

THE HANSON ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

REUNION CLASSES 1917, 1927, 1937, 1947, 1957

CLASS OF 1917 (by Cynthia Frye)

Don Blocksome.....writes from Palm Desert, California that he will be returning to Topeka soon. He hopes to be in Hanson for the banquet if it coincides with his schedule.

Charles Dubos says that because of business responsibilities he will be unable to attend the banquet but that his thoughts will be with us. He writes that he has many fond memories of Hanson High and recalls that the motto of the Class of 1917 was "Today we sail; where shall we anchor?" He says he has been 'anchored' in Kansas City for a good many years. He and his wife will soon celebrate their fortieth wedding anniversary. Charles spends his leisure hours fishing.

Helle Giddings (Mrs. J. L. Dieffenbach) Deceased

Georg Gilmore and his wife live in Phoenix, Arizona. Georg retired in 1963 after working 40 years with Safeway Stores. They spend their winters in Arizona and their summers in Colorado, Washington, Oregon, or Canada. They take in as many major sports events as possible such as rose bowl games, golfing tournaments and so on. He and his wife enjoy golfing themselves. Georg says his health is fine and his interests are many and varied. He is thoroughly enjoying his retirement.

Cynthia Jarvis (Mrs. Fred Frye) lives with her husband on a farm near Arnold, Kansas.

Jennie Mast (Mrs. Les Lewice) lives in Fresno, California.

Mary Robinson (Mrs. Guest) lives in Pasadena, California.

Hell Schell (Mrs. Paul Swisher) lives in Salida, Colorado.

Elizabeth Schoepel lives in San Francisco, California. Betty keeps busy with community volunteer work and traveling. She spent three months in South and Central America a year ago. She has visited Mexico three times. This June she plans to go to West Point to see the graduation of her sister Daisy's son. She then plans to travel in Europe, Africa, Australia, and New Zealand.

Martin Schneider is a farmer. He works with his son Clarence and his grandsons on the family farm east of Hanson. Martin and his wife, Margaret, returned recently from a journey through Europe.

Mary Turner (Mrs. R. L. Hill) lives in South San Gabriel, California

CLASS OF 1927 (by Robert Scott)

Ours was a class of 14 members who made the grade as average citizens. We make no claim to fame. We're sorry we couldn't produce a Governor or a Senator as some classes boast. Actually, we feel lucky that at the present writing none of us are in jail. We think that we have been pretty clever people to survive in this Great Society of ours these forty years.

Professor C. L. Williams (born 40 years too soon) was principal in the year of 1927. He served as principal and also taught history, math, speech, and was probably the best drama coach ever in the Hanson Schools.

Florence Lee (Treable) Lives in California. Has 3 sons and 1 daughter. Dale Buxton and Anna Kraus Buxton have one boy and one girl. Dale is with the Forestry Department at Billings, Montana.

Wilma Buxton (Mitten) Is a Registered Nurse. She has one daughter. The Mittens live in Ogden, Kansas.

Kenneth Doty lives in Hanson. He works for the local Cooperative Union.

Otis Korchen married Unice Tilley. They live in Hanson. They have one son and two daughters.

Helen Kraus (Sunley) is a registered nurse. The Sunley's live on a farm near Brownell. They have two sons and one is in the service. The other son is in school in days.

Rosa Umel Lives on a farm near Hanson.

Carrie Long (Whistler) lives in Wakeeney and works at the Lenke Memorial hospital. She has four children.

Buelah Schaeffer (Klitzke) lives in Less City. The Klitzke's daughter, Cheryl, is an honor student at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Daisy Schoepfel (Jacobus) is a registered nurse. They live in San Francisco, California. Their son will graduate from West Point this June. Their daughter is a registered nurse in Biagon.

Robert Schtt married Jessie Petty. They have two sons and 5 grandchildren. Their son Bill farms near Hanson. Their son Bob is with the State Farm Insurance Company in Wichita.

William (Bill) Scott married Edna Buxton. They have two sons, Tom and Dick who are both lawyers. They have two daughters, Donna and Wilma, who are housewives. Bill died in 1963.

Stella Goodwin (Shutt) lives in Marshfield Mo. She has three sons and one daughter.

CLASS OF 1937 (by Reita Doty Schreiber)

Adelbert Barber is a farmer, unmarried, and lives in Hanson.

Keith Blocksome is a farmer and lives in Hanson. He specializes in raising hogs, wheat, and cattle. He is married to Kathryn Lois Blocksome. They have three sons. Rod and Kent are students at Kansas State University, and Craig is in the Hanson Junior High School.

Wilbur Brock lives in Oregon.

Reita Doty (Schreiber) is married to Vincent Schreiber. They live on a farm east of Hanson. Reita has been teaching in the local City Schools for the past nine years.

Ralph Fairbanks and his family live in Boise City, Idaho.

Vera Glazier (Smith) is married to Logan Smith. They live in Sakerhill, Kansas. Logan is the manager of Dirt Construction for Frontier Oil Company of Wichita. Vera and her family love boating and caring. She has a hobby of oil-painting and has done some very fine work. Vera and Logan have 3 children and 1 grandchild. Janet, their older daughter is 19 and married, Julie Ann is 16, and Willis, their son, is 13.

Delmar Griggs has been living in California since 1937. He and his wife Genevieve were married in December 1941. Delmar served in the U.S. Navy from July 1944 to February 1946. He works for the City of Los Angeles as a building inspector. He is now office manager in the Fujunga office and holds a civil service title of Principal Building Inspector. He and Genevieve have three children: Sherie was born in 1944, Nancy in 1946, and Stephen in 1950. (Delmar sent some nice photographs which you may see at the 1937 reunion table.)

Fred Long lives in Larned, Kansas. He has been in the insurance business for fifteen years. He has three main enthusiasms: his family, his job, and golfing. He is married to Vera Jackie Long. They have two daughters and four sons. Their daughter, age 19 and 25, have graduated from school. One son is a sophomore in high school, one is in the eighth grade, one is in the sixth grade, and the youngest is in the first year. Vera is the secretary at the Christian Church and she also visits the "Sisters of the Holy Spirit."

Calvin Moore lives in the title, Washington.

Eric Snyder and his wife Dorothy live in Garden City, Kansas. Their older daughter Cathie, is 21 and is a senior at Wichita University. Their son Eric Jr. is 17 and is a junior at Garden City High School. Their youngest child is their daughter Ina, who is 11 and in the fifth grade. Eric is in public relations and promotion with the American Natural Gas Company of Garden City, Kansas.

Halvin Robbins (deceased)

Edward Rutchman and his wife Gladys have a son and a daughter. They live in the Denver area. Edward is a teacher.

Adelbert J. Schreiber and his family live in Satellite Beach, Florida. They have one son and three daughters. Adelbert works in a Gasoline Service Station.

Victor Sidebottom lives in Dodge City, Kansas.

Virgil Simpson is married to Edna Beamer Simpson. Their daughter Janie is married to Ron Lambert. Their son Greg is a student in college. Virgil has one of the biggest chicken ranches in the state.

Dorothy Stutzman Walters lives with her husband Mike and her children in Scottsdale, Arizona. Her husband has a Heating and Cooling business. They have three sons and one daughter. Their sons Pat and Tim are attending Arizona State University. Daughter Sharon is a junior in high school. Son, Nicky, is a seventh grader. Dorothy has been taking some graduate work at the university this year. The Walters love the pleasant climate in Arizona and enjoy living there.

Edith Van Winkle Kauch is married to Glenn Kauch. They live in Dodge City, Kansas. Their daughter is married. They have a son in High School and another in Junior High. Edith has been working in the J.C. Penny Store.

Paul Zordel lives in Pueblo, Colorado.

CLASS OF 1947 (By Donna Scott North)

Dean Allen (no information)

Gayle Combest .. Gayle graduated from college at days and two weeks later was drafted into the army where he spent most of the time in Germany. After leaving the army Gayle worked in Kansas City for three years. He then moved to New York City. He is married and has two sons: Chris age 6, and Eric age 4. They live in New Jersey. Gayle commutes to the Big city where he works as a news writer for C.B.S. He says he was lucky enough to go to San Francisco and Atlantic City to help cover the National Political Conventions. Last year he made several trips to Cape Kennedy to help cover the Gemini space launchings. The rest of the time he spends fighting crabs and dandelions such as you and I do.

Mary Gerstner (Mrs. Edward Ingbert) Mary attended St. Anthony's Nursing School in Dodge City and is a registered nurse. Mary and Edward have 4 daughters and 2 sons. Mary's husband works in a Plumbing and Electrician's shop in Hays, Kansas. Mary has been active as a nurse as well as a mother. They plan to attend the banquet this year.

Chester Wilkes is living in Mesa, Washington.

Laverne Landwehr is living in Crescent City, California.

Valda Robinson (Mrs. Henry E. Rogers) lives in Okhelo, Washington.

Donna Scott (Mrs. Harley North) After attending college for two years Donna married Harley North in December 1949. They have lived on a farm north of McCracken for the past seventeen years. They have five lovely children Rita, Bill, Lina, Joe, and Diana. The North's are proud of their home, their accomplishments on the farm, and of their fine family.

Violet Stanton (Mrs. Otis Young) The Youngs live in Portland, Oregon. They have a married daughter, 2 granddaughters, and a son in the Marine Corps. The Youngs move about quite a bit as Mr. Young is a truck driver. Violet works as a nurse's aid in hospitals whenever she can.

Lloyd Stowe lives in Newberry, California.

Lila Zordel (Mrs. Elmer Reeder) The Reeders work on a cattle ranch six miles west of Lehart, Colorado. Their daughter, Linda, is 10 years old.

CLASS OF 1957 (by Don Rauch)

Larry Nilnes Married --his wife's name is Joann and they have one child, Larry Junior. Larry is in the army and is stationed in Thailand.

Donald Morning is married. His wife's name is Carolyn. They have two sons. Don is working for a construction company in Wichita, Kansas.

Ralph Johnston lives in Lawton, Oklahoma with his dad. His mother passed away about two and one-half years ago. Ralph and his dad have a used furniture business. Ralph also works on T.V.'s and appliances.

Wilma Kraft (Mrs. Don O'Krackle) Her husband is in the Air Force and they are stationed in Florida. Wilma has one son and one daughter.

Helba Rauch (Mrs. Cameron Koutch) Helba's husband is in the Air Force and has just been promoted to Master Sgt. They have 3 sons and they are stationed in Omaha, Nebraska.

Don Lafenacht is single and living with his dad in Craig, Colorado. He works in a grain elevator. He spent the winter with Arin Lafenacht helping with the cattle.

Angela Schweitzer (Mrs. Don Morning) Her husband is also in the Air Force and they are stationed in Africa (Tripoli). They have four children.

Don Rauch lives in Hanson with his mother. He worked at the Hanson Coop for 2 1/2 years before going to the Service. He spent 18 months in Germany. Following that he worked at the Coop for one more year. He then opened a recreation hall in Hanson and has run it for two years. He is still single.

Earl K. and Nancy Longgrass have been living at Dighton but are now finding a new place at Cedar Bluff. They will be selling boats and motors. They will be repairing motors, etc. They have two sons and two daughters.

Virgie Mc Kenzie is married and is teaching school in Euporia. Her husband is Melvin Keener and he is going to start teaching this fall. They have two sons. After school is out they are going to move to Minnesota.

Tom Scott, is married. His wife's name is Marabeth. They live in Ellis. Tom has a law office there. His wife is teaching some economics in the Ellis Schools. They have no children yet.

Denny Obermeier is married and has completed a tour in the air force where he piloted a F 105 Jet Fighter over Viet Nam. He and his wife Vicki and their two boys are now living in Lewisville, Texas, where he works for Braniff Airlines.

Don Zordel is married and lives in Boise, Idaho.