

# Creston Alumni News

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**We are pleased to welcome Reanna Best as the new Treasurer of the Creston Alumni Association. Reanna steps into this role following the retirement of longtime treasurer Joanne Hopkins.**



**Reanna is a 2016 graduate of Creston High School and was part of the final class to graduate from the original Creston building. After graduation, she attended Gonzaga University, earning her degree in education and later completing her Master's in 2023.**

**Currently in her second year of teaching Junior High English Language Arts at Creston School District, Reanna brings both passion for education and a strong connection to the Creston community to her new role. We are excited to have her on board and look forward to her contributions as Alumni Treasurer.**

**A Special Thanks!**

**Thanks go to R&H Financial Services, Inc. and Rob and Merilla Hopkins for printing our newsletter for FREE!  
THANK YOU!**

**Please mail all dues, donations, memorial monies to :**

**P.O. Box 1  
Creston, WA. 99117**

Thank you again to Joanne Hopkins who served as treasurer and Newsletter coordinator for the past 20 years! Creston Alumni success is in part to your countless contributions.



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& mail in  
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form with  
your dues  
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donations!**

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# Featured articles

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## **Board of Directors 2024-2025**

President: Yvonne (Ives) Reppe ('84)  
509-636-2023

Vice Pres. Jamie (Johnson) Manchester (95)  
509-725-5792

Secretary Amanda (Wines) DeBord ('99)  
509-636-2334

Treasurer Reanna Best ('16)  
509-641-2590

Sally (Martin) Bean ('68)  
509-647-2458

Ann (Bean) Krause ('69)  
509-636-2875

Donna (Draper) Johnson ('73)  
509-725-5798

Lisa (Hopkins) Cormier ('91)  
360-836-2130



**Class of 1984**



*Oldest Grads*

## *Letter from the President*

Hello friends and fellow alum,

We appreciate your patience this year as we make some transitions in our Alumni Board. Transferring to a new computer system (as I'm sure you can relate) is never without its hiccups. We apologize for not being able to get a Spring & Summer newsletter out, but we hope that you will forgive us as we traverse this new chapter without the consistent & unwavering works of Joanne Hopkins. We all appreciate her efforts in the past. Little did we know how hard it would be to fill those shoes. We hope that she enjoys her retirement from these duties and is able to sit back and enjoy the reunion without working hard.

With that being said, we introduce you to a new chapter in the Alumni, and would welcome all who are interested in joining the Board, to step up and become a member. I still find myself swelling with pride at the sheer number of dollars that this group (YOU) have made possible for continuing education of our Creston graduates. The ability to pursue a higher education, knowing that the alumni of Creston have your back, is something that many graduates do not have the benefit of experiencing. Our little community and school has produced so many fine, hardworking members of society.

I hope that you can attend our reunion in September. Sadly, each year we add to our memorials. We just never know when last year's reunion will be the last time we see our classmate or friend. Please join us in celebrating Creston, and all that we have accomplished through these years.

Yvonne Reppe



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## ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP REPORT

It's always rewarding to look back and appreciate where and how the Creston Alumni Association began and where we are today. It's been unbelievably successful. We are also reminded we would not be where we are today without your continued support of memberships, memorials and donations. You and your generosity have made it the success that it is.

In June of 2024 the alumni association awarded five scholarships totaling \$16,000, bringing the grand total of scholarships awarded to date \$363,985. Four scholarships were awarded to graduating seniors and one to a former recipient.

Because of the recently formed Wilbur Creston High School Co-op, it is noted that the scholarships are designated for students as Creston School District students only. Any past graduates may apply for a scholarship as well. To be eligible, the student must plan to attend or be enrolled in a college, university or accredited vocational school. Applicants are required to have a minimum of a 2.5 cumulative high school GPA, or a 2.00 cumulative college grade GPA, complete an application stating all activities (school and extracurricular), awards and honors received, community service and employment experience. Also included must be two letters of reference and a letter stating why they should be considered, including financial need, grades, importance of college and their future plans. Five members of the scholarship committee make the decisions based on the criteria submitted in the application. For more information or to obtain an application (available the 1<sup>st</sup> week of March), contact the Wilbur Creston High School Office at 509-647-5602 or the Creston School Office 509-636-2721.

Your contributions make such an impact on the educational lives of our students and their future. Let's continue to support them, their dreams and their goals. Thank you.

Ann Krause

## Creston Alumni Website

[crestonalumniassociation.org](http://crestonalumniassociation.org)

**Go there to pay with Paypal!**



**Class of 1954**



**Class of 1974**

### Alumni Community:

As we navigate through exciting changes and growing pains in our Alumni Association, we kindly ask for your patience and understanding. With new members joining and processes evolving, we are working hard to ensure that everything runs smoothly.

If you have any ideas or content you'd like to see featured in the upcoming newsletter, please reach out to Lisa or Jamie. We appreciate your support as we continue to build a stronger, more connected alumni network.

Thank you for your continued support!



**Class of 1964**

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# Pick-Your-Prize Raffle

One night stay - Coeur d'Alene Resort



Photography Session - Farmer's Daughter



Handmade Quilt by Charlotte Etue and Vicki Heitman



Tablet



## Go Down Memory Lane: Join Us for a Home Games in Wilbur!

Attention Alumni! It's time to relive those unforgettable moments and reconnect with your roots. Whether you're a football fan or a volleyball enthusiast, we've got something special for you this September.

### **Football Game: Wilbur vs Oroville – September 12th**

Get ready to cheer on our football team as they take on Oroville at home! Feel the adrenaline of the game, the excitement of the crowd, and the nostalgic rush of being back on your old stomping grounds. It's a perfect opportunity to catch up with friends and share memories while supporting the next generation of athletes.

### **Girls Volleyball: September 10th in Wilbur**

For volleyball fans, don't miss the action on September 10th as our girls' volleyball team takes the court in Wilbur. The energy, the teamwork, the intensity – it's sure to be an unforgettable match. Come relive those school spirit moments and show your support for the current players.

Both events promise a fantastic time with plenty of school pride. So mark your calendars, bring your family and friends, and let's make this a day to remember!

See you there – let's make new memories together!

# Creston Alumni Reunion

## September 13, 2025

### AGENDA

**Saturday, September 13**

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|------|--|
| 3:00 | School opens for registration in Multipurpose Room |
|      | - Reminisce with our classmates                    |
|      | - Look through old annuals and photo albums        |
|      | - <b>BUY YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS</b>                   |
| 4:30 | Business meeting in the library                    |
| 5:30 | Dinner in Multipurpose room and program            |

**Reunion Registration Fees: By 9/6/25**

**After 9/6/25 -Late Registration Fee**

	<u>Member</u>	<u>Non-Member*</u>
Dinner	\$13.00	\$14.00

<u>Member</u>	<u>Non-Member*</u>
\$14.00	\$15.00

\*The Non-Member Fee ONLY applies if NEITHER you or guest is a member of the Alumni Assoc.

**IF YOU HAVEN'T PAID THIS YEAR'S DUES YET & WOULD LIKE TO BE A MEMBER, PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR DUES WITH YOUR REGISTRATION. \$10/PERSON OR \$15/COUPLE (Both attended or worked at school).**

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### REUNION REGISTRATION

Name(s) _____	Reunion Dinner _____
Address _____	2025 Alumni Dues _____
City _____ State _____ ZIP _____	(\$10 person \$15 couple)
Phone _____	Scholarship Donation _____
Email _____	Endowment Donation _____
<i>Pick - Your - Prize Raffle (mark below)</i>	

Mark the Prize: CDA resort \_\_\_\_\_ Photo Session \_\_\_\_\_ Tablet \_\_\_\_\_ Quilt \_\_\_\_\_

Raffle Amount (\$5 each) \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Amount** \_\_\_\_\_

If you pay with PayPal, go to the website [crestonalumniassociation.org](http://crestonalumniassociation.org)

Donations to the scholarship or Endowment Fund as a memorial to: \_\_\_\_\_

Donations can be made in honor of someone living: \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR NAME TAGS & DINNER SELECTION- please fill out below:**

	<i>Baron of Beef</i>	<i>Fried Chicken</i>
Name _____.	selection _____	_____
Name _____.	selection _____	_____

Make check payable to **Creston Alumni Association** and mail by Sept 6<sup>th</sup>, with this registration form to: **P.O. Box 1, Creston, WA 99117**