

North Loup-Scotia Alumni Gather; Honor Classes Were '62, '67, '72



LONGEST DISTANCE TRAVELED — John Goodrich and Beverly White Otto were named the man and woman traveling the greatest distance to the reunion. John came from Germany while Beverly came from Park Ridge, Ill.

Around 70 North Loup - Scotia alumni attended the 1977 reunion at the Ord Elks Club Saturday night. Honor classes were composed of seniors graduating in 1962, 1967, and 1972.

Tables for the honor classes and other NL-S alumni were designated by a school annual. The Wildcat of the appropriate year. These classes and their members were:



Vicki Johnston (left) and Sue Hagadone (right) said the eight-day bus trip was hectic but very interesting. During their brief stay at Fort Hartsuff they paused to chat with superintendent Roy Lindsey.

Vacation Guides Visit Fort Hartsuff Wednesday

Last Wednesday a group of 40 Nebraska Vacation Guides rolled into Fort Hartsuff on their eight-day tour of historic places in the state. The guides and their leader, Richard Gartrell, heard Fort Hartsuff Superintendent Roy Lindsey recount the early history of that Nebraska landmark.

This summer the guides will be telling motorists about Fort Hartsuff and other places of interest through the state when they man rest stop information booths along I-80. From June 1 until August 13 they will be answering the queries of passing motorists and urging them to pause and see the sights in Nebraska.

Richard Gartrell, manager of the Nebraska Vacation Guide program said the 40 guides that will see duty this summer were culled from a field of 244 applicants. A standardized test along with a personal interview were used in the selection process.

"What we are looking for," he said, "are people adept at working with travelers. They should have persuasive skills, and ability to communicate, and other related qualifications."

Those meeting these criteria and selected for the job take part in an intensive training program consisting of workshops on human relations skills, handling traveler inquiries, designing vacation routes, and becoming familiar with brochures and maps.

After completing their classroom courses the guides take a whirlwind bus tour of 70 attractions and 24 communities in the state. During their eight days on the road, they log an estimated 2,000 miles, according to Gartrell. The tour was scheduled to end in Lincoln last Friday.

Following the tour the 40 guides plan to disband and visit communities near their assigned information stations to become acquainted with the sponsoring

finished the year with a 9 - 1 record.

There were 32 seniors that year. Among them was Betty Jorgensen who, in the class will bequeath her wine cellar to B. A. B. Whalen. That same document shows, Ron (Ronnie) Moravec as willing his hand-holding ability to Audrey Keep.

1967 — Seniors graduating that year included John Benson, Gary Homer, Galen Hansen, Harold Timmons, G. Yord Jensen, Gary Cadek, Gerald Gydesen, Danny Thompson, Gilbert Smith, Gary Whiting, Larry Whiting, Judy Patrick, Gaylene Hamer, Charles Krent, Marjorie Spanner, Sylvia Fowler, Beverly Otto, Gretchen Peters, and Linda Whiting.

That was the year the students dedicated their yearbook to Edward Negley, special education teacher. He had been with the school area and a half year before his death in February of 1967.

The football team had a 5 - 4 record that year. They blanked powerhouse Sargent 45 - 0 that season and then left Taylor with a 40 - 0 loss.

Student organizations listed in the Wildcat included the Coquettes and the NL-S band. Band mascot was Sheryl Tolen.

1972 — The graduating class was represented by eight alumni. They were Gordon Kriewald, Garry Wells, Craig Wagner, Howard Jacobsen, Jim Goodrich, Mary Denoyer, Jim Shoemaker, and Chris Wagner.

This was the first class to start and complete their education in the consolidated North Loup - Scotia school district. The two towns merged their educational facilities in 1959.

According to the Wildcat, the football team logged an impressive 10 - 0 record that season. All - State end Craig Wagner was on the all-district roster that year. He later went on to play professional football, according to some NL-S alumni.

Class officers elected at the reunion were: Mildred Williams Benson, president; Grace Whiting Fogul, vice president; Anita Leth State secretary - treasurer.

Those traveling the longest distance were John Goodrich, Stulgart, Germany and Beverly White Otto from Chicago.

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Rick Noyes

Noyes Will Head Region 26 Office

Rick Noyes, 26, was named interim Region 26 Coordinator after a meeting of Region 26 administrators last Thursday in Ord. He replaces Lee Buhlike who resigned May 18 to take a job in Grand Island.

According to Noyes he will remain interim coordinator until July 1, the end of the fiscal year. At that time, he said, he will likely be named coordinator on a full - time or permanent basis.

Duties of the new coordinator include supervising all Civil Defense activities in the eight - county Region 26 area, heading the Council of Governments, running the Region 26 communications center at Taylor, and other functions.

Noyes had been employed by Region 26 the last 10 months as a planning coordinator researching federal grants and other available funds.

He and his wife, Julie, live in Ord.

Exchange Student Here This Summer

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Bresley are making preparations for their new daughter, Jet Johanna Ros due to arrive the first of September. Jet will be one of six young people spending time in Nebraska under the auspices of the International 4-H Youth Exchange program.

Each of the visitors will stay with three host families in three counties, and all have backgrounds in agriculture. Scheduled to visit Nebraska are delegates from West Germany, Switzerland, Korea, Belgium, Taiwan, and the Netherlands.

Jet, a 22-year old native of the Netherlands, lists her hobbies as piano playing, tennis, and photography. Her study interests include American Society and all phases of agriculture.

She and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Bos, live in the town of Veessen, Holland. Jet will stay in Valley County from Sept. 1 - 29 after spending August 4 - Sept. 1 in Custer County.

Law enforcement agencies reported a quiet Memorial Day weekend. Neither the sheriff's department nor the police had any records of violations.

Apparently most Valley County residents spent a quiet Memorial Day. Several picnics were seen in progress at Bussell Park Monday afternoon.

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Two Area Stops on Nebraskaland Tour

Two Ord area attractions will be included on the Nebraskaland bus tour when it rolls into the Valley County area June 17. The busload of around 40 people will first visit the Scotia Chalk Mines, according to Dr. Glen Auble, and then later tour the restored Vescot - Gibbons - Bragg general store in Comstock.

Comstock native Gunter Nuxoll completed his restoration of the historical structure last summer. Included in the building are a post office, an old - time pharmacy, and an old fashioned soda fountain. Items straight out of years past are stocked on the store's shelves.

The Nebraskaland tour is an annual event where a conducted bus tour stops at the many places of historical interest around the state. A preliminary schedule indicates the bus will leave Lincoln on or about June 17 and return one week later.

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North Loup Alumni Rally Last Sunday

A record 220 alumni and friends attended the 1977 North Loup High School reunion Sunday night at the Ord Elks Club. This year's theme was "Love Is..."

Nut cups, center pieces, and other decorations suggested various definitions for that elusive word. One center piece suggested love is a soda at Voshell's Drug Store. That business was a long time North Loup landmark.

Honor classes were those graduating from North Loup High in a year ending in the number seven and the 25th year class of 1952. Honor classes and their members were:

1907 — Anna Shaney is the lone survivor of the 70 year class. Unable to be there, she sent a letter wishing all North Loup alumni the best of luck.

1917 — Paul Hemphill represented the class. Six of the nine North Loup High graduates, class of '17' are still living, according to Hemphill.

Back when he and other members of North Loup High graduated World War I was in the news. He chuckled when recalling his attempt to enlist in the Armed services and see Europe. After joining the army he never got east of the Mississippi River.

During his senior year at North Loup a teacher was fired and a student expelled for taking down the American flag.

A retired M.D. Hemphill now lives in Eugene, OR.

1927 — Eight of the 10 surviving '27' members were present Sunday. They were Melvin Harris, Frank Bringham, Evelyn Murphy, Myrtle Davis, Maurice Koelling, Ruth Babcock, Opal McDonald, and Mary Gan.

There were 16 graduates in 1927, the first class to have started and completed their four high school years in the brick school completed in 1923. It replaced an earlier wooden building completed in the 1890s.

1937 — Twelve of the 22 graduates attended the 40th year reunion. They were Mildred Koelling, Ruth Sample, Ava Houtby, Myrlin Van Horn, Francis Barnhart, B. J. Jensen, Evert Manchester, Ervin Steffen, and Carl Lee.



NORTH LOUP 1957 — The two lone representatives of the six member graduating class were Wayne Sheldon (left) and Arden Koelling (right).

The 1937 graduates faced a depression and tight job market when they finished high school. Evert Manchester quipped that half their graduating class must have gone to California on Route 66. He estimated about half the '37' alumni he has talked to spent some time in that state.

1947 — Thirteen of the 24 graduates were present. Leo Wolf class spokesman, reminded North Loup alumni that this was the biggest, best, and the state tournament class. Wolf and other members of the North Loup Challengers won their Class D District Competition and regional play - offs before going on to state tournament basketball play.

Alumni on hand to recall those times were Harlan Green, Dick Goven, Bernadine Elrod, Dick Hutchins, Leo Wolf, Leland VanHorn, Deane Redlon, Joan King, Delpha Edwards, Nava Huey, and Phyllis Clement.

Could you really get a room at the Kell boarding house for 25 cents?

1952 — Those marking their 25th graduation observance were Gene Larkin, Eugene White, Gale Sinek, Martin Markwick, Sylvia Cook, Carolyn Cook, and Ila Holmes.

Seven of the 14 graduates were present.

1957 — Only two of the six class members attended the reunion. They were Arden Koelling and Wayne Sheldon.

A flag presentation and memorial service, both led by Myrlin VanHorn, along with the election of officers concluded, the 1977 North Loup High reunion.

Officers elected at the close of the reunion were: Ike Babcock, president; Theresa Benben, first vice president; Leo Wolf, second vice president; Delores VanSlyke, secretary; and Bill Sims, treasurer.

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Ord Gets 1.74 Inches of Rain

Ord received 1.74 inches of rain this week. According to Quiz weatherman Horace Travis 82 inches of moisture fell on Ord Memorial Day causing some planned activities to be cancelled.

That .82 of moisture along with .99 received Thursday and .03 that fell Friday made up the 1.74 inches of rain this week.

The welcome moisture helped get gardens, lawns, and cash crops off to a good start this summer.

This recent moisture helped boost the amount received by Ord thus far this year to 14.05. This is 5.68 inches above the 8.37 inches received at this time last year and way ahead of the 81 year average of 8.31 inches received as of May 31.

High temperature this week was 82 degrees recorded May 24. This weeks low reading of 51 degrees was on May 31.

Weekly Temperatures

May 24	82	62
May 25	76	61
May 26	71	61
May 27	74	53
May 28	75	53
May 29	78	54
May 30	77	55
May 31	77	51

After their discussion, the bus containing the 40 guides to serve in the summer of 1977 rolled into the Loup Valley area. The Fort, along with the Scotia chalk mines were on their itinerary.

According to figures supplied by Gartrell, 14 of the 40 guides back again this year have had two or more years experience in the program. Two of the returning veterans are Sue Hagadone of Cozad, Miss Nebraska Rodeo, crowned at the Burwell Rodeo last year, and Vickie Johnston, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Johnston, former Ord residents.

"Both girls used the word 'fantastic' when describing the program and agreed it was a most rewarding way to spend a summer."

Gartrell said the vacation guides and other programs sponsored by the Nebraska Department of Economic Development are working to change misconceptions about this state. Through their efforts more and more people are becoming aware that Nebraska has something for everyone. "You can't believe the diversity there is in this state," he enthused.

"There is something for everyone from architects to railroad buffs."

Last year some 7.5 million people visited the state, according to Gartrell, and pumped \$183 million into the state's economy in non - resident expenditures.

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Two Car Accident Ncils \$400 Damage

A two - car accident near the Ord Memorial Chapel on North highway 11 did an estimated \$400 to two vehicles Monday. According to Valley County Sheriff M. A. R. Sonnenfeld a 1966 Chevrolet driven by Henry Desmull of rural Ord was waiting to make a left hand turn into the chapel parking lot when it was struck from the rear by a 1966 GMC pick up driven by Richard Liss of Ord.

Law enforcement officials estimated damages at \$150 for the Chevrolet and \$250 for the truck. There were no injuries.

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Eldridge New Man At Nebraska State

Brad Eldridge, 18, will be working at the Nebraska State Bank this summer acquiring a general knowledge of the banking field under the guidance of Nebraska State Bank personnel.

Born in Kearney, he has lived in Roxel, KS, the last 13 years. A graduate of Pawnee Heights High School, class of 1977, he was a football player and received the Merit Scholarship from Friends University in Wichita, KS where he will be attending school this fall.

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Dr. Glen Auble Planning July 3rd Band Reunion

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