Reunion Update:

Register to Attend the August 28, 2010
Marshall / Marshall University High All-School Reunion!
Over 300 Have Signed Up!


The Reunion Committee Is Hard at Work

The reunion committee is now larger than the one shown in our photo, but we like this photo so we’re using it again. More than twenty-five Marshallites are now on the reunion committee, and we are focusing on our goal, August 28, 2010. Janet Conger Duff is our overall chairperson and Janet is ably assisted by Vicki Bayerl, Scott Watson, Lisa Robinson, Paul Abelseth, Karen Ruff Johnson, Charles Rice, Woody Widstrom, Anne Moellman Lindgren, Otto Lausten, Jane Curtin, Ron Anderson and about 15 other Marshallites.

The basic plan is to offer Marshall/University High Alumni two opportunities to meet and eat on August 28 at the Radisson University Hotel. A luncheon will be held from 12:00 to 3:00 pm, and as of April 1st about 60 folks have already signed up to attend the luncheon. A buffet dinner will be held from 7:00 to 9:00 pm to be followed by socializing until midnight, and over 260 people have signed up for the evening session. At both sessions we expect to have memorabilia on display, music and opportunities for photos. Former students, faculty and friends who attended Marshall/University High School from 1924 to 1982 are all invited.

Committees have been formed to work on various aspects of the reunion: registration, publicity, treasury, decorations, luncheon, evening buffet, entertainment, memorabilia. If you are interested in volunteering to help on any of these committees, the g-mail email is: minneapolis.marshall.u@gmail.com

We currently have committee members from the 40s, 50s, 60s, 70s, and 80s, and we know from our registrations that Marshallites from the 30s are also planning to attend. So it promises to be a very enjoyable affair, renewing old friendships and loaded with nostalgia. Coming as it does at the end of August, our reunion will also give folks from out of town a chance to visit the State Fair, or the Guthrie Theatre, or the Mall of America, or check out the local art scene, have a picnic by the river, or visit our lakes. There will be lots to do and plenty of people to see. You may want to encourage an old friend to join you at the reunion. Registration forms included in this newsletter.

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Name: ____________________________  Maiden Name: ____________________________

Address: __________________________

City: _____________________________  State: ___________  Zip ______

Phone: ____________________________  Email: ____________________________

Last year you attended or your class year: ______________

Affiliation with Marshall / MUHS: (please circle)  Student  Staff  Friend  Spouse  Other ____________

Please circle which information can be made available to other classmates or printed for directory distribution.

Name of Guest*: ____________________________  Friend___  Spouse___

If guest is also an alumni of Marshall/MUHS please fill out a separate registration form. Thank you.

_____ Luncheon at Radisson University Hotel – $30.00 (includes gratuity) from 12:00 Noon – 3:00 pm.

Please select an Entrée: Enter an “X” for you and a “G” for your guest.

___ Italian Stuffed Chicken  ___ Cornmeal Crusted Walleye  ___ Pork Tenderloin Roulade  ___ Portobello Mushroom Lasagna

_____ Reunion on Saturday Night – 6:00 pm to 1:00 am  Includes: buffet dinner (7:00 – 9:00) & Entertainment.

Buffet dinner and festivities:  $55.00 per person  $45.00 if registration & payment are received by 3-1-2010

Two Ways to REGISTER:

•  Send this Registration form and check made out to MU Reunion to:  MU Reunion
  — or —
•  Register On-Line at http://www.acteva.com/go/MarshallUHigh
  (There is additional processing & finance charge for this option)

Itinerary:

12:00 – 3:00  Luncheon at Radisson University Hotel
6:00  Registration begins and Cash Bar is open (until 1:00 am.)
7:00 – 9:00  Buffet Dinner is served
9:00 – Close  Coffee and Snack Bar open

Please remember to bring your yearbook(s), photos, and memorabilia. An area to display Marshall High School and Marshall University High School memorabilia will be provided. *The display area will be monitored; however you will be responsible for the safe keeping of your items. (Clearly label items with name and phone number.)

Items I would like to display*:  ____________________________________________________________

I am interested in volunteering. Please contact me to let me know how I can assist with:

___ Publicity  ___ Decorating  ___ Registration  ___ Program  ___ Classmate Recruitment  ___ Other
All-School Reunion
Marshall / Marshall-University
High School
1924–1982

Spread the word—we want everyone associated with Marshall / MUHS to join us
~Students, Staff, & Friends~

When: Saturday, August 28, 2010
Where: Radisson University Hotel
         U of M—Stadium Village
         This issue of the Alumni News is focused on promoting the August 28, 2010 all-school Reunion and therefore will look a little “leaner”.

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Do you have particular interests / skills that you would like to use for the event or committees? Please let us know, we would love to have your help. Feel free to contact us with questions or info at: minneapolis.marshall.u@gmail.com.

You will receive a reply soon after you contact us.
Everyone is Welcome!
A Day and a Week at the House of Hanson.

To my fellow Marshallites from Dick ‘Epp’ Epperly, class of ’53, 504 E. 17th St. Grand Island, NE. 68801.

As Clinton Bliss would say “Ah memories!”

The last thing Bill Murray said to me was “You’re the guy that served those ice cream cones at Hansons and grabbed the ice cream instead of the cone as you reached to pull the cone down”. I said “shame on me!”.

Hanson hired me at the tender age of 14 for 65 cents an hour. I was in hog heaven. My duties were to keep the empty pop bottles taken care of and fill the pop cooler every day. Pop was 5 cents with a 2 cent deposit if it left the store. Such a deal you’ll never find again on planet earth.

After a few months of being the ‘bottle boy’ I graduated to dispensing sodas, malts and sundaes—commonly known as a ‘soda jerk’. We had 28 flavors of ice cream. Ice cream cones were 7 cents for a single and 12 cents for a double dipped. You could even mix or match your flavors. Banana splits were a whopping 35 cents. Bob would make up these huge signs advertising malts, shakes and sodas and plaster them on the windows; people came in by the dozens. The favorite items were chocolate malts and cherry cokes; cokes at 5 and 10 cents a glass. We also had sandwiches; ‘moms’ at 25 cents a pop, hot dogs were 15 cents and Polish sausages were at 25 cents.

We helped spread a few germs by having a community water glass by the water fountain. Everyone used it and left it upside down for the next guy. I guess they thought the germs would drop out the bottom.

We had a penny candy section that was second to none. Kids would come in with a penny or a nickel and spend many minutes looking over our selection of 30 or 40 different items. Candy bars were a nickel and we had a large selection. Kids would come before and after school to pick up some nutritious goodies like cupcakes, fudge bars, pecan pies, Twinkies and all the ‘good’ stuff. – Ah memories.

Our grocery section didn’t match up to Wal-Mart (where I am presently working P.T.) but we did have the essentials. Our produce table had bananas, apples, oranges, etc. One day someone called to my attention there was something crawling around the bananas; a big old hairy tarantula. I grabbed a mason jar and caught it under the table. Now we had a pet spider. – Ah memories.

Bob had a unique loaning system for anyone who needed a fast buck or two for gas or a date. We just wrote our name on a slip of paper and as the loan was paid off we would pay back 10% more. So a $5.00 loan would bring back $5.50. Everyone was happy with this arrangement such as Otto, Jack, Jimmy, Gordon, Marlo and many others; Clint always had enough money.

Tour the new TCF Bank Stadium, home of our Golden Gophers!

As part of our Marshall/ Marshall University High Reunion, we have made arrangements with the U of M staff to tour the new Gopher Football Stadium. The tour will take place at 10:00 am on Saturday, August 28 and last about one hour. We will meet at the entrance on the Oak Street side of the stadium. If you are planning to be part of the tour please contact Tom Daly before August 1, 2010. You can phone Tom and leave a message by calling 952-884-5016 or email him at tmdaly@q.com. Please let him know when you attended Marshall and how many people will be coming with you on the tour. Thanks

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Reflections of Ahlie

One evening Ahlie and I were reminiscing over our fun at Medicine Lake church camp; taking girls on a boat ride and playing poker with M & Ms. Ahlie chuckled as he asked “remember the time when we were climbing the tower and I dropped a piece of metal over the railing and hit a kid on the head?” I did not chuckle when I told him it was a metal hinge and I was the kid that had two stitches in my head.
The First Marshallites

I have been reading the Marshall Cardinals from the first four years of Marshall High School: 1925, 1926, 1927 and 1928. I have been struck by how much those early Marshallites wrote and how well they wrote.

John Raynor, the president of the Class of 1925, reflected upon how he and his classmates began their high school years at “Old East” and how they “grew to love and cherish that institution to the very depths of our hearts.” But in their one year at Marshall, their new school spirit soared and was made manifest when they adopted their new school motto: “Laboro et Servio,” work and service. Like Marshall seniors who would follow them, those first Marshall seniors left their alma mater with some regrets for “the friendships of teachers and fellow-students,” but confident that work and service would bring success and happiness.

Helen Orr, vice president of the Class of 1926, writing for her senior class stated, “We are the product of both Old East High and John Marshall. In our junior year, we entered the new John Marshall building and endeavored to fill it with new spirit and new ideals.”

Helen went on to say, “We have been forming a background all these four years, a background in which personality, character, and honor are most prominent. . . . The termination of our high school life means that we must leave our classmates and enter the world of men or women. We shall miss the faculty and the carefree school atmosphere, but we shall carry their influence with us.”

Donald Macfarlane, president of the Class of 1927, wrote a mostly humorous essay to his classmates in the 1927 Cardinal, but near the end grew serious. “We have been more or less successful in our efforts here. In our future work we may expect the same sort of success. . . .”

In 1928 the June Class became Marshall’s “first real graduating class.” They looked back on their humble beginnings as freshmen and the foolishness of being sophomores. As juniors they felt they blossomed becoming quite “prominent in athletics, in music, and in service to Marshall.” As seniors they took their places as leaders in scholarship and athletics, in music, literature, dramatics and art. Yes, the Class of 1928 became the first real Marshallites, the first to have no memories of “Old East High.”

Those first Marshallites have been followed by hundreds of others over the years, but it is interesting how so many last names keep being repeated, names like Anderson, Bailey, Bernier, Bolstad, Brown, Chase, Christensen, Eklund, Epperly, Flolid, Hathaway, Hunt, Iverson, Johnson, Lee, Lindgren, Meyers, Murphy, Murray, Nelson, O’Brien, Peterson, Riley, Sticka, Sullivan, Swanson, and Walton. The apples didn’t fall too far from the trees in the Marshall orchard.

The Class of 1945 Will Be at Jax Café for Their 65th

Joanne Labernik of the Class of 1945 informed us that they will be having their 65th reunion at Jax Café on Wednesday, May 19th. If you want more information, please contact Joanne at: jknightlabernik@yahoo.com.

Reflections in the Mirror – Sneaking in

We all stayed out later than our parents allowed. My method of bypassing the imposed curfew was: climbing up a column of the front porch, over the decorative railing, onto the roof of the porch and through the door that led directly to my bedroom. When driving home in the folk’s car after the appointed hour I would not put the car in the garage because it was too noisy driving up the driveway and opening the garage door. Instead I would get up enough speed, put the car in neutral, shut off the lights and ignition and coast into the driveway.

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they were classmates!!

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DuWayne Deitz was born December 7, 1930, the son of a dental technician and housewife. The family moved to Minneapolis in 1936 and he attended Southwest HS, class of 1949. He was captain of the football team and MVP. He was city champion in the shot put. His college days were cut short in 1950 when he joined the US Marine Corp. and saw combat in Korea. He was a bazooka gunner who participated in the Battle of Chosin Reservoir and was awarded the Purple Heart in 1951.

In 1952 he enrolled at St. Thomas College and became captain of the football team and named Catholic All-American. He was also MIAC shot put champion. He graduated in 1956 with a BA in History.

In 1956, he received his first coaching job at Marshall High School and taught history, and he made history. The football team finished in second place – the best for any Marshall football team since 1933. He was named Minneapolis Conference “Coach of the Year”. His wrestling team won the city championship in 1958-1959.

In 1962, he accepted a position at White Bear Lake High School. In an interview with the Minneapolis Star, he was quoted “Marshall’s enrollment is down and it will be lower next fall. I just felt I can do better in the long run at a school like White Bear”. In 1968 and 1969, White Bear Lake won the Suburban Conference Football Championships. Deitz was named Region IV Coach of the Year.

In 1970, Deitz entered the college ranks becoming head football coach at St. Thomas. In 1973 and 1979, the St. Thomas football team was the MIAC-co-Champion. Deitz was named MIAC Coach of the Year and NAIA District 13 Coach of the Year in 1979. His son, Doug (a quarterback) was named MVP of the MIAC. Coach Deitz resigned his head coach position in 1980 and retired from the teaching faculty in 1997.

His four children were all born during his tenure at Marshall High School and all graduated from St. Thomas University as prominent student-athletes.
Marshall HS Football: The Deitz Way

Bob Yu, Class of 1962
Marshall High School students were made aware that we had the smallest high school enrollment in the district. Marshall kids came from shrinking neighborhood elementary schools: Marey, Tuttle, Pratt and Holmes. Marshall had 30 kids come out for football and Roosevelt would have over 100 kids try out. When I started seventh grade at Marshall, Marshall could only count on beating Vocational. We were the runts of the conference, the perennial doormats. Everyone scheduled their homecomings against us; it was a sure win, a sure homecoming celebration.

Hope was in the air when the young and handsome Norm Kragseth, a multi-star athlete from Northwestern University, took over the football program. He drove a new Oldsmobile 88 and we hoped that he was going to be the coach that would make a difference. Unfortunately, his teams didn’t fare any better than other Marshall teams from the previous years. In fact, Kragseth was on the football field in my senior year — this time as a referee.

I tried going out for the sophomore football team (junior varsity) coached by the 2 Joe’s: Joe Arnold and Joe Jocketty. Marshall football did not perform any better under their coaching.

Then, DuWayne Deitz appeared. He was an outstanding athlete at St. Thomas University and was notably a Marine who fought in the Korean War. With Coach Deitz, bellyaching about Marshall High School was no longer allowed. His moniker “Bullwhip Deitz” was well-earned. Grandma Deitz, who could do more push-ups than any of us, became a legend. The players from the Deitz era still talk about the practices we had, the grueling summer two-a-days, the kids that barfed during practice, the parents that called up to complain. I remember the Deitz stare. The look that asked: How TOUGH are you? By the time the season rolled around, our team, those who survived and had not quit, were ready. Nothing could be harder than the practices we endured. Even the pre-game circle drill were grueling, we had to leap over everyone not one, but twice. We had survived Deitz football. We were thirsty for victory (literally, since we were never allowed to drink water during practice).

Deitz was different from many coaches who I would encounter. He didn’t play favorites. He was a tough coach, but he was a fair coach. He told us that we all had an equal chance to make the team. You had to hit, tackle and block. If you did that hard and well, you would play.

The school assembly in 1960 heralded the breakthrough. In the season opener, the Marshall football team upset hated Roosevelt 6-2. At the school pep rally prior to the Marshall-Edison football rivalry, cheerleaders prodded the student body to cheer for the team. Instead of the tepid response normally shown by the Marshall student body, a thundering roar arose and engulfed the auditorium. The fervent energy stunned the cheerleaders as the student screamed out the cheers. The remembrance of that roar still sends shivers down my spine. Marshall beat Edison 7-6 that Friday.

In my senior year we were 5-1-1, tying Edison and losing to South High. We weren’t able to play Washburn, the city champion, because of a staggered schedule. In the locker room after my last high school game, I remarked to Mr. Deitz that I wished the season would never end. It was fun to win. Deitz agreed.

Bob Yu, Class of 1962—started for 2 years on offense as right guard and defense as nose guard and linebacker. After high school he graduated from Hamline University and again played started at right guard/linebacker for the Pipers. In 1969-72, he trained in Chinese martial arts in Taiwan and received a black sash. He is now an instructor of Physical Education for University of Wisconsin, Madison, Department of Kinesiology where he teaches Tai Chi, Self Defense and Chinese Martial Arts.

R. Yu

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