

ATTENTION VIKINGS

There is something remarkable and unique about an all-school reunion! It is a time to renew acquaintances, share memories, and take pride in our school heritage with friends from long ago. The NHS, N-KHS All-School Reunion Committee cordially invites you, your spouse, and family members to a gala party on Saturday, July 5, 2008 in Northwood's Swensrud Park. The reunion will be held in connection with Northwood's Sesquicentennial Celebration. We hope you will join us as we celebrate the 150th anniversary of the founding of Northwood.

Plans are being made for a variety of festivities throughout the weekend of July 3-6, 2008:

Thursday – a presentation of the historical pageant, “Salute to Northwood” in the evening and a street dance.

Friday – a grand parade at 11 a.m., food vendors serving at various locations, a variety of activities and entertainment in the park, a softball tournament, classic car display, an evening concert in the grandstand, “A Beatles Tribute”, by British Export, a nationally touring group, and the fireworks extravaganza will close the 4th with a bang.

Saturday – guided tours of our school buildings from 9-11 a.m., the reunion in Swensrud Park, several individual class reunions in the evening, as well as street dances on Central Ave.

Sunday – a community church service featuring Living Sacrifice, a gospel quartet from Missouri, food served by local church groups; the celebration will close with the final performance of “Salute to Northwood” Sunday afternoon.

It gets even better! The reunion will be a free party! Your only cost in connection with the all-school reunion will be the food you choose to eat at noon. Several food vendors and youth organizations will offer a variety of menus to choose from for our noon meal. Parking for the reunion will be at the school sites, shuttle buses with student assistants will provide transportation to and from the park. *If possible* please bring your own lawn chairs to make sure we have adequate seating. This will be a very casual, laid back event; we'll work in a short program about 1:00.

Additional sesquicentennial events and entertainment plans are in-the-works; there will be guided walking tours of our historic downtown district that has recently been listed on the National Registry of Historic Places; sneak previews of the progress being made on the development of Northwood's new movie theatre in the historic J. B. Thompson Building; etc. As we celebrate our past, we will focus on our future with special events and activities planned for youth of all age groups. Keep posted on further developments for the sesquicentennial celebration by visiting our website: <http://www.worthhistory.org/nwd150>.

Start now to make your plans to attend our sesquicentennial celebration and all-school reunion. In order for us to proceed with arrangements to accommodate everyone attending the reunion, please fill out the response form and return it as soon as possible. We hope to have all responses by Jan. 15, 2008

In preparation for our reunion, we are forming subcommittees of alumni from each decade and welcome all who are interested in being a part of the planning process. If you would like to be a member of the subcommittee of your era, please indicate that on the attached response form.

Members of the 2008 All-School Reunion Committee are Jim and Becky (Tenold) Hanson, Andy and Amber (Kraft) Julseth, Lynn and Shana (Smith) Butler, Tanna (Johnson) Moretz, Lynn and Mindy (Dahl) Tenold, Margie (Wolff) Butler, Janelle (Rupert) Johnson, Connie (Seater) Hogen, Sandy Thoen, Ann (Sandberg) Johnson, Eileen (Dralla) Dahlby, Jerry Jorgenson, Iola Bakken, Donna (Thoen) Stoltenberg, Joann (Johnson) Julson, and Jack McMullen. We look forward to seeing all of our NHS and N-KHS alumni and former faculty carrying lawn chairs Saturday, July 5, 2008.

NHS, N-KHS ALL-SCHOOL REUNION

Saturday, July 5, 2008

NAME _____ **CLASS** _____

Address _____ **email** _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip code** _____ **phone** _____

Number of people planning to attend the NHS, N-KHS All-School Reunion _____

Number of people planning to eat a noon meal in Swensrud Park during the reunion _____

Please check if you are interested in serving on an alumni subcommittee _____

Please return to Northwood Chamber of Commerce, All-School Reunion, PO Box 71, Northwood, IA 50459