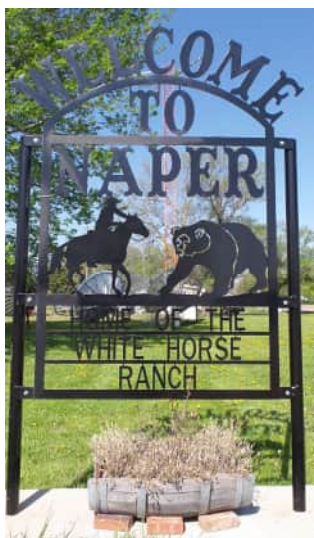


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The mission of the Naper Historical Society is to preserve, interpret, display, communicate, promote and honor the history, original structures, special places and artifacts of the people and culture of Naper, Nebraska, and the surrounding area. The Naper Historical Society intends to accomplish this mission by operating a museum, publishing a newsletter, sponsoring events, and in other appropriate ways. The Naper Historical Society will initially focus on four themes: School Days, Life in Naper Through the Years, White Horse Ranch, and Naper 28 Plane Crash.

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DO PIGEONS HAVE GPS?

Rick and LaRae Karnes live on a farm southeast of Naper. April 26 was a windy, cold, rainy day. Rick was walking across the yard when something caught his eye—it was a pigeon, scratching in the wet soil trying to get some bird seed and milo that Rick had scattered for the wild birds that visit their yard.

While wild pigeons (also called street pigeons) are common, this bird was bigger and marked differently than those typically seen in this area. The pigeon didn't seem to be frightened and in fact let Rick get close to him.

Rick thought the pigeon was looking for something other than milo to eat, so he tried safflower seeds which he feeds to the cardinals. Oh, yes, the pigeon liked that! When Rick sat down on the ground, the bird approached him and Rick noticed the bird had three bands on his leg.



Rick captured the bird and put him in a cat carrier with some food and water. That's when the detective work began.

LaRae used the internet site Nebraska Through the Lens to see if anyone was missing a pigeon. Sure enough, because the bird had identification bands on its leg, someone contacted her and said it was their missing bird, a homing pigeon.

Homing pigeons are developed through selective crossbreeding and training for maximum speed and distance in directed flight. They are fed pricey high-nutrient meals and have early morning training sessions. They are trained to return to their loft home.

Neurons process changes in magnetic fields around them. This allows them to determine directional heading and altitude by using the earth's magnetic field. When they find their way home, the race is not over until they go through the trap to the loft and a band is

removed from their leg.

There are 20 members in the Omaha Racing Pigeon Association and races are scheduled throughout the year. The Grain Belt Classic, held in October, last year had 336 first-year pigeons take flight in a 350 mile race to share in a \$20,000 purse.

Some older birds race in spring races; breeding pairs never race. One bird that flew in a race from Sidney to Blair, a distance of 356 miles, averaged 41 mph.

The bird that landed in Rick and LaRae's yard had been in a race and was 175 miles off-course, no doubt due to the wind and rain. The owner told them to release it on a sunny day so on Wednesday, April 29, the bird was in the air at 9:45 a.m.

Rick aimed it toward Omaha. The bird flew a short distance, circled the yard over Rick and LaRae as if to say "Thank You!" and then headed on its way. It arrived at 3:29—5 hours and 44 minutes.



WHERE ARE YOU FROM??

A few years ago, a former Naper student went to work in Hastings. When his boss asked where he was from, the young man said western Boyd County. The boss said he didn't know where that was or how to get there. "You go north on Highway 281 until people start waving at you. Then you turn west and go about 20 miles and you're there." Isn't that a great way to describe us?

CRUISE
NIGHT
JUNE 13
MAIN
STREET

NAPER'S FINEST YOUNG PEOPLE

Naper High School's first graduating class had one member, Bess Barton Logerwell, who graduated in 1908. Prior to 1928, high school ended with ninth, tenth or eleventh grade. In the next 80 years, 643 more graduates came out of Naper high School to make their marks on the world. The last class (1988) had six members: Tammy Wentz Haney, Tammy Mitchell Mashino, Laura Nicolaus Mausbach, Lori Goodman Clarkson, Aaron Hamling and Rhonda Hamling Beals. You'll find photos of all the class composites on the website napernebraska.org, but for those who don't have access to a computer, a list of graduates is included on these pages.

1908	1928	1934
Bess Barton Logerwell	(first year of 12th grade graduates)	Wilma Rockholm Butler, Bernita Hamann
1910	Lester Andersen, Chris Holmgren, Olga Hansen James, Marguerite Rockholm Ludemann, Dorothy Putnam, Wayne Putnam, Margaret Hotaling Salmen	Fischer, Harold Fischer, Dorothy Katzer Jones, Clara Ahlers Neumiller, Albert Nicolaus, Ward Putnam, Vera Sieh Schoenefeld, Edna Boyd Sikes, Alta Berg Small
1915	1929	1935
Bess Black Earl Cady, Iva Carlson Cerny, Stella Vance Cunningham, Inez Carlson Rockholm	Leonard Iverson, Harry Quest, Glades Reber, Darro Rockholm, Frieda Holmgren VanDenBerg	Anna Ahlers Hagel, Gordon Radford, Thelma Newhardt Truax, Robert Wakefield, John Small
1916	1930	1936
Otto Andersen, Hilda Reinhart McCoy	Harry Bennett, Carl Vogt, Martin Vogt, Rudolph Weickum, Gail Zink	Dorothy Clausen Gahr, Albert Holmgren, Allen Zink, Dorothy Radford Rust, Amy Lou Smith Small, Henry Tienken, Rose Reber
1917	1931	Votava, Darlene Stahlecker Youngren
Emma Anderson	Paul Engelhart, Lila Klien Engelhaupt, Edwin Nicolaus, Allen Wakefield	1937
1919	1932	LouAnn Peppel Arends, Lloyd Clausen, Irene Fischer Garrison, Helen Newhardt Honeywell, Opal Becker McFayden, Clinton Reber, Genevieve Thompson Pence, Royal Zink
Pansy Reber Wakefield	Martha Clausen, Vera Stahlecker Dygert, Rudolph Holmgren, Ella Engelhart Kahler, Hayward Muller, Roger Rockholm	
1924	1933	
Luree Snider Barnes, Gertrude Nicolaus Boettcher, Esther Nicolaus Keepers, Arthur Kortmeyer	Norman Rockholm, Clara Holmgren Stahlecker, John Vance, Maurice Wakefield	
1926		
Marie Rockholm Bunch, Zoe Brown Higgins, Margaret Katzer Reem, Vera Couser Ross, Ella Stahlecker Schafer		

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1938

Mildred Thompson Bechtold, Henry Berg,
Marian Ludemann Schultitz, Albert Berg, Edna
Kortmeyer Handley, Marian Ludemann
Schultz

1939

Iris Siewert Eppenback, Mildred Martin
Fuhrer, Ruth Kibby Horn, Lenora Serr Klien,
Marjorie Boucher Kortmeyer, Clarence May-
er, Katherine Kramer Parlett, Ioan Cunning-
ham Reber, Russell Reber, Ida Wentz Spahn,
Kenneth Stahlecker

1940

Walter Cline, Harry Cunningham, Florence
Odenbach Davis, Edeen Peppel Fischer,
Helmuth Holmgren, Roscoe Junior Swick,
Kathryn Katzer Tokarz, Frieda Ahlers Voll,
Blanche Stahlecker Wahlstrom

1941

George Alexander, Dorothy Berg Belcher,
Howard Forsch, Raymond Fuhrer, Lelia Bou-
cher Higgins, Leona Siewert Knox, George
Kramer, Reba Goodman Martin, Twila Martin
McLaughlin, Edward Peppel, Florence Wetz-
ler Porter, Marie Putnam Pretzer, Marvin
Stahlecker

1942

Avis Dalldorf Breyer, Elnora Kortmeyer Bryan,
Lila Fuhrer Guildner, June Goodman Hovey,
Virginia Klein Kinifick, Leona Wentz Lamb,
Lillian Hermann Wallace

1943

James Cerny, Raymond Cunningham, Eileen
Vance Erickson, Vernelle Peppel Kibby, Tom
Reimers, Walter Serr, Darlene Mayer Sieh,
Leola Brown Stouder, Basil Zink

1944

Vionne Berg Forsch, Mavis Becker Hambek,
Arlene Siewert Hayward, Edward Reimers,
Raymond Stoltenberg, Julius Vogt

1945

Joycelyn Blakkolb, Opal Goodman Chapin,
Orion Fischer, Esther Neumiller Fuhrer, Rich-
ard Stahlecker

1946

Alfred "Butch" Boucher, Alberta Boucher
Breyer, Dean Broekemeier, Julie Berg
Broekemeier, Mavis Putnam Collins, Alvin
Forsch, Irene Forsch Green, Nellie Jean
Siewert Parker, Betty Gosch Schochenmaier,
Donald Schock, Jane Kortmeyer Smith,
Delma Dalldorf Turgeon

1947

Irene Mayer Allum, Adeline Martin Austin,
Howard Camin, Iona Mayer Carstens, Paul
Cunningham, Delores Wentz Fuhrer,
Maryellen Wedige Kersten, Leonard Schmitz,
Herman Neumiller, Connie Sattler, Marvin
Stoltenberg, Betty Wedige Vlack

1948

Vivian Schock Alexander, Roy Goodman,
Joann Cerny Jons, Lester Neumiller, Lucille
Vogt Sieh, Delores Zeitner Stahlecker, Carl

GRADUATES CONTINUED

"Pat" Vance, Velda Sieh Stahlecker

1949

Arlen Ahlers, Janice Davis Allpress, Wayne
Andersen, Mac Broekemeier, Dewane Dum-
mer, Betty Wilhelmsen Fast, Gaynell Rock-
holm Keller, Helen Cerny Putnam, Robert
Putnam, Delores Mayer Rymers, Peter Wil-
helmsen Jr.

1950

Jacob Boucher, Yvonne Reber Cahoy, Rose-
marie Zeitner Cerny, Donna Weickum Dyer,
Franklin Fuhrer, Helen Schmitz Higgins,
Donna Davis Ludemann, Arthur Neumiller,
Paul Neumiller, Arlene Nicolaus Neumiller,
Harley Nicolaus, Duane Sieh, Joy Helenbolt
Vogt, Kathryn Blakkolb O'Donaghue, Charles
Putnam, James Talmage

1951

Neita Schock Andersen, Betty Zeitner Funke,
Roxine Mayer Kallevig, Marvin Neiman, Marlo
Sieh, Norman Talmage, Nathalie Sattler
Taranto, Donald Vogt

1952

Betty Stoltenberg Bentz, William Cerny,
Adrian Cline, Clinton Davis, Iola Tech Frank,
Janet Davis Higgins, Garry Jeffords, Charlotte
Karnes Nicolaus, Bennetta Schmitz Roth,
Harlan Stahlecker, DeLoris Serr Taliaferro,
Norma Keller Vanderbeek

1953

Velva Vogt Blum, James Dawson, Marlin
Dummer, Harry Neil Helenbolt, LaVerna
Broekemeier Sieh, Winston Stahlecker

1954

Virginia Schonebaum Ahlers, Janis Blakkolb
Broekemeier, Dennis Camin, Norman Davis,
Joan Fuhrer Green, Marlan Green, Carol
Peterson Helenbolt, Wayne Stoltenberg,
LaVern Tech, Russell Whitley, Marjorie
Stahlecker Zauner, Louise Neumiller Zink

1955

Myrna Gosch Beauchamp, Wilmer Bohnet,
LeRoy Erickson, JoAnn Putnam Mitchell,
Shirley Vogt Neumiller, Nola Dummer Ulmer,
Wayne Faatz

1956

Nina Bentzen Bahm, Janet Cline Eggert,
Dennis Heermann, Ronald Kulm, Mardell
Maertin Ludemann, Donald Swallow, Carol
Bechtold Ludemann, Elaine Peterson
Noonan, Margaret Vogt Schmitz, Wayne
Schoenefeld, Marilyn Smith Sieh, Larry
Stoltenberg,

1957

Ann Ludemann Anderson, Wayne Cline, Earl
Stahlecker, Harvey Dummer, Donald Good-
man, Patricia Small King, Gerald Kulm,
Bernard Ludemann, Ronald Schonebaum,
Barbara Vogt Schoenefeld, Phyllis Schock
Schrader, Marjo Schonebaum Segers,
Ronald Sieh, Darlene Vogt Sieh, Shirley

Schoenefeld Stoltenberg, Jacqueline Bentzen
Summers, Gloria Beem Vogt, Lorraine Bendig
Woehl, Neal Windmeyer

1958

Melvin Bentzen, Lois Kibby Chittim, Marvin
Cline, Sandra Putnam Colfack, Lorna Sieh
Dillon, Margaret Bendig Heien, Duane Kibby,
Shirley Bechtold Olivier, John Peterson,
Elmer Sattler, William Schultz, Robert Wentz,
Ken Stoltenberg

1959

Donna Windmeyer Leuhmann, Janice Schultz
Hysell, John Schmitz, Milo Stahlecker, Lyle
Karnes, Wardell Alexander Jr., Garry Hoyt,
Kenneth Katzer, Larry Juracek, Merlin Green,
Maylon Kern, Del Carter

1960

Bill Dawson, Grace Faatz Bendig, Ralph
Kulm, Karen Gentele Williams, Doris Good-
man Moses, Jerry Goodman, Ruth Katzer
Lewis, Marjorie Kortmeyer Saiser, Delores
Krueger Stoltenberg, Karen Reber Juracek,
Patty Peterson Schlotman, Mary Jane Ries-
selman Katzer, James Sattler, Judy Small
Schmitz, Steve Sparks, Bernice Stahlecker
Spitzenberger, Barbara Stoltenberg Wentz,
LouAnn Stahlecker Heermann, Harry Swallow

1961

Gwendolyn Kay Putnam Walden, Fern Vogt
Barringer, Betty Beem Peterson, Florence
Bendig Rogero, Judith Bentzen Krupicka,
Louella Dawson Spitzenberger, Judy Vogt
Lewis, Carolyn Schultz Karnes, Dennis
Green, Willard Dummer, Jim Berg, Darrell
Juracek, Judy Hoyt Cline, Gloria Anderson

1962

Verne Mills, Roland Kibby, Daniel Schone-
baum, Dennis Wentz, Carol Dummer Wentz,
Gene Kulm Sands, Donna Ahlers Wittmeier,
Madonna Hovey Peterson, Deanna Beem
Kreibel, Linda Heermann Ahlman, Mabel
Riesselman Sattler, Sandra Whitley Sunde,
Arlene Doty Rezac, Dennis Schoenefeld,
Dale Schoenefeld

1963

Larry Ahlers, Roger Hoyt, Marvin Bendig,
Roger Cline, Gary Reber, Jane Fuhrer, Carol
Ann Luna, Carolyn Honke Swanda, Marilyn
Vogt Lewis, Karen Berg Kelly, Margo Kern
Higgins, Janelle Blum Hanzlik, Jerome Blum,
Beverly Muller Bullard, Terry Muller

1964

Dorothy Dummer Heermann, Jerry Hoffman,
Bob Hovey, Dea Boyd Graesser, Lyle
Graesser, Verlin Stoltenberg, Clarice Ahlers
Alons, Laura Stahlecker Cozad, Georgia
Hamling Serr, Joan Higgins Waring, Elaine
Vogt Ellwanger, Marlys Mills Waters, Alma
Bendig Tiernan, Janice Honke Dummer,
Katherine Kortmeyer Eilers, Diane Broeke-
meier Wonnenberg, Jerry Heermann

GRADUATES CONTINUED

1965

Norman Beem, Ernest Broekemeier, Vernon Goodman, Jerry Helenbolt, Douglas Martin, Henry Martin, Dale Nicolaus, Myrna Muller Payne, Nilo Reber, Charles Small, Stanley Stahlecker, Myrna Katzer Weiss

1966

Ron Blezek, Linda Broekemeier Buettner, Jeff Hamling, Maxine Windmeyer McCarthy, Arlen Mills, Stanley McLaughlin, Wendell Muller, Edward Peppel, Dale Reber, Donna Goodman Tompt, Merle Riesselman, Sharon Vogt Robinson

1967

Larry Ahlers, Debra Traphagan Beem, Carol Moody Buck, Earl Faatz, Dennis Gentele, Terri Mills Hartzler, Dwaine Hoffman, Shirley Honke Lindeman, Roger Ludemann, William Peppel, Eileen Berg Schmitz, Mary Reber Schoenefeld, Robert Schultz, Glen VanHouten, Patsy Dummer VanHouten

1968

Marla Breyer Conley, Debra Whitley Dummer, Mary Moody Ellwanger, Marsha Sparks Fyler, Alvin Hovey, Sharla Mills, Joyce Blum Mohling, Barry Schochenmaier

1969

Bonnie Moody, Andy Hambek, Donn Reber, Patricia Schultz Galyen, Ed Higgins, Wesley Fuhrer, Kathy Higgins Peppel, Glenna Becker Burns, Jean Rolf Duerfeldt, Doris Dummer Olson, Mary Sparks Schmidt

1970

Linda Katzer Dunn, Mary Ludemann, Becky Alford Cole, Lou Ann Ahlers Pribil, Rita Ahlers Keller, Kathy Beem Trotter, Gloria Breyer Sims, Patsy Moody Rust, Rudy Hambek, Dean Ahlers, Joe Higgins, Dale Neumiller, Gary Engelhart, Jim Schmitz, Lynette Sieh Carmichael

1971

Dennis Katzer, Joel Sieh, Tim Keller, Keith Fuhrer, Garlyn Sieh, Robert Allpress, Douglas Schochenmaier, Paul Honke Jr., Bonnie Vogt Geckler, Norma Gaddis DuFont

1972

Sharon Ahlers Pavelka, Marcia Neumiller Hogan, Linda Reiman Vomacka, Gregg Honke, Douglas Allpress, Pat Schmitz Knox, Cindy Higgins Schochenmaier, Brad Smith, David Engelhart, Jerry Schmitz, Larry Martin

1973

Steve Ahlers, Del Fischer, Eldon Vogt, Myra Reber Reis, Richard Higgins, Machele Sparks Vogt, Janet Becker Vargas, Barry Sieh, Laurita Bentzen McNulty, Connie Schmitz Krugman

1974

Raymond Bentzen, Deanne Fuhrer Nielsen, Terry Ahlers, Betty Martin, Bill Audiss, Diane Schmitz Pribil, Randall Breyer, Doug Schmitz, Brent Neumiller, Dwight Fuhrer, Lonny Fuhrer, Lisa Schmitz Fuhrer, Marion Ahlers Ortmeier, Barbara Schmitz Nicolaus, Carla Kortmeyer Allen, Marlis Schochenmaier Nelson

1975

Tim Whitley, Bill Beem, Vernon Vogt, Hale Neumiller, Loren Nicolaus, Alan Nicolaus, Jeff Zink, Mike Bentzen, Delmer Blum, Margaret Ludemann, Jan Alford Hamm, Carl Bechtold, Ella Vogt Schulz, Wanda Blum Linnaus, Cindy Keller Schroetlin, Diane Schochenmaier Peterson, Lori Schochenmaier Coulson, Lee Fuhrer, Karen Audiss Perkins

1976

Richard Ahlers, John Bentzen, Len Fuhrer, Kevin Neumiller, David Schmitz, Beverly Vogt Zink, Glenn Zink, Kelly Vogt

1977

David Fischer, Mary Higgins Cerny, Betsy Becker Raymer, Cheryl Sieh Gonzales, Lois Nicolaus Vogt, Gordon Vogt, Bonnie Fuhrer Whitley, Brad Ludemann

1978

Kem Ahlers, Leanne Audiss Hilgert, Karen Bechtold Engelhaupt, Ellen Reiman Boshart, Lynelle Breyer Deffenbaugh, Kelly Fuhrer, Steve Higgins, Nancy Schmitz, Dale Vogt, Keith Honke

1979

Karen Bentzen Richardson, Jolene Bechtold Hamik, Kevin Blum, Bonnie Klien Vogt, Joe Klien, Robert Schock, Fonda Vaughn Knutson, LeAnne Vogt Donason, Melanie Neumiller Ludemann, Jay Schmitz, Rodney Neumiller

1980

Ethel Alexander White, Carla Vaughn Schmitz, Keith Cline, Lora Sieh Cline, Nancy Wentz Nelson, Kip Sieh, Mark Zink, Jerry Klien, Kenny Bendig, Randy Vogt, Lavern Higgins, Milton Reiman

1981

Elaine Bendig Wenner, Paul Allpress, Scott Neumiller, Merle Nicolaus, Matt Reiman, Sandra Schmitz Mayer, Willie Sieh, Jeff Ulmer, LaRae Vaughn Karnes, Bryon Vogt

1982

Carol Ahlers Roth, Lori Blum VandenBos, Tom Fischer, Brenda Klien Higgins, Brenda Wentz Lamp, Bryan Ludemann

1983

Joy Cline Bechtold, Tim Mayer, Lawrence Reiman, Michael Sieh, Lyndon Vogt, Scott Cline, Andrea Sieh Hendry

1984

Michelle Camin Janssen, Sharon Sattler Vogt, Lisa Fuhrer Eide, Cindy Bendig Klinger, Daniel Ahlers, Jared Blum, Michael Jacques Davidson

1985

Hoyt Cline, Clark Fuhrer, Kara Kapsa Vogt, Shellie Sattler Sieh, Melody Cline Neumiller, Jill Schmitz Thompson, Jeff Vogt, Andrea Schock Abbenhaus

1986

Sheila Vaughn Taylor, Richard Blum, Casey Reiman

1987

Shelda Cline, Merry Sieh, Dion Neumiller, Darcy Neumiller Hoffart, Carla Ulmer Warnke, Sheryl Sattler Cahoy, Leslie Cline, Travis Heermann, Darren McCarthy

1988

Rhonda Hamling Beals, Aaron Hamling, Tammy Mitchell Mashino, Tammy Wentz Haney, Laura Nicolaus Mausbach, Lori Goodman Clarkson

SAYIN' GOODBYE TO OLD FRIENDS

Wayne Stoltenberg, a 1954 graduate of Naper High School, died in Omaha May 26, 2024.

Dennis Jorgensen, who with his wife, Margaret Ludemann, was instrumental in organizing the Naper Historical Society and conceived the idea for the Naper Paper, died in Omaha February 24.

Shirley Schoenefeld Stoltenberg, a 1957 graduate of NHS, died March 18. She was married to Ken Stoltenberg (1958 NHS graduate) and worked for the postal system for many years.

Judy Vogt Lewis died in Mead, Colorado, April 12. She graduated from Naper High in 1961 and taught many youngsters in the Fairfax School.

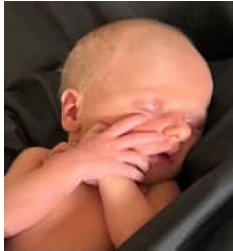
Delma Dalldorf Turgeon graduated from Naper High School in 1946 and taught at NHS in the mid 50s. She has lived in the Phoenix area for many years and died April 19.

Louise Neumiller Zink, a 1954 graduate of NHS, died in Stuart on April 22. She and husband Wayne Zink lived east of Naper where the town of Basin had one been located. Their sons, Jeff, Glenn and Mark, graduated from Naper High School also.

Dennis Schoenefeld died Monday, May 18. He graduated in 1962 and with his wife, Mary Reber Schoenefeld, lived in Butte and raised their family there.

2026 ALUMNI BANQUET-May 23, 2026

The first alumni banquet was in 1954—72 years ago! Except for the two years (2020 and 2021) of Covid, the banquet has gone on as planned every year. This year, the honored classes were those whose year ended in six. Dave Schmitz, class of 1976, served as emcee. Naper Café catered the meal for the 57 attendees and no one left hungry!



The youngest person to ever attend an alumni banquet—Kase Joseph Bendig, son of Alex (class of 2012) and Kirstyn Bendig, age five days!

Below: Class of 1956—
Margaret Vogt Schmitz, Janet Cline Eggert, Marilyn Smith Sieh



Above: Class of 1976
John Bentzen, Dave Schmitz, Kevin Neumiller, Kelly Vogt, Beverly Vogt Zink, Glenn Zink

Below: Class of 1986
Richard Blum, Casey Reiman



Below: Class of 1966
Dale Reber, Maxine Windmeyer McCarthy, Ed Peppel, Donna Goodman Tompt, Stan McLaughlin, Merle Riesselman

Don Vogt, Class of 1951—
75 years out of high school!



Above: Norma Keller Vanderbeek, class of 1952—74 years out of high school!



Hello, Everyone!
Thanks for what you all do!
Bud and I are still kicking!
Take care,
Bud [Honke] and Keith
[Honke] Class of '71 and '78



The Ol' Homesteader keeps lookin' for news about Naper!

The Naper Paper is your paper. We rely on you, our readers, for support, both financial and "a pat on the back". We count on you for stories and ideas about what we need to write, print, explore, photograph. We appreciate you and want to say "Thanks!"

Look who showed up at the Naper Café April 26—The Ol' Homesteader in person! He was joined by Lyndon Vogt and Dean Seger.



CONGRATULATIONS!

Jeff and Rindy Zink celebrated their 50th anniversary with an open house at the hall on March 7.

Lois and Kelly Vogt celebrated their 50th anniversary May 22.

Paige Drueke graduated summa cum laude with a bachelor of science degree from Wayne State College in May.

On April 19, the Naper VFD had a hotdog and hamburger feed at the hall and drew names for the raffle winners—Brad Koenig, Lee Cadwallader, Bill Alden, Mark Engelhaupt and Willie Drueke all went home a little richer!

Jaylee Lechtenberg (daughter of Shane

and Beth Nelson Lechtenberg, granddaughter of Ivan and Nancy Wentz Nelson, great-granddaughter of Bob Wentz), Noah Corrado (son of Amber Hollingsworth, grandson of Dave and Cora Hespe), Abby Forbes (daughter of Ryan Forbes), ReNae Kluckman (daughter of Jim Kluckman and Blair Vogt, granddaughter of Kelly and Lois Nicolaus Vogt), Ethan Zeisler (son of Jesse and Kim Zeisler, grandson of Sheryl Zeisler) and Austin Cadwallader (son of Lee and Stephanie Whitley Cadwallader, grandson of Tim and Bonnie Fuhrer Whitley) graduated from high school in May. Jaylee received the Nebraska Bank scholarship. Abby received the Naper Alumni scholarship.

Jaylee Lechtenberg, Ellie Zeisler (daughter of Mark and Tiffany Zeisler, granddaughter of Sheryl Zeisler) and Kyla McCarthy (daughter of Darren and Connie McCarthy, granddaughter of LeRoy and Maxine Windmeyer McCarthy) were named to the Niobrara Valley All-Conference Basketball teams.

Logan Jackson (son of Chris and Amanda Neumiller) will attend Boys State, sponsored by the Butte American Legion Post #51.

SCHOOL HAPPENINGS

Jaylee Lechtenberg, Ethan Zeisler, Kaci Koenig (daughter of Kevin and Staci Zink Koenig, granddaughter of Jeff and Rindy Zink), Kyla McCarthy, Logan Jackson, Kinsley Cadwallader (daughter of Lee and Stephanie Whitley Cadwallader), Juliana Cline

(daughter of Hoyt Cline, granddaughter of Marvin and Judy Hoyt Cline), Cassidy Heermann (daughter of Casey and Jill Heermann, granddaughter of Jerry and Dorothy Dummer Heermann), Emerson Higgins (daughter of Skye and Allison Higgins, granddaughter of LaVern and Brenda Klien Higgins, great-granddaughter of Margaret Vogt Schmitz), Savannah Zeisler (daughter of Jesse and Kim Zeisler, granddaughter of Sheryl Zeisler), Gage Schochenmaier (son of Joe and Kelsey Zink Schochenmaier, grandson of Jeff and Rindy Zink) and Lane Nordstrom (son of Bob and Jamie Zeisler Nordstrom, grandson of Craig and Stacy Zeisler) were named to the Boyd County High School Honor Roll.

Have you looked at the Naper Historical Society website? (napernebraska.org)

You'll find every issue of the Naper Paper (photos in color on the website!), photos of all the classes from Naper High School, stories of Naper history, the White Horse Ranch, businesses, cemeteries, and historical photos.

If you need to contact the historical society, you may:

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KATIE VOGT IS A CHAMPION!

Katie Vogt is a senior at Doane University in Crete, Nebraska, majoring in mechanical and civil engineering. She'll graduate in May. She also has a spectacular list of running accomplishments to her credit.

On March 7, she and her teammates (Jayden Meyer, Kiley Hejtmanck and Tania Gleason, all from Nebraska) ran in the NAIA All American Championship in Gainesville, Florida., where they competed with 40 different schools in 22 events. There were 20 participants in each event.

They won the 4 x 400 m in 3:42.32 and broke the school record. She competed in the 200 m and came in third in the 400 m. There are 1500 All-American runners and Katie is an All-American as she is now one of the top eight in her class.

Katie has competed and won this year in several other contests including a Doane-Nebraska Wesleyan meet on April 8 where she won first place in the 400 m and set a school and national record. Doane University won the GPAC this year.



L-R-Katie Vogt, Jayden Meyer, Kiley Hejtmanck, Tania Gleason

Katie's parents are Brad and Stacy Vogt who live in Pierce, Nebraska. Brad graduated from Naper High School in 1994 and ran for Spencer-Naper High School.

A story about other Vogt runners will be coming in a future issue of the Naper Paper.

Letters . . .

Please accept this donation for the Naper Paper.

Nola Hagberg.

Enclosed is a check to help cover expenses on publishing the paper. Enjoy receiving it.

Elaine Peterson Noonan (1956)

We're moving. Please send future editions of the Naper Paper to our new address. Thank you.

Lois Kibby Chittim

Just a note to let you folks know that Carolyn and I here in southern Illinois are getting along just fine and hope everyone in Naper is too.

Weather has been hot and dry so planting is moving along, but it is tough on pasture.

Keep up the good work on the paper. Hope everyone has a wonderful year and God bless.

Love the paper!!!

Orland and Carolyn Cline

Thank you for sending the Naper Paper to my mom (Mary Rita Leibel). She enjoyed reading it as well as myself. She was in assisted living the last six years, so I got to read it

before taking it to her. She has since passed.

Enclosed is some money for the help of publishing the paper. I would hope you would continue to send it to me.

Mary Lou Bohnet

And more . . .

Letty Zeisler (daughter of Luke and Chaney Zeisler, granddaughter of Sheryl Zeisler) and Alaina Vogt (daughter of Ryon and Emma Vogt, granddaughter of Sharon Sattler Vogt, great granddaughter of Mabel Riesselman Sattler) were big winners in the Easter Egg Hunt in Butte.

Jaylee Lechtenberg, Kaci Koenig, Juliana Cline, Cassidy Heermann, Kyla McCarthy and Elly Zeisler competed in the District Career Development Event for FFA and advanced to state competition.

Grayson and Hadley Vogt (children of Ryon and Emma Vogt, grandchildren of Sharon Sattler Vogt and great-grandchildren of Mabel Riesselman Sattler) participated in the Holt and Boyd Counties 4-H communications event.

On May 2, fifth and sixth grade band members attended the Nate Metschke Memorial Honor Band at Neligh. Jameson Melton (daughter of Shelby and Heidi Vogt Melton, granddaughter of Sharon Sattler Vogt, great-granddaughter of Mabel Riesselman Sattler), Sofie Schochenmaier (daughter of Joe and Kelsey Zink Schochenmaier, granddaughter of Jeff and Rindy Zink), Evelyn Alford (daughter of Marcus and Candace Alford, granddaughter of Jim and Becky Alford, great-granddaughter of Lois Alford), Jayden Higgins (daughter of Skye and Allison Higgins, granddaughter of LaVern and Brenda Klien Higgins, great-granddaughter of Margaret Vogt Schmitz), Chelsea Ciserella (daughter of Joe and Jessica Vogt Ciserella, granddaughter of Vern and Deb Vogt, great-granddaughter of Gaylene Mitchell) and Ally Lechtenberg (daughter of Shane and Beth Nelson Lechtenberg, granddaughter of Ivan and Nancy Wentz Nelson, great-granddaughter of Bob Wentz) were participants.

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Back: Kevin Neumiller, Bill Beem, Karen Audiss, Ella Vogt, Margaret Ludemann, Jan Alford, Jeff Zink, Kelly Vogt, teacher Miss Weber

Middle: David Schmitz, Beverly Vogt, Lori Helenbolt, Edith McLaughlin, Cindy Keller, Wanda Blum Debbie Goodman, Lorie Loewe, Vernon Vogt

Front: Richard Ahlers, John Bentzen, Tim Whitley, Len Fuhrer, Lee Fuhrer, Hale Neumiller, Glenn Zink, Alan Nicolaus