

LEXINGTON HIGH SCHOOL



Class of 1975

30 Year Class Reunion
June 18 - 19, 2005

Graduates Receive Diplomas in 1975

Graduation Day: May 19, 1975

Class Motto: "We have followed, now we lead"

Class Colors: Princess Blue & Imperial Purple

Class Flower: Daisy

Class Speakers: Teri Sarnes, Dave Linn & Anita Shelor

Class Sponsor: Mr. Verne Hull

The Class of 1975 earned \$153,000 in Scholarships!

In Memory

Mike Moyer
Died in 1983

Jim Howerter
Died in 1999

Fred Meter
Died in 1985

Brand Lobdell
Died October 22, 2003



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Information: On March 6th of this year Jeff and I celebrated our 29th anniversary. We are still farming. I help Jeff full time now. We raise hogs, sheep, cattle, llamas and so far one miniature donkey. I'm our church's youth group leader. I'm also our 4-H leader. I'm on the 4-H Council Board. I'm also one of the county fair's judges. I judge the bottle lambs. In the summertime Kelsey and I have mowing jobs in town which keeps us busy. I have five grandsons! Gregg and Renae have three sons: Trenton 8 yrs, Dylon 3 yrs and Cameron 1 yr. They live in Ogallala. Gregg works for the railroad. Staci & Kevin live 3 miles north of Naper. They have 2 boys: Austin 4 yrs and Isaac 2 yrs. Staci stays home with the boys. Kevin owns his own shop. He repairs tractors. Traci lives in Overton. She works for the Overton Vet Clinic as a vet tech. Kelsey will be a senior next year

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Information: I am not married. Help my mom and brother Ricky with chores caring for the cattle Rick and I have since my dad Roger passed away January 12, 2004. I work at Orthmans east plant on the south side of the tracks. Have worked there for 3 years building farm machinery. I enjoy hunting and fishing and my three nieces and one great niece.

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Information: The past ten years have had a few changes in my life. I am beginning my 11th year as a process engineer for Honeywell Federal Manufacturing & Technology in Kansas City, MO. After being a bachelor for a number of years, I finally married on 02/02/02 to a wonderful lady named Carrie. Along with Carrie came an instant family, which includes her daughter Kris who is now 16 years old and a dog named Molly. Recently on 05/05/05 I adopted Kris. Hobbies include traveling when possible, driving my 33 Plymouth Coupe street rod, working on the teenagers cars, working in my shop on wood projects and a small machining business.

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Information: John and I celebrated our 30th anniversary earlier this year. We have two kids, Sara - 27 and Chris - 23. We have one grandson, Jarret, who is the light of our lives. I work at the school in Overton as the cafeteria manager for the last seven years

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Information: My how time flies. Spent 12 years in the United States Marine Corps and the last 16 years working for Qantas Airlines as a Freight Operations Supervisor. Met my wife Cheryl in Australia and have been happily married for 25 years. Cheryl is an elementary school teacher. We have 2 kids. Sara, 24, who is a lab technician for Australian Customs Laboratory. Jason, 22, works in a smash repair shop. Enjoy traveling, adventure camping, golf, fishing, bike riding, bush walking and anything outdoors. We have traveled around the world a few times backpacking. Always seem to miss the class reunion. Work keeps interfering with our lives.

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Information: I work in customer service for Liberty Services in Kearney. I am married to Russ (a truck driver). I've spent the last couple years on the road with him. I've been in every state but 3 and loved every minute of it. My 2 boys are all grown up and on their own, finally. We have 2 wonderful grandchildren - Tristan (7) and Kamryn (4). When we're not spoiling them, we like to go camping, fishing, and we do a lot of car racing (dirt track).

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Since our last reunion, I've moved from Atlanta to Northern Kentucky. I'm a paralegal in the General Counsel's office of an insurance company in Cincinnati. We spend our free time traveling, working on our old Kentucky home and racing horses. Sorry to miss the reunion -- have a great time!

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I am 48 years old and will be married 13 years on 01-02-2006 to Kathy. For those that don't know, she is the sister of Dr. Charles F. Damico from Hastings, NE. I had moved to Hastings in 1988, single, after divorcing Cheryl, my first wife who left me for another woman. I got custody of my 3 kids and was single for 8 years, raising them by myself when I found Kathy. She and I have 7 kids between us and on her side of the family, we have 12 grandkids and 1 to be born sometime this July.

While in Hastings, I was employed for a short time with Spady's Car Dealers as a Salesman, as in the past I had experience working at Hodges Auto World in Lexington with Pat and Mike Hodges. Before that, I had 10 years right out of high school at New Holland.

In late October 1993, Kathy and I moved to Omaha, because 2 of my children needed special help as they both have epilepsy. They needed special schooling the bigger school system provided. Also, Kathy, an RN had worked as a nurse since 1963. She worked at Mary Lanning Hospital in Hastings for 14 years in surgery, working a lot with her brother. She had a better opportunity in Omaha, working at Immanuel Medical Center, as head nurse for an ENT Doctor and got a real nice raise!

While in Omaha, I worked at the Oakview HY-Vee food store in the meat/seafood department as meat cutter. While in Omaha, I worked to get my middle son the help he needed, finally having to place him in a group home there. That was very hard for me as a father to do, but it was what he needed in order to succeed in life. He is mildly mentally retarded from a bad reaction to a DPT shot he

received at 6 months of age.

We lived in Omaha for 10 years. During this time, all of Janet's kids married and began their families. Kathy's youngest daughter has become an OB/Gyn doctor in Joplin, MO. Kathy's oldest son lives in Joplin and is employed with Freeman Health as one of the Practice Administrators. With Kathy's oldest daughter and family living in Springfield, MO, we decided to make the very hard decision to move to Missouri to be closer to her kids and grandkids. The hardest was leaving my parents still living in Lexington and moving farther away from my sister, Janet who lives in Denver.

We moved to Joplin in October 2003. The cost of living and pay scale is much lower in Missouri than in Nebraska. Kathy still works as an RN working for Freeman Health, working in home health, traveling around Joplin within a 50-mile radius seeing her patients, 8 hrs a day. She loves her job. I am employed by the Holiday Inn as a Houseman. I'm not really proud of what I do, I help supply the cleaning ladies with clean linens and strip the beds. I don't get the pay and hours that I need so I guess I'm looking again. This is totally unlike my past employment, I usually hold jobs for much longer! In some ways I miss Nebraska for the higher pay scale, etc.

My daughter, Angela (25) and youngest son, Justin (27), now live in an apartment together in Joplin and my oldest son, Steven (30) lives in Portland, ME.

Anyway, that's my past. I can't believe it's been 30 years ago we walked the halls of Lexington High! I hope my future is filled with a lot of joy and goodness to come!

Hope to see or hear from any of our classmates soon! I will not be able to attend the reunion. Good luck to all! - Larry D. Davis

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Information: Graduated from SCC Milford in 1976. Worked at Sperry New Holland from then until 1985. Couple of odd jobs later and began my business and married Avis Muller in 1987. Been doing construction and painting ever since. We have two great boys who are involved in sports, band, and Boy Scouts and keep us busy continuously. Avis works at Plum Creek Medical Group and the boys work for me in the summer. We are all involved in Boy Scouting since 1994 and I am the Scoutmaster of Troop 88, taking a lot of time and effort, but this produces great results in our community. It's my way of giving something back to Lexington!

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Information: Daughter - Ashley (21) College MU (University of Missouri, Columbia) studying Psychology. Son - Nicholas (20) works for Spec Building Materials, Kansas City, MO. Son - Lucas (15) freshman at Park Hill High School, runs track & cross country, also is in band. I work for UMB Bank in Kansas City, MO and have been for 9 years. Love spending time with family and friends.

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Information: I am engaged. Jim and I have been together for 7 years. I have a wonderful daughter who is 15 years old. Her favorite things to do are dance, basketball and track. Oh, and talk on the phone and instant messenger. My interests are - spending time with family, shopping & reading. Together, Jim and I enjoy doing volunteer work with Special Olympics. Judie and I live close so we try and spend as much time together as we can.

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Information: Not sure where or what to say about myself, but I will do what I can. I can't believe it's been 30 years since graduation. I have two boys, Corey is 28, has cerebral palsy and lives on his own, his hobby is stock car races. Garrett is my 15 year old, has a learner's permit, loves to fish and camp, and the Miami Dolphins. I also love to fish and camp, read and sew (when I have time). I have a man in my life (Butch). We plan to get married in the near future. I am disabled, but don't let it keep me from doing what I need to or like. I had heart valve replaced in 1994 and also have diabetes. The diabetes has effected the nerves in my feet and legs. Also this year I had my left knee replaced and doing great. Otherwise I enjoy my life, take one day at a time, my family and spending time outside. Life is too short to dwell on the past.

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Information: I have been teaching elementary school in Craig, Colorado, for the past 23 years. My husband, John, works for the Bureau of Land Management. My oldest son, Colby, 20, is working on a cattle ranch near Dunning, NE. My youngest son, Conner, 18, just graduated from high school. Bicycling keeps me in shape. Last summer I rode the Colorado Ride the Rockies tour as well as the Bike Ride Across Nebraska (BRAN). I'm pedaling this year's 525 mile 2005 BRAN tour June 5-11, too. Thanks so much for inviting me to the Lexington Class of 75 reunions! I always enjoy reconnecting and catching up with all of you!

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Information: Still living in the beautiful state of North Carolina, and in the mountains too. I've moved only 9 miles since the last reunion, that has to be a personal record. I currently am on summer break, as I attend the University of North Carolina at Greensboro while working on a Master's Degree in Historic Preservation. My small design business has taken a back burner as I work mostly on class work and on raising my 6 year old son as a single parent. I was planning on being at the reunion, but the work schedule wouldn't allow it, as this summer is my catch up time. I look forward to seeing you all next time.

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Information: Married to Chuck Warner (class of 1973) since May 1978. We lived in all of the U.S. and Japan during Chuck's 28 years in the Marine Corps. Chuck is now retired and we live in a small town outside of San Antonio, Texas.

We have 3 children. Desiree is an RN and a 2nd Lt. in the Air Force. She just returned from Iraq. Charles II is a Senior at the University of Texas. (Go Longhorns!) Amanda starts college in the fall at Texas Lutheran.

I am in Senior Management in Marketing for Anheuser-Busch Companies and work at Sea World San Antonio. What a dream job - we 'market' fun!

These thirty years have sped by for all of us!

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Information: Wow, thirty years! It will be fun to get together with everyone. Over the last 30 years my first priority has been completed. I've raised my 3 kids and can now look forward to enjoying my 5 grandchildren, what a treasure they all are. Chris and I divorced after the kids were grown. I moved to Topeka, met and married Susan Tesoro (in Italian Tesoro means treasure) and have 2 kids to raise again! I left banking last year to start a sign & graphics business and to concentrate on building my hot rods. I'm having a ball and enjoying life and I look forward to seeing all of you.

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Information: The past 10 years have been very busy for Janelle (1976) and me. I changed jobs 2 years ago and became the City Administrator for the City of North Platte after nearly 15 years with Lincoln County. I completed my MBA through the University of Nebraska several years ago and have put my engineering, surveying and administrative experience to good use for the City of North Platte. Janelle completed her BSN and is beginning work on her MSN through the UNMC. She is the patient care coordinator for Home Health & Hospice at Great Plains Regional Medical Center. Our oldest son Matt graduated from the University of Wyoming in accounting and is employed at a local accounting firm. He will be getting married to Briana LaBonde later this summer. Our youngest son Nate is working in North Platte and enjoying life with his friends.

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Information: Not much change from 10 years ago. We still live in Lex. I still have the "Hair Shack" 606 N. Washington. Stop in and say Hi if in town. Jim is still driving to and from Kearney to work at Eaton's. Our daughter Danielle is 16, will be a junior this year and keeps us very busy following her sporting activities. The time just seems to fly by. It was great to see every one who was able to make it back for the reunion.

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Information: Left Lex in '79 after marrying for short while. '82 divorced and moved back to North Platte (after living in Kearney & Lincoln). Met my wife Jody Olson while we were doing a play "Guys & Dolls" while she was attending MPCC. After she finished school to become M.T. (lab tech) we married September 5, '87. I was still working in retail sales and management. While raising 2 boys "Andrew & Kory" whom were 1 & 2 years old, with twins due anytime. I started my job at GPRMC Nov. 13, 1992. The twins were born November 30th, 1992 (Bryan & Benjamin). In 1996 I went back to school and got my LPN License. I have continued to work on Unit (Behavioral Health Services) at GPRMC, where my wife Jody also works as a MT in Lab. I am the longest working employee that still works in BHS/GPRMC (12 yr).

Larry Hill (continued)

Our oldest son Andrew (15 yr) just completed 10th grade where he was the varsity triple jumper for track. Kory (14 yr) as a freshman received letter for accd. 4.0 student. The twins Bryan & Benjamin (12 yr) just completed the 6th grade at ORLS (private Lutheran School) where they played B-ball and are signed up for USA Tennis 1-2-3 this summer. Jody and I are planning to play in a sand v-ball league this summer. I also enjoy golfing by myself or with the twins or my brother Ken or mother-in-law (whom taught me to play). And at the end of summer we will have been married 18 years (not all too bad). Well, that's a little bit of what I have been up to. See you soon.

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Information: I have 2 daughters, Jennifer who is 20 and a senior at Creighton University, Jamie who is 18 and just graduated high school and will be going to college this fall. Kathy and I will celebrate our 25th wedding anniversary this November. Kathy and I own Jones Plumbing & Heating Inc. We work a lot and have joined the poker craze.

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Information: I married Kent in 1981 and we started off on a plan to "do the west." We've lived in California (4 years), Utah (1 year), Arizona (4 years) and now in southeastern Washington for 3 years. Kent works as a mechanical engineer and I teach school. We have two great daughters, Sydney (11) and Cecily (9).

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Information: I live in Pleasanton and have worked at Good Samaritan Hospital for 14 years as a ward clerk. I have a son, Zach, who is 21 and going to UMKC in Kansas City, majoring in Physics. I have a daughter, Alex, who is 19 and going to Concordia University in Seward. I have been divorced for 7 years; a peaceful home is sure worth it!! I really enjoy the outdoors and nature. I love to work in my yard and garden, cook, read, play cards and listen to music. I love to laugh and spend time with my family. I have decided that the "student loan" racket could keep you busy and confused full time!! Was on the Red Cross board of directors for 3 years, and am involved in the Lutheran Church. I enjoy going to concerts and have been up to Comstock Rock for the last 3 years, but kept ALL my clothes on!! My kids are my top priority!! I got my Bachelor's Degree in 1979 in Business, and went back and got my Master's in Counseling in 1985.

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Information: My wife, Georgene, and I have a 13-year-old son, Zach. I am starting my 21st year as a copy editor at the Omaha World-Herald. My wife is self-employed as a publications and public relations specialist. You may remember that my family ran the Dairy Queen during our high school years. Although my mother, Camille, retired in 1987, my older brother, Bruce, and his wife, Pat, continue to run the Dairy Queen. My younger brother, Brad, lives in Eagle, Nebraska, with his family.

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Information: Have been in the construction business since graduation. Married for twenty three years to Karen, who works for Plum Creek Medical Group. We have moved into the house my parents lived in. Have been working on class reunion, locating our classmates. It's been a lot of fun.

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Information: It was so great to see so many classmates at the 30th reunion. I had a great time. One night on Halloween some of us guys were driving around Cozad throwing eggs and rotten tomatoes at cars, of course only the cars that had all girls in it. That's when I met my wife, Gail. We dated for 3 months. Well, from day one I knew I had to snag this one. So we tied the knot. That was 30 years ago last January. I know what you are thinking, she would have to be a great gal to stick around and train me for 30 years (you're right). We have three kids, Coleen, she lives in Eagle, Ne, Laura, she is in Hastings, Ne, and Justin, he is in Elwood, Ne. We have five grand kids, four boys and one girl and that reminds me just how old I am. Gail and I like real estate. We had 34 rentals until eight years ago. Decided to sell some and retire. Well semi-retire, we still have 15 rentals. We own the Pawnshop in Lex, that's always an interesting business. We still dabble in antiques. They say antiques get better with age, I guess I am living proof of that, haha! We retail and wholesale fireworks for the 4th of July, now that's a fun business. Four years ago we started a housing development south of Lex on the back road to Johnson Lake. That has been a fun project. We started with 100 acres, sold off 4 10-acre lots for residential housing. We kept 60 acres and built us a retirement home. We built most of it ourselves, so that was a long two and a half years. But it was worth it, we have a great view overlooking Lexington and the Platte River Valley. Some how we still find time to hook up to the 5th wheel and do some traveling. We love traveling, it's been a good 30 years. Gail and I have a lot of fun working and traveling together. Good health to all, hope to see everyone at the 40th.

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Information: Just older, no changes from the 20th! Still in Conifer, Co, same family practice, same location. Still married - Grace - 20 years this summer. My girls - growing up. Margaret 17, Anna 15, Sara 12. All three play basketball (all year long!) All doing great in school.

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Information: Hmm...let's see. I'm older, prayerfully wiser. (That's not saying much). Mike & I have 3 children. Eric Joseph who is 22 years old. He lives at home with us and works full time. Darin Paul is 20 years old. He goes to college full time and lives at home. He is a music major. Melanie Ann is 12 years old. She is our blessing from God as we adopted her when she was 4 years old. She's amazing. Mike is a pilot and flies C-130's for the Wyoming Air Guard. He did a 2½ month deployment in Iraq this year. We are so blessed to have him back home safe. And me, well, I spent a lot of my time volunteering at our church for different ministries. I have a small exercise class I lead at church and have helped for years with Student Ministries. I lead a women's Bible Study each week. It's a good life and it's a very happy time for us. (wow-that was a bit corny) Oh well. God Bless you all!

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Information: Kevin and I will celebrate our 30th wedding anniversary in June this year. We have two daughters and two "sons". Our two grandchildren, Dezmin and Morgan, are the joy of our life. We stay very busy with home improvement projects and family activities. I have worked at WalMart for 20 years.

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Information: Deb...still living in Columbus (19 years). Employed full-time at Tooley's (10 years). Enjoys buying, displaying and retailing merchandise in the gift department. Travels to market and loves her work. Along with the gift department, the store also has a pharmacy, cosmetic counter, health/home care and soda fountain. A very busy place. If you're ever in Columbus, look me up - the store is located on 13th Street across from the square in downtown Columbus. She enjoys traveling to Europe, road-tripping with close friends and visiting Julie in Arizona and Katie in Omaha. Life is good! The biggest blessings I have in my life are my three children. Let me tell you about them...Julie, 25, graduated from the University of Nebraska Medical Center, Omaha, with a Bachelor of Science Degree, as a neo-natal intensive care nurse. She lives in Scottsdale, Arizona, has a significant other, and is a very beautiful, caring and loving person. Life is good! Katie, 20, graduated from Xenon International School of Hair Design, Omaha, with a degree in cosmetology. She's working full-time at Salon Tinos, Omaha, and loves her work. She's full of energy, loves people, and loves life! She, too, is a very beautiful, fun and out-going person. Life is good! Kurt, 14, eats, sleeps and drinks sports. His love is baseball and has a bullet of an arm! His positions are pitcher and short stop. He enjoys basketball and football too. He's 5' 10" and will be a freshman at CHS this fall. Life is good!

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Information: Hi Everyone. Wow it has been a very quick 30 years! During this time I have really enjoyed being a mother of our four kids. Austin is now 24, recently engaged and a graduate from UNL in Fine Arts. Nick is 22 and in his last year at UNL also in Fine Arts. Caleb just finished his first year at UNK, he is in Criminal Justice and wrestles for UNK and our baby, Elizabeth is 17 and will be a senior at Lincoln East where her dad works. She loves pole vaulting. In the last 8 years I have become a sign language interpreter for Lincoln School and have found a career I really love. Kirk and I have had a lot of fun being so involved with our kids and are surprised at how quickly they have grown up.

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Information: How to sum up 30 years? Seems like just yesterday I was a shy quiet wall flower. Well much has changed in my life since then. I went to Central Technical Community College from 75-76. I married in 76 to Steve Sherman who graduated from Lex in 73. So we are going on 29 years of marriage this year. We have one son Matthew, born in 1979. We farmed in Lex until 86. We moved to a small town in Iowa for 4 years, then moved back to Lincoln Nebraska where we have lived since 91. I worked as office staff in the medical field for 13 years, and then for the past 8 years have worked at Pfizer Pharmaceuticals as an Administrative Assistant in the Engineering and Facilities Planning Department. I love working at Pfizer and don't plan to change employers any time soon. My husband Steve has worked at Crete Carrier Corporation for the past 7 years in the training department. Our son graduated from the University of Nebraska with a degree in Meteorology. He is married and started his own business doing Photography and Videography in the Lincoln and surrounding areas. Now you have the specifics but what can I say I have actually done for the last 30 years. I have been active in my church on church boards, music and women's circles. I am president of my church circle and another women's organization as well as an officer for a Regional Presbyterian Women's group. My church has been a big part of my life since leaving high school. I have been active in a group called FCA – Fellowship of Christian Athletes for the past 15 years as well as a member of The Order of Eastern Star where I have served as officers many times. I have also been a member of a community service organization called Women of Today for 29 years. I have been officers on the local, state and National level many times during the past 29 years. I have put in many hours of service to many worthy causes. I guess that is what has consumed much of my time over the past years. I have loved my membership in this great organization and will probably tell you that again in 10 more years. For fun my husband and I love to golf and we go to lots of Nebraska Athletic events. We spend time with family and friends. I spend my few free moments gardening, reading and scrap booking. I would say that I am not the same person that I was in high school. Well a few things haven't changed, but I am now a more outgoing, independent, self assured person. This is due to my volunteer service and my family. See you again in 10 years.

Montana Marsh (Mary Morrow)

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Information: Four years after High School, I gave birth to my daughter Carrie. I took up body building at age 25. Started a fitness career at age 30, became a personal trainer/fitness and nutrition specialist. Married in 1988, widowed in 1998. Married in 2004. I now own a log home construction business. I have 2 sets of twin grandsons, and 1 granddaughter, ages 3 months to 7 years.

My motto for life is: It is never too late! Don't let fear stop you from doing the things you want to do! Love life and live it to the fullest!

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It's hard to believe that we have been out for 30 years. I am recently divorced after 25 years. I have moved to Holdrege so I am closer to work. I am still at Becton Dickenson. I will have reached 25 years on June 21st. I have three sons who are 20, 23 and 25. I have one grandson who is 17 months. His is a very precious little boy, his name is Gunner Wyatt. He is my pride and joy. I try and spend most of my spare time playing with and spoiling him.

My family is all still around the Lexington area. We gather at Avis and Brad's cabin quite often in the summer. My mom is in Kearney and doing well. Hope to see most of my classmates at the reunion.

I do have a picture album started. So if you have extra pictures of the past reunions, please send them to me so I can add them.

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Information: Spouse - Mark Loseke, married 29 years. Children - Sarah, RN, age 27, married to Aaron Cudaback August 28, 2004. I sewed 7 dresses for their wedding. Christine, RN, age 25, bride to be of Brian Vavra, wedding date October 1, 2005. Will be sewing 7 dresses for this wedding. Alisha, age 22, just graduated last December from UNK in teaching with an ESL degree (English as a second language). Andrew, age 18, just graduated from Kearney High, wants to go into accounting at UNK. I work part time at Liberty Cleaners at Kearney. Mark works at Lips printing in Kearney.

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Information: Ted and I live in Lexington, where he is an optometrist. I fill in at the office when needed. Our daughter, Ashley, is a 1st year teacher and lives in Kansas City. Our son, Jake, is a junior at UNK. Ted helps coach legion baseball during the summer and we still enjoy "rooting" for the area teams.

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Information: Married for 11 years to Dave Jaixen. Dave manages ACE Hardware in GI. I'm a Senior Underwriter for Principal Financial Group and have been there for almost 17 years. We have 4 children between us. Dave has two girls, Becky, 26, married and living in Minnesota, one daughter, 2 months old, our first grandchild. His younger daughter, Beth, 23, Phoenix, AZ and attending Arizona State. I have two sons, Matt, 27, just married last week, May 28th, (hence part of the craziness out my house recently) and living in Omaha. Youngest son, Josh, 22, working for Principal Financial in Grand Island and attending college part time.

Dave and I both enjoy bowling but golf is our true love. We are also Husker football fans and season ticket holders so that occupies our fall and winter. We seem to be doing more traveling now that the kids are spread out but Minnesota in the summer and Phoenix in the winter isn't too bad. With the new granddaughter I'm sure our road trips will become more frequent.

Looking forward to seeing everyone. Guess we'll have to catch up on how the team is going to look this year!

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Information: After graduation, I married Denise Brown, June 7, 1975 and had two daughters, Rachel and Sara. I worked for Valley Sales Company until 1983, when we moved to Curtis, NE to own and operate C & D Restaurant and Lounge until 1990. We divorced and I moved to North Platte to work for Trimac transporting fuel. I went to work for DSI in Lincoln in 1994, then Wheeler Transport Service for three years, and Wynne Transport Service for another three years.

Craig Rodenbaugh (continued)

March 31st of 2000, I married Helen Foreman. Helen has a daughter, Randi, and two granddaughters, Robin and Brooke. My oldest daughter, Rachel, also now has two girls, Hayley and Taylor. Living on the lake at Capitol Beach, we water ski when we can, and our granddaughters visit often to go swimming and boating. Helen and I are both Corvette enthusiasts, and have five of them between us.

I began my own business April 1, 2002, and am now the president and owner of Fast Fuel Transport Services, Inc., hauling fuel for Helen's wholesale fuel customers (Foreman Fuels, Inc.), as well as other fuel distributors in the Lincoln area. We have expanded the business to three transports, four drivers and five trailers, hauling gasoline, diesel, propane and aviation fuel.

The road from Lexington High has been good.

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Information: Currently reside in Columbus, NE. We decided that we wanted to be closer to Lincoln which is where my two beautiful daughters live. Oldest daughter, Amber, age 24, is married and a UNL student, majoring in Elementary Education. Ashley, age 21, will be transferring from UNL to NE Wesleyan this fall. She is also an EI Ed major. Ashley just got engaged so will be welcoming a new son-in-law into the family. My husband, Bob, farms & drives a semi out of Bellwood, NE. I work at the County Attorney's office in Columbus and meeting people with very interesting lifestyles! (Most of which are not in my social circle!) Am not going to be able to attend the reunion, but would love to see any pictures that you would like to send via e-mail or snail-mail (pics from the reunion or otherwise).

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Information: Not too much has changed in the last 10 years. My husband Don and I will celebrate our 27th anniversary in December. I still work at KRVN Radio here in Lexington. It will be 29 years in August! Last year I took over the Executive Assistant job, which is basically secretary to the General, Sales and Operations managers. I am enjoying the new challenges. We are involved in the church: committees, choir and I enjoy playing in the handbell choir too. We enjoy traveling, camping in our trailer, fishing and being with family. Since Don retired last year we are able to do more things together on weekends.

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Information: March 15, 1980, I married Lisa Stewart and she is still putting up with me to this day. We have no children yet, but are still trying. I have operated and/or owned Highland Park Lawn Co. since 1977. I lived in Grand Island from 1977 to 1991. In 1991 we moved to Hastings to open a new office for our company and are still there. Lisa has worked with the handicapped in Grand Island and Hastings. We spend time at the cabin at Plum Creek Canyon in the summer. I hunt and we travel during the winter months. I am active in the Masonic Lodge, Scottish Rite Masons, and the Shrine.

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Information: Married to the same man for 30 years. 2 children: Matthew 24 yr old, just married last year. Maggie, 13 yr old, going into 7th grade. Lived here in Papillion for 5 years. I am a domestic goddess at home, also working for Papillion LaVista School District as a Special Ed para educator, and also Christian Education director at my church. We enjoy going on vacations and doing nothing on weekends.

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Information: Married to Mike for 25 years, and have two daughters Lindsay and Melissa. Lindsay graduated from University of Nebraska at Kearney on May 6, 2005 with a degree in Business Administration-Marketing. Melissa graduated from Kearney High School on May 22, 2005 and will be attending UNK this fall. My parents just moved to Kearney after living in Lexington for 33 years. I have been at my current position as Executive Director for Girl Scouts Goldenrod Council for eleven years. The council covers 34 counties in central and southwest Nebraska. Mike has worked for the City of Kearney for almost eighteen years. Also like to do volunteer work for United Way, Chamber of Commerce and other organizations, and am currently president for the Kearney Noon Kiwanis Club. When I'm not busy with work and activities, I like to read, watch sports of all kinds, stay active and just generally help my family and others.

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I have been married 25 years to Marian. She is a LPN at Plum Creek Medical Group and the Director of Nursing. Have 3 children: Jason, 22 years, a US Marine stationed at Camp Pendleton, CA,

Christopher, 21 years, college student at Westwood College of Technology in Denver, CO, majoring in Computer Networking

Julie, 17 years, graduated in May from LHS. Plans to attend University of Nebraska at Kearney, majoring in Physical Therapy.

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Information: I've been married to John for 22 years and have 2 girls ages 16 and 19. Rachael is a Junior in High School and Alyssa is a freshman at Middlebury College in Vermont. John retired a couple of years ago, so we spend as much time as we can in Big Sky, Montana. I play a lot of golf, tennis and bridge. (that makes me sound like an old lady doesn't it). Hope to see you all at the class reunion.

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Information: Lexington is still home!! The jeans are a lot tighter. The gray hair requires monthly attention. Just one "grand-dog" to report. Still have only two kids - both with significant others so we do have weddings in the offing!! As I drive by the high school on a daily basis - flashbacks of the old days pop into my head. Thirty years ago seems like yesterday!! I am still "passing gas" and actually getting paid for it - what a country!! I am looking forward to seeing everyone and renewing old friendships. See you at the reunion!

Class of 1975 Submissions to the Lexington Alumni Web Site**Greg Bacon**

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Now Living In: Overton, Nebraska

Comments: Have been teaching and coaching for 22 years. Hobbies: golfing, boating, watching my sons in school activities. I am employed by the Lexington Public School system.

Cyndia 'Cyndi' (Horn) Boesch

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Now Living In: Lexington

Comments: Hi everyone! I have been married for almost 29 years to my husband Jeff. We have 2 children, Melinda and David who have blessed us with 6 grandchildren. Melinda has Nate, Freddy, JoLinda and Julianna, they range from age 8 to 7 mos. David has 2 girls Sarah who is 5 and Abby who is 2. They are very busy blessings! Jeff works for Nebraska by Products and I am working for Sandoz Elementary as a Paraeducator. Although I have a business degree I decided to go back to school a couple of years ago so I can be a teacher when I grow up!! (Like maybe when I am 80). When you can go back on a free grant wouldn't you? Seriously, I think I may have found my place I love working with children..after all they are our hope and our future. God Bless, Cyndi
posted on May 20, 2005

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Now Living In: Kearney, NE

posted on June 27, 2005

John Ingram

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Comments: Married, two children, play golf (not very well). Have stayed in great shape and placed 4th in Boston Marathon.

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Living and breathing in Tennessee – final answer.

Comments: I regret not seeing the class of 75 on June 17-18th. In reviewing the LHS on-line calendar of events, it appears LHS is conducting summer school throughout this reunion and I fear my name is on this particular roster, thus my absence. I have a good friend in Atlanta who was giving away a daughter in marriage much earlier than planned. It was important the shells be removed from the gun as we help congratulate the grandfather-to-be at the very moment the cows were coming home at Greg Araujo's.

When I saw my name listed as 1 of 13 missing in action...along with Terry Iltzh, Mark Waldor and the likes, it was evident a conspiracy theory was in play. I understand Kevin Rader did get the memo. Must have been the Bye-Bye Birdie play – beats me.

Seriously, had I known that Dick Hollinger, Marion Kline, Mr. White, and Jean (B) McGee, and more, would be in attendance....I would have been there, if not for an hour, or two. If anyone has contact with these folks, please tell them thank you from me. Wow – sorry to miss this one!

No telling how many more years we have so I take this time to say hello, and good-bye, to my old friends at LHS. I figure I've traveled over 2 million+ miles throughout the U.S., Canada, and Puerto Rico selling medical supplies for 20 years, or so. As far as Puerto Rico and Mexico are concerned, Mrs. Dudley's Spanish class didn't help much – but I can order meatballs and rice! I travel a great deal and tolerate things most people would not. My family has yet to figure out what I do, so I dare not embark on any explanation. Although, I can assure you it's all legal. I look forward to the day of managing the customer service desk at Tractor Supply, but ultimately dream of retiring in Costa Rica which very well may happen one day.

Married 25 years to my first wife, Carolyn, because I care. I have yet to meet my second wife. Ben (23) will graduate from University of West Georgia in December via the 5.5 year plan. Ashley (17) soon-to-be Senior and Lindsey (16) is an upcoming Junior. Lindsey may very well play collegiate LaCrosse, a tough competitor and goalie. My children have played hockey in Minneapolis, football in Atlanta and LaCrosse in Nashville. Unlike their father, both Ashley and Lindsey take AP classes, achieve Principals Honor List, Honors Society, French Class President and more. Ashley was recently recognized by Ford Motor Company for her essay competition on credit. As I review my monthly bank card statements, her mother should read this essay!

Thus far, my son and daughters are poster kids for society. Yes, I'm lucky, blessed and then some.

Surviving over 3 dogs; our doors, floors and hair-left-behind leave homage to their memory.

I finally increased my horsepower and purchased a Harley-Davidson 'Road King Custom' last fall. Hope to catch up with Mike Gierhan in Kearney and ride through the hills (sand hills and black hills) together in August with some friends from Tennessee on our way to Sturgis. I enjoy duck hunting in Mississippi, Goose hunting with my brother, Brian, on the Platte River. Fishing off San Juan is the best. I'm currently in search of the best improved player club I can find. My handicap is pathetic.

My next door neighbor is a Urologist, so I'm well connected for any manly health issues that may affect me in years to come, albeit the prostate or need of the blue pill – I'm connected!

I routinely visit the hematology and Dermatology department at the Vanderbilt Clinic. The many years at the Lexington Swimming Pool coupled with the beaches of Florida finally took its toll; called in their chips. Wear sun screen as, "stairway to heaven" has taken on a whole new meaning!

For those of you I don't get a chance to see before we meet our friends in the great celestial sky, I always hold the memories of LHS as a foundation of...we'll, something of significance.

Ya'll keep the faith.

Dave Rose

P.S. - No way is John running any marathons! 440 yd dash for free beer is believable.

P.S.S. – Corrine, fantastic web site – nice job – I wish you the best!

P.S.S.S. – I hope to hell Marion isn't grading this thesis; but still love her regardless of the grade.

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Jim Hawks, 1975 Class Rep. for the 2005 Lexington Alumni Banquet gave this speech:

When I was contacted last week by our committee and asked to say a few words on behalf of the Class of 1975, I started to think about all of the great times that we had and all of the things that led us to our graduation day. I also thought of the friendships that we developed along the way and some of the things that have happened to us since graduation. Many of us, including myself, have moved away and do not call Lexington our home any longer, but we continue to live the values, and cherish the memories that were created by our parents, friends and teachers while attending LHS.



During the 1974-75 school year there were many things going on that caused us to wonder where our futures would lead us like Watergate, the pulling out of U.S. Forces from Viet Nam, and the resignation of a president. But while these things were going on nationally we still found time to enjoy the Villager, Weichel's, the "new" Pizza Hut, the drive inn, stopping by the Dairy Queen to see Chui, listening to Kevin Radar on the Cozad radio station, or just cruising Main listening to hits like Stairway to Heaven, which happened to be the theme of our Senior prom. Of course gas was only 30 cents a gallon at that time which made cruising a little more affordable.

The school was truly the center of our lives at that time with academics and athletics being a big part of our lives during the 1974-75 school year. It is no wonder that we were successful in these areas when we had people like Barry Alvarez, Don Bader, John Higgins, Marion Klein, Dick Hollinger, Russ Eisenhart, Ray Ehlers, Stan Lynch, Rollie Aubert, and other excellent instructors and coaches to mentor us in our senior year. And others like Keith Kearney, Marlin Kirchener, Geraldine Jones, Archie Chapman, Dale Kennedy, Virginia King, and Crome Dome, or I mean Norman Youngquist, who helped us get through Junior High. And countless others who touched our lives during that time.

At our May 19th graduation we read our class motto "We have followed and now we lead" and I feel that we have lived up to that motto. In visiting with friends at last night's gathering it would appear that our class is truly leading in their respective professional and personnel lives. The songs sang that day were "I Had a Dream" and "Time is My Friend" both of which I feel have been realized by my classmates and myself. We had many dreams and time has been a friend to us in allowing us to realize those dreams. We also had 12 listed as graduating with distinction, but in my opinion everyone who graduated that day graduated with distinction.

I would like to thank the Alumni Association for continuing the tradition of 114 years and with devoting their time and effort to this event. And I would also like to express my great appreciate for the committee from the class of 1975 that put together a wonderful weekend of events that will allow us to reminisce about our time in LHS and where we are today. I would also like to say thanks to those honor classes that came before us and set an example for us and to those honor classes that will come after us for continuing the great legacy of LHS. And finally to LHS "thanks for the memories".



June 17, 2005 - 30 Year Class Reunion Festivities held at the Holiday Inn Express.

Row 1: Jack Gleason (Kearney), Larry Hill (North Platte), Kim Kitzing (Gothenburg), Craig Rodenbaugh (Lincoln), Steve Latter (Lexington), Allan Grayek (Topeka, Kansas), Doug Wehr (Lexington), Brad Dillard (Lexington), Jean Blecha McGee, teacher (Lexington).

Row 2: Brian Lahm (Ralston, Nebraska), Mark Stamps (Lincoln), Pam Wheeler Panning (Bradenton, Florida), Janell Fagot Husband (Craig, Colorado), Becky Brown Ryan (Loup City), Janet Geu Warner (Castroville, Texas), Deb Hennek Tuepker (Lexington), Vicki Muller Evans (Holdrege), Jim White, Jr. High Counselor (Lincoln), Marion Kline, teacher (Lexington), Dick Hollinger, teacher (Lexington).

Row 3: Jeri Rickel Jaixen (Grand Island), Brenda Brandenburg Buchholz (Overton), Patti Cochrane Crites (Elm Creek), Cindy Horn Boesch (Lexington), Nannette Ewoldt Gass (Silver Creek, Nebraska), Dana Flint Thornburg (Lexington), Cindy Rohnert Flint (Lexington), Rindy Beckman Zink (Naper, Nebraska), Brenda Sherman Colvin (Lexington), Terri Misko Sherman (Eagle, Nebraska), Pam Liehs Nelson (Longmont, Colorado), Jim Lauby (Lexington).

Back Row: Jo Knauss Morris (Pleasanton Nebraska), Jim Hawks (North Platte), Cris Zlatkovsky Teetor (Lexington), Tom Salem (Lincoln, Nebraska), Ken Norseen (Stromsburg Nebraska), Greg Bacon (Overton), Kevin Rader (Carmel Indiana), Teri Sarnes Whittington (Lexington), Julie Maloley Extrom (Cheyenne, Wyoming), Julie King Shafer (Loveland Colorado), Rita Thompson Ulrich (Kearney), Cindy Milhoan Skiles (Lincoln, Nebraska).

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