



## Tiger Tales 2008 Newsletter

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Winner of the 7th annual WRHS Alumni Assoc. scholarship was Jessica Ludvik, daughter of Julie (Jones)Ludvik class of 1980

South Dakota's leading basketball scorer is WRHS senior Louie Krogman, son of Steve Krogman, clas of '72, with 3515 points

Dear Alumni of White River High School,

Have you heard the news? If you life in South Dakota or close by, you are probably aware that White River is once again STATE "B" Champions in boy's basketball! That's right, we are again the state champs after only fifty - three years. Congratulations boys and cheerleaders. These are fine young men and women who represented our school and community well. Congratulations also to the coaches and parents who support the players. I could tell after the state tournament in Aberdeen that the alumni were very proud of our team. The school and community have been abuzz the past few weeks honoring the team and basking in the glory that comes with such a great feat. The team has two graduating seniors; Louie Krogman and Frankie Waln. Both will be missed next year, but I predict the '09 team will be very "salty" and have a good chance to return to State again for a forth straight year.

I am also proud to mention that our girl's basketball team came within one point of going to the state tournament this year, and the football team made it to the second round of the playoff this past fall. This year for the first time WRHS attended the Lakota Nations Invitational in Rapid City excelling in both academics and athletics.

Now for some less exciting news from this past year. The Alumni Assoc. again hosted its annual tailgate supper at the homecoming football game this year. It is well attended and helps draw a crowd to the football game. We use this event to provide a \$250.00 scholarship for a graduating senior who must have at least one parent who is a WRHS graduate. Our dream is to be able to offer a second scholarship, so keep us in mind if you have some extra cash.

The high school enrollment remains quite stable in at around 110 students. One change that I will particularly notice next year will be the retirement of the high school librarian and alumni vice president, Katie Jensen. Time flies when you are having fun! Projects of interest within the school system this year have been the addition of "smart boards" along with new projection technology for the elementary classrooms. The school continually faces the challenge of keeping up with modern technology by rotating computers out every five years. One innovation that has helped with security in the school has been the installation of a camera system both inside and out. Wow, I'm glad they didn't have that when I was in school!!! I also understand the school will receive a matching grant for new playground equipment in the near future.

I hope you have enjoyed the news and also the special articles found in the newsletter this year. Don't forget to plan for our next major alumni reunion during the summer of 2011. This will be a big event, as it will be in conjunction with Frontier Days and the 100 year celebration of White River and Mellette County. You all come.

We try to stay current with all the changes of addresses as well as the memorial roll call. Your help is important in these matters, so stay in touch.

Barry Jensen ~ Alumni President

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Memorial Roll Call</u></p> <p>We request that family be responsible to notify the alumni association when an individual should be listed in the memorial roll call.</p> <p>Irene Hutchinson Carlson '25              Hazel Elley Howlett '30              Bernard Wacek '32              Helen Hollinger Kreiger '32              Gene C Hutchinson '36              Orin Boom '39              Martha Petr Huntsman '39              Vernel Glynn '39              Arlene Branson Egnlesgaard '42              I Reed Harris '46              Derrill Glynn '48              Earl Hix '55              Lee E Ham '59              Roy Forgets Nothing '69              Dianna Petranek Riley '69              Keneth Bachelor '70</p>	<p>The graduating class of 1958 will be honored at WRHS commencement exercises on Saturday, May 17, 2008</p> <p>Paul Valburg              Keith Iwan              Alan Green              James Carr              *Arnold Week              Jay Keever              Mary Daniels Noland              Gary Astleford              Valada Muck Glass              *Duane Chapin              Claudia Lolley Finley              Barbetta Krogman              Richard McKee              Jeanine Gere Monroe-Bennett              *Sharyn Huber Baumgartner              June Endes Land              Eurnice Karlin Carr              Donna Iverson Dykema</p> <p>*Deceased</p>
<p>White River High School Scholarships:</p> <p>Laura Patnoe Krisch              Lenore Matthews              Nina Ozanne              Fred Littau              Deanne Witte</p>	<p>Anniversary Classes:</p> <p>1998 - 10 year anniversary              1988 - 20 year anniversary              1978 - 30 year anniversary              1968 - 40 year anniversary              1958 - 50 year anniversary</p>

During recent interviews, Marian Berry Hafnor Edwards, Mabel Gunner Week and Frank Perry related some of their memories from their years at WRHS. These honored alumni related many fond memories and extended their best wishes to the future success of WRHS.

<p>Marian graduated in 1933 and is now 92 years old. she recalls that the high school was in a white, four room building with the high school classes in teh two upstairs rooms, and the 5th and 6th grades in teh two downstairs rooms. THE 7th and 8th grades were in another building. Marian remembers that there were two teachers for the high school and that her favorite was Mrs. Malchow. The students moved back and forth between the two classes, and they had desks that had a chair attached and space for an inkwell. She</p>	<p>Frank Perry Relates:</p> <p>In 1933 I entered as a freshman at the old building housing students from 5th grade through seniors. We had a rabble in high school with all sorts of tricks played on the Superintendent and Principal. I recall a school mate who did a lot of trapping and liked to skin skunks prior to coming to school. The girls did not like getting close to him. He would, at times, bring a bull snake and an alarm clock to school with him.</p>
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found school easy and said there were no offerings like art and music. There were 18 in her graduating class. Lawrence Olson was the valedictorian, and Marian was the salutatorian. She remembers they were just a point apart.

Marian and her sister Phylis boarded with Katherine and Shorty Long during the week for part of her high school time and had an apartment in Mrs. Teutch's house her last year. On Friday afternoon Marian's dad, Cleve Berry, would pick Marian and Phylis up to go out to the ranch for the weekend. Marian said, "I always felt I was missing out on the town kids' activities." The school didn't have any sports teams except basketball. A girls' team was started, but Marian doesn't think they were in a league as they were too inexperienced. she was a running center, and she remembers the girls couldn't run past the mid-court line as this was considered too strenuous for women. The girls always wore dresses to school, but when there was a snowstorm they could wear slacks.

Putting a snake in an empty locker along with the alarm clock would cause quite a panic when the alarm sounded. our instructor would calmly walk up to the locker, and when he opened the door, out would slither the snake. Most of the girls would be standing on their desks until the snake was removed.

Another student, wanting to be a chemist I suppose, discovered that a combination of sulphuric acid and one other component would put out a strong odor like rotten eggs. School would be promptly dismissed!

I remember when a tiger was designated as a team mascot, possibly around 1935-36. We had an old wooden structure for a gym. I was designated to paint a tiger head on the centerline. Not any resemblance to what Mrs. Keever did in the new school gym, but it sufficed as long as we used the old gym for band, operettas, school presentations, etc. until 1938. Our class of '37 was the first class to graduate from the WPA school, but we did not attend any classes there.

Mable relates:

Hi, I am Mabel Gunner Week and I graduated from White River High School in 1936 with Rex Raffenberger, Frank O'Brien, Rhoda Gatton, Robert Gatton, Gene Hutchinson and others who I do not recall right at the moment. Extra activities then were very different then they are today. We practiced for a school play and for some reason it never was performed for the public. The same was true for basketball; the boys practiced and the game was often discontinued. Football was played within the school. There was a prom in which all classes took part. A band was hired to play for the prom. My graduation was held at the Methodist Church.

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**See You in August 2011!**