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45th Class Reunion



**Cedar Falls High School
Class of 1960**

45th Reunion

**June 24, 25, & 26
2005**



RITA CRAVER & RICH CONGDON

Rita remembers friends, music, and the theater department; Rich remembers band activities and lighting for theater productions.

Rita's special teachers were John Evenson & Mr. Picht. Rich's were Mr. Picht, Mr. Kemp, and Mr. Lund.

Rita & Rich have lived worked and raised their family in Cedar Falls never more than twelve blocks from Rita's old family home.

Rich & Rita, high school sweethearts, have been married 41 years, have 4 adult children [two sets of twins] and 7 grandsons. No girls.

Retirement? Rita says, "Hah!". But if it happens, she will work with the CF Historical Society. Rich will occupy his retirement with his printing business, the symphony, Lions club, rose garden, & family



MARGARET CRANSTON MEYER

Greeting: Welcome Class of 1960

Favorite memory: Potlucks & slumber parties

I have lived in Cedar Falls all my life.

Married to Don, three grown children, 3 grandchildren.



DR. SAM COLEMAN

Greeting: It will be wonderful to see everyone again. We discover that "roots" become more important when we become older than "dirt"!

Memory doing well on track team.
& getting trounced at state.

Best teacher: Anton Hofstad who got me interested in science.

I've lived in Colorado, Hawaii, California, Nevada, and Cedar Falls.

Married to Carol with 4 kids and 10 grandkids.

Activities: theater, guinea pig for medical school, hiking, mountain climbing, computer education, & consulting. Retirement is great!

JIM RENS

Sorry I am unable to attend.

I have been married to Louise 42 years, and have 3 sons and 9 grandchildren.



RITA COPELAND JUSTIS

Greeting: So glad we continue to have reunions every 5 years.

It gives a chance to catch up & renew friendships, as well as to get to know other classmates.

Favorite memory? Too many, but one funny & daring one was the signing "OUT" of honor study hall and skipping out shortly before Principal C.C. Stanard walked by...ooops!

Influenced by John Evenson-vocal music. I made many of my closest and lasting friendships in choir, musicals, and small group performances. Music has continued to play an important role for me throughout life.

I have lived in Iowa all my life, with husband Bud, 4 children, and 6 grandchildren.

Retirement? Hopefully Bud & I will continue with the same interests. travel, bicycling, dancing, bridge, and many community activities.

DAVE NICHOLSON

Hello all!

Favorite teacher: Frances Babcock

Have lived in Texas, Arizona and Los Angeles.

Married to Esther; 3 children, 2 grandchildren

Retired in September, 2004.



JEAN HEIDEMANN SACKETT

Greeting 45 years! Remembering many in the class of 1960

Favorite memory: the photo lab

Important teachers: Blythe Lamme, Julie Bailey, & John Evenson

Since graduation I've lived in Cedar Falls, and the Illinois Quad-cities

Larry & I have been married since December 1959. We have 3 grown children and 5 grandchildren.

I retired in 1995, and have less time now than when I received a salary. Volunteering with church, school, and community fills my life, as well as "snow-bird" winter trips.

JEANNE HAGENSON LANGAN

Favorite memory: Friends!

I've lived in Iowa, Nebraska, Minnesota, & Oregon.

I have 4 children & 10 grandchildren!

Retirement activities: travel, read, quilt, volunteer, and spend time with grandchildren and on my yard.



KAREN KOEHN BAKER

Can you believe it, it's been 45 years
I don't feel that old.

Memories: potlucks, going to the
games together; carefree days!

I don't remember any specific teacher; just wish I had paid more
attention.

I have lived in Iowa all my life.

David & I have been married 38 years, have 3 children & 8 grand-
children.

Retirement: spending 50% of our time @ home in Branson, MO,
golfing, and spending time with family.



MIKE NEWSOME

Influential teacher: the coach

Have lived in Cedar Rapids

Married to Nancy; 2 sons &
3 grandsons.

Retirement: keeping up with my
"dumb things I gotta do list", travel,
enjoying lots of pets, and bowling.



DR. GARY HAROLD

Favorite Memory: wrestling; I still help coach a middle school team.

Influential teacher: Francis Babcock

I have lived in North Carolina, Samoa, Taiwan, Oregon, Hawaii, and US Virgin Islands.

I have two daughters, 7 nieces & nephews, and 10 great-nieces & nephews.

Retirement activities: Gardening, fishing, writing, reading, and ACC basketball

THOMAS OTTO

Memories: too many to mention, but Baker's Ice Cream ranks high.

Teachers: Keith Young & Mr. Eason

Married for 37 years to wife Jan.

Have lived in the Cedar Rapids area all my life.

Retirement is spent on our sailboat, and golfing.



JENIFER SCHLICHER BREYER

"This will be my second reunion -ever!
I can't wait."

Memory: High school achievement in theater & music. First experience in crowd approval in performance. Loved the "rush" of making people laugh!

Important teachers: Meryl Picht & John Evenson. But teachers in Latin & World history, and even Math kept me enthused.

I have lived in Iowa, Indiana, and New York.

Dick & I have two sons. We got started with kids late, so I'm not a grandmother yet.

Retirement? NEVER! I can't bear the thought. Any openings in PR & event planning crossed your desk recently?

KAREN TREPP WEBB

Memory: working with the plays

Teacher: Meryl Picht

I have lived in Florida, Hawaii, Washington, DC, Cedar Falls, & Janesville, Iowa.

I have two children, 3 grandchildren, and I am single.

Retirement activities: Sewing, quilting, winters in Florida, and spending time with life's reward, my 3 grandkids.

CAROLYN BIRDSALL HEILIG

Favorite teacher: Mr Picht

Have lived in California, Georgia and recently in Larkspur, CA.

I have 4 children and partner Herb Meyer, plus 5 grandchildren.

Leisure activities are quilting and enjoying wildlife that surrounds our property.

JANE BRUE HAVIGHURST

"I can remember when I thought 60 year old people were "old".

I have lived in Tennessee and in Pennsylvania for the last 25 years.

Married for 43 years; two sons and 4 grandchildren who are the light of my life!

Retired in 2001 and love it. I am involved in duplicate bridge and my goal is to become a Life Master.



GARY DINGER

Greeting: Yea! & Hurray Class of 1960

Memory: So many it would be hard to select just one!

Important teacher: Mr. Nero
Least important: Mr. "Buckskin"

I've lived in Illinois, New York, and 97% in California.

I've been single the last 10 years, have 3 daughters, one granddaughter, and another due before the reunion.

Retirement? I'm a pilot, yacht when I can. I love & own classic cars, renovate them for clients, remodel homes, and manage & maintain my rental property.

JACKIE GADEN HEENEY

Greeting: I look forward to the reunions! A big Thanks to those who get it around.

Memory: studying on the third floor steps during lunch hour. Miss Lamme wanted participation, good or bad to be in her good graces.

I've lived in Iowa all my life.

Married to Dave; 2 sons one daughter, grandmother of seven.

Retirement activity: downsize home, and travel.



RONALD WALLER

Greetings from Washington!
I look forward to meeting old friends.

Most meaningful teacher; Coach
Babcock.

I've lived in Washington state since
graduation.

I've been married to Barbara for 35 years.

Retirement activities: travel & Corvettes

KAY VOORHEES BALKE

Does anyone else wonder how it can be 45 years since graduation?

I have no single "stand-out" memory. It was a good time to be a
teenager in Cedar Falls, and most memories are very positive.

Most influential teacher: Meryl Picht

I have lived in Cedar Falls, Wisconsin, and Oregon.

I am single, and have a son & daughter and two grandsons.

Retirement activities: volunteering @ the historic Elsinore Theatre,
the Bush Barn art gallery, and travel.



JANICE COOKSEY KUTIN

Favorite memory: lunch hours, and stairway - football games.

Influential teacher: Mrs. Ridenour & Home Ec.. I have sewed over 50 years, owning my own Bridal Shop

I have lived in Iowa & California, owing my own businesses.

Dick & I have been married nearly 45 years, have two children, and 4 grandchildren.

When I retire, hobbies, travel, and family will fill my time.

SUE WELLS BESCHER

So glad we've made it to 2005!

I remember potlucks, b ball games and 2nd floor movies at the Regent.

Favorite teacher: Mr Carter & Eason, Miss Baily & Lamb.

Have lived in Cedar Falls and Clear Lake.

Retirement activities: Travel, Volunteering and mentoring grandchildren.



PEGGY JONES BIEKERT

At our 20th reunion we were asked how many were grandparents. That made me feel old. We are now grouped as Sr. citizens! That's old!

Favorite teachers: Mr. Pries & Mr Picht

I have lived in Cedar Falls, and now Montana

I am married to Lyle a civil engineer, and am a CPA.

Retirement activities: genealogy, church, and travel



RICHARD K. JOHNSON

I have lived in this area all my life.

Sharon & I have 3 children, and 5 grandchildren.

JUDI GURALNIK INGIS

Greeting: Hope to see everybody at the reunion. Would love to hear from you.

Memory: How lucky we were. Many wonderful memories.

I have lived in New York City, California, North Carolina, New York State, Delaware, Ohio, and New Jersey.

Married to Dr. David, and have 3 children & 3 grandchildren.

Not yet retired, but enjoying singing in Sweet Adeline's, acting, dancing - showbiz. Right up my alley. Should have done it years ago!

BOB LIVINGSTON

Greeting: Our Blessings to all!

High school memory? "I can't remember this morning's breakfast!"

Special teacher: Anton Hofstad

Where have I lived? All over creation!

Married to Lynda, 6 children and 14 grandchildren.

Retirement activities: teaching, Veteran Affairs, motorcycling, travel & church.



CHARLES FROOM

Greeting: Doug Fletcher better attend this one - he missed the last!

Memory: I just enjoy returning for reunions to be with all these fine people.

Teacher of import: Francis Babcock

I've lived in New York City, and now in Pennsylvania.

I have been single for 20 years, have one daughter and a fabulous girlfriend!

Retirement activities if I can get to them: fly fishing, furniture & lighting design.

GERALD "SANDY" LEWIS

Memory: football games & dances after.

I've lived in Illinois, Minnesota, Ohio, Tennessee, Georgia, Maine, & California

I'm single, and have two daughters.

Retirement activities: swimming, hiking, cycling, reading, good food & wine.

NATALIE JENNINGS THATCHER

I'm sorry I can't be with you this year.

Have lived in Omaha, S. California, Washington, Oregon and Idaho.

Married 40 years; 3 children and 4 grand daughters.

Retirement activities: volunteering, outdoor activities, church, dancing and bridge.



DR. SIGRIN THORSON NEWELL

Greetings! Hope you have all grown in wisdom & adventuresome spirit.

Memory: the all night party after the prom at someone's cabin on the river.

Important teacher: Bob Kemp who taught me to speak in public - a most useful skill.

I have lived in Ecuador [Peace Corp] and New York state.

I am married and have two sons.

Still working as a professor for an on-line university.
No retirement plans yet.

NANCY ANDREESSEN JUNKER

Greetings to you all. I hope this reunion is a successful one.

Favorite Memory - Sitting outside with blankets and hot chocolate at the football games.

Lived a couple years in Waterloo but the rest in Cedar Falls.

I am married to Lavern Junker, have 2 children, 1 grandson and 3 step grand children.

Retirement Activities - Gardening - mostly flowers

KENNETH BAST

Dave Young was my favorite HS teacher.

I have lived in Cedar Rapids, St Paul, Seattle, Spokane and now Fort Smith, MT. in summer and Las Vegas in winter.

Married 2 years to Carole; 5 children and 2 step sons.

Retirement Activities - Golfing and fishing.

ROBERT RICHTER

I wish you all good health and a fulfilling retirement.

I remember the great times working on instrumental music productions.

Favorite teacher: John Nero

Have lived in Garrison and Independence.

Married 41 years to Marilyn; 2 children and 5 grand children.

Retirement Activities: refereeing, umpiring and volunteering.

NANCY ROGERS DUNKELBERG

Hi to everyone!

I like remembering all my classmates and teachers.

Favorite teacher: Mr Biellers

Have lived in Omaha, Charles City and Cedar Falls.

Married 45 years; 2 children and 4 grand children.

Would like to travel when I retire.

TOM CASSIDY

I remember Fred Smith trying to stand up and recite in English and me trying to make him laugh. Did he ever complete one of his speeches?

Have lived on East & West coasts, in Hawaii, Japan, Singapore and Germany

Married to wife Jean and have 3 sons and 3 grandchildren.

Not retired but like to golf, fish, remodel old houses and collect native American artifacts.

MARY COLE DEBOOM

Can you remember that as teenagers we thought 60 years old was ancient?

Favorite Teacher: Mr Buxton

Have lived in Spirit Lake and Sutherland, IA. I don't stray too far.

Jim and I have 3 daughters and 7 grandchildren.

What retirement?



PREBEN HEIDEMANN

Greeting : "Hey y'all!"

Memory: just being there with all of you from the beginning of 6th grade. Arriving from Denmark, not knowing a word of English; you all were so nice to me.

Teacher: Francis Babcock, coach & Math teacher.

I have lived in Iowa and Georgia.

Married to Merri, we have one daughter.

Retirement activities: sailing, playing guitar, and spending time with family.



GARY THRAN

Memory : football

Teacher: Keith Young

I have lived in California & New Mexico

Married to Viki for 38 years, have two sons, and two grandchildren.

Retirement activities: fishing, and traveling in our motor home.



F. "GENE" REBHOLZ

Memory: Band activities with Mr. Lund

I struggled with math until Mrs. Frye helped me see the logic of Algebra.

Since graduation, I have lived in Virginia, Texas, New Mexico, Texas Pennsylvania, Illinois & Iowa.

Ann & I have been married 40 years. We have 2 sons, and one daughter. We have 7 grandchildren.



PHYLLIS MEYER KUEHL

Is there any better place for growing up than Cedar Falls, Iowa? I will always treasure my youth in CF.

Memories: potlucks, football & basketball games, and sleepovers.

Special teacher: Mrs. Koster

I've been married to Richard 40 years.

Traveling, volunteering, and time with family & friends will keep us busy in retirement.



MARLYS CHRISTENSEN SMITH

My favorite memories; potlucks,
playing in band & marching band.

Influential teacher: Miss Mueller

I have lived in Washington, DC,
Virginia, Georgia, Alabama, & Iowa.

I am widowed, have one son & two daughters
[one adopted] and two grandsons.

When I retire, I will enjoy church, & volunteering

CHARLOTTE DILLON SCHULER

Being with friends after school watching American
Bandstand.

I have lived in this area, am now a widow with 2 children,
3 step children, 5 grandkids & 7 step grandkids.

In retirement travel, family time, and home improvement
will occupy me.



OLE UGLUND

Greeting from our exchange student.
Looking forward to seeing you all
again

Favorite memory: my diary from an
unforgettable year.

All my teachers took good care of me, an exchange student.
I think Mr. Picht had the most influence on me.

I have lived in Norway, Indonesia, Pakistan, and Thailand since
graduation.

Married to Laila nearly 40 years, with 4 children [I adopted from
Indonesia] and 7 grandchildren.

Retirement activities: need more space than the 21/2 lines allow!

JUDY TROWBRIDGE KLEIN

Hi! I remember potlucks with friends.

Teachers of note: Tony Lund & John Evenson

I have lived in Iowa, Missouri, & Minnesota.

I have 2 sons, and 2 grandchildren.

Retirement activities: golfing, chasing birds, gardening, & travel.

JOHN SCHILD

I would like to see Ole again.

Have lived in Cedar Falls and Lansing.

Married to Judy; 2 children and 3 grand children.

Opened an art gallery & frame shop in Lansing.

FRED SMITH

Hello to all you "old" farts! Hope your health is good and may your "Tiger Spirit" endure forever.

I remember the "gang" gathering at Bauman's house at all times of the day and night.

Favorite teacher: Valenta, Babcock & Lyons

Have lived in Carlisle, Van Horne & Ankeny, IA and Minnesota.

Married 41 years to Fran; 2 kids and 2 grand sons.

Retired 6 years - enjoy woodworking, baking/cooking, life outdoors, writing, reading and watching TV sports.



DR. TOM DAVIS

Greeting: CFHS provided a great developmental experience and values useful throughout my life.

Favorite memory: sports, and a solid academic curriculum, lots of friends & good people.

Teacher influence: Babcock [Geometry] & Young [Wrestling]

Married to Janice, and rearing two adopted daughters from China.

Retirement activities: "You must be kidding!" I'm not even close to retiring. I fly over 100,000 miles per year consulting, run 25 miles weekly, & attend teachers conferences and programs for the children.

WILLIAM LOWE

Have lived in the Cedar Falls & Waverly area.

I am single, I have a daughter & son, and 4 grandchildren.

Retirement activities: biking, camping, and working in my new shop.

JANAE GERSEMA DREFKE

It is hard to believe we are 63 and looking forward to retirement.

I remember sports, plays and my special potluck friends.

Favorite teacher: Merle Picht

Have lived in Davenport, Colorado & Missouri.

I have 4 children and 3 grandchildren.

Still working but enjoy reading, movies and grandkids.

MARCIA GILCHRIST THOMAS

May your 45th be filled with sweet memories and good friends.

Favorite memory: A friend named Sig.

Favorite teacher: Soph. World History

Have lived in Indiana, N. Dakota, Georgia, Texas and Kansas.

I have 2 children and 2 grandchildren.

Retired and travel and read.

ROBERT CAVIN

Favorite memory: many

Have lived in Cedar Falls all my life

My family is two grown sons.

DOUGLAS FLETCHER

Greeting: time sure goes by fast.

Favorite memory: it was a fun time in our life.

Have lived in this area.

Married to Lola 3 daughters & 6 grandchildren

Retirement activities: babysitting, fishing, hunting, & travel.

TRINA KENNY BAKER

Greeting : Thanks for thinking of me.

I live in Riverside, California

Married 45 years, one son, I retired in 1995, and enjoy golf, upholstery, and painting.

CHARLENE MILLER POPPY

Greetings!

Memories: potlucks football games, trying to play basketball!
P.E. @ 5 a.m. wasn't fun. Volleyball was good.

I have lived in Iowa, Ohio & California

J. Dale and I have 2 children, and 5 grandchildren.

Retirement activities: travel, and hosting campers @ national campground.



ROGER PETERSON

Move over millionaires, here I come!!

Memory: the haircuts I never got
before we went to our "out-of-town"
meets, that coach directed I get!
So ordered by our one & only coach
Keith Young!

All of our teachers were great.

Married to Sandee, have two children, and 3 grandchildren.

Retirement activities: home remodeling and spending time with the grandkids.

BARBARA WEDEKING

May the Lord Bless & keep you till we meet again!

Favorite teacher: Algebra, who convinced me I could do Algebra.

I have lived in Davenport, Iowa since graduation

My family consists of two very spoiled cats who adopted me.

Retirement activities: refereeing volleyball, Bible studies, travel, caring for pets, and spending time with friends & family.



TOM WHEELER

I'm looking forward to seeing and talking to the "OLD FRIENDS" of the Class of 1960.

I am married with step-children, and grandchildren.

Am in the process of retiring, and plan to travel, play golf, and relax and smell the roses.



JUDY HINTZEN BOWN

Greeting: Hi Everyone! Great to see all of you again!

Memories: teenage activities; prom, orchestra, football games, & potlucks.

Miss Lamme - World History had a lot to do with all my traveling.

Since graduation I've lived in Illinois, Panama, Michigan, and Iowa

Retirement activities; traveling, knitting, nurses alumni, and helping family.

PAUL SNODGRASS

Special teacher :Mr. Babcock

I've lived in Illinois, California, and Iowa

I am single, and keep busy with part-time auto repair business.



GARY CREERY

I don't think I would know anyone.
I was @ CF only my Senior year.

I have lived in this area all my life.

Janice & I have been married 44
years. We have 2 children, 8 grand-
children & 1 great-grandchild.

Retirement activities: golf, fishing, turkey hunting, camping, &
a casino now & then.



ASENATH HAGEN POULOS

May God bless you & keep you in
his loving care.

Favorite memory: Friday nights, the
games, the dances, and friends.

All my teachers influenced me
enough that I have taught 36 years.

I have lived in Cedar Falls, & California

Peter & I have been married 40 years, have one daughter, and two
grandchildren.

Retirement activities: part time work, and volunteering with my
church.

BARBARA CHRISTIE ZECH

Will be in Alaska with family during the reunion.
Maybe the next ones.

KEITH CUSTER

Retired from Deere & Co. (John Deere).

Married with 5 grandchildren.

DENNIS DARNELL

Favorite memory: Football games - not
practices.

Have lived in Ames & Spencer, IA, Limon, CO,
Manchester, IA & Mio, MI.

Divorced and remarried to Diana; 2 children, 3
step children, 6 grandchildren

Will enjoy hunting, golf, woodworking when I
retire in several years.

BARBARA HELD CUNNINGHAM

Favorite memory: Band, football games, parades,
Veisha and concerts

Have lived in Waterloo and Kansas

Married to Larry, have 1 daughter and 1 grandson

Retired and enjoying life, time with family and
friends, traveling, camping and quilting.

DONALD JANNETTE

Have lived in Cedar Falls, Iowa City and Dubuque

Married to Marie, have 3 children.

Retired in 1998; smile a lot, enjoy Optimist Club,
St Vincent De Paul, cottage on river, East Coast
travels.

BILL ACHENBACH

Hell, I didn't think I'd make 45 years old!

Best memory: fall football games

Memorable teacher: Miss Lamme

Life since graduation has been lived in Denver, CO,
Colorado Springs, CO, & now Cedar Falls

Married to Jeannette for 15 years; 4 children;
6 grandchildren

Kids & Grandkids keep me active in retirement

BEVERLY BUTLER

Favorite memory is the fun we had in Pep Club and
cadet teaching

I have lived in Pensacola, FL, San Diego, CA, Denver, CO
and Dike, IA

Married Jay Leckbee, later divorced

Leisure enjoyment: gardening, reading, time with
family.

AL RAVN

Favorite memory: don't really have one. I enjoyed High school & my classmates. I liked hanging out with Doug Fletcher, and Mike Newsome when Doug wasn't getting us in trouble!

Best teacher: Keith Young

I've lived in exciting places: Cedar Falls, Waterloo, and Spencer, IA

Vesta & I have been married 33 years. We have one son, one daughter and no grandchildren as yet.

Retirement has brought golf in the summer, and Spencer High basketball & wrestling games to support.

ELIZABETH STILWELL BOOTHBY

Greetings and Best wishes !

Favorite memories: all the fun & carefree times; Army/Navy games, theater, sports, pep club, etc., etc., etc!

Best teachers; Mr. Pries, Mr. Buxton, and principal C.C.Stanard

I have lived in Maryland, Ohio, Kansas, and Texas.

Dick & I have a son, a daughter, & 5 grandchildren

Retirement activities: textbook consulting, travel, gardening, bridge, playing with grandchildren, and having fun.

VANCE RASMUSSEN

Greeting: "I've lived life to the fullest, and hope all of you have too.

Favorite High school memory: all of my friends.

I've lived in Viet Nam, Germany, Colorado, New Mexico & Texas.

I'm married to Connie; we have 2 daughters, one step-daughter; one step-son, and 4 grandchildren.

Retirement activities: Golf & traveling

MARY KAY PEDERSEN BURGESS

Greeting: I wish all of our classmates could have lived to be here.

Favorite memory: marching band

Influential teachers: Mr. Buxton and Mr. Evenson

I'm single, have 4 children, 2 grandchildren, & 3 great-grandchildren

Retirement interests; art, music, writing, and part time sales.



BARBARA BRUCH HERMAN

It will be great to see everyone again

Memory: potlucks before games the games, and dances after.

Special teacher: Mr. Picht

I have lived in Iowa & Illinois

Vince & I have been married 40 years; have 3 children, & 6 grandchildren

Retirement Activities: lots of traveling.



JIM WISBY

Greeting: I'm really looking forward to seeing all of you at the reunion.

Memory: Mr. Hofstad telling Don Sweet, "Oh Mr. Sweet, VD is not something you pick up from door-knobs & tea cups!"

Special teacher: Anton Hofstad
I was happy to learn from him that

VD is not contracted from household objects.

I have lived in Iowa & the US Virgin Islands

Joyce & I have been married nearly 40 years, have 2 children, and 2 grandchildren.

Retirement activities; taking care of property with orchard, and spending time with good friends, Bast, Blum, & Wolfensperger.