

69th Reunion by Mail —2013—

BOONE HIGH SCHOOL

Class of 1934

This collection of letters from our classmates will have to be our 69th reunion. Most of us are well into our 80's and find traveling difficult and tiring. Hopefully, the letters and up-to-date stories, addresses, phone numbers and e-mail addresses will prod us into renewing old friendships by mail or phone.

Make the effort to call, write and send pictures!
You can brighten lives and stir good memories.

Signed by the Boone Committee (now broke)

+ George Montgomery

+ Dorothy McElroy Beckner

Harriet Anderson Bentley

+ Myra Jane Morton

+ Leora Pratt *Ed. Hane*

+ Bud Starks

Boysel Samuelson

+ Leslie Doran *SEASIDE*

Thelma Nelson Boyd

Iola Lindmark Garvey

Class of 1934

Since graduating I have been busy. Married to Leonard Bentley in 1937. Have 3 daughters and 1 adopted son, 11 grandchildren and 13 greatgrands, plus twins arriving soon. After Leonard's death in 1982 I moved to my home in Ogden.

I (with the help of my doctor) keep well. Have made quilts and do counted cross-stitch.

We traveled in all 50 states, the Holy Land and Italy.

Worked in the hospital office 16 years, retired in 1981.

That's enough.

Harriet Anderson Bentley
119 W Cherry St.
Ogden, IA 50212

Greeting to all:

As I have missed past reunions. "Reunions by Mail" is, to me, a splendid idea.

I have 2 children, 4 grandchildren, and 4 great grandchildren. They are so scattered across the country and, as I rarely see them, I keep in touch via e-mail.

Rosemaling, painting on wood, is my hobby. I began this painting in 1987, when my sister, Beverly, and I went to Vesterheim, at Decorah, Iowa, to take classes. We have studied with American instructors as well as some from Norway. Rosemaling is different and more difficult to do than the better known Tole painting.

I am reasonably well and able to drive wherever I want to go. I hope all of you are as well. I have problems but you probably do, too. All that aside, we have sooooo much to be thankful for.

With my best wishes to all,

Maxine Baird Wangberg
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Surprise, AZ 85374

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Dear Classmates:

Since our last reunion in Boone four years ago the best thing that has happened to me is that I haven't broken a hip or anything. Keeping ones balance is a constant chore. Falls can be disastrous.

I have a lawyer daughter, Mary, in Albuquerque, New Mexico, a pediatric nurse practitioner daughter, JoAnn, in Seattle and a son, George Jr, who is a nurse in school in Des Moines. My wife, Arline, now 84, is still well and busy keeping our home in Ames running.

I am still being a doctor. I am the medical director of two retirement centers in Ames. I make rounds both places every morning. Most of the patients there are my age (86) so we get along fine.

Currently, we have eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Most are in Iowa so we get a lot of visits. We like their visits if they are frequent, but short.

My wife and I don't take any long trips anymore; too tiring and too much of a hassle with traffic and airports. Have you folks noticed that too?

My further plan is to stay in our home as long a possible and then hope I drop dead one day while landing a nice bass.

Cheers!

George Montgomery
917 Brookridge Ave
Ames, IA 50010-5836

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Deceased
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Deceased
11-5-12

Best wishes to everyone-
Myra Jane Morton
821 W Fifth St
Boone, IA 50036-3213

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Thelma Nelson Hendricks Boyd
~~123 W Third St~~ 715 W. manic
Boone, IA 50036 Eisenhower Av.

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After finishing nurses training, I lived in Washington, D.C. and Iowa City. There I met and married Walter Hartung in 1942. After World War II we moved to Bettendorf, Iowa. Walt practiced in Davenport, Iowa, and Moline, Illinois. I was kept busy with four children and being active in Garden Club, PEO, Hospital Auxiliary, golfing, bowling, etc.

My children are:

John-Wachovia Bank, Charlotte, N.C. (he is married to Norman Wilson's daughter.)

Robert-Radiologist, Davenport, Iowa

Barbara-Attorney, St Louis, Missouri

Mark-Yellow Book, Cedar Rapids, Iowa

I have been very fortunate health wise but have decided this year to give up golf. I now spend a lot of time with my feet under the bridge table.

We loved Arizona and built a home there. However, Walt became ill and passed away in 1982 before we accomplished the move. I am very happy living in a condo in Bettendorf among my friends.

Maxine Pestotnik Hartung
1360 Kimberly Ridge Rd #200
Bettendorf, IA 52722-4154

92-17-15

Sorry for taking so long in answering your mail to Mom. Because Mom is in a convalescent home now and has been for the past two years, we are doing her corresponding and just opened your letter to her last week. Up until September 2001, she was living in her own home in Frazier Park, CA since 1974.

Mom is survived by myself, Larry Munden, and daughter, JoAnn Brown. Her husband, Jesse Earl Munden, passed away in 1977.

Marjorie has three grandsons: Doug Brown, a police officer in Burbank, CA; Scott Munden and Brian Munden, both career U S Air Force. Scott is stationed at Vandenberg AFB, CA and Brian is stationed at Ramstein AFB in Germany.

Mom has also been blessed with five great-grandchildren: Doug Brown (JoAnn Brown's son) has three children: Trevor, Melissa & Joshua. Scott Munden has a daughter, Allison. Brian has a son named Jesse Earl Munden, named after Marjorie's husband, and born in Germany.

Marjorie's days are kept busy with all kinds of activities and thoroughly enjoys hearing from all her old friends and schoolmates back in Boone. We know she'll enjoy hearing from all. What a wonderful idea for those who can't be there. We thank you very much!

Sincerely,

Larry & Gwen Munden

For Marjorie Peters Munden

Dear Classmates:

Attending the 65th Reunion in 1999 was a very special occasion for me. I look forward to your letters and what has happened the last four years.

My life continues to be a very busy and happy one with some exceptions, poor health and the tragic loss of my second son, Daniel McGavin – 60 years old when killed in auto accident January 22, 2002.

Danny was the fearless leader and founder of the Independent American Party since 1964.

I have always been active in the "Mormon Church" – "The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints". I am organist for our congregation of 500 and have been for many years at least 60 years – also singing in choirs – church and community. Politics, family and church keep me well occupied.

David, my oldest son, a profession musician and venture capitalist is now retired and lives in Phoenix with his beautiful celebrity wife.

I had 5 children and now have 21 grandchildren and 44 great grandchildren.

Joel, my third son, is a very successful lawyer and lives in Las Vegas. His two older sons are also lawyers.

Janine, my daughter, lives one block from me, has always been my best friend and cares for my every need. We have enjoyed so much together – high school debates, college music classes, even sang in the Opera Carmen.

Christopher Holloman, my youngest son, lives in Henderson, Nevada. Ran for Secretary of State in 2003. He and Danny published a marvelous book – like a political encyclopedia entitled "Testament of Sovereignty" in 2000.

Yours very truly,

Margaret Ruth Holloman Hansen

739 16th St

Sparks, NV 89431-0911

Phone 775-358-5313

Hello Classmates of the 1934 Boone High School Class
I still live in Harlan, Iowa. Have my own home and car.
I enjoy many activities – reading, music, playing the organ,
spending time with friends and with the churchwoman's
group. Also do some volunteer work at the hospital.
I still like to travel and spent part of last winter in Arizona
and California.

I have good times with my family – two daughters and one
son, ten grandchildren and fourteen great grandchildren.
It will be nice to hear what all you are doing.

Helen (Jones) Brower
3002 Twelfth St #55
Harlan, IA 51537

Hi --

I am fortunate to be in pretty good health and living in an
apartment in Boone.

My husband and I moved to a family farm eight miles north
of Boone a couple of years after we married and raised our
seven children there. After my husband's death in 1999, I
moved to Boone. I'm still driving my car and doing
volunteer work. I now have 17 grandchildren and 18 great
grandchildren. With family scattered around various states,
I do find a place to visit every so often.

Iola Lindmark Garvey
1202 Eighth St #8
Boone, IA 50036

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Greeting Class of 1934 -

I have been a widow for seven years. We did get to spend 58 years together. Thank God for that.

God blessed us with four children, a son and three daughters. They have been so good to me.

I got eleven grandchildren and seventeen great grandchildren.

I am in fairly good health. I am still living in my house, taking care of myself and the house. I thank God for that also.

I haven't gone on any long trips, but enjoy being with my family for birthdays, Christmas and many other occasions.

I think I have said everything that might be of interest to you all.

Your classmate of 1934.

Martha Clara Eckhoff Porter

615 Eleventh St

Boone, IA 50036

to West 20th

I live in a retirement home in Sun City, Arizona, and I visit my son, my daughter and her husband in San Francisco three times a year - love to go there. Another daughter is in Denver, Colorado.

My husband passed away eleven years ago, but I go on trips with my kids. Went to Waterton, Canada, and enjoyed the mountains and wildflowers and cool air.

I worked as a nurse in the Army Air Corp in World War II where I met my husband and we lived in Washington, D.C. for thirty years where by kids grew up. I worked in several hospitals there and my husband worked for the Bureau of Public Roads.

I keep in touch with Mickey Schwartz and have visited her in Ames many times.

Am in fairly good health except for low vision and can no longer read.

Will look forward to the newsletter that you will put on and thanks a million for your effort.

Best Wishes to All

Hilda Ehman Billingsley

10101 W Palmeras Dr. #248

Sun City, AZ 85373-2086

Blessings to all the survivors of our class. I have many wonderful memories in my heart from those days. I have been widowed for 30 years from the love of my life, George. I have two sons, George and Larry, three grandsons and one granddaughter. George is married to Bonnie and lives near me in Muster, Indiana. Larry lives in Atlanta, Georgia, with his wife, Martha, who is a nurse specializing in oncology. I also have one brother Duane (Margie) Erway and they have one son, Donald.

I Worked for 28 years for a drug wholesale company-taking orders for drug stores and hospitals. I also taught Catechism for ten years at my church, Sacred Heart in East Chicago, Indiana. I delivered Meals on Wheels for eight years and now they are providing me with their service. After my retirement, I was fortunate to travel to Jamaica, Yugoslavia to visit my husband's relatives, Europe and then Hawaii.

I have had a home and apartments, but now live in senior citizens building. I belong to three groups: The Heart Support Group, the Blind Support Group, as I am legally blind, and the Drug Wholesale, where I worked. We survivors meet once a month for a reunion.

After my husband's death, I was "adopted" by my daughter-in-law Martha's family. It is so difficult being alone and they have been very good to me. It has been so wonderful being a part of their family.

Sincerely,

Evelyn Erway Polovich
4720 Railroad Ave. #616
East Chicago, IN 46312

A "Reunion by Mail" is a splendid idea. I thank all of you who are in charge of making this possible. Hopefully our female classmates will be listed by their maiden names. I still live in the home my husband, Frederick, and I built and moved into in 1946. Frederick taught German for thirty years at Iowa State University. Since his death in 1990, I've kept busy with university and church activities, gardening and reading. Also, being with friends and my loving and caring family has involved much traveling since only the youngest of my three daughters, Karen Craft, lives in Ames. She and her husband, David, have no children but have five huskies and two lovely tabby cats. Besides being supervisor of the ISU Library Periodical Room, Karen is an animal communicator.

My daughter, Mary, and her husband, James Lemley, live on Long Island. Their two sons are both medical doctors and are in residence doing Orthopedics in the same hospital in West Virginia.

My eldest daughter, Margaret, and husband, Wilfred Candler, live in Annapolis, Maryland. They have four sons who each have two children, making me the great-grandmother to one boy and seven girls. This past June all the children, their parents and grandparents gathered in the Candler home for an early celebration of my 87th birthday. On the actual date I'm to vacation in England for the twelfth consecutive year, staying with the Candlers in their cottage overlooking the ocean in beautiful Cornwall on the West Coast. In the summer of 1994, they took me with them on a wonderful visit to their former homes in Australia and New Zealand.

If only I'd known back in the days at old Boone High that the future had so much in store for me! I'm most grateful.

Margaret (Cordts) Schwartz

814 Gaskill Dr.

Ames, IA 50014

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2418 Kent Ave

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After graduating in 1934 I went to Iowa State College and worked. Then back to Boone to Northwestern Bell until I married in 1937. We had one son and moved to San Diego, California, in 1942. Divorced in 1944.

I went to work for Santa Fe Railway. Then on to General Dynamics Atlas Missile Division for 24 years. Retired from there.

In 1948 I married Paul Sletnar and we celebrated 55 years of marriage this year. We have one son.

I play the piano and sing, paint with watercolors and pastels for my own enjoyment and am active in the Joslyn Senior Center here in Escondido during volunteer work.

My new address is:

Audrey Crawford Sletnar
1868 B Fairway Park
Escondido, CA 92126-0936

Greetings -

After graduation I sold Studebakers and believe it or not, made a good living at it. I decided though that I would rather get into farming, so in 1939 I rented a farm and later bought my 160 acres, which I still have. Had the house and other buildings built and still enjoy the farm.

I had three children; my son lives at San Francisco, my daughter, Mary Lou, has retired from teaching and enjoys traveling and staying at National Parks for several days at a time. She was married to Homer Brown. My other daughter, Margaret Stone, lives in Boone and has three children.

In 1940 I married Dolly Mann and had many good years with her. She passed away in 1994.

I'm in pretty good health after having by-pass surgery in November 2002. I manage to go to the class luncheons once a month and will be interested in reading about my classmates.

Leslie Doran
668 P Ave
Boone, IA 50036



Upon graduation, I worked as a farmhand near Boone for three years. Seeing no future in this line of work in 1936 I enlisted in the U. S. Navy. In 1941, while still in service, Winifred and I were married. I continued to serve through WW II and the Korean War until retirement as a Chief Petty Officer. I eventually retired in 1956 and lived in San Diego, California, area.

After retirement from the Navy I went to work in the aircraft industry for about seven years, during which time both Winnie and myself decided that we should continue our education at San Diego City College and then at San Diego College. In 1964 I received my degree, B.A. in Social Science. Winnie finished her degree in Home Economics with a special Secondary Teaching credential the following year 1965.

Winifred was then hired by the College of the Desert, in Palm Desert, California, in the Home Economics Department. I obtained a position as a social worker in Riverside County and we moved to La Quinta, California. We continued at our jobs until 1976 when we both retired. While working at the college, Winnie attended summer course at UC, Long Beach to obtain her Masters Degree while teaching. Our daughter, Nella, had meantime finished her education at SDSU and started a career as an accountant in San Diego County.

Upon retirement we returned to the San Diego area to live in Santee, California. We enjoyed the good life and played lots of golf over the next several years. Winifred became an invalid with Parkinson's disease, and after a long lingering illness passed away after 60 years of marriage. I now live in a retirement community complex.

Sincerely yours
Paul R Bunning
444 Prescott Ave #208
El Cajon, CA 92020-5225

Dear friends — 1934 graduates of Boone High School
Is it again "reunion" time for our group? Can hardly believe it!
But as we all know, the older we get, the faster the years go by!!
After graduating with the rest of you, I went on to Iowa State
where I received a B.S. degree in Mechanical Engineering and
Industrial Economics. There were no jobs at that time to be
found in my field, so I worked as an abstractor of titles in Boone
for several years, got married, and then went to San Diego to
work as a design engineer in an airplane plant during World War
II. Then when the war was over, there were no jobs to be had in
San Diego; and I returned to the Midwest, becoming the
Assistant Chief Engineer for Scott-Atwater Outboard Motors in
Minneapolis.

After a number of years went by, I started two major projects —
(1) having a new home built to house a five-manual theater pipe
organ, and (2) beginning a business of my own, making electric
cords for original equipment on small appliance. So in all
aspects, I was really starting a second life — especially when I
married again after being widowed.

Some years went by, and it was retirement time. So I sold my
business and moved to the San Diego area again — to a lovely
mountainside home not far from the ocean. After 14 year, we
returned to Minnesota, settling into a great town home. We have
one daughter and family living only seven miles from us, and
another daughter living with her family in California. Five
grandchildren range in age from 11 to 21, and, of course, they
are all wonderful!

A big part of my life has been music, and most of my life I've
been a church organist. My wife is also a musician, so we do
make beautiful music together. I even played the organ for our
wedding in 1975! In this new home, we still have two organs, a
grand piano, and a number of other instruments.

I look forward to hearing from the rest of you all...

With fond regards,
Byron Christian Carlson
5565 Fenway Court
White Bear Lake, MN 55110

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I am very busy with my church. I go early every Sunday and open up the church and make coffee. On Saturday I bake a cake or cookies. I still go to conventions. I will go to Florida next year.

I still go dancing every week. My doctor says, "Just keep dancing". I have a Puerto Rican friend, so I had to learn to do the Rumba and the Cha Cha.

I had 3 daughters and 1 son. They all live in different states. I don't see them very often. So I am in Arizona, strictly on my own.

I am very glad that I have a car and can drive all over. I am very blessed in a lot of ways.

I have a lot of friends. Some of them are from Iowa, so we have something to talk about.

It has been a hot summer. Go out in the morning, and stay in the rest of the day.

Love to all
Violet Benshoof Ahrens
4141 N 31st St. #120
Phoenix, AZ 85016

BHS Class 1934

Greetings fellow survivors

I'm happy to still be among you. Thankfully I have been blessed with good health so I still lead a pretty active life. I still taught dancing for a few years after graduation. Then married Andy Maitland in 1936. Gave up my dance school became a mother, housewife. A few years later became an avid golfer, which I still play today. I also try to walk 2 miles several times a week. Love to play bridge and do a little volunteer work at my church and at hospital.

We had 2 sons. Each had 2 children so I have 4 super grandchildren and 7 beautiful great grandchildren.

I will not leave a mark on the world nor long be remembered - but I have had a good life. Andy and I were married 52 years when he died of a sudden heart attack in 1988. He never cared to travel much so we did very little but I have had some wonderful trips with my sons and families since then.

My main concern is my eyesight. I have macular degeneration and have very limited sight. I still play golf and still drive - but probably not much longer.

And so dear friends, it will be great hearing from you and remembering our younger days.

Sincerely-

Margaret Blanchard Maitland

2003 Friley Rd

Ames, IA 50014

Phone 515-292-9118

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I married the girl of my choice. I picked her out when she was still in Junior High!!! We have now been married for 65 years come September 19, 2003. We have 3 sons, 6 grandchildren, and 4 great grandchildren.

I started my "career" by managing two shoe departments in Boone and in Webster City. I bought Miller Shoe Store in Keokuk, Iowa, in 1978. I kept it until I retired, sold it and move to Florida (Cocoa Beach). We have good friends here but still cherish those that we have in Iowa.

My health still isn't as good as it used to be but we are still among the living. I hope present address is included here so you can keep in touch if you want to.

Yours OLD classmate

Jim Younggren

3799 S Banana River Blvd #211

Cocoa Beach, Florida 32931-3464

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Dear Classmates of 1934

I have lived at 805 13th Street, Boone, 58 years, 13 of them alone. I play lots of bridge, work cross word puzzles and do lots of family things. Michael and Cindy live in Boone where he still operates Fred Bell and Son. He has one son, Stephen. Stephen has 2 sons. Carolyn has returned to Boone two years ago after living in Las Vegas for many years. She has a daughter, Kelly, and a son, Scott, both live in Las Vegas. Kelly has a daughter and a son. Cathy and her husband, Dave Ross, who is a Fareway manager of many years, live in Washington, Iowa. They have two sons, David and Tom. David has a daughter. I am now a great grandmother.

Jerry Zahn Bell

~~805 13th St~~

Boone, IA 50036

*to
Westhaven*

After 30+ years as a physician in the Citizens Bank Building in Boone, I retired to join the V.A. Hospital system in Danville, Illinois. I had a chance to transfer to the V.A. Hospital in Biloxi, Mississippi ... no more snow and lots of good old New Orleans style Jazz. I helped found the Mississippi Coast Jazz Society in 1978, and had my own band, Back Bay Jazz. In 1996 (18 years later) our daughter persuaded us to move to the Texas-Mexico border to be nearer her. So we bought a home at Alamo Country Club and played lots of golf and saw our kids and grandkids. But in Texas it's Country Western or Mexican Mariachi, no Jazz. So, this year we moved back to Mississippi, and I'm playing tenor sax with my old buddies at the Copa Casino.

When we moved back to Biloxi, we decided we were too old to do the house bit again, so we checked into the Methodist Retirement Community. It didn't take us long to discover that even though we are OLD, we're not THAT OLD! So we have recently moved to an apartment in our old neighborhood.

Kids: Nancy de Gurrola, professor in Mexico City

Frederick Westfall, professor in Florida

5 grandchildren

2 great-grandchildren

Same wife, Jeanette, married 64 years

Bill Westfall

2615 Le Juene Dr #3101

Biloxi, Mississippi 39531

Deceased
9/29/09

First I want to thank the two of you for the time you are putting into keeping this class of ours in touch with each other. Personally I hope the members will also list their e-mail addresses so we can keep in even closer touch. I am rolling along in great shape. This last May I met my oldest son in Toronto and the two of us flew to Halifax where we rented a car and toured Nova Scotia. Last year I went with my younger son to Yellowstone and Jackson Hole. Both of these were great trips and I was able to make them with good company. The rest of the time I am working for the local sheriff. I think I got involved in this right after our last class reunion. The department I am in was set up to install an Enhanced 911 system. This resulted in them renaming all the roads in the county so they needed all new road signs. In the meantime I have also figured these deputies needed some good press as they are really well trained and doing a better job than any one in the county realized. The article I wrote on the department's K-9 Corp was written after I spent a night on patrol with one of the teams. My next article will be on county's drug problem and for that I will interview a former undercover agent. I am still living in the house Marge and I acquired in 1982 after we moved down here from Wheaton, Illinois. Only three families of us live on top this hill, but we get along so well we named our road "Good Neighbors Lane". Life is interesting.

Sincerely,
John R Wilson
RR 80 Box 475
Camdenton, MO 65020-8644
573-346-4656

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Went to Des Moines in July 34 and went to work delivering groceries with motorcycle. Delivered to Manager of L. C. Smith typewriter branch, went to work for them in 35, serviced machine in DM until I went into service March 42, was in 7th Air Force for 5 years in Pacific area.

Returned to Boone without being able to make up my mind what I wanted to do. I didn't want to go back to DM but knew the job was still there. I finally went to work at Quinn Wire Works in the machine shop. Each week or two the manager for L. C. Smith was after me to come back. He finally said, "If I didn't want to come back to DM he would make a dealer out of me." In doing this I opened a store in Fort Dodge and covered the northwest corner of the state for L. C. Smith and Victor Adding Machines. I was in Fort Dodge for 25 years and in the mist of everything, I married a nurse who was working for Dr. Herman at the clinic at Eighth and Greene Streets. We spent our winters in Florida. We failed to have a family and I lost her 8 years ago.

I am still living in good old Boone and see many classmates often.

P. S. Still riding motorcycle – waiting for a new 2004 model.

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Clarence Whitehill (Bud) Starks
1103 13th St
Boone, IA 50036

I like your idea very much.

I am living in Clinton, Iowa, and am now in Bluff Terrace Nursing Home. I am unable to walk and only get around by wheel chair. My arthritis is bad.

We celebrated our 66th wedding anniversary on June the 5th. Our family was all here. We had four children, two boys and twin girls. We lost one twin to cancer.

I retired in 1982. We have traveled some north, west, south and Hawaii.

My hobby is woodworking. I have made candleholders, lamps and small tables and canes.

We are getting along pretty well here. Friends come and see us as well as our kids.

Robert N. Taylor
638 S Bluff Blvd. #322
Clinton, IA 52732-4742

It was interesting to receive the note from you. It hardly seems possible we have lived almost 70 years beyond high school. My life has been a good one. I married Max Shrock, a 1931 Boone High graduate. He died in April of 2000. So we had 63 years together. We lived in Boone for 14 years - then in Mason City, Iowa, for 27 years, finally moving to Des Moines where I still live. Our family consisted of one boy and one girl, eight grandchildren and now seven great grandchildren. They are all delightful.

I have been alone for the last three years.

During my working years I worked as a secretary for a large church congregation in Mason City and then as office manager for an advertising firm. I try to stay active, do all my own work, garden and lawn work as well.

I have been blessed with good health for which I am grateful. I would hope all of you have been so blessed.

I thank you for all your effort and work of helping keep the 1934 class together.

Sincerely,
Grace Jane Warner Shrock
4737 NW 51st St.
Des Moines, IA 50310

Dear Classmates -

I doubt many remember me at B.H.S. School wasn't my first priority. As a result I was not at the head of the class either.

I was born and raised in West Boone. After being in the Air Force, WW II 1942-1946 I returned to work with the Boone L P Gas Company across from the county jail, West Third (now gone). After 27 years, retired in 1978. Moved across Division Street in 1993 to Mid Town Village.

I am proud to say I have traveled most of the USA by car (before the building of the interstate system). Later in 80s and 90s it was by air. I flew to Sweden to visit the homeland of all my grandparents. Many relatives still live there.

Mid Town is across the street south of Goepfinger Field. Remember where the Lincoln Tavern/restaurant was? In the fall they have the Friday night football games. I can see the color, hear the crowds cheering and the high school band playing. It takes me back when our own athletes played on the same turf.

Medically I had triple by pass heart surgery 2½ years ago and also put up with minor aggravations. I still drive my car, done hundreds of crossword puzzles and walk.

I have gone to the class luncheon every month for a long time. Enjoy it and being there.

Never married, so - so long from an old bachelor.

(87! July 28 '03)

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Thank you, all you wonderful classmates for never letting us forget the great years spent at the Boone High School! My life. . . In 1988 I was recognized by the Iowa Press Ass'n having devoted 50 years of my life to the newspaper profession. My husband, who died in 1982, had also been recognized for his 50 years of service. He had been my mentor. In 1990 I had officially retired, sold my home, packed the car and moved to Ft Collins, CO. At 75 I joined a newcomers organization, worked for a year writing for the daily newspaper, and came my senses that I could enjoy other things, like three little grandchildren! I did bring along the 50-year certificate and have it framed, hanging in the kitchen as a survival (thing).

I have a son and daughter and their families living in Colorado. Two grandsons graduated from CSU and my home was a base for dropping by for (food..) (laundry..) and (etc.). Have 5 grandchildren. A granddaughter will start at CSU this fall where her Dad teaches fine art and sculpture. He is my youngest child.

My oldest son remains in Iowa having retired from newspapers. My daughter, who has a masters in mass communications, opened a bed and breakfast in Colorado with her husband but recently reverted into a gourmet coffee café. Life is still exciting and interesting at 87. My blessings are many!

Sincerely,
Jane Sandbloom Christensen
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Hi to all my Classmates that are lucky enough to be around. After 1934 I worked at Anderson Plbg. and the telephone office. In 1938 I married John McLeod and we moved to Boxholm and lived there seven years. John was manager of the Boone State Bank there. It is a very small town but we enjoyed it there being so close to Boone and Fort Dodge. When John returned from World War II we moved back to Boone and that has been home since. We were active in church and many activities of Boone. Later I worked at Bacon Jewelers 23 very enjoyable years. John passed away in 1978 very suddenly. We had 50 good years. In 1989 I married Earl Jacobson. We had a good life together. We went on trips and visited my families in Arizona in the winters. He passed away in 1997 and we had nine good years.

I have two children. Doug and wife, Linda, live in Sun Lakes, Arizona, and Pam is in San Diego. I have two grandchildren, married and in Arizona, and two great grandchildren.

I made a "big mistake" in April 2002 and thought I should be nearer the family, so moved to Arizona --- soon found out that was a bad move. I missed Boone and my friends and just the pace of Iowa living, so managed somehow to get back to Boone. I love the values of a small town. I have a small apartment but like it. Have knee problems, feel good from neck up. I am including my e-mail address imcjake@webtv. Would love to hear from you.

Thelma had a good idea in composing this book, so much work but we will all appreciate it and enjoy hearing what has happened and thank her for doing it.

Cheerily,

Irene Peterson McLeod Jacobson

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Hi Classmates -

I am still here in Boone, Iowa. Guess I really like it. It is rather dull. I guess you have to make your own excitement. My sister, Margaret, fell and really banged herself up. No broken bones but bruised all over. I have been trying to help her as much as I can. I say I am a bit better than nothing. Ha!

I go to exercise class three times per week at the church. We exercise about 40 minutes and then walk a mile inside the church. I also walk in the evening and try to get about two miles each day. I may join Heartland this winter. I spend a lot of time going for coffee with my friends. Oh yes sundaes and more coffee at McDonalds.

I try to get over to the Evangelical Church Home once or twice a month. I like to visit with Ruth Thorngren. She is doing real well. I like to visit with all and think I enjoy it more than they do.

I still like all the sports and am a Chicago Cub fan.

Will be glad to hear what all of you have been up to.

As Ever

Leona Pratt

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Dec 22nd
10/22/12

Hello Fellow Classmates:

Just a few lines to let you know that I'm still around and kicking; not as high as I used to, but still kicking.

We moved into a new home, and the move has been hectic. We still don't know where everything is, but we are gradually getting settled. Our new home is at Sun City at Palm Desert. There is something here for everyone to do. We don't do all that much, but I like to use the in-door swimming pool at the fitness center while Ann likes to use the treadmill for her exercise.

We love it here as we look out onto a beautiful green golf course and a nice blue pond. We don't play golf, but we love to watch the guys and gals play even in this horrible heat. The desert is a beautiful place to be except for about three months in the summer, but because of our move, we will not be able to get away this year.

I sure did enjoy the few class reunions that I was able to attend over the years and see my old classmates. Now it will be nice to read about all of you who are still around.

Best regards,

Jim Madison

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
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After graduation, worked several different lines of work during the depression, helping those in the family then went to school in Chicago to a medical school for x-ray and lab. After graduation and a few little interludes in a couple of other states, went back to work in a hospital in Chicago. One day when going shopping in the loop walked into one of the government offices and signed up to join the Coast Guard. This was during the war. Was then in Florida for boot training and then sent to San Francisco and stationed where our boys were checked when being shipped out and when coming back. I was a Pharmacist Mate and then discharged when the war ended.

My father died suddenly when I was in service and was home for his funeral. My sister was a nurse in the Army and stationed in Guam and the government did not let her know that Dad had passed away for a month. I had been offered a good position in California but with circumstances I felt the need to come back to Boone to help Mom. There was no opening at the hospital in Boone then so I applied at the Greene County Hospital and was hired. I worked the total number of thirty years there.

Also in Jefferson, met the man I married. He had been thru the war and the Battle of the Bulge. He had a daughter of a previous marriage and we had a daughter. There have been five grandchildren, four great grandchildren. Many events have taken place in all of our lives. Also I have played the music in churches I attended for over twenty years. Now I play for the enjoyment for residents of nursing home and some in church ALL TO THE GLORY OF THE LORD.



Dorothy J. McElroy Beckner
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Deceased 8/21/05

Reunion by mail

My husband, Maurice, for 62 years died in 1995. I have one son, Jon, and his wife, Jan. They have one son, Dave, whose birthday falls on the fateful day of 9/11 and attends the University of Maryland. They reside in Columbia, Md. Jan is employed by the Social Security Administration in Baltimore as a computer specialist.

Due to macular degeneration my activities are limited but I still live independently in the Briarwood Apartments.

Doris (Nordstrom) Wilson
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Graduated from Boone High School in 1934.

1936 married Robert Rinehart also a graduate of Boone High.

They started their married life in Fort Dodge, Iowa, where they owned and operated a grocery store. This was the beginning of several grocery stores.

To this marriage they were blessed with 7 children, 17 grandchildren, 18 great grandchildren and 1 great great grandchild.

Hattie now lives at the Evangelical Free Church Home in Boone.

Hattie Parrish Rinehart
Signed by Pat, her daughter

*Deceased
8/26/04*

To my 1934 Boone High School classmates

Howdy! From Hot Texas

If we cannot have "an in person" reunion your idea will be next best. I know I'll enjoy it.

When I moved to Texas from St. Louis in 1973, I bought a small three-bedroom house. I still live in it with my dog and five cats. I feed the wild birds and squirrels. I also have an outdoor fishpond with goldfish. I worked until 1994. Now that I'm retired, I am enjoying my home and my retirement.

Linda, my daughter, and I are avid "Bird Watchers".

My family consists of two daughters and their families.

Rosemary, my oldest daughter, and her family live in Phoenix and Tucson area. We visit them often. Linda, my other daughter, and her husband, Joe, live in Plano across town from me.

I have good health, eye sight and still drive my car. At this point "I am a happy camper".

After the last reunion we picked up the picnic items we needed at HyVee and drove to the Ledges for a picnic. We stopped in Ottumwa on the way home, as we lived there from 1960 to 1964.

I love Boone! I have "Deep Roots" there. My grandparents and others in the family are buried there.

Every time I go to Boone I stop to see my old home. It was in our family from 1854 to 1938. It now has a street address of 1225 Quill.

I married Roszell Warden in 1936. He had a fatal heart attack in 1970.

My Best Regards to All! Good Health! Happy Days!

Sally Payne Warden

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