



Lamoni Community Schools Alumni Association

202 NORTH WALNUT, LAMONI, IOWA 50140

All School Banquet

Come share your "*Memories*" with your friends at the 31st Lamoni Community Schools Alumni Reunion. Stop by the High School Commons between 10:00am and 6:30pm on Saturday, May 27th, to pick up your tickets and connect with classmates and other friends returning to our alma mater. Tours of the school buildings will be available on request, and historical collections of yearbooks and photos will be on display in the Media Center. For those who did not register ahead of the alumni weekend, there will be a limited number of banquet tickets available during registration hours on the 27th. Two oil paintings will be raffled off with proceeds to the Alumni Association. These are beautiful paintings from Ruth Higdon, Class of '73. Raffle tickets and paintings on display Saturday. Must be present to win!

Alumnus Laura Benedict Scott, Class of '79, has agreed to provide a performance on Saturday evening. Laura has graced the many stages of rock and pop for more than 40 years including performing at the White House.

Saturday, May 27, 2023

- 10:00am to 6:30pm – pick up banquet and breakfast tickets, connect with classmates, and tour the school.
- 6:30pm – Banquet dinner in the high school gym. Entertainment and raffles will be provided by Lamoni Community School alumni.
- Dinner tickets are \$20 per person. You may register for the banquet dinner and breakfast online at <https://www.facebook.com/LamoniAlumniAssociation/>

Sunday, May 28, 2023

- 7:30 to 9:30am – breakfast will be served at the high school commons for \$8 per person

2023 Reunion Housing

Cobblestone Inn & Suites - Lamoni

226 Spruce Dr, Lamoni, IA 50140
(641) 784-4000

Rodeway Inn

2013 E Main St, Lamoni, IA 50140
(319) 315-0080

Super 8 by Wyndham - Bethany

811 S 38th St, Bethany, MO 64424
(660) 240-0597

LITTLE RIVER INN MOTEL & GUEST HOUSE

708 W 1st St Leon, Iowa - 50144
(641) 446-4884

Lakeside Hotel Casino

777 Casino Dr, Osceola, IA 50213
(641) 342-9511

AmericInn by Wyndham Osceola

111 Ariel Cir, Osceola, IA 50213
(641) 342-9400

Alumni Association Scholarships

Each year the Alumni Association provides the Alumni Scholarship to LHS seniors who graduate and meet the criteria outlined by the association. Last year's graduating class, the Class of 2022, had 18 students who met the criteria for an Alumni Scholarship. The criteria includes possessing, at time of graduation, a 3.5 GPA. Of these, 16 students accepted the scholarship which was awarded to each student on senior awards night. The recipients included: Braedon Boswell, Jack Greenwood, Malori Leonard, Audrey Lloyd, Abby Martin, Cameron Martin, Megan McKinney, Lily Meline, Kade Nowlin, Brayden Olson, Ashley Parkhurst, Matthew Patience, Hagen Phelps, Reese Potter, Odin Rivera, and Javin Stevenson.

The Alumni Brick Garden

The Alumni Brick Garden was introduced in 1999. The garden is now located at the entrance to the high school building and has expanded to include a second area near the flag pole. The proceeds of the campaign are dedicated to the Lamoni Alumni Scholarship Fund which provides financial assistance to qualifying graduates. Bricks may be purchased at \$75 for a 4 x 8 inch, \$250 for an 8 x 8 inch, or \$350 for a 12 x 12 inch brick. Please contact Lamoni Schools (641-784-3342) or Shirley Kessel (641-414-8093) for an order form or more information or you can download an order form here: <https://bit.ly/LHSBrickOrderForm>.

Salsman's Donate Bench

Bill ('52) and Gloria Manchester ('52) Salsman donated a bench to Lamoni Community Schools in honor of their children, Mark - Class of 1972 and Joy - Class of 1974. The newly installed bench can be found in front of the high school.



Example of the TouchWall. Image from <https://www.touchpros.com/touchwall/>

Composites Going Digital

Lamoni Schools applied for the Freedom Fund Grant through South Central Iowa Community Foundation (SCICF) to cover half of the cost for an info touch screen from TouchPros called a TouchWall. It is a cloud-based product that combines intuitively-designed software with a large format touch screen.

Visitors to the school will be able to experience the history of the school in high definition both inside and out of the school walls. With multiple photo options to showcase individual accomplishments across sports and with a video option, achievements can come alive and in high-definition. The TouchWall will contain general school information along with class composites, year books, athletic records and awards. Everything that goes on the TouchWall will be available on the school website. The school will be looking for possible financial assistance in funding the work that will go into providing high quality images of all items that will be contained on the TouchWall. A majority of this project should be completed by Memorial Day weekend, prior to the Alumni weekend. The school may be hiring students to help scan pictures, videos, etc. over the summer so that it is completely done by Fall 2023.

Historian's Update

If anyone is missing their LCS or LHS Yearbook and would like a copy, or a copy of any other year, please send a USB drive to me with \$5 for postage and I will copy and mail back to you. Scanned and available are years 1914 thru 1917 and 1940 thru 2018.

Bob Bixby, LCS Historian
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rbixby@grm.net

Why Should I Join the LCS Alumni Association?

Lamoni Community Schools Alumni Association was established in 1990 with the mission to support Lamoni Community Schools and current students and to provide support and connections for Lamoni Alumni. Accomplishments through the years have included building a brick garden; building the base to remount the victory bell; mailing an annual newsletter to all alumni on the mailing list; planning an All-School Reunion over Memorial Day weekend; choosing Hall of Fame and Distinguished Service recipients; awarding a \$250 scholarship to all seniors with a 3.5+ GPA; providing gifts to the school; and keeping an updated database of Alumni addresses as supplied by each class. Regular Annual Memberships are only \$15 or you can become a Lifetime Member for \$150.

This is a chance to continue giving to an organization with a high level of community involvement and one that continues to keep giving back to the school we all love. We hope you begin taking advantage of this opportunity

Current Lifetime Members

256

New Lifetime Members

Pam White 1970

Ken Starnes 1972

Jane (Runkle) Kunz 1968

Nancy (Colyer) Martin 1976

Mike Martin 1976

2023 LCS Alumni Association Board Members

President	Ray Beaty '72
Vice President	Joyce Starnes Lighthill '71
Secretary	Jeanette Hartwig Calipetro '82
Treasurer	Vicki Lewis Winchester '75
Historian	Bob Bixby '57
Banquet	Joyce Starnes Lighthill '71
Hall of Fame & Distinguished Service Award	Bob Bixby '57
Newsletter	Kyle Leonard '06
Nominations	Pam Lewis Barth '70
Scholarships	Barbara Hawley McKiernan '93
Board Members	Leta Stevens '82
	Shelly Morris '72
	Alex Burnette '18
	Beverly Robinson Francis '75
	Raphael Coulthard '10
	Martha McDaniel Palmer '72
Coordinator	Shirley Mickelson Kessel '67

Class Reunion Corner

Class of '73

The class of '73 will celebrate their 50th year reunion over the Memorial Day weekend, with a catered meal Friday evening and breakfast at the high school Saturday morning.

If your class is planning a reunion, please let us know by sending a message on our Alumni Facebook page - we would love to help spread the word!

Stay In The Know

Facebook Pages:

- [Lamoni Alumni Association](https://bit.ly/3YcRq1Z)
 - <https://bit.ly/3YcRq1Z>
- [You Know You Grew Up In Lamoni, IA If You Remember...](https://bit.ly/3mmkKpg)
 - <https://bit.ly/3mmkKpg>
- [Decatur County Historical Museum](https://bit.ly/3IMF374)
 - <https://bit.ly/3IMF374>

Websites:

- [Lamoni CSD](https://www.lamonischools.org)
 - <https://www.lamonischools.org>
- [Lamoni Alumni Association Page](https://bit.ly/3YcRkr9)
 - <https://bit.ly/3YcRkr9>
- [Lamoni History](http://www.iagenweb.org/decaturl/)
 - <http://www.iagenweb.org/decaturl/>

LCS Alumni Association Board of Directors

2023 Official Absentee Ballot

Vote for five (5) of the candidates below by placing an "X" in the appropriate boxes. You may vote for fewer than five. The directors are elected for a term of three (3) years.

Return the ballot to: **LCS Alumni Association, Lamoni Community Schools, 202 North Walnut, Lamoni, Iowa 50140**

You must be a current member of the association to vote. Mark your ballot in the following manner:

Voter 1 _____ Graduation Year: _____

Voter 2 _____ Graduation Year: _____



Mike Morris '79

Voter 1 Voter 2

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Mike Morris class of 1979. Born and raised in Lamoni. Raised on a small farm and attended K-12, as well as extracurricular activities at Lamoni Community Schools. Moved to Florida after graduating in 1979, and began a career in the construction industry. Returning to Iowa after several years in South Florida, and continued working in construction in Des Moines, operating my own business for fourteen years before moving into sales and sales management in the industry. Currently I'm semi-retired, and living between my home in Des Moines and time in Lamoni



Joyce Starnes Lighthill '71

Voter 1 Voter 2

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Joyce graduated from LHS in 1971; from Graceland College in 1975 with a major in Psychology; and from the UMKC in 1994, with a Master of Arts degree in Educational Administration - Higher Education. She was employed at Graceland University for nearly 44 years, last 32 years as University Registrar. Joyce retired in May 2019, concluding her tenure as the fourth Registrar and the first woman Graceland University Registrar. Joyce and her husband, Duane, live in Pawnee, MO (NW Missouri) countryside east of Hatfield, MO.



Pam Lewis Barth '70

Voter 1 Voter 2

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Pam graduated from LHS in 1970 and her class celebrated their 50 year reunion in 2020. Pam lives on a farm in Decatur County. She graduated from DMACC with a degree in Health Care Administration. She has two married children, daughter Kelly Schloegel and son Tracy Barth who is a 1989 LHS graduate.



Jeanette Hartwig Calipetro '82

Voter 1 Voter 2

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Jeanette graduated in 1982, at which time she attended Graceland University to become a Music teacher. She earned her Master of Education at Avila University and has taught for over 20 years. Jeanette has 4 grown children, Kasey, Nick, Dakota and Dalton, and currently resides in Lee's Summit, MO with her husband.



Pam White '70

Voter 1 Voter 2

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Pam White graduate from LHS in 1970. Her sister Laura and her parents also graduated from LHS. Pam retired in May 2022 from Western Illinois University where she taught Museum Studies graduate students. Prior to WIU, Pam worked in museums at the University of Iowa. She lives in Cedar Rapids, Iowa near her daughter and family. Pam enjoys keeping up with her Lamoni friends and looks forward to working with other Alumni.



Kyle Leonard '06

Voter 1 Voter 2

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Kyle graduated from LHS in 2006. In 2010 he received his Bachelor of Science in Secondary Social Science Education from Northwest Missouri State University and in 2017 his Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction in a Quality Classroom from Graceland University. Kyle has been the LHS Social Studies teacher since 2010. He lives outside Lamoni with his wife, Michelle (Bjorland), daughter, and son.

LCS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BANQUET REGISTRATION

May 27 – 28, 2023

The banquet will be held in the Lamoni High School Gymnasium

Persons attending the banquet:

_____	Graduating Class _____
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_____	Graduating Class _____
_____	Graduating Class _____

Total number (Adults & Children) attending:

_____ Saturday Banquet X \$20.00 = _____

_____ Sunday Breakfast X \$8.00 = _____

Please register in any of the following ways:

Mail: return form to Lamoni Alumni Association, 202 N Walnut St, Lamoni, IA 50140

Facebooks: Register on the online Google Form at [Lamoni Alumni Association Facebook](#) page

Email or Phone: Shirley Kessel at 641-414-8093 or lskessel@grm.net by May 14, 2023

LCS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

Name: _____ (First) _____ (Last) (_____ Maiden) Class of: _____

Address: _____ Email: _____

Phone: _____ Alt. Phone: _____

Spouse: _____ Graduation Year if attended LCS: _____

I would be willing to serve on the Board of Directors or one of the following committees:

☐ Board of Directors ☐ Hall of Fame ☐ Nominations

☐ Scholarship ☐ Banquet

\$ _____ \$15.00 per LCS Alumni for Annual Membership

\$ _____ \$150.00 Lifetime Membership

\$ _____ Additional Gifts

\$ _____ **Total Enclosed**

Send to:
LCS Alumni Association
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Spouses are eligible for Associate membership. Let's increase our membership by adding spouses!

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Notes From The President

After 2 years of having to cancel the All-School Reunion Banquet, we had a successful year in 2022. There were 3 Honor Classes due to the cancellations of previous years; those honored were the Classes of '70, '71, and '72.

Your Alumni Association Board has been working hard to make changes in the way we report and gather information from all of you, the LHS Alumni members. We hope that you like the changes they have made in publishing information. If you have not already seen our Facebook page, please take a look and "Like" or "Follow" to keep up on what is happening. <https://www.facebook.com/LamoniAlumniAssociation/>.

Everything is back on schedule this year with the Honor class being the Class of '73. Sounds like they have a lot of plans for meeting and getting together.

The LHS Alumni Board members are looking forward to welcoming everyone back and looking to have a great weekend.

Raymond Beaty, Class of '72
LHS Alumni Board President