



Tiger Tales 2005 Newsletter

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Fellow Alumni,

Greetings on behalf of your White River High School Alumni Association. It is hard to believe that we are entering the fourth quarter of the school year and that spring 2005 is just around the corner. As March madness sets in we too feel the pressure to "get it all done". The White River school system has had another successful year of preparing our students for a future in a rapidly changing world. Our school system continues to educate our youth academically and also provide excellent extra-curricular experiences.

I hope you and your families are making plans to attend the upcoming "cool" all school reunion July 2 and 3 at good old White River High. Five years have passed all too quickly and many things have changed during that time. We have added five new classes of alumni to our numbers, but likewise we have lost some great members of our association. They will truly be missed by all of us.

Your alumni association has been hard at work planning another fun event for you this July.

The Winner of the 4th Annual White River High School Alumni Association scholarship was Hilary Krogman, daughter of Alumnus Blaine Krogman '75

We will again have tours of the school facilities as old main has undergone some major changes to the interior that allow for better access and general updating. A Saturday afternoon social will allow time for visiting and reminiscing with classmates. Saturday evening will again be the main event and will feature a nice evening meal and a great night of entertainment, honoring and remembering some of those events that made our high school years so special. We have also set a special time during the program for recognition of 2005 senior scholarship winners.

On Sunday we are planning an ecumenical church service that will be followed by a lunch for those that can stay.

Doesn't it sound like a great way to spend the July 4th weekend?

As always, we depend on your generosity and participation to support our organization. Please help us make this year's event a success by returning your reservation by Tuesday, May 10, 2005.

I look forward to seeing all of you in July.

Barry Jensen, Association President

Dear Alumni,

Hello again! Has another year really gone by? Well, it must have since I had a birthday last week that I couldn't skip. I tried to by taking a vacation day but it still happened. How old? Well, thanks for asking. I'm finally half way to something -- retirement? I hope it's only half my life or less. A one year old in the house keeps me feeling young, and unfortunately father away from retirement. Our oldest turned 21 in February, so I also felt the strain of feeling old. At 45 I'm in my twentieth year in the education profession and 20 more to go.... hopefully.

Here at the school we also have the young and the old. Our oldest building - the middle school - has a fresh look since the completion of the renovation in 2003. Many of you that will be back this summer and remember

it as the "school" will see the same old building from the outside and mostly the same on the inside but with a fresh look. Our newest building - the high school - is in the most need of repair. The building was constructed in 1992 and underwent a roof repair in 2000. Unfortunately leaking has still caused extensive damage. The good news is that we received a special allocation from Impact Aid for \$992,000 to repair the building. Only two schools in the nation received grants. Essentially from the ceiling tiles on up will be completely taken off and a new roof will be built. Much of the interior will be renovated as well including new carpeting, floor tile, paint, and even air conditioning. Yes, air conditioning. We have been trying to put aside enough money to install air conditioning but this way it will get done within the scope of this project. In the planning stages now is to see if we can afford to install air conditioning in the middle school and north wing of the elementary so that all our facilities K-12 are climate controlled. I believe this roof project will be a solution to the drought we have had. As soon as the construction starts and the old roof is taken off it will rain like crazy!!!

No Child Left Behind (or as I like to call it; New York and Cardinals Lose to Boston) continues to be the driving force of our academic curriculum. this year marks the third year of the Dakota STEP testing. We have made significant progress in math and reading but we also know that we have to continue to improve to meet the rigorous requirements of the NCLB. I am very please with how our staff has accepted the challenge of improving the achievement of our students. Two new programs that we implemented were Accelerated Math and Accelerated Reading. Both programs are computer based curriculum that challenges students at their current ability level. The programs are dsigned to improve students' skill level whether it's to get them up to the current grade level expectations or to advance them beyond their current grade level of skill. Another area of NCLB that has had a positive affect on our school is the reqirment to improve teacher quality. By the end of the 2005-06 school year all teachers must meet "highly qualified" status. We have focused our professional development efforts on improving classroom instruction. In other words, if we send a teacher to a workshop we want to make sure it's a worthwhile endeavor that will have a direct affect on classroom instruction. One such example is that we recently had a day of teacher in-service at our school where we brought in trainers from the Accelerated Math and Accelerated Reading company. The next day the teachers that had used the programs were using the techniques and strategies that they learned. Also, the teachers that have not used it were very interested in getting the program. As a result we are planning to expand the uses of the programs for next year.

Last spring I researched how long some of our staff members have been employed with the district. In May at our Teacher and Staff Appreciation supper those with longstanding employment were recognized with a framed certificate. The following is a list of those people: (the number of years of service has been updated to include this year).

Certified Staff: Betty Benedict (10), Dorothy Bligh (11), Steve Schumacher (110), Carrie Schumacher (12) , Darcella Hermsen (12), Michele Astleford (14), Tim Hollar (14), John LeBoeuf (14), Betty Risseeuw (14), Helen Schwarting (15), Lorna McGowan (16), Dorothy Richardson (16), Steve Twite (16), Kathy Zickrick (16), Katie Jensen (15), Sharon Bryan (17), Ardeth Eglestion (18), John Gross (21) , John Hockett (21), Tracy Tucker (22), Pauline Krogman (23), Carolyn Shouldis (24), Bobbi Kelley (28)

Classified Staff: Cliff Shouldis (15), Rose Hockett (17), Jim Calhoon (20), Carolyn McKee (20), Leroy Morrison (20), Jackie Wuestwald (20), Charlotte Piper (21), Carol Rogers (21), Bertha Morrision (22)

Bobbi Kelley was selected as the 2004 Teacher of the Year. Past recipients are: 1998 - Carrie Schumacher, 1999 - Carolyn Shouldis, 2000 - John Hockett, 2001 - Tracy Tucker, 2002 - Cella Hermsen, and 2003- Deb Zens

It speaks well of our school and community to have that many people with that many years of service in the district.

If you are able to come back this summer please stop in and visit. The construction going on will make a tour even more interesting.

Best Wishes

Tom Cameron, CEO White River School District

Memorial Roll Call

We request that family be responsible to notify the alumni association when an individual should be listed in the memorial roll call.

- Edna Keever Kent '26
- Eleanor Rattling Leaf '78
- Eleanor Dolezal Wussow '27
- Thelma Strain Stephenson Versaw '27
- Edith Endes Stamperferne '68
- Bernice Eilts Forkner '28
- James H. Scull '36
- Veldon Brown '57
- Cecil High '49

White River High School Scholarships:

- Laura Patnoe Krisch
- Lenore Matthews
- Nina Ozanne
- Fred Littau

The graduating class of 1955 will be honored at WRHS commencement exercises on Sunday, May 15, 2005 at 3:00 p.m. CST

- Alayne Daniels Martel
- Roland Iwan
- Marie Endes Amen
- Bobby Green
- Helen Mickel Burnette
- Gilbert Burnette
- Viola Endes Kranenberg
- Norton Tucker
- Lily Pearsall
- Marvin Chamberlain
- Dorothy Krogman
- Ronald KRogman
- Leo Gregg
- Earl His
- Darlene Stromer Harrison
- Doris Iverson Andrews
- Larry Bryan
- Dorothy Chapin Daywitt
- Larry Ingalls
- Lorena Berry Fanning
- Richard Carr
- Dale McKee
- Norma Swanson Bennett *
- Reinhart Week, JR. *
- Jack Petera *

*Deceased

Special Reunion - Sponsored by Jim Calhoon

Jim Calhoon, former White River Basketball Coach from 1985 - 1996, now Activities Director, invites all the alumni that played basketball for him: varsity, junior varsity, C team, student managers, statisticians, scorekeepers, cheerleaders and assistant coaches, plus their spouses and children to a special reunion.

Coach and Linda will provide ice cream and soft drinks for everyone. We will have videos of some of the games from the past and display some of the awards we won, but mostly we will just sit and talk about old times. If any of Mr. Calhoon's former students who did not play basketball want to stop in and say hello, please do. This will be informal - just drop in for a while.

It will be from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 2, 2005, in what we used to call the old gym, later the middle school gym, now it's officially the Fred Littau

Mellette County Historical Society Town Tour

The Mellette County Historical Society is excited about welcoming you to the "Cool" Reunion in July 2005. 2005?? Well, sakes alive! The past year has been one of ambitious renovation and activity for the society. We will open for snacks, tea or coffee and visiting Friday, July 1, for you home visitors. We have also planned a guided bus tour of the town Friday afternoon at 2:15 p.m. We hope to hear stories galore from you all. The museum will have weekend hours. COOL? You betcha!

Anniversary Classes:

- 1995 - 10 year anniversary
- 1980 - 25 year anniversary
- 1965 - 40 year anniversary

gym. I hope you all can be there; I am looking forward to seeing you and hearing what you are all doing now.	1955 - 50 year anniversary
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COOL REUNION OFFICIAL INVITATION July 2 & 3, 2005

Dear Alumni, Teachers and Friends,

White rvide the White River High School Alumni Association wiould like to take this opportunity to invite all WRHS graduates, present and former teachers, spouses and friends to attend the all - classes school reunion. Plan now to return to your alma mater for this historic event and take a stroll down memory lane.

For many of you it will be your first opportunity to view the many changes that have taken place at WRHS since your graduation. come bakk and take a look. We encourage you to come early and stay late. Following is a list of activities planned for reunion attendees:

Registration --- Mandatory Check In

Prepaid tee shirts and complimentary reunion favors will be distributed at registration. Friday July 1 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Janklow Room of the Community Events Center or Saturday July 2 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Janklow Room

Social from 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday afternoon in the west wing / school cafeteria. There will be areas for displays! Bring your memorabilia to share.

Dinner: Saturday at 6:30 p.m. will be a catered roast beef dinner along with Entertainment, and an Honoring.

Church: Sunday July 3 at 10:00 a.m. there will be a ecumenical church / memorial service

Luncheon : Sunday July 3 at 11:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. there will be community luncheon in the Events Center.

Friday evening and Sunday afternoon are reserved for "get togethers" of individual classes.

Registration Form	See You in July!
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