



# East High "Class of '56" NewsLink

December 2013



## EDITORS ERROR - MY APPOLOGIES

In the last issue I mentioned that along with future President Ronald Reagan, Cloris Leachman, and Roger Williams also had walked the Hallowed Halls of EHS. I was so wrong. **John Carr** called to inform me that neither one had graduated from EHS. John was right, Roger Williams graduated from North High School, and although Cloris Leachman did attend East High School for a period of time, she then transferred to Roosevelt High School because at the time it was felt they had a better Drama Department. She then graduated from Roosevelt. Thank you John for catching this error.

**Larry Fogelson** Editor

## ANOTHER GREAT GET-TOGETHER

I think it is getting to the point where we may not need chairs anymore. What a great crowd. There was a lot of circulating and talking. The only time the room was quiet and we used the chairs was when they brought out the food, and oh how it quieted down. We did discuss **Jerry Smith**, just a few weeks ago his wife Rebecca died, then while raking and burning leaves, Jerry got burned. As we understand it, he was taken to Iowa City's burn unit several times. We understand he is getting along much better now. Everyone present signed a get well wish to Jerry, and **Janeene (Miller) Carlisle** got a card for Jerry from the "Class of 56" Hope to see you at the Spring dinner get-together Jerry.

**Tom Pierick** sent a 75<sup>th</sup> birthday card to the class, which was on display at the front table, along with some Amos Hiatt memorabilia brought by **Marlene (Roberts) Wheeler**. Those in attendance were:

*Bill Foster & Shirley Selover-Bill & Norma (Treanor) Burke – Doyle & Sharon Ables – Glenn & Janet (Bales) Douglas – Larry & LaVae (Konz) Willson – Kay (Edwards) & Chico Alcantar – Jerry & Ruth (Cook) Hagg – Larry & Margaret*

*Fogelson – Carl & Pat Little – Tom & Roberta Abbott – Don Spaw – Johnnie & Shirley Johnson – John & Florita Sullivan – Marlene (Roberts) & Dale – Larry & Jackie Soloman – Carol (Adams) & John Jones – Linda (White) & Luanne Towers – Larry Hockersmith – Janice Webber – JoAnn (Brady) Wilson & Ray Myers – Larry & Karen Watkins – Bob & Connie Trotter5 – Mary Kay (Peacock) Sampson for a total of 43.*

A great time was had by one and all. Please join us next time. We usually get there about 6:10 or so and leave by 8:00 - 8:15. We are not night owls anymore.

Our next get together will be:

**Bianchi's Hilltop Restaurant**

**2820 Hubble Ave.**

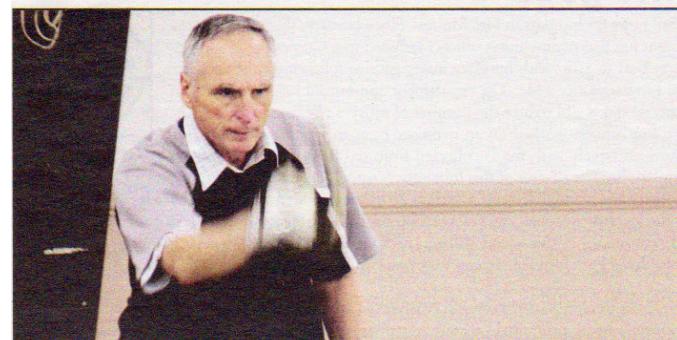
**Monday April 28<sup>th</sup> 2014**

**at 6:30 PM**

*See yall there, don't be square*

## SUCH INTENSITY

### **Pitch a few 'shoes at the Holiday Classic**



LeRoy Law, director of the Holiday Classic, pitching in a competition. The horseshoe tournament will take place on July 4 at Holiday Park between 10 a.m. and noon. The "Holiday Classic" is a IHHPA/NHPA Sanctioned Tournament. This means entry into this tournament requires membership in the IHHPA/NHPA.

I believe LeRoy Law wound up winning some singles and doubles in this event, and is considered one of the premier horseshoes pitching champions in the country. LeRoy has pitched in Tournaments from Pennsylvania to Wyoming.

## WALLACE ELEMENTARY 6<sup>th</sup> GRADE - 1949 -1950



Standing: *Miss Shay – Larry Gelliland – Riley Burch – Sarah Nass – Susan Rhoads – Delores Gagle – Janice Crain – Sandra Parsons – Sharon Whitehead – Karen Paterson – Judy Hansen – Sandra Condon – Linda Neely – Doris Glidewell – Mary Ellen Larence*

Kneeling: *Roy Treadway – Billy Zachar – Ray Treadway – Sam Carmichael – Bill Fleming – Yvonne Miller – Joan Woods – Donna Aspengren – Emma Larson – Mary Lou Weisbrod – Diane Ballinger*

Sitting: *Max Miller – Dean Dawson – Larry Rummans – Danny Adams – Larry Kampley – Steve Larson – Charles Sexton – Jimmy Church – Donna Rinard – Sally Buford – Bing Kinney – Sally Peterson – Nancy Nesbitt – Donna Nichols*

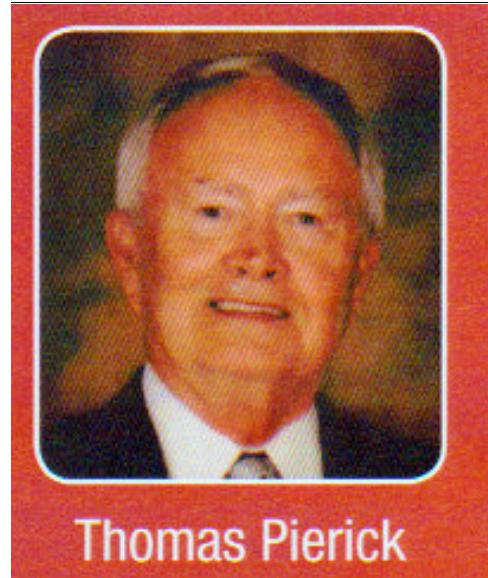
Not pictures: *Tom Fjelde*      Picture and names sent to me by **Sarah (Nass) Struthers** (and they complain about today's class sizes)

### ALI BABA AND THE DEN OF THIEVES ???



**Tom Pierick** (center) sent this picture. The late **Dick Bain** is standing next to him. Tom wonders who the other two are, and what is this all about???

### SPORTS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

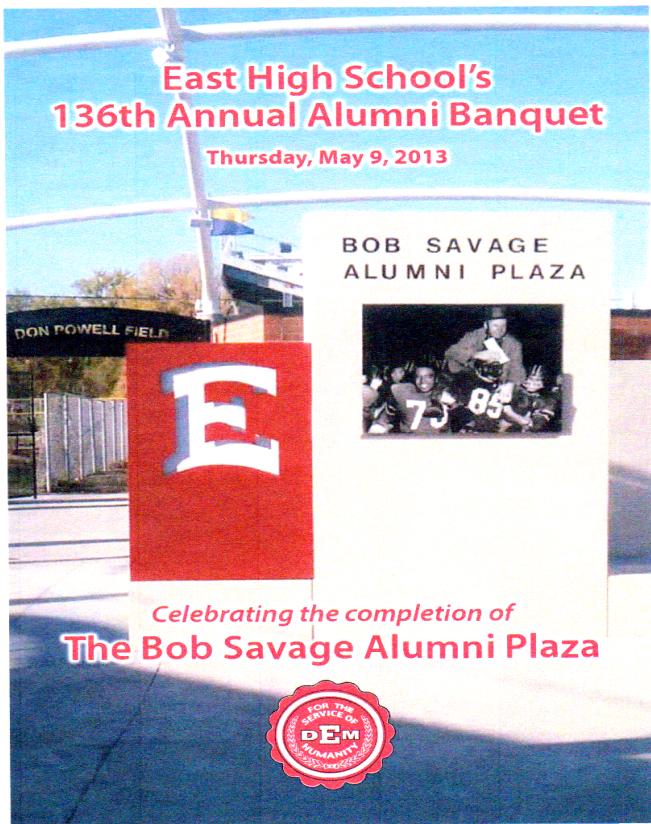


**Thomas Pierick**

The latest inductee into the East Sports Hall of Fame. Tom lettered in Football, Basketball, and Baseball. Tom was named to the "All City" teams in all three sports. In Football, Tom was named to the "All State Honorable Mention" team in 1955.

Tom received an athletic scholarship to play football and baseball for Drake University. He participated in the 1958 "Sun Bowl" football game vs. Louisville. Tom graduated with a degree in Pharmacy in 1960. He then purchased a Pharmacy in Pomona, CA. He has served 13 years in the Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Kiwanis Club. Tom also does an article called the Pharmacist Speaks for his local paper in Banning, CA. I might include one of these articles periodically.

### NEW PLAZA HONORS A LEGEND



A crowd of East Alums gathered for the ribbon-cutting ceremony that officially christened the Bob Savage Alumni Plaza at the entrance to Williams Field. Savage's career spanned five decades where his teams won 477 victories in softball, 198 in baseball, and 102 in football. He was inducted into the National High School Athletic Coaches Association Hall of Fame, as well as the Iowa Football Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

### STATE BASEBALL TOURNAMENT



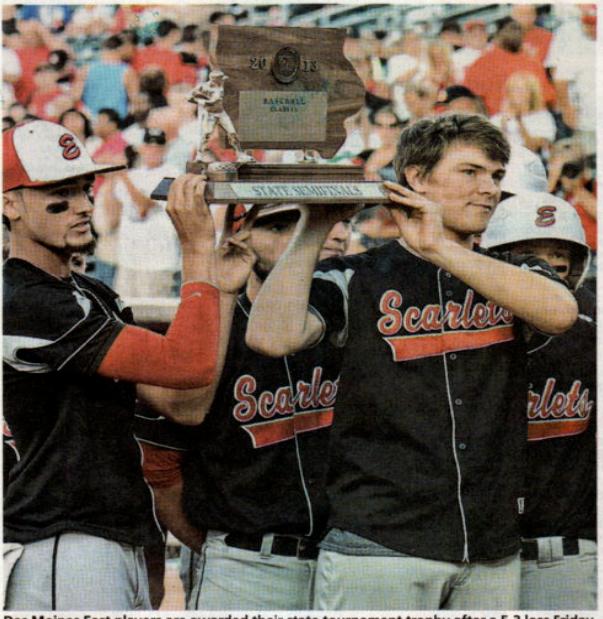
East tags out Davenport North runner to move up in the Class 4-A Championship.



East's catcher applies tag to Ankeny player to end game. East moves on to semi-finals.

### STATE 3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE FINISH FOR SCARLETS

## State Baseball Tournament



Des Moines East players are awarded their state tournament trophy after a 5-3 loss Friday to CIML rival Johnston in a Class 4-A semifinal at Principal Park. BILL NEIBERGALL/THE REGISTER

## STATE 4-A BASEBALL CHAMPIONS



Miles Fogelson holds the State 4-A Championship Trophy for Johnson at Principal Park.- (yes, he is my grandson- Being a grandpa made me do this.)

### LETTER OF APPRECIATION TO THE CLASS

Dear Larry

Enclosed please find another check to help sustain the EHS Class of '56' Newslink. I think the work that you are doing is very important as it connects each of us with our own root that have sustained our lives.

Not only do we have a common link together which has added value in our individual live, but when you read the Memorial's that you provide describing the live of our classmates who predeceased us, it not only brings back significant memories of our past relationships with that person, but more importantly, it expresses a larger picture of how the influence of our class has made a difference in the world to the lives of thousands, if not millions, of other people.

**Jack Hartung** of the Class of 1955 whose life literally reached the moon as a scientist for NASA, while coordinating the information related to the trajectory of the space ship.

**Nancy Belluchi**, who raised eight children, and 20 grandchildren, and also had 11 great grandchildren at the time of her death, adds a totally different perspective on our contributions to the world in which we live. I cannot imagine how much work it took to raise eight children. I could not even handle their laundry, but she did. She made a difference in her own way.

As I read about **Carol (Graney) DeChant**, I am reminded that we would not even know how to spell "Crayola" if she had not sent the message to us as one of her marketing clients. I think about **Dick Smith**. Who would have thought that he would make a difference in the marketing of the foods that we eat. I think about **Harold Olsen**, he literally traveled the shortest distance after graduation. He remained at EHS almost 50 years later. Yet, serving in his capacity as a counselor for thousands of East High graduates, he probably made the greatest difference of all in influencing the lives of the many alumni who followed us, and are now making a difference in the world today.

Our lives are richer to the extent the world is a better place because we have been here. Our East High motto, "For the Service of Humanity" makes more sense now. We have all made a difference in the world, each in our own way, and it all started at East High where we shared in the opportunity together to make a lasting difference in the lives of each of us while we were students.

Which is why what you are doing for our class makes a real difference for us **Larry**. Thank you for the continued reminder you provide of why East High remains so very important for each of us to remember as we live our own lives today.

With my very best personal regards to each member of our class, I remain Very Truly Yours.

**Lyle L. Simpson**

(*Lyle, your letter impacted me very much, as I am sure it will the rest of our class. I truly believe that most of us, even in our own infinitesimal way, have, and still are making a difference in the world today, especially for the "Spirit of Humanity".*)

**FROM THE 1913 EAST HIGH QUILL**

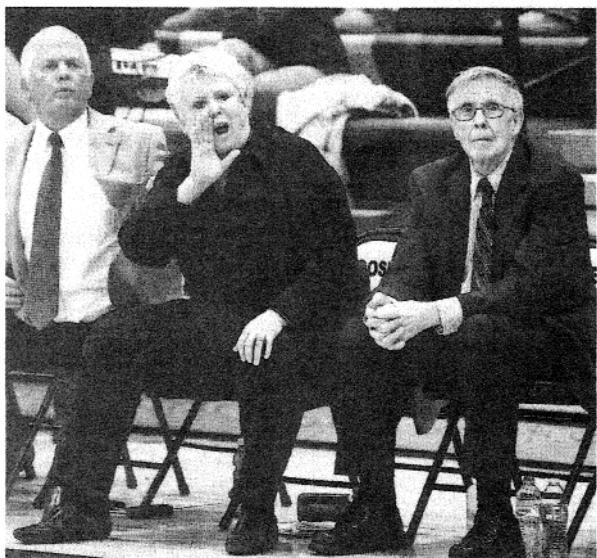
The new eighty –six foot flagpole has been put in place, and is silently waiting for the first event of a flag raising.

In 1912 the students of East High school made the memorable pilgrimage from the old high school to the new building. They latterly carried chairs desks, etc from the old Building to the new Building. One year later the seniors at East High have decided to have a big celebration, and want to make it an annual event. There will be music and folk dances in costume. The planting of the ivy will be another feature. In the evening the stall of the high school paper, The Quill, will give an original entertainment.

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

The class of 1963 was the last class to have Mid-Year graduation classes.

### **SCHARTNER BACK IN BASKETBALL**



Coaching legend **Jerry Schartner** found a new seat on the bench. Coach Schartner had a 545-200 record at Lincoln over a 33 year period before leaving Basketball.. He said he just got bored. He said he jumped at the chance when offered the position. Now he is assisting Bob and Sharon Hanson with the No. 1 ranked Dowling Maroons. After three decades as a head coach, Shartner is learning to bite his lip. He said it is difficult to do.

Especially after three decades of being a head coach and in the Hall of Fame. But, you can't argue with success. The Hansons have won over 717 games.

Sharon Hanson said they always had a lot of respect for Coach Schartner. She said "You appreciate a guy who has put in so many years for basketball."

Coach Schartner said "I wouldn't have done it for just anyone."

### **YOUR PHARMACIST SPEAKS**

----- By Thomas Pierick, R.Ph.-----

#### **Battling Shingles**

Shingles is an outbreak of blisters or rash triggered by the same virus that causes chicken pox (varicella-zoster virus). Other symptoms include numbness and tingling pain that are often located on one side of the trunk and around the waistline. The treatment for this condition, which commonly strikes after the age of 50, involves the use of anti-viral medications such as famciclovir and valacyclovir. These medications are most effective when taken within three days of shingles onset, when tingling and pain are first noticed. If these antivirals do not provide sufficient relief from pain, non-steroidal anti-inflammatory medications (NSAIDs) such as ibuprofen may be recommended, along with acetaminophen. Beyond that, more potent pain medications may be prescribed as needed.

While it isn't life-threatening condition, shingles can be very painful.

### **THE CALL COMMITTEE**

**Janeene (Miller) Carlise --- Committee Head**

**Kay (Edwards) Alcantar**

**Ruth (Cook) Hagg**

**Jerry Smith**

**Don Spaw**

**LaVae (Konz) Willson**

Thank you for all your efforts to keep the class, "In Touch". I appreciate receiving the newsletters, and Ruth Hagg calling me about the dinner get-togethers. Milo and I do mission work and unfortunately we have to miss some of them.

**Loretta (Woods) Ware**

Hi Bob!

Great stuff in the Newslink. You guys all are doing a great job. Enclosed is a contribution to help keep it coming.

past several years most of the NewsLinks have been in color.

Thank You Tom!

## **In Loving Memoriam**

*Nancy (Smith) Morrow Aug. 2013*

*Rebecca Smith- Jerry Smiths Wife Aug. 2013*

*Joan Campbell-Rod Campbells Wife Jan. 2013*

***(They will answer to a higher  
Roll Call Now)***

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The next dinner get-together will be:

Monday

April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2014

at 6:30 PM

at

Bianchi's Hilltop Restaurant

2820 Hubbell Ave.

***The Wife and I would like to  
take this opportunity to  
wish each and every one of  
you and yours:  
A Very Merry Christmas and  
a Happy New Year!***

Check out Tom Lettingtons

Web-site at [WWW.ehs56.org](http://WWW.ehs56.org)

Tom has a lot of personal things there as well as a lot of East High material. For the