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HELLO AGAIN, ALUMNI!

It's been a big summer to say the least!

In July I was shocked by an engagement proposal from my boyfriend, Brendon, and after saying "yes!" and a few happy tears we have been in full wedding-planning mode ever since.

Unfortunately, along with the happiness of becoming engaged came the sadness of losing my grandma LeaEtta Jackson unexpectedly in August.

I could hear the excitement in both my grandparent's voices when I had called to tell them we were engaged and even though my grandma is now gone, I am working hard to make sure she is a big part of our special day when we get married next summer.

My grandma and grandpa (Marc and LeaEtta Jackson) got married on Dec. 10, 1961 after dating for most of their time at Falls High School. By the time my grandma passed away, they had been together for more than 60 years.

To go along with the spirit of the wedding planning fun, I'd love to hear some of your engagement or wedding stories, readers. Did you meet your spouse at FHS? Did you get married in International Falls or near Rainy Lake? What are your favorite memories from your wedding day?

The deadline to submit for the next newsletter is December 31. Let's ring in 2020 with some fun content!

Best,

Whitney Jackson

Editor

fhsalumninews@gmail.com



The couple plans to marry in the summer of 2020.

BOAT 'JON' FINDS HOME



Huntz Wagner, David Herman, Falls Education Foundation President Tom Worth, and Karen Herman pose for a photo with the boat 'Jon.'

By Whitney Jackson

The legacy of former Falls High School woodshop teacher Jon Knutson lives on.

A handcrafted wooden faering rowboat originally started by Knutson and later finished by his friend and colleague William 'Huntz' Wagner, also a woodshop teacher at Falls Junior High School, was auctioned off by the Falls Education Foundation this past summer and is now in the possession of local residents David and Karen Herman.

Knutson passed away due to cancer in 2016 but Huntz later named the boat 'Jon' in memory of him.

Excited by the reality of their new possession, the couple wrote to the Falls Education Foundation.

"We are pleased and honored to become the new custodians of a beautiful boat. We are looking forward to many years of pleasure with it on Birch Point," they said.

The Hall of Fame Banquet Comm. is trying to locate Tom Neveau of the 1957 hockey team. Contact Jim Wherley at 218-999-5579 with information.

DID YOU HEAR?

The Class of 1979 donated \$2,634 to the Falls Education Foundation!
Read more about how they did it on page 7.

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FALLS EDUCATION FOUNDATION - Academics

In Memory of **John Patterson**: Donna Erickson

In Memory of **Adeline Haglund**: Reid & Josephine Toninato

In Memory of **Barbara McDowell**: Donna Erickson and Iverne Kuryla

In Memory of **Bernadine "Birdie" Wolfe**: Michael & Barbara Rud and Beverly Nagurski along with Cathy, Marnie, and Karen

In Memory of **Deceased Classmates of FHS 1973**: Joe & Amy Matson

In Memory of **Dennis Swenson, Garry Swenson, and Nancy Kostiuk**: Judy Spencer

In Memory of **Don Carey**: Mike & Jill Katrin and William & Barbara Johnson

In Memory of **Enid – Ellsworth Carr**: Brian & Kallie Briggs

In Memory of **Eugene Tomczak (Class of '51)**: Patricia MacInnis

In Memory of **Francis and Joyce Einarson**: Mike & Jill Katrin

In Memory of **Francis Einarson**: Tom & Dixie Worth and Brian & Maggie McBride

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In Memory of **Judith Krantz**: Lavelle (aka Taffy) Walls

In Memory of **Kevin Korpi**: Donna Erickson

In Memory of **LeaEtta Jackson**: Thomas & Clara Hardy and Jim & Mary Bigler

In Memory of **Linda Heibel Phaklides**: Sandy Plummer

In Memory of **Margaret J. Simon**: Leonard L. Simon

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In Memory of **Michael Riley**: Michael & Barbara Rud, Brian & Maggie McBride, Lavelle (aka Taffy) Walls, and Bob & Carol Anderson

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In Memory of **Mick Kuryla**: Jim & Mary Bigler, Sandy Plummer, Brian & Maggie McBride, George & Carol Smith, Bob & Carol Anderson, Iverne Kuryla, Heather Kuryla, and Missy (Walls) Kuryla, and Mike & Sue Debenedet, Cynthia Kostiuk, Dave & Ann Bzdok, Dave & Kathy Howdahl, Steve & Chris Hagen, and Margaret Holmsetad

In Memory of **Patrick Shuff (Class of '72)**: Michael & Barbara Rud

In Memory of **Ritha Boyle**: Mike & Jill Katrin

In Memory of **Tom Frykman**: Richard Gustafson

In Honor of 50th Class Reunion: FHS Class of 1969

In Honor of FHS Class of 1959: Judy Spencer

In Honor of Marcia Stewart's Birthday: The Birthday Club

In Honor of our grandchildren, Jett & Piper Tomczak: Allan & Susie Braaten

ISD #361 payroll donors: Kevin Grover, Jody Hamilton, and Josephine Toninato

Other donations: FHS Class of 1979 (fundraiser), Hardee's, David & Karen Herman (fundraiser), John McCarthy, Craig & Mary Moe and Tammy L. Lyon.

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GUESS WHO

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Playing her harmonica nice and loud.

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FALLS EDUCATION FOUNDATION - Co & Ex Curricular

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Mike & Jill Katrin, Bill & Helen Smerika, William (Bill) & Jeanne Corrin, and Michelle (Shelly) Robbie

In Memory of **Tom Frykman:** Richard Gustafson

In Honor of my little brother Craig R. Dahl's Birthday:
Doreen Swendsen

In Honor of all retired teachers and in gratitude to all who make the FHS Alumni Newsletter a reality: Stuart & Sue Nordquist

In Honor of our grandchildren, Jett & Piper Tomczak: Allan & Susie Braaten

ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

Thank you to all who support the FHS Alumni Newsletter with your suggested yearly donation of \$15. We would also like to acknowledge those that donated above this amount. Thank you to:

Judy Spencer, John McCarthy, Cliff Huber, Idella Franz,

Margaret Hodgson, Matt Donahue, Charlene Jensen, Shirley Kocinski, Bill & Leslie Knoblauch, Vicki Lucachick Phillips, Harold Mirka, and Richard Gustafson.

In Memory of **Nancy D. Caple Borson:** Ronald Caple

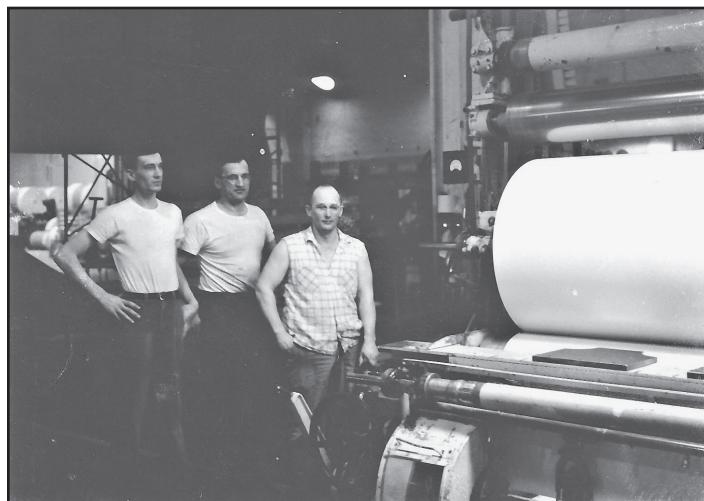
In Memory of **Roger Julien:** Jaclyn Julien

DID YOU KNOW?

(News courtesy of The Journal)

- Deb Ciminski will be honored as the recipient of the Mr. Pete Foundation Innovation in Teaching Award in October. Ciminski, a teacher for over 30 years, has taught for 20 years in the International Falls School District. She taught art, theater, and alternative education. She is also a former theater director for ISD 361. The Mr. Pete Foundation is named after FHS teacher and coach Mike Peterson who passed away in 2017.
- A storm in July produced an EFI tornado which swept through Voyageurs National Park – the first confirmed tornado to touch down in the park's 44-year history.

- The Bronco football team won its first two games of the season, for the first time since 2005. The Broncos beat the North Woods Grizzlies in double overtime 20-12 and then secured a win against the Deer River Warriors 36-14.
- The man who designed the Smokey Bear statue in International Falls delivered some of the original materials to the Koochiching County museums.
- The local Kmart store in International Falls will close its doors by the end of the year. It employs 42 people.



Papermakers Reynold Lofgren, Nick Lucachick, and Ken Dobie.



The Municipal Building in 1949-1950.



CLASS OF 1957 ANNUAL LUNCH

Submitted by John Harris

The FHS Class of 1957 celebrated its third annual class lunch this summer and the fact that classmates have or soon will be octogenarians (they'll be hitting the age of 80 years). Once again, the lunch was held at the Island View Lodge where attendees had a great time renewing relationships and visiting old friends. Each year attendance at this event has been increasing and this year the event was probably the best ever. Back when we were freshly out of high school, it would have been hard to find any one of us who would have thought that being 80 years of age was a blessing or even likely. But now, 80 is the new 60 (or something like that) and if cake is involved, how can it be bad? So, in addition to lunch, we also had birthday cake – a birthday party of sorts.



Tom Karsnia created a beautiful slate carving that he and his wife, Edna, donated as a door prize. A drawing was held and the lucky winner was Penny Zoupas. Thanks, Tom and congrats, Penny!

This annual luncheon is held annually on the third Thursday in July; in 2020 it'll be on July 16th, at Island View Lodge. Anyone who graduated with or was ever a member of the "Greatest Class Ever," the FHS Class of '57, is welcome as are their guests.

LOST RING FOUND AT HOLLER SCHOOL

By Whitney Jackson

Found in the mid-1970s by a third or fourth grade student on the Holler School playground by the swings was a ring that still has gone unreturned to its rightful owner.

Falls Education Foundation President and former Principal at Holler School Tom Worth is now in possession of the lost ring. He has tried to find the ring's owner but has had no luck.

The initials inscribed are EW and KR, with the date 6/4/06 also inscribed, believed to be from 1906.



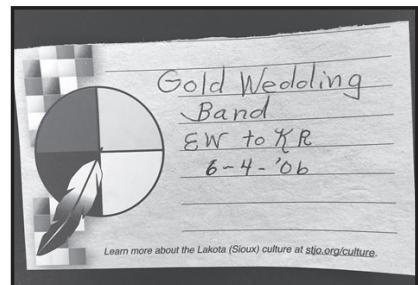
Searches with the Koochiching County Recorder's Office have turned up empty.

Worth said the ring is in great condition and is likely rose gold.



Those with possible information about the owner of the lost ring can write to fhsalumninews@gmail.com or to P.O. Box 933, Int'l Falls, MN 56649.

"I would love to find someone from the owner's family so it could be returned, thank you for your help," said Worth.



Learn more about the Lakota (Sioux) culture at stjo.org/culture.



CLASS OF 1964 REUNION

Submitted by Ruthie Simmons

The Class of 1964 held their 55th Reunion at Sha Sha Resort on August 9th, with an additional gathering at Loony's Brew in Ranier on August 10th. It was a great time of renewing friendships. Thanks to all participants and to those helping to make this a great success!

The content deadline for our February, 2020 edition is December 31, 2019. Send your content to Whitney at fhsalumninews@gmail.com or to P.O. Box 933, Int'l Falls, MN 56649.

SPECIAL THANKS

to the International Falls – Memories of Home Facebook page for allowing us to use their posted photos.



Downtown International Falls.

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MOSQUITO MAYHEM

By Rich Glennie, Class of 1966

As if mosquitoes were not bad enough, nowadays we have to worry about West Nile and tick-borne diseases, too. Ever heard of these diseases as a kid? No, I hadn't either.

This year has been no exception for those irritating mosquitoes. I can't remember the last time I ventured into my backyard after dark this summer. And I thought northern Minnesota mosquitoes were bad!

Oh...they are folks. Northern Minnesota mosquitoes, that is.

It was many years ago when my wife and I, along with our youngest son, went on our annual visit to International Falls. We decided to try something different other than the usual sightseeing along beautiful Rainy Lake.

I had the brilliant idea of visiting the Laurel Indian Mounds west of the Falls along the shores of Rainy River. It was a while ago because the Mounds have been opened and closed on numerous occasions ever since.

We traveled there one August afternoon. As soon as we walked into the Laurel Mounds Interpretive Center, I knew this would be a challenge.

As soon as we walked in, the center's staff provided each of us with mosquito spray cans before we headed back outside toward the trails to the burial mounds.

We lathered up. We sprayed into our hands and wiped the smelly stuff on our face, neck, hair, and any place else exposed to the vicious insects.

As we headed out down the wooded path, we noticed another party of hearty souls ahead of us. It was obvious "they weren't from around here."

Instead of immersing themselves with Deep Woods Off or Muskol, they carried the cans of spray with them, shooting in the air as they went.

We knew they wouldn't last long — and they didn't. They made it to the first mound, swatting and slashing the air around them. The occasional burst from the spray can had no effect.

In a matter of minutes, the whole entourage was dashing back up the hill to the safety of the interpretive center.

GUESS WHO

Answer to question from Page 2

She shares her talents proud

Playing her harmonica nice and loud.

Answer

Margarete Kostiuk regularly sings and plays harmonica and trumpet at Memorial Day services around the Koochiching County area.

Kostiuk will turn 100 years old on October 11.

"Wimps," I thought out loud to my wife and son. They both had the look in their eyes of "shouldn't we do the same?"

But we plowed on, deeper into the woods. There were mounds to see and beautiful scenery to photograph.

It was a two-mile tour of the deep Northwoods. The last mile was made at a fast-paced walk, dodging downed trees and quickly looking at as much flora and fauna as one could handle.

Halfway around the pathway, it became obvious we needed to plow ahead or be devoured by these blood-thirsty beasts. There was no turning back. We already knew what was behind us, and we didn't want to go through that again.

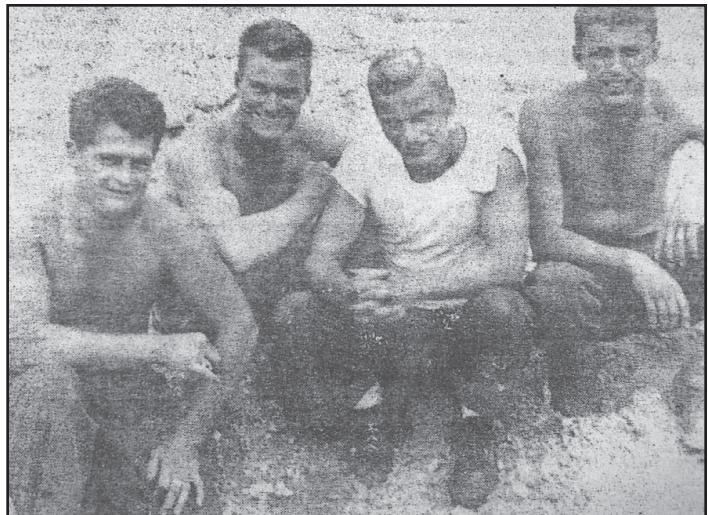
The pace quickened into a full-scale foot race, only to see our son sprint past in a full trot, soon to turn into a sprint back to the safety of the center. Sprinting was not an option for my wife and me. We're not built like sprinters.

As the mosquitoes flew in and out of our noses and ears, buzzed around our heads and hands, the sight of seeing them eyeball-to-eyeball between you and your glasses was a bit unnerving.

But we made it back to the interpretive center. And believe it or not, none of us had a mosquito bite. We smelled like heck, however. Mosquito spray and sweat are not a good combination for a cologne.

Looking around the interpretive center, we noticed the earlier group. They were talking about their harrowing escapade in the deep Northwoods of Minnesota.

All I could think of was, "You missed all the fun!"



Submitted by Hal Mirka

Shown above in Finchhaven, New Guinea during WWII, are Falls grads Jim Crotty ('42, Bakersfield, California); John Wenberg, Sr. ('38, Punta Gorda, FL and IFalls); Hedley Ward ('40, deceased); and Paul Reuter ('42, IFalls). Also stationed at the same location but not pictured were Keith LaValley and Fred "Butch" Lessard (both deceased).

The Falls Education Foundation would like to convey our condolences to Carol and the Anderson Family on the passing of Mayor Bob Anderson on September 20th. Bob was a valued FEF Board Member since re-organizing in the early 90's and served as Vice President for the last 12 years. Bob loved to serve his community and especially the students of District 361. His contributions to our meetings came from his vast experience of serving the community. His presence will be forever missed by his fellow board members and the things we learned from Bob will be used as we make decisions in the future.

Tom Worth, Falls Education Foundation

ANNUAL SCRAMBLE RAISES MONEY

(Information courtesy of The Journal)

The annual FEF Purple Pride Golf Scramble taking place at The River Golf Course Aug. 8 raised over \$13,000 supporting Co & Ex Curricular activities at ISD #361. Thank you all who donated to this event!

The standings were:

TruStar Federal Credit Union/Dean Blais - 28
Coca-Cola Bottling - 32
Bronco coaches - 33



CLASS OF 1969 REUNION

Submitted by Patti Stromgren

The weather was perfect on July 6th as the Class of 1969 celebrated our 50th Class Reunion at The River Golf Course. So many of us smiled and said: "Isn't this great? We're 68 years old but tonight we're 18 again. From all over the nation, former seniors — now genuine "seniors" — gathered together to remember "the way we were." A total of 162 registered attendees attended of which 108 were '69 classmates.

For 14 months the committee planned the event with a focus on ensuring it would be an epic evening to remember. The committee consisted of: Louise Earnest Dion, Lin Carlson Backstrom, Pam Arason Urban, Maggie Musetta McBride, Nancy Brown McHarg, Karen Kalstad Swenson, Doreen Dahl Swendsen, Cheryl Craite Peterson, Janice Weum Philibert, Deb Roseen Farrell, and Patti Costley Stromgren.

Some of us recalled the most outrageous acts of our senior high years: The hanging of smelt on Hardina's clothesline; getting someone to buy a 6-pack of beer so you and some buddies could get "drunk" for the first time; the principal making some of us girls kneel on the floor to make sure our dress/skirts touched the floor, if not we were sent home to change clothes. Seriously, it truly was a time of innocence.

It was fun to see what were the smartest kids in the class now are relaxed and expressive. We saw our "steady" girlfriend or boyfriend from senior high who are now married with kids and grandkids. Some classmates with less hair, gray hair,

a little taller, a little shorter, a little thicker(!), much prettier, and so much more handsome than remembered. Even conversations comparing knee and hip replacements. Truly, it was a wonderful night to remember.

We hugged classmates that we haven't seen for at least 50 years — and some we've known for 65 years, since preschool. We told story after story, took photo after photo, gave hug after hug — that's what 50th High School Reunions are all about — memories that will last a lifetime.



Submitted by Patti Stromgren

Brian McBride, Billy Sutch, Terry Cullen, Dennis Larson, David Doris, Steve Petman, Ron Foyt, Dean Blais, Tim Blais, Bruce Sandbeck, and Arnie Nass pose for a photo following the golf scramble.



CLASS OF 1979 REUNION

Submitted by Barb Johnson

The Class of 1979 held its 40th Reunion on July 6, 2019, at Thunderbird Lodge. A total of 64 classmates were in attendance, which included Annette Andersen, the foreign exchange student who traveled here from Sweden and also classmates who traveled from Montana, Colorado, Wyoming, Arizona, and California. The committee put together a raffle and silent auction with items donated by classmates and raised \$2,634 for the Falls Education Foundation. Way to go Class of '79! Classmates enjoyed good food and drinks along with dancing music provided by Dylan Streiff from King of the Road Entertainment. A good time was had by all!



Submitted by Barb Johnson

Sandy Holenko, John Gust, Suzanne Peralta, Mike Walls, Annette Andersen, and Tammy Tivey Arnold pose together for a photo.



Submitted by Barb Johnson

Scott Jespersen, Tom Herman, and Ken Kennedy pose for a photo at their class reunion.

NOTES OF THANKS

Keep up the good work - we enjoy the school news. We appreciate the commitment of so many who are involved. Thank you for the teacher spotlights also. ~ Sue Nordquist

Although a grad of Fort Frances (FFHS 1959), I spent many days enjoying International Falls (and Holler) while visiting my Pleimling cousins, which always entailed shopping in the Falls. To show my appreciation to family and friends in the Falls during growing up days, please accept this humble donation. ~ Cliff Huber

Thank you so much for the great newsletter! Loved article about William "Huntz" Wagner – classmate of mine. ~ Jackie Julian

I still substitute teach and I see what an impact the Falls Education Foundation has on our teachers and students. One outstanding event that you have supported is the 1920s party that Katie Hamers and John Sandberg put on for the students after their unit on that era. Thanks for all you do for our schools! It is greatly appreciated! ~ Maggie McBride



The Falls High School Band on the 4th of July in 1970.

FHS PHOTO UPDATES

Falls High School is updating their championship pictures displayed in the hallways near the gymnasium. The following team pictures are not currently displayed and are not available in the yearbooks:

1992 Girls Golf	1969 Boys Track & Field
1979 Boys Track & Field	1968 Boys Track & Field
1979 Girls Track & Field	1966 Boys Track & Field
1974 Boys Golf	1955 Baseball
1970 Boys Track & Field	

If you have a team picture for any of the above teams, please scan (at highest resolution) and email them to Timm Ringhofer, tringhofer@isd361.org or send the picture through the mail to Timm Ringhofer at 1515 11th Street, International Falls, MN, 56649 and we will scan and send the picture back to you. Please email Timm at the above email address if you have any questions.



**1977 National Community College Hockey Champions
at Rainy River Community College**

Front row: Mike DeBenedet, Brad Hall, Grant Richards, Charlie Holland, Kurt Groette, Paul Brown

Middle row: J.B. Stone, Dave Olsen, Al Holte, Scott Readman, Scott Johnson, Rob Roy, Curt Boyum

Back row: Doug Ferguson, Ken Sirois, Joe Matson, Pete LaVigne, Al Hasbargan, Dennis Ewald, Coach Terry Thompson

Absent from photo: Dave Brown (#10)

FINAL FAREWELL

Lawrence Peter Mathews, (Class of '47), passed away June 7, 2019. He was born Sept. 22, 1929.

Frances Regal Adams, (Class of '49), passed away April 20, 2019. She was born July 7, 1931.

Eugene C. Tomczak, (Class of '51), passed away May 17, 2019. He was born June 27, 1933.

Gordon Dennis Wegner, (Class of '52), passed away July 10, 2019. He was born Feb. 15, 1934.

Jean Yvonne Galusha-Bragg, (Class of '54), passed May 15, 2019. She was born Aug. 26, 1937.

Marjorie Mary Lessard Brenning, (Class of '54), passed away July 5, 2019. She was born Sept. 14, 1935.

Dixie Lee Little, (Class of '55), passed away June 3, 2019. She was born Feb. 14, 1937.

Genevieve Adeline (Glubka) Battalion, (Class of '56), passed away Aug. 11, 2019. She was born Sept. 29, 1937.

Wayne Norris Kile, (Class of '57), passed away Sept. 18, 2018. He was born April 21, 1939.

Gerald Delano Phaklides, (Class of '57), passed away June 14, 2019. He was Oct. 22, 1938.

Nancy D. (Caple) Borson, (Class of '58), passed away April 22, 2019. She was born Feb. 4, 1940.

Dennis Messerschmidt, (Class of '58), passed away May 30, 2019. He was born March 15, 1937.

Bernadine "Birdie" Wolfe, (Class of '58), passed away Aug. 15, 2019.

Linda Lou Heibel Phaklides, (Class of '60), passed away April 27, 2019. She was born July 10, 1942.

Michael William "Mick" Kuryla Jr., (Class of '60), passed away May 13, 2019. He was born Jan. 31, 1942.

Sandra K. (Hill) Nordvall, (Class of '60), passed away June 27, 2019.

LeaEtta Dee Jackson, (Class of '61), passed away Aug. 20, 2019. She was born Nov. 10, 1942.

Sandra Jacqueline Oster, (Class of '63), passed away May 16, 2019. She was born July 12, 1945.

Terry Lee Shoquist, (Class of '64), passed away May 17, 2019. He was born Dec. 14, 1946.

Leslie Raymond Bragg, (Class of '65), passed away June 3, 2019. He was born July 21, 1947.

Emilee K. Schultz, (Class of '66), passed away Aug. 4, 2019. She was born Dec. 11, 1947.

Kathryn Renae Brown Gilbraith, (Class of '70), passed away Feb. 24, 2019. She was born June 7, 1952.

Timothy J. Kaminski, (Class of '70), passed away July 18, 2019. He was born Aug. 30, 1952.

Richard Allen Springsteen, (Class of '71), passed away June 6, 2019. He was born July 26, 1952.

Arthur Donald Nygard, (Class of '72), passed away May 26, 2019. He was born June 1, 2019.

Patrick Shuff, (Class of '72), passed away Aug. 4, 2019.

Lawrence Michael Kiner Jr., (Class of '73), passed away June 24, 2019. He was born Nov. 17, 1954.

Ronda (Taylor) Bates, (Class of '75), passed away Aug. 9, 2019. She was born Dec. 11, 1956.

Michael James Riley, (Class of '79), passed away July 23, 2019. He was born Sept. 13, 1960.

William "Casey" Hell, (Class of '80), passed away April 19, 2019. He was born May 23, 1962.

Shawn Michael Graves, (Class of '87), passed away May 26, 2019. He was born March 4, 1969.

Wendi Kae (Van Hale) Newman, (Class of '88), passed away May 19, 2019. She was born March 16, 1970.

Larry Richard Sjoblom Jr., (Class of '91), passed away June 11, 2019. He was born Feb. 13, 1971.

Barbara McDowell passed away Dec. 10, 2018. She was born Dec. 11, 1936. McDowell was a music teacher at FHS from 1962-1993.

Bernice Evelyn Sapp passed away May 7, 2019. She was born March 30, 1925.

Mandy Jo Leigh Brown passed away June 16, 2019. She was born May 29, 1983.

John Nevanen passed away July 29, 2019. He was born Aug. 24, 1933. Nevanen was a teacher at FHS from 1960-1992.

Don C. Carey, passed away August 23, 2019. He was born Sept. 22, 1931. Carey was a teacher at FHS.



For full obituaries or to find out where to leave condolences, visit www.greenlarsen.com or www.ifallsjournal.com/announcements/tributes/



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**"RIGGERS"
IN THE
EARLY 1970s**

Front row:
Bruno Toninato,
Mike Kuryla,
Tauno Lehto,
Julius Urban,
Gus Holm

Back row:
Mel Balcolm,
Bob Toninato,
Lowell Hart,
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