



# CLASS GIFTS



## CLASS GIFTS, 1876-1899

- **1876:** A boulder on north central campus was given in 1876 and engraved with class members' names in 1917
- **1879:** No graduating gift was recorded; a 50th anniversary gift given in 1929, the grandfather clock located near the revolving door on the second floor of the Memorial Union. It still keeps perfect time and, if you stand in just the right spot, you can hear both the clock and the Campanile chime at the same time.
- **1883:** No graduating gift was recorded; a portrait of Edgar Stanton (pictured, above) is located in Special Collections, Parks Library and was given as a 30th anniversary gift by the class of 1883. The portrait was created in 1942 by Henry Rossman. President Stanton served from 1890-1891, 1902-1903, 1910-1912, and 1917-1918.
- **1884:** Portrait of Seaman Knapp, which now hangs in the Parks Library upper lobby. President Knapp served only from 1883-1884. The portrait was done by S.S. Hayden in 1914 on the 30th anniversary of the Class of 1884's graduation.
- **1891:** Motor Station fountain. Motor Station was located near Beardshear and Morrill Halls in the late 1800s and early 1900s. It served as a train depot for the "Dinky," as a bookstore, as a post office, and offered many other services. The current Hub next to Parks Library later took the place of Motor Station as a central meeting place and food stand.
- **1896:** No graduating gift was recorded. A Class Loan Fund was given on the class' 50th anniversary.



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## CLASS GIFTS, 1900-1909

- **1905:** No graduating gift was recorded. On its 40th anniversary, the class gave the drinking fountain inside Beardshear Hall's main entrance.
- **1906:** Together with the Class of 1907, the Class of 1906 provided the President A.S. Welch Memorial Flagpole, which stood in central campus until the 1970s. On its 50th anniversary, the class gave two granite benches outside the library.
- **1907:** With the Class of 1906, the Class of 1907 gave the President A.S. Welch Memorial Flagpole upon graduation. On its 30th anniversary, the class gave a portrait of President Albert B. Storms. President Storms served from 1907-1910. This portrait was done in 1937 by Othmar J. Hoffler. It is on display in Parks Library. On its 50th anniversary, the class established an endowed scholarship fund.
- **1908:** The Class of 1908 presented an alabaster bust of Longfellow to the university's speech department, as well as a trophy case and a silver cup for baseball competition. On its 50th anniversary, an endowed scholarship fund was established by the Class of 1908.
- **1909:** The Class of 1909's class gift fund balance was transferred to athletics scholarships.

## CLASS GIFTS, 1910-1919

- **1910:** \$300 was given toward stadium bleachers by the Class of 1910. On its 50th anniversary, three granite benches were placed at north central campus in honor of the class.
- **1911:** No graduating gift was recorded. On its 50th anniversary, the Class of 1911 established a scholarship through the Alumni Achievement Fund.
- **1912:** No graduating gift was recorded. On its 50th anniversary, the Class of 1912 made a gift to be applied toward the Iowa State Center construction.
- **1913:** The Class of 1913 assumed The Bomb (student yearbook) debt at graduation. For its 50th anniversary, the Class of 1913 established a loan fund.
- **1914:** The Class of 1914 gave \$300 to the Committee on Soldier's Memorial. On its 50th anniversary, the class provided bronze plaques for Pearson Hall. With the classes of 1948, 1951, and 1953, part payment was given on an organ for the Little Chapel in the Memorial Union.
- **1915:** The class gift was given toward stadium bleachers. On its 50th anniversary, the class established a class loan fund.
- **1916:** Five terra cotta benches, such as this one in front of Morrill Hall, were given upon graduation of the Class of 1916. On its 50th anniversary, the class gave \$3,000 to the library to purchase materials and books. On its 55th anniversary, the class gave \$7,511 to redecorate the Mini Gallery in the Memorial Union.



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- **1917:** No graduating gift was recorded. On its 50th anniversary, the Class of 1917 provided a 50-year honor plaque in Beardshear Hall. This includes the names of top scholars in each college from 1917-1966. The class also established an endowed scholarship.
- **1918:** No graduating gift was recorded. On its 50th anniversary, the Class of 1918 gave \$1,000 to the Iowa State Center project.
- **1919:** No graduating gift was recorded. On its 50th anniversary, the Class of 1919 gave \$2,300 for a memorial in the Iowa State Center. It also gave \$4,000 for the Computer Science Plaza, which is located on the west side of Atanasoff Hall.



## CLASS GIFTS, 1920-1929

- **1920:** No graduating gift was recorded. On its 50th anniversary, the class assisted in furnishing the Farm House. Along with the classes of 1921, 1922, and 1923, concrete columns at the west entrance to campus were also later given.
- **1921:** With the classes of 1920, 1922, and 1923, concrete columns at the west entrance to campus were donated. On its 50th anniversary, the Class of 1921 gave 11 English porcelain figurines for Fisher Theater.
- **1922:** Along with the classes of 1920, 1921, and 1923, the Class of 1922 also provided the concrete columns at the west entrance to campus. The class also planted white oak trees near Hilton Coliseum. On its 50th anniversary, the class helped with Farm House restoration.
- **1923:** With the classes of 1920, 1921, and 1922, concrete columns at the west entrance to campus were given to Iowa State by the Class of 1923. The class also gave a group of trees in memory of Benjamin Gue, the university's founding father, which were presented at the reunion in 1958. On its 35th anniversary, the class provided a bronze plaque on a boulder with an inscription located near the trees north of the flagpole on central campus.
- **1924:** No graduating gift was recorded. On its 50th anniversary, the Class of 1924 gave a \$9,160 Steinway concert piano to Iowa State.



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- **1925:** No graduating gift was recorded. On its 50th anniversary, \$18,000 Helmut Wolff organ (pictured, above) was given. The remaining balance was left for maintenance.
- **1926:** No graduating gift was recorded. On its 50th anniversary, the Class of 1926 made a gift to furnish the conference room or auditorium in the Scheman Building. The ticket office was furnished instead, but then it was moved to Stephens Auditorium. Also refurbished thanks to the Class of '26 was the West Lounge in the Memorial Union.
- **1927:** No graduating gift was recorded. On its 50th anniversary, the Class of 1927 made a gift to provide and maintain indoor decorative plants for the Scheman Building.
- **1928:** With the classes of 1929, 1930, and 1931, wrought iron gates at entrance to the Men's Lounge in the Memorial Union were provided by the Class of 1928. On its 50th anniversary, the class also gave \$15,000 for building identification signs on campus.
- **1929:** With classes of 1928, 1930, and 1931, the Class of 1929 donated wrought iron gates at entrance to the Men's Lounge in the Memorial Union. On its 50th anniversary, the class' gift was given for the Campus Information Booth.

## CLASS GIFTS, 1930-1939:

- **1930:** With classes of 1928, 1929, and 1931, wrought iron gates at entrance to the Men's Lounge in the Memorial Union were given by the Class of 1930. On its 35th reunion, the class gave \$100 to the ISU Foundation for the Iowa State Center. On its 50th anniversary, the class made a gift to fund campus landscaping.
- **1931:** With classes of 1928, 1929, and 1930, the Class of 1931 provided wrought iron gates at entrance to the Men's Lounge in the Memorial Union. On its 50th anniversary, \$15,000 was given for a passenger elevator in Parks Library.
- **1932:** Upon graduation the Class of 1932 provided the university with a bronze bust of O.H. Cessna. On its 50th anniversary, the class funded a photocopy center in Parks Library, with remainder designated for the 1932 Class Book Endowment Fund.
- **1933:** No graduating gift was recorded. On its 25th anniversary, the class provided a fund for an annual Honorary Professorship (\$500) and \$5,000 for the Iowa State Center. On its 50th anniversary, the class raised approximately \$105,000 for a reading room in Special Collections in Parks Library.
- **1934:** With the Class of 1935, the Class of 1934 replaced four black and gold faces on the Campanile clock with black and white transparent faces and lights. On the class' 50th anniversary, approximately \$74,000 was raised for exhibit display area and book collection for the Parks Library.
- **1935:** With the Class of 1934, the Class of 1935 replaced four black and gold faces on the Campanile clock with black and white transparent faces and lights. On its 50th anniversary, the Class of 1935 raised funds for the Map Room in Parks Library.
- **1936:** No graduating gift was recorded. On its 50th anniversary, the Class of 1936 raised approximately \$20,000 for the Parks Library Study Room.
- **1937:** No graduating gift was recorded. The Class of 1937 established a scholarship fund on its 50th anniversary.



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- **1938:** No graduating gift was recorded. On its 50th anniversary, the Class of 1938 made a gift toward the Durham Center.
- **1939:** On its 50th anniversary, the Class of 1939 created two endowed scholarships and funded artwork for the Durham Center.



## CLASS GIFTS, 1940-1949:

- **1940:** No graduating gift was recorded. On its 50th anniversary, the Class of 1940 raised funds for the renovation of the Campanile and Carillon.
- **1941:** No graduating gift was recorded. On its 50th anniversary, the class funded the Memorial Union Great Hall renovation.
- **1942:** No graduating gift was recorded. On its 50th anniversary, gifts from the Class of 1942 funded the renovation of the Campanile and Carillon.
- **1943:** No graduating gift was recorded. On its 50th anniversary, the Class of 1943 funded the renovation of Gold Star Hall in the Memorial Union (pictured, above).
- **1944:** No graduating gift was recorded. On its 50th anniversary, the class dedicated Reiman Gardens' east entryway bridge.
- **1945:** No graduating gift was recorded. On its 50th anniversary, the Class of 1945 funded restoration of the conference room in Carrie Chapman Catt Hall.
- **1946:** No graduating gift was recorded. On its 50th anniversary, restoration of Christian Petersen's Fountain of the Four Seasons (north maiden), located at the main entrance to the Memorial Union, was funded by the Class of 1946.
- **1947:** The Class of 1947 donated Bedford limestone for the sculpture, Conversations, a Christian Petersen work located between Oak and Elm Halls. On its 50th anniversary, the Class of 1947 funded restoration of Christian Petersen's Fountain of the Four Seasons (south maiden), located at the main entrance to the Memorial Union.



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- **1948:** Part payment for an organ for the Little Chapel in the Memorial Union was given as a graduation gift by the Class of 1948. On its 50th anniversary, the class raised funds for the restoration of Christian Petersen's Fountain of the Four Seasons (west maiden), located at the main entrance to the Memorial Union.
- **1949:** The Class of 1949 gift provided markers for the four entrances to campus. On its 50th anniversary, the Class of 1949 dedicated the Children's Garden Entryway and the Corn Crib and Amphitheatre at Reiman Gardens.

## CLASS GIFTS, 1950-1959:

- **1950:** Funds given by the Class of 1950 were used for one-year Alumni Association memberships. On its 50th anniversary, the class supported the renovation of the Alumni Room in Parks Library.
- **1951:** The Class of 1951 gift made part payment on an organ for the Little Chapel in the Memorial Union. On its 50th anniversary, the class funded restoration of Christian Petersen's Marriage Ring sculpture.
- **1952:** Funds given by the Class of 1952 were used toward the Oak-Elm sculpture, Conversations, by Christian Petersen. On its 50th anniversary, the class funded construction of the entrance bridge to Reiman Gardens.
- **1953:** The Class of 1953 made part payment on an organ for the Little Chapel in the Memorial Union. On its 50th anniversary, the class made a gift toward the establishment of the Christian Petersen Art Museum in Morrill Hall.
- **1954:** The Class of 1954 established a fund to move the Victory Bell from Beardshear Hall to Jack Trice Stadium and also funded a scholarship plaque in Beardshear. On its 50th anniversary, the class raised funds to support the renovation of Morrill Hall.
- **1955:** The Class of 1955 created a \$859 scholarship in memory of Dean M.D. Helser, given in 1961. On its 50th anniversary, the class of 1955 reunion committee chose to provide funding for the Hillside Garden at Reiman Gardens. Money was used for landscaping and building a path.
- **1956:** The class made a \$750 gift to the Iowa State Center for furnishings. (No date recorded.) On its 50th anniversary, the Class of 1956 reunion committee chose to provide funding for a sculpture that has been commissioned for the newly renovated Morrill Hall. World-acclaimed sculptor Albert Paley ([www.albertpaley.com](http://www.albertpaley.com)) was commissioned to create a contemporary, captivating public work of art for the entryway of Morrill Hall. The sculpture welcomes and draws in the campus community and visitors and encourages further exploration of the building. Paley's unique entryway sculpture, titled Transformation, dramatically defines the double entrance staircase, giving students an opportunity to approach the portico entrance from north to south. The renovated Morrill Hall building reflects the historic past of Iowa State. Paley's sculpture exemplifies the transformation of the building from the historic to contemporary use.
- **1957:** The Class of 1957 provided \$750 for plaques at Beardshear and Curtiss Halls. On its 50th anniversary, the class established a scholarship fund that rotates between all colleges on an annual basis.
- **1958:** Iowa State's centennial graduation class created a time capsule and donated granite bench with a bronze plaque in front of Beardshear Hall. The time capsule was opened during the university's sesquicentennial celebration in 2008. It is to be opened again in 2058. The class also gave brass name plates on MacKay and Marston Halls. In 1963, a class plaque of honor students was installed in Beardshear Hall. On its 50th anniversary, the class established a scholarship fund that rotates between all colleges on an annual basis.



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- **1959:** The Class of 1959 gave \$1,000 to purchase a new art piece for Pearson Hall and \$5,000 to restore the Grant Wood murals in Parks Library. On its 50th anniversary, the class supported the exterior grand staircase at the ISU Alumni Center.



## CLASS GIFTS, 1960-1969:

- **1960:** The Class of 1960 made a \$1,000 gift to the Iowa State Center, then transferred funds to the Alumni Achievement Fund to establish the Class of 1960 loan fund. On its 50th anniversary, the class established a new tradition of “giving from your heart.” Rather than picking one specific project, each class member is encouraged to give to the area(s) of Iowa State that is most important to him or her.
- **1961:** The Class of 1961 gave \$1,000 for three markers for Pearson Hall. On its 50th anniversary, the class followed the tradition of “giving from your heart” established by the Class of 1960 on its 50-year reunion. Rather than picking one specific project, each class member is encouraged to give to the area(s) of Iowa State that is most important to him or her.
- **1962:** The Class of 1962 made a \$1,000 gift to be used toward the Iowa State Center.
- **1963:** The class gave \$1,200 for a clock to be constructed at the Iowa State Center.
- **1964:** The class gave \$1,300 to the Iowa State University Foundation toward the cornerstone for the Iowa State Center.
- **1965:** With the Class of 1966, the class provided the portrait of President James Hilton that currently hangs in Parks Library. The portrait was done by Richard L. Seyffert in 1965. President Hilton served from 1953-1965.
- **1966:** The class collaborated with the Class of 1965 to give a portrait of President James Hilton, which currently hangs in Parks Library. The portrait was done by Richard L. Seyffert in 1965. President Hilton served from 1953-1965.
- **1967:** In 1980, the class gave 17 limited-edition prints from a series titled Real and Imagined Aspects of the State Capitol Building by Amy Worthen (pictured, second from top above). In 1975, the class gifted a pair of prints by Rudi Pozzati. The final print given by the class was Mauricio Lansansky’s Lady in Blue (pictured, top above).



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- **1968:** The class gave a statue of George Washington Carver by Christian Petersen; a case for the statue of handcrafted black walnut wood by Clarence Hill, and two bronze plaques on the case. A replica of the Carver statue stands between Carver and Bearshear Halls. The original has been removed for safe keeping in the University Museums.
- **1969:** The Class of 1969 gave \$15,000 to develop the plaza between Marston and Pearson Halls.



## CLASS GIFTS, 1970-1979:

- **1970:** The Class of 1970 donated \$15,000 to develop the northeast corner of Parks Library's landscaping.
- **1971:** The class gift funded the information booth near one main entrance to campus. This is located on Elwood Drive, across from the Iowa State Center.
- **1972:** The Class of 1972 provided \$3,500 for Innovative Teaching Grants.
- **1973:** The class funded development of Lake LaVerne.
- **1974:** Class gift funds were designated toward establishing the campus information booth.
- **1975:** The Class of 1975 gave \$2,000 to restore the Farm House Kitchen. This pie safe, another gift from the class of 1975, stands outside the Farm House kitchen.
- **1976:** The class gave artwork for the president's suite of offices.
- **1977:** The class provided \$59,000 for the Pearson and Beardshear Plaza.
- **1978:** The class gift provided funds for the Parks Library listening room.
- **1979:** Gifts funded the Parks Library study room and campus landscaping.

## CLASS GIFTS, 1980-1989:

- **1980:** The Class of 1980 gave funds to support the beautification of Lake LaVerne.
- **1981:** The Class of 1981 gift supported creation of the mini-plaza between Bearshear and Pearson Halls.
- **1982:** The class gift supported restoration and landscaping of The Hub outdoor eating area.





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- **1983:** The class gift in 1983 supported creation of the Iowa State Center marquee.
- **1984:** The Class of 1984 used its graduation gift to support the university's campus signage and identification project.
- **1985:** The Class of 1985 created a book endowment and Cy-Ride bus shelters.
- **1986:** An automated online card catalog system for Parks Library was given by the Class of 1986.
- **1987:** Class of 1987 graduation gift funds supported Campanile restoration and renovation.
- **1988:** The Class of 1988 raised funds to restore Lake LaVerne to a picturesque site.
- **1989:** Gifts from the Class of 1989 supported the installation of improved campus lighting.



## CLASS GIFTS, 1990-1999:

- **1990:** The Class of 1990 funded the Memorial Union Commons renovation with its class gift.
- **1991:** The Class of 1991 graduation gift funded campus entrance signs. Also, with the class of 1996, a gift was made toward the Student Services Plaza.
- **1992:** The class supported the All-American Grove Walk of Honor with its graduation gift.
- **1993:** Gifts from the Class of 1993 supported the Reiman Gardens' reflecting pool and fountain that runs the length of the Helen Latch Jones Rose Garden (pictured, above).
- **1994:** The Class of 1994 made gifts to support the Memorial Union Commons renovation.
- **1995:** Funds from the Class of 1995 supported an aeration system for Lake LaVerne.
- **1996:** The Class of 1996 used graduation gift funds to support the campus courtyard. Also, with the class of 1991, gifts were made to support the Student Services Plaza.
- **1997:** The Class of 1997 supported the relocation of ISU's tennis and volleyball courts.
- **1998:** Gifts from the Class of 1998 supported the restoration of the east maiden on Christian Petersen's Fountain of the Four Seasons.
- **1999:** Gifts from the Class of 1999 supported Lake Laverne beautification.



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## CLASS GIFTS, 2000-2009:

- **2000:** The Class of 2000 made gifts to support the Scarecrow Garden (pictured, above) at Reiman Gardens.
- **2001:** The Class of 2001 provided funds to develop the covered bridge at Reiman Gardens.
- **2002:** The Class of 2002 supported creation of the Farmhouse Museum Arbor.
- **2003:** The Class of 2003 used its graduation gift to fund the Morrill Hall entryway.
- **2004:** The Class of 2004 provided funds to support creation of the Morrill Hall West Entrance.
- **2005:** In 2001, the eastern portion of the Carver/Music Hall plaza was completed and has already become a favorite space for students to gather in between classes. The Class of 2005 gift completed the plaza area, adding additional furnishings, bike parking, and landscaping, creating a wonderful gathering spot for Iowa State students for years to come. The concept for the Carver/Music Hall Plaza was originally developed in the late 1990s to improve the well-traveled and worn-out pedestrian connection between the Enrollment Services Center and central campus.
- **2006:** In the fall of 2006, on the day before the annual in-state rivalry football game against the Hawkeyes, a small "Cyclone" traveled through campus and destroyed many trees of historical significance. In the weeks following the event, the grounds crew at Iowa State spent its time cleaning up and cutting down the trees. The wood was salvaged and dried. The Class of 2006 gift allowed many of those trees to be replaced, as well as pay for the recovered wood to be sculpted into podiums, tables, benches, and other items that were dispersed around campus. Each item tells campus visitors and future students the story of the day when the cyclone touched down on campus. Class gift plaques are affixed near each replanted tree and on the podiums, tables, benches, and other items made from the salvaged wood in order to inform passers-by of the gift.
- **2007:** Through a generous gift from an ISU alumnus, the Memorial Union's Great Hall was restored. In addition to the renovation, gifts from the Class of 2007 provided a concert-quality sound system in the Great Hall.
- **2008:** The 150th graduating class of Iowa State University provided a class gift to support the preliminary design of the university's signage and identification project. Signs will be placed along the University Blvd. and Lincoln Way roadways directing individuals to various ISU destinations.
- **2009:** Upon graduation, the class provided funding for new CyRide bus shelters.



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## CLASS GIFTS, 2010-:

- **2010:** The Class of 2010 supported the South Campus Gateway to Iowa State University project.
- **2011:** The Class of 2011 made gifts to support Hub area outdoor seating.
- **2012:** The Class of 2012 created a scholarship fund for ISU seniors.

Since 2013, all money collected by the graduating senior class is used to fund a Senior Class Gift Scholarship. Further inquiries concerning the Senior Class Gift Scholarship may be made to the ISU Foundation at [questions@foundation.iastate.edu](mailto:questions@foundation.iastate.edu).