

# Huskies Trails

The Official Newsletter of the Reno High School Alumni Association

### THE PRESIDENT'S TWO CENTS WORTH

I apologize for this newsletter being a little late. I was waiting to see if the end of the world was a sure thing and I wouldn't have to write this. Wrong again! On behalf of the RHSAA Board, I would like to wish you all a wonderful new year.

As required by our By-laws, after 3 years of being the RHSAA President, I have stepped down. It was an honor to serve as President and want to express my appreciation to the Board members for their support. Scott Jordan, Class of 1986, was elected as the new President. Scott is currently a biology teacher at Reno High and a freshman football coach. I will take the position of Vice President for Operations. Jerry Fenwick, Class of 1953 has rotated off the Board. He has been a dedicated member of the Board for the last 8 years and we'll miss his wit, humor, and great recommendations. Joanne Rippingham, Class of 1954, has left the board and Marilyn Bell, Class of 1959, has recently joined the board.

Anne Pershing's second article in the RGJ about Reno High appears in this newsletter. Anne writes the byline entitled, "Grandma with Attitude."

The annual membership meeting was held on October 25, 2012 and like last year, no one attended the meeting except board members. This year's annual meeting may be held in December.

As I mentioned in the last newsletter, the annual dues have been raised by \$5 to \$20 for a single membership. We have voted to keep the Life Membership at \$300. I want to thank the membership for their continued support of the RHSAA and the museum.

We recently purchased a new computer to keep track of memberships, mail outs, letters, finances, inventories, and to operate our website. Please don't hesitate to contact us by phone (775) 825-2586 or Email us at <a href="mailto:rhsaa@renohighalum.com">rhsaa@renohighalum.com</a>. Go Huskies!

J.D. Schnabel President, RHSAA

### PRESIDENT'S OVERVIEW OF THE YEAR 2012

- 1. Association Board: Craig Lemons and Marilyn Bell joined the board, and Daryl Pelizzari rejoined the board after a year of being the Office Manager. Maurine Tuckett and Lois Nuernberg resigned, and sadly, Tom Farrer passed away.
- 2. We awarded four \$750 scholarships to deserving seniors and coordinated the awarding of the Westover Family Scholarship in May. The RHS Alumni Leadership medal and certificate was given to an outstanding JROTC cadet.
- 3. We were judges for the Homecoming float competition held in October.
- 4. The Alumni Center was used by the Principal for 8th grade orientation in May. We provided the incoming students with a brief history of Reno High School and Alumni Association. The center was open for Parent Night in September and also used for 3 days by RHS teachers for Freshman Seminar. The classes of 1962 and 1957 used the museum for their reunions and were provided a briefing on the history of RHS and Alumni Association. The museum continued to be open to the public on Fridays and Saturdays but closed on holiday weekends.
- 5. We provided quarterly input to the school's parent newsletter, Huskie Happenings, as well as publishing four Huskie Trails alumni newsletters.
- 6. We received a generous donation from the Class of 1962 and placed their name on the bronze level plaque. Two life members were added this year.
- 7. We gave the Class of 2011 free membership and decided not to continue this practice. For the Class of 2012, a membership application was place in each of their yearbooks encouraging them to join.
- 8. There are 525 members who pay dues. This is very low compared to the many thousand graduates who aren't members. Next year, the Association dues will increase in the amount shown on the membership application form on the last page of this newsletter. The Reno High FACEBOOK has 885 friends.
- 9. Scott Jordan and Daryl Pelizzari are on the RHS Hall of Fame committee.
- 10. Anne Pershing (Grandma with Attitude) published two articles in the RGJ entitled, "Museum is Reno's Best Kept Secret" and "Notable Reno High Alums."
- 11. The Association purchased a new HP computer and a copy machine.

### "NOTABLE RENO HIGH ALUMS"

This is the second article about Reno High School written by Anne Pershing who writes the column, "Grandma with Attitude," that is published every Monday in the Reno Gazette Journal in the Northern Nevada section, Copyright 2012. It appeared in the July 16, 2012 paper.

In today's column, we'll lead with a brief history of Reno High School and highlight some of Reno High Scholl's notable alumni.

A school was first established in Reno in the mid-1800s when the small number of high school students was taught in the basement of the Albambra Hall building on the corner of Virginia and First streets where the Mapes Hotel was later built. In 1868, it was decided that a bigger school should be built as the community was growing. Students moved to their new one-room school in 1869 at Sierra and First streets. As the community continued to grow, another school was built just for high school students in 1879 near Arlington and Fourth streets and was called Central School. However, people kept referring to it as Reno High School, which stuck.

In 1910, a fire broke out in the chemistry lab, destroyed the school and in 1912, another one was built in downtown Reno where the Sundowner Casino was built years later.

Then in 1951, the high school was moved to a new building and campus at 395 Booth Street. It now houses approximately 1,650 students.

RHS Huskies' oldest living alum, Mark Yori, 99 graduated in 1930 and became the owner of Lawton Hot Springs on Highway 40 West in Reno. He has been a supporter of community events for many years and retired in the 1970's.

Other notables listed by name, the year they graduated and occupation include Patrick Anthony McCarran, 1879, former U.S. senator, Frederick Joseph DeLongchamps, 1900, architect; Evan Adams, 1924, U.S. treasurer from 1961 to 1969, Walter S. Baring, 1929, former congressman; Marguerite Snyder, 1933, first woman pharmacist in the state.

Link Piazzo, 1937, philanthropist; William "Bill" Raggio, 1944, served a record-breaking 39 years in the Nevada State Senate; Sam Dibitonto, 1947, former Reno mayor; Lou Cannon, 1950, wrote two biographies on his good friend, President Ronald Reagan; Warren Lerude, 1955, 1972 Pulitzer Prize for newspaper editorial writing; Dawn Wells, 1956, actress who starred as Mary Ann in "Gilligan's Island;" Frank Fahrenkopf, 1957, political adviser to Reagan and former chairman of the Republican National Party; Dr. James Colgan, 1959,

retired urologist of Carson City; Bob Erickson, 1962, former mayor of Fallon and current city councilman.

Ray Handley, 1962 former professional American football player and NFL coach, James Hardesty, 1966, NV Supreme Court Justice, Ann Telnaes, 1979, 2001 Pulitzer Prize for editorial cartoon, John Savage, 1983, UCLA Bruins baseball head coach and son-in-law of Chris Ault, UNR's football head coach; Shawn Boskie, 1986, former major league baseball pitcher; and Josh Barrett, 2003, NFL player with the Denver Broncos.

Anne Pershing relayed to me that the term "notable alums," was used because she didn't want to use "famous alums," because all the grads are notable. She just couldn't list them all.

### **SAYINGS FROM WILL ROGERS**

Will Rogers, who died in a 1935 plane crash, was one of the greatest political sages this country has ever known. Here are some of his sayings about age:

- 1. Eventually you will reach a point when you stop lying about your age and start bragging about it.
- 2. The older we get, the fewer things seem worth waiting in line for.
- 3. Some people try to turn back their odometers. Not me; I want people to know 'why' I look this way. I've traveled a long way, and some of the roads weren't paved.
- 4. When you are dissatisfied and would like to go back to youth, think of Algebra.
- 5. You know you are getting old when everything either dries up or leaks.
- 6. Being young is beautiful, but being old is comfortable.
- 7. If you don't learn to laugh at trouble, you won't have anything to laugh at when you're old.
- 8. There are two theories to arguing with a woman. Neither works.
- 9. Never miss a good chance to shut up.
- 10. Good judgment comes from experience, and a lot of that comes from bad judgment.

### **HUMOR?**

- 1. My wife was hinting about what she wanted for our upcoming anniversary. She said, "I want something shiny and goes from 0 to 150 in about 3 seconds." I bought her a scale.
- 2. When I got home last night, my wife demanded that I take her someplace expensive... so, I took her to a gas station.
- 3. My wife sat down on the couch next to me as I was flipping channels. She asked, "What's on TV?" I said, "Dust."

### THIS AND THAT

- 1. Concerning RHS sports this fall, Jordon Cardenas of Boys Cross Country won state and named athlete of the year. The 2012 All-North Division football team included Austin McNinch, Oliver Graybar, and Chad Savage. Chad was also selected as High Desert League and Northern Division player of the year. The Boys and Girls Tennis Teams were Northern Division champs and the Girls Singles and Doubles were Northern Division champions.
- 2. Six RHS students were selected to the Reno Youth Leadership Class this year.
- 3. Reno High has a new program called, "Red House Project," that teaches video game design, animation, video production, and web and graphic design.
- 4. RHS Social Studies teacher and Alumni Board Secretary Brien Karlin, Class of 2001, was awarded a national board teacher's certification. This is quite an honor.
- 5. Austin Morgan, Class of 2009, and former Reno High basketball star, is in his 4<sup>th</sup> year playing for Yale.
- 6. The old YMCA near Reno High was demolished recently making way for a new \$12.5 million, 50,000 square-foot Boys and Girls Club. The facility is expected to open in the summer of 2014.

### Football Humor:

Why do Tennessee fans wear orange? So they can dress that way for the game on Saturday, go hunting on Sunday, and pick up trash on Monday.

What does the average Alabama player get on his SAT? Drool!

How many Michigan freshmen football players does it take to change a light bulb? None. That's a Sophomore course.

## RHS BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL COACHES

Brien Karlin, Class of 2001, RHS Social Studies teacher, freshman football coach, and RHS Alumni Association Board Member compiled the following list of boy's varsity basketball coaches through the ages.

2013 – Present Matt Ochs	
2006-2012 Kyle Scheillin	
2004-2005 Eric Swain	
2002-2003 Pete Padgett	
2001 Dave Christensen	
1995-2000 Pete Padgett	
1994 Matt Manley	
1993 James Gleboff	
1988-1992 Aubrey McCreary	
1973-1987 Wint King	
1967-1972 Ken Fujii	
1958-1966 Lloyd Trout	
1956-1957 John Robb	
1953-1955 Buddy Garfinkle	
1949-1952 Bud Beasley	
1924-1948 Herb Foster	
1922-1923 Hugh Welsh	
1920 Maj. Douglas Page (First JROTC Instructor	)
Otis Vaughn but season cancelled due to the	e flu
1915-1918 Fredrick Nybro	
1912-1914 Wellman Bruner	

If anyone is interested in researching the baseball, track, volleyball, girls' basketball coaches, spend some time in the RHS Alumni Museum and go through our yearbooks and Red and Blue school newspapers. We might publish your results.



The purpose of this non-profit association shall be to identify and recognize the accomplishments of the alumni, students, and staff of Reno High School. Equal attention shall be paid to academic and non-academic phases of high school activity, in order that a well-balanced picture may be presented to the public. Your information will be entered into our database for future use and never given to anyone without your permission.

Current Last Name:	Middle Init.:	First Name:
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	Couple \$30 \$58 \$8	0 \$125
	Individual Life Member	\$300.00
	Couple Life member	\$500.00
Spouse's maiden name:	If	Reno High Graduate, Year
Would you like to be involved in R	HSAA? Yes No	
If Yes, would you like to be officer	, board member, trustee or	volunteer? YES NO
What would you be willing to help	with?{Museum, membersl	nip, yearbooks, etc.}
I hereby authorize duly elected RH	ISAA trustees to spend nor	n-designated funds as they deem
appropriate. Signature:	_	
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