



WELCOME

AOSHS Annual Meeting

July 28, 2017

Mission Statement

The American Overseas Schools Historical Society is a non-profit organization that collects, records, preserves, exhibits and provides research opportunities about historical memorabilia of the American overseas schools. Members promote global knowledge and understanding of this unique endeavor, thus documenting a critical chapter to the history of American education.



6 Goals

1. Collect, maintain and preserve American Overseas Schools' memorabilia and historical documents while providing research opportunities
2. Establish multiple exhibiting locations
3. Market the AOSHS brand
4. Grow paying membership thru increased communication and accountability
5. Pursue partnerships with local communities, general membership and similar organizations that focus on strengthening the awareness and knowledge of AOSHS
6. Increase fundraising and grants for maintenance and growth of the Society



AOSHS Board of Directors

All board members are volunteers without any compensation

- Gayle Vaughn-Wiles, President
- Tom Smith, Vice President & PR Relations
 - Nancy Bresell, Secretary
 - Stephen Abbott, Treasurer
- Doug Kelsey, Assistant Treasurer
- Lani Allanson-Donoho, Historian & Collections
- Chris Kyrios, Relocation & BRAT Representative
 - Jill Abbott, Memories & Membership
 - Kelley Germaine, Records & Technology
 - Dee Ann Edwards, Memorial Program
 - Bob Germaine, Fiscal Advisor



AOSHS Meeting Minutes

**Secretary, Nancy Bresell submits
July 15, 2016 meeting minutes for
approval vote**

**President, Gayle Vaughn-Wiles
calls for the vote**



AOSHS Introduces

Monica Maack Tiller,
Operations Manager



AOSHS office and archives

Building Front



AOSHS office and archives

Front Office and Display Area



AOSHS office and archives

Front Storage Area



AOSHS office and archives

Back Storage Area



AOSHS office and archives

Some of the many yearbooks



AOSHS Reports

Stephen Abbott, Treasurer

- *Average monthly cost to operate for first 6 months of 2017 is **\$5,570.***
- *Average monthly income received for first 6 months of 2017 is **\$3,172.***

Some of these costs are:

- ❖ ADT Security
- ❖ Telephone/Internet
- ❖ Pest Control (old building)
- ❖ Water
- ❖ Gas
- ❖ Electricity
- ❖ Trash Service
- ❖ Fire Suppression Maintenance
- ❖ Monthly Payroll
- ❖ Office Supplies
- ❖ Postage

Major outlays:

- ❖ Repair of sewer line \$ 6,075
- ❖ KS Fire Equipment Co. \$14,250
- ❖ GoFundMe Campaign and Month of Military Child \$2,000
- ❖ AOSHS Website Upgrades in 5 Phases \$6,125

Annual cost of AOSHS office operations ~\$60,000/year



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Doug Kelsey, Asst. Treasurer

- **Database Update/Needs**

- ✓ More than 1,200 former members without good contact information
- ✓ Tried to contact more than 800 former members with limited success
- ✓ Asking current members and DoDDS Reunion attendees to assist
 1. Posted names of former members
 2. Published names in each Quarterly



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Jill Abbott, Memberships

- **Update and Needs**

(Mid-July 2016 to Mid-July 2017)

244 members paying dues (not life)

567 life members

49 new members

**Majority of our monies come from donations and
bequests, not dues**



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Tom Smith, Vice President

- **AOSHS is a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization.**
- **Your donation is tax deductible and your donated funds will help in many ways to ensure the continued mission of the society...**
 - ❖ **Collect, record, preserve, exhibit and provide research opportunities using historical archival memorabilia of the American Overseas Schools.**
 - ❖ **Members of the Society promote global knowledge and understanding of this unique endeavor, thus documenting a critical chapter in the history of American education.**



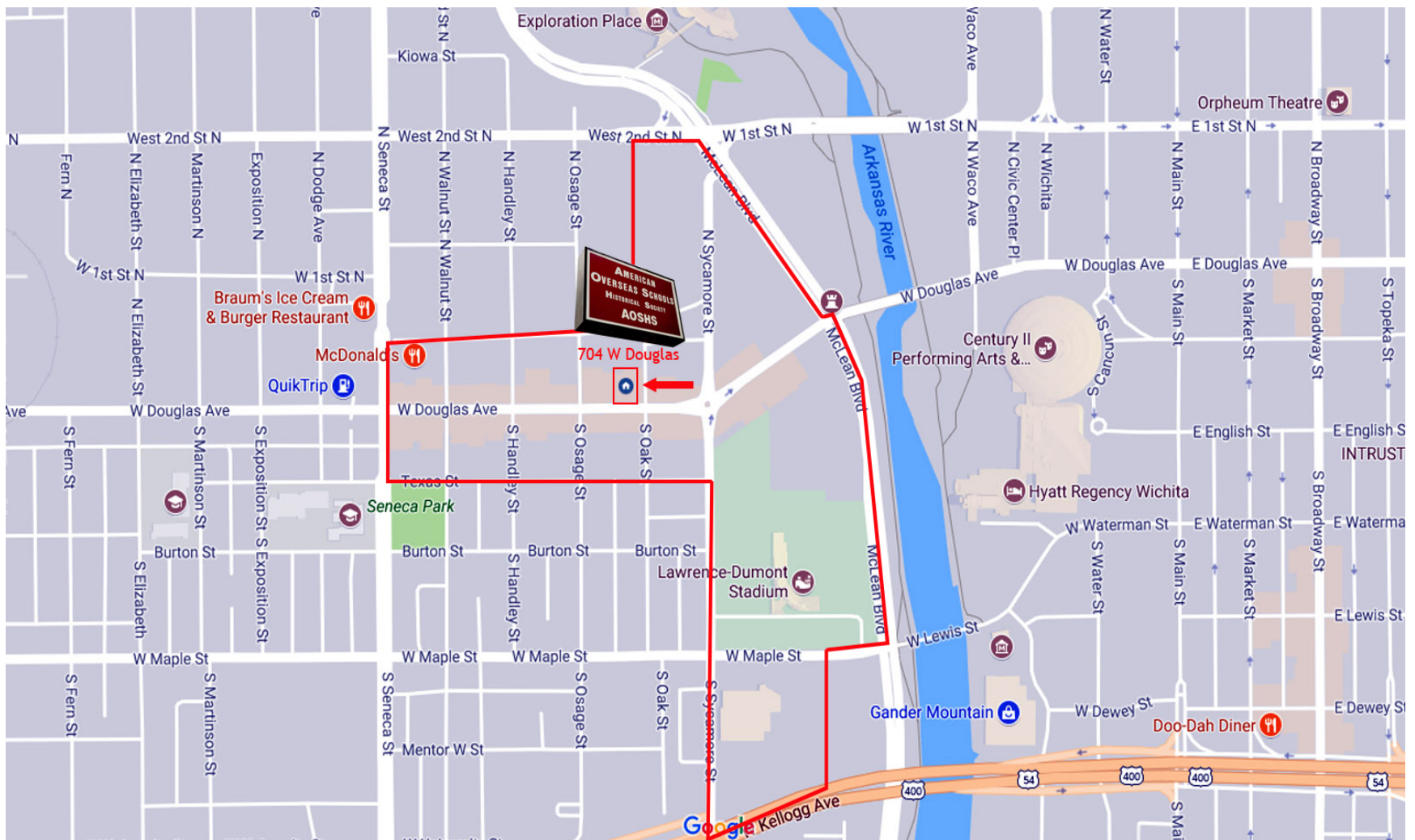
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- **Museum Update**
- **Archival Update**



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Redevelopment of Delano District in Wichita



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AOSHS Quarterly...

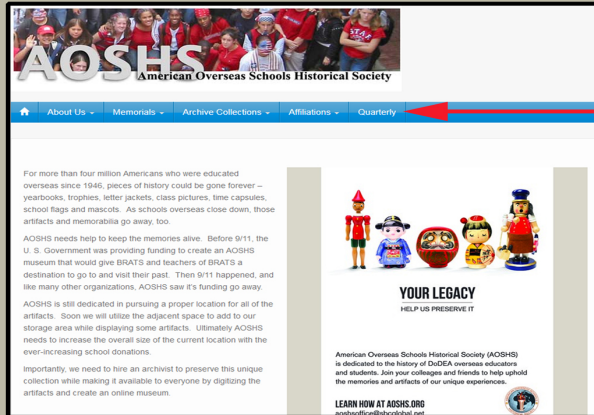
Nancy Bresell coordinates

- Members may submit proposed articles for consideration
 - Review and approval by coordinator
- Layout and design by Monica Maack Tiller
 - Operations Manager sends code to members via email
 - Access online website with code

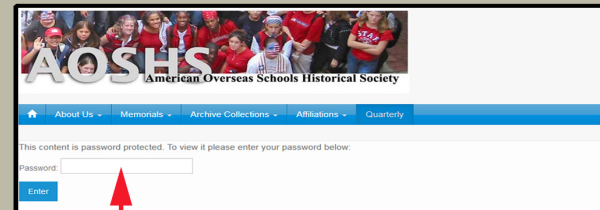


AOSHS Quarterly GOING DIGITAL

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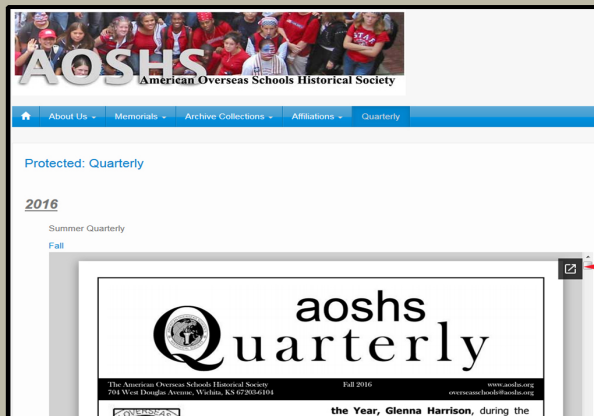


STEP ONE
On our HOME page,
click on the tab,
“Quarterly”



STEP TWO
Type in the Password you will receive
via email from the AOSHS office
approximately one month
prior to the distribution date.
Press ENTER.

You will receive a new Password
prior to each new issue.



STEP THREE
To access the newsletter, click on the box
with the the arrow to open the PDF file.

STEP FOUR
This is the PDF copy of the newsletter
that you will receive.

From here, you will be able to zoom in
or zoom out for your reading ease.

If your computer is attached to a
printer, you can print your issue.


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navigate from page to page.



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**Kelley Germaine, Records/Tech
Liaison**



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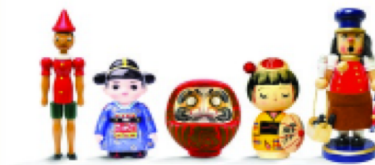
For more than four million Americans who were educated overseas since 1946, pieces of history could be gone forever – yearbooks, trophies, letter jackets, class pictures, time capsules, school flags and mascots. As schools overseas close down, those artifacts and memorabilia go away, too.

AOSHS needs help to keep the memories alive. Before 9/11, the U. S. Government was providing funding to create an AOSHS museum that would give BRATS and teachers of BRATS a destination to go to and visit their past. Then 9/11 happened, and like many other organizations, AOSHS saw it's funding go away.

AOSHS is still dedicated in pursuing a proper location for all of the artifacts. Soon we will utilize the adjacent space to add to our storage area while displaying some artifacts. Ultimately AOSHS needs to increase the overall size of the current location with the ever-increasing school donations.

Importantly, we need to hire an archivist to preserve this unique collection while making it available to everyone by digitizing the artifacts and create an online museum.

This all takes money that AOSHS does not have. AOSHS operates on a shoestring budget with limited memberships and donations. We need help to fund present and future museum endeavors and hiring the archivist to digitize the collection.



YOUR LEGACY
HELP US PRESERVE IT

American Overseas Schools Historical Society (AOSHS) is dedicated to the history of DoDEA overseas educators and students. Join your colleagues and friends to help uphold the memories and artifacts of our unique experiences.

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We welcome any donation towards reaching this goal. Your contribution is tax deductible since AOSHS is a non-profit organization.

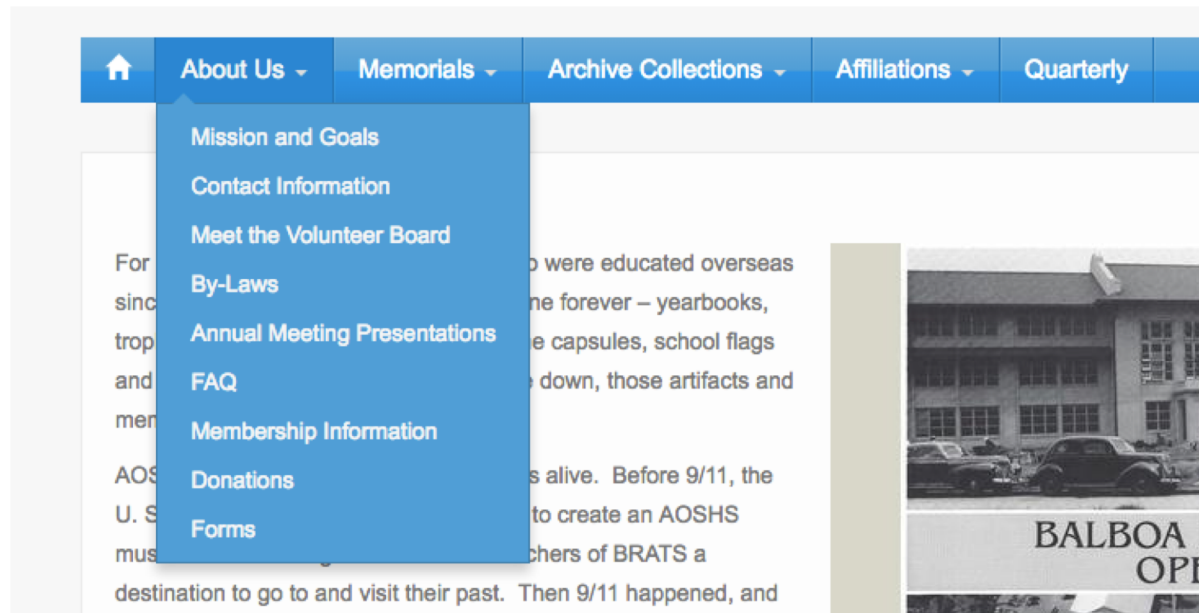
To learn more or to make a donation, please visit our Go Fund Me campaign. Here's the link: <https://www.gofundme.com/aoshs-museum>



The AOSHS Story



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Phase 1: Memories

Phase 2: Educator and Student Archives

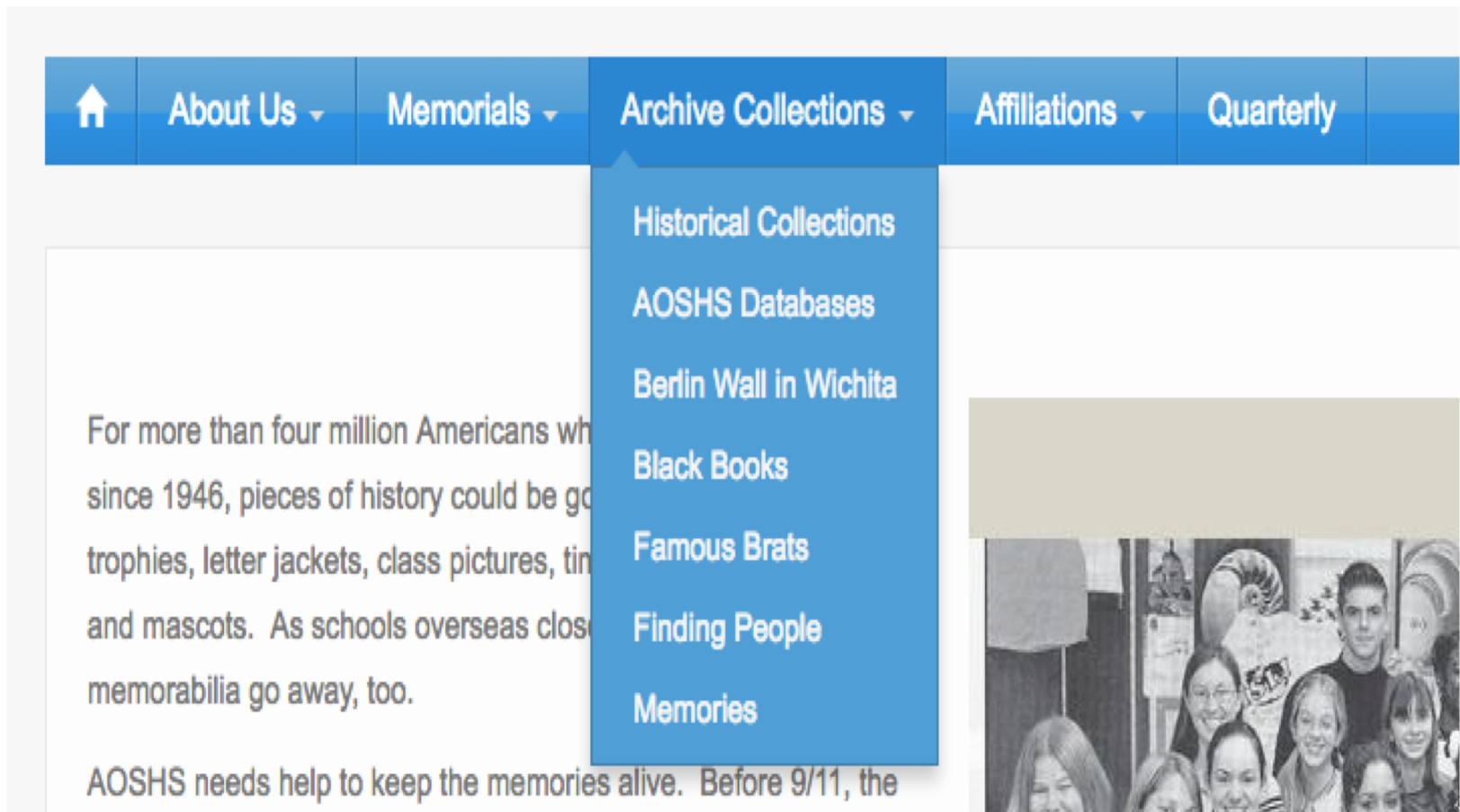
Phase 3: Membership

Phase 4: Memorial Program

Phase 5: New Online Memorial Program



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Lani Allanson-Donoho, Historian and Collections

- **“The 4 Black Books”: History, Content, Updating are available in the Archives and at www.aoshs.org**

1. **History of American Overseas Schools and AOSHS**
2. **Chronicles of AOSHS Accomplishments, including Past Presidents and Board Members**
3. **Current, Past, Life and Charter Members**
4. **School Locations – Maintained by Les Burch**



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Current Memorial Program

**Dee Edwards, Memorial Program
Manager**

Chris Kyrios, Relocation/BRAT Rep.

Memorial Fund

**Donations for honoree's page announced in
Quarterly 2X**

Current Interactive Kiosk

**Gives the name of honoree and
those that contribute**



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Current Memorial Program

Bricks and Pavers

Intended to be actual bricks and pavers as part of the outside Plaza and Courtyard at the original museum site on the Arkansas River.

When that fell through, we were left with the purchase of these memorials and no place to put them.

Numerous attempts have been made with various museums and organizations.

The current bricks and pavers are being installed in our front office.



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Close up of mounting on wall

WARREN VAN ZEE 31 YRS. GER SP IT	RONALD S. KNAPP LOU ANN ASHLEY	PAUL PAPINEAU DODDS 1961-1991	MARTHA HINSON ELEM. 1953-1988
DR. RON KNAPP & LOU ANN ASHLEY	BEVERLY JEAN LARSON	JEAN C. DERRY THE FIRST BRICK	CARMEN CARLSON NOUASSEUR 1958
JOHN AND GWEN PIZZUTI	HAROLD SCHYBERG GER-GB-JA 62-91	DEAN AND JUDY BAME	JOHN J MITCHELL EUROPE 1964-68
MARGARET KNOX AKERS - CHICAGO	LARRY L. DIDLO EUROPE 1967-68	DODDS X 1998 MINNEAPOLIS, MN	FRAN RILEY DODDS 1962-1989
DON F. JARDON	MARGARET BURCH STUTTGART HS '83	PROV CARDINALLI DODDS 1971-1977	RAY BABINEAU 1972 BAHS 1992



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- ✓ **Future of Bricks and Pavers**
- ✓ **Lack of available space in office**
- ✓ **Possible Digital Memorial Program**



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Future Memorial Program Benefits

- ✓ The posted information will be available worldwide; no need to travel to a specific place to view the information.
- ✓ There's a difference between "in Memoriam" on the DoDDS Reunion website and the AOSHS Memorial Program. The AOSHS sponsor and recipient(s) can tell much more of his/her/their story; it's like a moving history.
- ✓ Memories expanded to include additional functionality of videos/graphics/etc.
- ✓ Simplified procedure – apply online, directly contact Memorial Program Manager and AOSHS office in Wichita, mail application to Memorial Program Manager with contents.



Did you know this about AOSHS?

Bob Germaine, Fiscal Advisor

- The AOSHS Board meets
 - 4+ times at DoDDS reunion*
 - 2+ days of meetings in Wichita*
 - 4 or 5 conference calls a year*
 - AOSHS Board does not get any compensation for meetings or travel; everything is voluntary
 - AOSHS Board works throughout the year
 - All expenditures are carefully analyzed
 - Board members paid for Monica's attendance
 - Difficulty to meet the expanding needs as more schools are closed or relocated
 - Money is needed for the future of AOSHS, e.g. archiving artifacts/memorabilia
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Bitter Sweet Farewells...

- **Stephen Abbott,
Treasurer (aka money bags)**
- **Lani Allanson-Donoho,
Historian/Collections**
- **Jill Abbott,
Membership/Memories**



AOSHS THANKS...

***Recognition of important
volunteers who work
all year...***



Special Recognition

Judy Ertl and Kathy Brown

Volunteers for ~50 boxes from England and Germany



Volunteer of the Year

Denise Smith

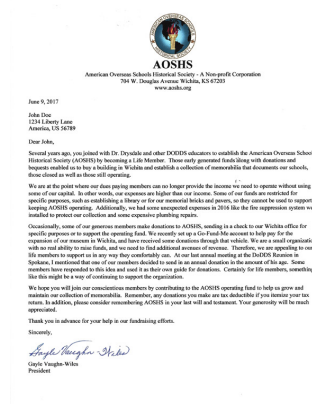


A Big *THANK YOU* to... Our Life Members!

After receiving President's letter ...

59 Life Members Donated

\$8,524



New

AOSHS Recognition of Donors Program

- **Supporters (\$25-\$99)**
 - **Friends (\$100-\$249)**
- **Pacesetters (\$250-\$499)**
- **Sponsors (\$500 - \$999)**
- **Patrons (\$1,000-\$1,999)**
- **Benefactors (\$2,000 +)**



President's Closings Messages Gayle Vaughn-Wiles

- Technology
- Memories
- Membership
 - Monies

Don't forget us in estate planning...



Raffle and Hospitality Room

Tickets available until Saturday @ 10 am.

**Winning ticket numbers posted
outside banquet room.**



**Prizes available outside banquet during cocktail time
with winning ticket #!**



AOSHS Forum

Join us for our Q & A 3-4 pm

**Directly after the Mini
Reunions in Salon VII!**





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