class**. Begin getting classmates contacted and marking the calendar for October 9th and 10th. You will have a spot on the program to sing all the praises of the Class of '84.

Jeff Roth '88 and his wife Rachel were married February 27, 2007. They have three children, Christopher, Jacob and Allison.

Bernie Schulte '88 was named the first head baseball coach in Ellsworth in the spring of 2008. Bernie is the son of **Cora Braun Schulte '55**.

Class of 1989, it is time to be thinking about coming home for your 20th class reunion. We always have a great turnout for the 20-year class. Don't let your fellow classmates and Alumni Board down. Let us know if we can get you a class list. Be sure to check www.victoriaalumni.com for the names and addresses of many of your classmates.

1990's

Tami Braun Haberkorn '90 and her husband, C.J., announce the birth of twins, Lauren Kathleen and Slade Joseph, born December 9, 2008. Lauren and Slade's grandfather is **Pete Braun Jr. '62**.

Jerry Braun '91 was a recipient of the 2008 M. Claradine Johnson Excellence in Education Award. He was one of just two people who received the award at the KNCA fall conference in Wichita. The award is given annually by the KNCA to nominees who portray qualities for which it is named – excellence in education. Jerry is the son of **John Braun '49** and his wife Josie.

Kathy Kippes Ricke '92 and her husband, Mike, announce the birth of a daughter, Sierra Kathleen, born November 17, 2008. She has a sister, Madison, 7 and a brother Bryant, 4. Kathy and her family live in Corpus Christi, Texas. Sierra's grandmother is Ramona Kippes.

Mark VonFeldt '93 and his wife, Amy, announce the birth of a son, Mason John, born April 5, 2008, at Mercy Hospital, Manhattan. **John VonFeldt '69** and his wife **Lita Dome VonFeldt '71** are Mason's grandparents.

Scott Dreiling '93 and his wife, Jennifer, announce the birth of a daughter, Grace Ruth, born November 13, 2008. Grace's grandparents are **Tom Dreiling '59** and **Jeanette Kippes Dreiling '60**.

Class of 1994, be sure to mark the calendar for October 9th and 10th. 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.

Kami Wellbrock Weber '94 completed the National Registry for Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT) in November of 2008. She is now a certified EMT and has joined the Victoria Fire Department.

Bobbie Brown Phlieger '95 and her husband, James, announce the birth of a son, Corbin Riley, born December 17, 2007, at Hays Medical Center. His grandparents are Robert and **Lucy Dinkel Brown '65**.

Chad Dague '95 and his wife, Tracy, announce the birth of a son, Brandon Connor, born January 12, 2009, at Hays Medical Center. He has a brother, Ethan, 21 months.

Eric Pfeifer '96 recently signed an exclusive agreement with Sony Pictures Television to develop and distribute Sony games for BlackBerry, Windows Mobile and Palm mobile devices. Available in the fall of 2008, you can find Wheel of Fortune Deluxe, JEOPARDY Deluxe, Wheel of Fortune Road Trip, Rock & Roll JEOPARDY! Q*bert and Quantum of Solace (Bond 22) at www.handmark.com or www.pocketexpress.com. Eric works for Handmark Inc., in Kansas City. Eric is married to **Jennifer Lapka Pfeifer '99** and is the son of **Ken '70** and **Diane Younger Pfeifer '73** and the grandson of **Jeannette Schumacher Younger '50**.

Jason Robben '96 and Nicole Renee Watts were married November 22, 2008, at St. Fidelis Catholic Church, Victoria. Jason graduated from Fort Hays State University in 2000 with a bachelor's degree in agriculture. He is employed at United Ag Service as its Victoria branch manager. Nicole is a 1998 graduate of Hays High School and attended Fort Hays State University and North Central Kansas Technical College. She is a medical assistant at Ear, Nose and Throat of Western Kansas, Hays. Jason has a daughter, Haley, and he is the son of **Norman '72** and Linda Robben.

Dustin Urban '96 earned a bachelor's degree in biology from Kansas State University in 2002. Dustin will complete his residency in emergency medicine at Temple University Hospital in Philadelphia. He is the son of **Darrel '69** and Susan Urban and Charles and **Dianne Schmidtberger Carter '73**.

Terry Dinkel '97 and his wife, Naomi, announce the birth of a daughter, Leah Hope, born December 17, 2008, at Hays Medical Center. Leah's grandparents are **Bob '73** and **Connie Berens Dinkel '74**.

James Seitz '98 and his wife, Elizabeth, announce the birth of a son, Jack, born November 8, 2007. Jack's grandparents are Steve and **Deb Braun Seitz '72**.

Joseph Schumacher '98 and Danielle Dinkel were married November 8, 2008, at St. Francis Assisi Catholic Church, Munjor. Joe is owner and operator of Predator Pipe Testing and a sixth-generation Kansas farmer. Danielle is a student at Fort Hays State University, pursuing a degree in elementary education.

Class of 1999, begin making plans for your 10-year reunion from Victoria High School. You are our youngest honor class and the future of Victoria Alumni Association. We hope to see many of you for homecoming festivities on October 9th and 10th. Help make it the best homecoming ever.

2000's

Jeremy Geihlsler '01 and his wife, **Kristi Hoffman Geihlsler '01** announce the birth of a daughter, Elle Victoria, born March 11, 2008. Elle has a brother, Peyton, 5. Kristi has completed her masters degree in social welfare from the University of Missouri, Kansas City.

Michael Kelley '01 and **Alicia Denning '02** were married February 21, 2009, at St. Fidelis Catholic Church, Victoria. Michael graduated from North Central Kansas Technical College and is an electrician for Glassman Corporation, Hays. Alicia graduated from Fort Hays State University with a degree in elementary education. She is employed at Hays USD 489 and Dillons. Michael is the son of **Darrell '74** and Alice Rohr. Alicia is the daughter of Dennis and **Betty Weigel Denning '65**.

Ken Wagner '03 and Michelle 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. Michelle 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.

Justin Gottwald '03 and his wife, **Jennifer Robben Gottwald '03**, announce the birth of a son, Treydon Allen, born June 26, 2008, at Hays Medical Center. Grandparents are Dave and Cindy Gottwald and **Mike Robben '74** and his wife, Sandy, and great-great grandmother **Josephine Windholz Robben '24**.

Autumn Romine '03 and Travis Maley were married March 14, 2009, at First Methodist Church, Hays. Autumn graduated from North Central Kansas Technical College and is an office assistant at Neurology Center, Hays. Travis graduated from Quinter High School and attended North Central Kansas Technical College and is now employed at Perf Tech Wireline Services, Hays.

Class of 2004, 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 '04 will be back for homecoming in full force. Get your calendars marked for October 9th and 10th.

Trisha Marie Schmidtberger '04 and Derrick Lee Stephens were married September 20, 2008, at St. Fidelis Catholic Church, Victoria. Trisha is a student at Wichita Area Technical College pursuing a career in nursing. Derrick is a 2001 graduate of Hays High School and a 2005 graduate of Fort Hays State University with a bachelor's degree in business. He is employed at Sherwin Williams, Wichita.

Jeremy Lapka '05 and **Anne Norgaard '05** were married July 26, 2008, at Johnson County Courthouse. Jeremy is a 2008 graduate of the Kansas City Area Technical School of Construction. Anne is a 2007 graduate of Kolding Gymnasium, Denmark, and is attending the University of Kansas to pursue her master's degree in architecture.

In Loving Memory

Lorraine Dreiling Bird '41 died July 20, 2008, in Columbus, Ohio. Survivors include three sons; five brothers, **Marvin '44**, **Fritz '49**, **Charles '51**, **Tom '59**, and **Jim '63**; three sisters, **Lucy Dreiling Roth '46**, **Ruth Dreiling Stephens '55**, and **Theresa Dreiling Ellis '57**; and five grandchildren.

August Gerhardt died July 28, 2008, at his home. Survivors include three sons, **Paul '66**, **Andy '71**, and **Frank '79**; two daughters, **Mary Gerhardt Ruder '69** and **Theresa Gerhardt Hodnett '76**; two brothers, Anton and Herman; three sisters, **Annie Gerhardt Robertson '46**, Katie Gerhardt Rohr, and Elizabeth Gerhardt Younger; 10 grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

Vernon J. Bellendir '49 died August 11, 2008, at Via Christi St. Francis Regional Medical Center, Wichita. Survivors include his wife, **Elvira Basgall Bellendir '50**; one son and two daughters; one brother, **Marvin '55**; three sisters, **Rita Bellendir Scheck '46**, **Bernadette Bellendir Baier '51**, and Miriam Bellendir Wasinger; and six grandchildren.

Gary Paul Dinkel '63 died August 25, 2008, at his home. Survivors include his wife, Mary; two daughters; a sister, **Phyllis Dinkel Stramel '56**; and four grandchildren.

Killian V. "Whitey" Dreiling died September 5, 2008, at his home. Survivors include a son, **Charles '56**; two daughters, Carol Dreiling Richmeier and Mary Ann Dreiling; 12 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Gilbert Rohleder '42 died September 18, 2008, at his home. Survivors include a brother, **Albert '38**, and a sister, **Clara Rohleder '45**.

Scholastica M. Leiker died September 21, 2008, at St. John's Health Care Center, Victoria. Survivors include three sons, **Dennis '58**, **Jerome '62**, and **Wilbert '64**; two daughters, **Lilyota Leiker Brungardt '56** and **Nancy Leiker-McCoy '60**; one sister; nine grandchildren; six step-grandchildren; and 13 step-great-grandchildren.

John F. Schippers '48 died November 14, 2008, at Good Samaritan Center, Hays. Survivors include his wife, **Armella Baier Schippers '49**; three sons, **Thomas '73, Daniel '74, and John F. Jr. '75**; one daughter, **Catherine Schippers Spikes '72**; four brothers, **George '46, Lawrence '49, Paul '55, and Norman '61**; four sisters, Sr Mary Ann Schippers CSA, **Lucy Schippers Baier '54, Estelle Schippers Kuhn '56, and Lillian Schippers Leiker '58**; 11 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Celeste Sanders Schmidtberger '42 died November 19, 2008, at her home. Survivors include her husband, **Alvin Schmidtberger '38**; one son, Tim; a brother, **Robert Sanders '44**; one sister, Lauraine Drazic; three grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

James "Jake" Durall died November 23, 2008, at his home. Survivors include his wife, **Frances "Fritz" VonLintel Durall '59**; two sons; two brothers; and a grandson.

Robert A. Harkness died November 28, 2008, at Hays Medical Center. Survivors include his wife, **Catherine Dreiling Harkness '46**; three sons; one daughter; two sisters, a brother; and two grandchildren.

Catherine "Aggie" Goetz died November 28, 2008, at Hays Medical Center. Survivors include three sons, **Galen '73, Keith '75, and Brian '77**; four brothers; one sister; and three grandchildren.

Edmund Meis died November 29, 2008, at his home. Survivors include one daughter, Sister Ronald (Imelda) Meis, CSA; four sons, **Ernest E. '56, Paul J. '60, Harold, and John**; three sisters; 13 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

Cyrilla M. Dinkel died December 9, 2008, at Hays Medical Center. Survivors include two sons, **Gerald "Jerry" '66 and Charles "Chuck" '74**; three daughters, **Dianne Dinkel Porter '64, Jeanette Dinkel Goetz '69, and Marilyn Dinkel '78**; two brothers; five sisters; seven grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

LaVern R. Dreiling died December 13, 2008, at Hays Medical Center. Survivors include his wife, **Patsy Crawford Dreiling '56**; 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 three great-grandchildren.

Luella M. Leiker Dreiling '38 died December 19, 2008, at Hays Medical Center. Survivors include one son, Leslie; one daughter, Lorelle; three brothers, Robert Leiker, **Neon Leiker '54, and Laurian Leiker '55**; five sisters, **Armella Leiker Wasinger-Thompson '41, Mary Aquina Leiker Rajewski '46, Theresa Leiker Haselhorst '47, Mary Ellen Leiker Schmidtberger '52, and Ethel Leiker Gatschet '57**; three grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

Verlin R. Linenberger died December 28, 2008. Survivors include his wife, JoAnn; two sons; three daughters; two brothers, John and Leo; three sisters, Doris Pfeifer, Virginita Linenberger, and **Bonita Linenberger Schulte '61**; and 11 grandchildren.

Devon F. Knoll '57 died January 3, 2008, at his home. Survivors include his wife, Jan; a son, Christopher; a daughter, Kelley; five brothers, **Wayne '51, Omer Knoll '52, Lester '54, Carroll '55, and Larry '65**; two sisters, **Iris Knoll '60 and Jane Knoll Tenney '63**; and two grandchildren.

Anthony Lang '44 died January 21, 2009, at Good Samaritan Hospital, Kearney, Nebraska. Survivors include his wife, Eleanor; a son; one daughter; a brother, **Joseph '42**; a sister, **Theresa Lang Dreiling '48**; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

William "Bill" Wellbrock '64 died January 24, 2009, at Hays Medical Center. Survivors include his wife, Joyce; a brother, **Wayne '67**; three sisters, **Shirley Wellbrock Augustine '61, Lucy Wellbrock Boucher '64, and Sunell Wellbrock Koerner '73**; and 17 nephews and nieces, including his special nephew, **Scott Wellbrock '99**.

Jeremiah "Jerry" Fellers died February 3, 2009, at Hays Medical Center. Survivors include his wife, **Norma Jean Quint Fellers '52**; one son; three daughters; seven grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Margaret Mary "Maude" Hart died February 6, 2009, at St. John's Rest Home, Victoria. Survivors include two sons, **Jim '75 and Don '76**; two daughters, **Trece Hart '77 and Mary Hart-Detrixhe '79**; four brothers; one sister; six grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

LeRoy J. Heronema died February 19, 2009, at St. John's, Hays. Survivors include his wife, **Darlene Dreiling Heronema '59**; one son; two daughters; five grandchildren; a step-granddaughter; and two step-great-granddaughters.

Donald J. Dinkel '66 died February 19, 2009, at Hospice of St. John's Lakewood, Colorado. Survivors include one son and two daughters; his father, Alvin F. Dinkel; eight brothers, **Darrell '64, Allen '68, Ron '71, Terry '73, Ruben '75, Jeff '79, and Pat '81**; a sister **Dorothy Dinkel Robertson '70**; and two grandchildren.



ATTENTION: 1959 FOOTBALL TEAM MEMBERS

If you are interested in having a 50-year reunion of Victoria High School's first undefeated football season, please contact Jim VonFeldt at 785-735-9559 or email cvonfeldt@ruraltel.net.

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