



Huskie Trails

The Official Newsletter of the Reno High School Alumni Association

This Year's "Golden Huskies" – Class of 1969

Memories by Howard Moy

This year marks the 50th year since I graduated from Reno High School. My-Oh-My how time flies and how things have changed since I was a student. After graduating from UNR, I left Reno for the better part of 40 years to pursue my engineering career. I returned to attend my 45th class reunion in 2014 and have since retired.

Things have certainly changed since 1969. The Mapes Hotel in downtown Reno at the Truckee River is now a plaza. This is where we held our high school graduation party. The Virginia Street bridge has been replaced with a new and modern structure. Reno High School is still standing but things are different. Gone are the Fatboy Burger stand and Dairy Queen that were across the street from RHS. This was replaced by a bank then a quick mart. Gone also is the YMCA across from the Reno High football field which is now a Boys and Girls Club. Gone also is the Safeway that was part of the Village Shopping Center.

In a closer look around the RHS campus, the crafts building now has a different use. Gone are the auto mechanic shop, wood shop, and mechanical drafting classes for students interested in working with their hands. The Industrial Arts Building, as it is now called, houses a very large weight room, a band room, 3 rooms for art classes, and 2 large computer labs with Mac (Apple) computers. Added on to the main school building since I was here are a small gymnasium and a new theater. The old theater is now a special education wing. The JROTC shooting range in the school's basement is still in use, but instead of .22 caliber rifles, the rifle team shoots air rifles. The gym floor has been resurfaced, and new blonde bleacher seats have been installed. The cafeteria and classrooms are all air conditioned. The school has installed blue awnings to address the heat. The Reno High football field and track area in Foster Field has been upgraded to a beautiful multi-sports complex.

Technical advances have changed the scene at school. Hand held computers, called smart phones, are now everywhere. I graduated with an old Texas Instrument (TI) calculator. Computers back then were the size of the RHS library if not larger, and we had to type on IBM cards in program language like Cobol and Fortran to solve problems.

In the school parking lot, gone are the "Detroit Iron" and muscle cars that have been replaced by SUVs and smaller foreign vehicles from Japan and Korea.

There is also a new structure on campus called the Reno High School Link Piazza Alumni Center. The Alumni Association was established in 1995, and the one of a kind alumni museum was opened in 2000. It is a place where history and memorabilia are preserved. Since I retired, I've joined the RHS Alumni Association and am now serving as the Vice President. I am here to give back to the school that which gave me many happy and wonderful memories. I encourage you to support the Association.

I will be working on our 50 Anniversary celebration and looking forward to seeing many old friends again. As Bob Hope always said, "Thanks for the Memories." Reno High, thanks for the memories.

President's Corner

Fellow Members and Friends,

Well another quarter is history and in the books. Things around the museum are in very excellent shape and the Alumni Trustees now number at 13 members. We can use one more Trustee on the Board that runs the center/museum and could use 1 or 2 new members to staff, receive new material, stock the museum, and log in the activities of the very important staff that helps maintain the museum. I would like to add a very STRONG THANK YOU TO ALL who make this Alumni Association work, and work it does!!

A very strong thank you to Craig Lemons for his 5 years of service to the Board. This is no small task VOLUNTEERING this much time. Thank You Craig for your service.

Welcome back to the board J. D. Schnabel. Over the years he has had many jobs, his last was as president. J. D. took a year off but could not stay away. J. D. knows how much there is to do and we are glad to have him and his knowledge back. Welcome!!

This year marks the 100 anniversary JROTC. During my years at Reno High School I participated in JROTC and later received my commission after 3 years of study in ROTC at the UNR. This led to my infantry commission and later becoming a helicopter pilot. I cannot say how good these programs are unless you have become a product of these studies.

In closing I would like to beat an old and familiar drum! How long can this Alumni Association last? You may ask what is the problem. Is there a problem? Very, very few people really realize that, TO MY KNOWLEDGE, we are the ONLY Alumni Association on a High School campus which has its own building, museum and Alumni Association fully staffed and open weekly to the public. IN THE ENTIRE COUNTRY. LET ME SAY THAT ONE MORE TIME, WE ARE THE ONLY ONE IN THE COUNTRY (that I have knowledge of that even exists). What an honor for the Washoe County School District, Reno and Nevada. I may be wrong, but if I am, please let me know the existence of another.

Well then what is the problem? All the activity that is taking place is the effort, time and product of the classes from the 40's, 50's, and 60's. All the other classes amount for about 5 % of the needed funding and volunteer time. I will write more next quarter but please write John M. Watson with your ideas as to participation by the younger classes.

We really need you and your help!!! WRITE ME—WRITE!

JOHN M. WATSON, PRESIDENT RHSAA

2019 Class Reunions

Contact Betty Jo Baker at 775-851-3203 to post your class reunion on our website.

Year	Contact	Phone	Date	E-mail
1969 - <u>50th</u>	Howard Moy	775-742-1586	Fri July 19 Baldini's Casino 2nd flr Sat July 20 Reno Elks Lodge	howard.moy@gmail.com
1951 - 68 th	Betty Jo Baker	775-851-3203	Aug 17 th @ The Coney Island	
1952 - 67 th				
1953 - 66 th	Joanne Petre	775-332-7770	Aug 16 th @ The Coney Island	joanne.petre@gmail.com
1954 - 65 th				
1955 - 64 th	Linda Church	775-972-0671	Details TBA	
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1974 - 45 th	Kim Perkins	775-787-7989	June 21 st -22 nd Location TBA	kemilleer77@gmail.com
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ALUMNI NEWS

WORKERS NEEDED

We are again asking for your help.

There is a great need for museum volunteer workers.

Their job is to meet twice a month for a few hours and sort, arrange and properly display donated memorabilia in a professional manner.

This is a great retirement position and if you want to help, contact Betty Jo Baker at 851-3203.

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NEWSLETTER DELIVERY OPTION

If you don't want the "RHSAA Newsletter" via

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rhsaa@renohighalum.com

and put "Non-USPS" in the subject line.

We will then E-mail it to you. It saves us postage.

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CLASSMATE SEARCH HELP

Need Help finding classmates?

RHSAA MEMBERS can request help from us via E-mail. Just Ask!!!

We have access to Beenverified, Ancestry & Newspapers websites.

We can find help them!!!

How many of your class are RHSAA members?

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***Please help by getting more from your class to become members***

| <b>RHSAA Class Members Count by Year</b> |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |
|------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>1940</b>                              | <b>1941</b> | <b>1942</b> | <b>1943</b> | <b>1944</b> | <b>1945</b> | <b>1946</b> | <b>1947</b> | <b>1948</b> | <b>1949</b> |
| <b>1</b>                                 | <b>0</b>    | <b>2</b>    | <b>6</b>    | <b>2</b>    | <b>5</b>    | <b>8</b>    | <b>6</b>    | <b>2</b>    | <b>6</b>    |
| <b>1950</b>                              | <b>1951</b> | <b>1952</b> | <b>1953</b> | <b>1954</b> | <b>1955</b> | <b>1956</b> | <b>1957</b> | <b>1958</b> | <b>1959</b> |
| <b>12</b>                                | <b>19</b>   | <b>29</b>   | <b>21</b>   | <b>9</b>    | <b>31</b>   | <b>29</b>   | <b>29</b>   | <b>17</b>   | <b>19</b>   |
| <b>1960</b>                              | <b>1961</b> | <b>1962</b> | <b>1963</b> | <b>1964</b> | <b>1965</b> | <b>1966</b> | <b>1967</b> | <b>1968</b> | <b>1969</b> |
| <b>6</b>                                 | <b>9</b>    | <b>17</b>   | <b>24</b>   | <b>9</b>    | <b>16</b>   | <b>8</b>    | <b>9</b>    | <b>5</b>    | <b>5</b>    |
| <b>1970</b>                              | <b>1971</b> | <b>1972</b> | <b>1973</b> | <b>1974</b> | <b>1975</b> | <b>1976</b> | <b>1977</b> | <b>1978</b> | <b>1979</b> |
| <b>4</b>                                 | <b>2</b>    | <b>6</b>    | <b>6</b>    | <b>6</b>    | <b>0</b>    | <b>6</b>    | <b>3</b>    | <b>5</b>    | <b>8</b>    |
| <b>1980</b>                              | <b>1981</b> | <b>1982</b> | <b>1983</b> | <b>1984</b> | <b>1985</b> | <b>1986</b> | <b>1987</b> | <b>1988</b> | <b>1989</b> |
| <b>3</b>                                 | <b>0</b>    | <b>4</b>    | <b>1</b>    | <b>4</b>    | <b>0</b>    | <b>3</b>    | <b>4</b>    | <b>3</b>    | <b>2</b>    |
| <b>1990</b>                              | <b>1991</b> | <b>1992</b> | <b>1993</b> | <b>1994</b> | <b>1995</b> | <b>1996</b> | <b>1997</b> | <b>1998</b> | <b>1999</b> |
| <b>1</b>                                 | <b>0</b>    | <b>1</b>    | <b>0</b>    | <b>2</b>    | <b>0</b>    | <b>0</b>    | <b>0</b>    | <b>1</b>    | <b>0</b>    |
| <b>2000</b>                              | <b>2001</b> | <b>2002</b> | <b>2003</b> | <b>2004</b> | <b>2005</b> | <b>2006</b> | <b>2007</b> | <b>2008</b> | <b>2009</b> |
| <b>0</b>                                 | <b>1</b>    | <b>1</b>    | <b>0</b>    | <b>0</b>    | <b>0</b>    | <b>0</b>    | <b>0</b>    | <b>0</b>    | <b>1</b>    |
| <b>2010</b>                              | <b>2011</b> | <b>2012</b> | <b>2013</b> | <b>2014</b> | <b>2015</b> | <b>2016</b> | <b>2017</b> | <b>2018</b> | <b>2019</b> |
| <b>0</b>                                 | <b>2</b>    | <b>1</b>    | <b>0</b>    | <b>2</b>    | <b>1</b>    | <b>2</b>    | <b>3</b>    | <b>0</b>    | <b>0</b>    |

## RENO HIGH HAS A NEW VARSITY FOOTBALL COACH

Jon Haskins was hired as the next head football coach at Reno High. Haskins played football at Stanford (1994-97) as a linebacker and then in the NFL for the San Diego Chargers. His three-year professional career included stints with San Diego, the Philadelphia Eagles and one-year with XFL. He has football coaching experience at the college level including Stanford, Duke, Vanderbilt, South Florida, and Nevada. At Nevada, Haskins was the director of football administration in 2011, under Chris Ault. He said Ault's work ethic is what stayed with him the most. While he will not be teaching at Reno High, he plans to spend a lot of time around the campus. Haskins said in an RGJ interview, "I've always wanted to coach high school football. Reno is a good program for me. I'm very familiar with the school." Principal Kris Hackbusch said, "We are fortunate to have someone with his talent and experience." We wish coach Jon Haskins and the varsity football team the very best in years to come. GO HUSKIES!

**RHSAA Membership Application**

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 Initial: \_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class of: \_\_\_\_\_ Years attended From : \_\_\_\_\_ To : \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name While in school{Maiden}: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

If an administrator or staff, years worked. From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Retired? Yes\_\_ No\_\_

**Membership Fee**

{circle one}

|                             | 1Yr      | 2Yr  | 3Yr  | 5Yr   |
|-----------------------------|----------|------|------|-------|
| Individual                  | \$20     | \$35 | \$50 | \$75  |
| Couple                      | \$30     | \$58 | \$80 | \$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 RHSAA? 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, membership, yearbooks, etc.}

\_\_\_\_\_

I hereby authorize duly elected RHSAA trustees to spend non-designated funds as they deem appropriate.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Reno High School JROTC Program 100 years Old

By J.D. Schnabel.

On May 17, 1916, President Woodrow Wilson signed the National Defense Act of 1916 which established the national guard and college and high school ROTC programs. The Army would pay active duty instructor salaries and provide military equipment such as uniforms, rifles, and ammunition. Before ROTC programs could be started, WWI had begun and all the officers and equipment were needed for the war effort. After the war JROTC programs throughout the country were starting to form. Through the efforts of Nevada Senator Charles Henderson and Superintendent B.D. Billingshurst, Reno High School was selected by the War Department to be one of the first schools to establish such a program. Reno had the only JROTC program in Nevada until 1944 when Las Vegas High School started its program.



On May 6, 1919, Army Major Douglas J. Page, a 1916 West Point graduate, walked into a Reno High School assembly and presented a new military program to the students. The girls were excused, and after the assembly, most of the boys signed up. This was the official start date of the JROTC program at Reno High.

The purpose of the program then was to provide basic military training and prepare young men in the event of war.

For 19 months Major Page organized the battalion and taught target practice, physical training, hygiene, guard duty and infantry drill. In his spare time, he coached the Reno varsity football and basketball teams. Major Page left Reno High in December 1920 and had a successful military career that included serving as the 9th Division Artillery Commander during WWII. According to his granddaughter, he was also friends with General George Patton.

Since those early times, the nature and scope of the JROTC program has changed. The mission now is not to prepare boys for war but rather to motivate young people to be better citizens. Instructors are not active duty personnel but retired officers and Non-Commissioned Officers. Women were accepted into the program in 1973. Besides learning leadership skills and responsibilities, cadets today participate in many events including numerous community service projects, parades, drill meets, military ball, cadet Olympics, varsity rifle team matches, color guard performances, annual inspections, and award ceremonies.

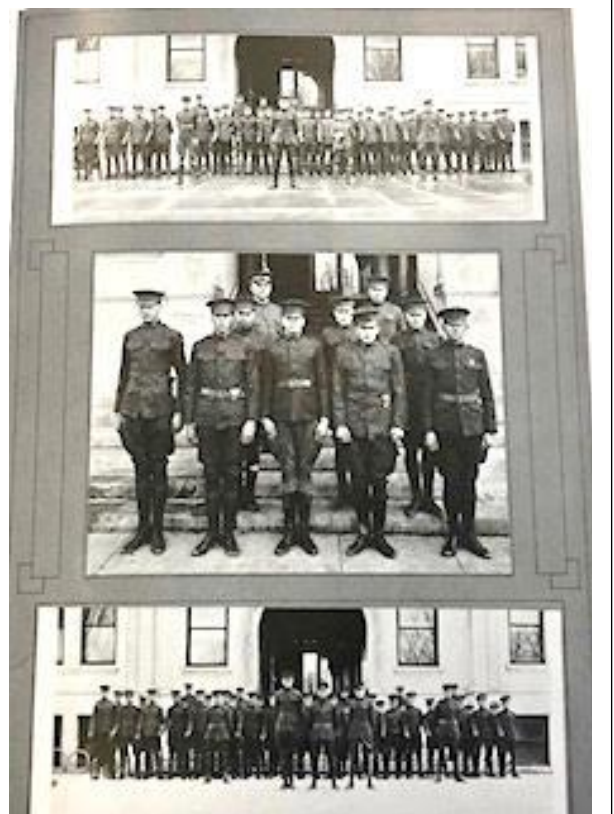
Many instructors and cadets have come and gone these past 100 years and left their mark on the program since Major Page walked into that school assembly many years ago.

In a quote from the 1919 yearbook, "The future for the ROTC in Reno High School seems very bright." May it continue to shine for the next 100 years.

*Lt Col J.D. Schnabel is a retired Army officer who was the Senior Army Instructor at Reno High from 1990 to 2008. He became an active member of the RHS Alumni Association Board of Trustees and served as president for 5 years.*

## CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF JROTC AT RHS

The centennial celebration of the JROTC program at Reno High School will take place on May 3, 2019 at the Elks Lodge. It will be a formal event with local and state leadership and officials attending. If you have any questions and would like to attend this event, please contact Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Nicole Sarafolean at (847) 445-8241 or [nicole.sarafolean@washoeschools.net](mailto:nicole.sarafolean@washoeschools.net).



**RHS JROTC Battalion in 1921**



**First JROTC Color Guard - 1920**

**Colonel Douglas Page with General George Patton**



**From the Archives**  
**RE-WA-NE 1940**  
**FUTURE FARMERS of AMERICA**

Help to the young American farmer is the purpose of the FFA, as carried on in the high school and universities. In the courses taught the future farmers study typical farm problems on a semi-scientific basis. As a way of carrying on the studies in the class, each member has to complete certain projects, some of which have to do with the raising of poultry, cattle, and sheep and with the handling of dairy products.



Future Farmers... Mr. Higgins, A. Cerfolio, E. Casaazza, N. Mortensen, C. Schopper, B. Landis....

The FFA also affords social diversion for the members. This year the boys held with the home economics girls an enjoyable social in the form of a harvest festival. After the semester closes, the FFA will hold an outing in Yosemite National Park for a week or ten days.



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