Welcome fellow Marshallites! Thanks once more to editors Bob Hayes and Tom Daly for their well written articles and fine photos. Their work keeps us up-to-date and informed about the current status of the school and neighborhood we loved so much. I appreciate their endeavors and enthusiasm.

I assemble the pieces but would not have anything to assemble were it not for them. This month’s issue features practical information such as where and when the next reunions will be held. Obituaries of Classmates who have died are presented for our information.

In addition Tom made several trips through the “new” Dinkytown interviewing important persons and taking tours through the new apartment buildings; He browsed through the new Target store now open and alive with shoppers. It is on the first floor of the new 300+ unit apartment building. Target is located where the Marshall Print Shop once occupied.

Thanks again Tom & Bob -OWL.

Hats off to Hap Corbett, the Founder of the Marshall Alumni Newsletter

When Hap Corbett started the Marshall Alumni Newsletter, he intended it to be a newsletter for his classmates in the Class of 1949. He began it in 1991, but by 1993 it evolved into a newsletter for all Marshall High alumni.

Shortly after graduating from Marshall High in 1949, Hap began working on the staff of the Minneapolis Argus. It was then that he shortened his name to “Hap,” and he has been Hap Corbett ever since.

While at Marshall, Hap’s best friend was Jim Lien. They both joined the cheerleading squad and learned to do front flips and back flips. Hap also played the clarinet in the Marshall band and the St. Lawrence band.

Corbett began playing the piano at age four. He learned to play “by ear,” and never really learned to read music for the piano, but he did learn to read music for the clarinet.

When asked who was his favorite teacher, Hap immediately answered, “Mrs. Leemhuis,” but quickly went on to add Miss Skalbeck. He said that Miss Skalbeck “saw something in me.” She encouraged him in her 10th grade English class and helped him get on “The Judge” staff his junior and senior years. His training in journalism led Hap to a career as a newspaperman with the Minneapolis Argus.

After graduating from Marshall in 1949, Hap went one year to the Paulist seminary in Baltimore, Maryland. He returned to Minneapolis the following year, and went to work for the Argus, but was soon drafted into the U. S. Army.

It was near the end of the Korean War; Hap Corbett went to Korea as a rifleman.

Fortunately, within a month the Grandparents know we should have a snack before bedtime, and they say prayers with us and kiss us even when we’ve acted bad.
armistice was declared and the shooting stopped. Hap was able to trade in his rifle for a clarinet.

The end of the fighting in Korea meant that many soldiers who had served most of their “tour of duty” were sent back to the States. That resulted in openings in the 2nd Infantry Division’s band. The general wanted the band to be at full strength, so the call went out for new band members. Hap’s experience playing the clarinet with the St. Lawrence Band in Aquatennial parades served him well. He became a clarinet player in the Army band.

The general also decided that the band should have bagpipers. Hap and three other clarinet players were chosen to learn how to play bagpipes. The general was able to “borrow” a Scottish bagpiper from a Scottish Army unit, and the four American musicians were given a three-week crash course in playing bagpipes. Hap said that they learned enough to make the general happy. Like an episode of Mash.

Returning to Minneapolis, Hap Corbett worked for the Minneapolis Argus under the editorship of Fran McGovern for eight years. Hap wore several hats: assistant editor, staff writer, and cameraman.

In 1960, Hap was feeling the need for a change. He checked the Want Ads in the paper and one ad caught his attention: “Business Opportunity – Small Café.” Hap drove his car north to Staples, Minnesota, and checked out the small café.

Although he had never run a café, Hap decided to buy it. He rounded up the money for a down payment and plunged right in. The owner told Hap, “You follow me around for a week, and then I’ll follow you around for a week, and then you’re on your own.” Hap said, “That was my baptism into the café business.”
He ran the café for seven years and then moved on to several other business ventures including selling mutual funds.

Hap and Doris Corbett are happy that they settled in Staples. Seven of their eight kids were born and raised there. Hap said, “It took me about three days to fall in love with small town living.”

Nevertheless, he continued to think about his days in Minneapolis and his friends from Marshall High School and his classmates, the 49ers. So he developed a mailing list and sent out a form letter to his classmates inviting them to write a paragraph or two that he would put into a newsletter. It worked pretty well, and then some folks suggested that he include other classes like those from 1947 to 1952. So he expanded the newsletter. By 1993, Hap expanded it to include all Marshall alumni, set up a subscription system and sent out newsletters three times a year.

That went on for the next 13 years, and then Hap suffered a setback. He had a stroke and lost sight in his right eye. Hap announced to his readership that he thought the Marshall Alumni Newsletter needed a new editor and he asked if anyone would be willing to take over. That’s when Bob Hayes and I responded. Bob and I were both subscribers to Hap’s newsletter, and we were both members of the Class of 1955 reunion committee. We decided to visit with Hap and find out how much work was entailed in turning out the newsletter. We discovered that there was plenty of work, but we agreed to take over for Hap anyway.

The first issue under new management came out in January, 2007. It featured an article by Clint Bliss of the Class of 1953. Clint described Dinkytown as it had been in the 1950s. Hap Corbett, Judy Brackney Waring, Bob Hayes, and I also wrote articles and Peggy Mann Rinehart at the University of Minnesota did the layout.

The Marshall Alumni Newsletter has gone through a number of changes. I think the most significant changes were the addition of Otto Lausten who brought his skills from the printing industry and vocational education, and being published electronically by Disability Services on their U of M website.

Today Hap and Doris Corbett live comfortably in an apartment in an assisted living building in Staples, Minnesota. Their apartment walls are filled with pictures of their children, grandchildren, and fond memories. A piano graces one wall of their living room and attests to the fact that Hap still loves to play the piano, and Doris loves to hear him play.

As our interview came to an end, Doris said with pride, “You have to hear him play.” Hap agreed to play and went to the piano. He mentioned that since his stroke, he can’t see very well what his right hand is playing. But it didn’t seem to matter as he played the Dixieland versions of “In the Mood” and “A Closer Walk with Thee.”

It was a very sweet time in Staples, Minnesota. My hat is off to Hap Corbett, the founder of the John Marshall High School Alumni Newsletter. TMD

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Do you know what the greatest remedy on earth is today? Not a pill, not a shot, but A HUG!

A girl was visiting her friend who had just gotten two new dogs. The girl asked their names.

“Rolex and Timex,” her friend replied.

“Why those names?”

“They’re watch dogs!”

A good laugh is like manure to a farmer...it doesn’t do any good until you spread it around.

I asked my doctor for a second opinion, so he billed me twice!
In September, 2012, we reported that it appeared that the former Marshall High School building was scheduled to be torn down and replaced with over 300 residential units and some retail spaces. “The Marshall” was the name chosen for the planned apartments and townhouses. On July 27, 2014, Target Express opened in 20,000 square feet of retail space at “The Marshall” and its apartments and townhouses are scheduled to open on August 28.

Meanwhile, across the street where the House of Hanson used to stand, “The Venue” is also nearing completion. It will contain about 140 apartments and some unnamed retail stores. “The Venue” apartments are scheduled to open on August 29. Both “The Marshall” and “The Venue” have opened leasing offices in Dinkytown on 14th Avenue.

Otto Lausten and I toured a model apartment and some first floor areas at “The Marshall” with Cayce Gearrin, the manager of leasing and marketing. Cayce pointed out some parts of the original Marshall High School that are being used in the new buildings.

They include an exterior archway, pieces of flooring from the boys’ gym, and one of the trophy cases from the main hallway. We mentioned to Cayce that it would be nice if some of the Marshall trophies from the old trophy case could be returned and be put on display once again. To learn more about these two developments contact: VenueAtDinkytown.com and LiveTheMarshall.com.

DROP IN AND YOU, TOO, WILL BE PLEASANTLY SURPRISED!
A well equipped tech section offering a good selection of cell-phones and other digital devices.

Pharmacy employees greeted us with a friendly smile as Tom and Otto toured their facility.

Tom and Otto were given an in-depth tour of the apartments & facilities from Cayce Gearrin, manager of leasing and marketing.
The living room to the left includes a nice size window and doorway to 5th Avenue SE.

Rental customers often select an apartment that includes access to computer hook-ups and wire/wireless networks.
Is Dinkytown Going or Coming?

In January, 2007, we ran an article by Clint Bliss of the Class of 1953. Clint walked us down “memory lane” and named about 30 shops and stores. At the end of his article, he pointed out that all of these stores (from Heddon’s Book Store to Simms Hardware) were gone. Only the House of Hanson was still in business. Nevertheless, Dinkytown was still there.

Today, the House of Hanson is gone and so is the building that was John Marshall High School. But in their places are apartments and townhouses that will hold about 500 university students, plus a swimming pool, a basketball court, study rooms and lounge areas.

The shops and stores of the 1950s may be gone, but there are newer shops in their places. Blarney Pub & Grill, Espresso Royale, China Express, Kafé 421, Kitty Cat Klub, US Bank, Loring Pasta Bar (where Gray’s Drug Store used to be), Annie’s Parlour, Potbelly Sandwich Works (where Bridgeman’s used to be), Vescio’s Italian, and Wally’s Falafel all seem to be thriving. All together there are more than 50 shops and restaurants in Dinkytown. Al’s Breakfast is the smallest and Target Express is the newest. They are all part of Dinkytown today. TMD
Travel East on University Avenue. Then take a left on 14th Avenue SE travel North for 2 blocks and you will witness a carefully thought out plan of Dinkytown renewal. In the photo on the left a wonderful eating establishment, Annie’s Parlor, looms ahead.

**Resident mailroom taking shape**

**Student entrance into the new dorm rooms, and other amenities.**
Student resident swimming pool.

Tom Daly, one of two editors of the MHS AN and Cayce Garrrin, manager of leasing and marketing. The unusual wood on the wall was salvaged from the Marshall high school gymnasium floor.

Student resident gymnasium...soon to be completed.
CLASS REUNION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marshall U-High All School Reunion will be held on March 9th, 10th and 11th, 2015 at the Riverside Casino in Laughlin, NV. Mark these dates on your calendar and read more details regarding events on Page 12 of this Alumni News. (Butler) Padula ’54, See page 12 for complete details and Registration Form.

Marshall’s January and June classes of 1947 announce their annual reunion at Elsie’s Restaurant, 729 Marshall Street NE, Minneapolis (612-378-9701) on Thursday, September 18, 2014. Social begins at 11:30 am, sit-down lunch follows at 12:00 noon. Cost $25 per person. Contact Char Minichilli @ 952-938-4827.

Marshall Class of 1954 “the BIG 60 is here, all classmates called to a 2 day reunion, when: Sept 11th at 1 p.m. at Old Country Buffet, University & Mississippi Avenues.
Sept 11th at 11 a.m. at Jax Café, University & 17th Avenue N.E. A lunch buffet, cost $26.24 including tax and tip. Pay at the door. If you are planning to attend please respond by Sept 3rd, 2014. Call Shirley (Stemper) Rasmussen 763- 493-4562, Lyman Swenson 763-441-1481, or Sharon (Butler) Padula 763-486-9141 or e-mail slpadula@yahoo.com. Looking forward to seeing all your smiling faces in Sept.”

Marshall Class of 1955 will hold their 60th class reunion on Thursday, August 13, 2015. The reunion for the first time will begin in the early afternoon and conclude before dark. The particulars of the reunion have not been decided although the early favorite venue appears to be Jax Café on University Avenue NE. Related reunion activities such as a boat ride on the Mississippi River, picnics, golf, pickle ball and tours are under discussion. We appreciate hearing from members of our class and other classes about good places to go and good things to do. We welcome members of our class of ’55 to serve on the planning committee. “Half of the fun of class reunions is being on the planning committee” says Tom Daly, 952-884-5016.

Marshall Class of 1964 will be holding their 50th reunion on September 19th and 20th this fall. It will be held at the Courtyard by Marriott, 2905 Centre Pointe Drive, Roseville, MN 55113. There will be a Friday night social followed by a Saturday evening get-together with a light buffet dinner. Contact person for Marriott room reservations is Ashley Chmielewski @ 651-367-2033. Updating information can be found on http://marshallhighschoolreunion.blogspot.com or contact Jack Beckman at forestlakejack@gmail.com or his business phone 763-784-5922.

Marshall Class of 1967 says “We plan to have another fun reunion in 2017, and hope that every classmate will mark August 26, 2017 on their calendar and make every effort to attend. A number of classmates who were unable to attend the 45th reunion promised to see us in 2017. We look forward to seeing you there too.” www.marshallclassof67.org This website is intended to be a continuing work in progress through 2017 so classmates may update their personal and contact information (with their desired level of privacy) and stay in touch with other classmates, in addition to reliving memories of the 40th and 45th reunions.
Class Reunion Announcements for September, 2014 issue of MHS Alumni News

These events were listed in the May issue but since the MHS AN will be posted on September 1st, perhaps some will make arrangements to attend.

Marshall Class of 1954 60th Reunion
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Marshall/U-High Class of 1974 will be having a 40-year reunion this year. Date and location have not yet been determined. But, as usual, it definitely will be very well attended and lots of fun. Top-notch organizer Janet Conger Duff will again be working her magic and I will be assisting. Anyone wanting up-to-date details should call me:  Scott Watson, 612-927-5154, scottwmwatson@earthlink.net.

Marshall/Marshall University High school ALL Class Reunion
Complete information on Page 12

The Varsity Theatre, in the heart of Dinkytown, was a popular theatre venue for many people. It still stands (remember the yo-yo contests?)
MARSHALL / MARSHALL UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL
ALL CLASS REUNION, MARCH 9-12, 2015
At the Riverside Resort & Casino, Laughlin Nevada

Again, an All Class Reunion of former Marshallite’s and friends will be held at the Riverside Hotel and Casino in Laughlin, Nevada on March 9-12, 2015. Laughlin is about 90 miles south of Las Vegas and is accessible by Sun Country Airlines. Please tell your classmates and friends about the All Class Reunion.

THE SCHEDULE

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Dockside

| Time to be determined | One Hour scenic Boat Cruise |

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Hotel and transportation are your responsibility. Please Contact the Riverside for the best hotel and air travel package price by calling 800-227-3849. You can contact Shirley (Stemper) Rasmussen or Paul Abelseth if you have questions regarding this information. The cost for the reunion is $80 per person, if your reunion registration is submitted by Nov. 30, 2014. The cost will be $85 after Nov. 30.

Make check Payable to: MARSHALL/LAUGHLIN REUNION

CLIP AND MAIL THE REGISTRATION FORM BELOW

Marshall/University High ALL CLASS REUNION FORM

Please Print:

My reservation ___________________ ________________________________ MHS/MUHS Class of ______

First Name                Maiden Name      Last Name

Address __________________________________________________________________________________

City __________________________ State ______________ Zip ____________ Phone __________________

Please Mail a separate form and $80 (or $85 after Nov. 30, 2014) for each person attending to:

Shirley (Stemper) Rasmussen
8879 Montegue Terrace
Minneapolis MN 55443
Phone: 763-493-4562

or

Paul Abelseth
800 W. 82nd St.
Bloomington MN 55420
Phone: 952-888-7872
Pat Dickson, class of 1945, passed away July 3, 2014. He is survived by wife Lois O’Brien Dickson (MHS ’45), sister Delores Christensen (MHS ’48), 5 children, 19 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. Preceded in death by sister Mary Ann Mikkelsen (MHS ’43).

Don Arnsdorf, ’50, Monticello, MN, June 2014.
Dear Classmates... we need you!

Those of us who gather stories, tour sites, interview important people, list obituaries, and put our heart and souls into assembling the Marshall Alumni News every 4 months are seeking a team to take over the Marshall Alumni News soon. Like many of you we have had some medical issues in the past years; either personally or a spouse. Would a group of you volunteer to take over the tasks of producing this fine Newspaper that, according to our cover story, was the brain child of Hap Corbett (See the three page story beginning on page 1 of this issue.) The alternative would be to let this fine paper fade into nothing. Most of the work we do we do online or face to face in the Twin Cities.

Please phone or email any one of us should you be interested in this request / offer.
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