# NHS CLASS OF 79 & Friends

## MEMORIES



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## **30 Year Reunion**

#### **Our Incredible Journey**

It has been an incredible journey. College, kids, careers, grandkids, moving, changing jobs—just living life. We have encountered difficult times and experienced good ones too. All of these have made us who we are. To those that we have lost along the way—we miss you and are thankful for the time we had with you.

Jamie Jones Arneson, Karen Stiggins Gillette, Joe Reed and myself had so much fun planning this reunion. Thank you Jamie for keeping us all on track - you were our rock.

This time we decided to ask other years of NHS alumni to join us at the reunion and that allowed us to work with other classmates in the planning process. What fun. Addressing envelopes with Deb Glass, Deana Dove Thompson and Gerald Daniels was a blast. Actually we did more laughing than working—no wonder I got a lot of envelopes back that didn't have stamps on them—ha ha. A special thank you to Deb, Deana, Gerald and to Kay Pitzer Hermes, Bill Hermes and Linda Sies Henderson for taking on the extra work to locate their classmates and helping us with the list of classmates.

It has been a wonderful journey so let's continue to get together in the future to reflect on the scenery we have experienced along the way.

Sincerely,

Connie Greathouse Johnson

THE ROAD OF LIFE IS NOT EASY

SOMETIMES THE WIND IS BEHIND YOU

SOMETIMES YOU END UP GETTING LOST

**BUT THE LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE JOURNEY** 

HAVE MADE US WHO WE ARE

## IN MEMORIAM

So many things have happened
Since they were called away.
So many things to share with them
Had they been left to stay.
And now on this reunion day
Memories have come our way,
Though absent, they are ever near....
Still missed.... remembered.... always dear.

Robin Redman McCormick	Born Jan. 14, 1961 Died March 16, 2005 Age 44	Cancer
Gail Griffin Bugner	Born June 17, 1961 Died Jan. 20, 2002 Age 40	Diabetes
Scott Brooks	Born Sept 12, 1961 Died May 23, 1993 Age 31	Diabetes
Grant Sellers	Born Dec. 19, 1960 Died Jan. 23, 1982 Age 21	Auto Accident
Randy Carlton	Born Jan. 20, 1961 Died Oct. 30, 1981 Age 20	MS
Troy Vannoy	Born Feb. 5, 1961 Died July 3, 1977 Age 16	Auto Accident
Thomas McKeown	Born June 30, 1961 Died July 3, 1977 Age 16	Auto Accident
Karen Truitt		

Richard Dunsworth

# Robin Redman

Jan. 14. 1961





March 16, 2005

Robin Lynn McCormick, 44, died March 16, 2005, at Wesley Medical Center, Wichita.

She was born Jan. 14, 1961, at Hutchinson, the daughter of Jack D. Sr. and J. Regina Sevart Redman. She was a 1979 graduate of Nickerson High School, attended Hutchinson Juco, graduated from Kansas State with her BA and then received her masters from Friends University. A resident of Hutchinson, she was a teacher for USD 309 since 1983—20 years.

Her co-workers, Linda Sies—Henderson (also a NHS graduate) and D'ana Heinlein organized the first Robin Run in her honor in 2008.

\* I still remember that senior photo of her in her yellow overalls—the photographer used it at numerous events for advertising. She was so full of life and always had so many people around her in high school and touched many lives. She will truly be missed.—Connie Greathouse Johnson

June 17, 1961



Jan. 10, 2002



Football Royalty

Gail Diane Griffin Bugner, 40, died Jan. 10, 2002, at Via Christi Regional Medical Center, St. Francis Campus, Wichita as a result of her diabetes.

She was born June 17, 1961, at Hutchinson, the daughter of John W. and Jan Ayers Griffin. A lifetime Reno County resident, she was a 1979 graduate of Nickerson High School, and a 1985 graduate of Fort Hays State University. She was married to Allen Bugner who is a teacher at Buhler High School—their son, Michael, graduated from Nickerson High School this year.

\* I want everyone to know that she fought a hard fight up to the end and she is truly an inspiration to me each and every day. When life gets a little tough—I think of Gail and her daily battles with pain and blindness and amputation and it keeps my trials and tribulation in perceptive. It taught me to go out and live each day to the fullest. Connie Greathouse-Johnson

Randy Carlton

Jan. 20, 1961



October 30, 1981

Randy passed away at the age of 20 and was an inspiration to all. He navigated the halls in his wheel chair each and every day and graduated along with us while he battled with his MS.

Scott Brooks

Sept. 12, 1961



May 23, 1993

Scott, like Gail, experienced a life struggling with diabetes and fought a long and hard battle.

## JAMIE JONES ARNESON

Lives in South Hutchinson. Married my high school sweetheart—Jim Arneson . We've been married 29 years. Son Robert—25 year—married with kids—Kaleb 2 yr Jada 3 months. Daughter Emily 21 yrs. College, wants to get into coaching basketball. Daugther Kristen 20 yrs—College trying to find out what life brings. Son Skylar—16 yrs. Nickerson High School—plays sports.



**GO TEAM** 

I am a secretary at Culligan Water. I work with my sister Carol. (we do get some work done) I have a lot of fun. I am very involved with the School Booster Club (NHS) and I am also on the Nickerson USD 309 School Board.

#### GO PANTHERS



Sports was a big part of my life at NHS. Best memory—beating Lyons in basketball and going to state. Great bus rides to and from the games—great cheers Hale Nickerson Hale other team Hale No—Band trip to Worlds of Fun—Mr. Talbott—the dances were great.

YOU DA BOMB

Car—Brown Bomb (hand-me-down from my parents) but it got us to school. Drive In Theater for our prom—not very many people watched the movie.

#### THOSE 3 LITTLE WORDS

Just remember to say I love you because yesterday is gone, today is almost over and tomorrow is not promised.

## JAMES DULL JOD! HILDEBRAND DULL

Live in South Hutchinson. We've been married for 29 years. We have 2 daughters, Mandi 26 married to Levi and they have a little boy, Lane that's 2 and Tara—23.







BORN TO RIDE

We have 2 motorcycles and love to ride and go on trips on them also playing with Lane—grandkids are so much fun.

#### NO PARKING

Had lots of fun dragging Main with Cheryl Rutan, wasn't allowed to stop and park though and the one and only time I did my parents drove by and circled around the block and told me I could either get in the car or get in their car. Ha!.

FINAL SCORE

I remember going to all of the ballgames my freshman year and running around the whole time and not watching the game but making sure I knew the final score cause I knew mom and dad would ask when they picked me up.

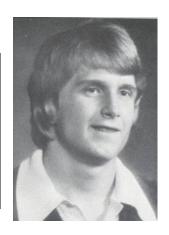
### CATCH ME IF YOU CAN

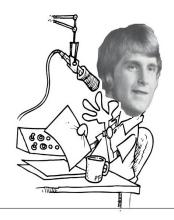
James works for the City of South Hutch and mows yards in the evenings. I don't work away from home—don't have time! Ha! I do spend a lot of time chasing a mower around though. (not James! Ha)

## RAY CUNNINGHAM

## **HEY MR DJ**

I started out after college working at KWLS radio in Pratt doing sports and news, after that I was a photo journalist at KTKA TV 49 in Topeka, from there I worked at Dillards as the department head of electronics, and finally I was a manager at Brooks Brothers.





#### ROCK CHALK

I love car racing and KU sports. I also love watching movies, reading and eating out.

#### THE PRINCIPALS OFFICE AGAIN?

Live in Overland Park Kansas—Married for 10 years this summer. Wife's name is Geri. She is a grade school principal in the USD 500 school district. KCK!

#### B BALL AND N CLUB

I enjoyed most of my classes and teachers. Choir was always fun. I also enjoyed being involved in basketball and the "N" Club events.

## RAY CUNNINGHAM



#### DAVE'S NOT HOME MAN

I didn't own my first car until the summer after graduation. Several different classmates gave me rides over the years, I really appreciate them. Musical groups I remember getting to see were Kansas, Styxx, Boston, Blue Oyster Cult, Fleetwood Mac and Cheech and Chong. It was a great time for rock music and comedians like Cheech and Chong and Steve Martin.

#### SCHOOL OF HARD KNOCKS

It would be hard to give advice to others, it seems most of the time we learn the best through our own life experiences.

#### MISS YOU

I want to thank everyone who has worked on the reunions over the years. I think everyone who knew Gail Griffin, Randy Carlton, Robin Redman, among others that I don't know of, wishes they were still here to attend the 30th reunion.

#### BEST WISHES

I remember 1979 like it was yesterday. Many of my classmates I went to school with from Kdg until graduation. I hope everyone in the class of 1979 is doing well and I wish them the very best.

## TERESA TRIMM

Live in Olympia Washington. I have been divorced since 1993. In 1996, I lost my 10 year old son to a drunk driver. I have two remaining children, both in their twenties.

#### SAY CHEESE

I edit on www. Wikihow.com and I am learning to take digital photographs.

#### NUMBER CRUNCHER

I work for the Department of Veterans Affairs for the PTSD Program Manager. I help him with putting numbers together to show what the program is doing for veterans.

#### GO WILDCATS

II was only there a few months. My good memories are of Nickerson Grade School, but I am glad to have been part of both. I was not very social and didn't have too many friends. None that I hung out with.

#### NO REGRETS

Always learn as much as you can. It is never too late to learn and you will regret for a long time that you didn't bother.

## CONNIE GREATHOUSE JOHNSON

I still live in Hutchinson. I am single but with a wonderful guy for 10 years. I have one son—27 and he has a very special little guy —Killian age 4. I think it is unanimous—grandkids are the best! My guy has two great kids and 2 wonderful grandkids that I consider mine too and one on the way. Yeah—4 happy grandkids. The other two live in KC, so we don't get to spoil them as much. Darn.





HOG WILD

My life evolves around my grandson. He calls—I jump. When I am not with him I do something I never thought in a million years I would do—ride motorcycles. Not sure what prompted this—probably a result of shaken baby syndrome—just kidding, but I really enjoy it. Totally out of character and no I don't have any tattoos.

#### READY SET ACTION

I have worked at the City of Hutchinson for 20 years. I worked in Finance for 10 years and then switched to Information Technologies for the next 10. I handle the telecommunications - big word for phones. I was trying to impress you—ha ha. I also manage the City's cable channel. It has 2 viewers—my mom and I. She let's me know if something is wrong with it—so I know she watches it.



## CONNIE GREATHOUSE JOHNSON



#### GOOD TIMES

Memories—Memory is kind of an amazing thing—I can remember what I was wearing at Junior and Senior Prom, the whole pom pon routine to Le Freak, I know all of the words to Hotel California—I just can't remember my only son's birthday or where I am supposed to be in 10 minutes—oh well. I have some I would like to share with you—one was when Mark Zimmerman stood up in front of the whole school at a pep assembly and did his turkey imitation—I wished I was that brave—I was so bashful—not sure what happened - cause I'm not now—and he was able to get right up in front of everyone—I was so envious—that simple act taught me to seize the day—I loved it Mark! I remember dissecting fish in Biology and Tim McKeown throwing a fish eyeball at Gail Griffin. How about the time we had a substitute in Physical Science and we had mercury and we told her we ate it—she totally freaked. I think I ended up in the office over that one. Cheerleading/Pom pon Camp at Baker University was a blast. Dragging Main—we always parked at McDonalds and would wait and see who drove through. The musical—Lil Abner, the statue of Abe Lincoln and the Hole in the Wall. I remember the Seniors making the underclassman sing the school song in the hall. Then they would thump them on the head with their class ring if they didn't know the words. Sewing in Mrs. Gehring's Class - a skirt and a stuffed animal. Those were good times

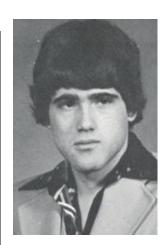
#### CARPE DIEM



I think the thing I would like to pass on to fellow classmates are these words—Carpe Diem—Seize the Day! Like a lot of fellow classmates—losing my father has taught me that you never know what tomorrow will bring. So tell them you love them—work out indifferences—it will only give you wrinkles anyway and don't forget to hug your kids and grandkids everyday.

## JOE REED

Married Crystal Gae Berendsen, who was a freshman our senior year. We had 3 kids. Once they left the roost we divorced (22 years). Remarried Ramone Elizabeth Miller, we had no kids together. I fell in love with her 2 daughters (Lynsey and Chelsey) We divorced after 2 years. 10 grandchildren who I love to no end. We have a family night once a week at Gambino's Pizza. It's gives us time together as a family. It is just mom now. My dad passed on January 5th, 2009. One brother, who also retired from the Navy and lives in Japan.





#### WHEN MOM SAYS NO ASK PAPA

Love to eat out! I'm not a cook, although I look like I have never missed a meal. I was married to 2 wonderful cooks. I also rebuild old cars and trucks from the ground up. Spend a lot of time at car shows and just driving them around. Take the grandbabies to various places, (lake, river, Underground Salt Museum, Cosmosphere, circus, hiking or just stay at Papa's house and watch movies.) I love um, fill them full of sugar and send them home. Ha! Ha!

#### L'LL TAKE THAT BET

I always seem to get caught by Mrs. Detter kissing my girlfriend between classes. I will not mention Cindy Gehring's name. I made a bet once with Clint Harden over who could get a date with Chris Berendsen first. Guess who won the ten dollars? I remember each and every dance I attended at NHS.

## JOE REED



#### OFF HE GOES INTO THE WILD BLUE YONDER

Senior Flight Inspector. We receive the aircraft from the factory, modify it, paint it, put in the interior, fuel it, fly it and deliver it to the customer. Just a few other items in between each of those steps but that is the jest of it. I really love to fly.

#### BETTER TO GIVE

Have fun! Don't worry about the little things. Spend what little time we have on this earth with the special people in your life now, not later. Say, "I LOVE YOU" to everyone that you love. Call your old friends and family and tell them you miss talking with them and tell them how much they mean to you. Be remembered for what you gave not what you received. I talk with as many people each and every day that I can.

## BAD THINGS? WHAT BAD THINGS

Let your hair down. Forget the bad things that have or are happening to you today. Meet me at the 30 year class reunion and every class reunion after for a great time. I guarantee it! Look me up and shake my hand!

## DEBBIE RANDALL

Living in Tampa Florida. I have two boys, Travis and Adam, they are 20 and 21. Travis is in the Air Force.

#### YOU'VE GOT MAIL

Go to the beach, play some tennis, swimming, chat and send emails on my computer.



#### HANG TEN

A lot of kitchen help. I was a tour guide, helped with picnics and bed and breakfast at Hendricks Exotic Animal Farm in Nickerson for awhile. Before I moved to Florida, I worked in the deli, cashier and salad bar at the Dillon's at 5th and Adams in Hutchinson. I have most recently been assigned to Adventure Island/Water Park to work at the Surf Side Café.

#### 15 MINUTES OF FAME

Well, I had my 15 minutes of fame when the Pop Choir sang on the Joyce Livingston show, that was a big deal for all of us to be on TV.

### GOTTA LOVE MY TRUCK

I drove an older model Chevy Pickup my senior year. I remember some of the boys telling me that they sure would like to have a truck like that.



#### BEST FOOT FORWARD

Just keep putting one foot in front of the other. There is a light at the end of the tunnel even if it is just a glimmering hope at first. Don't let your circumstances stop your hopes and dreams. It takes a lot of years to achieve some goals.

## CAS TURNER BRUNGARDT

Lives in Wichita. Married to Jerry for 25 years. 10 children—John 23, Sarah 21, Joseph 19, Virginia 17, Michael 16, Grace 13, Paul 12, Luke 9, Therese 8, Anne 6.



Fun?! Hang out with my kids.



#### THIS MIGHT STING A LITTLE BIT

I'm a registered nurse but for the past 15 years I have been homeschooling my children. This year I will be a homeschool consultant for the mother of Divine Grace School.

#### WITH THE BAND

Being in the band under Mr. Talbott was great! It was a lot of fun and you felt a great sense of pride being a part of it, especially the marching band.

#### LOVE TENNIS

My favorite thing in high school was to play tennis. Miss Lindquist taught me a lot. Great memories playing work up at Nickerson Ball Field.

#### FIGHTING A BATTLE

Be kind, for everyone you meet is fighting a great battle. -Philo of Alexandria

Lots of people to shout out to and say I'm sorry. I wish I could thank Miss Lindquist now, Thank you Miss Lindquist!



#### JERRY AND CAS PLUS 10

Most people are blown away that I have 10 children, but I always wanted a big family. I'm blessed to have found my husband who wanted that too.

## GREG HOSKINSON TAMMY BARTON HOSKINSON

Live in Hutchinson. 3 children—Aspen 25 is married and has a 15 month old daughter—Layla. Trevor—22 is a student at K-State. Joe - 11 is a 5th grader at Prosperity Grade School.





#### FUN IN THE SUN

We like to spend time with family, and "new" granddaughter! We try to jet ski at the sand pit every summer. We like to travel and go to warm places in the winter.

#### MR SANDMAN

Greg is co-owner with his dad at Hoskinson Sand & Gravel. Tammy is a para at Obee School.

#### DOUBLE TIME

Greg remembers when, Layne White brought a tractor in to auto shop to get fixed. Great was driving, Layne was running the throttle & Brandon was holding the fire extinguisher while chasing the marching band on the field.



## NANCY BAILEY GARTRELL



My husband Terry and I have been married 24 years, no children. He is a retired Sgt. From Ks. National Guard, a First Responder, a volunteer firefighter and he works at the armory as a tech. supervisor. I'm very proud of him.

#### SEASONS OF LIFE

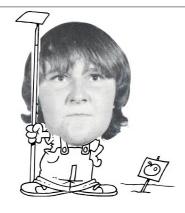
In the spring and summer, we garden and plant flowers in the fall and winter, we stay in. We enjoy each other's company.

HAPPY

I was a liturgist at our church. I read the Bible to an elderly man until he passed away. I'm a happily handicapped homemaker.

#### IN THE PAST

I remember Mr. Norman from chorus and Mr. Bergstrom from Science. I didn't have any happy times in high school. I only remember the pain of never fitting in.



## NANCY BAILEY GARTRELL



#### **BORN TO RUN**

I always ran.

#### GOOD RULE OF THUMB

Never chase after boys, you'll be made a fool and it never turns out.

#### DRESSED IN BLUE

I'm sorry for chasing after Scott Owen. My poem "Dream Dressed in Blue" is now an award winning and published poem. Included on the next page—Awesome JOB!

## DON'T LOOK BACK

I really don't want to go to a place and relive the pain and humiliation of my school years again.

#### a Dreamed Dressed in Blue

At the dance
I'll always remember you,
Standing by the door
And dressed in blue.
Time really flew that night.
In my dreams,
I danced with you;
In reality,
I only watched.
I'll forever cherish the memory
Of when you said, "Hello."
I dream of you,
And you'll be forever be
My dream dressed in blue.

Nancy (Bailey) Gartrell

## VIRGINIA "GINGER" MCGRAW SHUMPERT



I am divorced. My one son Alex is a sophomore at Nickerson High. I enjoy going back to NHS to see my son in the plays, forensics and debate. NHS hasn't changed much.

#### FOR FUN

I listen to books on tape & watch TV.



#### INSPIRATION

I am disabled with M.S. This next part has been added by Connie Johnson—I did the book so I taking free license to add this—Work? Parenting a child from a wheelchair is more work than most of us take on in a lifetime. Life with MS is work each day. You are truly inspiring.

#### DOUBLE DOUBLE TOIL AND TROUBLE

Watching the play MacBeth with Randy Carlton in English Class. Going to Jr. Prom and Sr. Prom. Hanging out with Connie Greathouse, learning History from Mr. Chadwick, dragging Main in Hutch in my Gremlin and carpooling to NHS with Cheryl in her Trans Am.

## KATRINA HARBACEK DRUMMOND 23



Husband, Larry Drummond. I have 3 grown daughters, Julie, Jennifer, and Joni - 2 son-in-laws, Derrick and Jerry and 2 grandsons, Anthony and Brandyn. (So far -I'm sure there's more to come!)





I still love to sing. I love to garden and spend time with family. My husband is an avid movie collector, so we watch alot of movies. I like to put together puzzles

#### NEVER A DULL MOMENT

I am a billing and insurance specialist at The Summit. (Pinnacle Sports Medicine & Orthopedics and The Woman's Place) I work in the business office with a lot of great folks and enjoy my job - never a dull moment!!

#### IT TAKES ME BACK

It seems so long ago, yet at times, like it was yesterday. I think we made life long bonds back then and I am thrilled when I run into a classmate - I'm always glad to see someone or hear how someone is doing!! The music is probably what I remember the most - when I hear songs of the 70's, it takes me straight back to high school.



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I drove a '67 Chevy Malibu, dark (oxidized blue), that everyone called the PS. (Piece of \$#\*+)! But this car got me everywhere I needed to go!! I didn't drag Main because I had to buy the gas & I was always at work in the evenings/weekends at Hardees.

## THE GOOD THE BAD AND THE?

Everything happens for a reason, good & bad. Have faith that God knows what he's doing - do what you can and pray about the rest! Be responsible for your own self - for every action there is an equal & opposite reaction - ripple effect - good & bad.

#### I'M RICH

Please know that my life is the richer for knowing each and every one of you. Thank you for being you!!

#### WHEN YOU LEAST EXPECT IT

I'm a hugger - so anywhere, anytime, there's always one waiting for you!!



## DONNA SCHMIDT GREEN

Married to David Green, (not from school) for almost 29 years. Have 3 children, Rachel 25, Samantha almost 21, and Rick almost 20. I have 2 grandchildren (Rachel's) Natalya age 4 and Tayvion age 4 months. We have lived in Inman for 20 years. My husband works in mechanical maintenance at Tortilla King and I am an RCA for the Burrton Post Office, and I also sub for the Hutchinson Post Office. I have been an RCA for 3 years this August and hope to be full-time in a year.



#### HEY LET'S GO BOWLING

We like to go out with friends, bowling, movies, playing cards. Have more time now that the kids are all grown. Plus I spend time with the grandkids and they can be a lot of fun.



#### NEITHER SNOW NOR RAIN

I trained to be an RCA (Rural Carrier Associate) Sub Rural Mail Carrier. I learned 5 of the 8 Rural Routes in the Hutchinson Post Office and in Feb. I transferred to the Burrton Post Office and should get a full-time position in a year or so. I really like it.

## DONNA SCHMIDT GREEN

#### ONE TIME IN BAND CLASS

Enjoyed Mr. Stoss's Biology class. Made a lot of friends and really enjoyed staying in touch with them over the years. Also enjoyed band class with Mr. Talbot and the trip to Oklahoma.

#### TURN UP THE RADIO

Enjoyed trips to the lake and listening to Boston on the trip. To this day when I hear their music it reminds me of that time in my life when life was so much fun and carefree.

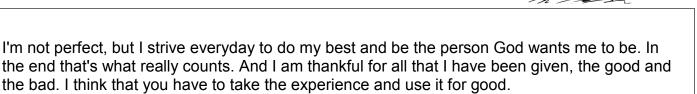
#### LIFE IS TOO SHORT

Life is too short to have enemies. Make as many friends as you can and always treat people the way you want to be treated.

#### I'M WITH THE BAND

Anybody remember the band trip to KC? Had alot of fun!!!!

#### THANKFUL\_



## JENNIFER OGLE FULTZ

Married to Byron 7/25/81. I stopped being Jenny and became Jennifer in 1984. I have 3 sons, Tyler-19, Bryce-17, Rylan-14. They are great guys -- hubby & boys. We have lived in TX, KS, MO, KY, IN, MI & now VA.



### DO IT FOR THE KIDS

I love to paint, read, sing, and decorate. I have recently fallen in love with the ocean (we moved to VA Beach, VA 5/29/09). My favorite thing to do is hang out with friends & family. Having people to our home ... it doesn't get any better than that. My husband is a pastor and so I am very involved in church. My passion is for children and I get totally excited when I get to work with them. I especially love lower elementary because the "that's not cool" filter hasn't been installed yet & I can get them to be silly and have fun.



#### GOOD TIMES

Music classes with Mr. Norman were some good times. Pop choir was my favorite. When voices blended "just right" -- ahhhh! It was great! Mr. Norman balanced the yelling at us to get it right & cheering for us when we did. He taught me to love the sound of good, tight harmony.



## JENNIFER OGLE FULTZ

#### CHANGE IS GOOD

I have worked with troubled kids in a residential facility for 5 years. There are thousands of "war" stories. I love being in a place where I can influence the lives of kids that need positive adult attention. The best compliment is when they say "Ms. Jen, you changed the way I think about..." I am finally at a point where I can return to college (after a 28 year hiatus!!). I plan to get my degree in Early Childhood Development so that I can be an advocate/mentor to families with autistic children as they go through the diagnosis process. Wish someone had been there for me in 1996!

#### FACE ME



I'm sorry I couldn't be at the reunion, but moving took precedence. I'd love to get back in contact with so many of you. I don't get to KS very often, so, find me on Facebook. I spend a LOT of time there. "Jennifer Ogle Fultz wants to be your friend" (that phrase always takes me back to HS!)

FAITH ME

My faith in God has been the foundation of my life. Without that firm foundation, the hardships I have faced (MANY) would have made my world collapse! Joshua 1:9 says to have courage because God is with us wherever we go. I've tried it out. It works.

## JENNIFER OGLE FULTZ



#### I DID NOT TELL A LIE?

Dragging Main in Hutch was how I spent my free time. Working at McDonalds on 4th St. helped with that one! Most of the time it was fun, but one weekend my dad asked me to put gas in his car, I was grounded & not supposed to drive, so he specifically told me not to go drag Main (we lived in S. Hutch area). Just go get the gas 2 miles from home & go back home. .....on the way up Main St. (I obviously didn't listen) I passed Mom & Dad -- & they saw me plain as day! When they got home I told them the station where I had a credit card to in S. Hutch was closed & I had to use the one at 27th & Main across from the Credit Union he managed. He held out his hand for the keys while telling me that one had been closed for a month. I didn't see the driver's seat of a car for another month. Never lied to Dad again!

#### WHERE WE'VE COME FROM

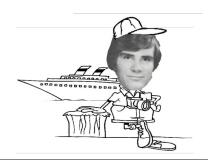
I'm remembering laughing at my parents as they prepared to go to their 30 year reunion. They seemed so old. Now, here I am ... crow's feet, arthritis & a bum knee--but I'm still SO VERY young! Sometimes I'm shocked that my body doesn't agree with my mind & refuses to act like I'm still 30--or 20 even. What I love about re-connecting with High School friends now is that the 'cultures' that separated us (singer, band, jock, geek, rich, poor, brainy, goody-2-shoes, trouble maker,etc.) are no longer important. Where we came from is important. "Remember when ..." and "What do you do now..." and "Tell me about your kids/grandkids..." are more important that "Can she really wear that?" or "Why is she dating HIM?" Wish I could be there to share time with all of you. Can't wait to see you on Facebook!

## FRED HERMES

Live in Andale Ks with my wife Kelly (married 27 years) Registered Physical Therapist

Children: Vanessa (23 years old) Registered Nurse, Pediatric Intensive Care Heath (21 years old) Pre-Vet, Kansas State University Haley (16 years old) Junior, Andale High School





#### SAILING THE SEVEN SEAS

Not sure I do a lot of things for fun? I like to work around the house; do yard work, plant trees, etc. We have taken a couple of cruises over the past several years. I would like to do some more traveling, perhaps oversees, but plenty of places here in the US that I would like to see.

#### IT'S OFF TO WORK ! GO

Part owner in two companies: Physician's Development Group, LLC and Axiom Healthcare Management, LLC. PDG develops senior care campuses such as Skilled Nursing, Assisted Living, Independent Living and other related healthcare buildings. Axiom manages the senior living/healthcare facilities.

## FRED HERMES



#### THE HOGS

My first memory was as a freshman when in football practice we were doing monkey rolls and Rick Pitts landed on Brian Mathias and broke his leg. Lucky me, I was appointed the task of holding him down and trying to keep him calm while the coaches worked on him. Needless to say, it was not a great experience for either of us. Speaking of football, when Coach Kroll came, he referred to the lineman as HOGS. I can recall one hot day in practice he had us diving face first in a large mud puddle. He probably planned ahead and left the hose on just so we could have a little fun.

#### KISS AND TELL

Katrina and I seemed to always have a locker right next to one another. One year, just for fun, each time we met at the locker, we would give each other a kiss, that is, up until the principle got after us!

#### PRAY TO WIN

One night late when traveling back from a State wrestling meet, James ("Little Jimmie"), Brandon and I were talking about praying before we got on the mat, James and I stated that we would pray that no one would get hurt and that the best person would win. Brandon looked up at us and simply said, "I pray to win."

#### NOW WE DON'T HAVE TO MAKE WEIGHT

On another wrestling note, James and I would buy each other a gift after wrestling season had ended. He would buy me a box of Zero candy bars and I would get him a box of Reese's Peanut Butter Cups.

## FRED HERMES

#### OH YES THEY CALL HIM THE STREAK

On senior skip day, Greg, Layne, Jim, Gary, Brandon and I were all camping out at Hoskinson's Sand Pit. About the time it was getting dark, Jim had decided to change his clothes standing near the edge of the water. Just at the time he was down to nothing, a car of girls showed up shining their headlights on him. That's was the fastest I have ever seen Jim run!

#### ARE YOU HERE AGAIN

When dragging main we would often stop in to eat at the sandwich shop on North Main, just loved to visit with the girls who worked there! Seemed like Brandon, James and I spent a few nights burning gas between Hardies and McDonalds. The class a year or two ahead of us seemed to have all the nice cars and big trucks!

#### US IT OR LOSE IT

Take risks, be kind even when it is hard to do so, forgive freely, and learn to endure lifes difficulties. Each of us has been given a different set of abilities, none better or worse than the next, just different. It seems that much of life's quest is to experience enough to recognize what those abilities are and to use them in a positive way.

#### KEEP IN TOUCH

Let's stay in better touch with one another. We really don't need to wait every ten years or for a tragic event to get together. Nothing wrong with inviting a few classmates over for a BBQ, to play cards, etc. Let's all work on this over the next ten years!

## RUTH SANDERSON SISSON

Live in Inman. Jerry and I have been married 24 years. We have 4 children, 3 boys and a girl, ages 26, 19, 17, & 16. We had our first grandchild in May!





#### WE'VE GOT A WINNER

For fun we like to camp, ride dirt bikes in the mountains of Colorado. The girls and i like to shop, the guys like to fish. We hit the casinos once in a while, and enjoy playing cards and entertaining. My husband sits on several boards at our church, and I am currently on the City Council.

#### LEGGO OF MY LOGO

I have a business, Advertising Specialties & Design, in Hutchinson, that provides logoed promotional products and apparel for businesses, schools, weddings, etc. My husband has been an electrician at the oil refinery in McPherson for 33 years.

## RUTH SANDERSON SISSON

#### THEY'RE BACK

I had a nephew that attend the Nickerson Prom this year, and we had a good discussion about how it had changed! Remember the Plaza Ballroom and the drive-in theatre? It is kind of un-nerving that our dresses are back in style!



#### SURPRISE

My first car was a light blue 1957 Mercury Montclair, and the back window rolled down. One time I complained about how much gas it took and my dad traded that gas guzzler for an UGLY green Datsun B210. I never complained again. I remember on my 16th birthday I spent the evening dragging Main with Cathy Woods! We had a great time! On my 18th birthday, Rod Walters threw a surprise party for me in their back yard.

#### TOO SHORT

Life is too short to play it safe! I lost my dad this year, as others have, and that has been sobering. I've decided to go out with gusto! Enjoy the reunion and I look forward to seeing everyone at the next one!

SHOUT OUT

Hey Connie, "Where's Whiffin?" Hey Gail, we miss you girl! Hey Ms. Yourdon, I appreciate all you did for us! You were the best! May God be with you!

## MICHAEL W DIRKS

Married to Cristi (Walters) 24 years Daughter Megan is 21 and a junior at K-Sate Daughter Erin is 18 and will graduate from Hutch High in May and attend K-State in the fall.

HANG OUT

Get together with friends and attend our kids activities

#### VENTURE OUT

I am the CFO for Simpson Capital LLC - we are a venture capital firm

#### MORE THAN A FEELING

'69 Camaro Boston concert when I was a Sophomore

## LANETTE BARTON QUINT

Live in Iowa City, Iowa. Married to Michael Quint-23 years Son, Austin Michael-20 years old Son, Dylan Nataniel-16 years old Daughter, Madeline Elizabeth-13 years old

#### THE BIG ONE GOT AWAY

Our family enjoys hiking and fly fishing. We also spend a lot of our time at sporting events for our kids...soccer, football, dance, etc.

#### BUSY WITH KIDS

I don't work outside of our home, I stay very busy with our kids and all their sports activities

#### DID YOU HEAR ABOUT

Some of my favorite memories are riding to school, in my 1965 Rambler with Jeff Taylor. We had so much fun chatting about all the daily dramas going on in high school!

#### Wasn't a drag

Dragging Main, that was the best! I always thought that was so much fun!!

# **CANDY JONES MCMURRY**

Live in Burrton Ks. I married Bill McMurry and together we have 3 children and 7 grandchildren.

**OUTDOORS** 

Camping and boating and spending lots of time with the grandkids.

## SIGN ME UP FOR SAINTHOOD

I have run a daycare for 20 years.

GRRRRREAT

It's been years and though I have lots of memories, all I can say is that most of them were good and some were great.

#### SHOUT OUT

Hey Connie Tucker

# **GEANNA BARNES SIES**

Live in Medford Oregon. Single and have two children - a daughter Jordan age 23 and a son Dylan age 18



### ON WITH THE SHOW

Love movies, camping, hiking, golf, winetasteing, visiting my children at college and anything that involves time with Jordan and Dylan.

### SAY AAAAH

I work for a cosmetic dentist and have for 14 years. I am his scheduling coordinator.

### HOLD YOUR TONGUE

I remember stacking lockers with Robin, football games, marching band trips to Medicine Lodge. Pep assemblies in the gym. Home Ec with Mrs. Gering and making cow tongue.

Life is short....enjoy every minute.

## GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN



I am sorry I didn't spend more time with my best friend, Robin. She was a wonderful friend who left me with many wonderful memories. I miss her everyday!

## RENEE PHILLIPS SHOFNER

Live in Wichita. My husband Merle and I have been married for almost 27 years. Merle is the M.S. Athletic Director and Varsity Boy's basketball coach at Independent School. We had one daughter, Amanda, who is 23 years old. She graduated from Southwester College in May 2008 and got married a week later to Donavan Lawrence. They live in Derby, Ks. Merle and I live in NE Wichita.



## BREATH THAT MOUNTAIN AIR

We have a zz' pop-up camper and we take it along with our bikes to the mountains and camp. We love to bike, hike and Kayak.

### STILL A PANTHER

I'm a teacher at the Independent School. I teach 1st grade. I've been teaching for 20 years now (the past 15 have been at the Independent School.) I completed my Masters in Education at Friends University in 2006.



MRT

Pop Choir was always a lot of fun. I love the chance to do choreography with our songs. Mr. Norman was always full of surprises. I also loved band with Mr. "T"albot. Laughing and giggling through band concerts with Jamie.

# RENEE PHILLIPS SHOFNER

### DON'T LOSE THAT SCREWDRIVER

Mr first car as an early 70's lime green maverick with a vinyl green and white checked top, to get it started I had to hammer a screwdriver between the battery post and the cable! (That was fun on those icy nights after play practice!)

#### KEEP THAT YEARN TO LEARN

Don't ever stop learning! Being a lifelong learner keeps you young.

#### I SCREAM YOU SCREAM

Kim and Annell—remember the time we went looking for the "bum"? Very scary! And late night chocolate! And Baskin Robbins runs! Greg and Fred in Mrs Lisowski's English class!

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I still love to sing and sing on the worship team at my church. I even sang the song Kim wrote and sang at MY wedding at my daughter's wedding last year.



# DEBBIE DUNSWORTH GUZIEJKA

Married and live in Mohave Valley Arizona. I have one terrific son who will be turning 30 in Sept. He has worked for a concrete company for 13 years. He's a lead man. He has a family of 3 children who are and have been raised as great children. My husband is my best friend. We have a wonderful life and have been together for 22 years. I have the best husband. We live on the Colorado River, full of sandy beaches. My husband races 1/4 mile drags in a race boat. We belong to a Bike club and do a lot of activities and camping and we do charity runs for the elderly and needy children on holidays (Christmas ) we also visit elderly homes and provide them with gifts.

SOLD

I worked for fitness centers off and on for about 10 years. I have a real estate license and I've done a lot of bartending. Right now, the last 20 years my husband, I have our own landscaping business. It is very interesting and fun to do different yards and some businesses. Keeps us busy.

#### **GO TEAM**

My best memories were cheerleading, sports—loved those proms (especially when we snuck in booze) ha ha

### BEST PARTY GOES TO KURT CLARK

My first car was a Ford Maverick. Carpooled with friends. Went to a lot of concerts in Wichita—dragged Main every weekend—McDonalds to Hardees. Remember? Went to Drive In a lot and partied a lot. Loved going to all the football and basketball games. Did some drinking there too. (Shame on us) ha ha Friends and I snuck out a lot to keg parties. Best one was at Kurt Clarks.

# DEBBIE DUNSWORTH GUZIEJKA

## LIVE LOVE LAUGH

Best advice is to live, love and laugh. Stay in contact with friends if you can find them. Keep in contact with family and do the things in life you looked forward to when you were young. Travel and see as much of the world you can.

#### HAPPY PEOPLE

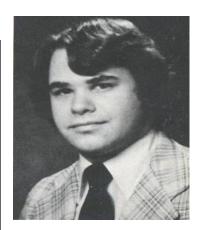
Hello to everyone and glad to see healthy, happy people. Love your children. They grown up fast. I'd like to shout out to Butch Delcamp who was one of my best boyfriends. Let me drive his car a lot. Sorry about some of the catfights over guys. I was in love.

LIFE IS GOOD

I'm a happy go lucky person. I think I turned out pretty good due to some of the great friends I had. They know who they are and after all these years I haven't forgotten. Life is good and what you make of it. Remember when we skipped classes, smoked in the bathroom and partied more than we should have, skipped school and went to Sterling, Senior Ditch Days when we were only Freshman and Sophomores and Juniors. School was great. We had more fun than teachers knew about. There's not enough paper that could tell you all the fun we had. Party on!

# MARK ZIMMERMAN

Live in Hutchinson. I have been married to Kristy for 10 1/2 years. Our 9 year old daughter, Alexis tends to keep us busy with Judy's School of Dance, Family Children's Theatre or whatever other activities she has us busy with. If not for her, we wouldn't have much of a social life.



#### CHECKMATE

Play chess on the internet—do a bit of writing—take a lot of pictures of my daughter and occasionally participate in a play with my daughter.

### CHILLIN

I work in the freezer at Dillon's Perishable Warehouse, where it gets down to 20 below zero, sometimes operating a high lift and sometimes pulling orders.

### IT AIN'T GONNA BE PRETTY



I've always been grateful for winning the "Ugly-Man-On-Campus" contest our Sophomore (?) year, though I'm not sure why. (On a side note, I didn't receive that prize for the event from Coach Lambert until the night we graduated.)

# MARK ZIMMERMAN

### GOOD TIMES

A lot of stuff from then is just a big blur to me now—I don't remember much. I drove that 72 Buick Opal until it imploded. Spent a lot of time with Todd Brown and had a lot of good times just being kids and growing up.

### STEPPING ON TOES

Pursue your desires with a passion. Be cautious—the toes you step on may turn out to be your own. Be humble when accepting praise, it could be more than you deserve. Believe in your dreams—just be careful not to turn them into nightmares—pray everyday. What we want is seldom what we need.

### GRUMPY WAS MY FAVORITE DWARF

I have grown old and grumpy over the years. The many gray hairs I have were earned through the experiences I've endured, a number of them having been provided to me by my wife and daughter, whom I love dearly.



# LORI ENGLLAND BARTA

Live in Little River Ks. My husband, Kyle, works at Agco in Hesston. I'm working at Hospira in McPherson. Our son, Christopher, is a mechanic at Midwest Ford in Hutchinson. Michael, our 2nd son, is living & working in Salina. Megan, our daughter, was a Senior this year and will be going to Hutch Juco next year.



Cook, read, work outside and swim in our pool.

## FUN IN THE SUN

### CHECK IT OUT

I'm working at Hospira taking care of the chemicals for all labs and the sterile gowning for the clean rooms. I also work in the Central Supply room to check out parts for the lines.

OUCH

Gail and I having lots of fun together. My house is were she took her first shot away from home.

### TIME OUT

Take time out for yourself and have fun with your family.

### FRIENDS FOREVER

I would love to have time with Gail again.



# JANET SEVART BUTTAFUCCO

Live in Sandwich, Massachusetts. I am married (16 years) to Phil. We have two sons, Nicholas (13) and Jameson (11). My husband is an events coordinator at Gillette Stadium in Foxboro MA (Where the Patriots play....) Nicholas and Jameson both play sports, and between the two, we are busy with hockey, basketball, soccer and lacrosse.



### RAH RAH RAH

As a family, we enjoy going to sporting events, including my kid's games, college games and pro games. We spend our summers at the beaches near home swimming, jumping off the boardwalk and searching tide pools for sea creatures. I have some great girlfriends to shop and go out with. At least once a year I get back to Kansas City to spend time with my best friend ,Kala.



### WHEN! GROW UP

For four years, I owned and managed my own retail gift store called Wicked Goods. I had home décor and seasonal items, jewelry, furniture, gifts, etc. We closed last October so I could spend more time with my family. I don't think I want to go back to teaching (I taught 13 years before Jameson was born and we moved to Cape Cod from Overland Park). I guess you could say I still don't know what I want to be when I grow up...

# JANET SEVART BUTTAFUCCO

### BEST FRIENDS

My favorite memories are times with friends—Gail , Liz V., Tammy, Deanna, Robin, Sheila, Debbi L. I remember best the school plays, forensics, marching band, drill team, skipping band class, talking through Mr. Chadwick's history class, Ms. Lazarus speech and drama classes, Home Ec with Tina and Liz. The band trip to Worlds of Fun stands out.

### PARTY TIME

Of course, dragging Main Street and hanging out at McDonalds! Getting into trouble with Sheila and Tina, Tammy's VW bug, Gail's huge car, my Datsun B210 hatchback. I remember camping with Ruth and Debbie N through a major storm at Kanapolis. I remember getting stranded by a snowstorm keeping stats for the boy's basketball team. I remember going to camp in Emporia with the Flag Drill Team. I remember the huge party at Kurt Clark's house and helping Tina hide/clean –up the evidence afterwards.

# ADVICE

It's the small things that count.



SHOUT OUT

I still can't believe Gail and Robin are gone. I still miss Kansas, and what I consider to be "home". I so wish I could be there for #30, but I can't make it. I huge shout out to Sheila, Tammy and Deanna! Has it really been 30 years? Thanks to the committee members who keep the reunions happening.

# LANA ROBERTS

Live in Hutchinson, Ks. My best friend is my loving husband, Bill Borders of 20 years. I have a wonderful son, Tyler Robinson, who is 22 years old and graduated from NHS 2005. I also have 3 beautiful stepchildren all grown up and three stepgranddaughters, Celestia, Sidnee and Kora.

## OUTSIDE THE BOX

Spending time outside, I love gardening (flowers), playing with my dog, Malcom, he's a Shitszu. Fishing, swimming, spending time with family and friends. Cooking big dinners, BBQ. Playing foosball, riding bikes, talking long distance to Debbie (Dunsworth)

### I WAS GREEN BEFORE IT WAS TRENDY

I've worked 12 years at Stutzman Greenhouse. I've been in the flower and plant business 20 years. Plant merchandiser, crop care and production.

## THOSE WERE THE DAYS

Mr. Priest (math, signed my yearbook (Remember the Sweathogs) Key Club, Laurie Beckman, Denise Kelly, Debbie Dunsworth, Keith Smith and the smoking lounge. Those were the days my friend.

# LANA ROBERTS

ROCK ON

Bell bottom, hip huggers, halter tops and Rock and Roll. Cruzin in Debbie Dunsworth's old blue Maverick which smelled like strawberry perfume, the bottle broke. Skipping class and sneaking back in the school thru the girls bathroom window. Bob Seager, The Eagles, Led Zeppelin, Peter Frampton, Rush, Fleetwood Mac—the list goes on.

### FRIENDS

Friends are flowers in life's garden.

### THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES

Thanks for the memories Class of 1979.

# CHERYL RUTAN MALMSTROM

Live in South Hutchinson. Married Rock Malmstrom in 1983. 1 daughter Halee Malmstrom born in 1991



#### FOR FUN

Camp and ride 4 wheelers. Spend a lot of time with my daughter.

### MR TALBOTT I DON'T FEEL SO GOOD

Well, Alice Smith and I had band together we went on an overnite band trip and she brought a pint of cherry vodka and the rest is a bit blurry, I remember falling in the bathtub and throwing my guts up and feeling like death warmed over the next morning, NOT GOOD!!!

#### What a rush

I drove a 1967 cougar with side pipes and cragers and it had an auoga horn on it. went to the drive-in with Kim and Scott and Kim sprained her ankle and to this day won't let me forget it, I guess she figures it's my fault, maybe it was the booze? Went to see Rush in concert and remember seeing the biggest doobie ever being passed around it was rolled up in a newspaper, you were buzzed up 5 isles away didn't even have to touch it. Yes, their are lots of stories about dragging main, Cindy, Kim, Jodi and myself always had a great and sometimes scary time, poor driving skills from myself!! Surely NOT!!

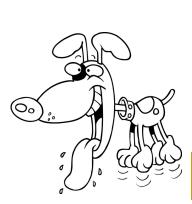
# CHERYL RUTAN MALMSTROM

### FORGIVE AND FORGET

Lifes tooooo short, make everyday count and forgive and forget.

### BUT OFFICER

Jared, remember the time we both got speeding tickets racing home from good ole NHS, man was my parents pissed. We were doing around 95 before we slammed on the brakes, I think we were clocked at 85 anyway how dumb we were back in those days.





## DOGS ARE A GIRLS BEST FRIEND

I'm an animal lover currently we have 2 miniature Schnauzers and 1 Giant Schnauzer, 2 outdoor cats, which just showed up and never went away, all but 1 of the animals are rescues, those are the best kind!!

## KAREN STIGGINS GILLETTE

Live in Hutchinson. Husband - Malcom "Sam" Gillette, married 12-28-02. No children. Two inside cats, Neko and Sissy, two outside cats, Nora and CB. Two hens and a rooster



SWEEEEET

We have Studebakers. Mine is a 62 GT Hawk and his is a 63 Avanti. I enjoy playing on the computer

#### SHOW ME THE MONEY



For the last 4 years I worked as a substitute teacher. In Aug 08 I started working part time for an attorney. I go full time in July 09. The only type of business he takes on is bankruptcy.

JAIL BREAK

Lori Algrim and I were both teachers aides during the lunch period. We had a great time eating lunch in Hutch. We walked out the door and back in, no questions asked.

#### IN THE PAST

My HS years I was involved in band and theatre. I worked at Hardees and the Golden Skillet. I felt like an outsider in HS for the main part. Honestly, try to forget most of it.

#### LET THE SUN SHINE IN

Be yourself and let your true self shine through.

#### KEEP THE OLD

My friends from grade school through high school. Debi, Karolyn, Kathy from grade school and Lori who became a good friend in HS

SMOKIN



I also sell Mary Kay as a side job. Direct Wednesday Night Program at church for K-6th grade during the school year. My husband likes to smoke meat and I help him. He has received 1st place at the Hutch BBQ Cookoff the last three years

# LAURIE BAHL LANNING







I married Brian Lanning on September 1, 1979. We have 3 awesome guys. Joshua was born in Jan. of 1980. He teaches science at Fairfield Middle and High School where all 3 of my boys attended school. He graduated from Emporia State with a bachelor in education for biology. He also went on to complete two masters, one in administration and the other in curriculum. He married Dawn Kelly in 2003 and gave me two beautiful grandchildren, Sierra-4 and Garrett-2. My 2nd son Marcus was born in November of 1983 and married Anna Small and they live in Lebenthal Ks and attend Fort Hays. He is getting a degree in animal science to become a zoo keeper. Tyler our youngest was born in August of 1986 and is a senior at K-State majoring in microbiology.

#### IT'S LOOK SO EASY IN THE MOVIES

My most vivid memory was before a big band concert, we had time to mess around. I was in a dress and boots riding on the back of Sheryl Schrock's red Mustang. She sped up and I started hitting the window to let her know that I was falling. She thought I wanted to go faster and whoosh, off the back of the car I went! Skinned legs, elbow and face. Ripped dress, I looked so beautiful playing my horn that night!

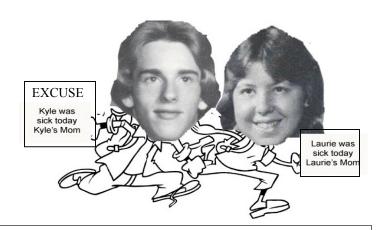
# LAURIE BAHL LANNING

### LONG WALKS

I love to take walks down the dirt road with my dogs, swim, scrapbook and my favorite "play with my grandbabies"!

### OFFICER. MY SPEEDOMETER DOESN'T SEEM TO BE WORKING

1979 Mercury Bobcat. Dragging main with Sheryl Schrock, Diane Grant and Cindy Chambers. Sheryl's 16th birthday speeding and I couldn't stop laughing! The cop was not impressed but she gave her charm and got just a warning. The next year right before her birthday she decided to drive on the sidewalk downtown and she was not so lucky. Her birthday present that year from her folks was a trip to Wichita for us but no money because she had to pay the ticket!



## AIDING AND ABETTING

Kyle Saxton! Remember how as office aides we would steal the passes and sign them in and pick them up for each other so that we could skip school? I have to say, we were pretty clever!!