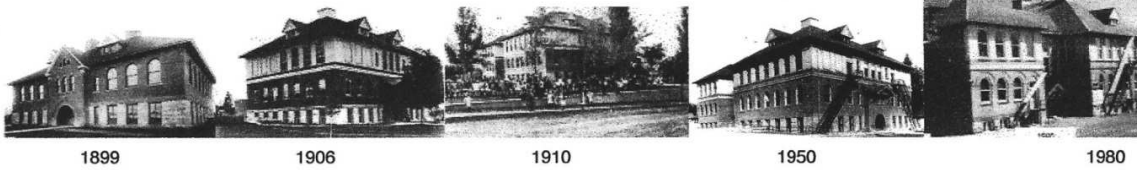


Grant Grade School



ALUMNI NEWS

Spring Luncheon, Thursday, April 19, 2018, 11:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.
at Timber Creek Grill Buffet in the Argonne Village, Montgomery and Argonne

This Spring Alumni News is to share with you the story of our Grant Alumni in four notebooks. They are a reminder to us of the many events we have had in the last 18 years. I will share this story in four 3-ring notebooks that you will see today. I am planning to give these four notebooks to the Archives at the MAC (our local museum) to be a part of the Grant Grade School story with our 21 notebooks of 325 class pictures and other items at the MAC. The class pictures are also on the Grant website (www.grantschoolspokane.org). We pay \$120 a year to keep the website active, payable in October. Sometime in the future you, or some other person, may want to look back at the pictures and the other stories in the Grant School files in the Museum. You can go to the Archives in the Museum and ask for Anna.

BOOK 1:

In 1999, before we ever gathered as a group, Jim Nyborg took his camera and drove to the Perry Street area and took photographs. Some other pictures have been added.

- 1) Perry Street photos.
- 2) The old school site.
- 3) Current school site.
- 4) Current Grant Park.
- 5) Liberty Park.
- 6) Ivory Street.

Is there a Grant alumnus who would take his/her camera and go to the Perry Street area and take pictures as it is in 2018? We would put these pictures in Book 1.

Book 2.

- 1) There are 26 pages in this book copied from microfilm from the Spokesman Review from 1898-1900 and 1906 about the plans and building of a new grade school near Liberty Park at 10th and Ivory. In the downtown library, at Main and Lincoln, on the third floor, there are many, many file cabinets in which are stored microfilm of the Spokesman Review. This is the history about the beginning of Grant Grade School before it was called Grant Grade School.
- 2) Grant School – 8A – 1943 – An arithmetic book
- 3) Sept. 3, 1947 – A boy and his dog “Ladd”
- 4) Cantata – sung in 6A, 1949 – “Childhood of Hiawatha,” which was directed by Evelyn McCray.
- 5) The Grant Highlights was the weekly paper produced by the students. Orville Trapp, a 1951 graduate, was the editor his 8th grade year (1950-1951). We have 20 copies:
 - 1946, 2 copies;
 - 1948, 1 copy;
 - 1950-51, 15 copies;
 - 1953, 2 copies;
 - Plus:
 - Reporter – 1 copy;
 - Old Grant School, 1 copy.

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**GRANT SCHOOL
ALUMNI
LUNCHEON**

The 19th Annual
Luncheon for the Grant School
Alumni will be on
**APRIL 19th at 11:30a.m at
the Timber Creek Grill Buffet,**
9211 E. Montgomery,
in Spokane Valley.

This luncheon is open to all former
students of Grant Grade School
and we encourage you to come
and share in this time of
fellowship. There will be four
notebooks that will be available
for people to see and tell the story
of the Grant Alumni during
these past 18 years!
Remember our website:
www.grantschoolspokane.org

Book 3

The week following our first picnic, on July 19, 2000, Jim was in a store in the Spokane Valley and Harland (Hal) Swenson, class of 1952 (who died Feb. 24, 2012) saw Jim and said, “I hear that you had a gathering of former Grant students. Can I come to the next one?” Jim replied, “Hal, That was a gathering of members of the 1951 graduating class. I don’t know if there will be a next gathering!”

As Grant School alumni started to meet together, it was decided we would meet three times a year. We would meet in April and October at a buffet and in July we would have a picnic in the new Grant Park. So, as we gather today, on April 19, 2018, it will be the 19th year we have gathered and we plan for two more times this year—a picnic at Grant Park on July 28, under the large walnut tree at the east end of the park, and then again at Timber Creek Grill Buffet in Spokane Valley on October 18, both at 11:30 a.m.

In these 18 years we have established a list of students who attended Grant Grade School. It started with one page and now we have 53 pages of names, addresses, phone numbers, e-mail addresses, and death dates—a total of 2, 875 students.

Stan Holm, a '51 graduate, has worked with Jim to develop, expand, and keep these 53 pages up-to-date annually. We have given these pages out at lunches or upon request. At the October 2017 luncheon, Jim gave an up-to-date copy to everyone in attendance, so today with the *Alumni News* there is a list of changes you can make on your copy.

The search began to try and find members of the graduating class of 1951 of 44 graduates. That search has continued to this day as we are looking for all Grant alumni, especially from the 1970s to the 1980s. Then there was the new Grant Elementary School building.

Book 4:

On July 19, 2000, we gathered for the first time at Jim Nyborg's home in the Spokane Valley. Today, April 19, 2018, we begin the 19th year of gathering together for lunch. We e-mailed the announcement of our luncheon, some were reminded by a phone call, and we had an article in the Spokesman Review to invite classmates to get together.

Jim Nyborg had copies printed of Grant alumni news for each meeting. In time it became known as the *Alumni News*, of 2 to 4 pages, that included a brief history of Grant alumni. He has brought four 3-ring notebooks today for you to look at if you want to. They will soon be given to the Archives of the MAC, our local museum.

Over these 18 years we have gathered at a variety of restaurants and a copy of the *Alumni News* was shared.

1. Perkins on Argonne;
2. Old Country Buffet on North Division;
3. Marie Callender's on Argonne;
4. Golden Corral on North Division;
5. Timber Creek Grill Buffet in Spokane Valley.

Note: Restaurants 1, 2, and 3 no longer exist.

You should be aware that for several months, when our *Alumni News* was written and distributed, it was also put on our website. If you missed a gathering and didn't receive an issue of the *Alumni News*, you can read it on our website if you have a computer. Today's issue is already on the website.

4th Grade Classes – 1973-1977

In the MAC museum there are five 3-ring notebooks with “thank you” letters which were sent to Mr. Walter Davis, insurance agent for the Hartford Insurance Company, for the beautiful “Fire Safety Calendars” that he brought to the 4th grade students who:

1. Wrote the names of the seven days of the week.
2. Wrote correctly all 12 months of the year.
3. Wrote the poem, “Thirty days has September, April, June, and November, etc.”

In these notebooks there are letters written by students expressing thanks for the calendars.

Jim Nyborg wrote an article in the Spokesman Review regarding Grant Alumni activities. The widow of Mr. Davis saw Jim’s name and phone number in the article. She called Jim and told him that she had a box of letters written by Grant 4th graders and asked, since he was representing the Grant Alumni, if he would be interested in these letters. Carolee and Jim drove up to meet Mrs. Davis at Rockwood Manor and she gave him these letters.

These are the names of the 4th grade students with their teacher, Mrs. Pauline Robb, in 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, and 1977. If you read the lists for each year, you might recognize a name and, going to the MAC Museum Archives, you have access to the letters.

1973 — 4th Grade Class

1. Alida Arnold
2. Candace Wisemore
3. Carol Winborne
4. Connie Shears
5. Dale DuPree
6. David Gooch
7. David Hoff
8. Debbie Brigman
9. Dwight
10. Harriett Montgomery
11. Janora Hansen
12. Kenny Andrews
13. Konda Schelin
14. LaQuetta
15. Linda Stone
16. Lorrie Anne Lakey
17. Melissa Pogue
18. Mike Jordan
19. Mina May Korpela
20. Roberta Price
21. Sallyann Thompson
22. Tecora Mosely
23. Tracy Noyd
24. Viki Prescott

1974 – 4th Grade Class

1. Bogus Swoboda
2. Bridgette Rainer
3. Danny Holmes
4. David Anderson
5. Dawn Keasler
6. Debby Cole
7. Dena Land
8. Jeff Jordan
9. Jimmy Simmers
10. John Holzher
11. Kelly Wilson
12. Kerri Brigman
13. Kevin L. Williams
14. Lori Prescott
15. Louise Allen
16. Lucy Belle Jones
17. Marcie Lynn Monis
18. Mark Lyons
19. Nancy Milliken
20. Rosie Marie Simmons

Note: The rest of the names are on the back side of this page.

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1976 – 4th Grade Students

1977 – 4th Grade Students

1975 – 4th Grade students

1. Allen Stoneburner
2. Carlos Montoya
3. Charles Lang
4. Crystle L. Morgan
5. Darlene Freedman
6. Dawn Bethel
7. Dennis Phillips
8. Edwin Brigman
9. Jesse W. Garnier
10. John Alderman
11. Kathy Jones
12. Kelly Lynn Willard
13. Loyce Moore
14. Mario R. Marchant
15. Mark Eccles
16. Meldenna Shanklin
17. Nancy Lynn Wasson
18. Natalie Dawn Flom
19. Neia Marsh
20. Ramona Sheets
21. Sandra Peal
22. Sean Meyst
23. Shellie Rhodes
24. Tina Duggan
25. Todd Olmsted
26. Tony Haynes
27. Willard M. Torpey

1. Billy
2. Colleen Bailey
3. Danny Wynne
4. Darrel Miller Ray
5. David L. Turley
6. Denese Robbins
7. Fred Eglan
8. Jayson McKee
9. Jenny
10. Joe Van Riper
11. Judith L. Cashman
12. Julie Lyons
13. Kristie Holum
14. Laurel Hutson
15. Lawrence J. Kong
16. Lillian Smith
17. Lisa Rife
18. Lorna H. Merry
19. Marc Bracey
20. Michelle Henry
21. Robert
22. Shelly Komar
23. Trina Youngblut
24. Trish Lynn Martin

1. Barry Conigliano
2. Bobby Gewalt
3. Caldera Fries
4. Carol Raney
5. Dave Nestor
6. Dean Chappell
7. Jack Kelly
8. Jamie Paulus
9. Jane Cooper
10. John Watkins
11. Kandy Barton
12. Kevin Hackett
13. Kristine Fuechsel
14. Lenett
15. Loretta Allen
16. Matthew Mikolaj
17. Nikki Johnson
18. Owen Bryant
19. Randy Williams
20. Robert Relling
21. Sherry Brown
22. Stephanie Vroman
23. Steven Mackenzie
24. Tina Cunningham
25. Tom McDonald
26. Traci Olmsted
27. William (Jack) Johnson

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Trivia

(The following questions were in a 2013 GED exam and these are genuine answers from 16 year olds.)

Why teachers drink:

Q. What does the word 'benign' mean?

A. Benign is what you will be after you be eight.

Q. What is a turbine?

A. Something an Arab or Shreik wears on his head.

Q. What is the fibula?

A. A small lie

Q. Give the meaning of the term 'Caesarean section.

A. The caesarean section is a district in Rome.

Russell Habbestad lives at 10607 Maxwell Ave., Spokane Valley, WA 99206-3993.

*Summer Picnic - July 28, 2018 - 11:30 a.m. - at east end of Grant Park
under the walnut tree.*

Arlen Garlich, Class of 1957, will provide us with long tables on which to put the food for our summer potluck picnic.

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John McGwire, Class of 1951 and LC graduate in 1955, is the grandfather of two college women's basketball players. Morgan McGwire is a senior at Santa Clara. Her younger sister, Mallory, is a sophomore at the University of Oregon.

Obituary

Jane Campbell FRANKS



On February 22, Heaven gained a lovely soul when Jane Campbell Franks passed away. Jane was a devoted and loving wife, mother, grand-mother, and friend to many. She had a gentle and quiet nature and will be remembered as a thoughtful woman with a sly sense of humor that she subtly conveyed to those closest to her. Born Mary Jane Campbell in Walla Walla, Washington, Jane was the only child of Richard and Margaret (Bowers) Campbell. She was proud of her mother's and father's WWII service in the Navy, and the three of them were very close. She attended Walla

Walla High School where she twirled batons and received the Betty Crocker Homemaker award. She spent summers picking strawberries at Klickers to save for college. After high school, Jane moved to Spokane to attend Whitworth College where she graduated with her Bachelor's Degree in Education. Jane's first teaching position was in Metaline Falls and then continued teaching in the Tri-Cities. Finally she moved back to Spokane and taught at Garfield and Cooper Elementary schools, teaching first grade. She received the District 81 Distinguished Teacher Award in 1988 after she was nominated by her principal. It was during her time teaching at Cooper Elementary that Jane met her future husband, fellow educator Wes Franks. They were married on July 22, 1989 at St. John's Cathedral in Spokane. After welcoming their children, Margaret and Wesley, Jane decided to stay at home after fourteen years as an educator. She later returned to the classroom as a substitute teacher at Grant and Cooper Elementary Schools.

Jane is survived by her husband, Wesley Robert Franks, of Spokane; daughter Margaret Franks Heitzmann, son-in-law Ajay, and grandson Oliver Gabriel of Bothell; son Wesley Richard Franks, of Spokane. A funeral service was held at St. Aloysius Church in Spokane on April 28th.

Trivia

Why Teachers DRINK:

(The following questions were in a 2013 GED exam and these are genuine answers from 16 year olds.)

Q. Name the four seasons.

A. Salt, pepper, mustard and vinegar.

Q. What are steroids.

A. Things for keeping carpets still on the stairs.

