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ONE HUNDRED YEARS OF MEMORIES

By Mary Cincotta '69

On May 16th and 17th of this year, the Northeast Alumni Board of Directors did something no other board has ever done or will probably ever do again—host a weekend celebration. This one was for the 100 year anniversary of Northeast High School.

Planning for the event began early in 2013 and continued up to the May 2014 weekend that marked the culmination of our efforts. We had monthly meetings that turned into weekly meetings and then twice weekly, more e-mails and phone calls than you could count and faced numerous roadblocks that threatened to derail our plans. But in the end our efforts paid off and both Friday's and Saturday's events were a once-in-a-lifetime celebration for a school we all love. Memories were shared, new memories made and numerous friendships rekindled.

To honor not only the school but the neighborhood, Friday night's wine and cheese reception was held at the historic Kansas City Museum. Most attendees had memories of going to the museum on field-trips starting with grade school and continuing through their high school years. Denise Morrison, Director of Collections and Curatorial Services and Andrew Mouzin, Community relations Manager worked hand in hand with board members to ensure the success of the event and provided "hard hat" tours of the museum for those interested in viewing a piece of the past. All alumni who attended Friday night's reception received a Viking keychain as a remembrance of the event.

While the weather was unseasonably cool for May, that didn't keep people from enjoying the poster size photos on display both inside the carriage house and outside on the grounds, signing the signature board to be displayed in the alumni room, listening to Carl DiCapo's welcoming speech, taking carriage rides along the boulevard and just catching up with friends.

The Northeast spirit never gives up and that was shown by some alumni who came to the event via a bus that brought people from Foxwood Springs Nursing Home. Randall Palmer, class of 1943, was the party responsible for making that happen and he brought graduates from 1932 and up to 1958. The eldest was John Heillman at 99 years. It was wonderful to see the smiling faces and listen to the stories these alumni had to share.

Saturday's neighborhood celebration took place on the grounds of the school and extended to the gym, the Alumni room and included tours of the school. A letter from Jermaine Reed, NE graduate and 3rd District Councilman, was read, along with two Proclamations from the city and state. Senator Paul LeVota presented a Proclamation to the Principal, Mr. Douglas Bolden and another Proclamation was presented by the Jackson County Legislature to members of the Board of Directors. The board provided three bouncy houses, numerous Viking themed games, popcorn, cotton candy, free balloons (by Bev Pennington Pace) and Vince Totta set up his food vendor facilities and sold delicious Italian sausages. There was a sidewalk chalk drawing contest that prompted some budding artists to display their talents. Prize was tickets to the Zoo. Fire Station 18, Fire Station 23 and Fire Station 24 brought trucks and there throughout the day for the kids to explore. The Northeast branch of the Kansas City Public Library hosted a booth and provided free books for those interested parties. Several performances were given by the students of Northeast and ROTC members gave tours of the school. Current 2014 Centennial yearbooks were available to be purchased as well as Alumni memorabilia. Included in Saturday's activities was the release of 100 purple and white balloons and a speech by Principal Bolden.

But words can never take the place of pictures and numerous pictures of both Friday and Saturday activities are featured in this Purple & White newsletter as well as posted on the website. Look closely—you might see yourself in one of the candid shots. Hope you enjoyed the Centennial Homecoming Celebration!

THE PRESIDENTS CORNER

MY GOODBYE...Karole Zinger '62

Twelve years on the board with seven as your President has afforded me with some very interesting and rewarding memories. Together, along the way, we have made some meaningful changes and some small behind-the-scenes differences as well. Our hands-on philosophy has allowed us to get to know our students and follow some of their career paths showing us our hard work is worth it. The scholarships (endowed by CDs but supported by fundraisers as well) are a wonderful way to give NE students educational opportunities they might not have otherwise. You should be very proud of this continued accomplishment.

Preserving the Past: It is my hope that future board members will always honor the NE traditions by keeping the Lyal Viers Alumni Room as a room to showcase these traditions from academics to sports by encompassing this motto. It is after all, The Lyal Viers **Alumni** Room, with wonderful memorabilia. It is a room for all to share but it is first and foremost, the **ALUMNI** room. Please continue to support this tradition.

Experience the Present: It is also my hope that new programs will be put in place giving incentives and encouragement for good citizenship along with ways to help embrace an academic culture to bring accreditation back to Northeast. Traditions are great but new ideas should always be welcomed.

Empower the Future: I see all the nostalgic memories mentioned on Facebook, and I am encouraged to think that classes from the 80's on will step up and take their places on this Board of Directors and continue to make a difference.

As I exit from the Board, I would like to thank all of you for your support and I would encourage all of you to volunteer for a committee whenever you can, even if you don't have time to be on the board. The rewards are great!

I would also like to thank the past members of the board and the current board for believing in me and especially for allowing me to help orchestrate the Centennial Homecoming. While the tasks and needs are great, so is this network of alumni across the U. S. bound together as one of the largest and best Alumni Associations ever.

Thank you for allowing me to be your president. It has been an honor to be part of something so great and so rewarding!

2014 Committee Chairpersons

Alumni Room.....	Velma Showalter & Roberta Holt-Kipper
Audit.....	Luella Copenhaver Rew
Bylaws.....	Velma Showalter
Data Base	Vicki Rum
Dinner/Dance	Beverly Pennington Pace
Fundraising.....	Randy Collins
Golf tournament.....	Ron Fornelli
Historian.....	Dr. Wm. Stevens
Logo Sales.....	Alice Girard Benson
Membership	Antoinette Rum Guarino
Newsletter.....	Karole Zinger & Mary Cincotta
Publicity.....	Victoria Rum
Scholarship.....	Mary Cincotta
Sgt. at Arms.....	Charlie Annis
Socials.....	Beverly Pennington Pace
VAP	Ruth Roush & Mary Cincotta
VIP.....	Roberta Holt-Kipper
Web Design.....	Sal Fanara

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Please fill out the application form in this issue and do what you can to support the Northeast High School Alumni Association

-Important-**DATES TO REMEMBER!**

2014

Board Meeting.....	Oct. 14
Annual Meeting.....	Oct. 21
Christmas Elf Program.....	Nov-Dec.

*The above dates are subject to change!
If changes are made, check your E-News or the website.*

MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW!

**DON'T MISS OUT ON ANY OF THE
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION EVENTS.**

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LETTERS

To: N. E. Alumni Association,

"Thank you for all the work you did for the N.E. 100 yr. celebration. It was all well planned, well received and great fun." Thanks, John Brown-Class of '59 and Sharon Setzer Brown -'60

Alumni Association;

"I would like to compliment the Northeast Alumni Association for putting on a Fantastic Centennial program! I was contacted by Antoinette Guarino and told that I had won the auction for a beautiful winter photograph of NEHS for \$75. I would also like to pay my dues at this time (\$20), so please find enclosed my check for \$95. Thanks for all of your hard work!" Sincerely, Gary Converse '73

Alumni Board of Directors;

"I am writing to thank the Alumni Association and the Centennial Committee for the wonderful Centennial Celebration held at the K. C. Museum on Friday, May 16. It was done with much love and class. All of us had a wonderful time. The Saturday, May 17 at the high school was equally impressive. Of course, it was well organized. I spent lots of money on hats and shirts etc. Thank all of you for your hard work." Very Sincerely, Lynn Towse '60

FUN IN LAUGHLIN, NEVADA!

By Bev Pennington Pace '53

WILD, WILD WEST !!! is the theme for the Northeast alumni reunion coming up in February, 2015, in Laughlin, NV. Five days of fun activities starting on Sunday afternoon, February 22nd and ending with a dinner dance on Thursday, February 26th. All of the details can be found on the NE website, northeast-vikings.org, listed under LAUGHLIN REUNION. Come join us. You will be glad you did!

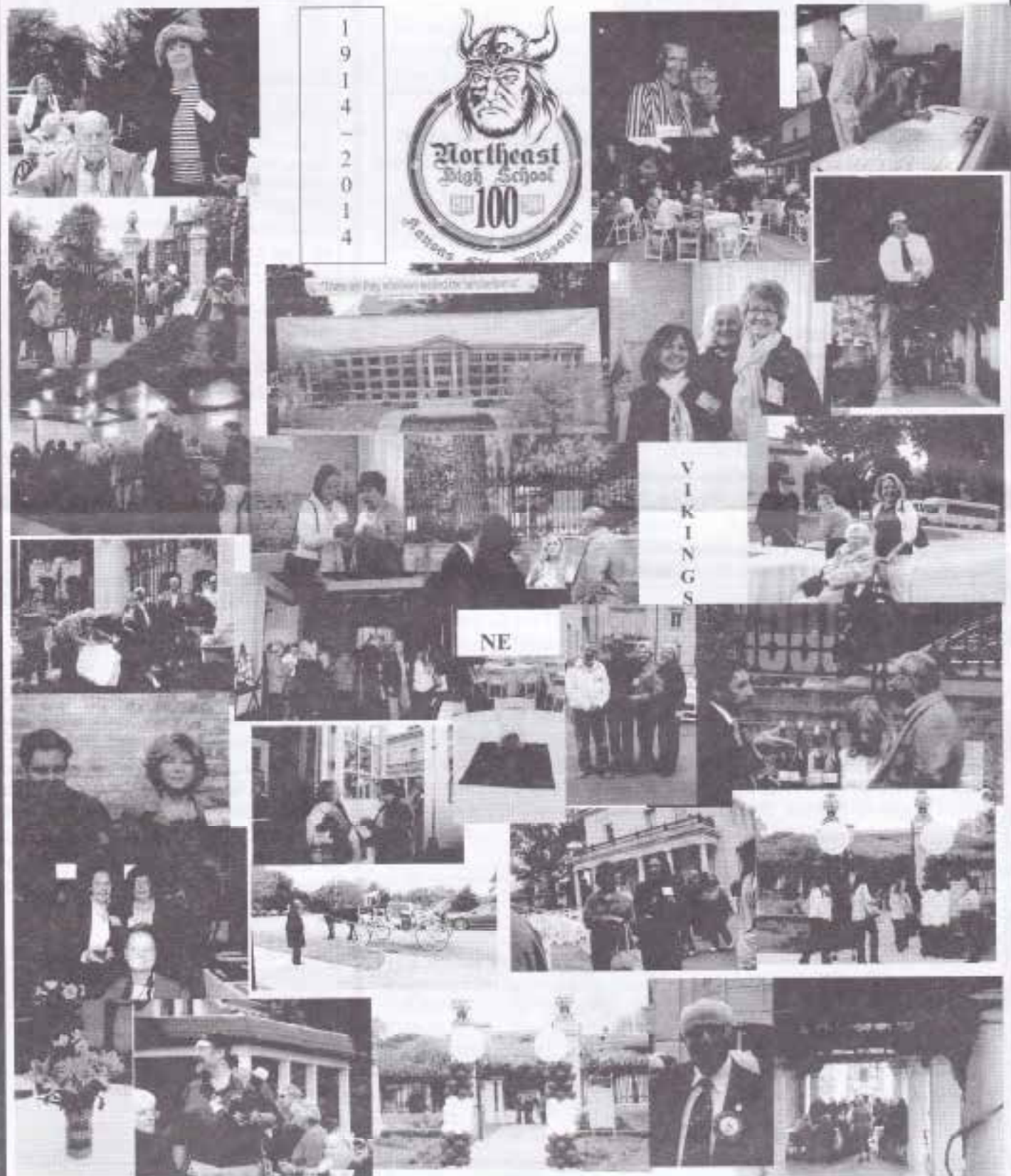
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SATURDAY'S NEIGHBORHOOD FESTIVAL



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SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL OUR GUESTS & VENDORS!

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SCHOLARSHIP-By Mary Cincotta '69

I am a member of the Northeast Alumni Board for a variety of reasons, not the least of which is the pure joy I feel when I have the honor of interviewing the potential scholarship candidates. That one day a year makes all of the hard work we do for the rest of the year worth it.

This year the scholarship committee had the pleasure of meeting thirteen students who came from a variety of backgrounds but who all had one thing in common - a will to succeed. The young men and women came dressed for success, with smiles on their faces and a desire to impress the board members that were sitting across the table from them, literally with their future in our hands.

I don't know about you, but when I was 18 years old, the thought of having to interview with a bunch of adults would have been pretty scary. Not so for the students we met. While you could tell a couple of them were a little nervous, they overcame that nervousness and did a great job of answering our questions and showing us a little bit about who they were and what they wanted out of life.

This year in addition to the \$1000 Nursing scholarship that the parents of Tracy Gail Weber sponsored, we also had a \$500 scholarship sponsored by some of the members of the class of 1984. The total of the scholarships awarded this year was \$14,000. Every alumnus who paid their dues, attended the dinner dance golf tournament or sent a check just because they knew it was needed, can give yourselves a pat on the back for a job well done. Your generosity will help to change a young person's life and that's what being a Viking is all about.

ALUMNI ROOM-By Robert Holt-Kipper '69

The Lyl Viers Alumni room has been the recipient of so many wonderful gifts during the Centennial. One of those really wonderful and helpful gifts are reunion rosters, memory books and class lists. It can be for the 25th, 45th or 50th or just a get-together.

These books, we find go by many names. They help us to update our books as to the deceased members of that class, but also help defray the cost of postage for the Purple & white newsletter, by allowing us to remove deceased members from our mailing list. It also alerts us to look for obituaries that we find and place in every individual class book.

We hope those attending our Centennial events had a great time. If you missed either day, please keep checking the website as well as Facebook sites for pictures. We are actively working toward making those pictures available. As always, we welcome your treasures for safekeeping. We have a need for the following yearbooks, so if you have them and are willing to part with them, we would love to add them to our collection; 1971, 1980, 1981 and 2005.

*Editors note: A special thank you to my classmate and grade school friend, **Beverly Blair Orr, '62**, who came to the Centennial Celebration and brought memorabilia to us consisting of a graduation ring dated 1935, a Delta ring, a Delta pin, a Tri-Hi Y pin, a Citizenship pin, a NE Emblem bracelet, and a 1935 Latin pin. These will be cherished and lovingly placed in the Alumni Room.*



ANNUAL MEETING

October 21, 2014

The annual meeting of the Northeast High School Alumni Association will be held on Tuesday, October 21, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at Eastgate Christian Church located at 4010 S. River Blvd, Independence, MO. The purpose of the meeting is to elect Directors for the Alumni Board and conduct other business that may be of interest to the membership. We encourage all Lifetime and Regular (dues paid) members to attend this important meeting. The nominating committee will recommend candidates on the official ballot whom they have determined through an established process, as worthy of your support. Other candidates may be written in on the ballot, or candidates nominated from the floor at the annual meeting, will be added to the official ballot.

This year the voting procedures are the same as last year and will be strictly adhered to at the meeting. These procedures will be posted on the website as well.

VOTING PROCEDURES

All Active/Lifetime members may vote at the general meeting. Absentee voters may receive a ballot from the secretary of the Association by mailing your request for a ballot to P. O. Box 1264, Blue Springs, MO 64013. To insure ample time to receive your request, confirm your eligibility, return your ballot, and then have time to receive and record your ballot, all requests for ballots must be presented two weeks prior to the meeting and received by the secretary prior to the meeting. You may wish to vote by proxy by mailing to the address above to receive an authorized form to indicate your proxy. Receiving the authorized form will assure that you have been verified as eligible to vote. Of course, only the named proxy, indicated on the returned authorized form will be eligible to vote at the meeting. In order to receive your request for the proxy form, verify your eligibility, send it back to you and authorize your proxy to vote; the authorized proxy form must be requested in writing 2 weeks prior to the meeting and received by the secretary prior to the meeting. Acting proxy must be in attendance.

Thank you. Karole Zinger, President



NORTHEAST NOTABLES



James J. Lynn '14
 UB Iwerks '16
 Richard Lockridge '16
 Maxwell Taylor '17
 Charles "Ducky" Nash '17
 James Kirkpatrick '24
 Charles Luckman '25
 Eric Hawkins '25
 Rose Shapiro Levine '27
 Clarence Kelly '28
 Jill Jackson Miller '30's (early)
 Professor Warren Rohsenow '37
 Max H. Mesner '30s (late)
 Arthur William Gebaur '36
 Ted Chittwood '39
 Charles R. Long '41
 Mort Walker '41
 John Waas '41
 Doris Lloyd Grosh '41
 Vernon RQ Fernandes '42
 Carl J. DiCapo '44
 William O. Stevens, PhD '44
 Dr. Richard Yennie '45
 Judge Jack Gant '45
 Dorothy "Dot" Newcom Buell '48
 John "Bud" Thomas '48
 William Sessions '48
 Don Farrar '54
 Ron DePasco '62
 Robert T. Johnson '63
 James Bethke '64
 Ron Zuber '64
 Thomas Polizzi '68
 Robert Collins '68
 Joseph Wells '69
 Dr. Steven Wilhelm '71
 Rick Easley '69
 Betty Peterson Blasco (?)
 Eph Markey (Coach)
 Ron Mott '86
 Tim Harden '92
 Mary Hamilton
 Judge Marcus Rodan

WE ARE THE VIKINGS!

2014 BENEFIT GOLF TOURNAMENT



Bill George, Bobby George, Billy George, &
Dave Hemmingsen
A FLIGHT, 1ST PLACE



Terry Bryson, Ralph Tsou, Ron Fornelli, Bill
Schmidt
Ron Fornelli tied for 1st Place Putting Contest



Regina Irvin, Vickie Kilgore, Mari McMahon,
Mike McMahon
C FLIGHT, 2ND PLACE



Ray Rew, Howard Rew, George Seel, Bill Gomer



Kenny Rogers, Al Maddox, Mike Frederico,
Gary Coleman
B FLIGHT, 3RD PLACE



Al Gwert, Nick Roddell, Lauren Wendt,
Ryan Cline



Mike Williamson, Jeff Jones, Harry Cauda,
Homer Lewis Routh



Longest Put
Closest to
Pin

Linda Rivera, Rick Rivera, Pat Palumbo, Mike
Palumbo
A FLIGHT, 2ND PLACE



Don Kimble, Stan Jablonski, John Peterson,
Lloyd Bermond



Louis Colandrea, Billy Hackett, Jeff Crum, Dave
Francis



Wayne Wittmeyer, Ron Snyder, Curt McDaniels,
L. Lee McNitt



Hal Sherwood, John Diez, Bob Nutt, Keith
Nutt



Jim Bethke, Dave Kyle, Sam Paul, Greg Kotts



John Lampton, Ed Howey, Mike Bobbit,
Lowell Burns



Jay Hew, Justin Wheeler, Drew White,
Austin White
B FLIGHT, 2ND PLACE

We would like to thank our **golfers** who continue to support our golf tournament and have now expanded to bringing their families to play also. Our **sponsors** and **volunteers** are without a doubt the very best! The weather was beautiful and the tournament was a great success. We thank you and look forward to seeing you again at the 2015 tournament. What a great way to spend a fun day with alumni friends and what a worthy cause ...Northeast scholarships!



Angelo Tosti, Ellis Storms, Jim Croucher,
Jim Ferro



Robert Turley, Ron Turley, Craig Turley, Makenzie
Turley
A FLIGHT, 3RD PLACE



William Crook, Jim Cariddi, Steve Crook, Joe
Abbott
C FLIGHT, 1ST PLACE



Don Sprincor, Steve Grantham, Lee
Blakenley, Cameron Peak



Sal Fanara, Ron Turner, Jerry Campbell, Vic De-
Mayo



Eric Rogers, Tammy Rogers, B. Richey,
(Sorry, name unknown)



Tom Afton, Larry Mahoney, Philip Afton, Harold Wilson



Ray Chandler, and David Still, B. Schmitt not in picture
David tied for 1st Place Putting Contest
B FLIGHT, 1ST PLACE



Gary Masner, Dennis Johnson, Nick King, Andrew
Makowski

C FLIGHT, 3RD PLACE

A very special thank you to **Ron Fornelli** for all his hard work in putting together a successful 2014 Centennial Golf Tournament. A commemorative NE Tumbler was the gift this year. We hope everyone enjoys it and will remember what a great day we had on June 21, 2014. Thank you to **Ray and Luella Copenhagenewer** for all their expertise as well.

Thank you to the six Kohl's employees who volunteered and chose us to support as their community service project. We made \$500 because of them. Yes! Thank you to all who donated items or services to our auction and raffle.

Our wonderful sponsors this year are:

DIAMOND SPONSOR -

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Don Kimble '60
Sal Fanara '54

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MEMORIAL/RECOGNITION WALL

Since the spring issue of the Purple & White, the following names have been submitted for placement on our Memorial/Recognition Wall located in the Lyal Viers Alumni Room at Northeast High School:

Hellen Johnson— A Counselor	By David R. Bywaters '49
Rolla B. "Buddy" Wade, Jr.,	By Judy A. (Wade) Lyons '54
Richard "Dick" Duggan '52	By Jimmie Lee Evans
Boling Twins-Cheerleaders Janice and Janelle '48	By Kathleen Jones
Mike Venable '69	By Vickie L. (Venable) Kilgore '69
Elizabeth Williams '38	By Peggy Cline
Mary Ellen Welch Cole '33	By Mary Phyllis (Cole) Mallen '56, Jeanne A. Cole Lemon '62, Linda J. Cole Rumley '65
Harold Rohrs '41	By Roger L. Mills '41
Mort Walker '41	By Roger L. Mills '41
Barbara L. Darnell Bearly '54	By Barbara L. Darnell Bearly '54
Edgar W. Jackson—Teacher	By James A. Nelson '39
Sargent P. K. Henley Teacher & ROTC Leader	By James A. Nelson '39
Senora Bell Spanish Teacher	By James A. Nelson '39
John D. Burger '35	By Del Chandler
Rosalie Rennison Morrison '37	Correction of Name on plate



The Memorial/Recognition Wall will be on permanent display in the Alumni Room for all students, faculty, and alumni visitors to view. The area designated for the memorial/recognition wall plaque is four-feet wide and thirty-two inches tall. The plaque is made of colorful acrylic. Names of individuals honored will be permanently inscribed on plates to be attached. When you provide a generous, tax-deductible donation of at least \$100 or more, you may choose to have your name placed on the wall. You might want to honor a spouse, sibling, parent, classmate or other loved-one. Your class may want to provide a donation and have the class year inscribed for all others to see. With each \$100 or more donated, you may specify an honoree. Our thanks to you for your support, and we hope you will take this opportunity to receive the recognition due or to honor someone with a lasting remembrance. Send your donation today and be recognized, or honor a loved-one.

YOUR NAME _____ ADDRESS _____ CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

NAME TO BE PLACED ON THE WALL _____ CLASS YEAR _____ Your phone # _____
(one name only, please)

DONATION: \$100 \$250 \$500 \$ _____ OTHER _____ SEND TAX RECEIPT

Send check to NEHS Alumni Assn., M/R Wall, PO Box 1264, Blue Springs, MO 64013-1264

Notes: _____

WELCOME ABOARD THE VIKING SHIP!

NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Vickie Venable Kilgore, Class of 1968.

Retired from Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS) in August 2008 after 35 years of service. Highest position held was Director of Accounts Payable for the United States Marine Corps.

She just left a part time position with the University of Missouri Extension after five years as the Office Manager/Bookkeeper for their Clinton County office in Plattsburg, MO.

She is a current board member of Plattsburg Chamber of Commerce, just finishing three years as a board member and two years as Treasurer. She is a current member of the Plattsburg Senior Center. She is looking forward to helping the Northeast Alumni Association, making new friends and seeing old friends she has not seen in years. Vickie thanks you for this opportunity to serve.

Welcome to the Board of Directors!

Jeanine Vallacqua, Class of 1979

Jeanine currently resides in Olathe, Kansas and is an MRI and CT Technologist. She attended UMKC, Kansas City, MO and the North Kansas City, MO Radiologic Technology Program.

Jeanine has volunteered recently at various functions and fundraising events and has demonstrated that she is a team player. It is obvious that she is interested in helping Northeast be the best it can be.

Her parents still live in the Northeast area so she still has ties to the area and has a vested interest in the neighborhood.

She brings to the Board of Directors that willing Viking spirit and we look forward to working with her on future projects.

Please welcome Jeanine to the Board of Directors.

We also welcome **Steve Crook '79** and **Dave Francis '79** to the Board of Directors. They will be featured in the spring issue of the Purple & White along with the newly elected Board members from the annual election.

CENTENNIAL DINNER DANCE

The dinner dance was held on Friday, June 20th, 2014 at the Marriott Courtyard and continued to celebrate the centennial theme. Purple and White balloons with silver balloon numbers of 1914-2014 made the occasion very festive and were done by Beverly Pennington Pace '53, Chair of the dinner dance committee. The hurricane lanterns with a purple rose in the middle added just the right touch of class to the tables. The room was full of fun people ready to party and dance to the music of our D.J., Frank Cherrito, until the magic hour of 11 p.m.

An auction was held with fundraising in mind and our guests came through just as they always do. Pictures of Northeast activities and favorite scenes and places were just a few of the items on the auction table. Some of the pictures are still available and will be placed on the website so you may purchase and own a piece of the Centennial celebration. The banner with NE on it can be brought to reunions also.

Announcements were made, good food was eaten and friendships and laughter filled the room. If you haven't attended one of these dinner dances, you are missing an opportunity to rekindle some good times with good friends. Thank you to the classes of 1964 and 1954 for sharing their reunion with us. They enjoyed their own dance time on the floor. We hope you had a good time. The song "Through the Years" sung by Kenny Rogers was the opening song and we end this article with that thought that through the years, we will continue to acknowledge, honor and appreciate the good times had at NE...

IN REMEMBRANCE

Sadly, since our last newsletter, we have learned of the following deaths:

1929- Dorothy Ek
 1930- Dorothy E. Owen
 1931- Robert R. Bruce
 1933- Leroy O. Heggy
 1938NP-Thomas J. Manning, Sr.
 1936-Jeanette Miller Frank, John Sopcich
 1938- Eleanore Mooney Clodfelter, Harry E. Kenagy, Merle Jeanne Todd Woolworth
 1941-Joan Lee Carlow Parsons
 1942- Evelyn Porter Little
 1943-Lyle Peters
 1945-Dorthaleen Poe Kinsler
 1947-Velda G White-Latcham
 1949-Gladys Richards Bickens
 1951-Mary Lou Stone Peden, Nancy Elizabeth Gowing Estebo, James Jefferson Haynes, Janice Claire Nickson Simpich, Thomas Arthur Redenbaugh, Carl Edwin Windhausen, Anna Louise McFarland Shoemaker
 1952-Esther P. Bopp Capehart
 1953-Kenneth W. Morris, Larry Ericson
 1954-Nancy Elizabeth Tungett Hoelscher, David Masterson, Donald R. Thomas
 1955-William A. Sobotka
 1956-Rebecca Black, Phyllis Calia, Cora Jeanette O'Keefe
 1957-Karen J. Tuleen Mall
 1959-Joyce Tompkins Keck, Ellenora Benigar McGlothlin
 1960-Shirley Hoenshell
 1961-Barry Eddie, Janice Neidig
 1963-Patti Bellanti, Patricia J. Kroenke Olivas
 1964-Michael D. Playter, Paul Baker
 1965-Connie Lee Reed Paul
 1969-Douglas Ray Scothorne, Jr.,
 1970-John Leone
 1979-Paul Parthenopoulos
 1986- Donna Costanza
 1987-Anthony Costanza

Margaret Hyde, Class year unknown,
 Juanita Barnal Leon, Class year unknown

HONOR

On this year of 2014, our 100th anniversary, it is fitting that we take time out to remember that 100 years ago, Northeast lost it's first students to war. The war known as the war to end all wars, World War I. We know that it didn't end all wars and that all too many of our boys and girls have been lost in honor to the red, white and blue. This Veteran's Day we should salute not only those lost in battle and service, but all Veteran's who have served our country.

We also are reminded that our brave soldiers who died in battle leave families behind. During that war to end all wars, another organization was formed to help families of the fallen endure life without their loved ones. This Veteran's Day, we will also remember our Northeast families who lost loved ones and the organization dedicated to helping families endure the loss. An organization that included Northeast families, Gold Star Mothers...

GOLD STAR MOM

The banner was small, but the star was large,
 The color of a blue, night sky,
 She hung it in the window with trembling fingers,
 and tried hard not to cry.
 He was so young to go far away,
 As all soldiers have to do.
 She knew that danger lurked everywhere,
 As she touched the star of blue.
 The weeks went by, the months rolled on,
 She knew he would not die.
 Her faith in God held her head up high.

In her heart she sang a song.
 But the battles raged. The news
 was not good.
 Why did so many have to die?
 She was cold, And she felt terribly old.
 As the day came that she faced
 with dread.
 When a knock on the door,
 Shattered her life evermore,
 And the blue star turned to gold.

Editors note: We honor our Veteran's in this issue as it is our last issue of the

CELEBRATE 100 YEARS!

Special Thanks to...

All the companies and vendors who donated their time, service and/or products to us for any of our events this year. Without your help we would not be able to offer our scholarships and programs to NE kids.

And to our volunteers who step up all year and especially during our Christmas Elf project to donate, shop, wrap and distribute to our NE kids in need. The joy of seeing these families have a Christmas is more than any gift you yourself could receive.

Please keep us in mind as this special time of year is approaching and we will need your help again. Again THANK YOU!

VIKINGS!



Alumni Strong

Please contact the **Purple & White News** purpwhit@hotmail.com or call any Board Member listed on the back page if you learn of the death of anyone affiliated (past or present) with Northeast High School. We rely on information we receive from our readers and what we find in the local newspapers.

Gals of '53 the luncheons are on the last Saturday, of September and April at 12 noon at different locations. No prepayment is necessary BUT PLEASE let our hostess, Dottie Cox Wildschuetz know if you will be there so she can arrange adequate seating. Call her at 816-373-1995 or email at mymomwild@aol.com. Hope to see you there.

Class of '56 Meet at Chappell's Restaurant in NKC at 11:30 a.m. on the fourth Wednesday of each month.

Anyone from '56 or a close class is welcome to join us. Contact Roy Beaty at 816-444-9294 or email roysandybeaty@aol.com

Class of '58 - Meet for lunch the third Monday of each month at 11:30 a.m.

Call Louise Kellough Welker, 816-468-7221, for information as the location changes monthly.

Gals of '59 - are meeting every January and July, the second Saturday of the month at Clancy's in Blue Springs, MO at 11:30.

Contact: Luella Copenhaver Rew, 816-229-9230 or Linda Hurley Anderson, 816-224-0017.

Gals of '60 - meet on the third Thursday of every month at 12 noon for lunch. We change restaurants every month to accommodate our gals from all parts of the area. We would like to invite all gals from close classes to join us!

Contact: Carol Monaco at 816-373-8418 for the new location each month.

LOGO COMMITTEE

We would like to be part of your reunion celebration. We will be there with our logo merchandise such as T-shirts, sweatshirts, jackets, baseball caps, visors and NE history CDs. Please contact:

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CLASS OF 1984

The Class of 1984 is celebrating their 30-year reunion this year on September 27, 2014. For information regarding your reunion please contact Charla Taibi Lee at charlee1984@gmail.com

CLASS OF 1979

35-years- Saturday, September 13, 6 p.m., at Johnny's Backyard, 1825 Buchanan, N.K.C., MO 64116 Contact: Tammy Howard Marsalla at 816-781-9011

CLASS OF 1969

45-years- Friday, August 22, at 6 p.m., Paul & Jack's, 1808 Clay St., N.K.C. Inviting the classes of '67, '68, '70 and '71.

Saturday, August 23, 6 p.m.-11 p.m., Holiday Inn, 9103 E. 39th St., K.C. MO. Contact Martha Baird.

CLASS OF 1965

Your reunion for your 50th is in the planning stages for October, 2015. Details will follow. Contact: Jackie Land Harrison jql19@comcast.net

CLASS OF 1963

Gals of 63 are planning a 70th Birthday party. "Save the Date" next year of October 3, 2015. More information to come. Contact: Diane Tosti Collura at 816-478-9970 dmcollura@comcast.net

CLASS OF 1962

70th Birthday Celebration! Saturday, September 13, 2014, 6:30 p.m. at the Granfalloon, 608 Ward Parkway, K.C.MO. Also a Sunday coffee. Details and RSVP to Donna Hunt Skates dskateskcrb1@kc.rr.com

CLASS OF 1959

Celebrating 55th. September 19, 2014, Friday a.m., co-ed golf at Adams Pointe Golf Course, Blue Springs, MO; Call Ray Rew 816-229-9230. Friday Night Bash on Sept. 19 at Clancy's, Blue Springs, MO 6 p.m.-10 p.m. On Sat., Sept. 20 can tour school, 10 a.m. and dinner dance is at Hilton Garden Inn, Indep. MO 6 p.m.-11 p.m. Hospitality Room open noon-5:30 p.m....Breakfast buffet Sun. 9 a.m. Hilton Lobby. Special room rate of \$92.

If you have any questions, please call Randy Barnes Hinkle at 816-478-9575 or Luella Copenhaver Rew at 816-229-9230.

!!!Attention all Class Reunion Event Planners!!!

If you're having your class reunion this next year, why not consider having it at the NE Annual Viking 2015 Dinner/Dance, Courtyard Marriott in Blue Springs??? Leave the hassle to us...we reserve the hotel, plan the buffet menu, book the entertainment, buy the decorations (AND decorate), arrange your seating so that you are all in one section and recognize your class! All you have to do is get your classmates together, fill out your reservations, mail it in, show up and plan on having the best reunion to date! You can even join in the golf tournament the next morning! You'll be a hit with no effort on your part...it just doesn't get any better! Contact:

Beverly Pennington Pace
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\$20



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Total Enclosed: _____

Please include your name, address, email address, & phone number.

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Mail changes to: Northeast Alumni Association P.O. Box 1264 Blue Springs, MO 64013-1264

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