



# The Brick & Mortar Board

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## HHS Alumni Association Awards Three Scholarships at 2014 Annual Meeting



*Left: HHSAA Scholarship Chair Lynn Sheets Kostbade, with student scholarship winners Layne Watts and Ben Johnson, and teacher recipient Tammy May.*

Three scholarships were awarded at the HHS Alumni Association meeting on Friday, May 2. Seniors Layne Watts and Ben Johnson received scholarships for college, and Hobart Middle School teacher Tammy May received a scholarship to apply towards her work on a doctoral program in instructional technology. The HHS Alumni Association has increased the number of scholarships awarded each year since 2012.

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### Alumni Spotlight



## Stephany Hill: HHSAA Student Board Member, Active Community Volunteer

Stephany Hill (pictured at left), HHS Class of 2014, is one of Hobart High School's newest graduates! She has served on the Hobart High School Alumni Association for the past year as one of two student members. Stephany is very active both in Hobart High School and in the community at large.

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### Alumni Spotlight (continued)

*Could you tell us a little about yourself and your interests and activities at Hobart High School?*

I am a student leader within the school, demonstrating my leadership qualities through the tutoring program I help out with, and SLYCE (South Shore Leadership Program), which I was a part of. I also took part in helping my community through the psychology club and other outside of school programs that helped the needy in the community. I enjoy a good book and hanging out with friends in my free time.

*Tell us about some of the community and charitable projects you are involved with. How did you get involved with them, and what do you like about them?*

I am involved in SLYCE, a group that reaches out into the community to network and solves problems within northwest Indiana. I was selected for this program through the school. The thing that I enjoy most about SLYCE is being able to get to know our community leaders' stories.

*What are your plans after you graduate from Hobart High School? What are your career and life goals?*

Post-graduation I plan on attending IUN. I want to major in secondary education in hopes to become a high school teacher one day.

*How has Hobart High School helped prepare you for your future plans? Were there any people in particular who have helped start you on that path?*

Hobart High School gave me opportunities to succeed through the various programs that the school offered me. I took part in the tutoring program which sparked my love and passion for education. That is how I found out what I wanted to do with my life post-graduation. There are various educators and administrators that helped me succeed. A few that come to mind are Dr. Buffington for opening the door for a tutoring program at the high school, Mr. Martinson and the main office for helping me navigate obstacles that came into my path, and Mrs. Osika and Mr. Ramos for teaching me how to become a passionate educator and what it means to truly love what you do.

*Do you have any advice for today's high school students who are interested in community service?*

Community service is the best form of stewardship. Through community service students will be able to expose themselves to different and diverse individuals which will allow them to learn different situations that cannot be learned from a book. Well, considering community service, be like NIKE and JUST DO IT!



## **Free Hot Dogs and Cold Water at the Homecoming Picnic Saturday, October 11**

The 2014 BrickieFest Homecoming Picnic will be at the Veterans Memorial Park on 73<sup>rd</sup> Avenue on Saturday, October 11. The Hobart High School Alumni Association will provide free hot dogs, brats and cold bottled water.

Make it a weekend! Hobart's Homecoming football game is Friday night, October 10. Come to the game on Friday, the picnic on Saturday, and go out with your classmates Saturday night! Info on class reunions, and more details about the picnic will appear in these newsletters and on the HHSAA website, [www.hobartalumni.org](http://www.hobartalumni.org).

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## **New Grads Offered Free 1-Year HHSAA Memberships**

The HHS Alumni Association's Board of Directors has voted to offer one-year memberships in the Alumni Association to new graduates of Hobart High School. At the end of one year, they will have the option to become paid members. We hope this new plan gets younger people involved in the Alumni Association from the start. Welcome!

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Hobart Middle School principal Carolie Warren was the speaker, and talked about compassionate caring of the elderly, especially those with dementia. Carolie is the author of "But, Mama, How Come Grandpa Gets To?". The book is available from retail book outlets such as Amazon and Ebay.

The choral group Wolfgang, directed by Dean Wolff, entertained during dinner. Also, the Board of Directors (listed below) was elected for the next two-year term.

Thanks to all who attended!



*HMS principal Carolie Warren,  
Annual Meeting Guest Speaker*

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## HHS Alumni Association Board

The Hobart High School Alumni Association was officially incorporated on July 17, 2010. The members of the Board of Directors whose terms end in July 2016 are:

### OFFICERS

Paul Addison, Class of 1970.....*President*  
Holli Smith Kostbade, Class of 1998..... *Vice-President*  
Debra Broker Opolski, Class of 1970 .....*Treasurer*  
Lynn Hasza-Heintz, Class of 1967 ..... *Recording Secretary*  
Tracy Estabrook McCullough, Class of 1978 .....*Corresponding Secretary*

### AT-LARGE MEMBERS

Brent Martinson, *Principal, HHS*  
Lynn Sheets Kostbade, Class of 1966  
Dawn Briney Krull, Class of 1968  
Sherry Oswald Peterson, Class of 1965  
Michael Trammel, Class of 1967

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## Mission Statement

The mission of the Hobart High School Alumni Association is to develop and maintain a close relationship between Hobart High School, its constituents, and its alumni for their mutual benefit. The Association is committed to, and involved in the support and well-being of Hobart High School and its alumni.

### OUR GOALS

- To assist Hobart High School in communication with its alumni
- To convey to Hobart High School the views, attitudes, and needs of the alumni in seeking to preserve, advocate, and promote alumni interests
- To strengthen alumni activities and programs
- To support educational programs through teacher grants and student scholarships

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# Our Supporters

The HHS Alumni Association is a not-for-profit, 501(c)(3) corporation, and our entire financial support comes from membership dues and contributions. We recognize our supporters by listing the names (not the amounts) of those who have contributed to HHSAA, including memorials, donations, and new and renewed members.

Membership in the HHS Alumni Association is \$10 per year, or \$100 for a life membership. These members have joined or renewed since our March newsletter was published. Thank you!

## LIFE MEMBERS

Jacklyn Wright Delk (1963)  
Bridget Guernsey Riordan (1975)  
Robin Hasza Toneff (1974)

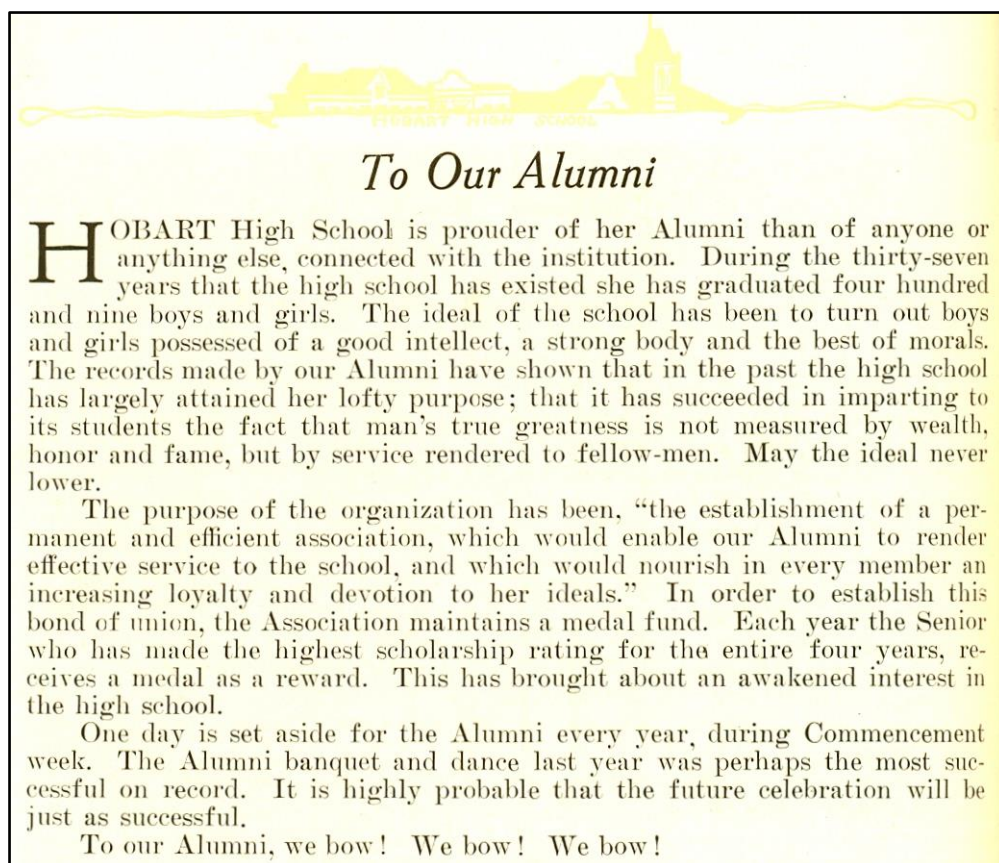
## NEW AND RENEWED MEMBERS

Raymond Boudreau (1963)  
Mary Ellen (Midge) Routes Hutnick (1966)  
David Kostbade (1996)  
Holli Kostbade (1998)  
Margaret Blanchard Lindsey (1956)  
Brent Martinson (HHS Principal)

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## *Flash from the Past*

The following article is from the 1926 Hobart High School yearbook, *The Aurora*. Is it time to bring the Senior Medal back? Enjoy!







## Membership Application Hobart High School Alumni Association, Inc.

Check one: ☐ New member ☐ Renewal

Check one: ☐ 1-year membership (\$10) ☐ Lifetime membership (\$100)

First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name (in high school) \_\_\_\_\_

Married Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

Work phone \_\_\_\_\_

Your class graduating year at HHS \_\_\_\_\_

*"Once a Brickie, Always a Brickie!"*  
Thank you for your support!

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(proceeds go towards scholarships and teacher grants)

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