

RETIREMENT - WINTER PARK HIGH

I RETIRED IN 1985 - I WAS AT WPIHS FOR 33 YEARS - WENT THERE IN 1952.

THEY HAD A 4 DAY CELEBRATION - THEY WERE AFRAID I WOULD SO THEY PLANNED A GALA.

THE LAST DAY WAS THE BIG DAY - THAT AFTERNOON. THEY HAD BIG DOINGS IN THE PARK. THEY SENT A LIMO TO PICK UP MARY + I DROPPED US AND RETURNED TO TAKE US HOME

THAT NIGHT THEY HAD A BAR-B-QUE AT SHOWALTER FIELD - THEN A PROGRAM WHERE THEY PRESENTED ME WITH A LARGE TROPHY WITH ALL THE SPORTS I HAD COACHED, A BASS BOAT, AND A SET OF OLYMPIC WTS.

EARLIER THE COACHES HAD GIVEN ME A NICE PLAQUE (A COPY AT BEGINNING OF THIS BOOK) A DOUBLE BURN KEROSENE HEATER (WHICH CAME IN VERY HANDY IN NORTH CAROLINA.) ALSO SOME CASH - CAN'T REMEMBER THE AMOUNT.

THE FACULTY GAVE ME A BUCK KNIFE. THEY KNEW I LIKED TO WHITTLE.