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Unending Memories Highlight Alumni Weekend

A warm and wonderful June evening greeted attendees to Reunion Weekend 2015 at the Iowa Speedway on June 12, where hundreds gathered for the All-Classes Open House.

Nearly 300 alumni and guests attended the All-Classes Brunch Saturday morning at the high school, this year honoring six inductees to the NHS Hall of Fame. Thirteen class reunions

were held Saturday afternoon and evening spanning the years 1950 to 2010.



Class of 1950

Class motto: "What we are to be, we are becoming."



Class of 1955

Class motto: "The door to success is labeled 'push'"



Class of 1960

Class motto: "There is plenty of room at the top, but no place to sit"

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Class of 1965

Class motto: "The future belongs to those who prepare for it"



Class of 1980

Class motto: "Remember yesterday, dream for tomorrow, live for today"



Class of 1970

Class motto: "Today is the first day of the rest of our lives"



Class of 1985

Class motto: "We have dreams of each tomorrow, we have hopes of each today, we lead our futures and our goals from this very day. Each has his priorities, each has his own way; to each of us goes happiness throughout each growing day"



Class of 1975

Class motto: "We look to the past for knowledge; we look to the future with hope"



Class of 1990

Class motto: "We've walked so far together, we've grown so very close. But yesterday became today and we are on the verge of tomorrow, where we must go alone to find the dreams we all dreamed of together"

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Class of 1995

Class motto: "All of our yesterdays may be gone today, but they will live on in all our tomorrows"



Class of 2010

Class motto: "It's something unpredictable, but in the end it's right. I hope you had the time of your life"



Class of 2000

Class motto: "life is ours, we live it our way"



Class of 2005

Class motto: "It's something unpredictable, but in the end it's right. I hope you had the time of your life" – Green Day

Saturday All-Classes Brunch and 2nd Annual Hall of Fame Ceremony

Over 300 NHS grads and their guests were treated to a program highlighting the accomplishments of the 2015 graduating class and the second annual Hall of Fame induction ceremony. Mark Hallam ('79) presided over the festivities.

Marv Bunse ('65) offered his thoughts to attendees as he conducted the "Welcome Back to Newton" remarks. Marv described the last 50 years since graduation as 'Wow!' especially as it relates to technology. In college days a slide rule was the method used to conduct math problems ... not a calculator or computer. Marv went on to comment that there are special people in everyone's lives and how different life would be without these person to person interactions. There have been 48 members of the Class of '65 who have passed away, but also one member who will be honored as a Hall of Fame inductee.

Annie (Supino '90) Mielke provided the response to Marv's 'Welcome.' Annie commented on how her dedicated teachers at NHS inspired her to pursue a teaching career. Additional inspiration came from drama coach, Mark Burnett, who inspired her to continue acting after graduation.

NHS Principal Bill Peters ('83) introduced three members of the class of 2015. Bill characterizes the class of 2015 as one which does not say 'good enough' as they excel in a host of ways. Seventy-three students graduated with honors and the class boated seven valedictorians. The class of 2015 received 1.9 million dollars, with ACT scores above the state average, record number of students taking Advanced Placement courses and is once again one of the state's top schools for Battle of the Books. One student was recognized as a Des Moines Register All Academic selection, and NHS recently received a Bronze Rating by

US News Report as a top school. Only 12% of the schools in the nation receive this recognition.

Additional accomplishments include:

- Initiated a competitive Cyber Defense and Robotics, App development; The FFA program is now amongst the finest in the state has grown by over 140% in the past 4 years producing state champions, state officers and receiving multiple other accolades; NHS students have proven to be amongst the best welders and auto mechanics in the Skills USA Competition. Several of the students have attracted skilled trades scholarships and jobs in the rapidly growing field of manufacturing. Manufacturing and engineering jobs that are rapidly making their way back to the United States, and the Midwest in particular.

The class of 2015 was the first to take part in a Senior interview where the students interviewed with real employers and honed their resume skills. After those interviews the companies were so impressed that they wanted to follow up with dozens job offers and scholarship and training offers.

This class, combined with the juniors, have earned well over 2700 college credits while still in high school. This group boasts 24 National Honor Society members; Eighteen of 21 extra or co-curricular activities offered were recognized by the Iowa State Activities Association for their academic excellence ... an astounding number. The Schools Activities Program was recently granted Exemplary Status by NIAAA. Less than 10 schools in the country have attained this distinction.

This group raised funds to tackle huge social issues such as homelessness and human trafficking. No cause is too small, as students provide gifts to less fortunate families so children in our community will have a present under the tree on Christmas morning; The clothes closet now has over 400 prom dresses for NHS kids and the surrounding communities for free. More ways to give were found by



Members of the Class of 2015 who joined alums at the Saturday brunch are, left to right, McKenna Heisdorffer, class president, Homecoming Queen, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Student Council, drum major, jazz band, varsity swim and tennis teams; Rachel Prendergast, National Honor Society, Big Brothers Big Sisters, commencement speaker and swim state qualifier, attending Loras; and Marisa Modlin, honor student, National Honor Society, Big Brothers Big Sisters, tennis team, cross country, attending Mt. Mercy.



The oldest NHS grads to attend this year's All Classes Brunch are Eleanor (Hill '40) Trout and Morris Trout '39.

adding the Cards House of Apparel and the Body Shop Providing clothes and other personal effects for our kids.' The student body at NHS donated 2000 hours of labor to the city of Newton and Kellogg to plant flowers around the square, cleanup lawns for those who can't paint their houses, and pickup trash along the highways. The choirs and band and make regular trips to the senior citizens homes as well as many other civic organizations to share the gift of music. There are over 60 students who volunteer to mentor the youth in our community as a part of Big Brothers Big Sisters.

Athletically NHS had another great year. The Aqua Girls and Lady golfers both added conference titles to their resume, while the football team advanced into the state playoffs. Over 60 All-conference awards were attained by the Cardinals. All-state honors were bestowed to members of girls swim team, football, wrestling, bowling, softball and baseball, girls cross country and the track team (which now boasts a two-time state champion).

In the arts, accomplishments include:

NHS added another All-State music performer this year; the vocal and instrumental departments achieved Superior Ratings, both individual and in large groups competitions; NHS students receive superior ratings at twice the rate of the other schools; the visual arts department had several All-Conferences selections from drawing to sculpture and many genres in between, while other works were selected for display at the state capital building; the Drama department presented two outstanding shows this year, while The Speech team once again had All-State participants.

Bill concludes with, 'I am very proud of the many accomplishments, but I may be most proud of the event I am about to speak of. Our best day may be our Special Needs Basketball Game. When our handicapped students take the court with the assistance of NHS Seniors to play in front of a packed house of screaming Cardinal fans, the band is playing, the cheerleaders are cheering. And those children with disabilities get the opportunity to wear the Cardinal uniform, to have their name announced over the loudspeaker, and hear the roar of the crowd when they make a basket and ring the Victory Bell. That is a great day at NHS! (photo on page 18)

The 2nd annual NHS Hall of Fame inductees were introduced. This year's group included John Jenkins, Lewis 'Buzz' Levick, Joanne Jackson ('55), Chuck Jarnagin ('50), Tom Starr ('65) and James Tiedje ('60), Ph.D. Go to pages 7-9 for more detailed biographies of the 2015 HOF inductees.

Following the Hall of Fame Ceremony, Dan Kelley ('89) announced the roll call of classes with each responding with its class motto. As a wrap-up, in long standing tradition, the attendees sang the NHS loyalty song. Hall of Fame inductees were then greeted by fellow alums and guests.



Best Overall - Class of '70



Most Original - Class of '50



Most Nostalgic - Class of '65

CARDINALS



Chuck Jarnagin visits with one of the brunch attendees



John Jenkins celebrates his induction to the 2015 class of the Hall of Fame with his sons Jake ('03), left and James ('07), right



Jason W. Brooks/Daily News

Six people were inducted Saturday into the Newton High School Hall of Fame at the NHS Alumni Association's All-Classes Alumni Brunch. One of the six was Lewis "Buzz" Levick, center, who took a moment to pose with his wife of 67 years, Miriam, and former player Gary Williams, who played on the 1963 and 1964 state-champion Cardinal boys basketball teams coached by Levick. *(Newton Daily News 6/16/15)*



Tom Starr and his wife Cathy share his Hall of Fame award plaque with other Hall of Fame inductees

Mark your calendars for Friday night, June 10, 2016 for the next All-Classes Open House and Reunion at the Iowa Speedway's Newton Club, and Saturday morning, June 11, for the All-Classes Brunch and NHS Hall of Fame Ceremony at Newton High School. Individual reunions for class years ending in 1 and 6 will be held Saturday, June 11. Check NewtonAlumni.org, or our public Facebook page at [Facebook.com/NewtonIowaAlumniNews](https://www.facebook.com/NewtonIowaAlumniNews), for events, times, and locations, or check with your class representative

2nd Annual NHS Hall of Fame

The purpose of the NHS Hall of fame is to honor individuals and organizations that have made exceptional achievements in their field, significant contributions to Newton High School, or unique contributions to their communities at the local, state, national or international levels. Ongoing annual selections for the Hall of Fame will recognize and encourage Newton high School's tradition of excellence.

JOHN JENKINS

John grew up in the small river town of Lexington, Mo. John graduated from William Penn University with a degree in Education, later earning a Master's degree from Drake University.

John came to Newton in 1980 and coached at Central Junior High. He moved to high school coaching his second year, as sophomore coach, and later became varsity assistant coach under the legendary Frank Gilson (NHS Hall of Fame 2014).

Under John's leadership as head coach from 1986-2002, the Cardinals' record was 143-41, with two State Championship Final appearances and 16 playoff appearances –making John the most winning coach in Newton history. From 1986 to 2002, the Newton Cardinals reached the Class



4A state playoffs every single year and won the Conference title three times.

His approach to coaching was based on character. Following his belief that persistence in the game of football is far more than physical, he termed his approach CFLA: Character First, Last and Always. Focusing on character, John believed, would enable student-athletes to achieve their full potential. It worked. In addition to a successful record, John mentored 67 All-State Players.

A partial accounting of John's awards and public recognition includes:

2001 Iowa Football Coaches Association Hall of Fame; 2002 Iowa Conference Coach of the Year; 2002 William Penn University Hall of Fame; 2010 National College Football Hall of Fame Lifetime Achievement Award; 2011 William Penn Ed Thomas Memorial Award.

John retired from Newton High School in 2008.

LEWIS 'BUZZ' LEVICK

Among other teaching and leadership roles at Newton High School, Lewis "Buzz" Levick was head men's basketball coach and led the Cardinals to two back-to-back state championships.

Yearbooks record a solid line of cars stretching from Newton to Veteran's Memorial Auditorium in Des Moines during the state tournaments, and a midnight celebration on the downtown Newton square.

The Newton Cardinals 1963 team defeated Council Bluffs Lincoln in the state title game and ended the season with a 26-0 record. Expectations were high for the following year and those expectations were met: though not undefeated, Buzz and the Newton Cardinals achieved the status of state champions again – marking Newton's back-to-back state basketball championships.

Buzz believes the key to successful teams is getting student-athletes

to play together and feel good about each other.

After leaving Newton, Buzz was head basketball coach at Wartburg College from 1965 to 1993, compiling a 510-226 record, winning 14 Iowa Conference Championships, and making 13 postseason tournaments. His teams twice reached the NCAA quarterfinals. Wartburg's sports facility has been dedicated in honor of Lewis "Buzz" Levick, and houses the Knights volleyball and men's and women's basketball programs for practices and competitions.



A partial accounting of his awards and public recognition includes: Iowa Conference Coach of the Year (nine times); NAIA District 15 Coach of the Year (six times); Drake University Double D Award; Iowa High School Basketball Hall of Fame; National Association of Basketball Coaches Award of Merit for Distinguished Coaching; Des Moines Register Hall of Fame; IHSSA Hall of Fame; Wartburg College Hall of Fame.

At the time of Buzz's induction at Wartburg, he was one of only 65 coaches in the nation to have won 500 games or more. His overall career record, encompassing high school and college coaching, was 747-328. Buzz is retired and lives with his wife, Miriam, in Waverly, Iowa.

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JOANNE JACKSON

Joanne Jackson is a 1955 graduate of Newton High School.

Her interest in music began early: Joanne's father and uncle were in their own band, and her father had introduced her to the works of Duke Ellington and Count Basie at an early age. Joanne's first public performance was at age four.

Following graduation from Newton, Joanne received a scholarship to attend Drake University where she



majoring in classical music while continuing with piano and violin. Her true passion, though, was in the development and training of her magnificent voice with the goal of becoming a jazz or a pop singer. The ideal place for that career was California, where she was based for more than 25 years.

Joanne's talent as a professional vocalist has taken her all over the world. She spent months in Europe, performed in Australia and New Zealand, and received awards for the starring role in "Blues in the Night" in London, Dublin, and Los Angeles.

In the United States, she sang with Witches Brew, and has performed with artists Ruth Brown in "Guys and Dolls" in Las Vegas, bassist Leroy Vinnegar, Frank Sinatra's guitarist Al Viola, and with the Count Basie

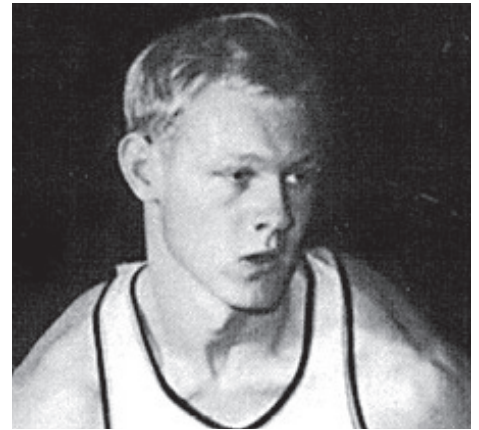
Band. As part of the Houston Grand Opera she performed in stage productions of "The Wiz" and "Pearlie," in addition to the Houston Grand Opera's Tony award winning "Porgy and Bess."

Joanne was inducted into the Des Moines Jazz Center Hall of Fame in 2003 and into the Iowa Blues Hall of Fame in 2005. In 2013. Although retired from the entertainment industry, she plans to continue offering online singing lessons to students.

CHUCK JARNAGIN

Chuck Jarnagin is a member of the Newton High School Class of 1950. He participated in football and track, and all four years in basketball, where he distinguished himself as an outstanding player and athlete: in 1950 he held every NHS basketball scoring record for a single game, season, and career; in both his junior and senior years he was selected 1st Team All-Conference and 1st Team All-State by the Des Moines Register & Tribune and also the IDPA (Iowa Daily Press Association); in 1950 The Register named him Iowa's #1 high school forward. Further recognition of this high achievement was acknowledged in 1979 when Jarnagin was inducted into the Iowa High School Basketball Hall of Fame. Chuck was offered a pro-baseball contract with the Cleveland Indians Organization but chose to start classes in Iowa City the fall of 1950 and to play basketball under Coach Frank "Bucky" O'Conner (NHS '32). Here he would become a three-year starter and letterman for the Hawkeyes and was elected their captain his senior year. Chuck also captained the Iowa All-Star Basketball Team, and barnstormed vs the Harlem Road Kings. In 1954, Chuck graduated from the University of Iowa with a B.A. in physical education.

Drafted to serve in the U.S. Army in 1955, Jarnagin was assigned to the



Nike Battalion coordinating the air defense of the Hanford Site, a part of the Manhattan Project for the Atomic Energy Commission.

Chuck moved to Des Moines in 1958, to accept the position of General Sales Manager with 3 M, a Division of Koch Bros. After twenty years he joined the Campbell Chain Company in York, PA. There he assumed sales and marketing responsibilities before becoming vice president. He retired in 1993 and later returned to Newton and worked for Forbes Office Solutions retiring a second time in 2013. He continues to reside in Newton.

In 1955 Chuck married Mary Bickell, a NHS graduate of the Class of 1948.

TOM STARR

After graduation from Newton High School in 1965, Tom entered the University of Iowa where he received a B.A. degree in Radio-Television Journalism in 1971. He later completed an M.A. in Public Relations at Iowa State University. Tom is also a graduate of the ESPN School of Business and the U.S. Army Adjutant General School.

He started his career in 1973 as Director of the Service Bureau for the present-day Big 12 Conference, following that with an appointment as Sports Information Director at Iowa State University from 1977-79. His

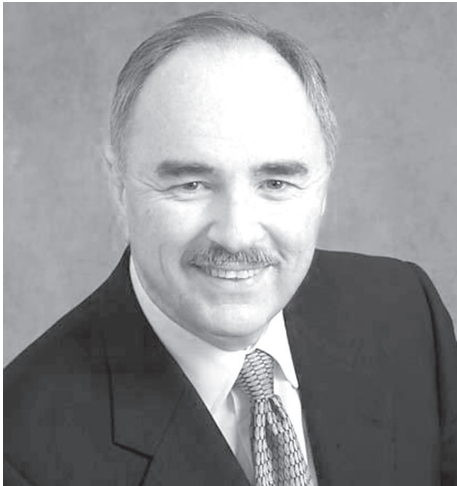
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involvement as chief executive officer of post-season college football bowl games began in 1979 at the Sun Bowl in El Paso Texas. Others include: the Freedom Bowl (Anaheim, Calif.), the Armed Forces Bowl (Fort Worth, Tex.) and the Heart of Dallas Bowl (owned and operated by ESPN) which he founded in Dallas. While in Anaheim, Starr also founded the Disneyland Pigskin Classic.

To date, Tom has the distinction



of being the only athletic administrator to have held the position of Chief Executive Officer of four different bowl games.

In addition to Starr's successful business sponsorship negotiations, he was instrumental in arranging significant financial contributions from the Walt Disney Company to The American Football Coaches' Association Retirement Trust Fund and the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics.

Starr was recognized in 2000 with the Bud Dudley Bowl Executive Award and has twice been named bowl executive-of-the-year. He recently has been honored by the Armed Forces Bowl in naming their Most Valuable Player Award the "Tom Starr MVP Trophy". A Vietnam veteran, Starr is the recipient of the Bronze Star Medal and two joint Service commendations.

JAMES TIEDJE Ph.D.

Dr. Tiedje is a 1960 graduate of Newton High School. He was a member of FFA (Future Farmers of America) all four years, a member of Delta Mu Delta as a junior and senior, student council representative three years, and a representative to Kiwanis and Hawkeye Boys State as a junior. Jim played tennis as a freshman and sophomore, participated in plays his junior and senior years and become a member of Thespians his senior year; he was elected Class Secretary in 1959 and Class President in 1960 when he was also awarded a Maytag Scholarship.

In 1964, Jim received his B.S. degree from Iowa State University. He then continued his education at Cornell University, earning M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in Microbiology by 1968.

Dr. Tiedje is a microbial ecologist at Michigan State University where he is University Distinguished Professor of Microbiology and Molecular Genetics and of Plant, Soil and Microbial Sciences. He is internationally recognized for his research on microbial processes in soil, water and the human gut. Dr. Tiedje is best known for his discovery of microbes that remove serious environmental pollutants and for genome analysis of the largest soil DNA sequencing project.

A partial accounting of his related activities and accomplishments includes:

Research in Australia, South Korea, Japan, Russia, Argentina and Brazil with over five hundred scientific papers published by his research group and cited by others over 60,000 times.; Assistance to the U.S. Government by serving on the board on Life Sciences of the National Research Council, as Chair of the E.P.A.'s Science Advisory Panel and on the Department of Energy's Biological and Environmental Research

Advisory Committee; Service as President of both the American Society for Microbiology and the International Society of Microbial Ecology; Sharing in the 1992 Carlos J Finley Prize awarded by UNESCO for major international research in microbiology; Recipient of an Einstein Professorship by the Chinese Academy of Sciences; Membership in the U.S. National Academy of Sci-



ences, the highest scientific honor in the United States

Jim is married to the former Linda Beth Creed, a 1961 graduate of NHS. . Jim's parents are the late Harold and Winifred (Wormley) Tiedje, both 1937 graduates of Newton High School. His siblings are Rick (1964) and Barbara (1969). In 2005 the family established a Newton Community Educational Endowment Fund in memory of Winifred.



Alumni In The News ...



Jason W. Brooks/Daily News

The Greater Newton Area Chamber of Commerce and several area businesses sponsor an annual luncheon to welcome new school teachers and administrators. Newton's newest full-time teachers are, in no particular order, Courtney Allen, Taryn Fisher, Taylor Peska ('10), Jilian Van Vuren, Casey (Grimes '87) Price, Tanner Clute ('01), David Baxter, Stephanie Langstraat, Brady Calow, Dustin Brisel ('09), Collin Barnes, Ashley Carter, Jason Carter, Bill Liley, Jenna Deutmeyer, John Bieber, Charles Beeler, Trisca Mick, Bethany Taylor and Chad Garvis.

(Newton Daily News 8/19/15)



Jamee A. Pierson/Daily News

Kellogg resident Jeannie (Kingery '61) Boettcher was one of 91 individuals or couples inducted into the 4-H Hall of Fame during a ceremony in the 4-H Building at the Iowa State Fair on Sunday. She is pictured at the induction ceremony with John-Paul Chaisson-Cárdenas, 4-H Youth Development Program leader for ISU Extension and Outreach.

(Newton Daily News 8/24/15)



Submitted Photo

Rod Slings ('72), NHS graduate and author of "Blood on the Leaves," visited Newton High School and LMC Director Ann Nelson Sept. 4 to donate a copy of his book.

(Newton Daily News 9/15/15)

Gearhart graduates from DMACC ASEP



Submitted Photo

Des Moines Area Community College student Colten Gearhart ('12), center, of Newton receives congratulations and a plaque from Joel Kruger, left, and Gialan Williams, both of General Motors, for successfully completing the General Motors Automotive Service Education Program.

(Newton Daily News 5/22/15)



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Dodd's Recycling celebrates 25 years



Submitted Photo

Dodd's Recycling Co-owner Dave Dodd ('73) assists with daily pickup of recycling. Dodd's Trash Hauling and Recycling recently celebrated its 25 year anniversary of recycling.

In April 1990, Dave and Liz Dodd (Couch '72) were watching an Earth Day special on TV that changed the family business forever.

Dodd's Trash Hauling and Recycling celebrated its 25 year anniversary of recycling on April 20. As a business, the Dodds have been around for almost 50 years. Its mission to keep Iowa beautiful is done by hauling trash, curbside recycling, commercial recycling, roll off work and yard waste. Co-owners Dave and Liz Dodd are proud of how far they have come.

"I knew if the business was to go forward, we had to go to recycling. If we didn't recycle, we wouldn't have been in business. No way," Dave Dodd said.

Recycling was almost unheard of back then, which is why the Dodds were divided about what to do with the business. Dave knew if they did not start recycling, some other business would. It was an uphill climb for the whole family.

Founder of Dodd's Trash Hauling and Recycling, Lloyd Dodd, thought recycling was a fad; he thought there was no way the family would make a profit from it. Once Dave Dodd showed his father the totals being saved from the landfill, Lloyd trusted his son to contin-

ue with recycling. Because as soon as the landfill was full, the Dodds would have another expense to transport material to another town's landfill.

However, the Dodds continue to preserve the landfill. Last year, the business recycled more than 1,500 tons, a total the Dodds look forward to every year.

"It's unbelievable how many tons we take out of that landfill stream in a year's time," Dave Dodd said.

Over the 25 years, Dodd's Trash Hauling and Recycling has reached several milestones. One achievement that sticks out to the Dodds was the transition to single stream recycling.

Before the Dodds adapted this idea, they had to manually separate different recycled items. Now, the Dodds are able to be more efficient and timely with their work since single stream recycling allows all recycled materials to be mixed together.

Accomplishments aside, the business would not be where it is today without its struggles.

(Excerpted from the Newton Daily News 4/27/15)

DeGrados cavatelli dinner to raise funds for St. Nick's

By Scott Thenhaus
Newton Daily News

A Newton couple with strong ties to St. Nick's Christmas Club will be serving up a special dinner to fundraise for the charitable organization that helps kids in need.



Submitted Photo

The DeGrados have prepared a few private cavatelli dinners in the past, a May 1 fundraiser dinner will now be available to the public from 5:30 to 8 p.m. May 1 at Newton Elks Lodge.

John ('67) and Mari Jo DeGrado (Wolfe '75) will be hosting a cavatelli dinner from 5:30 to 8 p.m. May 1 at the Newton Elks Lodge.

The DeGrados will be serving cavatelli using their recipe along with salad and bread. The couple have donated and volunteered for St. Nick's for several years, but now they are becoming more active.

"We don't need much. We have everything we need. I don't need anything Christmas day, but a little girl or boy does," John DeGrado said.

The cavatelli recipe has been a part of John's family for about 100 years, he said, but this will be the first time it will be prepared for the public. DeGrado said the dish takes six to eight hours to prepare. Only a select few outside of the family have tried the dish, but St. Nick's club president Julie Bak thought it would be a good fundraiser for the or-

ganization.

"There are a lot of people in this town who have eaten DeGrado's cavatelli and know about it. I think it will be a great idea, and I'm hoping we have a fabulous turnout," Bak said.

St. Nick's Christmas Club was established in the 1980s by a group of friends that got together at the local Manhattan bar. The idea for the organization, however, was inspired by a couple of sisters who wanted to give non-perishable foods to needy people. The sisters often went door to door with a little red wagon, but after they realized they were not helping enough people, they reached out to others for support.

In its first year, the organization helped support less than 50 children. Now, St. Nick's supports more than 650 children with a food package. ...

(Excerpted from the Newton Daily News 4/23/15)

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Cardinal Lanes has new owners

By Jason W. Brooks

Newton Daily News

The Newton building where so many strikes and spares have been logged will again be up and running as a bowling alley soon, as a local couple has agreed to buy it.

Tuesday, real estate agent Lisa McKinney told the Newton Daily News that she and her husband, Brian, have signed an agreement to purchase Cardinal Lanes from Great Southern Bank.

"The goal is to open for Labor Day weekend," Lisa McKinney said. "Leagues are scheduled to start the week after Labor Day."

She said there are plans to put in a family entertainment center at the bowling alley, with laser tag, a redemption arcade and party rooms for birthdays or corporate events. The food menu will be updated, with an effort made to keep it affordable.

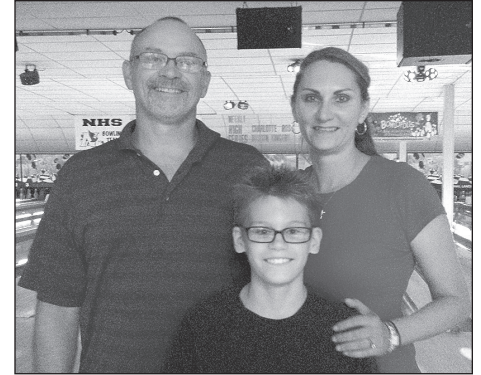
There will need to be significant work done to the building, located on

S. Fifth Ave. E., east of E. 12th Street S., before it can reopen. She said the roof is the top priority, as the couple doesn't want any of its indoor remodeling work to be exposed to any moisture.

"We've tried to be as prepared as possible," McKinney said. "We've had contractors come in and look at all the systems, such as the roof and the plumbing."

The longtime owners and Cardinal Lanes operators, Jeff and Bev Van Blair, weathered 34 years worth of economic twists and turns before finally losing it to foreclosure in the late spring. During a May 19 sheriff's sale of the property, no one bid on it, and it went into the possession of Great Southern Bank.

The building was constructed around 1970. In September 1981, the Van Blairs purchased Cardinal Lanes from Joe Fleming. It was the Van Blairs' second attempt at being proprietors of a bowling center, having purchased one in 1978 in Humboldt



Submitted Photo

Lisa ('86) and Brian ('83) McKinney have purchased the Cardinal Lanes bowling alley, and the couple plan to keep 16 of the original 20 lanes and add family-entertainment center features. They are pictured here with their son, Kenny.

before it burned down later that same year.

Bev Van Blair, who has continued to serve on state and national bowling boards, expressed much gratitude in May for the way the community supported the facility and the sport through the years.

(Excerpted from the Newton Daily News 7/29/15)

Players reunite with longtime coach



Kate Malott/Daily News

Former Newton Senior High School boys golf members Bruce McCormicle ('74), Sam Billmeyer ('75) and Tom Norris ('75) reunite with their former golf coach and mentor Jack Chadwick for the Kenny Brown Golf Memorial Saturday at Westwood. Chadwick, who coached the boys' team for 30 years, played the 18-hole tournament with many of his former players. He was elected to the Iowa High School Golf Coaches Hall of Fame in 2005.

(Newton Daily News 8/19/14)

Alumni In The News ...



Hummel to preside as parade grand marshal

By Jason W. Brooks
Newton Daily News

Don Hummel ('44) just turned 90 years old, but don't tell anyone. Hummel joked about keeping his age a secret during a recent interview, but that would be as tough to keep under wraps as it would be to make a secret out of how widely respected and liked he is in Newton.

The World War II veteran, longtime Maytag employee and former owner of Cliff's Restaurant and Cocktail Lounge is many other things to his community, and soon he can add 2015 City of Newton Fourth of July parade marshal to his long list of life achievements.

Hummel received a written invitation to serve as a grand marshal of this year's parade by Greater Newton Chamber of Commerce board members at a recent celebration of his

90th birthday. He said he was caught off guard by the invitation. "I thought 'Holy mackerel,'" Hummel said.

Hummel said his wife, Betty, isn't in the best of health, and may or may not "give it the old college try" and ride in the parade along with Don. Jeff Maki, the oldest of Don and Betty's grandsons, will be his driver, and Jeff Hummel, one of the couple's sons, will be the "co-pilot."

The couple will undoubtedly be waving to at least a few family members during the parade. They raised all seven of their children in Newton, and have 17 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren, plus one great grandchild on the way.

Hummel said he's honored to fulfill a role that's regarded as also sort of lifetime achievement award for contributing to Newton.

(Excerpted from the Newton Daily News 6/30/15)



Jamee A. Pierson/Daily News

David Barr ('76) waves to the crowd as Grand Marshall of Kellogg's Sesquicentennial celebration during the parade Saturday.

Barr, Reddings honored at Kellogg's Sesquicentennial

By Jamee A. Pierson
Newton Daily News

People on chairs and blankets lined the road ready to celebrate Kellogg's Sesquicentennial with the opening ceremony and parade Saturday. Three very special guests were a part of parade riding in style with Grand Marshal David Barr in a convertible ...

Grand Marshal David Barr

Barr is the youngest child of Chester and Irene, who grew up as a Kellogg resident most of his life. He attended Kellogg Elementary and graduated from Newton High School in 1976. From there he received his degree in Farm Operations and Management from Ellsworth Community College and began farming along with working at Maytag.

"Known throughout the community for his work ethic, integrity, exceptional leadership and most importantly his service to oth-

ers, these faithful attributes are what entitle him to the prestigious position of grand marshal," event coordinator Lauren Gildersleeve said.

Currently, Barr serves on the administrative board at the Kellogg United Methodist Church, and he was a past leader of the community youth group and was a leader for KID's Club and Vacation Bible School. He helped start and lead Camp on the Rock and serves on the East Jasper Christian Food Pantry Board.

He served the City of Kellogg Reserve Office, served as deputy in the Jasper County Reserves and volunteered for the Kellogg Fire Department for five years. He served on the Jasper County Extension Council, on the Jasper Country Fair Board and on the Kellogg Community Chest Board.

Barr was often found serving behind the scenes at community events...

(Excerpted from the Newton Daily News 6/29/15)

Alumni In The News ...

Local business professionals honored for excellence

By Jamee A. Pierson

Newton Daily News

Three local business professionals have recently received awards in the respective fields. Real Estate Agent Kathy Macy, Attorney Randal Caldwell ('73) and Dr. Steven Rabedeaux ('76) were honored by their trades for the work they have done during their career.

Randal Caldwell

Attorney Randal Caldwell of Newton was recently inducted into the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel at its recent annual meeting. Caldwell was one of 35 new Fellows from across the country.

As a member of the firm Caldwell, Brierly, Chalupa and Nuzem, PLLC, Caldwell has been practicing since 1979 and is one of only 46 ACTEC Fellows in the state of Iowa. He is a former chair of the Probate Section Council of the Iowa State Bar Association and is a member of the Iowa ACTEC.

Caldwell was nominated for membership by Fellows of the College and went under careful review by both state and national membership selection



Submitted Photos

Top left: Randal Caldwell ('73) was recently inducted into the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel. Top right: Steve Rabedeaux was selected as the 2015 Leading Physicians of the World Top General and Cosmetic Dentist.

committees, prior to consideration by the regent of the College.

Steven Rabedeaux

Selected for their experience, forward thinking and highest quality of care, the Leading Physicians of the World are the most distinguished and desired medical professionals from every specialty. Rabedeaux was selected as a 2015 Top General and Cosmetic Dentist by the organization.

Rabedeaux followed in his father's footsteps and became a dentist and receiving his BS and DDS from the University of Iowa College of Dentistry in 1984. He worked with his father until 1991 and continued the practice, utilizing state-of-the-art technology and unparalleled customer service to achieve the best possible patient experience.

(Newton Daily News 5/4/15)

Schnell receives Iowa Grange Community Service Award

Newton Daily News

Jean Schnell of Newton received the Iowa State Grange Community Service award during the recent 146th session of the Iowa State Grange held at the Amboy Grange in Kellogg.

Schnell currently serves as the lecturer (program director) of the Oak Ridge Grange where she has been a member for more than 60 years. She has served as junior matron for the Oak Ridge Grange and as chaplain of the Iowa State Grange.

(Excerpted from the Newton Daily News 9/21/15)



Submitted Photo

Pictured is Jean (Wise '54) Schnell, of Newton, accepting her award from Iowa State Grange Master Dwight Baldwin ('69) at the 146th session of the Iowa State Grange held at the Amboy Grange in Kellogg.

Gilbert R. Caldwell III ('70) of Newton has been presented an Iowa "Top 10 Attorney Award" for excellence in the field of Family Law by the National Academy of Family Law Attorneys (NAFLA).

NAFLA is a professional organization dedicated to helping the public find the finest family law attorneys in the nation. By equipping highly-qualified family law attorneys with the most current continuing education opportunities and providing the public with accurate listings of top ranked attorneys in their states, NAFLA helps provide quality representation for those in need of the services of a family law attorney.

Caldwell has been practicing family law in Iowa for over 30 years and is a member of the firm of Caldwell, Brierly, Chalupa & Nuzum, PLLC.

Alumni In The News ...



Jamee A. Pierson/Daily News

Paul Mattingly ('70) stands next to the Fender guitar that will be raffled off at the 50th anniversary open house for Mattingly Music and Book Saturday.

Mattingly Music celebrating 50 years

By Jamee A. Pierson
Newton Daily News

You can almost take a step back in time when you walk into downtown mainstay Mattingly Music and Book. With the 80 year old wallpaper still up from the original owner and a toy train that circles the store around the ceiling, it is a piece of history unlike any other.

"People like the old tin ceiling, the wood floor. There is a peculiar smell when you come in. It is sort of an old fashioned type of store," Owner Paul Mattingly said.

Mattingly, 113 W. Second St. N., is celebrating its 50th anniversary in business, capped with an open house Saturday complete with cookies and punch. The open house will be in conjunction with Ridiculous Day and Newton Fest.

"We're having all sorts of specials for our 50th anniversary. We're raffling off a beautiful Fender guitar," Mattingly said.

All are welcome to help them celebrate the milestone with Mattingly's mom, Joan, stopping by to say greet

friends.

Mattingly Music and Book opened in 1965, as an endeavor of Paul's father, William. It was originally owned by Orville Dooley, who opened his store in 1932 and continued until William purchased it 33 years later. The wallpaper Dooley hung is still up today.

"My dad was a music teacher, and he got tired of that after about 10 years and decided to he wanted to open a music store," Mattingly said.

William ran the store until about 10 or 11 years ago, Mattingly said, when he took over. It is full of a variety of items including unique toys and gifts, today's bestselling books along with popular name brand instruments, music, accessories and a big selection of instruction books for piano students and teachers. He also stocks a smattering of hobby items, mainly for more "brainy hobbies" he said.

"Our mainstay has always been the renting of musical instruments to kids at school," Mattingly said.

(Excerpted from the Newton Daily News 6/8/15)



Savannah Eadens/Newton Daily News

Shaphen Brooks ('00), aquatics director at the Newton YMCA, coaches a Penguins swim team morning practice Tuesday morning. Brooks, an experienced swimmer and coach, joined the YMCA staff June 1.

New aquatic director hopes community will dive into pool programs

By Savannah Eadens
Newton Daily News

Having practically grown up in a pool, Shaphen Brooks feels right at home in her new position as the Newton YMCA Aquatics Director — her dream job.

Brooks was first introduced to a pool at 3 months old and started competitively swimming at the age of 3. She was ranked a top 10 swimmer when she was only 8 years old.

"My mom coached the gymnastics here [YMCA] at the time and I can remember sneaking away from the gym during swim meets to watch the high school swimmers," Brooks said. "That's when I knew I wanted to be a part of that. It's always where I've felt the most comfortable. Everything just kind of disappears when I'm in the water, when I smell the chlorine."

(Excerpted from the Newton Daily News 7/8/15)

In Cardinal Country



Liley is new NHS basketball coach

By Jocelyn Sheets
Newton Daily News

Coaching his brother's AAU basketball team launched Bill Liley's coaching career. Liley, 41, brings 18 years of high school basketball coaching experience to Newton as Newton High's new boys basketball head coach.

"I played some in high school, but decided to concentrate on my academics the last couple of years so I could go to the University of Washington. I was a musician, and I wanted to pursue my academics," Liley said in a telephone interview this week with the Newton Daily News.

"After graduating from high school, I coached my brother's AAU team and had a great deal of success. Coaching that team I learned the game because I was fortunate enough to spend a lot of time with coaches at the University of Washington where I was working while going to school there," Liley said.

Liley is coming to Newton from



Bill Liley

Seattle, Wash., where he has spent the past four years as head coach at Eastside Catholic High School. He said he had two connections with Iowa — Newton High's Athletic Director Scott Garvis and Drake University's head men's basketball coach Ray Giacoletti.

"Scott was my athletic director at Eastside Catholic. He hired me as the head coach there," Liley said. "I trust him when he offers me an opportunity to coach. I was also fortunate to work with Ray Giacoletti while I was working in the University of Washington's

athletic department."

Liley guided Eastside Catholic to its first winning season in more than a decade and a playoff appearance in his first year there. In his four-year tenure, Eastside Catholic went 78-35 and finished second and third in back-to-back seasons at the Class 3A state basketball tournament in 2014 and 2015.

"This is a great fit for Newton athletics," Garvis said. "Coach Liley shares the Newton Cardinal philosophy, building positive relationships, academic excellence and servant leadership. We wanted to hire coaches who share our vision to sustain competitive programs."

"Coach Liley had been very successful during his career, and we are excited he has accepted the head coaching position," Garvis said.

Prior to Eastside Catholic, Liley spent four years at the helm of King's High School (Washington). He led the Knights to four state tournament appearances in four years as head coach, placing second, fifth and sixth, while going 75-35 overall.

(Excerpted from the Newton Daily News 7/24/15)

NHS science teacher documents procedures for Thombert

By Jason W. Brooks
Newton Daily News

Some people get summer jobs at grocery stores or on a farm.

Some people — very few, probably — get summer jobs documenting laboratory procedures for a company that manufactures high-performance polyurethane wheels.

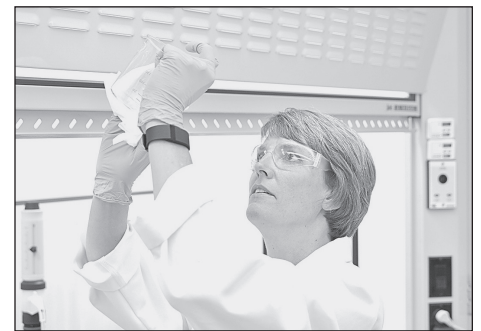
That's what Newton High School science teacher Chris Forsyth spent much of her time doing this summer. From chemical testing to analyzing data, the 22-year veteran of Newton Schools was able to help Thombert, Inc. document its procedures — giving her a unique perspective and back-

ground in on-the-job science.

"I've been able to see industrial chemistry in action, rather than just from the educational side," Forsyth said. "It's really shown me the importance of details and the value of problem-solving — and really knowing what these answers mean."

Thombert President Dick Davidson said he's immensely grateful for the help Forsyth has provided. After Davidson's son, Grant, had Forsyth as one of his science teachers, a class tour of the plant led to discussions, and, eventually, Forsyth tutoring Dick Davidson and another Thombert employee in chemistry last summer.

(Excerpted from the Newton Daily News 8/14/15)



Jason W. Brooks/Daily News

Newton High School science teacher Chris Forsyth performs analysis of chemicals at Thombert, Inc. Forsyth has worked on documenting lab procedures for the Newton company this summer.

In Cardinal Country



National Honor Society students recognized



Submitted Photo

More than two dozen Newton High School students were recognized as members of the National Honor Society at a recent event. In the front row, from the left, are Victoria Jordan, Sierra Griffith, Jordyn Farver, Amber Sorenson, Leah Hunter and Kaylee Lange. Second row: Kari Adams, Jaci Reeves, Stephanie Hoebelheinrich, Alyssa Bartles, Hannah Rhoads. Zachary Theis, Sara Cook, Kaelyn Sanders, Kaelee Knoll, Grace Coen and Kate Wyre. Third row: Ben Ellis, Duncan Lee, Connor McAdoo, Grant Nook, Jake Bennett, Colin Jacobsen, Benton Vest, Payton Thomas, Bryce Tish, Austin Bunker, Alex Hutchinson, Sydney Jenkins, Evelyn Berryhill, Adreinne Bergman and Savannah Eadens. Tim Hemann and Chris Forsyth, not pictured, are the advisors.

(Newton Daily News 5/7/15)

Newton's Jacobsen develops new football playbook



Jocelyn Sheets/Daily News

Football is king with Newton High senior Collin Jacobsen. The 17-year-old student developed a veer offensive playbook to go with the established A11 offense. Veer Concepts was launched March 9. The playbook can be downloaded for free through A11 Offense.

(Excerpted from the Newton Daily News 3/31/15)



Jason W. Brooks/Daily News

Not only are preseason camps a sign of it being time for football, but progress on summer renovations is also a sign that fall is just around the corner. H.A. Lynn Field is getting a major upgrade this summer in having the home-side press box rebuilt, seen above.

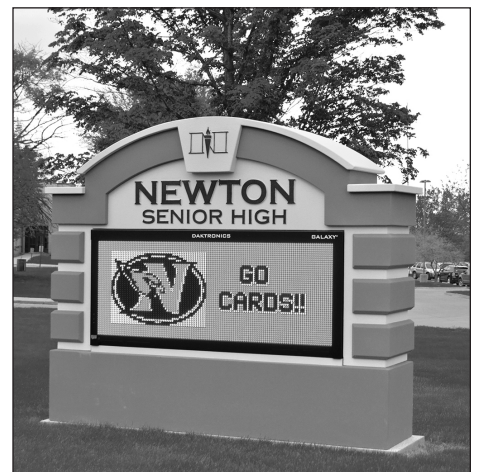


Jason W. Brooks/Daily News

A view of the visitors' side press box in construction. Newton Community School District Superintendent Bob Callaghan said a progress meeting is slated for Thursday. Crews have made good progress and is staying on schedule, he said, with a plan to complete enough work for the Cardinal football teams to host a scrimmage on Aug. 20.

(Newton Daily News 8/5/15)

A sign of things to come



Jason W. Brooks/Daily News

Newton High School recently had a message board installed within view of the school's main driveway at the intersection of S. Eighth Ave. E. and E. Fourth St. S. The board was paid for by donations from anonymous alumni, according to Newton Community School District administration.

(Newton Daily News 5/14/15)

In Cardinal Country



Bumblebees, Eagles play Big Game



The Boss Bumblebees' point guard Trevor Cupples drives past Elijah VanGorp, the point guard for the Electrifying Eagles, with the help of teammate McKenna Heisdorffer. VanGorp's helper on the court was Shelby Cochran.

(Excerpted from the Newton Daily News 3/2/15)

Newton High Senior collects sunglasses for El Salvador



Jamee A. Pierson/Daily News

Newton Senior High Senior Shelby Cochran had a bake sale to purchase and collect sunglasses to go on a Sacred Heart Catholic Church mission trip to El Salvador to help protect the locals' eyes from the sun and dirt during their daily work.

(Excerpted from the Newton Daily News 3/4/15)

Newton High AD takes pride in program, school, community



Jocelyn Sheets/Daily News

Newton High School Athletic Director Scott Garvis was a regional winner and national finalist for the 2015 National High School Athletic Coaches Association national athletic director of the year award. He received his regional award at the NHSACA national convention Saturday in Rochester, Minn.

(Excerpted from the Newton Daily News 6/24/15)

Newton posts season-best scores at state trap shoot



Submitted photo

The Newton Trap Team competed at the 2015 Iowa Scholastic Clay Target Program State Championship Trap Meet Thursday and Friday in Cedar Falls. Members competing and coaches were, from left, front row, head coach Paul Klein, Matt Bleakney, Jacob Arrowood, Dawson Cobler, Connor McAdoo, Nathan Tremel, assistant coach Joel Provin; back row, Brian Bleakney, Clay Trotter, Bryce Romick, Evan Cook and Colton Kingery.

(Excerpted from the Newton Daily News 6/8/15)

In Cardinal Country



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Eadens invited to D.C. journalism conference

Newton Senior High School junior Savannah Eadens has been named winner to represent the state of Iowa at the Al Neuharth Free Spirit and Journalism Conference in Washington, D.C., June 20-25. Eadens is one of 51 students in the country to receive the full expense-paid honor, which also awards a \$1,000 scholarship for the college of the recipients choice.

The conference honors Al Neuharth, founder of USA Today and the Freedom Forum. Eadens will meet media professionals, news executives, and other prominent journalists. She will also have the opportunity to visit some of the city's most important sites.

Eadens is the daughter of Rochelle and Paul Rea, of Newton, and Shawn and Nayda Eadens, of Louisville, Ken. She is a writer for The Cardinal Chronicle, the NHS school newspaper advised by Niki Hively.

"I'm extremely grateful for the journalism program at NHS, which has taught me ethics, given me the opportunity to meet prominent members in and outside of my community, and laid a foundation for me to pursue journalism," Eadens said. "I am beyond excited to represent Iowa at the conference. I hope to gain a lot of knowledge in media and develop myself as a journalist and free spirit."

(Newton Daily News 5/15/15)

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Undefeated LHC regular-season champs Part II



Submitted photo

Newton High's Cardinals finished their second straight undefeated season in Little Hawkeye Conference nine-hole dual action Tuesday. They won the final LHC meet at Warrior Run Golf Course in Norwalk. Head coach Scott Enyart joins members of the team, left to right, Jessie Smith, Emily Fitzgerald, Cydney Hillyard, Shelbey Cochran, Jessica Reynolds and Abby Jolivette to celebrate.

(Excerpted from the Newton Daily News 5/13/15)

Music Booster Club kicks off 'You've Been Stood Up' campaign



Submitted Photo

The Newton Music Booster Club is kicking off its fall fundraising campaign with a fun-spirited campaign called "You've Been Stood Up." Music stands will be placed in the yards of Newton residents throughout September and October. To have the stand removed, simply call the number on the stand and pay a minimal removal fee of \$10 and then let the boosters know where you would like the stand placed next. For \$25 you can buy insurance so that the stand can never be placed in your yard. If you would like to purchase the insurance, please contact Eric and Liz Peterson at 641-792-6135 as soon as possible. Pictured are Newton Music Booster Club Co-Presidents Eric and Liz Petersen, showing what will be placed in residents' yards beginning Friday.

(Newton Daily News 9/10/15)

Alumni Academic Achievements/Student Activities

- 2005 Jaci Umbarger**, graduated from Des Moines Area Community College; liberal arts
- 2010 Jerica White**, graduated from Buena Vista University cum laude; bachelor of arts in criminology and criminal justice, psychology and human services
- 2011 Jazmine Bjelland**, graduated from Grinnell College; bachelor of arts in English
- Kayla Brown**, graduated from University of Iowa; bachelor of arts Health and Human Physiology
- Dylan Camp**, graduated from Iowa State University; bachelor of arts in political science
- Isabelle Christopher**, graduated from Luther College cum laude; degree in nursing
- Robert Claypool**, graduated from Central College; degree

- in accounting and business management
- Dallas Cupples**, graduated from Iowa State University; bachelor of science in child, adult and family services
- Stephanie Griffith**, graduated from Central College cum laude with senior honors; degree in biology
- Alice Hinshaw**, graduated from Iowa State University magna cum laude; bachelor of music
- Mackenzie Hodges**, graduated from University of Iowa; bachelor of science Industrial Engineering
- Anders Hopkins**, graduated from Luther College cum laude; degree in classics and anthropology
- Curtis Jackson**, graduated from Grandview University, spring 2015
- David Kline**, graduated from

- Grandview University, spring 2015
- Keegan Lockhart**, graduated from University of Iowa; bachelor of arts English
- Isaac Mathison-Bowie**, graduated from Macalester College with a liberal arts degree in Religious Studies and Media and Cultural Studies
- Spencer Osborn**, graduated from Iowa State University cum laude; bachelor of science in civil engineering
- Kallen Shipley**, graduated from Bwthel College; bachelor of arts degree in nursing
- Aaron Tinnermeier**, graduated from University of Iowa; bachelor of science Leisure Studies
- 2012 Aaron Thompson**, graduated from University of Iowa; bachelor of arts English

Arion Award winner

Submitted Photo

The Arion Award is the oldest and most prestigious national award for outstanding achievement by high school musicians in band, orchestra and chorus. This year's recipient is Courtney Tabor ('15), the daughter of Troy and Amber Tabor. This is the first time in the recent history of the Arion Award that the recipient has won both the instrumental and vocal awards. She was chosen for the Vocal Arion Award by NHS choral director, Norm Grimm. High school director of bands Jim Beerends nominated her for the Arion Award in Band. Leland Cook, longtime Newton band instructor, started the presentation on behalf of Newton Noon Kiwanis more than 60 years ago. Selection for this honor is based on the student's individual contribution to his or her musical organization, scholastic standing, musicianship, performance ability, and demonstration of personal qualities in keeping with the school's standards.

(Newton Daily News 6/11/15)



Jacobsen receives Golden 'K' award



Submitted Photo

Newton Golden "K" president Judy (Higdon '52) Snook presented a scholarship to Collin M. Jacobsen ('15) at a recent awards assembly at Newton Community High School.

(Newton Daily News 5/22/15)

Newsletter Staff

Kevin Clayton '76
Mark Hallam '79

Candi Beyer-DeGoey '85
Paula Cool Thompson '87

Alumni Academic Achievements/Student Activities

NHS senior scores unique internship

By Jason W. Brooks
Newton Daily News

A Newton High School senior is going to be a part of a special internship experience.

Anna Barr ('15), a Kellogg resident, will spend eight weeks in Guatemala as one of 23 American high school students who have been awarded the prestigious 2015 World Food Prize Borlaug-Ruan International Internships. All expenses are paid for interns, who will be sent to research centers in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East through an organization called Food for the Poor.



Barr

"It's really exciting," Barr said. "We hope more Jasper County students can apply for this in the future, and get this same opportunity."

Barr will be a part of specific program called "Project Spammy." Funded primarily by Hormel Foods Corporation, Project Spammy partners with international organizations in the U.S. and Guatemala to help create food-needs solutions through a combination of product innovation, leadership and in-country educational programming.

Each intern develops a research report — documenting his or her personal experiences and the outcomes of their team's projects — which Food for the Poor will publish to foodforthepoor.org later in the year. ...

(Excerpted from the Newton Daily News 5/12/15)

Griffin wins IT Leadership Forum Scholarship



Submitted Photo

Newton High School senior Jared Griffin ('15) receives the IT Leadership Forum Technology Scholarship from Cory Engbretson, a member of the IT Leadership Forum and informatics manager architect at Dupont Pioneer.

(Newton Daily News 5/12/15)

National FFA Scholarship awarded to Newton student

Newton Daily News

The National FFA Organization awarded a \$2,000 Beck's Hybrids scholarship to Macy Leonard ('15) of the Newton FFA. The scholarship is sponsored by Beck's Hybrids as a special project of the National FFA Foundation. Leonard plans to use the funds to pursue a degree at Iowa State University.



This scholarship is one of 2,156 awarded through the National FFA Organization's scholarship program this year. Currently 127 sponsors contribute more than \$2.7 million to support scholarships for students.

(Newton Daily News 7/14/15)

Ikettes 2015 Scholarship Winner



Submitted Photo

Riley Versteegh ('15) has been selected as the 2015 Rock Creek Ikettes scholarship recipient. Pictured, from left, are Karrie Sudbrock, Ikettes vice president; Lisa Aldrich, Ikettes president; Versteegh and Molly Bruns, Ikettes secretary.

(Newton Daily News 7/24/15)

Foundation News

The Newton Community Educational Foundation supports innovative educational programs in Newton schools. Financed entirely through donations, the Foundation provides funding for projects which go “beyond the basics” to create enriched learning experiences for every student. Nearly \$500,000 has been awarded for classroom grants and special projects since 1990.

Recent Grants to Newton High School

- Vernier Laboratory Equipment. NHS Biology teacher Jodi Morgan-Peters wrote: “We have a lot of students interested in health careers, which are technology intensive... technology implementation is expensive. Thanks to [NCEF’s] generous support, we already use some Vernier technology in the NHS Science Department. The nice part about Vernier is that all of their equipment is interchangeable... and designed to be used with the same hand-held device [the LabQuest2]. Your generous support helps keep our students at pace with the expanding technology mainstream, ensures that they will be confident, proficient, responsible users of technology, and helps guarantee that they will be competitive as they pursue their post-high school goals.” New probes and instruments will be used in all science disciplines and extensively so in the new biomedical science courses.

- Cooking with Confidence is an initiative to purchase special adaptive kitchen equipment for special-needs students, to assist them in learning to live independently in the future. NHS teacher Tina Stammeyer wrote: “For the students in my classroom, where each one has his/her own special needs, learning style, and goals

to work on, cooking is a multi-leveled activity... Due to the extent of some of the physical handicaps that the students deal with on a daily basis, finding adequate and specialized equipment to enable them to be as independent as possible can be a challenge. This grant addresses the equipment necessary to make life functional and adaptable so that the students can be productive to their fullest potential.”

- The NHS Book Club builds a culture of readers and enlivens students’ love of reading. NHS Library Media Specialist Ann Nelson wrote: “It is rewarding to see the hard work the Book Club has done has paid off not only in terms of the huge numbers of students who sign up, but also in opportunities... This year the group had the chance to interact with a visiting award-winning author, Mike Mullin. He offered insight into the writing process, publishing, and research.... Another opportunity is the Battle of the Books Competition. 77 teams from across the state participated. One of Newton’s teams qualified 7th overall and headed to the Grand Battle where they placed in the top 10! This is the first time in the history of the school a team from Newton High School qualified for the state competition.... I am thankful that I get to work with students, staff, and a school district that understands the importance of literacy and an organization like the NCEF that helps make it happen.”

- I-Launch Luxuries is an incentive program for at-risk students to reward positive behaviors and respectful actions. NHS At-Risk Teacher Ann Sherratt wrote: “When a student presents positive behaviors, he or she will receive points that will in turn be

connected to a tangible reward. With reinforcing positive behavior for these students, we as adults are stopping and thanking at-risk students for being responsible, respectful, positive, and safe.... Incentives have a positive influence on the climate and culture of Newton High School.”

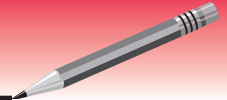
Advancing NHS at H.A. Lynn Stadium

Fans of the Newton Cardinals and visitors to H.A. Lynn Stadium will notice something new on the west side of the stadium this fall: large, lighted signs acknowledging major contributions to the Newton Community School District. Trustees from the Newton Community Educational Foundation canvassed local businesses to determine interest in one-time contributions to Newton Cardinal Sports and Activities. To date, five area businesses have offered major contributions in the amount of \$10,000 each: Clemon-Maki Insurance, Edward Jones, Eye Care Center of Newton, Manatts Construction Company, and Van Maanen Electric. The signs were created by Sign Pro of Newton. Revenue will be donated directly to Newton Cardinal Sports and Activities to enhance opportunities for Newton students.

Gifts That Make a Difference

Grants from the Newton Community Educational Foundation offer Newton students advantages that otherwise would not be available. 14 funds are currently under management including family, individual, and class endowments, as well as a General Fund that welcomes gifts of any amount. These gifts are a major source of the continuing success of Newton students, and the Foundation extends its sincere gratitude to all who have donated so generously.

Membership Notes



Forever Cardinals

Memberships and Renewal

The best way to offset costs is through membership. Please renew now! Take a moment to check your mailing label; the year listed is your date of renewal. And: help us stay current with address corrections so you don't miss an issue! If you plan to move, please take a moment to send an email to NewtonAlumni01@gmail.com, or drop a postcard or letter to: P.O. Box 623, Newton, IA 50208-0623.

\$250 Prize for New Members

The graduating class to sign up the most new members before December 31, 2015 will receive \$250 to apply towards their next Reunion! Visit NEWTONALUMNI.ORG for details, or contact your class representative.

Alumni Development – Members Can Help!

Tell your friends and other Cardinals about ALUMNI NEWS. The best way to offset publishing costs is through membership! Mention that one complimentary issue, and other member-

ship information, is available at NEWTONALUMNI.ORG. (Alumni dues are paid to the Newton Community Educational Foundation to cover production costs, with any surplus applied to the Foundation's grant program to Newton schools.)

Alumni Association Website

Visit NEWTONALUMNI.ORG, to read about plans for Reunion Weekend and class reunion locations, see biographies of NHS Hall of Fame inductees, and locate your class representative. Tell your friends and other Cardinals a complimentary issue of ALUMNI NEWS and membership info is available at NEWTONALUMNI.ORG.

ALUMNI NEWS Online Updates

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ly available.) Recent articles include Hall of Fame biographies, pictures of today's Cardinals, Homecoming coverage, and stories from our archives on Reunions, Foundation grants, and alumni achievements. Take a look and remember: [Facebook.com/NewtonIowaAlumniNews](https://www.facebook.com/NewtonIowaAlumniNews) is public and you do not need to register to read our articles!

Forever Cardinals!

What are the Top Ten Reasons to be active in the NHS Alumni Association? Suggestions include: Because Cardinals are forever; We stack the deck for the Cards! – the NHS Alumni Association helps Newton High School; Once a Cardinal, always a Cardinal; Red Pride Forever!; and Don't cage the Cardinals! –Stay active in your NHS Alumni Association. We appreciate your feedback! Please feel free to send your thoughts to NewtonAlumni01@gmail.com, via U.S. mail to P.O. Box 623; Newton, IA 50208-0623, or contact us at [Facebook.com/NewtonIowaAlumniNews](https://www.facebook.com/NewtonIowaAlumniNews).

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5 years \$40.00 per person or \$60 per couple
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Checks to Newton Community Educational Foundation, P.O. Box 623, Newton, IA 50208
 Form may be photocopied and returned with payment.

In Memoriam

These alumni were reported deceased between April 1, 2015 and October 1, 2015.

1936	Jerold S. Aikin Nina Carnahan Farland	1953	Joanne Patterson Lindsey Jody Wilcox Victorine	1973	Roger O. Lickey
1937	*Mary Campbell Ghormley	1954	William H. McBeth	1974	Lonnie F. Martin Michael M. Rethmeier
1941	Miriam Hankins Brock	1957	Henry H. Jensen	1975	David Fink
1942	Harold J. Kreager Wilma Bagnall Lane *Nicholas Leydens Marjorie Raymie Livingston *Paul L. Rose	1959	Margaret Buchanan Atwood Janice M. Patterson	1978	Steven C. Trease
1946	*Margorie Patterson Nelson	1960	Sandra Kerr Chilcote Peggy McReynolds Jones	1983	Reggie L. Hodge
1947	Marilyn Martin Purvis	1961	Linda Cass Williams	1984	Rodger Dean Hasselman
1948	Georgette DeMeyer Eaton	1962	Judy McCaughey Nevitt	1986	Christopher 'Chris' Miller
1949	Marilyn Bergman Backus *Jayne Thatcher Clymer Robert 'Whitey' Ferguson	1963	Mary Ellen McNeer Juett Sheryl Hammer Rinehart	1989	Christopher Wickliff
1951	Martina Cobbs Holmes	1964	*Mary Ellen McNeer Juett Douglas G. Wing	1990	Tigh J. Kriegel
1952	Frances Clement Curtis Ronald W. Jarnagin	1965	Jim McConnell	1991	Joel H. Ward
		1966	Linda Kreager Otto	1994	Chad E. Bailey
		1969	Barbara Ann Slycord	1995	Aaron Henning
		1970	Robert L. Briese James M. Feehan	2000	Lindee Mattingly Thenhaus
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