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Tradition Is Being Kept Alive

ACFF Lends Alumni a Helping Hand

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Part I of II on the Arnold Alumni Association Board and how it is keeping the tradition alive.

Two thousand issues of the *The Arnold Alumni News* were printed last week and will be going out in the mail by the end of April. The Arnold Alumni Association has been getting the *News* in the hands of alums for several decades now, but a separate organization stepped in to help out four years ago, when the Association's finances were getting tight.

It was a win-win for both the Alumni Association and the Arnold Community Foundation Fund (ACFF) when the ACFF began inserting their spring newsletter into the *News* four years ago. With available funds, the ACFF helped pay for both production of the *News* and postage to mail it out. It was a way for the ACFF to reach out to all alums, and at the same time, help one of the town's oldest organizations connect former residents to their hometown.

Husband and wife Patty and Kenny Goodenow have served as treasurers of the Alumni Association for the past ten years. They said it has taken a

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Classmates Will Team Up to Emcee Program

It should be an entertaining Alumni program on May 27, as Ty Phillips and Dallas Beshaler pick up the mics to co-emcee the festivities. Both graduates of the Class of 1992, they have maintained their friendship all of these years.

Ty currently works for Parker Hannifin - Baldwin Filters as a Continuous Improvement Specialist. He and his wife Sandra (Naylor) live in Kearney, Nebraska as empty nesters. Their son Stone (AHS 2013) and daughter Saffron both live and work in Kearney. They have become respectable, hard-working adults despite their father's influence.

Following graduation from Arnold High School in 1992, Ty attended UNL for one year and then transferred to the University of Hard Rock and Heavy Metal, majoring in "knowing just enough about the drums to trick people into thinking he knows a lot more than he actually does" and minoring in "growing a pretty wicked blond mullet."

In the summer of 1994, Ty decided to obtain his master's degree in Rocking and Rolling, so he moved back to Arnold and joined a band with Phil Koubek (AHS 88) where he nailed down everything except actually learning how to play the drums any better. He also started working at Baldwin Filters in Gothenburg.

In 1995, his son Stone was born, and Ty put away his drumsticks for a while because as Steve Perry of Journey stated, "They say that the road ain't no place to start a family." And then Ty met Sandy in 1996 and he tricked her into finally marrying him in 1999.

Around 2000, Ty started up a new band with Phil and this time, they got their childhood hero Mike Purcell (AHS 82) to join the band. Being in this band and doing such a great job of impressing Sandy led to the birth of his daughter Saffron in 2002, who grew up loving heavy metal and

Welcome From the Alumni President

April Grace (Mills) Tickle, a graduate of Arnold High in 2009, is Alumni's president for 2023.

"I have been on the board serving in different positions for 15 years. I enjoy giving back to our community and I want to see alumni continue for many years to come!" said April.

After graduation in 2009, she attended massage therapy school for a 9-month course and graduated in June of 2010 from Ancient Wisdom College of Healing Arts Massage School. She returned home, married her best friend Andrew Tickle in September of 2010 and opened her massage practice a couple weeks later. The couple has four children: Zeva (10), Zoelle (8), and twin boys Zeeah and Zover (5).

"They keep us busy, we love camping, helping and being active in our community!" said April, who is involved in Arnold Chamber, as well as a fireman on the Arnold Volunteer Fire Department.

The Tickle's recently purchased the old Spargo building on main street and have transformed and expanded her massage practice. She also pitches in here and there at her parents' Mills Hardware store, helping in the greenhouse and working with her husband that manages it. They are highly involved in the First Baptist Church and she enjoys her SASS (Second Amendment Sisters Shooting) group.

April said, "We as a family strive to keep Arnold going and growing strong. Alumni is a big part of that and it's exciting to see my kids grow up in the community I did and attend the same school with many of the same teachers as I did! We are really striving to get our younger generations to attend alumni each year. A few major changes to keep up with our quick changing society and reach the younger generations is using emails to reach out and possibly sending out postcards and the alumni newspaper at some point. We will still have the other options of receiving by mail. But it would be easier to do, save on the ever changing addresses and updates, to up to emails. This year at alumni we encourage you to give us your emails so we can start collecting what we need! Thank you and we look forward to seeing you all in May!"

April Mills Tickle, president

always wanting to be just like her dad. Ty and Sandy loved living and raising their children in Arnold but in 2018, they had to make the hard decision to follow their careers to Kearney. Ty is the son of John Phillips (AHS 70) and Melva (Scott) Phillips (AHS 75). He is also the grandson of Marion "Scotty" Scott (AHS 48) and Frances (Geiser) Scott (AHS 52). He is also related to over 50% of the people in the Alumni Directory.

All about Dallas...

Dallas currently works for Nebraska Public Power District (NPPD) as the Vice President of Human Resources & Corporate Services. He and his wife Shelley (Doty) live in Columbus, Nebraska with their youngest son Max, who is a freshman at Columbus Scotts High School. Their daughter Roxanne is currently attending the University of Nebraska in Lincoln, and their older 2 boys Dexter and Alex are

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The Arnold Alumni News (2023 front page pictured above) has been mailed out to alums each spring for decades. A partnership between the Arnold Alumni Association and the Arnold Community Foundation Fund is keeping the News alive and well. The newest issue is coming soon.

big strain off a very tight budget.

"(The ACFF) has paid at least \$2,000.00 for the last four years. That has helped us out immensely. The paper and postage is the biggest expense. We would be close to being in the hole right now without their help," said Kenny.

This year, the two organizations agreed to change things up, and the ACFF newsletter is now included as pages in the *News*. With the Foundation's help, a now color copy is being mailed out to every graduate of A.H.S., whether they are a dues paying member or not. Five hundred extra copies were printed for the ACFF

to mail out directly.

Darlene Rimpley, who has been involved with the Alumni Association since the 1960s, has served as president three or four times and has helped with getting the *Alumni News* out for as long as she can remember.

"Bill (Crosland) had me type it at home and we printed it that way. It wasn't anything fancy, but it worked," she said. "The paper keeps the people informed about the dear friends of Alumni. It's important."

The Arnold Sentinel continues to produce the paper to this day with new technology and contracting with printing presses located at Grand Island.



Mon., April 22

Residents are reminded to take the one-time-a-year opportunity to get your name on the list to have your property cleaned up on Community Clean-Up Day, when volunteers from the school, Rotary, Legion and the Village will be available to help. Please call Patty at the Village office to sign up and for more information.

Don't forget! A roll-off container has been placed near the city shop to use free of charge through the month of April. Please remember that the following items are not accepted in the roll-off: tires, construction rubble, and hazardous waste.

Call Mike Harvey at 308-530-1065 to ask for help in picking up almost any type of metal curbside during the month, or you can drop off your items at the trailer parked at Mike's shed.

Boys State Delegate

American Legion Post 130 has selected Ethan Furne as their delegate to Cornhusker Boys State. Ethan is the son of Craig and Heather (Purcell) Furne. He has been involved in football, track, Central Nebraska Interact, and youth group. He plans to attend Northeast Community College and obtain an Associates of Applied Science Degree in Diesel Technology and an Applied Science Degree in Animal Science.

Ethan will join hundreds of other high school juniors from across Nebraska participating in the program June 2-8 at the UN-L downtown campus. The annual citizenship program, sponsored by the Nebraska American Legion, is designed to provide youths with a better

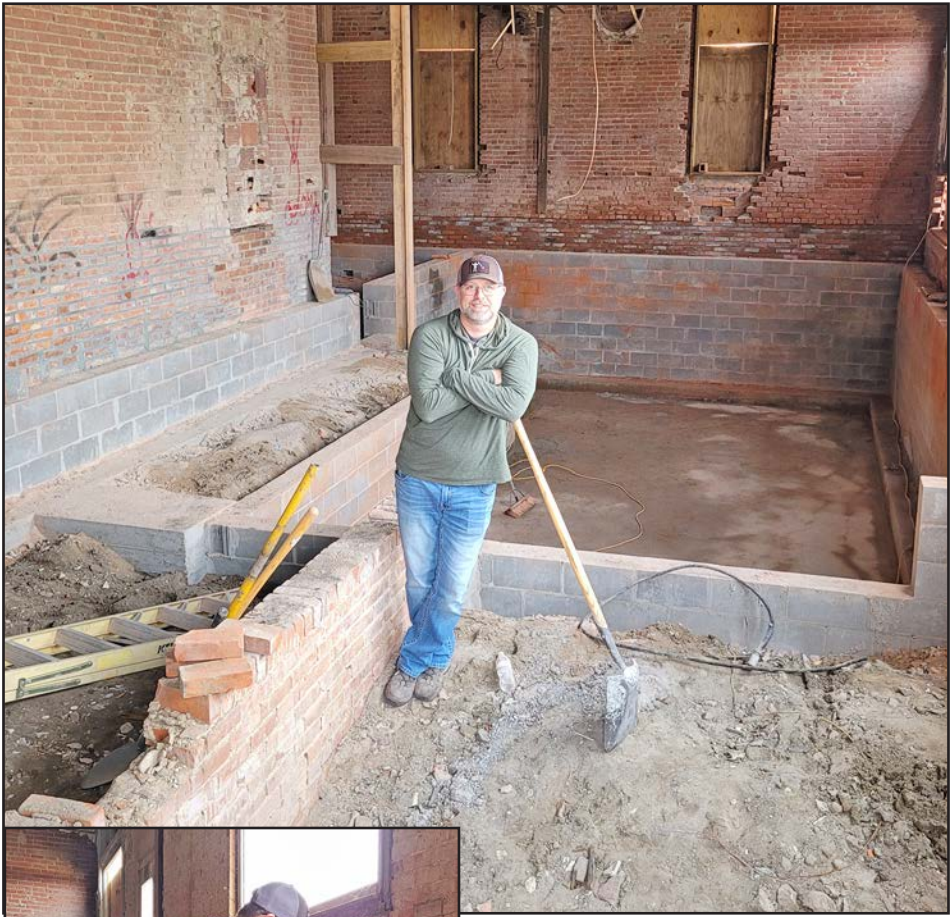


Boys State delegate Ethan Furne

understanding of how city, county, and state governments operate.

The program is set up as a functional "51st state," and each student learns how government subdivisions operate by actually doing the job. They will also take part in varied activities as part of the citizenship training program.

Progress Continues on Cornerstone Project



The Foundation

(Above) Arnold Area Historical Society member and Cornerstone Project construction supervisor Justin Strasburg stands in the old Archie's Cafe basement, where the foundation walls have been completed. Masonry work has been done up to where the floor will be, with the exception of the front entrance.

(Left) Justin points out the level where the new floor will be.

Work will begin on the west 1/4 of the roof after the floor is put in.

"We're finally going up instead of down," said Justin.

Tuckpointing

(Right) This photo shows the difference between the bottom portion of a wall that has been tuckpointed and the above portion that has not. Unfortunately, because of how uneven it is, the entire building will need tuckpointed. Most, if not all, walls will be exposed now that this work needs to be done.

"Initially, we thought only some of the walls wouldn't need it, and they would just be covered. We're running out of money, and we have to keep the mason going," said Justin.



The Floor

(Left) The entire floor was torn out last week, and this photo at the main entrance shows why the original tiles (pictured below) had to be removed.

"We really wanted to keep the tile. It was either save the building, or the floor," said Justin.

Both Justin and Melva (Scott) Phillips, kept pieces of the floor.

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