

It's All About The Memories

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John Kennedy Had A Heart of Gold



Every once in a while, a Noblesville High School graduate contributes to the betterment of the community in a major way. The person makes a difference in many people's lives. Such person foregoes personal time in their life, that time many of us covet each day to address our own selfish interests, and instead finds in their hearts the desire to serve his fellow citizens. When they are no longer with us, the entire community feels the loss and collectively grieves the passing of an irreplaceable member.



John W. Kennedy was one of those special persons. A native son who stayed in his community and found ways to help his fellow citizens. He not only had a zest for life, he also had a heart of gold and reached out to the young and sometimes unfortunate citizens to help make a difference in their lives.

John was born in 1954 to Jim '44 and Bebita Kennedy. His entire family was active in the community, the schools and sports. He graduated from NHS in 1972 and spent some time at Indiana University in Bloomington. He returned to Noblesville and started working for McMahon Food Company. Although McMahons changed ownership and had new names, John continued to work for the same company throughout his life and was twice named Employee of the Year.

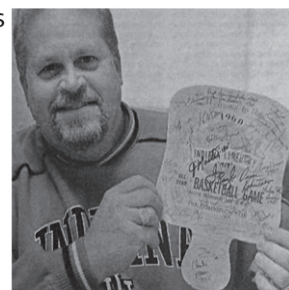
John was always pleasant to be around. He was jovial and had a contagious laugh. He was concerned about his family and community. And he was action-oriented. He excelled at every role he played, including being a husband, father, brother, son, uncle and grandfather. He was past Exalted Ruler of the Noblesville Elks Club, was a local sports referee, and an avid golfer. He was a fan of the Noblesville Millers, Pacers, Colts, Indiana University and Chicago Cubs.

John was on the Board of Directors of the NHS Alumni Association for 10 years beginning in 2004. When he joined, he immediately wanted to do something to raise more funds for scholarships and increase the number of scholarships. He suggested an annual golf tourney and he volunteered to be in charge. The first year, 2005, was a resounding success and he continued to chair the event for another 9 successful years. In total, his golf tourneys help raise over \$40,000-more money than any one individual had ever help raise before. He served as President of the Association for a record 4 times and was recipient of the Alumnus of the Year award in 2007.



John passed away unexpectedly due to complications from a heart procedure. The news quickly spread throughout the community and all were shocked to hear the news. He was loved by everyone who knew him and it was hoped he still had a lot of life to live. He will always be remembered as a cheerful and generous man who defined success not just by what he personally accomplished, but also by how others benefited from his shared time and love for the community.

Brad Cook '73



Homecoming
Noblesville vs. Franklin Central
Friday, Sept. 21, 2018

Annual Banquet
April 28th, 2018 - 142nd year
(See registration form)

Class of 1968 “THIS IS US!”

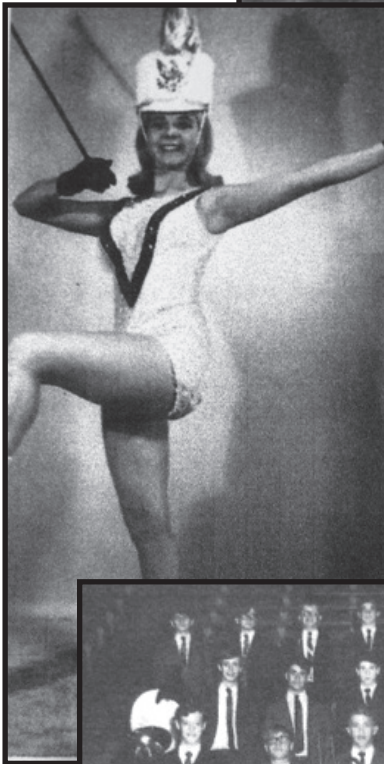
The NHS class of 1968 has covered a lot of ground since graduation day back on June 6, 1968.

We scattered across the US from Hawaii to upstate New York and from south Florida to Montana and many points in between. As a group we've traveled the world as well, covering Europe, Asia, the South Pacific, South America, the Middle East and Africa among others. We became career military officers, lawyers, dentists, teachers, business owners, skilled craftsmen, professional artists and musicians, hard workers who made stuff or helped make the world move forward. We've met famous entertainers and athletes, Presidents, political leaders, world renown physicians and scientists.

Our parents were part of Tom Brokaw's Greatest Generation and they were either natives of Hamilton County, or came to Noblesville from other places following WWII through the early 60's looking for the opportunities that a growing Central Indiana had to offer. They worked at Firestone, Noblesville Casting, GM plants in Anderson, Brockway Glass and scores of businesses in Indianapolis. Several were business owners building and growing businesses that became a part of life in post war Noblesville and Hamilton County.

When we gathered together for the first time in September of 1964 we came from Noblesville Junior High, Durbin and Fall Creek. In fact, it was the last time that students at Durbin and Fall Creek could attend NHS. A new high school was opening to replace Fishers High School and beginning in 1965 students from those schools found themselves at Hamilton Southeastern High School.

That September we immediately realized two things. NHS was a big building and the Seniors there were big people. We had to adapt quickly as our world was moving at a faster and faster pace. We were just getting to know the Beatles and Rolling Stones and heard about a guy named Bob Dylan. We probably



didn't pay attention to our parents' focus on things like the Gulf of Tonkin or the Warren Commission, or a Surgeon General report that smoking could be linked to lung cancer.

We were focused on finding our lockers, getting to class, meeting the new kids and there were lots of them to get to know.

By September of 1967 at the start of our Senior year things had changed. First of all, we were getting the reputation for producing some of the worst homecoming floats ever seen in Noblesville. Three straight years of finishing last in the float competition had left some scars. When Mr. Dellinger our class sponsor said we were not going to finish last, we were hopeful. Whether our winning was a true measure of success or a statement of sympathy Mr. Dellinger cajoled out of the judges we'll never know.

Thankfully we had lots to redirect our interests. Cruising Jim Dandy or Ramsey's Drive In, working our part time jobs, trips to Glendale, canteen dances after

basketball games, girls cheer block and the girls in the cheer block.

There's much more to the story of our class, and we'll be telling that story at the Alumni meeting in April.

IT IS ALL ABOUT THE NHS CONNECTION AND SCHOLARS FOR 2017

The NHS Alumni Association would like for you to meet the following scholarship winners from the 2017 graduating class. Each recipient had either a parent, grandparent or relative who attended Noblesville High School. The Association is proud to award 4 students with \$1,500.00 to use towards their future education. One student was awarded \$2,000.00 which was supported by the Rachel Heath Scholarship Fund. There was also one graduate who was awarded \$1,500.00 for the NHS Alumni Vocational Scholarship. This year 2 graduates were awarded \$1,500.00 each for a scholarship created by the class of 1965 in honor of two of their classmates who were killed in the Vietnam War. This scholarship was named, "SSG JAMES MICHAEL GRANT & PFC MICHAEL HOWARD LAWHON SCHOLARSHIP". The total amount awarded in 2017 was \$12,500.00 to some very deserving NHS graduates. Your generous donations to the scholarship fund make this all happen. Thank you for your support in the past and future. Congratulations to the following Scholarship Winners for 2017.

DREW WILSON

2017 Scholarship Winner

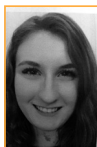
Attending Indiana University and his planned fields of study are medicine/psychology.



BROOKE FRANZ

2017 Scholarship Winner

Attending Anderson University and her planned fields of study are biology/genetics.



MAX FLINCHUM

2017 Scholarship Winner

Attending Wabash College and his planned fields of study are economics and pre-Law.



ALECKSA BAKER

2017 Scholarship Winner

Attending Indiana University Kokomo and her planned fields of study are accounting and finance.



DELILAH DICKOVER

2017 SSG James Michael Grant & PFC Michael Howard Lawhon Scholarship

Attending Indiana University Bloomington and her planned field of study is political science.



EMMA RENNER

2017 SSG James Michael Grant & PFC Michael Howard Lawhon Scholarship

Attending Ball State University and her planned fields of study are elementary education/psychology.



RILEY ANDERSON

2017 RACHEL HEATH Scholarship Winner

Attending Indiana State University and her planned fields of study are elementary education with early childhood.



TYLER CRANDALL

2017 Vocational Scholarship Winner

Attending Ball State and his planned field of study is nursing.

CLASS OF 1945 DONATES \$670.94 TO THE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Through the years the class of 1945 has met once a month and collected money to establish a fund for scholarships. We decided we would like to give back to our Alumni High School and help seniors who are entering college with a little assistance. Over the years we have given money to the Noblesville Alumni Scholarship fund in honor of those classmates that have passed away.

There are 13 classmates left from the class of 1945 and if you do the math you would realize that we are all in our 90's now. We decided to close our account and donate the rest of the money in our fund in honor of those who are still living and have continued to donate on a regular basis. So from the class of 1945 we say farewell and it has been an honor to be able to continue this tradition for all of these years.



Kedrick Fisher

The list below are the classmates that contributed who made this scholarship fund possible:

Eula Avery Mitchell
Virginia Castor Shirley
Jim Castor
Charmaine Chapman Carson
Jack Dashiell
Kedrick Fisher
Virginia Heiny Lee
James Harnish
Betty Meara Stevenson
Vera Mushrush
Jean Roudebush Davis
John Stern
Kathleen Caca Hollingsworth

Deceased Classmates:

Frances Acton McVey
Joan Anderson Randall
Shirley Bailey Roberts
Eldon Barger
Marjorie Beaver Zinn Lynch
LaWanna Berg Ferguson
Mary Bland Dickerson
Frances Epp King
Garrick Mallery

Total Scholarship Donations: \$16,657.17 for 2017

* Four \$1,500 NHS Scholarships

* \$1,500 Vocational Scholarship

\$2,000 Rachel Heath Scholarship

\$3,000 Grant / Lawhon Scholarship

From the President

Reflections of NHS run through our thoughts. Just a few are: homecoming, prom, teachers that impacted our lives, lifetime friendships and of course the Millerman. Being a member of the Alumni Association is easy. Lifetime membership is just \$10.00. If you have NHS graduates

in your family, consider getting them a lifetime membership. The Alumni Board is a dedicated group to NHS. However, they could always use assistance to make sure the Association is reaching as many Alums as possible. Consider how you could possibly be of assistance. Noblesville and NHS

are unique, in that there is a strong caring for both by those of us fortunate enough to have been a part of both. Enjoy this year's Banquet, as we honor the Class of 1968.

MILLERS FOR LIFE!!



Tom Gang '67

Alumni Share and Remember

New Members 2017

Did you know that only \$10 makes you a lifetime member of the NHS Alumni Association? Our new members for 2017 are listed below for your review. Encourage your classmates to join the efforts of the Alumni Association by adding your name to the 2018 list. See registration form and include \$10 toward membership.

1967 Nancy Craig Skelton
1967 Nancy Benson Schubert
1967 Myra Bentley Hexamer
1967 Kristen Foland Howard
1967 Rob Morris
1966 Terri Caster Gedek
1968 Jane Gladney-Mulkey
1971 Barbie Adams Vaught
1967 Glenda Haines Ferguson
1967 Michael Stern
1967 Diana Bisard Stern
1966 Linda Wright Welty
1967 Ellen Kinnaman Kinney
1987 Kristy Walters

1970 Linda Harrison Hornbeck
1972 Alice Harrison Graves
1967 Jeanne Woods Waggoner
1977 Patty Needham Story
1967 Dan Redick
1967 Diana Miller Ringo
1967 Martha Akers Gray
1967 Delores Mason Ladd
2006 Danielle Adams Bullock
1967 Catherine Carr
1969 Doug Grimes
1969 Bonnie Huber Vitatoe
1967 Linda Reel Nicholson
1967 Tom Wood

1987 Tony Jackson
1967 Suzie Kantner Williams
1967 Kenneth Marcum
1967 Jennifer Stewart Toman
1964 David Young
1968 Becky Armstrong Symmes
1989 Michael Higgins
1967 Beverly Ortiz Head
1967 John Ammerman
1969 Vickie Browning Ammerman
1967 Nancy Coverdale Nance
1976 Tracy Huffman Lockhart
1967 Donna Grissom Byrnes
1980 Nancy Teeters Ramsey

1968 Donna Wallace Gates
1967 Elizabeth Culp
1994 Andy Seymour
1968 Tim Clark
2017 Drew Wilson
2017 Brooke Franz
2017 Max Flinchum
2017 Alecks Baker
2017 Delilah Dickover
2017 Emma Renner
2017 Riley Anderson
2017 Tyler Crandall

IN MEMORY OF

In memory of James Gascho 1946

From Bruce Gascho

In memory of Butch Vernon 1966 and Steve Clark 1966

From Linda Wright Welty 1966

In memory of Jennifer Redick King 1990

From Dan and Teri Redick

In memory of Candy Vernon Williams

From Carol Biedenmeister Suggs 1967

In memory of Doris Clark Benson

From Jennifer Clark Adams 1967

In memory of Lindsey Foland and Ron Revis

From Cathy Sparlin Whiteley 1968

In memory of members of the class of 1953

From Shirley Hodson Ward 1953

In memory of Donald Breese 1953

From Marilyn Kemp Lees and Max Lees 1953

In memory of Betty Pritchard

From Dan Pritchard 1967

In Memory of Cathy Sparlin Whitely

TOM & ROBEN GANG

The following members of the class of 1972 donate to the scholarship fund in memory of their classmate John Kennedy

John Kyle; Ray Lytle; Denise Maines; Sherri Whisnant Klein; Deb Hillard; Kent Ward; Beth Lively; Lynne Lively Sylvester; Greg Cash; Cindy Malone Pfleging; Kathy Wiles Clover; Peggy Ballenger Adams; Skip & Teresa Huber; Deb Fisher Nuckols; Jim Gunn; Peggy Baldwin Beaver; Gary Millikan; Sue Randall Klinger; Paula Brown Symmes; Bill Shonk; Gary Robison; Ted Williams; John Craycraft; Ann Schernekau Dayton; Randy King; Gina Holland Riggs; Pam Gibbs Ferber; Katy Quigley Zolezzi

Alumni donate in Memory of John Kennedy

Jack and Carol Ott; Marcia Reasoner; Rex Sigman; Tom & Roben Gang; Steve McKee; Jane Merrell; Brenda & Richard Bradley; Bill & Carla Crask; Bruce & Sharon McMahon; Diana Rice; Jack & Kris Butler; Paula Smith; Luke Kenley; Jerry & Kathy Baumgardt; Natalie Roy D.D.S.

Honoring the 2017 "Gold Star" contributors by placing their name on permanent display, indicating all donations are used for scholarships only. Add \$250 to your reservation form to be honored next year.

1967 Kitty Campbell
1956 Neal Graham 1960 Phyllis Holmes Graham
1961 Sharon Haymaker Muir
1967 Nancy "Jo" Galbreath Rhodes
In Honor of our grandchildren
1967 Nancy Dillon Pogue
In Memory of Dr. James and Judy Dillon
1965 Roger Gilpin & Christina Gilpin
In memory of Don Roberts & Earl Wolf
1967 Gayle Middleton Jones

1962 Janice and Darrel Wolf
Still providing guidance- Maynard Wolf
1965 Linda Hair Roberts
In memory of Melvin D. Hair 1941
1962 Mick Donoff
In memory of Bette Whetsel Donoff 1938
1967 Dan Pritchard
1959 Mary Sue and 1958 Ted Rowland
Class of 1974 In memory of Mark Ammerman 1974
1972 John Kyle

In memory of John Kennedy 1972
Class of 1967
The Foland family
John, Betty & Lindsey
1967 Bill Crask
1967 Tom Gang
1967 Debbe Beaver Spann
1972 Terri Sigman Kennedy
In memory of John Kennedy

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CLASS of 1967 50TH REUNION - April 28th, 2017



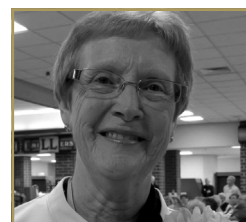
THE CLASS OF 1967 DONATES \$10,000 FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

Row 1: Larry Newby; Pam (Hurlock) Fitch; Susan Stewart; Rob Morris; Kitty Campbell; Beverly (Ortiz) Head; Sharon (Barnes) Griffith; Loretta (Robison) Cox; Sheila (Robison) Lakey. **Row 2:** Linda (Foutz) Murphy; Karen (Timmons) Chavez; Nancy (Nevitt) Gatewood; Nancy (Craig) Skelton; Jeanne (Woods) Waggoner; Delores (Mason) Ladd; Jill (Wise) Hall; Candace (Wedmore) Ealy. **Row 3:** Mary (Coward) Rhea; Bonnie Eudaly; Margaret (Cullen) Daniels; Kathy (Howell) Zook; Myra (Bentley) Hexamer; Glenda (Haines) Ferguson; Carla (Lintner) Crandall; Nancy (Dillon) Pogue; Deborah (Laswell) Pynn; Pam (Riggs) Davidson; Marilyn (Stone) Keenan; Carol (Epley) Woods; Cathy (Hare) Reid; Debbe (Beaver) Spann; **Row 4:** Vici (Whisnant) Shannon; Jeni (Stewart) Toman; Cathy (White) Carr; Linda (Reel) Nicholson; Alyca (Schlatter) Basch; Dorothy (Huffman) Rigby; Trecia (Lyttle) Mathews; Nancy (Benson) Schubert; Suzanne (Fahrenkamp) Snelling; **Row 5:** Bob Gunn; Sherry (Whitesell) Faust; Linda (Lawson) Spurling; Joyce (Johnson) Carson; Janice Owens; Helen (Adams) Kitterman; Linda (Johnson) Schlenger; Jennifer (Clark) Adams; Carol (Biedenmeister) Suggs; Vicki (Sherley) Clark; Cindy (Scott) Redick; Sarah (Baker) Callaway; Diana (Bisard) Stern; John Weldy; Jay Griffin; Steve Barnes. **Row 6:** Vernon Poole; Gary Ashworth; Kris (Foland) Howard; Dan Pritchard; Lea (Guffy) Wright; Susan (Kantner) Williams; Gayle (Middleton) Jones; Steve Young; Diana (Miller) Ringo; Karen (Metsker) Roever; Richard Chaney; Mike Stern; Phil White; Jerry Lecount; Dan Redick; Jim Roudebush; **Row 7:** Kevin Emmert; Denny Howard; Steve Prater; Nancy "Jo" (Galbreath) Rhodes; Terry Ballenger; Glenn Duncan; Marilyn Heath; Bill Crask; Mike Reasoner. **Row 8:** Ron Smith; David Young; Randy Guilkey; Rex Beck; David Hearld; Jack Hazelwood; Tom Wood; Kenny Marcum; Vernon Zook; Jim Bray; Martha (Nugent) Roblee; David Pritchard; Tom Gang; Roger Brown; William "Dusty" Fueston; Bob Camp; **Not pictured:** Jim Washburn; Edie (Stephenson) Hazelwood; Ellen (Kinnamon) Kinney

2017 Alumnus of the Year : Janice Robinson- Class of 1968

The 2017 Alumnus of the year, was awarded to Janice Robinson, class of 1968. Janice helps coordinate the Alumni banquet reservations and took over as Treasurer in 2016. Janice has worked since she was 16 years old, sometimes working two jobs at a time. Her very first job was at GC Murphy in downtown Noblesville. Her second job was working at the

concession stand at the Noblesville Drive-In Theater. After graduation Janice began her full time job at Firestone and remained there until retirement. Janice enjoys volunteering, babysitting for her great-grandson and working part-time at Friends Church where she is a member. Janice has a daughter, Angie; a son Chris, three grandchildren and one great-grandson.



Janice Robinson

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ATTENTION: Class of 1969 ~ Get a Lifetime Membership \$10

The class of 1969 will be hosting those honored this year as they prepare for their own 50 year recognition **April 27, 2019**. If you have attended the NHS Alumni Banquet before, mark your calendars now for an evening of fun. There is always a lot of reminiscing about "the good old school days". Don't miss it!!!! Also, become a lifetime member of the Alumni Association for only \$10.00. See the back cover for membership form.