

Connections

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DeAnna Carlson Zink Leaves The Farm And Becomes UND Alumni CEO



and my ability to converse on a variety of topics."

She was also involved in many church activities as well as 4-H during her school years. She participated in 4-H leadership activities and demonstration speeches, which she felt greatly expanded her confidence in public speaking. Leadership in her local 4-H club extended to the regional and state level, which led to her participating in an exchange program. She stated, "I spent a summer in Japan as an exchange student. This experience definitely changed my life. Prior to going to Japan, I had been on an airplane only once to Minneapolis. My mother was the one who 'pushed' me towards this experience. I learned some Japanese through

books and cassette tapes. This exchange program was such a learning experience for me. I learned to think on my feet, to have conversations with people who don't speak the same language and learned what it was like to be a minority. We 4-H students spent a few days in Tokyo getting acclimated and learned about the families with whom we would be staying. During our acclimation time, I was told Japanese citizens would not believe my hair was real (it was very long and blonde at the time). In fact, during my train ride to Okayama, I was gawked at considerably and some people came up and touched my hair. That was quite an experience for a farm girl from Angus, MN!"

Following her high school graduation, DeAnna began her college education at Concordia College. After one year, she transferred to the University of North Dakota, majoring in Business Management and Communications. She graduated with honors in 1986 and was fully prepared to become gainfully employed.

She immediately began employment with the UND Alumni Association and Foundation in 1986 and worked there until 1998. During those 12 years, she held a variety of positions including special events, annual giving, major gift fundraising and campaign fundraising. She was involved in the management of each position

as she moved up in the organization. In 1998, she moved on as a regional vice-president of marketing for Bremer Bank. She worked with the 14 banks in her region and also spent time at the St. Paul corporate office about every two months.

In 2001, DeAnna was recruited back to the UND Alumni Association and Foundation. She explains, "I was hired to start an Alumni Relations and Marketing Department. At that point, the organization did not have a graphics or marketing department, so we started the department at that time. In 2003, I was asked to move back into fundraising and start a fundraising department like I had done for alumni relations. I spent the next few years revamping the fundraising arm of the organization and then oversaw the first major all-campus campaign for the organization as the chief development officer. In 2014, I became the chief executive officer for the organization."

As CEO for the UND Alumni Association and Foundation, DeAnna oversees all engagement and fundraising activities for the University. There are 45 full-time employees who raise on average, \$35-40 million per year for the University. There is a volunteer board of 22 individuals who are alumni from across the country and she reports to them. She states, "Our organization focuses on how we get our 120,000 alumni and friends involved and engaged with their alma mater. I work with our University partners every day to find ways to raise more money for them and to uncover new donors. My favorite part of the job is visiting with alumni and hearing their stories and being able to reminisce with them about UND. We have very passionate alumni who truly love this University, just like I do. Connecting alumni to our University and to our students today is definitely the best part of my job."

Like most people who live in Grand Forks, she has faced adversity, namely the disastrous great flood of 1997, which forced her family from their home. Although it was not wanted under these circumstances, three of her children had the opportunity to attend the same public school their mother went to. Reflecting back on that she said, "Kinzey, Karissa and Kody and I moved in with my parents at the farm and the kids actually stayed through the (Continued on page 5)

Ed. Foundation Fundraiser Baked Potato Supper Jan. 24, 2017

WAO Ponies
vs. Northern Freeze
Boys Basketball Game
WAO High School Cafeteria
Serving: 5-7 p.m.



WAO Schools Quasquicentennial All School Reunion

An anniversary celebration of the 125th year of commencements will be held during the Marshall County Fair in the summer of 2019.

Arizona-Warren Picnic

February 4, 2017 in Mesa, AZ
See page 7 for more information.

Golf Scramble

The 13th Annual Education Foundation Golf Scramble Fundraiser will be held on Friday, July 21, 2017, at Warren Riverside Golf Course.

Class Reunions

Please contact the Education Foundation with your class reunion details for our next edition of "Connections." We would be glad to give you our most current addresses for your classmates. In return we ask that you give us any address updates that you become aware of.

Marshall County Fair

July 19 - July 23, 2017

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By Duane Swanson

This is the story of the fascinating life of a northwest Minnesota country girl raised on a dairy and grain farm in the Angus area who has become the chief executive officer for the University of North Dakota Alumni Association and Foundation. In between, DeAnna Carlson Zink (Warren High School 1982), shares a very interesting account of what led up to her achieving that prestigious position at UND and what it involves.

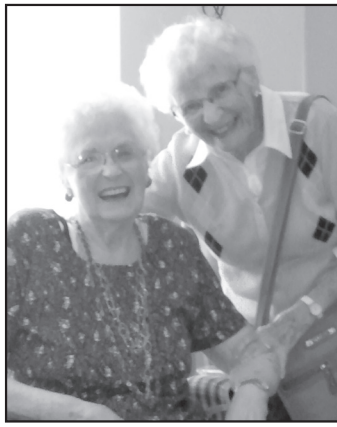
It all starts with her family. She is married to Wayne Zink and they have five children and five grandchildren. Her parents are Mylo and Marlene (Bonnette, WHS 1958) Carlson who still live on the family farm. Her siblings are Michael Carlson (WHS 1985); Darren Carlson (WHS 1995) and Kimberly Molacek (WHS 1990), who is married to Garrett (WHS 1989).

When asked about some favorite memories of her school days at Warren, she replied, "It is hard to pick out only a memory or two or even a favorite teacher. I feel very lucky to have attended the Warren schools. I loved the science and math classes in particular - the teachers made these topics engaging and interesting. I also felt so lucky to be able to compete in athletics and participate in many choral and band activities. I think my background from Warren High School helped me immensely in developing my leadership skills, speaking skills

2016 Class Reunions



WHS CLASS OF 1948 — The Warren High School Class of 1948 held their 68th reunion August 13. Pictured, in the front row are: Doris Wimpfheimer Erickson, Dorothy (Connett) Palm, Maxine Paulson Thorson and Lila (Eukel) Golden. Back row: Clayton Pearson, Zona Pearson, Beryl (Bossman) Palmer, Ed Palmer, Orland Thorson and George Erickson.



WARREN HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1940 — Members of the Warren High School Class of 1940, Lorene (Palmer) Engelstad of Warren, left, and Donna (Copp) Drews of Mesa, AZ, recently got together. They are the only two remaining members of the class.



WHS CLASS OF 1959 — The Warren High School Class of 1959 got together in West Fargo, ND, to celebrate turning 75 years old. Pictured in the front row are: Evy (Kasprowicz) Aylesworth, Ina (Ranstrom) Loeslie, Romelle (Vanek) Ferris, Pat (Anderson) Juvrud, Doris (Hedquist) Krogh and Sherry (Oberg) Wallace. Back row: Brian Black, Judy (Johnson) Dallmann, Dave Hill, Pat (Wilson) Bjorgaard, Gerald Corriveau, Marilyn (Strickler) Sirek, Neil Morkassel, Karen (Hickman) Larson and John Omdahl.



WHS CLASS OF 1956 — Pictured is the Warren High School Class of 1956 as they gathered for a reunion: Phil Carlson, Don Goodrich, Suzie (Omdahl) Jevning, John VanBaalen, Lucy (Judovsky) Bruce, Earl McGregor, Sharon (Strunk) Carlson, Gary Vettleson, Don Loeslie, Shirley (Stark) Johnson, Marshall Fulks, Jackie (Backlin) Berggren, Gene Cook, Don Swanson and Lee Martinson.



WHS CLASS OF 1986 — Front Row: Betty Bjorgaard DuBore, Jenny Johnston Tate, Debbie Lenhart Beck, Stacy Bossman Nicholls, Stacy Laudal, and Jodi Abrahamson. Back Row: Darin Sedlacek, Todd Kallstrom, Rodger Haugtvedt, Rick Confer, Gale Jones, Todd Monroe, Randy Nicholls, David Ulferts, Brent Strickler, and Brian Reister.



OSLO CLASS OF 1966 — Front Row: Connie (Paschke) Palmer, Tamra (Farder) Olson, Phyllis (Storbakken) Perkerwicz, Charleen (Durkin) Farder, Kaye (Duffy) Axtman, Rita (Gowan) Vollmers, and Donna Larson. 2nd Row: Carol (Kubousek) Sheppard, Sharon (Walski) Risky, Robertha (Pribula) Engelstad, Gerd (Haugom) Boucher, Diane (Osowski) Slominski, Donna (Rivard) Schreiner, Pamela (Farder) Olson, and Janice (Osowski) Gowan. Back Row: Dick Dahlstrom, Jon Holter and Donald Nordling.



WHS CLASS OF 1976 — Front Row: Anne Miska Smith, Kathy Duckstad Gross, Deb Truhn Kvamme, Linda Flaten, Jacki Grochow Przybylski, Cindy Neegard Goulet, Brenda Engelstad Johnson, LouAnn Steffen Beck, Kim Jackson Renslow, Duan Gloude, Karen Boman Bushaw, Sue Miscik Shirek, Mike Peyton, Leslie Norman Widner, Rhonda Rolandson, Kelly Foerster, Lori Wages McMahon, Darien Northup, Scott Edgar, Bill Swanson, Brad Cook, Sharon Plencner Neumann, Paul Wages, Karlene Johnson Wages, Daryl Evavold, and Gordy Wetterlund. Back row: Jeff Hazard, Deb Solberg Rominski, Lyle Nelson, Steve Goodwin, Mark Plencner, Jim Bodell, Tyler Carlson, Jim Kuznia, and Phillip Olson.

Warren Alvarado Oslo Education Foundation

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Phone: (Cell) _____
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Address to send to: _____
Street Address: _____

City, State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Chronicles: (circle media choice) DVD or Flash Drive

Yearbook: (circle media choice)

Years Ordered: _____ DVD OR Flash Drive

Yearbook Cost: \$10.00 for the first year copy and \$1.00 for each additional year copy

Chronicle Cost: \$5.00 for October 1965-May 1971 (all months)

(Note: Multiple years may be copied to one DVD, CD or Flash Drive for Yearbooks).

TOTAL: _____ (Please send payment with order)

•Please send check or money order to: WAO Education Foundation
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Warren, MN 56762



2016 Class Reunions



WHS CLASS OF 1966 — Pictured are members of the WHS Class of 1966 at their 50-year reunion. 1st row (sitting) - Jerrilyn Potucek, Phyllis Kuznia Hammerback, Claudia Roley Thompson, and Patty Engelstad Gould; 2nd row (sitting) - Laurel Filipi Wicktor, Lana Goplin Schoenack, and Kate Wood Austin; 3rd row - Larry Peterson, Reed Owens, Henry Hammerback, Bruce Anderson, Jerold Fillipi, Paul Horgen, and Harvey Sedlacek; 4th row - Ken Jorgenson, Arden Roley (sitting), Richard Bluedorn (sitting), Linda Erickson Head, Lee Hoaas, Greg Magoris, Charles Torkelson, Char Vansickle Strickler, Kathy Dalquist West, Cathy Anderson Hanson, Sandra Stone Forslund, Joyce Feltman Paul, and Cheryl Nelson Olson; 5th row - Peter Gilbert, Mark Backstrom, Eloise Austinson Wheeler, Richard Pearson, Marcia Myrfield Baynes, Jim Fredericks, Chuck Graham, Mike Baird, and Kent Peterson.



WAO CLASS OF 1996 — The WAO Class of 1996 celebrated at the Blackhawk Concert during the Marshall County Fair. Front Row: Nate Nelson, Trista (Anderson) Lund, Summer Hoverson, Rachel (Potucek) Deitz, Damon Stroble, Gina (Safar) Prose, Rhonda (Fredrickson) Nordeoff. Back Row: Darren Hille, Patrick (Bud) Jones, John Peterson, and Renae Kmecik.



WAO CLASS OF 2006 — The WAO Class of 2006 celebrated their 10th reunion at The W in Warren. Front Row: Brooke Bork Johnson, Bethany Mock Wright, and Elizabeth Michalski Moen Middle Row: Christine Knutson, Nicole Kroepelin, Chelsey Gloude, Megan Maruska Dagoberg, Kaitlin Saunders, Mallory Potucek Murray, Holly Lavecchia, Katie Schmidt Failing, and Tom Stinar. Back Row: Austin Knoll, Jazmyn DeMars Johnson, Mike Holter, DJ McGregor, Darin Moen, and Jordan Novacek.



WHS CLASS OF 1953 — Pictured are members of the Warren High School Class of 1953. Back row: Don Wysoski, John Rakowski, Sig Silnes, Eunice Laidley VanBaalen, Corinne Carlson Nelson, JoAnn Wilson Clark, Jim Strandberg, Ray Larson, and Paul Dean Westman. Front Row: Marlene Wittman Silnes, Janice Hanson Pulkrabek, Shirley Haugen Olson, Rosemary Wilkinson Berget, June Strandell Myller, Jo Johnson Gamille, and Marlys Mattson Nelson. Not pictured are: Ethel Kliner Safranski, Helen Tallum Jackson, LeRoy Hedquist, and Wilbert McGregor.

Chat with the Chairman

Greetings from the Warren/ Alvarado/ Oslo Public School Education Foundation!

In about a month we will be into 2017. Where did 2016 go? The summer of 2016 was an exciting time for the Education Foundation. Many class reunions were held in Warren and at other locations. It was great to hear about all of the gatherings. The open house at the school buildings was a “must” for many alumni. Some brought their families to show where they’d thrown the winning basket from in the gym/ auditorium, they showed their kids where their locker was located, and looked in many of their classrooms. The words “Do you remember?” were heard frequently through the halls as classmates reminisced. One of the classes gathered in the band room to sing the school song! The rain gods had been dumping rain on Warren and we were very concerned about the golf scramble, but thanks to many golf club employees and volunteers along with the wind and sun gods 164 golfers were able to have a fun day of golf. We were overwhelmed when the final numbers totalled over \$25,000.00. This amount represented our wonderful sponsors and donors. The proceeds will be used for the staff and students. Mark your calendars for our 13th Annual Scramble on July 21st. The registration fee will remain at \$50.00.

WAO Alumni are everywhere! I spent two weeks volunteering in Medora, ND, in late August. One day while walking down a sidewalk I met a couple. The man said “I saw you at The W in Warren, MN, a few weeks ago.” I did recall seeing the couple at The W and first thought I’d met them at one of the many class reunions, but the people I was with at The W didn’t recognize them either. It turned out it was Dennis and Barbara (Jankowski) Gray. What a small world!

If you’re wintering in AZ or planning a trip there, plan to attend a gathering that a group of AZ alumni have organized for February 4th. You’ll find many people there that will have ‘connections’ with you!

If you were near our donor wall you saw many picture frames on the shelves. These contained pictures of our 2016 scholarship recipients. We’re replacing those pictures now with the needs that we recently funded. Stop in and take a look when you’re in the building.

This fall we again presented a \$50.00 gift certificate for the WAO Wearhouse to the 4 new full-time staff members along with a gift of \$200 to purchase supplies for their classrooms.

An alumnus found all issues of the WHS Chronicles from October 1965-May 1971. We had them scanned and the whole set is available for \$5.00 on a flash drive or DVD. They are on the same order form as the yearbooks. Does someone have issues from other years? If so, let us know and we’ll have them scanned and made available to alumni. Special thanks to our tech coordinator, Heidi Thorstenson, for volunteering to make the copies.

Alumni and friends are remembering us! We were named in an estate this summer and we recently signed a contract for a new scholarship. It is wonderful that many people are concerned and interested in assisting our students with their college costs.

If you are an amazon.com shopper and go to Amazon Smile, the Foundation will receive a percentage of your total sales. There’s an article in this newspaper about it.

American Education Week was November 13-19. The Foundation Board served a light lunch to all school personnel as a thank you for all that they do for our district.

All of the projects/ events that we do wouldn’t happen without our wonderful volunteers. They are the cream of the crop and always willing to assist in any way.

Our next big event will be our baked potato salad bar supper on January 24th. We’ve pushed the date back as it was scheduled for the day that school begins in 2017! This will be the night of the Northern Freeze BBB game.

Thank you very much for keeping us informed with address changes/ updates. We try very hard to keep our database as current as possible. More and more class reunion planners use us for e-mail addresses. Won’t you send us yours? Our 9,111 entries are only as accurate and up-to-date as you help make it!

Does your business or company have matching funds for donations? We’ve had a number of donations that have been matched during the past year. If this fits into your life, contact us for our tax ID number as you will need it to fill out the forms for the match.

What will \$25.00 buy you? Many people have purchased a membership in the Foundation or renewed their membership. The money along with undesignated memorials and donations is used for classroom needs/ requests and for the scholarship that we fund. It’s a win-win!

We continue to grow, people believe in us, and we are going forward. Thank you for believing and partnering with us. We continue to move forward with more expansion, growth and involvements.

As our motto states, “We Can’t Succeed Without You!”

May your holidays be merry and bright. Best wishes for a great 2017!

Tribute and Memorial Gifts

May 1, 2016 - October 31, 2016

In Memory of Agnes Rominski
Duane & Jerrilyn (Olson) Potucek

In Memory of Bernice Peterson
Ken & Robin Hanson
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In Memory of Bruce Wallsten
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Warren Women's Club

In Honor of Curtis & Donna Carlson's 50th Wedding Anniversary
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In Memory of Darrell (Butch) Skunes
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In Memory of Deceased Classmates of 1959
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Faye Wallsten
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Marilyn Chruszch
James & Carolyn Bodell
Mark & Stacy (Toupin) Plencner
Daryl & Cindy Evavold
Philip & Gloria Thompson
Gerald & Suzie (Omdahl) Jevning
John & Carol Bowman
Robert & Mavis Elseth
Ralph & Cindy (Sabol) Melgard
Ed & Linda (Engelstad) Turn
Lorene (Palmer) Engelstad
Ken & Barb Peterson
Betty Melgard
Gladwin & Mary Lynne
Michael & Judy (Gulden) Weiland
Kurt & Emily Peterson
John & Rachel Peterson
Richard & Mary Beth (Maruska) Edman
Bruce A. Nelson
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Jerry & Patrice Pribula
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Betty Melgard
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In Memory of Eugene (Gene) Ljunggren
Don Vettleson

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In Memory of Evelyn (Fischer) Cernousek
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In Honor of Florence Kuznia's 90th Birthday
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Carol J. Anderson
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Rob & Kay (Hendrickson) Root
Cindy (Riopelle) Filipi

In Honor of Gladwin & Mary Lynne's 50th Wedding Anniversary
Michael & Judy (Gulden) Weiland

In Memory of Gloria (Oberg) Zak
Betty Melgard

In Memory of Grace (Fischer) Hodnefield
Annette Merriken

In Memory of Grace Gurry
Florence (Steer) Rood

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Tim & Linda (Haugen) Conely

In Memory of Harold (Hank) Johnson
Neil & Peggy Kruger

In Memory of Harry Anderson
Betty Melgard

In Memory of Helen Miska
Betty Melgard

In Memory of Ida (Fischer) Meyer
Annette Merriken

In Memory of Inez Leverington
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Philip & Gloria Thompson
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Carol J. Anderson

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Carl & LaVerne Anderson

In Memory of James S. Pearson
Bremer Bank
Barbara (Elseth) Wies
Russ & Laurie (Johnson) Steer
Duane & Jerrilyn (Olson) Potucek
Mark & Jean (Mattson) Larson
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Tim & Bonnie Howard
Don & Glorianne Loeslie
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Larry Murphy

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Michael & Jan Riopelle

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Nancy (Evin) Christman
Jill M. (Johnston) Anderson

In Memory of Jeremy Boman
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Stanley & Lois DeMeyere

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Charlie & Fran Roux
Jill M. (Johnston) Anderson

In Memory of Richard P. Nelson
David Sorensen

In Memory of Ricky J. Rakowski
John & Lucille Rakowski

In Memory of Robert “Bob” Kliner
Marijo (Anderson) Nabben
L. Peder & Karen Larson
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In Memory of Robert Johnson
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In Memory of Robert Safranski
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Edwin H. Sand

In Memory of Sylvester “Syl” Narlock
John & Sharon (Strunk) Carlson
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Brenda (Forslund) Borowicz
Dean & Jana (Walker) Maruska
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In Memory of Vangie Myhre
Kelly & Amy (Vonasek) Turgeon

In Memory of Vernon Potucek
Carl & Linda (Potucek) Gornowicz
Curtis & Lillian Anderson
Helen (Johnston) Plencner
Betty Melgard
Kay Anderson

In Memory of Wallace Anderson
Harold & Virginia (Anderson) Berg
Frances (Anderson) Johnson

In Honor of WAO Teachers & Coaches
Aaron Boyum

In Memory of Warren Hickman
Neil & Peggy Kruger
Brian & Denise Larson

In Memory of WHS Class 1949 Deceased Classmates
Helen (Johnston) Plencner

In Memory of WHS Class 1958 Deceased Classmates
Charles & Dolores (Weiland) Zammert

In Honor of WHS Class of 1948
Marvin L. & Hansena Swanson

In Honor of WHS Class of 1953
Marlys (Mattson) Nelson

In Memory of William “Bud” Anderson
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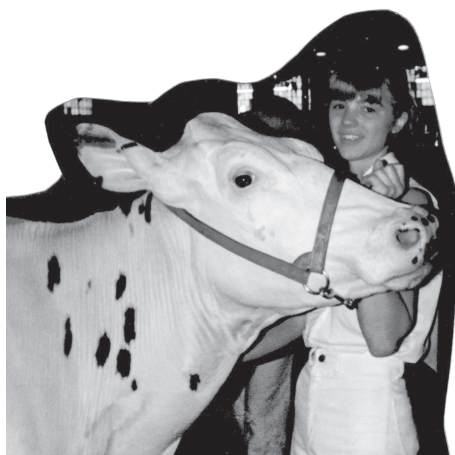
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Deanna

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summer. The Warren-Alvarado-Oslo School District and the teachers and staff were absolutely wonderful to my kids and made them feel very much at home. I felt blessed and comforted with my children being in the WAO school system during a traumatic time for our family. Kinzey was an avid track athlete and the track team and coaches accepted her with open arms. All 3 kids have wonderful memories of being able to attend WAO schools.

In closing, DeAnna had these thoughts of growing up in the Warren area saying, "I feel so lucky to have grown up on a farm and to attend Warren Public Schools. It was absolutely an advantage. I learned about hard work, leadership, friendship and I was fortunate to be able to learn from teachers who really cared about the students! I do a lot of public speaking these days and I often reference my time and tell stories from my days on the farm and being a Warren Pony!



I am incredibly proud of where I come from- Warren will always be home. I am also incredibly proud to be able to give back to the school that gave so much to me. Giving back to the Carlson Family Scholarship is the least I can do as a thank you for how much I was given as a student."

As you can see, when it comes to her job and being a proud and generous alumnus to her high school and college alma maters, she talks the talk and most definitely walks the walk. The University of North Dakota is in very good hands with DeAnna Carlson Zink playing a huge role in its growth and popularity.

Fall "Needs" Funded by WAO Education Foundation



MAGIC TREEHOUSE BOOKS — Fourth grade students at Warren Alvarado Oslo Elementary School were delighted to receive 25 new Magic Treehouse books from the Education Foundation. The very popular series was donated as part of the Education Foundation's Fall "Needs" in which staff can request items that would enhance and promote learning.



WAO WEARHOUSE — Warren-Alvarado-Oslo Wearhouse class demonstrates the use of a heat press that was purchased with funds donated by the WAO Ed Foundation to be able to screen-print onto clothing.



DR. SEUSS BOOKS — Sixth graders holding the Dr. Seuss books the Education Foundation donated to the elementary library in Spring 2016 to replace the very worn copies that had seen many years of use.



NEW STOOLS — Amber Schoep's classroom at WAO Elementary School enjoys the new stools that were purchased by the Ed. Foundation to use in her classroom.

Angela Spidahl Performs Senior Voice Recital As WAO Ed. Found. Fundraiser



Angela Spidahl, student of Belle Canto Studio, presented her senior voice recital May 31 at the Warren Covenant Church. Assisting her were some friends and classmates including Louisa Bergman, Alyssa Bartels and others. Free-will donations were given to the Warren-Alvarado-Oslo Education Foundation. Refreshments followed the recital.

Ed. Found. Happenings



Jerrilyn Potucek of the Warren High School Class of 1966, presented a check for \$892.63 to Carol Anderson of the Warren-Alvarado-Oslo Education Foundation. The Foundation will use it for classroom/staff needs/requests, etc.

FALL 2016 NEEDS

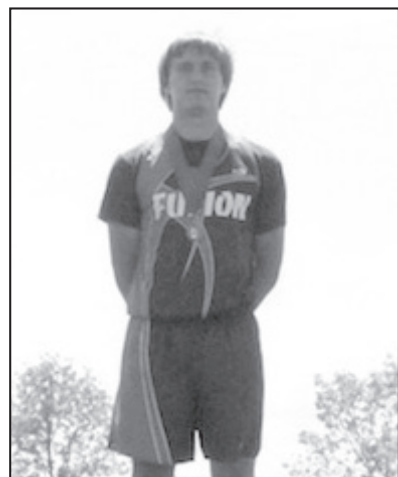
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Junior Library Guild Renewal
Robot Building Set
Canvas Panels
MCA Testing Prep
Scales
Locker Magnet Project

\$7508.54 was funded by the Foundation in October

WAO Spring 2016 State Attendees



STATE BOUND — Matthew Korynta, left, of Warren-Alvarado-Oslo High School and the West Marshall Track team took second in the long jump at the Section 8A Track Meet advancing to the state competition held June 10-11 at Hamline University. TJ Bowman of Warren-Alvarado-Oslo High School and the West Marshall Fusion Golf team advanced to the state tournament held in Becker June 14-15.



Amazon Smile

The Warren/Alvarado/Oslo Public School Education Foundation is a huge supporter of shopping locally. We do know that some items cannot be purchased in our communities and many people prefer to shop online rather than drive to another location to shop. If you should be shopping online at Amazon.com go to the Amazon Smile link and you can find over 1 million eligible charities to support. A quick link to reach the WAO Ed Foundation is: <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/41-1728608>

The Foundation will receive 0.5% of the price of all their eligible smile.amazon.com purchases. If you are a regular online shopper at Amazon we suggest that you bookmark this link so you don't accidentally shop at amazon.com as only purchases made at smile.amazon.com are eligible for donations. To date, we have received \$182.81 from people using the Amazon Smile Link for the WAO Education Foundation.

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May 1, 2016 - October 31, 2016

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Finseth's Hardware
Frances (Anderson) Johnson
Frandsen Bank & Trust
Frandsen Bank & Wealth Mgmt.
Fraye & Jean Ranstrom
Freddie Martinez
Garden Corner
Garrett & Kim (Carlson) Molacek
Garth & Richelle Kruger
Gene & Sally Roller
George Cariveau & Renae Kmecik
George Erickson
Gerald & Suzie (Omdahl) Jevning
Gerrell's Sport Center
Gerrie Bergeron
Gerry & Patti (Olson) Evin
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Ghevond & Dana (Dahlman) Hookassian
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Mark & Claudia (Roley) Thompson
Mark & Judy (Evin) Flaten
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Mary (Martin) Keller
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Michael & Donna (Laymon) Miller
Michael Carlson
Michelle (Kirkland) Strickler
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Mike & Stacey Bienek
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Randy & Amy Trudell
Raymond Larson
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Renee Borowicz
Rhonda Rolandson

Richard & Beth (Solmonson) DeZwarte
Rick & Rhonda (Bodell) Kitley
Rick Jackson
River Cinema 15
Riverside Golf Club of Stephen
Robert Quanrud
Rodney & Dorothy Soderstrom
Roger & Evie Iverson
Roger & Treasure (Soltis) Omdahl
Roley Electric/Dairy Queen
Russell & Sue Miller
Ryan & Dana (Adolphson) Larson
Ryan & Tami (Stengrim) Hoyt
Rydell Auto Center, Inc.
Sand Hill River Golf Club
Scott & Sherry Johnson
Scott & Stephanie Jorgenson
Scott Stengrim
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Stacy Laudal
Stanley Maynard
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Town & Country Plumbing & Heating
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Warren Pharmacy
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Warren Sheaf
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Westberg Body Shop
WHS Class of 1966
WHS Class of 1980

Where are they now . . .

Cynthia Braun, WAO 1981, sent a note from Albuquerque, New Mexico, where she lives with her daughter, Catherine. Cynthia is a trial lawyer and loves to travel. She inquired if Warren has a foreign exchange student this year. Yes we do!

Tobias Laprell from Porselen, Germany is a 17 year old junior at WAO High School. His host family is **Superintendent Lon and Michele Jorgensen**. He loves American football and enjoyed playing with the Ponies this season. Back in Germany, his father is an engineer and mother, a medical technician. He has a 14 year-old brother, Thiemo. Welcome Tobias!

Jon Nichols, WHS 1995 After graduating from Moorhead State University, Jon joined the ARMY National Guard doing three tours in Afghanistan. He currently serves on a MEDIVAC helicopter crew out of Buckley AFB in Colorado. He helps put out wild fires and does rescue missions at high altitude in the Rocky Mountains. He is also part of a team that picks up wounded troops. Jon says, "I look back on my time in Warren with fond memories and feel fortunate that I grew up in a community among family and friends." Jon owns the Garrison Tavern downtown Colorado Springs. He has a 5 year old son, Rodney.

Rachel Loeslie, WHS 1992, is a realtor with Edina Realty in the Wayzata/Lake Minnetonka area of Minneapolis. Her secondary business includes, professional organizing and Feng Shui consulting for homes and offices looking to simplify. She also stages property for clients when relocating. In 2012, Rachel founded 33 Helmets, a program for ATV safety awareness in memory of her brother, **Mark Loeslie, WHS 1986**. Her mission is to inspire every single ATV rider to wear a helmet at all times, regardless of experience, age, purpose for riding or location. Rachel lives in St. Louis Park, MN.

Randy Omdahl, WHS 1984, has lived in Arizona since 1990. He works for

Modular Mining Inc. They make computer programs for the mining industry with satellite offices around the world. He is a graphic designer with expertise in business management and several years of architectural training. Randy lives in Tucson.

Rebekah (Stinar) Aakre, WAO 2004, has joined Riverview Health System as a dermatology specialist. She received her Family Nurse Practitioner license from the University of North Dakota. Rebekah bases out of East Grand Forks, traveling to several Riverview Clinics in the area. Rebekah and husband **Jordan Aakre, WAO 2004**, live in East Grand Forks. Jordan has retired from teaching and is now farming in the Warren area. They have a little girl, Livia, who is awaiting a new sister in the coming months.

Dalton Rolland, WAO 2011, graduated from NDSU in 2015. He works at Bell Bank in Fargo, ND. His main focus is in wealth management working toward the goal of becoming a specialist in that area. Dalton enjoyed coming from a small town and says, "Warren is a place where everyone takes care of each other." Dalton is an avid sports "nut" and lives in Fargo.

Trista (Anderson) Lund, WAO 1996, teaches full time at Marshall County Central in Newfolden, MN. She is the Technology Coordinator, Senior Advisor, #Go Freeze Club Advisor and teaches Art to 7-12 grade students. She and husband Jeff live in Newfolden, where he is school superintendent. They have four children.

Presenting the Fern and Percy Gilbert Scholarships last May, on behalf of the Gilbert family was **Patty (Gilbert) Carlson, WHS 1964**. She is a retired librarian living in Moberly, MO. **Bill Gilbert, WHS 1960**, is a retired civil engineer living in Richland, WA and **Peter Gilbert, WHS 1966**, resides in Goodyear, AZ. He has worked in banking and is also retired. Fern and Percy were involved in the Warren school system for more than 30 years.

Pending Scholarship

WHS Class of 1969 Scholarship Fund Raising

The WHS Class of 1969 is still seeking donations to become fully endowed. Any donations to this fund would be greatly appreciated. Please designate on the donation envelope if you are adding to this fund.

The scholarship fund is now at \$9450.00.

News and Notes . . .

Congratulations to **Sharon (Ranstrom) Larson, (WHS 1984)**, on the opening of her new business, The Brick House. The old fire hall on West Johnson has been transformed into a unique shop of refurbished items, antiques and other specialties. Sharon is also a member of the Sixties Chicks, a musical group that looks the part when entertaining with classic songs from earlier decades. Husband **Wayne, (WHS 1978)** operates Larson Construction. They have 3 grown sons and 2 grandchildren.

Marjorie (Potucek) Simonson, WHS 1957, has retired after 42 years in the Power, MN school system. She worked primarily with the elementary grades, was playground supervisor and ran the concessions for sports for 20 years. Marjorie was named paraprofessional in 2004. She is proud of having a small role in “raising” a lot of students over the years. Besides working for the school, she also served as a volunteer firefighter for 20 years. Marjorie and husband Jerome raised 4 boys in Power. She is looking forward to attending the activities of her 9 grandchildren, 3 step grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

Thank you to **Kari (Stinar) Miska, WHS 2001**, for her leadership and devotion to the elementary school playground project. She introduced the need for new equipment to the community and promoted the fund drive. A new “play world” is now in place with hundreds of children enjoying the outdoors, interacting socially and improving their motor skills. This equipment is not a treat just for the students, but serves the children of the community all year long. Kari and husband **Ben Miska, WHS 2001**, are both educators in the Warren school system. They have 4 children and live near Warren.

We extend our condolences to the Haugen family on the death of Myron Haugen. In memory of their son, Greg, Myron and Army started the **Greg M. Haugen Scholarship**. Each year since 2008, the WAO Education Foundation has been presenting it to deserving students. The goal of the scholarship is to help graduating seniors with an interest in engineering. Myron and Army have been extraordinary friends of the WAO Foundation, always committed to support the youth of our school district.

Claudia (Roley) Thompson, WHS 1966, and husband Mark were recently honored as outstanding directors on the Sanford Health Foundation Board. They were singled out for their service, community involvement and civic leadership. They are very involved in the Sanford Health System in Bismarck, ND, where they started an endowment fund that benefitted the hospital by renovating the children’s pediatric ward. In gratitude to the Thompsons, it has been named the Mark and Claudia Thompson Family Children’s Center for Healing. Claudia is now retired, but over 31 years she taught kindergarten and worked as a school counselor. They have 2 daughters that are involved in the family business, H.A. Thompson Mechanical Contracting. The Thompsons live in Bismarck where Claudia enjoys her 4 grandchildren and volunteers regularly in their classrooms.

Hayden Strickler, WAO 2014, a junior at North Dakota State University, Fargo, has been elected president of NAMA (National Agricultural Marketing Association) on the Fargo campus. Students learn firsthand from professionals; marketing, advertising,

sales, communications and presentation skills. Hayden has represented the Fargo chapter at leadership conferences in Kansas City, MO and Raleigh, NC. He is majoring in Agricultural Economics. Go Bison!

Avid fisherman, **Terry Anderson, OHS 1985**, caught a fish worth \$20,000 only he was several years too late to claim the money. Terry’s goal for the summer was to catch a tagged catfish. He got his wish, near Oslo, as he landed a 36-inch, 18 ½ pound catfish wearing a yellow tag. Wanting to find out more about the fish, he contacted the DNR, a catfish guide from Grand Forks, and several biologists in Minnesota. There was no record of a fish with a yellow tag. Terry contacted a tag manufacturer in Seattle and found yellow tags had been purchased for a catfish derby in Manitoba. In 2010, 3 fish had been tagged for the contest and if caught would have paid out the prize. While, no money changed hands, Terry crossed off an item on his bucket list and the mystery was solved. Terry couldn’t believe after 6 years on the loose, this illusive fish was in his own backyard. Terry lives in Warren and works at Arctic Cat in Thief River Falls, MN.

Shelly (Bushaw) Korynta, OHS 1978, is an accountant executive at Vaaler Insurance in Grand Forks, ND. She is celebrating 30 years with the firm after joining in 1986. She holds a certificate in general insurance from the Institute of America and specializes in Personal Insurance. Shelly lives in East Grand Forks. Her son Nick lives in East Grand Forks and daughter Molly and 3 grandchildren live in Florida. Her main focus in life is on family and friends.

Michelle (Miller) Nybo, ALV 1987, teaches music in the Leeds, ND, school system. Her specialty is with a group of girls, ages 13-17, called the Banner Girls. They sing the Star Spangled Banner (among other things) at community events. They recently sang at a formal military flag-raising ceremony at Fort Buford, ND. That performance led to an invitation to sing in Washington DC at a black tie gala commemorating George Washington’s birthday, February, 2017. They are also preparing for a special performance at Mt. Rushmore in June. Michelle is very proud of these girls and says, “These young ladies have been given opportunities that come along for very few students. It is a tremendous and humbling honor!” They are the first high school ensemble to be invited to perform at that particular venue in Washington DC. Michelle lives in Leeds with husband Danny, who is also a teacher. They have 2 children.

Paige Pederson, WAO 2015, was chosen the Minnesota State Homecoming Queen 2016. She represented Minnesota in Memphis, TN, in July. Paige participated in many pageant activities as well as visiting the St. Jude’s Children’s Hospital where she visited young patients. America’s Homecoming Queen Scholarship Pageant is based on community service, volunteerism and education of our future leaders. Paige is a freshman at University of Minnesota Morris, majoring in environmental studies and sustainability.

Brent Glass, WHS 1989, has recently received the 2016 Andrea Rouesh Outstanding Alumni Award from Students United, an independent, non-profit organization that serves students statewide in the Minnesota state university system. He served as state executive director of the college student

association for many years and is credited with establishing their initial student leadership scholarship. He worked to increase student success and to encourage involvement in college communities. He is currently working on his doctorate degree with an emphasis on student life. Brent and wife, Jennifer, live in Prescott, WI. They have 2 children.

Don Loeslie, WHS 1956, was guest speaker for Lunchbox Lectures at the National WWII Museum in New Orleans, LA. His topic was "1946: Food as the New Weapon of Democracy." Postwar recovery was critical and it started with food. Don explains the Mercy Wheat Program, a volunteer farmer effort to get American wheat to the most desperate European people. Don is a retired farmer. He was very active in the Minnesota Wheat Council and state and national wheat grower’s organizations. He and wife, Glorianne, live in rural Warren.

Congratulations to **David Erickson, WAO 1996**, who was elected mayor of Warren in the November 8th election. He replaced retired mayor **Deb (Wages) Myrfield, WHS 1970**, who served for 2 terms. David works as a dispatcher at the Marshall County Sheriff’s Department and also on the North Valley Health Center EMS as an EMT. Wife, **Erika (Swanson), WAO 1998**, works in the surgical department at Altru Hospital in Grand Forks, ND. The Erickson’s have two children.

Congratulations also to **Robert Kleven, ALV 1981**. He was elected mayor of Alvarado. He is employed by the US Department of Agriculture based in Thief River Falls. Robert served as secretary / treasurer of the WAO Ed Foundation and is a past member of the WAO School Board. He is very active in his church and community. Robert and wife, Debbie, have 4 children.

Thank you...

“Thank you for all you have added to our classroom. The students were awestruck being able to watch the entire butterfly cycle happen.” **Faith Swanson, Preschool**

“Thank you SO much for the chair pockets. They help keep our classroom organized.” **Kaytelyn Desrosier, Kindergarten**

“Thank you once again for your continued support with our expanding reading program. Our students have been using Reading Eggs and are making great progress.” **Charity Gilbert, Leveled Literacy**

“Thank you for allowing me to purchase leveled books for my students. So many of my books are just plain worn out after 12 years of use so replacing them was a much needed gift.” **Mary Beth Edman, Reading Recovery**

“Thank you very much for the funds to buy items to help educate the children.” **Travis Knutson, Counselor**

“I truly appreciate what you are doing for our community. Love the newsletter! It’s so much fun to hear the news of present and past students.” **Sally (Hill) Swanson, WHS 1967**

“Thank you WAO Foundation for the scholarships! We are so grateful for what you do for the graduating seniors. You have given us a jumpstart on our education.” **Sydney Moug, Jake Steer, Max Sundby, Sadie Scherber, Evan Deshene, Taylor Mortimer, & Ethan Woinarowicz, WAO 2016**

Recently Deceased Alumni, Staff & Friends

These are death notices of alumni and staff that we have received. If you have additions or corrections, please contact the Education Foundation.

- 1934 WHS Grace (Anderson) Gurry
- 1937 ALV Bernadette (Vanyo) Kotrba
- 1937 ALV LaVanche Nyblad
- 1940 ALV Gladys (Ormiston) Lauth
- 1942 WHS Joyce (Golden) Howard
- 1946 WHS Beatrice (Connett) Gunderson
- 1946 OSLO Sylvester "Syl" Narlock
- 1946 WHS Shirley (Swanson) Anderson Hyslop
- 1947 WHS Gloria (Oberg) Zak
- 1948 WHS Gene Carr
- 1949 ALV Jeannie (Larson) Anderson
- 1952 WHS Katherine (Lundgren) Peterson
- 1952 ALV Allan Dahlstrom
- 1952 WHS William (Bill) Crow
- 1953 WHS Howard Laymon
- 1953 WHS Shirley (Godel) Cockrell
- 1954 WHS Donald Nowacki
- 1955 WHS Karen (Magoris) Armbruster
- 1957 ALV Dorothy (Hagglund) Kiffmeyer
- 1961 ALV Arnold Huisenga
- 1969 WHS Eltune Erickson
- 1971 WHS Ted Dvorak
- 1974 OSLO Robert "BJ" Bork
- 1976 OSLO Anne (Byzewski) Etherton
- 1976 WHS Duan Gloude
- 1979 ALV Joni Beaudry
- 1995 WAO Jeremy Boman
- 2007 WAO James Sundby
- 2011 WAO David S. Knutson
- Teacher Terrance Burkman
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2017 Arizona Warren-ites

FUN and FOOD gathering

Feb. 4, 2017

11 a.m. — 3 p.m.

Potluck



“The Hawk” Ramada at Red Mountain Park

7745 E. Brown Rd., Mesa, AZ

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Minimal charge or donation to cover costs.

If interested, send an email to: warrengathering@yahoo.com

This gathering is open to anyone from the Warren and surrounding community — pass the info on to classmates/friends.

More info will be posted and sent out closer to the fun date.

Committee members: Jackie Arnold Lee, Kay Hendrickson Root, Jane Miska Sirek, Jackie Slusar Gustafson, Jennie Slusar, Marion Miska Hickman: pre-registration warrengathering@yahoo.com

Arizona-Warren Picnic Will Be Held Feb. 4, 2017

Mark your calendar for February 4 , Saturday, 2017. Arizona Snowbirds, visitors to Arizona from Warren or surrounding area and residents of Arizona who have come from the Warren area - you are INVITED to a fun day in Mesa, AZ. A picnic is planned at Red Mountain Park, 7800 East Brown Road, Mesa. It will be held in "The Hawk" Ramada. It is located on a beautiful small lake with lots of trees and a duck pond. Potluck will be served. Bring a dish for the table. Paper plates, cups and tableware provided. Beer and wine are allowed, but no hard liquor. A minimal charge (free-will offering) will be made the day of the gathering to cover expenses. Come and enjoy the day! To learn more about the event, make plans to come or have questions, email to: warrengathering@yahoo.com Hostesses/Event planners are: Jackie Arnold Lee, Kay Hendrickson Root, Jackie Slusar Gustafson, Jennie Slusar, Jane Miska Sirek, Marion Miska Hickman. Additional details will follow.

2016 Ed. Foundation Golf Scramble



This group of classmates of the Warren High School Class of 1982 annually play together to honor the late classmate Jeff Evin. They are left to right: Betsy (Peterson) Stone, Tim Larson, Jane (Emerson) Holland, Bruce Nelson, Mary Kay (Nicholls) Voll, Craig Peterson, Jill (Johnston) Anderson, Jim (Ducky) Duckstad and Monique (DuBore) Collette.



These fine former Pony athletes were all smiles taking a break from a hard day on the golf course. They are from the left, Pat DuBore (WHS 1989), Mike DuBore (WHS 1984), Jeff Westberg (WHS 1980), Garrett Molacek (WHS 1989) and Trevor Monroe (WHS 1990).



These four couples paused for a group picture during the WAO Ed Foundation Golf Fundraiser. From the left are, Mark Jones (WHS 1991), Amy (Nowacki) Jones (WHS 1993), Ashley (Pagnac) Anderson (WAO 2001), Jake Anderson (WAO 2000), Allison Wall, Aaron Wall (WAO Elementary Teacher), Chelsy (Johnston) Davey (WAO 2004) and Paul Davey.



Giving their best poses during a golf break were from the left, Kurt Peterson (WHS 1991), Mitch Franks (WHS 1991), Scott Turn (WHS 1991) and Chris Regimbal.



Posing for a large group picture at the WAO Ed Foundation Golf fundraiser are front row from the left, Gretchen Mattson (WHS 1985), Mark Nelson (WHS 1988), Rachel Loeslie (WHS 1992) and Lori (Wages) McMahon (WHS 1985). Back row, Deron Pederson (WHS 1985), Mark Poolman (WHS 1985), Bob Mattson (former WHS and WAO teacher), Jerry Dalzell (former WHS and WAO administrator), Steve Goodwin (WHS 1976), Daryl Evavold (WHS 1976) and Jim Bodell (WHS 1976).



This group of mainly 1976 Warren High School classmates stopped before getting back to business on the golf course. Front row from the left, Bob Quanrud, Rhonda Rolandson, Jim Kuznia and Kelly Foerster (all WHS 1976). Back row from the left, John Carson (WHS 1976), Joe Plencner, Mark Plencner (WHS 1976), Emilie Nelson (WAO 2013) and Mike Peyton (WHS 1976).

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