1970 Class Newsletter

Hey everybody . . .

I'm going to try to put out a Newsletter once in a while . . .

Mainly to:

- 1). let everyone know about upcoming Events.
- 2). remind everyone to either update your info; email, snail mail & phone # on the Class Website (if you need help with logging in/password,let me know) or email me @ brummondgandb@gmail.com with the info.
- 3). remind everyone about donating to our Scholarship Fund.

See the newest Scholarship Fund update below . . .

Think about our 55th Reunion & what you would like to see happen for it . . . let me know and I can put the suggestions in follow-up Newsletters.

The group picture on our Class website is from the "Class Get-Together" in 2021. I've also posted names (there is one left that I cannot figure out) in the 55th Class Reunion box - press the "Reunion Documents" link.

About the Newsletter . . . I will e-mail it 1st, then Facebook Messenger 2nd & last, snail mail. I'm trying to narrow down snail mail with the cost of postage getting so expensive. I will also post it in the "Reunion Documents" . . . make sure you go there to check a few times a year.

While there you can also catch up with those that have "passed on".

We had 9 in 2021 and 3 in 2022.

If you know of anyone that has passed on that is not listed, please let me know.

"Spectacular" Scholarship Fund Progress!!

(" . . . let's raise \$10K or more) put forth by Richard Tilly - he started the Challenge with a \$500.00 donation) . . .

From RT:

"I hope that all of us old retired duffers will strive to contribute **whatever they can potentially afford**, so that we can make sure we have a very solid sum of money to bolster the Alumni Scholarship Fund going forward."

WOW . . . we passed our "minimum"/\$10,000.00 goal, now let's aim for our "big" /\$20,00.00 one!!

NOTE:

The Alumni Fund was, and is, established . . . to help those kids with learning challenges, or who made it through school coming from a troublesome or less than stellar home environment, or may not have been the best student at academics . . . But have a positive attitude, and worked hard and graduated . . . and were selected by the teachers and school counselors as deserving of a "helping hand" towards their goals going forward. Maybe some financial help towards getting started as an apprenticeship in the trades, or auto mechanics training, or diesel or aircraft mechanics, or beauty or hairdressing training, or computer skills . . . whatever their potential goal may be to become a productive adult and get a good start in life.

We'd like this Scholarship Fund to keep going (beyond our class, thru future classes) . . . If you know of anyone that went to Lathrop after us, pass on what this Fund is about (how it is different from the one at Lathrop - Class of '61) and encourage them to pass on to their Reunion committees.

Richard (RT) pointedly challenged Paul Vandermeer (LOL) . . . but now we want to include (and challenge) ALL of our Classmates to assist in this endeavor. If we, as a class, don't step up and fatten up this Scholarship Fund (now), then who will?

We're thinking the month of January 2023 as our target to raise the funds so that by February 2023 we have reached our minimum goal or exceeded our financial expectations.

We beat our goal minimum of \$10,000 but now let's set our sights for \$20,000!! Here's another way to look at it . . . if each classmate contributed just \$10.00 for every year since you graduated, we could reach our goal of this challenge in short order. However, we will gladly accept whatever sum any classmate can contribute and can afford.

Let's spend some of our own kid's inheritance funds on our "Lathrop Legacy Project" that needs some financial assistance . . . now.

<u>DON'T</u> send it to Lathrop . . . there is another Alumni Scholarship fund (by Class of '61) that isn't focused on the criteria we pulled together!!

Mail your checks to:

Jerry Cleworth

907 Park Drive

Fairbanks, Alaska 99709

Made out to LHS Class of '70 with Scholarship Fund in the memo.

He will make sure the donations go to the right Scholarship Fund!!

Recent Scholarship Fund Progress...

A **HUGE** thank you to the Classmates below for pitching in!!

Richard Tilly

Susan (Johnson) Bear

Virginia Young

Paul Vandermeer

Mark Funk

Dolly (Gregory) Morris

Jacki (Savage) Fritz

Beth (Askelin) Brummond

Jean (Wilbur) Tsigonis

Gigi (Mertz) Lemoine

Mike Geraghty

Janice (Beaman) Cleworth

Jerry Cleworth

Bill Eisele

Norm Phillips

Nancy (Hage) Phillips

Lenny Reagin

Patty (Ritchie) Reagin

Sue (Regan) Roy

Fuller Cowell

Dirk Tordoff

Carl Wolfe

Debbie (Everts) Baggen

Ingrid (Braastad) Laselle

Marshall Brezonick

Florie (Langley) Wilcoxson

Andy Prince

Linda (Greer) Helms

Dana Thomas

Connie (Russell) Thomas

Lory (Hobbs) Thompson

Deb (Hartley) Nelson

Jeannie English

Bruce Herning

Bobby Evans

Mari (Montgomery) Evans

Theresa (Sandland) Harvey Willie Cone Sharon (Hagestead) Miller Tom Miller

Grand total: (as of Feb. 9, 2023) **\$10,841.00** \$841.00 **over** 1st goal of \$10,000.00!! \$9,159.00 **left** to our **BIG** goal of \$20,000.00.

From here on out I will only be sending out monthly updates. . .

That's it for now . . .
Stay healthy for our 55th,
Beth (Askelin) Brummond - **Communications/Website/Facebook** person!!

Class Website:

www.classreport.org/usa/ak/fairbanks/lhs/1970/

Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/LathropHS1970/