



# Lamoni Community Schools Alumni Association

202 NORTH WALNUT, LAMONI, IOWA 50140

## All School Banquet

The LHS Alumni Banquet will be held Saturday, May 24th at 6:00 pm in the high school gym. Tickets for the banquet are \$25.00. Sunday, May 25th at 8:00 am to 10:00 am, we will serve complimentary cinnamon rolls and breakfast beverages. The school will be open at 9:00am Saturday to register, pick up tickets, and gather with friends. If you would like a tour of the high school arrangements can be made for a morning tour.

The class of 1975, is the honor class this year, celebrating their 50 year reunion. Members of the class have been meeting and planning a Friday night gathering.

We hope all alumni will come and help celebrate their good old days at Lamoni High School.



Class of 1975

Email: [pambarth131@gmail.com](mailto:pambarth131@gmail.com) for help with reunion plans. Contact Bev Robinson Francis, Vicki Winchester, Nancy Colyer Martin, or Rhonda Reed Tharp for 1975 Class reunion info.

## Distinguished Service Award

Scott Roberts (1959-2025) had a heart of service. Through the years, you met Scott cooking at Pizza Shack, managing Lamoni Swimming Pool, working the Hy-Vee aisles with a smile, attending all sporting events, grilling at the Cook Shack, and in many classrooms. He taught Driver's Education to Lamoni students for many years. He was an amazing role model for youth: always seeing the positive in young people and helping keep them on track, especially those who shared his interest in fishing and hunting. Scott was the first to see that no child or family was hungry. He was currently subbing at Lamoni Schools where he greeted every student the same: "The Scotty Bob hug". Thank you, Mr. Roberts, for your love of the Lamoni community and especially the young people.

Pictured: Scott Roberts, long time Booster Club supporter, Drivers Ed Teacher, Substitute



## 2025 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

### Little River Inn Motel & Guest House

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

### Super 8 by Wyndham - Bethany

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

### 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. The criteria includes possessing, at time of graduation, a 3.5 GPA. The LHS Alumni Board is pleased to announce that we supplied a total of 8 scholarships totaling \$2,000 to the graduating Class of 2024. We look forward to keep helping the graduating students with these scholarships.

If anyone has questions or would like to see the Treasury books, please contact Ray Beaty at [rlbeaty@gmail.com](mailto:rlbeaty@gmail.com) or text to 5615-401-8275.

## Hall of Fame

The Hall of Fame committee is reviewing the scoring system for selecting new Hall of Fame nominees. If you would like to be a part of this Committee, please contact Ray Beaty at [rlbeaty@gmail.com](mailto:rlbeaty@gmail.com) or text 515-401-8275. Current Committee members are Bob Bixby, Kenny Starnes, and Ray Beaty.

Please let us know if you know of a person that you feel should be nominated for the Hall of Fame. We have not had any new nominees for a few years now.

## Class Reunion Corner

### Class of '75

This year we welcome the class of 1975, in honor of their 50 year graduation. Plans are being made for a great reunion, with time spent as a class as well as the All School Alumni banquet.

More details about the banquet are listed elsewhere in this newsletter. More specifics on class of '75 events will come later.

Plan to attend for a great weekend!



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

## Weight Room Upgrades Update

We wanted to take the opportunity to inform the Alumni that we have recently made some significant upgrades to our school's weight room area. The upgrades took a fundraising campaign in excess of \$80,000 to get all the equipment we needed. That included all new racks, weights, leg press machine, rower, treadmills, bikes, dumbbells, all new Demon branded benches, lateral pull down machine, flooring, and paint. We are excited to have a facility that our students can use as they look to improve their health and fitness.



## Historian's Update

If anyone is missing their LCS or LHS Yearbook and would like a copy, or a copy of any other year, I can send you a digital copy on a USB drive. Cost is \$20 for postage and the USB drive. Scanned and available are years 1914 thru 1917 and 1940 thru 2018.

Bob Bixby, LCS Historian  
21875 Pleasanton Rd, Leon Iowa 50144  
[rjbixby@grm.net](mailto:rjbixby@grm.net)

# LCS Alumni Association Board of Directors

## 2025 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: \_\_\_\_\_



**Raphael Coulthard '10**

Voter 1      Voter 2

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Raphael J. Coulthard graduated in 2010 from Lamoni High School. He lives in Lamoni and is Facility and Grounds Director at Lamoni Community Schools. His family has been a part of the community for a long time. He would be happy to be an active and long term member of the alumni board.



**Shelly Morris '72**

Voter 1      Voter 2

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Shelly M. Morris graduated in 1972 from Lamoni High School. She resides in Lamoni and is employed at the Lamoni Chronicle Newspaper office. Her family has been a part of the Lamoni Community and connected not only to LHS but also Graceland.



**Martha McDaniel Palmer '72**

Voter 1      Voter 2

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Martha Palmer graduated from LHS in 1972 and received her bachelor's degree from Graceland in Business Education in 1976. She has been married to Danny Palmer for 52 years. They have 5 grown children and 9 grandchildren. Their eldest daughter, Lacey, is currently the Ag teacher/FFA Advisor for LHS. Martha retired after working several years in financial management. She resides in Decatur County and would be honored to serve as an LHS Alumni Board member.



**Alan Condit '65**

Voter 1      Voter 2

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I attended the Lamoni Community Schools graduating from LHS in 1965. I attended Graceland 1965 to 1967. I served in the US Navy from 1967 to 1971. Upon discharge from the Navy I re-enrolled at Graceland and graduated in May 1973. I completed a JD from the University of Iowa College of Law in August 1975. My wife Nancy and I moved to Tucson, AZ in 1975. In 1993 I completed in a post-bac program in secondary education. We moved to Woodburn, Oregon in 1995 where I taught for 7 years. We moved to Ankeny, Iowa in 2020 and then moved back to Lamoni in October 2024.



**Michelle Elefson Noe '02**

Voter 1      Voter 2

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A 2002 graduate of Lamoni High School, I left Lamoni the fall of 2002 and spent the next 6 years attending school and working in the Warrensburg and Kansas City, Missouri areas. In December of 2008 I graduated from The University of Central Missouri with a BFA in Studio Art, with an emphasis in sculpture. I "temporarily" moved back to Lamoni shortly after college graduation, and 16 years later I am still here. In 2024 I started working at The Lamoni Chronicle and love having a front line view of the goings-on in our little town as well as work in a creative field again. My husband, Joe, and I live near North Park with our three kids and beloved Staffordshire Terrier.

# LCS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BANQUET REGISTRATION

May 24 – 25, 2025

The banquet will be held in the Lamoni High School Gymnasium

Persons attending the banquet:

_____	Graduating Class _____
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Total number (Adults & Children) attending:

\_\_\_\_\_ Saturday Banquet X \$25.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Sunday Breakfast - Free Will Donation

Please register in any of the following ways:

**Mail:** Lamoni Alumni Association 202 N Walnut St, Lamoni, IA 50140

**Facebook:** Register online at [Lamoni Alumni Association Facebook](#) page

**Email or Phone:** Shirley Kessel at 641-414-8093 or [lskessel@grm.net](mailto:lskessel@grm.net) by May 14, 2025

## LCS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) Class of: \_\_\_\_\_  
(First) (Last) Maiden

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

Pay Online!



<https://bit.ly/4kCDo6m>

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

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$150.00 Lifetime Membership

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Additional Gifts

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total Enclosed

Spouses are eligible for Associate membership.

Let's increase our membership by adding spouses!

Send to:  
LCS Alumni Association  
Lamoni Community Schools  
202 North Walnut  
Lamoni, IA 50140



## 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

274

### New Lifetime Members

Mike Boswell '72  
 Almata (Sandage) Silver '46  
 Jeremy Clinefelter '91  
 Dana (Hynden) Snethen '72  
 Shelly Morris '72  
 Tiffany (Jeanes) Magstadt '06  
 Jane (Spillman) Hrabak '70  
 Wayne Heidi '61  
 Ronald Bjorland '55  
 Connie (Elliott) Kirkpatrick '68

If you are unsure of your Lifetime Membership, check Lamoni Community School:

<https://bit.ly/LCSAlumniLifetimeMembers>

## LCS Alumni Association Board Members

<b>President</b> .....	Joyce Starnes Lighthill '71
<b>Vice President</b> .....	Pam Lewis Barth '70
<b>Secretary</b> .....	Jeanette Hartwig Calipetro '82
<b>Treasurer</b> .....	Ray Beaty '72
<b>Banquet</b> .....	Pam Lewis Barth '70
<b>Hall of Fame &amp; Distinguished Service Award</b> .....	Ray Beaty '72
<b>Newsletter</b> .....	Kyle Leonard '06
<b>Nominations</b> .....	Shelly Morris '72
<b>Scholarships</b> .....	Barbara Hawley McKiernan '93
<b>Board members</b> .....	Mike Morris '79
	Pam White '70
	Leta Stevens '82
	Martha McDaniel Palmer '72
	Raphael Coulthard '10
	Beverly Robinson Francis '75
	Alex Burnette '18
	Linda Perkins '77
<b>Coordinator</b> .....	Shirley Mickelson Kessel '67
<b>Historian</b> .....	Bob Bixby '57

## Athletics Success

This past year, LHS athletics have had several successes! Softball finished their season with 13 wins and were ranked 3rd in Bluegrass Conference - West. LHS Cheer participated in the State Cheer Competition placing 5th. Girls Basketball finished as Champions of the Bluegrass Conference Tournament.



## Stay In The Know

Facebook Pages:

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

Websites:

- Lamoni CSD: <https://www.lamonischools.org>
- LHS Alumni Association Page: <https://bit.ly/3YcRkr9>
- Lamoni History: <http://www.iagenweb.org/decatu/>

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## Notes From The President

Spring is here and your Lamoni Community School Alumni Association Board members are excitedly preparing for the 2025 Alumni Reunion weekend in May! Planning for our All-School Reunion is well underway by our Banquet Chair, Pam Lewis Barth, and her committee!

The Alumni Board is requesting your payment for membership dues. The annual fee is \$15.00; however, you can become a lifetime member with a \$150.00 donation. Memberships contribute toward providing scholarships each year for Lamoni Community School graduates. You can submit your payment along with your Banquet Registration. If you are unable to join us this year, your Membership is still welcome.

We are always looking for Committee members. You are not required to be a Board member to volunteer for one of these positions. We have opportunities for you on the Hall of Fame, Scholarship, Nominations, Publicity, and Banquet Committees. Please mark your preferences on your Banquet Registration, and we will be sure it gets to the chair of the appropriate committee.

If you have any questions or concerns for the Alumni Board, feel free to let us know. The Board and I look forward to seeing you in May.

Joyce (Starnes) Lighthill '71  
President, 2024-25 LCS Alumni Association