



ROUGH RIDER

Recall

Spring 2005

From the President

Come Visit Your Alma Mater – *Great Things are Happening!*

It has been my pleasure to serve as president of the alumni foundation this year. I have enjoyed being involved with the Roosevelt Alumni Foundation and the opportunities it has given me to visit with alumni. I'm reminded regularly that the high school memories each of us hold are an important element of the Roosevelt experience.

Although Roosevelt High School has changed in many ways over the years some things remain the same. A dedicated staff

at Roosevelt continues to mentor students, encouraging them to think, write, communicate and learn. First year students struggle with finding classes and each spring another senior class prepares to graduate. The building itself remains a beautiful historic place that needs to be updated and renovated in order to provide a safe and progressive environment.

Innova Campaign Solutions has been selected to conduct a feasibility study that will assist us as we move ahead with the renovation plans. Please look for the photos that are included in this issue to help explain what plans are for the future. A big thank you goes to architects Mike Kastner and Doug Wells for graciously providing the renovation drawings. Construction is slated to begin in June 2006. This will allow time to finalize the site plans and to begin raising the additional monies needed for the project.

In addition to the work on the renovation project, the foundation supports many other important programs. The Dollars for Scholars committee, under the direction of Vicki Nail, has completed another successful phone-a-thon. The student volunteers received pledges for almost twice as much as was raised last year. Thank you to all of the students who made calls and to the

parent volunteers who assisted. As a result, more students will receive scholarships.

Spring is a busy time for the Roosevelt community: Dollars for Scholars and other foundation scholarships will be awarded in May; the nominating committee will be meeting to select new board members; the all-night Senior Party is being planned and will be held following graduation; band and choir concerts will take place; spring sports are up and running. The Rough Rider Cup Golf Tournament will be held May 16th at Waveland Golf Course. No matter how well you play golf, consider joining fellow alumni and friends of Roosevelt to support our scholarships and grant programs.

Please welcome John McKinney (Class of 1990) as the incoming Foundation president. I know John will do a fabulous job of continuing to keep the tradition of excellence alive at Theodore Roosevelt High School.

Once again, if you are in the area I would encourage you to visit your alma mater. It is a great way to relive some of those memories that you have of your high school days!

Laurie Betts Sloterdijk ('75)
President, Roosevelt Foundation

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Principal's Letter

Dear Roosevelt Alumni,

One of the best parts of being the principal at Theodore Roosevelt High School is having the opportunities to hear the stories of our students, the staff, families and our community. Roosevelt has created personal connections through shared experiences with its students and families for generations.



about how they came to be a teacher, what drew them to education and why they love working with young people. I then asked them to take time to hear the stories of their students to learn more about them as individuals.

As we focus on closing the achievement gap and creating engaging work for our students at Roosevelt High School, we are committed to developing those connecting relationships with our students during this critical time in their lives. As alumni you have entrusted us with providing an educational environment that cares for this generation of Roosevelt Roughriders, that challenges them to be about the business and work of learning and that holds them with respect and responsibility.

All of us have accumulated stories in our lives, stories that reflect our history and are unlike anyone else's. In the book, "The Call of Stories", the author, Robert Coles says, "... when we visit our doctor they take our "personal history", our "family history", our social history" and our "clinical history". By being an active participant as a Roosevelt Alumni you are expanding the "community history" of this place.

Each of our Roosevelt students brings their personal stories and they hope that they will be able to tell them well enough that we will understand the truth about their lives. Our challenge is to be able to listen and really hear these important stories from our students.

One of the most critical aspects of being an educator is developing positive, caring relationships with our students at Roosevelt High School. At one of our staff meetings this year, I asked the faculty to share their story with a colleague

I want to encourage each of you to share your story about Roosevelt High School and why you believe this place was a good place for you or for your family with at least one other person. We have come from all over the world to create a community of learners, we call Roosevelt. We have great stories to tell about what makes Roosevelt a great place! Thanks for your continued support.

Go Riders!

Anita Micich, Principal



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Roosevelt Foundation Would Love to Put You to Work!

Retired or just have a few spare moments for volunteering? We have a number of opportunities for you from serving on a committee or helping with a one-time event.

The Roosevelt High School Foundation needs your help with its many programs and activities, including writing articles for the newsletter, help with the Fall Dinner, or helping with the Dollars for Scholars program.

Please call or email Mary James with your interest and questions.

515-277-0727

mary.james@mchsi.com

Current Events



Proposed Building Renovation Plans

Shown here are three proposed images of Roosevelt's building renovation. Thank you, again, to Architects Wells Kastner Schipper for allowing us to see the work in progress.



Proposed North Entry - Athletic Commons



EXISTING

ATHLETIC COMMONS

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Proposed North Entry - Athletic Commons



EXISTING

ENTRY

NEW BAND ADDITION

ALTERNATE BAND ROOM

Proposed South Entry - New Band Addition/Athletic Commons

Athletic News

Another Year of Champions

by Keith Ellingson

Roosevelt athletics is off to a great start for the 2004-05 school year. The Riders have represented Roosevelt High School at a very high level throughout Iowa and the Midwest. The following is a list of Roosevelt teams that have captured titles and championships so far this school year:

Boys Cross Country

2nd in State and Metro Conference Champions

Girls Cross Country

3rd in State and Metro Conference Champions

Volleyball

Metro Conference Champions

Boys Golf

Metro Tournament Champions

Girls Swimming

Dual Meet and Metro Meet Champions

Boys Swimming

Metro Meet Champions

Boys Basketball

Metro Conference Champions

Girls Basketball

Iowa Girls State Basketball Tournament Qualifiers

Wrestling

Dual Meet Co-Champions

The Riders have also competed well in various tournaments and games throughout the city and state. The cross country teams competed in Minneapolis this past fall and the boys basketball team traveled to Davenport. Roosevelt's wrestling team traveled to Council Bluffs to compete there. In addition, the lower level teams continue to be successful and participation numbers are very good. Roosevelt High School takes great pride in providing a quality educational experience to its students. Participating in outside activities and having the opportunity to travel and represent Roosevelt are all great experiences for our young people.



2004 Girls Volleyball Metro Champions

by Keith Ellingson

The 2004 Rider Girls Volleyball Team enjoyed a great season and continued the success they started in 2002 and 2003. The Riders captured the CIML Metro Championships for the third year in a row and lost a tough 3 game match to eventual state champions Ankeny in the regional finals. The Riders were just one match away from qualifying for the Iowa Girls State Volleyball Tournament. During the season the Riders showed improved play in many tournaments and captured 2nd in the competitive Metro Tournament. The Riders were led by Alex May, Danielle St. Pierre and Sarah Leonard all of whom were selected to the Iowa Girls Coaches Association All District Volleyball Team. Head Coach Maria Mattiace was selected District Coach of The Year. Katie Bartlett, Sarah Leonard and Danielle St. Pierre were named first team CIML Metro and Alex May and Leigh Hotchkiss were selected to the second team. Andrea Fitzgerald received Honorable Mention honors. The Riders return a great nucleus for 2005 and have their sights set on qualifying for the state tournament.

Roosevelt Cross Country Excels!

By Keith Ellingson

Second and third at the Iowa High School State Cross Country Championships! First at the CIML Metro Cross Country Championships! Individual state champions in both the girls and boys Class 4A races! A top 10 national ranking! All are some very impressive accomplishments that reflect on the quality of the cross country programs at TRHS.

The boys cross country squad finished the season as CIML Metro Champions for the 7th year in a row, district champions for the 8th year in a row and runner-up at the State Championships. The team finished 19 points away from winning their 4th consecutive state title having been crowned Iowa State Champions in 2001, 2002 and 2003. During the season the Riders competed against a very competitive schedule and achieved a top 10 national ranking. Senior Kiel Uhl captured the individual conference, district and state championship and went undefeated in the state of Iowa. Coach Steve Brown was again recognized by the Iowa Track Coaches Association as an at large Coach of The Year for his outstanding leadership.

First year head coach Jacob Kaemmer continued and improved upon the tradition of success associated with the girls cross country program at TRHS. The girl's team progressed nicely throughout the year and ran their best races when it counted the most. The girls won the CIML Metro Championship for the 4th year in a row and capped off the season with an outstanding 3rd place finish at the Iowa State Cross Country Championships. This is the highest finish ever for the Riders in girls cross country. Hannah Roeder swept the individual championships for the girls winning the CIML Metro, district and state championships.

Occasionally, athletic teams that compete at a very high level become absorbed in the preparation and competition that it takes to be successful. That is not the case with the Roosevelt Boys and Girls Cross Country Teams. This past fall the girls team posted a semester grade point average of 3.56 for 36 team members which qualified them to receive the "Excellence in Academic Achievement Award" from the Iowa High Girls Athletic Association. The boys earned

a 3.33 combined team GPA for 40 team members which qualified them to receive the "Distinguished Academic Achievement Award" from the Iowa High School Boys Athletic Association. Senior Kiel Uhl and Betsy Rosenblatt earned Academic All State recognition from the Iowa High School Track Coaches Association which is based on maintaining a cumulative GPA. over a 3.8, a minimum score of 28 on the ACT exam and running ability.

Congratulations to the Riders Cross Country team and coaching staff!

Keith Ellingson, Activities Director



Foundation News

Sixth Annual Rough Rider Cup is May 16!

Mark your calendars to join Roosevelt friends and alumni at the "home course," Waveland Golf Course, for another great year of golfing and fun.

**Monday, May 16, 2005
1:00 pm Shotgun Start**

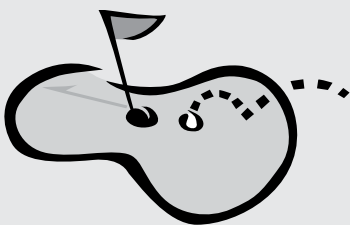
Tickets for this 4 person, best-shot event are \$125 which includes 18 holes, golf cart, tee prize and dinner. Guaranteed fun is thrown in free of charge.

Last year's golfers and sponsors raised approximately \$10,000 for the Foundation and its scholarship efforts, grant programs, and alumni events.

Contact Tom Child
(work # 515-288-7245;
email tchild@dmstamp.com) or
Jack Hilmes (work # 515-288-0145;
email jhilmes@finleylaw.com)
for more information.

You may send your check made payable to Roosevelt High School Foundation to: Jack Hilmes; Finley, Alt, Smith; 699 Walnut Street; 1900 Hub Tower; Des Moines IA 50309.

Visit our website
(www.TRHSAlumni.org) to view
this and other upcoming events.



Congratulations and thank you to the Roosevelt Student Dollars for Scholars Club!
From left to right: Caitlin Suttie (Treasurer & President Elect); Kelsey Wheeler (Vice-President); Hanna Albaugh (Secretary); Emily Burney (President)



Dollars for Scholars Phone-a-thon Another Success

The Roosevelt Foundation Dollars for Scholars program conducted its second annual Phone-a-thon in February to raise money for scholarships for this year's graduating seniors.

Each Sunday night in February, students and parent volunteers gathered at Roosevelt to make calls to neighborhood households asking for contributions to this worthy scholarship program.

According to Dollars for Scholars chairwoman, Vicki Nail, the phone-a-thon was a great success with almost twice as much pledged this year as last year. Last year, fifteen \$400 scholarships were awarded to graduating seniors. Once pledges are received this spring, Vicki and her committee will be able to determine how many scholarships will be available this year.

All Roosevelt seniors graduating in May of 2005 who plan to continue their education may apply for a Dollars for

Scholarship scholarship. The institutions where a scholarship may be used are 4-year college, 2-year or junior college or vocational school.

The Roosevelt Student Dollars for Scholars Club officers presented a \$500 check to the Roosevelt Foundation Dollars for Scholars. This contribution will provide a student-sponsored scholarship to a graduating senior. The students in this club fundraised by selling candy and gift wrapping throughout the holidays. Not only did these students raise the \$500 for a scholarship, they also volunteered their Sunday evenings in February during the Phone-a-thon to make calls to the community soliciting donations.

The Foundation and Vicki Nail thank all students, volunteers and the Roosevelt community for supporting the Dollars for Scholars program. Together, we can make a difference in a young person's life.

Roosevelt Foundation Scholarships

by Liz Neumann

It isn't every day that you get an email message that says "Hi Liz, I am interested in setting up a \$20,000 scholarship, but I'm not sure of your email address. Please contact me ASAP. Sincerely, Nicholas "EZ" Street. Obviously he got to the right place and we have been corresponding to set up the new scholarship.

We have different ways of working with scholarship donations. One, the donor can give the money on a yearly basis to the selected student. Or second, a donation can be made to the Roosevelt Foundation outright, with the money being

placed in an account with the Greater Des Moines Foundation, which invests large sums of money for the betterment of the community. With this choice, the donation can become self-supporting. The money is tax deductible either way. Donors work with the Scholarship Committee, who in turn work with the Counseling office and staff to encourage students to apply for the wonderful variety of scholarships we have available. We then collect the applications and get them to the donors so they may select the student they feel is best suited. The

students first learn of their scholarships at graduation and are called up on stage for the scholarship presentation. It is a wonderful honor for both the students and the donors. Please consider establishing a scholarship of any amount and we will be very willing to assist you. If you have any questions, please contact me at Neumann_liz@msn.com (that is an underscore between my first and last name) or 515-277-8983.

Liz Neumann, Scholarship Chairman

Do You Know Someone Who Should be Nominated for the Roosevelt Hall of Fame?

Roosevelt High School

Hall of Fame Nomination

Purpose:

1. To honor outstanding alumni.
2. To provide role models in various fields of endeavor for the student body.
3. To allow for the student body to meet and hear outstanding alumni who will provide inspiration and pride in Roosevelt High School.

Criteria:

1. Must have graduated from Roosevelt at least 10 years prior to receiving the award. Not available to those who attended but did not graduate.
2. Must be outstanding in their chosen field of work or community service and must have received some type of recognition.
3. Must be of good character and serve as a role model for the student body.
4. Must be available to participate in a full day's activities at the school and an evening reception with alumni. The day will be selected mutually by the candidate and the school.

Please contact John McKinney, Hall of Fame Chair, for a nomination form. Phone (515) 279-6489 or email: jmckinney3@msn.com or write to: Roosevelt High School Foundation, % Roosevelt High School, 4419 Center St, Des Moines, IA 50312, Attn: John McKinney, Hall of Fame Chair.

Please visit the Foundation website to view our Hall of Fame Honorees or to send nominee information: www.TRHSAlumni.org

Welcome!

Mary James Comes on Board

Mary Ghrist James ('76) has taken the post of administrator of the Roosevelt High School Foundation as of December 2004. She replaces Kim Purdy who left to take a position as Director of Development at the Salisbury House.

After receiving her education degree at Iowa State, Mary has worked in real estate and land title business in the West, in Idaho and Washington. She returned to Des Moines in the mid '80s and worked for Meredith Corporation in its real estate division and later in retail. Moving east to New York City, Mary then was in the diamond office of jewelry retailer, Tiffany & Co.

In '92, Mary returned to Des Moines again, where now she is the mother of two daughters, Virginia, 10, and Elizabeth, 6. Her children will follow in the three generational family track of Greenwood-Callanan-Roosevelt. Mary and her daughters spend a lot of time with their large, extended Ghrist family. Mary has also kept busy with her civic volunteer interests and the Greenwood PTA.

Named Scholarships

The Roosevelt High School Foundation is in the process of establishing named scholarships. The named scholarships can be set up in a Roosevelt graduate's name or in a family name. To maintain an annual \$1,000-a-year scholarship, a \$20,000 contribution will be accepted. The donor will identify criteria for their scholarship. For more information, please contact Liz Neumann (515) 277-8983 or email neumann_liz@msn.com.

Remember TRHS Forever

You can help continue Roosevelt traditions by including TRHS in your will or estate plans.

By remembering TRHS in your bequest, you can create an impact that will continue beyond your lifetime. You can give to the general Foundation fund or specify where you would like your support to go.

For more information about how you can keep the Roosevelt spirit alive, please contact Liz Neumann (515) 277-8983 or email neumann_liz@msn.com.

Best Wishes to Kim Purdy

After several years of loyal service as administrator for the Roosevelt Foundation, in late 2004 Kim Purdy left to take a position with the Salisbury House in Des Moines. Her time as administrator was invaluable to the Board of Directors as well as to the Roosevelt alumni, students, faculty and friends.

The Roosevelt Foundation wishes Kim well in her new position of Director of Development for Salisbury House.

Teacher Profile

Vicki Goldsmith, 24k Teacher

By Kathy Collins Reilly ('68)

This is one unusual woman. She doesn't drive or even own a car. She's a Buddhist who doesn't believe in reincarnation. She's taught in European and in American colleges but prefers ninth graders. She's a grandmother, eligible for retirement, but it's not even on her radar screen. And she looks like and has the enthusiasm and energy of a woman twenty years younger.



Vicki Goldsmith, English teacher, came to TRHS sixteen years ago. She's one of Roosevelt's finest. A precious metal among gems, if you will. The word dedicated doesn't even come close to defining her. Innovative. Hard-working. Committed. Extrinsically (and intrinsically) challenging. Both fun and funny. Driven.

Things have certainly changed since Vicki Goldsmith came to Roosevelt, and so has she. Although it's hard to keep up with the paperwork, the government's accountability requirements, and the literal boom of research in the area of brain function and learning, Ms. Goldsmith does it. Her rewards? A group of kids came to her this year and asked her to facilitate a book study group. The kids meet after school on Fridays. Yes, Fridays. Their first book was Anna Karenina, some 900 pages of Russian literary challenge. And they're not getting one hour of credit for it. Kids tell her they're going into teaching because of her. ("It's the ultimate compliment.") She reaches hard-to-reach kids and turns them on to learning and reading. And she is selected as Iowa's 2005-06 Teacher of the Year. But that's not all. She has risen to the top, to be one of four finalists in the United States for Teacher of the Year, a program sponsored by the U.S. Department of

Education and all fifty states. (She'll find out where she falls the week of April 18.)

But regardless of the outcome at the national level, as Iowa's Teacher of the Year she'll have next year "off," a euphemism for a change of scenery and a grueling schedule. She will travel the state as an ambassador for the profession.

"I'm not looking forward to being out of the classroom," said Goldsmith, "but I am looking forward to the

[Teacher of the Year] experience. It will be a chance to monitor how I teach as well as a chance to work with all different levels of the education system: other teachers, administrators, students. I'm also very concerned about recruiting kids into teaching." As Teacher of the Year she will have a bully pulpit and a chance to fulfill another ambition: "Trying to get people to see education as a way to transform our lives – as opposed to job training."

Some background might help you know Vicki a bit better. She grew up in Ohio and was graduated from Bowling Green State there. She claims to have "teacher in my DNA" because her great grandmother was a teacher, and her grandfather read poetry to her. Like many natural-born educators, Vicki played school before she went to school, so she always knew what she'd be doing for a living. Deciding what to teach, that was the dilemma. "I wanted to teach everything. I picked English because I figured out that I could teach all the other subjects by teaching English: music, art, architecture. They all figure in the 'Theory of Knowledge' class [I'm now teaching at Roosevelt]." Vicki's two grown daughters both live in Boston, one a city planner, the other a chef – what Vicki says she herself would be if she weren't a teacher.

Ms. Goldsmith is big on "study projects."

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Vicki Goldsmith, 24k Teacher *continued*

Students select a topic, research and read about it, then find ways to experience what they're reading and do a community service activity as part of the project. They try to connect different disciplines in one project. It's very engaging, "hands-on" learning of the type being recommended for today's multi-tasking, hard-to-focus kids.

Despite jobs here and abroad that most of her peers would envy, Vicki waxes enthusiastic about her current assignment. "I love the student body [at TRHS]. The mix. Ethnicity, sure, but also millionaires' kids and kids who live in cars. I had this one girl whose family had moved twelve times in a year. They couldn't find a place to live. This girl was doing her homework every night in the back seat of a car with three other people, and getting As from me.

"Roosevelt kids handle the mix very well. They have a great deal of respect for each other." She cited an instance of a young man with physical disabilities who was often alone. He had a hard

time just getting around. The other boys were very physical with one another; pushing and punching was the normal greeting ritual. One day, one of the able-bodied kids went up to the physically challenged student and shoved him a bit, teased him, started talking to him. Vicki was initially shocked, then worried, then began to relax as she watched the frail student grin in response. The able-bodied boy had figured out what the other young man needed: to be treated like everyone else. That day, things changed for him. And Vicki Goldsmith discovered anew that teachers also learn from their students.

Now she teaches seniors, although some of her favorite memories involve teaching at-risk ninth graders. "Romeo and Juliet" was required reading, "and the kids would never fail to get caught up in the story." One student who didn't want to read or play a part in class asked for permission to make a coffin for the play instead. Vicki said yes. The kids wrote Shakespearean quotes all over it. She continued using it with subsequent classes, and each semester some student would hide in the coffin then

pop out later, trying to scare her. "Each time it happened, the student thought he or she was the first to do this, they were original," she laughed.

Vicki's not likely to quit teaching for quite a while. Not only does she love it but also wants to influence its evolution. "I'm convinced that we have to radically change our model of education. I'm concerned about the current direction [it's taking]. More and more factual. We live in an information age, so the thrust of our teaching should not be based on students' giving the right answer." Teachers can teach where the answers are found. "We need to be doing projects that don't separate disciplines into little boxes. We need to get out of the little box of a classroom where we study only math, only art. Combining service projects and learning, that's the future of education. That will allow us to bring change to our communities and connect to a larger community."

From your mouth to the school board's ears, Vicki Goldsmith.

Favorite Rider Shoppe Apparel

Listed below are a few of the top selling Rough Rider items. Many more items are available. Currently, the shop is open on Thursdays during the lunch hour. Please stop in and take home some great Rider gear.

Favorite Items:

- Grey or Navy Hooded Sweat Shirt - \$30.00 (S, M, L, XL, 2XL)
- Grey or Navy Crewneck Sweat Shirt - \$25.00 (S, M, L, XL, 2XL)
- Grey or Navy Sweat Pants - \$20.00 "Riders" on bottom (S, M, L, XL, 2XL)
- Navy wool Baseball Cap - \$20.00 (S, M, L)
- Tan cotton Baseball Cap - \$16.00 Adjustable
- Key chains, mugs, lanyards, t-shirts, car stickers, back packs, kid's clothes and much more!

Please add \$5.00 per item for shipping and handling.

Send order to: Rider Shoppe
%Roosevelt High School
4419 Center Street
Des Moines IA 50312

Make check payable to: Rider Shoppe

Call or email Jo Scholl (515-277-2580; jbscholl@mchsi.com) for hours or more information.



Alumni Notes

New job?

Moved to a new city?

Recently married?

Earned a degree?

Welcomed a new member to the family?

We want to hear your news and share it with your fellow TRHS alums!

Please contact: Mary James
3215 Elmwood Dr.
Des Moines, IA 50312
Or send us an email at:
mary.james@mchsi.com

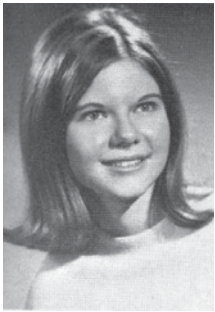
We're on the Web
Visit us at:
www.TRHSAlumni.org

Alumni Notes

Do You Recognize Your Classmates?

You can win a special Rider Prize. Be the first to identify your fellow alums.

If you recognize these people, send your answer to: Mary James, 3215 Elmwood Drive, Des Moines, IA 50312. First postmarked or date-stamped correct answers win. In case you were wondering, first respondents are determined by postmark if the answer is sent by mail, or date stamp if by e-mail. So, if you use USPS, you're not at a disadvantage.



LAST RECALL'S WINNERS!

Micahael J. Moore, MD ('55) of Lexington, Massachusetts was the first to identify William (Bill) Meek, Class of 1955. Michael points out that Bill was class president. He adds that he and his wife, Ellen Miller Moore, plan to attend their 50th reunion in September of 2005.

Betseye (Thomas) Lee ('80) was the first to identify Jeanne Michel, Class of 1980. Betseye mentions that Jeanne was prom queen.

LaVal Anderson ('80) came in second correctly identifying Jeanne.

Thanks to you all for responding!

Friends, Family Remember and Honor John L. Murphy

John L. Murphy, Class of 1953, a much loved Roosevelt alum passed away in November 2004. The following friends and Murphy family members sent contributions toward an Auditorium Seat in John's name:

David Abram
Sandra Stundins and Peter Avis
David Barnes
Sue Burt
Meta and David Cunningham
Dr. and Mrs. T. E. Fitzpatrick
Marjorie and Dale Griffith
Sue and Jeff Grimes
Nora and Jay Jackson
Athena Kautz
Ruta Krumins
Shirley Kuebrich
Betty Oakes
Jill and William Orr
Joyce and John Perkins
Audrey Rosenberg
Lois Smith
Lucille Summy
Russell Thurau

An auditorium seat will be named in his memory. Thank you to all of John's friends and family.

Reunions

Upcoming Class Reunions

Visit www.TRHSAlumni.org for links to reunion websites

Reunions listed by date of event

* 1985 - 20th Reunion

Date: 2005 - 06-25
Saturday, June 25th
at Willow Creek Golf Course
(140 Army Post Rd, West Des Moines, IA)
Timothy J. Lovick
tim.lovick@verizon.net
972-774-0700, ext. 149

* 1975 - 30th Reunion

Date: 2005-07-23
Saturday, July 23rd
at the IA State Historical Building
(600 East Locust St, Des Moines, IA)
Laurie Betts Sloterdyk
sloterdykashley@qwest.net
515-255-3035
5436 Harwood Dr, Des Moines, IA 50312
Jim Adrianse
jadrianse@crincIA.com
515-287-3983
3210 SW 33rd St, Des Moines, IA 50321

* 1965 - 40th Reunion

Date: 2005-08-12
Friday - Sunday, August 12-14th
Friday, August 12th
at Raccoon River Brewing Co. (next to Hotel Fort Des Moines, 10th & Walnut, Des Moines, IA 50309)
Saturday, August 13th - tour of TRHS and IA State Fair ("Rock and Roll Reunion" 8:00 pm)

See article in this issue for details.

Dee Erbe Wittmack
DWITTMACK@aol.com (put TRHS in subject line of email)
515-276-5390
8107 Cobblestone Ct, Des Moines, IA 50322

* 1980 - 25th Reunion

Date: 2005-08-12
Friday and Saturday, August 12-13th
Tim Eckley
trhsclassof80@yahoo.com
www.trhsclassof80.itgo.com

* 1955 - 50th Reunion

Date: 2005-09-23
Friday - Sunday, September 23-25th
More particulars on specific events are forthcoming but preliminary planning suggestions include a Friday welcome event, optional Saturday tours of the city and Teddie High, optional golf outing, Saturday night banquet, departure day picnic and an informative "bio" book. We plan to headquarter out of the newly renovated downtown Renaissance Savery Hotel. Please know your suggestions would be valuable and most welcome in our planning.
TRHS '55 Reunion Committee:
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Rees Jones 515-276-4469
Bill Meek 515-255-7220

Arlene Hunt Parker 515-225-7319

Dave Sampel 515-334-9519

Loretta Greenwell Vacco 515-276-4691

* 1987 - 20th Reunion

Date: 2007-00-00
Stacey Nay
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515-558-6619

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* 1988 - 20th Reunion

Date: 2008-00-00
Reunion to take place sometime in 2008!
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* 1964 - 45th Reunion

Date: 2009-00-00

* 1979 - 30th Reunion

Date: 2009-00-00

See you in 2009

A photo page will be up on our website soon
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Auditorium Seat Plaque Project

The Roosevelt Foundation is currently updating its listing of auditorium seat plaque purchases. Due to the extended time period over which auditorium seat plaques have been solicited, we suspect that we've missed some donor requests.

If you have purchased a seat in the past, please take a minute to see if your name is on this list. Please let us know if you do not see your name on the list or if the wording for your name appears incorrectly.

We do not wish to inadvertently leave anybody out or to misquote your desired wording.

The Foundation plans to have a permanent listing of Auditorium Seat Names upon completion of Roosevelt's building renovation.

Auditorium seat purchases are listed alphabetically below:

1. Ryan J. Austin, Class of 1966; Whitney E. Austin, Class of 2000
2. Daniel P. Bartlett, Class of 1979
3. Edgar H. Bittle, Class of 1960
4. Harold A. Bittle, Class of 1932
5. Ruth M. Davis Bittle, Class of 1934
6. Harry and Pam Bookey
7. Harry Bookey, Class of 1966
8. LaVerne S. Briggs, Class of 1943; Bob and Jim Briggs, Classes of 1968 and 1970
9. Richard N. Brown, Class of 1950
10. Paul F. Bryant, Class of 1941 and Dean Bryant
11. John Bucksbaum, Class of 1974
12. John Bucksbaum, Class of 1974
13. John Bucksbaum, Class of 1974
14. Marion L. Elmquist, Class of 1968
15. Robert and Ann Wallace Fleming
16. Allison Wilson Fleming, Class of 1966
17. Christy Fleming, Class of 1998
18. Jim Fleming, Class of 1966
19. Dennis and Kathleen Gougion
20. Dick Grangaard, Class of 1965
21. Emily Grangaard, Class of 2002
22. Stephanie Grangaard, Class of 2006
23. Bruce and Kay Bryant Heilman, Classes 1967 and 1968
24. Marjorie Landsberg Helkenn, Class of 1940
25. Jim Hoak, Class of 1962; Nancy Beardsley Hoak, Class of 1970
26. Rachel C. Hutchison, Class of 1999
27. Rebecca E. Hutchison, Class of 2002
28. Hannah C. Hutchison, Class of 2006
29. Marylyn Mae Johnson, Class of 1954
30. Phil Kaser, Class of 1969
31. Phil Kaser, Class of 1969
32. Daniel M. Kelly – 1 of 3 seats – need actual wording of name
33. Daniel M. Kelly – 1 of 3 seats – need actual wording of name
34. Brigid A. Kelly, Class of 1989 – 1 of Daniel M. Kelly seats
35. Helen Kennedy Family – 1 of 5 seats – need actual wording of name
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40. Carroll Kinker
41. John Lepley Family
42. John Lepley Family
43. Judith A. Lindquist, Class of 1962
44. Bill Lozier, Class of 1965
45. Kristi Lund Lozier, Class of 1970
46. Charlotte Lozier, Class of 1998
47. Laura Lozier, Class of 2003
48. Marjorie Lubin, Class of 1939
49. Stephen L. Madden, Class of 1985
50. Kirk Moul, Class of 1970
51. Maureen Phillips Murphy
52. Memorial Seat for John L. Murphy, Class of 1953
53. G.R. (Rick) and Elizabeth Neumann
54. Marvin Pomerantz, Class of 1948
55. Kathy Collins Reilly, Class of 1968
56. Roosevelt High School PTA 2000-2001
57. Shiffler Family, Classes of 1932, 1967, 2003
58. Marjorie Shloss Spevak, Class of 1939
59. TRHS Class of 1951
60. TRHS Class of January 1957
61. TRHS Class of 1961
62. TRHS Class of 1981
63. Bebe Lou Muehle Tucker, Class of 1939
64. Andrew Urban, Class of 1990; Carrie Lehman, Class of 1991
65. Tom Urban, Class of 1952
66. Virginia Van Liew, Class of 1935
67. Dee Gross Vickery and Jim Vickery, Class of 1949

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2005 Summer Reunions

With summer rapidly approaching, the Alumni of good, old TRHS are planning an active season of reunions and get-togethers. The following classes have indicated that they will be rekindling old friendships in 2005:

- Class of 1945 – 60th
- Class of 1955 – 50th on September 23-25
- Class of 1965 – 40th on August 12-14
- Class of 1975 – 30th on July 23
- Class of 1980 – 25th on August 12-13
- Class of 1985 – 20th on June 25

Please refer to the detailed listing of reunions in this issue as well as the Foundation website www.TRHSAlumni.org.

New and updated information is frequently posted on our website.

Class of 1965 40th Reunion Will Rock and Roll in August!

TRHS Class of '65 graduates, don't miss your 40th year reunion planned for the weekend of August 12, 13, 14, 2005.

Great events are planned – below is a schedule of what is in place so far:

Friday, August 12, 2005:

Raccoon River Brewing Company – next door to Hotel Fort Des Moines. Hors d'oeuvres (included) and cash bar.

Saturday, August 13, 2005:

Shuttle available from hotel to TRHS for school tour 10:30 – noon (cost included). Iowa State Fair (gate tickets & shuttle included) Iowa State Fair "Rock & Roll Reunion" 8 pm-\$25 Featuring: The Shangri La's, Lou Christy, Johnny Rivers, and The Rascals

Sunday, August 14, 2005:

No planned events – visit with old friends. Hotel Fort Des Moines has reserved 100 rooms at the rate of \$119.00 per night. Mention "Roosevelt Class of '65" when you reserve your room. Reserve early as it is Iowa State Fair weekend. Cost of weekend: \$50 TRHS alums, \$40 spouses. IN ADDITION, \$25 per person - Rock & Roll Reunion tickets.

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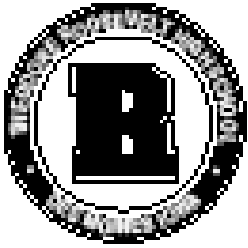
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