When it comes to family trees, there are quite a few whose branches have intertwined with the University of Nevada over the years. But no other roots extend further than those of the Carpenter/Arentz family, whose ties to Nevada can be traced back to 1891. As a member of the first graduating class in Nevada’s history – comprised of just three graduates – Frank Norcross went on to become Chief Justice of the Nevada Supreme Court. He also met and married his wife while attending the University, who graduated just a year after Frank. Since then there have been dozens of new family members to keep the tree going strong and the legacy alive.

FRONT ROW: Jill Carpenter, Millie Carpenter, Sarah Carpenter, Lynn Carpenter. SECOND ROW: Joan (Porter) Carpenter, Peter Carpenter, Dan Carpenter Sr., Dan Carpenter Jr. THIRD ROW: Ann (Shonnard) Carpenter, Tom Carpenter, Anne (White) Burgess
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