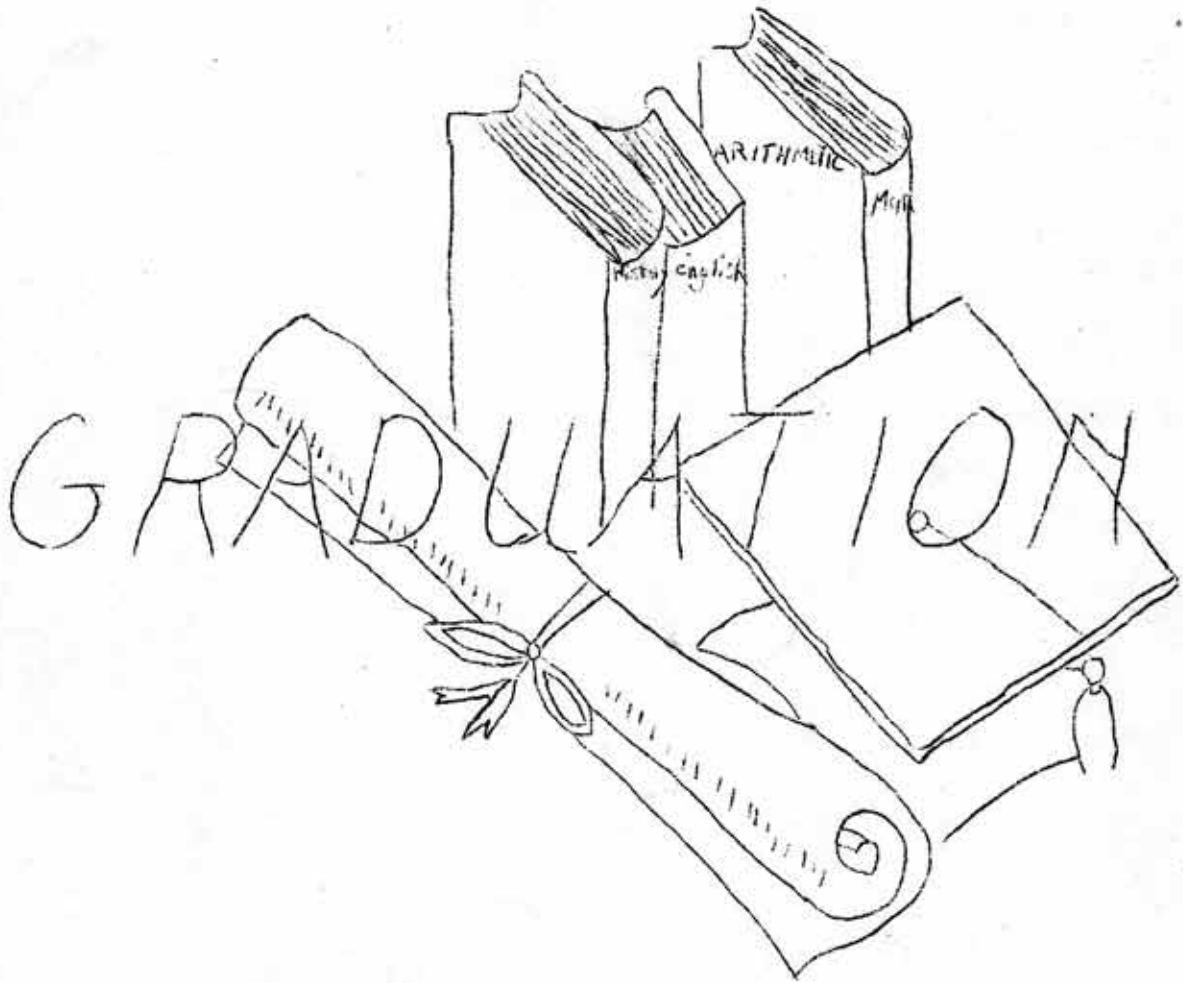


# Graduation Newsletter

8<sup>th</sup> Grade

1953

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GRADUATION

By Vonalee & Elizabeth  
 May 26, at 8:00 P. M., Pike's  
 eighth grade graduation will take  
 place. There will be 27 graduating.  
 The speaker is Mr. David Cotter-  
 man, the principal of Burnham High  
 School. His talk will be "What  
 Can You Do?"

The eighth grade girls will sing  
 a song and the girls glee club  
 will sing a few numbers.

We hope to have an auditorium  
 full of parents, relatives, and  
 friends.

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Name - - - - Roger Lee Armstrong  
 Nickname - - - - -Bugs  
 Birthday - - - - - June 30, 1939  
 Flower - - - - -Rose  
 Song-"Till I Waltz Again With You"  
 Color - - - - -Blue  
 Teacher - - - - -Mr. Lohman  
 Sport - - - - -Basketball  
 Subject - - - - -Arithmetic  
 High School - - - - -Wauseon  
 Occupation - - - - -Farmer

Name - - - - -Mary Lou Baldwin  
 Nickname - - - - -Baldy  
 Birthday - - - - - June 10, 1939  
 Flower - - - - -Rose  
 Song - - - - -"I Went To Your Wedding"  
 Color - - - - -Blue  
 Teacher - Mr. Lohman & Mrs. Miller  
 Sport - - - - -Softball & Baseball  
 Subject - - - - -History & English  
 High School - - - - -Wauseon  
 Occupation-School teacher or Nurse

Name - - - - -Charlotte Cole  
 Nickname - - - - -Char  
 Birthday - - - - -October 28, 1939  
 Flower - - - - -Rose  
 Song - - - - -"Keep It A Secret"  
 Color - - - - -Blue  
 Teacher - Mrs. Miller & Mr. Lohman  
 Sport - - - - -Baseball  
 Subject - - - - -English & Science  
 Occupation - - - - -Secretary or Nurse  
 High School - - - - -Delta

Name - - - - -Rozelle Eberly  
 Nickname - - - - -Windy  
 Birthday - - - - -December 26, 1937  
 Flower - - - - -Rose  
 Song - "Don't Let The Stars Get In  
 Your Eyes"

Color - - - - -Blue  
 Teacher - - - - -Mr. Lohman  
 Sport - - - - -Softball  
 Subject - - - - -Spelling  
 High School - - - - -Wauseon  
 Occupation - - - - -Truck Driver

Name - - - - -Erma Louise Elling  
 Nickname - - - - -None  
 Birthday - - - - -August 5, 1939  
 Flower - - - - -Carnation  
 Song-"Till I Waltz Again With You"  
 Color - - - - -Yellow  
 Teacher - Mr. Lohman & Mrs. Miller  
 Sport - - - - -Softball  
 Subject - - - - -English  
 Occupation - - - - -Clerk  
 High School - - - - -Wauseon

Name - - - - -William Roger Frey  
 Nickname - - - - -Doc  
 Birthday - - - - -November 25, 1939  
 Flower - - - - -Carnation  
 Song - - - - -"A Pack of Wild Horses"  
 Color - - - - -Red  
 Teacher - - - - -None  
 Sport - - - - -Basketball  
 Subject - - - - -Mathematics  
 High School - - - - -Wauseon  
 Occupation--Electrical Engineer or  
 Jet Pilot

Name - - - - -Jerry Green  
 Nickname - - - - -None  
 Birthday - - - - -January 18, 1939  
 Color - - - - -Red  
 Flower - - - - -Rose  
 Song - - - - -"Mockin' Bird Hill"  
 Teacher - - - - -Mr. Lohman  
 Sport - - - - -Softball  
 Subject - - - - -Arithmetic  
 High School - - - - -Wauseon  
 Occupation - - - - -Farming

Name - - - - -Milo Hauzer  
 Nickname - - - - -Sugar  
 Birthday - - - - -February 14, 1939  
 Flower - - - - -Sweet William  
 Song - - - - -"A Pack of Wild Horses"  
 Color - - - - -Pink  
 Teacher - - - - -Mr. Lohman  
 Sport - - - - -Basketball  
 Subject - - - - -Recess  
 High School - - - - -Wauseon  
 Occupation - - - - -Farmer or Skipper

Name - - - - -George Howard  
 Nickname - - - - -None

Birthday - - - - September 7, 1939  
Flower - - - - -Rose  
Song - - - - -"Doggie In The Window"  
Color - - - - -Red  
Teacher - Mr. Lohman & Mrs. Miller  
Subject - - - - - Spelling  
Sport - - - - - Football  
High School - - - - - Wauseon  
Occupation - - - - - Farmer

Name - - - - - Robert Kinsman  
Nickname - - - - - None  
Birthday - - - - November 26, 1939  
Flower - - - - -Rose  
Song - - - - - None  
Color - - - - -Red  
Teacher - - - - -Mrs. Miller  
Sport - - - - - Softball  
Subject - - - - - Spelling  
High School - - - - - Wauseon  
Occupation - - - - - Truck Driver

Name - - - - - Peter Leslie Klein  
Nickname - - - - - Skinny  
Birthday - - - - January 10, 1939  
Flower - - - - - Yellow Rose  
Song - "Don't Let The Stars Get In  
Your Eyes"  
Color - - - - -Red  
Teacher - - - - - None  
Sport - -Football & Hot Rod Racing  
Subject - - - - - Spelling  
High School - - - - - Delta  
Occupation - - - - - Engineer

Name - - - - - Carol Jean LaSalle  
Nickname - - - - - Jeannie  
Birthday - - - - October 8, 1939  
Song - - - - - "Your Cheatin' Heart"  
Flower - - - - - Iris  
Color - - - - - Blue  
Teacher - - - - - Mrs. Miller  
Subject - - - - - History  
High School - - - - - Delta  
Occupation - - - - - Reporter  
Sport - - - - - Baseball

Name - - - - - James Edward Lather  
Nickname - - - - - Marilyn  
Birthday - - - - December 25, 1939  
Flower - - - - - Red Carnation  
Song - - - - - "Tell Me A Story"  
Color - - - - - Turquoise Blue  
Teacher - - - - - Mr. Lohman  
Sport - - - - - Softball  
Subject - - - - - Spelling  
High School - - - - - Wauseon  
Occupation - - - - - Farming

Name - - - - Richard Edward Leu, Jr.  
Nickname - - - - - Dick  
Birthday - - - - September 22, 1938  
Flower - - - - - Red Rose  
Song - - - - - "In The Garden"  
Color - - - - -Red  
Teacher - - - - -Mrs. Miller  
Sport - - - - - Softball  
Subject - - - - - History  
High School - - - - - Wauseon  
Occupation - - - - - Farming

Name - - - - - Donald Leo Miller  
Nickname - - - - - Cowboy  
Birthday - - - - July 26, 1938  
Flower - - - - -Rose  
Song-"No Two People Have Ever Been  
So In Love"  
Color - - - - -Red  
Teacher - - - - - Mr. Lohman  
Sport - - - - - Basketball  
Subject - - - - - Spelling  
High School - - - - - Lyons  
Occupation - - - - - Farmer

Name - - - - - Janet Miller  
Nickname - - - - - None  
Birthday - - - - - August 4, 1939  
Flower - - - - - Carnation  
Song-"Till I Waltz Again With You"  
Color - - - - - Blue  
Teacher - Mr. Lohman & Mrs. Miller  
Sport - - - - - Baseball  
Subject - - - - - English  
High School - - - - - Lyons  
Occupation - - - - - Secretary

Name - - - - - Larry Duwane O'Brien  
Nickname - - - - - Stormy  
Birthday - - - - - January 18, 1939  
Flower - - - - - Yucca  
Song - -"Red Hot Mama From Way Out  
West"  
Color - - - - -Red  
Teacher - - - - - None  
Sport - - - - - Horse Racing  
Subject - - - - - Science  
High School - - - - - Delta  
Occupation - - - - - Farmer

Name - - - - - Mary Alice O'Brien  
Nickname - - - - - None  
Birthday - - - - - July 6, 1939  
Flower - - - - - Lily of the Valley  
Song - - - - - "Prefered"  
Color - - - - - Pink  
Teacher - - - - - Mr. Lohman  
Sport - - - - - Softball

## EIGHTH GRADE HISTORY

By Erma Elling & Charlotte Cole

1st Grade - 21 students enrolled.

Our teacher was Miss Lois Hartell.

2nd Grade - 7 students came and we lost 3. Our teacher was Miss Lois Hartell.

3rd Grade - 4 students joined us and we lost 3. Our teacher was Miss Miller.

4th Grade - 2 students joined us and we didn't lose anyone. Our teacher was Mrs. Geer.

5th Grade - 1 student came here and we lost 1. Our teacher was Mr. O'Brien.

6th Grade - We had 4 new students and lost 6. Our teacher was Mr. Hepler.

7th Grade - We had 4 new students and we lost 2. Our teacher was Mr. Lohman.

8th Grade - There were no new students and we lost 1. Our teacher was Mr. Lohman.

This left us with the 27 eighth grade graduates.

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## EIGHTH GRADE TRIP

By Vonalee & Mary

May 16, we went on our 8th grade trip to Detroit. We left the school building at 8:30 A. M.

When we arrived in Detroit, we spent the day at the Ford Museum and Greenfield Village and had a picnic lunch at a park.

In the evening some of us went to a downtown Detroit theater to see a movie.

We would like to thank the parents who took us and those who volunteered, but found it impossible to go.

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## CLASS WILL

I, Roger Armstrong, will my desk to Larrie Skates.

I, Milo Hauzer, will my brains to Carl Kolbe and keep my wonderful sports to myself.

I, Norman Skates, will my big mouth to Carol Cook.

I, Gerald Scherf, will my old beat up desk to Jesse Brooks.

I, Bill Frey, am going to take everything with me.

I, Jerry Smith, will my books to somebody that knows how to use them, and my height to Chuck Riegsecker.

I, Richard Leu, will my desk to Ralph Beaverson.

I, Pete Klein, will my ink well and all that's in it to Pat Nord; and my locker goes to Rex Ulrich.

I, Paul Riegsecker, will my freckles to James Riegsecker.

I, Lloyd Thompson, will my books and desk to anyone who wants them.

I, Jerry Green, will my desk to the school.

I, George Howard, will my books to the wastepaper can.

I, Paul Pelton, will my arithmetic book to Gerald O'Brien.

I, Robert Kinsman, will my desk to the junk yard.

I, Erma Elling, will my cooperation to Pat Nord.

I, Mary O'Brien, will my friendship with Janet to Jesse.

I, Kay Thompson, will my mother to any little second grader who will take her.

I, Charlotte Cole, will my ability to keep my temper to all the teachers in Pike School.

I, Elizabeth Olmstead, will my positions as May Day Queen and cheerleader to Gloria Thompson.

I, Vonalee Riegsecker, will my height to Jim Riegsecker and my cheerleading position to Beatrice Smith.

I, Carol LaSalle, will the whole school to my brothers and sister.

I, Mary Baldwin, will my horrible science book to the next person who is unlucky enough to get it.

I, Rozelle Eberly, will my wise-cracks to my brother, Ora.

I, Jim Lather, will my eagerness to get onto the next thing to John LaSalle.

I, Janet Miller, will my ability to be a cheerleader to Roger Smith.

I, Don Miller, will my basketball clothes to Roger Viers.

I, Larry O'Brien, will the whole works to Pat Nord.

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Mary: Why don't you have a blue patch on your pants instead of pink?

Bill: That's no patch. That's me.

Subject - - - - - Spelling  
High School - - - - - Delta  
Occupation - - - - - Teacher

Name - - - - Elizabeth Ann Olmstead  
Nickname - - - - Liz  
Birthday - - - - May 24, 1939  
Flower - - - - Rose  
Song - - - - "Jesus Ransomed Me"  
Color - - - - Blue  
Teacher - - - - Mr. Lohman  
Sport - - - - Softball  
Subject - - - - Spelling  
High School - - - - Wauseon

Name - - - - Paul Edward Pelton  
Nickname - - - - Pep  
Birthday - - - - September 6, 1939  
Flower - - - - Rose  
Song - - - - "Doggie In The Window"  
Color - - - - Red  
Subject - - - - Spelling  
Teacher - Mrs. Miller & Mr. Lohman  
Sport - - - - Baseball  
High School - - - - Delta  
Occupation - - - - Farming

Name - - - - Paul Roger Riegsecker  
Nickname - - - - Squeakie  
Birthday - - - - March 29, 1939  
Flower - - - - Rose  
Song - - - - "It's In The Book"  
Color - - - - Red  
Teacher - - - - Mrs. Miller  
Sport - - - - Basketball  
Subject - - - - Arithmetic  
High School - - - - Wauseon  
Occupation - - - - Farming

Name - - - - Vonalée Jane Riegsecker  
Nickname - - - - Chuck  
Birthday - - - - March 18, 1939  
Flower - - - - Red Rose  
Song - - - - "Alexander's Ragtime Band"  
Color - - - - Red  
Teacher - - - - Mr. Lohman  
Sport - - - - Softball  
Subject - - - - Spelling  
High School - - - - Wauseon  
Occupation - - - - Waitress

Name - - - - Gerald Fredric Scherf  
Nickname - - - - Shurcuf & Scarf  
Birthday - - - - October 6, 1939  
Flower - - - - Yellow Rose  
Song - - - - "A Pack of Wild Horses"  
Color - - - - Brown

Teacher - - - - Mr. Lohman  
Sport - - - - Horse Jockey  
Subject - - - - Arithmetic  
High School - - - - Delta  
Occupation - - - - Minister

Name - - - - Harold Norman Skates  
Nickname - - - - Rev.  
Birthday - - - - September 23, 1939  
Flower - - - - Carnation  
Song - - - - "A Pack of Wild Horses"  
Color - - - - Blond  
Teacher - - - - Mr. Lohman  
Sport - - - - Coon Hunting  
Subject - - - - Spelling  
High School - - - - Wauseon  
Occupation - - - - Minister

Name - - - - Jerry Dean Smith  
Nickname - - - - Dixie  
Birthday - - - - February 9, 1939  
Flower - - - - Rose  
Song - - - - "Wonderful One"  
Color - - - - Blue  
Teacher - - - - Mr. Lohman  
Sport - - - - Basketball  
Subject - - - - Arithmetic  
High School - - - - Wauseon  
Occupation - - - - Farmer

Name - - - - Kay Ellen Thompson  
Nickname - - - - Kip  
Birthday - - - - June 1, 1939  
Flower - - - - Carnation  
Song - - - - "A Pack of Wild Horses"  
Color - - - - Yellow & Green  
Teacher - - - - None  
Sport - - - - Baseball  
Subject - - - - History & English  
High School - - - - Delta  
Occupation - - - - Undecided

Name - - - - Lloyd Thompson  
Nickname - - - - Slim  
Birthday - - - - March 28, 1939  
Flower - - - - Cherokee Rose  
Song - - - - "Ghost Riders In The Sky"  
Color - - - - Red  
Teacher - - - - Miss Hall  
Sport - - - - Horse Racing  
Subject - - - - History  
High School - - - - Wauseon  
Occupation - - - - Farmer

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Mr. Lohman: Where is Nebraska?  
Paul R.: On page ten of my geogra-  
phy book.

## CLASS PROPHECY

June 15, 1963

Our newspaper gave us an important assignment last June. We started from the Detroit Terminal by train. Rozelle Eberle was the porter who carried our bags for us.

Arriving in New York about noon, we decided to do some sight-seeing. Our first stop was at the Empire State Building. On the 82nd floor, we saw Milo Hauer about to commit suicide by jumping from the window. We stopped him and took him to an insane asylum.

In the hotel where we stayed, we were surprised to find MaryLou Baldwin as the cleaning woman. We had our supper at Joe's Diner. While we ate we watched the Firestone Music Hour on color TV. Lloyd Thompson was the singing star.

Next day we visited the state penitentiary as we had heard that Mr. Lohman was serving a year for mistreatment of children at Pike Township. We had to have permission to see him. The warden who granted this permission was Paul Riegsecker.

After a few days in New York we embarked on the liner U. S. for England. We were to cover the celebration of the tenth anniversary of Queen Elizabeth's crowning. As we had been invited to Buckingham Palace to the Chrystal Ball, we dressed in our best gowns. Bill Frey was the page who escorted us into the ball.

Following our stay in England, we went to Paris. We saw many interesting things there. One day we saw a style show by the famous designer Monsieur Pierre Kline. To our amazement we discovered that this famous man was our old schoolmate Peter Klein. One of his models was Charlotte Cole. We were so excited to discover our friends that we caused too much commotion. Several policemen came to throw us out. One was Don Miller. He felt sorry for us and directed us to another place of amusement, the Paris Arena, where Wonder Boy Blue (Norman Skates) and Baby Face Leu were wrestling. Richard won.

In Versailles, we saw a French play, "Les Bon Amis". The leading actor, Andre Droppe, was married to our former school teacher, Mrs. Miller.

Our next stop was in Africa. A serious oil dispute was going on. We visited Janet Miller's jungle home. Her husband was an American oil contractor working in Africa.

From Africa we went to India. Roger Armstrong guided us through the mountains, where we searched for lost riches as our funds were getting low.

In China, our next stop, we hired a ricksha to ride in as we saw the sights. Jerry Smith was our ricksha man. He was such a fast runner that we crashed through the window of a nick-nack shop. The proprietor, Robert Kinsman, was very angry until he saw who was responsible for the crash. We had a happy reunion and purchased some souvenirs from his shop.

We flew from China to Hawaii to see the annual surf-board contest. Since we were reporters, we were entertained, with other reporters, by hula-hula dancers. The most graceful was Erma Elling.

Our purses were so flat that we decided to go trapping in Alaska. We spent a month there, but were still financially embarrassed. (Our dog-team driver was Larry O'Brien.)

We decided to go to Las Vegas, Nevada, to win some money. Who should be running the roulette tables but Two-Gun Lizzie, (Elizabeth Olmstead)! We cleaned out the tables and won \$10,000 apiece. Having plenty of money, we flew to Rock Springs, Wyoming, to visit George Howard's ranch, at his invitation. He had read about the marriage of Margaret O'Brien and Jerry Green.

The pilot of our jet plane from Chicago to Detroit was Jimmy Iather. The stewardess was Vonalee Riegsecker, who took care of us when we got airsick. In Detroit, we decided to spend some of our ready cash for a new Lincoln.

Gerald Scherf was vice-president of Ford Motor Corporation.

We drove our new Lincoln to the zoo. There we found Mary O'Brien, cleaning the cages of the monkeys. The next day was her day off, so we invited her to accompany us to see the Detroit Tigers play the Yankees. Paul Pelton was pitching for the Yankees, and lost the game, 13 - 0.

We finally returned home tired, but happy at seeing so many of our old friends.

Carol LaSalle & Kay Thompson,  
Reporters

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AUTOGRAPHS



Roger Armstrong

Paul  
George  
Zelle

Donald Miller  
"Sharon"

Thomas  
O'Brien

John  
Green

Mary Lou Baldwin  
"Billie"

Janet Miller  
5-3

Jerry Smith  
↑  
Doreen Smith

Jim Lather  
"Marilyn"

Paul

Vonale Riegsecker

Paul Riegsecker  
"Doris"

Milo Trauger  
"Ray"

E. Elizabeth Ann  
Olmstead

George  
"Harvey"

Pete Klein  
Rita + Minnie

William  
"Bill"

Mary  
Alvina

Harold  
Shote

Harold  
Shof

George  
Howard

Richard  
Lynn

Charles  
Lynn