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## **North Kansas City High School Nominates Four to Alumni Hall of Fame**

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Honorees to Be Recognized Homecoming Day Sept. 16

**KANSAS CITY, NORTH ... North Kansas City High School Alumni Hall of Fame** will this year recognize four alumni for significant contributions to their communities and to their professions. The high school has planned events throughout the day of Homecoming, **Friday, Sept. 16**, during which they will recognize four graduates: **Bob Boydston** (Class of 1965), **Robert Elliott** (Class of 1958), **John Erickson** (Class of 1961) and **Robert “Dick” Scharz** (Class of 1938).

Events on Homecoming Day include an all-school assembly at **8:30 a.m.** and a parade through Northtown beginning at **10:15 a.m.** Inductees also will be honored at halftime during the evening football game against Truman High that begins at 7 p.m.

The North Kansas City Alumni Hall of Fame Selection Board each year recognizes those whose deeds and character exemplify outstanding achievement in their life’s work and service to their communities. Recipients must be a graduate of North Kansas City High School and must have been graduated at least 25 years to be eligible.



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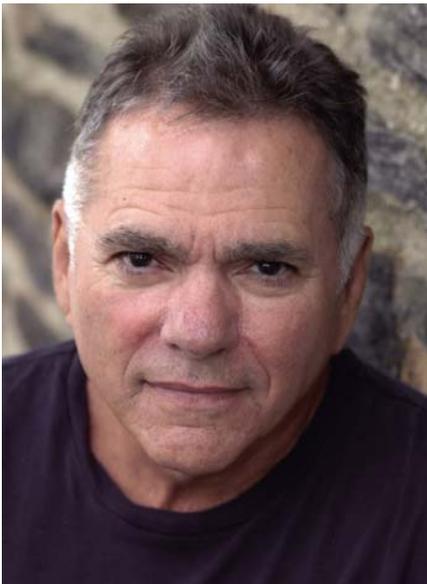


**Bob Boydston (Class of 1965)** was sheriff of Clay County from January 1993 through December 2000. He was reelected and sworn in again for a third term in January 2009, and currently holds that position.

During his law enforcement career, he held several positions in Clay and Platte counties, including chief of police for Weston and as detective

for the North Kansas City Police Department.

Boydston served as a first lieutenant in the United States Army and awarded the Purple Heart and Bronze Star for service in Vietnam.



**Robert Elliott (Class of 1958)** began his acting career early while still at North Kansas City High School. He majored in drama at Southwest Missouri State University (now Missouri State University) and from there joined the ranks of many versatile actors, traveling the country and performing in a broad range of leading and supporting roles.



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Elliott has acted in major theaters including the Great Lakes Theater Festival and has appeared in four major motion pictures.



**John Erickson (Class of 1961)** dedicated his life to serving others through 40 years working with the Boy Scouts of America organization.

As a consummate volunteer, he has supported programs and civic organizations such as the Rotary Club, United Way and the Anti-Drug Task Force — to name a few. Commitment to serving others has been a life-long pursuit.

**Robert “Dick” Scharz (Class of 1938)** was a former business owner in North Kansas City and city mayor from 1953-1962.

His dedication to public service led him to assist in the Paseo Bridge project, built in 1954, and to aid in the building of North Kansas City Hospital, founded in 1958.





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The North Kansas City High School Alumni Hall of Fame began its charter year in 2002. After Sept. 16, the high school will have inducted 48 members to its Alumni Hall of Fame.

To learn more about the **North Kansas City High School Alumni Hall of Fame** and its inductees, contact **Principal Dan Wartick**, North Kansas City High School, at (816) 413-5900 or visit the school website at [www.nkcschools.org/nkhs/](http://www.nkcschools.org/nkhs/).

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