Senior Annual

CLASS

of

1949

"ENTER TO LEARN, GO FORTH TO SERVE"

DEDICATION

The Senior Class of 1949, dedicate this annual to our mothers and fathers for understanding our trials and tribulations, for the many sacrifices they have made for us, and for providing for us through these exceedingly trying years.

CLASS FLOWER    CLASS COLORS
WHITE ROSE      RED & GREY

CLASS EMBLEM
LONGHORN STEER
RICHARD ACKERMAN "DICK"
Majors: Agriculture, English, Shop
Minors: Art
Activities: Bus Officer

JANET DELGHE "DELORE"
Majors: English, Commercial, Mathematics
Minors: Science, History, Mathematics
Activities: Senior Play Business Manager, Bus Officer, Chorus, Junior Secretary, Junior Plays, Library Service, Gymnasium Assistant

ROBERT ALLAN "BOGE"
Majors: English, Science, Mathematics
Minors: Latin, History, Commercial
Activities: Basketball Manager, Bus Officer, Senior Class President, Baseball

MANTAN DIBLE "DIBS"
Majors: English, Science, History, Commercial, Mathematics
Minors: History, Commercial, Mathematics
Activities: Bus Officer, Junior and Senior Plays, Chorus

DONNA BERKE "DONNIE"
Majors: Commercial, English, History
Minors: Mathematics
Activities: Bus Officer, Senior Plays

DORIS ELLIOTT "DORIE"
Majors: English, Commercial
Minors: Home Economics, History
Activities: Bus Officer, Junior and Senior Plays

LYNN BREIGHT "SKIP"
Majors: English, Science, Mathematics
Minors: Latin, History, Mathematics
Activities: Basketball, Bus Officer, Tennis, Junior Plays

WAYNE FOUTCH "BUTCH"
Majors: Science, English, Mathematics
Minors: History, Commercial, Mathematics
Activities: Cheerleader, Track, Chorus, Junior and Senior Plays

EARL CHRISTENSEN "RED"
Majors: English, History, Mathematics, Shop
Activities: Junior and Senior Plays, Chorus, Band, Orchestra, Boys Quartet, Lincoln Highlights Staff

JOSEPH FOX "JOE"
Majors: English, Commercial, Agriculture
Minors: Science, Shop
Activities: Bus Officer, Tennis, Basketball, Junior Social Committee Chairman
JOAN GAULT "JOSIE"
Major: English, History
Minor: Science, Art, Commercial
Activities: Chorus, Bus Officer, Annual Committee

PATRICIA JOHNSON "PAT"
Major: Home Economics, Commercial
Minor: English, History
Activities: Bus Officer, Junior Plays, Sophomore Treasurer

LELANE GORTON "LEX"
Major: English, History, Commercial
Minor: Latin, Science, Mathematics
Activities: Chorus, Bus Officer, Orchestra, Student Council Treasurer, B.A.R. Girl, Sophomore President

N. ELIZABETH KIRK "LIBBY"
Major: English, Science, Mathematics
Minor: Latin, History, Commercial
Activities: Band, Orchestra, Cheerleader, Bus Officer, Chorus, Senior Secretary, Lincoln Highlight Staff, Senior Plays

ROBERT GOTT "BEAKY"
Major: English, Science
Minor: Mathematics, Shop, Latin
Activities: Student Council President, Bus Officer, Tennis, Basketball, Junior and Senior Plays, Sophomore Vice-President

ELDON LAXX "PEX WEE"
Major: English, Shop, Commercial, Agriculture
Activities: Basketball, Baseball, Tennis

NORMAN HUFF "NORM"
Major: English, Science, Mathematics
Minor: Latin, History
Activities: Track Manager, Bus Officer, Tennis, Senior Vice-President, Cheerleader, Basketball Manager

GEORGE MAGDA "DO BO"
Major: English, Shop, Agriculture
Minor: Commercial, Science
Activities: Baseball

CAROL JARVIS "COCO"
Major: English, History, Commercial
Minor: Art, Mathematics
Activities: Junior and Senior Plays, Bus Officer, Student Council, Cheerleader, Senior Annual Editor, Senior Social Committee Chairman

ERNST KESTELER "ERN"
Major: English, Science
Minor: Latin, History, Mathematics
Activities: Basketball, Track, Baseball, Bus Officer, Junior and Senior Plays
GINA MSTA "GENIE"
Major: English, Commercial
Minor: Home Economics, Social Studies
Activities: Senior Play Business Manager, Bus Officer, Junior Plays, Social Committee

SHIRLEY SMITH "SHUTTY"
Major: English, History, Commercial
Minor: Science
Activities: Chorus, Art, Bus Officer, Junior and Senior Plays

MERLEIN MINICK "MIKE"
Major: Industrial Arts, English, Agriculture
Minor: Commercial, Science
Activities: Junior and Senior Plays, Baseball, Bus Officer, Band, Student Council, Chorus

CARL STROM "SPEEDY"
Major: English, Shop
Minor: Social Studies, Health
Activities: Chorus, Track
Bus Officer, Junior Plays

ALEXANDER HENKES "ALEX"
Major: English, Shop, Agriculture
Minor: Art
Activities: Track

MANVEL SWEET "MAR JEAN"
Major: English, Science, History
Minor: Latin, Mathematics
Activities: Junior and Senior Plays, Bus Officer, Junior Vice-President, Student Council Secretary, Lincoln Highlight Staff, Annual Committee

REAL SANDERS "SANDY"
Major: English, Commercial
Minor: Science, Agriculture, Mathematics, Shop
Activities: Track, Tennis

E. Lisle Turrey "LE LEX"
Major: English, History, Science
Minor: Latin, Commercial, Mathematics
Activities: Chorus, Student Council, Junior and Senior Plays, Social Committee Annual Committee

DALE SUKUAT "SUHI-EE"
Major: Agriculture, Shop English
Minor: History, Commercial
Activities: Junior and Senior Plays, Bus Officer, Baseball

ALEXANDER WASSUL "SQUEAKY"
Major: English, Shop, Agriculture
Minor: Commercial, Art
Activities: Junior and Senior Plays, Baseball
CLASS WILL

Melva Balsch—PAT JOHNSON'S sweet, quiet attitude.

Dick Brown—DALE SHURIT'S muscles so he can keep his girl in hand.

Bonnie Clark—JOAN GALE'S carefree way of enjoying herself.

Larry Davis—ELDON LADINE'S basketball abilities.

Earl Harwood and Jim Lead—NEAL SANDER'S speed and endurance on the track.

Delbert Heldt—ARIE BRUM'S lively if he can get them out.

Owen Hanley and Jack Terry—LIBBY KORE'S friendly attitude toward everyone.

Bob Powell—BOB ALLAN'S lust for mean jokes.

Ray Wright—DICK ACKERMAN'S power to persuade his friends by force.

Ronald Graham—DARL STRON'S closely color schemes.

Art Crawford—ROBERT GOODY'S fatherly attitude toward things.

Emma Jean Dutrey—EZRA CHRISTENSEN'S uniformly-red hair.

Dorothy Davis—LILIL TAYLOR'S sophistication.

Tom Spreare—ALEX WATKINS'S bold aggressiveness toward women.

John Purcell—MARVEL DENT'S ability to stay slim.

Viola Armstrong—WAYNE FOUNTAIN'S cheerleading style.

NABEL E. TURVER "BABE"

Major: Agriculture, New football coach

Minors: Dick A., Alex H., Joe F.

Activities: Ball Monitor, Group Room Cleaner

GLADYS M. WRIGHT "GLADIE"

Major: English, Commerical, Mathematics

Minors: History, Science Activities: Athletic Business Manager, Senior Treasurer, Bus Officer, Chorus, Junior and Senior Plays

MARGRETE VAN ARNDEY "PAPER DOLL"

Major: First Aid, Pig Latin

Activities: Track (High Jump), Champion pie eater

SULANNE FOX "SUZIE"

Major: English, Home Economics

Minors: Commercial Activities: Chorus, Bus Officer, Junior Plays, Annual Committee

Theodore Bondi and John Keizerman—RONAN RUFF'S erudite powers.

Dick King—ENRIKE WILHELM'S boots, heels, plates, and walk.

LaRoy Bruce—EVERETT WATKINS' unconscious attitude in class.

Vivian Borner—SHIRLEY SMITH'S out way of posting.

Shirley Miller—LESLIE BROWN'S D.A.R.

Pat (Tanned average rascal)

Phyllis Newell and Virginia Robbins—CARL JARVIS'S handy art of self defense.

Ettie Lou Kemp—GITA MORT'S pin curls.

Pat Belmore—MRS. FOX'S wonderful ears.

Dolores Pollin and Sally Schults—JANET ELLISON'S fiery temper.

Jim Ackerman—FOX'S knock for smashing up cars.

Jerry Stivers and Robert Smith—MERYLYN NISSON'S curly hair.

Shirley Jones—DONNA BROWN'S ability to hold one man.

Jane Jakub—CARL SPRON so they both can be happy.

Rose Blahap—GLADYS WRIGHT'S steady office job.

Jim Potter—ALEX WATKINS'S ability to find time to tussle between classes.

Barbara Berry and Frances Ogle—MARVIN REYNOLDS'S flirtations blue eyes.

Frank Publishers—GEORGE MADDA'S on-comingensation.

Jim McGee—MR. VAN ARNDEY'S next hair trim.

Class '50—CLASS OF '49 while MRS. NABEL E. TURVER so she may attempt to make the perfect citizens of you that she did of us.
CLASS HISTORY

Just look at the little gold nuggets that started school in 1926—the Senior Class of '46! It has been a century since the gold rush, but when the class of '49 entered school, it was evident that not all the gold had been spent in vain. It was a generous class, and there was some left over for us! We have found gold in many places—not only in reading, writing, and rhetoric, but in the arts, the sciences, and the experience through everyday, usually dull things.

Looking back on our childhood memories, we see nine out of thirty-three little people coming to school for the first time in September. The little people were divided into two groups; and the classes had to get to know those in the other group too. While we were still in grade school, we found twelve more gold nuggets to add to our collection.

In the seventh grade we were divided into two home rooms. We went to different parts of the building for our classes; and didn’t have to walk in lines to get there either. That was a change!

We all looked forward to our initiation, for we had heard that such awful things were done! We looked and looked, and didn’t know what to do! In the spring, the seventh graders were asked to stand. Did we ever feel proud!

The year that we were in the eighth grade, the junior high school had charge of the Christmas program. The play, 'The Chinese Rag', was given, and a number from our class proved to be up and coming young actors. Since we were not initiated, we felt sorry for the class below us.

They didn’t get it!

We had been looking forward to the ninth grade, because then we could attend the Prom Night and could have our first dance party. This turned out to be the last year of Fun Nights, and we were glad to get in on them! Our night party was a big success, and we felt proud of ourselves! In the spring, we had a swell picnic on the school grounds. Besides the activities, everyone was able to study, because there were more from our class on the honor roll than any other.

The tenth grade was significant, for we were all moved into one homeroom where we could really work together as a class. At last we got to know our classmates as we should. Our officers for the year were Leelan Roberts, president; Robert Gotta, vice president; Maria Bay, secretary; and Patricia Johnson, treasurer.

Marvel Beest was the student council secretary.

After three years we finally were initiated. Did you ever see a whole group of girls come to school wearing their clothes wrong side out, their hair in curls, and no makeup on—oh, boy, with their pant legs rolled up and wearing the girls’ makeup? That might have come to our record of expecting anything, even electric shocks. It was worth it!

To usher in the basketball season, our class had a delicious pot luck dinner and attended the first game afterwards.

In the spring we sponsored the Sophomore dance, the Bubble Ball. What a beautiful sight to see the girls in their formal and the couples floating around under exquisite bouquets of balloons to the waltz music of Phil Savage and his orchestra.

We had our class picnic at River Rouge Park. Although it rained most of the day, the clouds ceased to keep just in time for us. You should have seen those who tried to ride bicycles in the muddy paths of the park!

Our junior class officers were Winton Hanus, president; and Veronica Yolken, treasurer; Marvel Beest, vice president; and Janet Delboer, secretary. Robert Gotta was vice president of the student council.

It was our turn to initiate the dear sophomores, so we really revolutionized the process and kept everything under control with a little water!

This was also the year that the student council launched their first magazine drive. Who came out with flying colors? We did, of course! After all our effort we were rewarded with a scrumptious Victory Banquet.

As last we had chosen us to give the junior play. As we wanted something different from the usual selections, we chose a melodrama, a musical farce, and a modern comedy. These selections provided enough parts to enable everyone to be in. There was so much mud that we had mud vacation the week before our play; therefore we had a chance not only to have play practice at night, but also in the afternoon. Some participants had to walk a mile or more to get there. We paid tribute to them, and to those who had to walk to see our plays.

In spite of the weather, there were good crowds; and from all reports, they liked our productions. Ever since this time our school has become more famous, and we took part in the play.

We went to Cass-Benton Park for our picnic. It was a beautiful day, and everyone had a good time. There was plenty for each one to eat and everybody had something afterward! You should have seen the fun it brought on the lake—on that lake!

Our theme for the Junior-Senior Banquet was Heaven. This was carried out in the decorations, the menu, and the program. You would have loved to have eaten some of that heavenly food! Mr. Carl Yorke Smith, a K.N.C. student teacher and minister, delivered the main address.

Near the end of the year the student council held its election of officers. Robert Gotta was chosen as president and Leelan Roberts as treasurer. Soon after school was out, the council officers had the opportunity of attending the convention of the National Association of Student Councils in Washington, D.C. Robert Allen went in Robert Gotta’s place.

At last our senior year came. We soon became acquainted with the advantages and privileges acquired, which we certainly enjoyed. To lead the class in this important year we chose Robert Allen, president; Borman Haff as vice president; Libby Kirk as secretary; and Gladys Wright as treasurer. Leelan Roberts was chosen as the D.A.R. pupil. Our first big project of the year was the senior play. Again a good selection was given; and thanks to the weather, we had better crowds.

The senior English class had the opportunity to go to Detroit to see the movie version of Hamlet. Given a brief preview before we went, we really appreciated and enjoyed the picture.

The government classes planned twice to visit the Circuit Court in Ann Arbor, but each time the defendant pleaded guilty before the trial. Then it was arranged to go to Recorder’s Court in Detroit, but no, the weather had to hush it out. Although we never did get there, we appreciate all the effort that was put into the attempt.
CLASS PROPHECY

RICHARD ACKERMAN: Richard is now a professional ice-man. His favorite territory is Willow Run. Dick is known for churning out ice cream with his "fire and ice" act. He plans to start his own fire station in the near future.

ROBERT ALLAN: Doctor Bob Allan is now a general practitioner. He operates his clinic in the Lincoln area. His favorite pastime is reading and playing chess. Bob enjoys his patients and enjoys spending time with his family.

DONNA BERRIM: A wife of a young minister, Donna operates a pet shop. She is known for her creativity in pet care. Donna enjoys her daily routine and her husband.

NORMAN BURTT: A young musician, Norman plays the piano and sings. He is often found playing at local events and concerts. Norman enjoys his music and his fans.

LYNN BRIGHT: As a famous state forester, Lynn is known for his expertise in forestry. He enjoys sharing his knowledge with others and is often featured in national magazines. Lynn is married and has two children.

Karl Chistensen: Karl is now a manager of a local department store. He enjoys his work and his family. Karl is often seen at local events and is a popular figure in the community.

JANET DELGADO: Janet owns a big ranch in Texas. She enjoys horseback riding and spending time with her family. Janet is a role model for many young people.

MARTY DINGLE: Marty is one of the secretaries who handled her boss for a husband, with the help of her fellow secretaries. Marty still works as secretary for her husband, who manages a chain of Laundromats. She lives in a large fifteen-room modernistic home.

DONALD ELIOTT: As wife of the president of the Employees Association of the Ypsilanti State Hospital, Doris is very happy with her seven little girls and one little boy. She is pregnant. As president of the Employees Association of the Ypsilanti State Hospital, Doris enjoys her work and her family. She is often seen at local events and is a popular figure in the community.

WAYNE FOWLER: Wayne is still pouring lead at the Ypsilanti Daily Press. Wayne's little tax payers are growing fast and are planning on paying off the national debt any day.

JOE FOX: Joe married a very rich debutante and is running for governor of New York on the Prohibition ticket. He drives a fire-engine red Cadillac but makes his wife drive a green one so as to eliminate confusion.

DORIS FOX: Doris is married and is very happy. She has two beautiful children with curly blond hair and big blue eyes. For pin money, Doris endorses Blondex Shampoo Ads. She has a beautiful home on Lake Erie.

JOAN GAUNT: As wife of a handsome West Point graduate, Joan finds life on her Virginia plantation home extremely exciting. Joan's thoroughbred race horse, Satin's Pride, already having won the Kentucky Derby, is now on his way to the Steeplechase in England.

LESLIE GIBSON: Headstrong Miss Gibson has gone far in ten years with her voice. Always a girl with great determination, she plans to continue her career, since it is her whole life.

ROBERT GOTT: Robert is one of the fortunate few who benefited from our demonstration talks in twelfth grade English. Bob now gives lectures and paints while he talks.

CHARLEY GUTH: As Mrs. Guth, Shirley has finally settled down. She has a part-time job working in a Chemistry laboratory. Shirley and Bob have two lovely children. For relaxation, Charlie plays tennis.

CAROL JARVIS: Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis own and operate a fashionable riding stable in the Irish Hills. Carol and Bob are the proud parents of two children. They have their own private airplanes.

PAT JOHNSON: Pat is married to an alumnus of the class of '46. Stanley, Jr., and Pat, Jr., attend the Lincoln Grove School. As a pastime, Pat and her husband are busy raising Afghan hounds.

LIBBY KENNEDY: Mr. and Mrs. Westfall are very happy together. They are very busy with their family. Mrs. Westfall enjoys her work as a hospice nurse.

ELDON LAMIN: Eldon is still running around with the women. He flies a flashy blue helicopter, which adds his inflicting from one girl to another. Eldon owns a helicopter filling station with refrigerator in front and repairs in back.

GEORGE MADDALENA: George now has his own business. He is a successful businessman and is also a successful farmer. He lives in a large house in the country.

EVEKETT KESTELL: Eve is a very successful farmer, and now, at the age of twenty-eight, she has married a handsome farmer. Eve is a role model for many young people.

GLAD BEGA: Gina runs a very successful beauty parlor in Detroit. However, we find Gina's little girls as fortunate as their mother. They, too, have naturally curly black hair.

MERLYN MINNICK: Handsome, big-league baseball player Minnick is all the time thrilling the girls. Between training and season, Merlyn tours the country with his dance band.

ALFRED WYNBERG: Big-time manufacturer of "grape juice," Al drives a sleek black Buick, and lives in a big Southern-style house. Al has one beautiful little girl.

HARRY SADLER: Harry is now manager of the Wright farms. Harry plays pool on the side, and we hear that he has a chance of becoming district champion.

MABEL SMITH: Since oil was struck on Marvel's mother's farm, Marvel and her husband, Wally, have been taking life easy. They go South to Kentucky every winter, and they have a beautiful home in a fashionable suburb of Detroit. Marvel and Wally have two children.

LILLIE TOBACO: Lillie planned on going to college for two years, and during that time she threw over many men. Finally, she settled for a tall, dark, and handsome doctor. As far as Lillie's children are concerned, she has reached her half-way mark. She has three boys.

ALEX WARKUS: After graduation, Alex went to Texas, worked for awhile, and then bought a ranch. While out riding one day, Alex came upon one of his neighbors, an old classmate, Jane Delnor. That was five years ago. Since then we haven't heard from Alex.

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We, ourselves, also held a court trial.

Richard Ackerman was charged with assault and battery and was found guilty after most interesting evidence was brought forth.

One day all the boys came to school in their suits, and the girls seemed a little more dignified than usual. You guessed it!

Our senior pictures were being taken.

Being seniors had some other advantages too. We were privileged to go on more trips for instance, our class picnic, the day trip, and our senior cruise to Mackinaw Island. Also we could sit back and be entertained by the juniors at the Junior-Senior Banquet.

Last but not least in our school life there are Baccalaureate and Graduation.

These are extra-special at the particular time, for this is the twenty-fifth year of Lincoln School.

We are proud of the school and what it stands for, and we will never forget what it has done for each one of us.

Calendar of Senior Events

Senior Day Trip-----------------May 11
Junior and Senior Banquet-----May 16
Senior Cruise------------------May 20-22
Alumni Banquet----------------May 28
Baccalaureate--------------------June 6
Commencement-------------------June 8

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Whittaker, Michigan, Phone 2212 Willis
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CARL STECH: Carl is editor of the "love-lorn column" of a big Detroit newspaper. At the end of the day he hurries home to his "blue heaven", where that certain someone is waiting.

EVERETT WATKINS: Everett has made good in the retail business. He lives in one of those ultra-class modern glass houses. Everett is very generous with his money, and his wife enjoys all the money he earns on her.

GLADYS WRIGHT: After working for two years after graduation, Gladys married and moved to a big farm in New York. She has two daughters. Gladys does substitute teaching, too. She quite often teaches shorthand.