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Mark Poolman Keeps University of North Dakota Hockey Players on the Ice



How does a great athlete from a small rural Minnesota high school go on to play college football for a very successful Division II university and then become the head trainer for one of the top Division I college hockey teams in the country at the same university? The answer to that question about the life path 1985 Warren High School alumnus Mark Poolman has taken will prove to be an interesting and impressive story.

Before examining his career as head trainer for the University of North Dakota hockey team, a look back at his high school years should come first. That would show him to be one of the best student/athletes to wear the orange and black for Warren High School. As one would imagine, most of his fondest memories revolve around Pony athletics. He stated, "When I was a little shaver, one of my earliest sports memories was back in 1975 when a Pony player wearing #34 leveled an opposing player at the sideline right in front of me. That player was my big brother, Dan".

As Mark grew older, his love for sports also grew while playing for the Ponies. He said, "I remember the great feeling playing basketball tournament games before standing room only crowds at UMC or as we called it, the South Pony gym. I'll never forget our playoff run

beating the five teams we did to go to the State Tournament in 1984 where we took 6th place. We also had a lot of success playing football but two losses are what I remember most. In 1983, we beat Mahanomen the last regular season game of the season but then lost to them the next week in the playoffs. They went to win the state championship. The next year we were undefeated during the season but lost on a crappy weather night (yes that is an excuse) in the section championship to Glyndon-Felton who, I believe, also won the state championship. Those two games left me the most disappointed of any athletic event I ever played in. However, every game was a privilege to play in because our teams were loaded with guys that had a very high level of passion to succeed. There is NOTHING like a small-town group of kids growing up together and having that kind of bond".

He added, "My entire class of 1985 was very close whether it was athletics, academic or social activities. The memories of going to the drive-in; bowling alley and receiving all the great community support for the school will never be forgotten".

Mark listed three Warren High School teachers and/or coaches who taught him important lessons that he uses in his everyday life. He commented, "I was a wrestler in 7th and 8th grade. My coach Erv Kallstrom taught me about work ethic and never ever giving up no matter what the situation. It was always "will over skill". Coach Gary Schuler, my basketball coach, showed me it was more important to understand my weaknesses rather than my strengths. I was not a good shooter or ball handler, but I knew what my role was and concentrated on that to help my team be successful. My social studies teacher, Mr. Bill Porter taught me about second chances. He said everybody will make a bad decision from time

to time but you should be allowed to learn from that and go forward. I also have to mention my 8th grade football coach and math teacher, Mr. Dean Chandler. He gave me my nickname, "Poo" and it has stuck with me to this day".

Because of the talent Mark displayed as a high school football player, he was offered an opportunity to play college football for the University of North Dakota who, back then, was known as the "Fighting Sioux". He accepted that offer and went on to have a very distinguished career for the Sioux as a pass receiver. He played sparingly as a freshman in 1985. The following year he broke his thumb and was given a medical redshirt. That minor injury would have a profound effect on his future. He stated, "The entire process of treating the injury and the extensive rehabilitation helped me make the decision to pursue a career as an athletic trainer. He was a regular from 1987-89 and was a team captain his senior year. He finished his career on the school's all-time top ten lists for pass receptions and receiving yardage.

Mark married his high school sweetheart, LeAnne (Loeslie, WHS 1987). They have three sons, Tucker, Colton and Mason. His parents are Ken (WHS, 1955) and Verona Poolman. He has two brothers, Dan (WHS 1978) and Jeff (WHS 1982) and a sister, Chris (WHS 1980). Watching his sons growing up and excelling in school and athletics is a great source of pride for him. Throughout his life, Mark has been educated and influenced by numerous coaches, teachers, professors, friends and colleagues. However, when asked whom he feels is the most influential person he has known, he answered without hesitation, "My wife, LeAnne. Absolutely, hands down. She has a quality I would like to live up to".

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Elementary Winter Concert Refreshments

The Education Foundation board and volunteers will be serving holiday refreshments in the high school cafeteria following the Elementary Christmas Concert on Thursday, December 5. Free will donations will go to purchasing items for the Elementary. Thank you to Bremer Bank for donating the refreshments.

Ed. Foundation Fundraiser

Baked Potato Supper

Feb. 11, 2014

WAO Ponies
vs. Stephen/Argyle Storm
Boys Basketball Game
WAO High School Cafeteria
Serving: 5-7 p.m.

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Permit No. 104
Warren, MN 56762
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Golf Scramble

The 10th Annual Education Foundation Golf Scramble Fundraiser will be held on Friday, July 25, 2014 at Warren Riverside Golf Course.

Marshall County Fair

July 23 - July 27, 2014

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.

Warren/Alvarado/Oslo Alumni Basketball Tourney is Saturday, January 11

For all residents of the school district and Warren/Alvarado/Oslo Alumni. \$25 per participant includes games and t-shirt. Proceeds to benefit Warren-Alvarado-Oslo Sports. If interested email Casey Larson at Cal_Larson@outlook.com

Everyone participating needs to email Casey his/her name, graduation year, where you graduated high school from and t-shirt size. In order to get a t-shirt you need to email Casey by Saturday, December 21.

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2013 Class Reunions



WHS CLASS OF 1963 — First Row, left to right: Richard Kuzel, Milt Sommers, Harley Marek, Bruce Peterson, Dwight Sedlacek, Ruth (Wood) Sease, Sharon (White) Lunski. Second row: Faye Wallsten, Ellen (Fillipi) Strickler, Jean (Filipy) Daniel, Judy (Baird) McGovern, Shirley (Adsem) Davis, Meralee Giese, Suzanne (Zblewski) Edstrom. Third row: Stuart Hurst, Robert Howard, Carole (Stroble) Edgar, Sharon (Edgar) Abrahamson, Susan (Hill) Lee, Jean (Peterson) Hill, Janet (Johnson) Arnold, Judy (Peterson) Helgemo, Arlene (Jagol) Tholkes, Mary Beth (Peterson) Denham. Fourth row: Jerry Cook, Terry Potucek, Richard Palchak, Michael Johnson, Richard Confer.



ALVARADO HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1953 — Front row, left to right: Daniel Grabinski and Delwyn Olson. Standing: Arlyn Johnson Sands, Marlin Pokrzywinski, Janet Anderson Peterson, Ida DeMeyere Nelson, James Aas, Lowell Ranstrom, Don Mager and Melville Johnson.



AHS CLASS OF 1963 — Left to right: Roger Thompson, Gloria (Wahlin) Smith, James Vanyo, Deanna Storbakken, Kay (Selnes) Dorrance, Gary Hendrickson, Burdell (Anderson) Walth, Ron Larson, Margaret Nelson, Angie (Torgerson) Guenther and Carol Pribula.



AHS CLASS OF 1965 — from left to right: Rick Anderson, Carol Baarstad, Diane (Honek) Blue, Bev (Hendrickson) Confer, Peggy (Ross) VanKirk, Brian Erickson, Alvin Olson, Betty (Johnson) Veralrud, Gene Olson and Marge (Vanyo) Bayne.



WHS CLASS OF 1948 — Front row, left to right: Ed Palmer, Maxine (Paulson) Thoreson, Mildred (Taus) Yarde, Doris (Wimpfheimer) Erickson, Hilya (Isaacson) Setten and Joye (Potucek) Olson. Standing: Dorthy (Connett) Palm, Lila (Eukel) Golden, Orrin Skunes, Joyce (Hedquist) Crocker, Clayton Pearson, Birgit Anderson and George Erickson.



WAO CLASS OF 2003 — Front row, left to right: Brittney Palm, Jenna Pulkrabek, Brenda (Lindberg) Bakken, Kelsey (Sorenson) Deschene, Emily (Edgar) Johnson, Sheena Quiant, Jessica (Grega) Gruhot. Second row: Shane Dagoberg, Tony Johnson, Ryan Lindenberg, Dustin Anderson, Tess (Solberg) Harkness, Nicole Reardon, Katie Edgar, Tara (Jevne) Johnson, Victoria Lubarski, Jenny Kuzel, Jordan Aakre. Back row: Derek Peterson, Ryan Larson, Brad Kovar, Tyler Pawlowski, Nick Boman, John Graham, Tyler Olson, Kelly Hanson.



1973 ALVARADO CLASS — Front Row, left to right: Deb (Olson) Cross, Deb (Hallin) Schantzen, Jessica (Mackie) Paschke, Vicki (Gornowicz) Lizakowski, Maurice Lind. Back Row: Lila (Torgerson) Bartlett, Ron Vasek, Sue (Bergman) Myxter, Myron Narlock and Ken Dagoberg. Classmates who were not able to attend were: Jacki (Knute) Omland, Lorraine (Novak) Seidenstrick and Duane Rakstad.



WHS CLASS OF 1953 — Front row, left to right: Rosemary (Wilkinson) Berget, Shirley (Haugen) Olson, Janice (Hanson) Pulkrabek, John Rakowski, Marlene (Wittman) Silnes, Ethel (Kliner) Safran-ski, Eva (Kliner) Boman and Raymond Larson. Middle row: Pat (Truhn) Schumacher, Eunice (Laid-ley) VanBaalen, Shirley (Godel) Cockrell, Marlys (Mattson) Nelson and Paul Dean Westman. Back row: June (Strandell) Myller, LeRoy Hedquist, Kay Herbranson, Jerry Jensen, Jim Strandberg, Don Wysocki, Corinne (Carlson) Nelson, JoAnn (Wilson) Clark, Sig Silnes and David Judovsky.

2013 Class Reunions



AHS CLASS OF 1964 — From left to right are: Fred Pribula, Virgil Olson, Nancy (Martin) Bitz, David Arnold, Duane Kovar, Donald Larson, Rose Ferencik, Mike Dudinsky, Ilene Sherlock, Jan (Haugen) Marciniak, Jerry Novak, Donald Larson, Marvin Hedlund and Dale Hammerlund.



WHS CLASS OF 1978 – Left to right: Kathy (Stone) Williams, Sondra (Torgerson) Johnson, Shirley (Torgerson) Peterson, Eunice (Carlson) Woodberry, Wayne Larson, David Engelstad, David Olsen, Donald Paulson, John Walker, (Kathy Kozojed) Blish, Shawn (Lamb) Hagstrom, Jodi (Olson) Quade, Janice (Beck) Mostofi, JaNean Engelstad, Kent Broten, Cheryl (Steer) Parvey, Brian Anderson, Brad Peyton, Shelly (Anderson) Conely, Randy Trudell, Mark Potucek, Darlene (Johnson) Pagnac, Brain Fagerstrom, Pamela (Fulks) Brule, Alice Melgard Matthews, Mark Gehrls. Missing Greg Myszkowski, Lori (Lenhart) Narlock.



WHS CLASS OF 1958 — Front row, left to right: Janice (McCauley) Johnson, Lois (Nybakken) Kresl, Marlene (Bonnette) Carlson, Janet (Larson) Anderson, Dolores (Weiland) Zammert, Bonnie (Opsund) Demeyere and Jo Anne (Hess) Sundby. Back row: Bruce Morgan, Gale Cook, Stanley Sirek, MayBelle (Tucker) Gordon, DeWayne Sedlacek, Connie (Arnold) Omdahl, Judy (Maruska) Yutrzenska, George Owens, Alan Gehrls, Mary (Madsen) Garry and Gary Strunk.



WHS CLASS OF 1983 – Front row, left to right: David Loeslie, Brenda (Kasprowicz) Przybylski, Roberta (Metcalf) Ruggles, Karen (Kozojed) Enright, Stephanie (Hedlund) Baker, Cindy (Anderson) Hoiland, Jayne (Erickson) Nieland, Mary (Duckstad) Carlson. Second row: Duane Mattson, Naomi (Anderson) Loeslie, Pam (Taus) Olson, Carol Swanson, Mary (Korynta) Ennis, Rebecca (Knoll) Poolman, Tony Hill, Joe Steffan, Lindley Knoll, Carol (Narlock) Novacek, Ann (Pederson) Sauer, Terri Anderson-Webb, Heather (Diesen) Jackson. Third row: Wayne Jordheim, Steve Broten, Gary Goroski, Pat Znajda, Patti (O'Keefe) Myrfield, Ken Porter, Alan Maruska, Blake Owens, Scott Brekke. Also attending but not pictured were Kevin Miska, Steve Novak, Darren Evavold, Brad Hillman, Donovan Hamrick, Alan Morkassel and Brenda (Forslund) Borowicz.

Pending Scholarship ~

WHS Class of 1969 Scholarship

The WHS Class of 1969 has passed the half way point toward their goal of raising \$10,000 and 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 \$6,545.

Chat with the Chairman

Dear Alumni and Friends of Education,

Greetings from the Warren / Alvarado / Oslo Education Foundation!

Welcome to our new format of "Connections!" Postal changes and space have prompted our new look. No, your envelope didn't fall out as the newsletters went through the mail. As a board we've decided to do two mailings without inserting envelopes as a cost saving measure. You'll find a copy of the envelope on page 8 and also on our link of the WAO Schools website at: wao.k12.mn.us. Many people tell us that they look forward to reading about classmates and friends in the "Where Are They Now" and News and Notes" sections, which are written by board member Ellen Strickler. Please help us continue these by sending us information about you, your family, etc. Our feature articles are always a great read. They are written by Duane Swanson, also an Ed Foundation board member.

Like sands through the hourglass so are the days of our lives! Many exciting events have taken place in the lives of the Foundation and its members over the past months. Noise levels were high and much laughter sounded as many classmates gathered together for reunions. Acquaintances were renewed and the making of new friendships took place during the summer of 2013 at these gatherings.

The Friday of the Marshall County Fair has become the date for our annual golf scramble. This year was #9. Thanks, Mike DuBore, for talking us into doing this event 9 years ago. This year 147 golfers appreciated their sweatshirts and mittens as the weather was very cool. The weather didn't stop the fun, participation in games/activities, and golfing. Along with this and our overwhelming generous sponsors we cleared over \$20,000. Mark your calendars for July 25, 2014!

Many folks from near and far reminisced as they toured the renovated elementary building and high school during fair weekend. Many "Do You Remember" and "I Recall" statements were heard throughout the hallways and rooms. Another comment that prevailed was, "Everything is so neat, well kept and clean!" All credit goes to the outstanding custodians at WAO!

Tailgating at Pony Football and Pony Volleyball happened this fall. Thanks to the WAO Community for their generous support of all of our events.

Classes are already planning for their 2014 gatherings. If your class is planning an event and you would like an up-to-date list of addresses, please contact the Foundation Office. The only thing we ask in return is that you provide us with any updates that you receive and e-mail addresses. More and more class reunion planners ask for e-mail addresses as it's much cheaper than snail mail. Won't you send us yours? Our 9,115 names and addresses are only as accurate and up-to-date as you help make it.

You'll find photos in this issue about a few of the things that we've funded for the staff. In late October we funded over \$19,000 in needs for both buildings. This is made possible because of your continued support through memorials, donations, and memberships. Thank you!

What will \$25.00 buy you? Many people have bought a one year membership in the Foundation. This money along with undesignated money from donations and memorials is used for classroom needs/requests and scholarships. It's a win, win!

Board member, Art Drenckhahn, moved out of the area. He offered much as a board member and we miss his expertise very much. Thank you and best wishes, Art and Char.

Please consider making a donation to the WAO Education Foundation. Many workplaces have matching funds that are available to their employees. Please remember that when you send a donation or memorial to the Foundation, you may designate on the envelope that you'd like it to go to a certain scholarship, class or department. All undesignated donations go into our general fund.

May the fall and winter seasons be a special time for you and your family as we give thanks for the year 2013 and look ahead to 2014!

If our board can be of any assistance to you with more information please feel free to contact me or one of our board members. "We can't succeed without you!"

Tribute and Memorial Gifts

May 1, 2013 - October 31, 2013

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Correction From Spring Newsletter:
In Memory of Merle Kalsnes
Bernice Kalsnes

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Where are they now . . .

Cynthia Braun, WHS 1981, Albuquerque, NM, is currently a trial attorney with the Parnall Law Firm. She studied Journalism at MSU and Wyoming Univ., and for a short time worked in Washington DC as a writer for the American Society of Internal Medicine. In 1991, she graduated from George Washington University's Law Center. Cynthia was admitted to practice law in NM, AZ, and the Navajo Nation. She and her 14 year old daughter Catherine, enjoy traveling, especially back to Minnesota.

Tatum Schuler, WHS 1992, has recently moved to Olathe, KS. He works for Charles Schwab in Kansas City. He also mentioned that **Lindley Knoll, WHS 1983**, works for Schwab's as well, but in San Diego, CA.

Esther (Brodahl) Eide, OHS 1934, and husband Wilbert, celebrated their 75th Wedding anniversary this fall. Esther is one of the oldest living graduates of Oslo High School. She and Wilbert reside at the Lutheran Sunset Home in Grafton, ND.

Bill Bienek, WAO 1997, is with Farmers Union Insurance based in Jamestown, ND. This past summer Bill was named one of the top five producers in North Dakota of new personal lines insurance for the company. He lives and works in Fargo.

A lively greeting of "Go Ponies!" was received from **Iola (Johnson) Hennebry, WHS 1942**. She writes that she and husband **Bob Hennebry, WHS 1939**, were married for 65 years. They made their home in Bemidji where they raised 4 children. Bob was in the Railway Mail Service, until his retirement. He passed away in April, 2011, a few months before his 90th birthday. They enjoyed traveling especially to Ireland where Bob had dual citizenship. She also mentions that **Bill Hennebry**, Bob's father was Police Chief in Warren for many years.

Roy Johnson, WHS 1940, Iola Hennebry's brother, lives in Chandler, AZ. He resides in Blue Sky Manor, a small nursing home.

Chris Fredrick, WHS 1987, was recently honored for his service to his nation. In recognition of his three

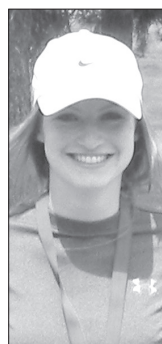
combat tours abroad, he was chosen to be Grand Marshall in the 2013 Steamboat Days parade in Carver, MN. Chris is a UH-60 Blackhawk helicopter pilot in the Army National Guard, transporting soldiers injured in battle to a military field hospital in hostile areas. "It's just like M*A*S*H*", he said, referring to the popular television show. Chris was a traditional guardsman for 16 years and went full-time in 2010. His current rank is Chief Warrant Officer 3. He has flown rescue missions in Kuwait, Iraq and in Afghanistan. Chris and wife, **Becky (Loeslie) WHS 1988**, live in Carver. They have 2 daughters.

Linda (Nelson) Barna, WHS 1963, sent her regrets that she could not attend her 50th class reunion last July. She lives in Tyler Hills, PA with husband, Nicholas. They have 4 children and 5 grandchildren. They own a family law firm where 3 of their children are also involved.

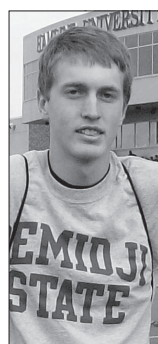
Patrick Vesey, WHS 1998, and business partner Kelly Zender are developing three floors of high-end apartments on Broadway in Fargo, ND. They purchased a 4-story office building, but realized it had potential beyond office space. They decided to convert the top three floors to housing. The apartments are expected to be ready in early 2014. Patrick and wife, Marcie, have 3 girls and live in Fargo.

Terry Paulson, OHS 1964, writes, "Thank you for the spring 2013 copy of Connections. Keep up the good work." Terry lives in Newark, CA.

Larry Peterson, WHS 1963, lives in Houston, TX. Over the years, Larry has worked for the railroad, the oil industry, and a marketing firm. However, most of his time was spent as a helicopter pilot. In that position, he traveled extensively and as a result, won 2 Academy Awards, for a Mexican Documentary Film, "Sentinels of Science". He plans to retire soon and ride the Great Divide Mountain Bike Route from the Mexican border to Alberta, Canada. Larry and wife Margarita have 2 children and 1 grandchild.



West Marshall Fusion senior, Emilie Nelson, qualified for the state girls' golf tournament in 2013, where she finished in 23rd place. This was the third time in four years Emilie played at the state tournament.



West Marshall Fusion senior, Jon Hess, participated in the state boys' track meet in 2013. He competed in the triple jump event and finished 12th with a 41' 75" jump.

Mark Poolman UND Hockey Trainer

by Duane Swanson

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Many would say he has succeeded living up to that quality. He has been the head trainer for the UND men's hockey team for 18 years and team strength coach the past 6 years. He also has the title of Human Performance Director. Those job descriptions and skills are all implemented to keep UND hockey players healthy and on the ice. Besides treating and rehabilitating injured players, prevention of injuries is high on his list. He assesses each individual's needs and designs workout schedules containing

nutrition, rehabilitation and any other plan that will keep players performing at a high level.

The positives of his duties far outweigh the negatives but there are times when he is away with the team for a road series when he regrets not being home. He explains, "I love the camaraderie we have with the coaching staff and the players are always great to work with. However, if there is a negative about the job, it is when the team is traveling and I have to be away and miss out on important family milestones or some daily issues that arise

when I am gone".

In closing, he has come a long way from his small school/small town roots. He has achieved his success because of hard work, integrity and strong family values. When asked if growing up and being educated in this small-town environment was important to him, he replied, "When I was younger, it didn't seem like growing up in Warren was anything special. But now, looking back with all my great memories, special is the only word that I would use to describe my home town".



"We have been so fortunate to have the WAO Education Foundation support our classrooms. This smart table is an outstanding teaching tool that we would not have been able to get without their support. The Ed foundation, Smart Technologies and the WAO Technology Committee helped to make this happen. Our District is truly blessed to have the support of such great programs" Amber Schoepp, Special Education teacher.

Superintendent Lon L. Jorgensen, Ed. D



Dear Foundation Members, Alumni and Friends,

Let me start this letter like I introduced myself to the staff of Warren-Alvarado-Oslo. If I haven't met you yet, I would imagine you are wondering who the new guy is. Well, the new guy is me. Let me take this opportunity to extend a hand of friendship and thanks to all who are receiving this mailing. It is my hope it finds you well and hopefully, at least once this week, regaling someone with a fond story of your high school days.

As a principal, I looked at the schools I worked in as a team of many parts all overseen by the coach. As with most teams, when one part of it suffers, all suffer un-

til the issue is resolved. I have taken this approach into the superintendency. Across this country and state there are many districts that are strong and some that are suffering and dealing with a myriad of issues. It is my happy duty to report that W-A-O schools are strong. In comparison to those not so fortunate; we have a healthy financial picture; our test scores are up; we met No Child Left Behind mandates; and on we are pursuing a levy to stabilize the district for the next 10 years. All of these are signs of a solid district that is on a solid foundation due in large part to our faithful followers and supporters.

I end the last paragraph and start the next with the term *foundation*. Webster's dictionary defines the term foundation as "That upon which anything stands; is supported; the groundwork or basis of." This is a very opportune description of the W-A-O Foundation. In the jobs I have had over my career from an elementary teacher, to an athletic director, to a superintendent, I can unequivocally state that W-A-O has the strongest foundation I've ever been associated with. Let me express my gratitude to Carol Anderson for her tireless work, and to all the alumni and friends who support us via the

golf outing, donations, or simply coming to an event at W-A-O... Thank You! Without your support and backing we would fail. Like the definition above, you were the beginning upon which our work is based.

I end this brief introduction with an invitation. If you haven't been back to the school in a while, please do. Come to a football or volleyball game in the fall, a fine arts event, if possible, or basketball game as the winter approaches. Experience again the pride that exists from our staff and students of what it is to be a Pony. Growing up in Northwood, ND, I too felt this source of pride in my high school. The only difference that is this time it isn't for the Trojan mascot in my hometown. It is for my new hometown, my kids' hometown, and the orange and black we all wear with conviction. I'm the one with the orange hair so I'm fitting in rather nicely.

Feel free to stop in anytime to our schools for a chat and a cup of coffee. As always, our doors are open to all Alumni and friends of W-A-O. Go Ponies!!!

Yours most sincerely and respectfully in education,

Lon L. Jorgensen, Ed. D.
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Be a part of this campaign to ensure that our children are equipped to succeed.

WAO students using robotics kits and 3D printers



Hallee Spidahl, left and Haleigh Davis connect motors to their micro-controller.

From the left: Jesse Kilen, Faith Porter, and Autumn Salmon work on building tank-tracks for their robot.



From the left: T.J. Bowman, Jose Pruneda, Ozkar Rodriguez, Jake Steer, and Chase Salmon with projects they made using the new 3D printers.

News and Notes . . .

At the end of the 2012-13 school year, **Kenny Hanson, WHS 1973**, custodian at WAO High, was honored for his 40 years of employment at the school. Thanks to him and other maintenance staff the WAO building is forever looking great and getting compliments from visitors and alumni. Thank you, Ken.

Warren was well represented in the Grand Forks Herald, when it came to the listing of “Nice Fish” caught on the Lake of the Woods. **Lacey Riopelle, WAO 2009**, was pictured with a 26 ½ inch Walleye, Mike Schmidt, spouse of teacher Deb Schmidt also boasted a 26 ½ inch walleye. Top honors went to **Tom O’ Keefe, Warren**, with a 29 inch catch.

Allie Carl, WAO 2010, was featured last spring in our newsletter for her award winning photography. While giving credit to step- grandparents Buzz and Treasure Omdahl, we failed to mention Allie’s other grandma, **Barbara (Buchner) Kuznia, WHS 1956**. Barb often mentions how proud she is to be part of the first class to graduate from the “new high school” in 1956.

Alexandra Erickson, WAO 2013, was chosen to play in the Minnesota Girls Basketball Coaches Association All Star Series at the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul. Alexandra was the first ever to be chosen for this honor from WAO High School. Her basketball career did not end there as Alexandra is a member of the Concordia College Women’s Basketball team this season. Alexandra is the daughter of **Becky (Nelson), ALV 1975**, and **Peter Erickson, WHS 1977**. Grandparents are **Corrine (Carlson) Nelson, WHS 1953**, and the late **Merle Nelson, ALV 1949**. Paternal grandparents are the late Donna and Paul Erickson.

Deanna (Carlson) Zink, WHS 1982, has been named the Executive Vice President and CEO of the University of North Dakota Alumni Association and Foundation. Deanna has been with the foundation for 25 years. She directs all fundraising and has played a major role in the success of the North Dakota Spirit Campaign for UND. Deanna and husband, Wayne, live in Grand Forks. They have 5 children and 4 grandchildren.

This past summer, in competition at Bloomington, MN, **Bailey Jo Jenkins WAO 2013**, was chosen as Minnesota’s 33rd Annual Homecoming Queen. She went on to represent Minnesota in America’s Homecoming Queen Pageant in Memphis, TN. Emphasis was not on talent or beauty, but the way participants communicated through personal interviews. Bailey was presented with a scholarship to further her education. Bailey is the daughter of Donna and **Price Jenkins, WHS 1984**.

Dan Gowan, OHS 1975, was promoted to Director of Agriculture at American Crystal Sugar Companies corporate a headquarters in Moorhead, MN. Dan has over 32 years of experience with the company.

Stroble Farms, Damon, WAO 1996, and **Arlyn, WHS 1970**, along with employee **Jason Steer, WAO 1996**, have top honors in the Warren area for raising the largest sugar beet. It weighed in at 31.8 pounds. It was found in a field 2 miles east of Warren when it plugged up the harvester. The beet seems to be the largest ever entered in the contest. The best part of this competition is they will have beet bragging rights for a year.

Susan (Miscik) Shirek, WHS 1976. After 25 years, Cpl. Shirek is retiring from the Grand Fork’s Police Department and as the school district’s first school officer. She served the city’s three middle schools. Susan has counseled and taught many programs over the years, her most recent being the gang resistance program. By all accounts, she has made a difference in

the students' lives and told them, “I want you to see the difference you can make for others.” In addition to her teaching, she encouraged each student to take part in a volunteer project.

Funeral hotdish! What next? Recently, the resourceful people of the Catholic Church in Tabor, MN, held a Funeral Hotdish Challenge. Winner of the newest contest in the area was **Cheryl (Anderson) Novak WHS 1971**, with her entry of Hollow Bean Hotdish. **Elvern Vanyo, ALV 1945**, attended, trying all entries. She said, “The joke in Tabor is next time there is a funeral, I’m just going to come and eat.” Elvern, 84, still lives near Tabor and plays organ for the church. Cheryl and husband **James, WHS 1970**, live in Tabor. Jim farms and Cheryl works at Sanford Home Health. They have 5 children and 8 grandchildren.

Josh Saunders, WAO 1998, plays a big role in keeping the University of North Dakota’s hockey team on perfect ice. Josh operates the Zamboni at the Ralph Engelstad Arena. At least 4 hours before each game is spent preparing the ice to a 1-1 ¼ inch depth. Josh shrugs off the importance of his job and claims “It’s just like driving a lawn mower, but you’re doing it on ice”. Josh lives in Grand Forks.

A special thank you goes to **Wayne Larson WHS 1978, John Golden, WHS 1974**, and Foundation Supporter, Phil Thompson for being the driving force and investors in the Twin Homes that are being built for the senior population in Warren. The first units are being occupied and the others are not far behind. What a wonderful and needed addition to our community!

Over 200 people experienced a little piece of history in Warren on Sunday, October 20th, as the new hospital was dedicated. Our city is growing and has so much to be proud of.

THANK YOU
“Thank you for the SMART table received a while ago. The kids were just as excited as I was when they first saw it and quickly figured it out. There’s lots of great learning going on.” **Amber Schoepp, Special Education Teacher**

WAO SCHOLARSHIPS
“Thank you for the scholarships I received and the support you have given to the students of the WAO Schools.” **Bailey Jenkins**

“Thank you for the opportunities your scholarship will bring.” **Colton Laymon**

“I am honored to be a recipient of this scholarship and for the assistance it will give me in college.” **Allyson Hebert**

“I am now able to attend my dream college because of your donation, time and consideration.” **Morgan Howard**

“I appreciate your care and concern for my future. I am grateful for the scholarship.” **Samuel Gibson**

“The financial support you have provided will be of great assistance to me. It brings me one step closer to achieving my goals.” **Madeline DuBore**

“Thank you for the scholarship. I appreciate it so much.” **Tony Kaiser**

“The money will definitely be put to good use as I work hard to further my education.” **Courtney Holub**

“Thank you for the opportunity to further my education in the field of Agriculture.” **Chris Miller**

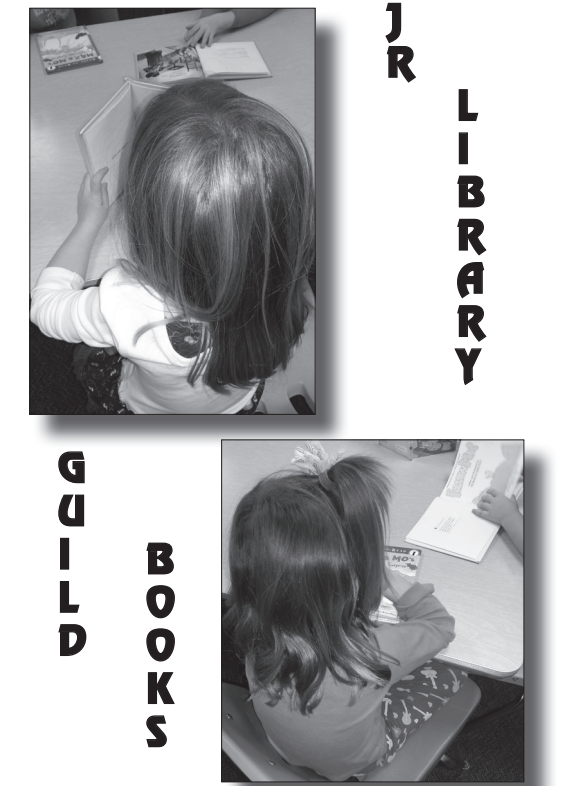
“Thank you for the generous scholarship. It will help out tremendously with my tuition.” **Alexandra Erickson**

“Thank you for giving me the scholarship. It will go towards helping me pay for my college.” **Jacob Tescher**

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.

1932 OHS	Anna (Ramon) Kienitz
1932 WHS	Adelaide (Dobias) Vanek
1939 WHS	John Miscik
OHS	Sylvia (Tinnes) Grabanski
1939 AHS	Benneth Mathsen
1939 WHS	Robert Hennebry
1940 WHS	Edward Sommers
1940 WHS	Mern (Feick) Olson
1941 OHS	Marge (Stewart) Reiersen
1942 WHS	Howard Lamberson
OHS	Harriet (Bang) Vesey
1947 AHS	Vivian (Haugen) Hanson
1952 WHS	Shirley (Larson) Jameson
1953 WHS	Barbara (Tullar) Crawford
1953 WHS	Shirley (Johnson) Bryngelson
1957 WHS	Roberta (Schirber) Hedquist
1957 WHS	Marilyn (Franks) Kasprowic
1957 WHS	Lois (Ranstrom) Larson
1959 WHS	Merle Kalsnes
1961 WHS	Doris Jean (Jerik) Weiland
1962 OHS	Ronald Ebertowski
1964 WHS	Ric Sorenson
1969 WHS	Gary Christofferson
1972 WHS	Dennis Kliner
1974 WHS	Roberta (Anderson) Stengl
1978 OHS	Henry Archibald
2004 WHS	Jamie Erickson
Teacher WHS	Ethel (Heuer) Backstrom
Teacher WHS	Irvin Braun
Teacher AHS	George Kalliokoski
Teacher WHS	Duane Loewen



Just a few of WAO Elementary students, enjoying the new selection of books the Elementary School Library receives monthly. With support from the WAO Ed. Foundation the library is sent 4 books per month from the Jr. Library Guild.

The WAO Education Foundation appreciates any information sent in to be shared by past graduates from the Warren, Alvarado, and Oslo area. Keep them coming!

2013 Ed. Foundation Golf Scramble



This trio of serious golfers are from left to right: Todd Dahlman, WAO1998, Mark Wimpfheimer, WAO2001 and Dean Dahlman, WHS1967.



These three alumni are from left to right: Scott Hurst, WAO2000, Dwight Sedlacek, WHS1963 and Stu Hurst, WHS1963.



A quartet home for a 50th reunion are from left to right: Harley Marek, WHS1963, Mike Johnson, WHS1963, Carole (Stroble) Edgar, WHS1963 and Wayne Edgar, WHS1961.



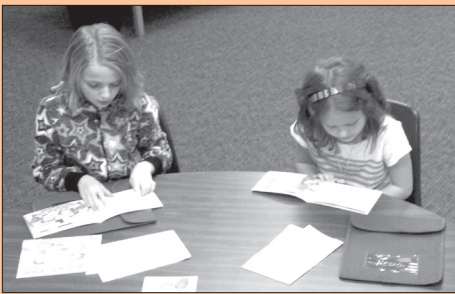
This foursome waiting for their turn include from left to right: Mike Bienek, WHS1993, Chris Albaugh, WHS1993, Joey McGregor, WHS1994 and Tim Erickson, WHS1994.



A rose and three thorns make up this foursome from left to right: Mark Plencner, WHS1976, Emilie Nelson, WAO2013, Jim Kuznia, WHS1976 and Steve Goodwin, WHS1976.

WAO Students Using the LLI Kits

WAO Education foundation purchased these Leveled Literacy Intervention reading kits for the WAO Elementary school. These kits will help students become better readers.



Thank You

We, the board of directors of the Warren-Alvarado-Oslo Education Foundation, would like to sincerely thank all that supported the Foundation in the past months and years.

We have heard from many of you. Many of you have paid dues above and beyond what you needed to send or have given memorials or donations. We sincerely appreciate all your support. Without it, we would be very limited with our efforts.

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