**2015 Elgin EHS Alumni Banquet**

The 2015 Elgin High School Banquet was held on Saturday, June 27, at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Elgin. A total of 70 alumni, spouses, and guests from all over the United States attended the 7 p.m. banquet. Patricia Parr Stone, Class of 1965, came the farthest from Houston, Texas.

Prior to the banquet an open house was held at Elgin Public School. There was a social hour at 5:30 shared with St. Boniface. Shanda Jochum Schindler, Class of 2005, served as the master of ceremonies. Lisa Dohmen, Class of 2015, gave the prayer and then the L Bar B Steakhouse of Clearwater served a delicious chicken dinner.

Following the meal, EHS Superintendent Dan Polk and the 2015 alumni committee were introduced. Our oldest alumni member, Bessie Nissen Hawks (Class of 1929) was recognized and she was presented with a corsage before the banquet. Bessie celebrated her 86th reunion.

Stan Heithoff, Class of 1984, gave the welcome to the Class of 2015 and Kyle Heithoff, Class of 2015, gave the response.

Mr. Polk shared a few jokes with the alumni and informed the group about school improvements such as some interior painting in the two old buildings, new gym floor, bottle fill stations, and the alumni purchased a flag pole with decorative flags.Recognized were the 5 year classes of 1950, 1960, 1970, and 1980. The honored classes and their speakers were 1965-Duane Pierce, 1975- Karin Scholl Kinney, 2005- Danielle Reich Primrose, and 2015- Lisa Dohmen. Rollie Huffman was the entertainment for us, singing a couple of songs while playing his guitar.

The alumni awarded $500 scholarships to two members of the Class of 2015. Receiving scholarships were Lisa Dohmen and Kelsey Shoemaker. There were no nominations for the Honored Alumnus Award.

During the business meeting, the 2014 Alumni Minutes and 2014 Financial Report were reviewed. The 2015 committee also discussed how postcards were sent out this year instead of the letter. Next year the banquet will be held on the 4th Saturday of June. The 2016 EHS banquet will be held on June 25th at the EPS Gym.

The banquet concluded with the school song which was led by the Class of 1975.