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AOSHS needs your help...Kelley Germaine

Our organization has grown and we want to continue to work for you in the best way possible. However, we need you. We would like some of you to assist us with your talents. Please consider helping us to become even better in the future. Here's a brief description of the different AOSHS Sub-Committees that need volunteers. They will be guided by one of our Board of Directors.

Definition of Sub-Committee – Each will encompass a group of members from the general membership, advisory group and Board representative(s) that will focus on fulfilling the tasks identified by the description and outline of purpose for said sub-committee. Other individuals and/or groups may be enlisted to assist with the sub-committee after Board approval. Each sub-committee will have Board representative serve as Chair. The majority of the work will be conducted via telephone and emails.

Specific Sub-Committees –

Public Relations – Will work closely with the AOSHS newsletter editor, AOSHS representatives around the world and general membership to acquire noteworthy and news information for sharing. Additionally, the group will also assist with the publication of articles as needed and interface with local communities.

Collections – The overseeing and assisting with sorting, organizing and categorizing of current and/or future artifacts and memorabilia from donors. This committee would also participate in the selection of materials that would be forwarded to Museum of the American Military Family in Albuquerque, NM; Colorado State University, Ft. Collins, CO; Ft. Belvoir, VA etc.

Technology – As we move further into the 21st Century, we need a select few with technological expertise to assist us with updating our website, making it more interactive as well as building the potential to share 'our story' to a broader

Major Announcement from AOSHS Board

After a comprehensive search and analysis, the AOSHS Board of Directors voted to commit to three stateside locations to expand the AOSHS footprint. In alignment with Dr. Tom Drysdale's original vision, the archive portion of AOSHS will transition to Colorado State University (Ft. Collins, CO) over the next two years. There, professional archivists will sort and classify the documents, and integrate them into the CSU Library system. A portion of the memorabilia, currently located in Wichita, will go to the ever-expanding Museum of the American Military Family, located in Albuquerque, NM. Boxes will start going to NM later in 2014. Additionally, AOSHS is working with the (not yet built) National Museum of the US Army in Ft. Belvoir, VA. This museum, scheduled to open in 2017/8, will house a small (8' x8') exhibit of AOSHS memorabilia. Our Wichita office will stay open. It will continue to operate as AOSHS HQ, and destination for any archives, yearbooks, and memorabilia from closing schools or individuals. There will be opportunities for volunteers both in Ft. Collins and Albuquerque so stay tuned for more details in future issues or contact Chris Kyrios (kyriosc@yahoo.com) for Ft. Collins or Circe Woessner (circe@militaryfamilymuseum.org) for Albuquerque.

audience.

Grant and fundraising – In order to accomplish our numerous goals, we need financial support. AOSHS is looking for people with fundraising knowledge and experienced grant writer(s) that can aggressively pursue acquiring monies to assist with AOSHS operating expenses et al.

Membership – We need to have more of a team to enlist membership from present and future retiring DoDDS employees as members since our numbers are shrinking. Plus, this group would also investigate our association with the BRATS. This would also investigate the creation of an endowment since our numbers of DoDDS personnel et al will continue to dwindle.

Please contact Robert Webster at aoshsoffice@sbcglobal.net or 316.265.6837 if you are willing to give this a try. We truly appreciate your response!

A Terrorist Attack!

By Harold R. Schyberg

In the spring of 1972, Laurel and I and the kids were living in Frankfurt, Germany. Laurel was teaching at Frankfurt Jr. High School and I was assistant principal at Frankfurt Elementary School. Lauren and Martha were students at Frankfurt High School and Lauren was preparing to graduate. Irene Linklater – Laurel's mother – was the school librarian at the nearby Rhein/Main Airbase. Irene had a small house in the suburb of Frankfurt – Waldorf am Main. As it was "Pfingsten" (Pentecost), it was a German holiday. (As an aside – it is curious that the Germans – a highly secular people as the churches are mostly poorly attended – had at that time only "Church" holidays as National holidays.) Irene, as was her custom, had taken our son, Hal, to her house for the weekend. It was May 22, 1972 and with this background, the story begins

Laurel was the head of the Math department and had asked the staff to meet for dinner at our apartment in the army housing area where we lived – Gibbs Housing. I had planned to attend the regular Thursday meeting of the local American chapter of the "Toastmasters International" at the Terrace Club – the main Officer's Club in the Frankfurt area. The Terrace Club was part of the complex of buildings, which had been the home of the great Germany Chemical Cartel, the I.G. Farben Company. In fact, the Terrace Club was formerly the dining room of the executives of this company. It was situated across a terraced garden from the huge office building of the I. G. Farben Company. Of course, that company no longer occupied it, as it was now the headquarters of the U.S. Army's Fifth Corp. The Germans called it "Der Hoch Haus," which means the "High Building" – as it was eight stories – the tallest building in all of Germany at the time. It was our custom to dine at around 6:00PM but I was going to eat at 7:00PM with the members of the Toastmasters. The aromas of Laurel's fine cooking was more than I could stand in my famished state, so I left for the meeting early – which probably saved my life – as I normally arrived at 7:00PM.

My friend, Paul Papineau, the assistant principal at the Jr. High – and I were enjoying a before dinner drink and complaining that the service was not up to the usual standards of the club. This was because there were only Americans and some British nationals working on this German holiday (the labor market in Frankfurt was so tight that many British and others came there to work for the Americans.)

At exactly 7:00PM, a huge bomb exploded at the entrance of the club. The air was filled with flying debris and the entire ceiling of the lower floor came crashing down. Paul and I and the other early arriving toastmasters were on the upper floor and the force of the blast had knocked us down. As we picked ourselves up and found that in spite of the shattered skylight over our heads, we were all alive. Paul and I headed for the stairs and pushed aside the debris of what had been the suspended ceiling of the lower floor and went to the aid of two British clerks who had been in the cashier's office. Paul grabbed one end and I the other of the timbers and lifted them off of the ladies who had ducked behind the high counter and therefore were protected from the timbers, which had fallen from the ceiling. The women appeared to be dusty but uninjured and at that moment I saw a figure crumpled at the curb near the entrance – or what had been the entrance – because it now was a pile of rubble. I scrambled over the pile of bricks and stone and ran towards the figure I had seen in the street. Another man got there before I did and cradled the man in his lap on the pavement. The man was blackened and bleeding from an arterial wound in his neck. I stuffed my handkerchief into the wound, and at that time a man arrived who identified himself as a 'doctor' and I stepped back. As the shock was wearing off, I felt a trickle of blood running down my left leg and there in front of a gathering crowd, I lowered my trousers to find my underwear soaked in blood. A teacher from my school arrived and I went to her and asked her to call my wife and inform her that I was driving myself to the local hospital – the U.S. Army's 97th General Hospital. I arrived at the hospital at about 7:30PM and went to the admittance desk of the Emergency Room. I said to the bored G.I. who was on duty, "I suggest that you get your emergency procedures started because there has been an explosion at the Terrace Club and several people have been injured and will be arriving shortly!" I added that I had a wound to my leg and needed first aid. He hardly responded and then asked, "Do you have an ID card?"

I relate this and his apparent attitude of unconcern as an example of the state of the Army in 1972. The "draft" was in place and the quality of personnel was of poor attitude and quite unprofessional. I observed that after the advent of the "volunteer Army", the entire aspect of the military improved in both regards. However, as I fished for my wallet and ID card from my blood soaked pocket – the first emergency vehicle arrived. I dashed out to the entrance and helped carry the body of the wounded man I had seen at the club into a side emergency room. A doctor had been summoned and he rapidly barked out orders. "Get me a breathing tube". The response was, "I can't, the cabinets are locked". "Who has the key?" "Sgt so and so and he is at supper." "Well bust the cabinet open, this man is dying!"



AOSHS Donation Form

As of December 2013

Name: _____

Address: _____ City, State, Zip _____ Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____ Work Phone _____

E--mail: _____

Name of the person who had these items _____

Name of item(s) and/or overseas location(s):

Description of item(s) being donated:

If more room is needed, please use the backside of paper.

Restrictions, if any:

Estimated value of item(s) – if applicable:

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____

The signature below indicates release of the donation(s) to AOSHS to be used at its discretion for safe keeping and historical longevity of the American Overseas Schools.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Receipt of item(s) to be donated to AOSHS will be confirmed after review and documentation is complete.



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The board and I are excited about my position as President of the American Overseas Schools Historical Society (AOSHS). It will truly be a challenge to follow my friend and colleague Tina Calo. Many members and non-members heard me speak at the AOSHS annual meeting in Richmond, Virginia. At that time, I informed the group of expectations held for the president, such as the following :

- *supervise controls of business affairs*
- *preside at meetings*
- *follow the guidance of the AOSHS Board of Directors*

With your help as members, I can perform the tasks of the items listed above, BUT, I need your help! As the new President of AOSHS, I have expectations for you; they are as follows:

1. *Compose a few paragraphs about a memorable occasion, event, or activity. Send it to Jill Abbott who is the point of contact (POC) for collecting "Memories". She can be reached through the AOSHS Office (aoshsoffice@sbcglobal.net)*
2. *Pay your dues. Members have the option of paying \$25 a year or \$45 for 2 years. When you stop to think about it, your dues cost less than a Coach purse or green fees for a round of golf.*
3. *Volunteer to work on a sub-committee*
 - *Public Relations*
 - *Technology*
 - *Collections*
 - *Grant and fundraising*
 - *Membership*
4. *Stay connected*

As you can tell we have many responsibilities. I am committed to fulfilling your expectations of me and I sincerely hope you will do the same by fulfilling the expectations I have of you. Surely you agree, together, we can make a difference. By Gayle Vaughn-Wiles

DODDS BRAT VISITS REUNION By Jill Abbott

A special visitor to the 2014 DoDDS Reunion in Richmond, Virginia, was Bill Shortt from Bowie, Maryland. Bill is a DoDDS brat as well as a member of the American Overseas Historical Association. He comes from a four-generation military family, and was one of the early students in DoDDS after WWII. His grandfather served in the Kentucky Volunteers, the Spanish American War, and the Phillippine American War. A great uncle served in WWII as well as his father, a Sergeant Major stationed with the 33rd Medical Depot in Nuremburg. After traveling with his mother and sister to Germany on the USAT Willard A. Holbrook to join his father, Bill attended Nuremburg High School from 1947-49, graduating in the class of 1949.

Classrooms were difficult to come by before schools could be built. His classes were held on the 3rd floor of a building on Tannenstrasse. Their desks were folding army field tables with wooden folding chairs. Blasts from nearby bunkers would cause the tables to fall and the chairs to jump. There were no hard cover books. They used paperback books, and their chemistry book was at college level. He remembers his math teacher, Mr. Beatty, who insisted on calling him William, although he was called Bill. Miss Lamer, his English/Chemistry teacher had an enormous vocabulary. There were 6 seniors in his class out of a high school enrollment of 65. Munich and Heidelberg had larger high schools. The yearbook in 1949 was unified, with sections for each school.

Bill and his family returned to the States in 1949 on a MATS C-54 plane, flying from Frankfurt through Paris, the Azores, Newfoundland, and to Springfield, Massachusetts. At every stop, an engine was replaced, so they landed in Massachusetts with different engines other than which they had at the start of the flight. They traveled by train from MA to New York City to Charleston. Today families have a much easier time with jet travel and concurrent travel.

Bill joined the Air Force in Jan, 1950, and served for four years. He served as a radio radar maintenance technician and later as instructor at Barksdale, McDill AFB, and Kadena in Okinawa. After the service, he attended Texas A & M on the Korean G.I. Bill, graduating in 1957 with a degree in Electrical Engineering. He worked as a defense contractor for many years afterwards, mostly in the D. C. area.

Bill joined the Overseas Brats in the mid to late 1960's, and became an AOSHS life member. It was a real treat to hear his story and meet him at this year's reunion.

*From page 2....*Emergency vehicles began arriving. (I add that these were all private vehicles as none of the ambulances ever arrived at the scene of the blast.) These people were a couple of soldiers and the two British women clerks whom I had assisted in the club. These two women were going into shock and I acquired a couple of wheel chairs for them as all the Army personnel were congregated in the room with the dying man. I took off my jacket and draped it over the shoulders of the older of the two women.

The doctor came out of the emergency room and announced that the man had died. He noticed the shivering, gray-faced women in the wheel chairs and ordered blankets for them. "The closets are locked and we can't get to them" was the reply. The doctor then proceeded to 'kick in' the closet door and the blankets were draped over the women. By this time, several seriously wounded appeared and so did another doctor, as well as five or six corpsmen. The doctors were involved with a man who had a nearly severed hand from flying glass and another with chest injuries from being hit with pieces of masonry from the explosion.

At last the doctor noticed me as the only male civilian as I wheeled one of the women into an emergency room. "Who are you?" he demanded, "and what are you doing here?" I briefly explained that I had been in the blast and believed I had a wound in my left leg. He ordered me to strip and when he saw my bloody underwear he pushed me onto the examining table and probed the wound. He extracted a piece of glass and ordered an orderly to take me to x-ray. The young soldier pushed me into a wheel chair and down the corridor. He stopped and said, "Sir, do you know where the x-ray room is? I have been here only three days and I don't know the hospital yet." As I had been in the hospital several times, I directed him to the elevator and the third floor X-ray department. After the procedure, I was taken to a ward where my wound was dressed and I was given a bed. The next morning, the same doctor came by at about 6:00AM and examined the wound and told me that there was nothing in the wound and that I could go home now. A few minutes later a reporter of the United Press and a photographer arrived and took photos of all of us. I was asked where I was from in the States and my name, etc. They had put all of the wounded into one ward - the soldier with the almost severed hand, the sergeant with the crushed ribs, and me. Just then, the hospital commander, Colonel Photenauer appeared. He spoke briefly to each of us and he assured me that - as a civilian, injured on a military base - I would not be 'charged' for my stay and treatment in the hospital. My wound had required a few stitches and healed with no complications.

I found out later that the story had appeared on the wire services along with my picture as I sat up in bed in the hospital. In Chicago, where I said I lived, the Chicago

Tribune ran the photo and assigned a reporter to get details from my family. My parents now lived in Wisconsin and did not receive the Chicago newspaper and so were startled when the reporter who had tracked them through an uncle of mine) asked, "Do you have a son living in Germany?" They said they did and he went on, "Did they tell you that he has been injured in a bomb blast in Frankfurt?" Well, of course, they hadn't been informed but when the photo of me appeared in the 'Trib', my father noted that he could see from the picture that I had two feet and both hands. He concluded, "he's all right".

I was home the next morning after the blast and suffered through several interviews from the F.B.I. and the Army Intelligence Service. It was determined that the bomb had been planted and exploded by the Baader/Meinhof Gang of terrorists. Andreas Baader was a small time crook who specialized in small bank robberies and Ulrike Meinhof was an 'upper class' rich girl who was a devoted Communist and had targeted the "occupying Americans" for her terrorist activities. She was the 'brains' of the group and used Baader for the money he supplied from his bank robberies. Later that month in Heidelberg, her group set off a car bomb and killed an Army captain as he went to purchase a newspaper at the P.X. The man who died in the Terrace Club explosion (and whom I didn't recognize because of his injuries) was Lt. Col. Paul Bloomquist who was the husband of our school nurse. He was a fine man - a doctor - and one who had served two tours of duty in Vietnam. He was at the club that spring evening to cash a check, as his family was about to return to the USA. A military medical facility was later named for him.

Andreas Baader died in an attempt to escape from prison and Ulrike Meinhof committed suicide; also in prison. It always appeared strange to me that these two so conveniently died before they could be brought to trial. A trial that was sure to be a bit embarrassing to the West German government.

The end of this long story is that in 1975, I was working as a principal in Molesworth, England and I received a bill from the 97th General Hospital for my stay and treatment in May of 1972. It was for \$62.00 and I gladly paid it.

As an aside - my friend, Paul, who was and is a devout Roman Catholic, was reminded that fateful evening by his wife Helen that he should really go to Mass as this was Pentecost and a day of holy obligation. He chose to go to the Terrace Club but later called his wife to assure her that he was uninjured. She asked, "where are you calling from?" and he replied, "from Church, of course."

The AOSHS Memorial Program

Memorial Program

You may purchase a brick or paver in your own name, as a gift in memory of a friend or loved one, or a school. Write to the Memorial Program address or the e-mail address below for the correct order card(s). You may include a 300-word biography and a photo along with the check when you submit your order. The selection of bricks/pavers appears below.

Memorial Fund

You may organize a fund for a deceased friend or loved one. The fund will be announced in two issues of the Quarterly so that others may contribute. When the fund closes in six months, you will receive an accounting and determine which item the fund will purchase. Write to the Memorial Program address or the e-mail address below to request a Memorial Fund Form, or print the form at www.aoshs.org/kiosk; just click on Memorial Program.

Donate

You may also donate to an already established fund by sending a check payable to the AOSHS Memorial Fund at the address below. Please note the honoree's name on the check's memo line.

AOSHS Memorial Program,
PO Box 4312 Scottsdale AZ 85261-4312
[Don't forget to indicate the honoree's name]

Memorial Program for Alumnae/Alumni

We have had many names added to our Those No Longer with Us paver, where friends or loved ones have sent a donation to remember a special person in their lives, but did not wish to purchase a brick or start a memorial fund.

Though this began as an educator remembrance, several of those recognized are alumni. Because of the increase in donations for this fund, we feel it appropriate to create a second paver specifically to recognize alumni. If friends wish to remember a deceased former student, send the honoree's name, school, and year of graduation (if appropriate), and it will be included in alphabetical order on the kiosk page, which can be viewed by going to www.aoshs.org/kiosk, then clicking on the Interactive Kiosk link, and following directions.

To remember an alumna/alumnus in this way, send a check payable to the AOSHS Memorial Fund at the address below.

Please note the honoree's name on the check's memo line and include a note requesting that this person be honored on the Alumni Memorial Paver.

e-mail: memorialprog@aoshs.org

Note: e-mails must include AOSHS in the subject area

Type of Bricks and Pavers Offered In the Program	Size (in inches)	Characters/Line (includes spaces)	Maximum Lines	Total Characters (includes spaces)	Cost
Ceramic Brick	4 x 8	15	2	30	\$100
Ceramic Paver	8 x 8	15	5	75	\$250
Medium Granite Paver	8 x 8	15	5	75	\$500
Large Granite Paver	16 x 16	25	11	275	\$1000
Premium Granite Paver	24 x 24	35	17	595	\$2500

MEMORIAL FUNDS

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENTS

Penni Ellis March 29, 1944 - May 21, 2014

Penni was an Air Force brat and loved every minute of it. She always said it was the best education a kid could get. Penni earned her BS from Oklahoma State and was a lifelong Cowboys fan, even though she later received an M.Ed from OU. She loved being a teacher. She taught with DODDS, which afforded her the opportunity to again travel the world, teaching English and counseling in schools in Newfoundland, Okinawa, Iceland, Holland and England.

She was independent and smart, and happily lived the life she chose. Of all her hobbies, she most liked playing bridge - although watching football was a close second.

She impacted the lives of everyone she knew, from her family and many friends, to her wonderful neighbors, and to her many colleagues and students over a 45-year teaching career.

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Allyn was born in Omaha, Nebraska, and received her RN degree from the University of Iowa. She then joined husband Bill in Japan, Hawaii and Maryland. Following his time in the military, Bill and Allyn moved to Mallorca, Spain in 1960 and remained there for two years with their sons Kirk and Robb. After a third child, Rebekah, was born, they relocated to Germany and continued to explore Europe as a family; all three children attended DoDDS schools.

After working as a full time homemaker for a number of years, Allyn began her DoDDS teaching career as a school nurse in Stuttgart, Germany. While there, she obtained a master's degree in Guidance and Counseling.

In 1974, she transferred to Aviano, Italy, as a school nurse at both the primary and secondary levels. For the next twenty years, she made a beautiful home in Italy, forged a strong professional and personal life, and enjoyed cooking and entertaining. She continued to travel extensively though out Europe and also visited Africa and Asia.

Allyn retired in 1995 and moved to Sarasota, Florida, living among good friends, many of whom she had known overseas. She was known for her independent spirit, her love of travel, good food, books, opera, classical music and dogs. She was an advocate for women's rights, and a much-loved mother, partner, friend, colleague and neighbor.

SECOND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Joan Dawn Anderson November 25, 1944 - December 12, 2013

Joan Dawn Anderson was born in Storm Lake, Iowa, and raised in Madison, South Dakota. In 1967, she graduated from the University of South Dakota with a major in math education. She taught in Gibbon, MN before accepting a math teaching position with DoDDS schools in Guam and later Heidelberg HS and Mannheim HS. Joan gained an advanced degree in school administration and became the assistant principal at Karlsruhe High School in 1986. In 1989 she accepted a position in the UK DSO at the Business Manager.

While overseas, Joan traveled extensively. She enjoyed learning about other cultures, sampling the cuisines (including the beers!), and meeting new people. While in Germany, she was an avid "Volksmarcher", touring the German countryside every weekend.

Joan moved back to the Madison area in 2006. She continued her interests including PDK, golf, following all high school sports and music activities, listening to music, especially Barbra Streisand, traveling with her USD Chi Omega sisters, and cheering on her beloved Green Bay.

William (Bill) Gregory Strabala December 24, 1934 - December 27, 2013

Bill was born on December 24, 1934 in Lohrville, Iowa. He graduated from Lohrville High School in 1953 and from Iowa State Teacher's College in 1958 with a BA in Social Studies. In 1972 he completed his MA in Library Science from the University of Northern Iowa. He served his country in the U.S. Army from May 1958 to April 1960.

Bill married Rita Kirlin in 1963 and together they had three children. He taught school in Iowa before joining DoDDS in 1964 where he taught Social Studies in Bremerhaven, Germany. He then became the media specialist at W.T. Sampson HS in Cuba, Fulda HS in Germany and Matthew Perry HS in Iwakuni, Japan. He was a member of the educator organization of PDK.

Bill retired from DoDDS in 1996 and moved back to Iowa where he passed away on December 27, 2013 from complications of leukemia.

Alyce Lottig Britton May 6, 1936 - July 11, 2013

Alyce Lottig Britton was born in Lake Geneva, WI and graduated from Walworth High School in 1953. She received her degrees in primary education from Racine-Kenosha Rural Normal School and Wisconsin State College in Whitewater, WI. She taught in several local schools and in 1963 accepted a teaching position with DoDDS in Karlsruhe, Germany where she spent her entire 30 year career teaching elementary grades. In 1975 she married Robert Britton in Bern, Switzerland.

In 1993, Alyce and Robert retired and returned to the Lake Geneva area. She enjoyed traveling and life in general and her talk was always about her family, friends and her fond memories.

Terry Rhicard February 9, 1942 - February 21, 2014

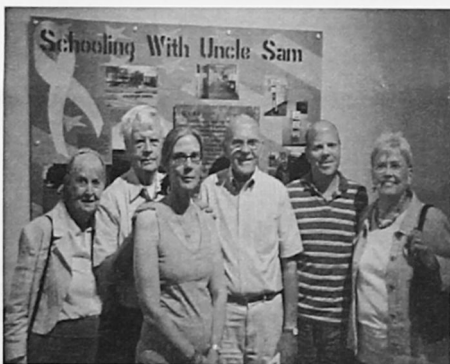
Born in Springfield, MA, Terry received his Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Education from American International College in Springfield and a second Masters in Human Resource Management from Pepperdine University in 1977 while in Iwakuni, Japan. He taught for six years in Wilbraham, MA, as an elementary teacher and HS Work Study Coordinator.

In 1970 a journey began that he couldn't have envisioned when he met Jan while they were both vacationing in Puerto Rico over spring break and married later that year. He taught for three years at Ramey AFB in Puerto Rico and two years at MCAS Iwakuni, Japan, before becoming an administrator. His 25 year span as a principal included assignments for the PREP program in Iwakuni, Solars ES in Misawa and Makiminato, Kinser, and Bechtel schools in Okinawa. One of the most challenging tasks for him came in 1987, closing Makiminato ES/MS and opening the newly built Kinser ES at the same time. In 1993, Terry received the National Distinguished Principal Award representing the District of Okinawa.

Terry retired from DoDDS in 2000 and moved to Parrish, FL, living out his dream of golfing every day. Terry always felt that his greatest accomplishment was helping students achieve success. A visionary, Terry was very goal oriented and welcomed challenges. He touched many lives along his journey.

CLOSED FUND

Carter Johns Polished Granite Paver and Ceramic Block



TEACHER/STUDENT MINI REUNION IN ABQ

Ole and Joanie Olson and Dick and Marg Hopkins visited the Military Family Museum's exhibit on a trip from Atlanta to Durango in June. Also pictured: Steve Hopkins and Circe Olson Woessner, both graduates from Karlsruhe American High School. Because of its popularity, the exhibit will travel to the Lea County Museum in Lovington in September through November.

Famous Brat by Richard Smith

Glen Mac, who hails from Frankfurt, Germany, originally was born in Stuttgart. He lived in both the U.S. and Germany during his childhood. After graduating from high school in Frankfurt in 1986, he permanently moved to the United States, pursued his education at the University of Houston, and relocated to Los Angeles.

He has had roles in The History Channel's "Egyptian Book of the Dead," two episodes of TLC's "Untold Stories of the E.R." Glen also appeared in Patricia Cuffie's play, "Love's Merry-Go-Round." He appeared in the indie feature films "A Simple Promise" and "Sugar Boxx." He can also be seen in music videos for artists such as hip-hop artist T.I.'s "Whatever You Like" single, Leela James' "Music" single and Celine Dion's "Taking Chances" World Tour. Glen played the role of a jury foreman in ABC's freshman legal drama series, "The Whole Truth." and NBC's newest spin-off series, "Law & Order: Los Angeles" portraying an S.I.D. technician.

The AOSHS Board standing with Tom Brady, new DoDEA Director, at the Richmond reunion.



QUARTERLY PUBLISHING SCHEDULE

As the name indicates, the QUARTERLY is published four times a year. Material submitted for publication should reach the editors by: January 15; April 15; August 15; and October 15. We'd really appreciate your contribution!



"Schooling With Uncle Sam" The Museum of the American Military Family Plans its Next Exhibit

The Museum of the American Military Family (MAMF) is planning its 2015 exhibit, "Schooling With Uncle Sam". The exhibit will consist of written panels, digital photos and artifacts from both the AOSHS archives and MAMF's collection. MAMF is currently collecting short memory quotes for the exhibit panels. If you would like to contribute a short 3-5 sentence written "sound bite" for the exhibit on any/all of the following topics, MAMF would be happy to have them! The category is broad, but we encourage you to be creative and give us our thoughts loosely based on the following:

- *The Host Nation*
- *USDESEA/DODDS' Early Years*
- *Your First Impressions*
- *Military and/or World Events and their impact on school*
- *Favorite Field Trips*
- *Making Do*
- *Academics*
- *Saying "Goodbye"*
- *(Now) Famous students*

Deadline for submission is Dec 31, 2014

Email to militaryfamilymuseum@comcast.net

Or mail to:

MAMF

Attn: Ole Olson

PO Box 5085

Albuquerque, NM 87185

For more info, call Ole Olson at 505 400-3849 We are also looking at movie footage (in all formats) for a possible documentary film. All submissions become property of the Museum. Movie footage can be mailed to the above address, ATTN: Iain

REUNION XXVI Richmond, VA, 17-20 July 2014 by Harry Stine

I attended the Dallas Reunion after having just retired in January 2013. I talked to Bill Hobbs about taking on the organizing of the Reunions since his committee was stepping down. I have always worked on the Social Committees for my schools, but this was a big step up. I talked to some Colorado Springs colleagues at our gathering at the end of August. I committed in September.

Starting without a committee to assist was a challenge. I relied heavily on Bill Hobbs and some of his committee members to get started and throughout the contract negotiations. I asked during one of our Colorado Reunions for my Colorado colleagues to assist. They stepped forward and I watched responsibilities disappear from my "plate" of duties. I am extremely grateful to my all new committee: Nancy Morlock-Hollins (registrar/name tags), Suzanne Bachman (decorations/memorial), Daniel & Alice Owen (MC/entertainment), Ann DeLancey (volunteers/banquet seating), Bev Brown (hospitality room), Tom Smith (mini-reunions), Jan Mohr/Elizabeth Deane (local contacts), Myrna Margraf/Carolyn Jones/Gaynelle Stinnette (members at large).

Tom organized several AOSHS members to assist in putting together the packets and nametags on Tuesday evening. This was a tremendous help to have things ready for Wednesday's early registration. There were countless behind-the-scenes volunteers who helped make the reunion a success by doing name and door checks, running errands, covering for others during breaks, and just offering support. The biggest challenge was simply taking the leap of faith that I could do it and that it would all come together. I found the whole experience extremely rewarding. I think the biggest surprise

came when I stood in front of the group at the banquet and realized that the reunion was a success. Also rewarding was the numerous people who expressed their appreciation and enjoyment about the reunion. Bill Young and the FX Stereo group who performed on Thursday night were well received and enjoyed. DODEA Director Mr. Brady's appearance and address on Friday after the AOSHS meeting was another well-received occurrence. The Memorial Presentation was greatly appreciated at the banquet on Saturday. The exit breakfast on Sunday was a great closing to a fantastic experience.

The number of attendees came in at 500 with only 9 no-shows!! There were 39 at the door registrants. The Downtown Richmond Marriott staff were also a large part of the success of Reunion XXVI. They were very knowledgeable and ready to assist. (I have asked the Marriott to start an exchange program where they will send the Richmond staff to our future locations to work our reunions!) The layout of the hotel was also a big plus. It afforded a fantastic setting for our attendees to socialize and view what was going on.

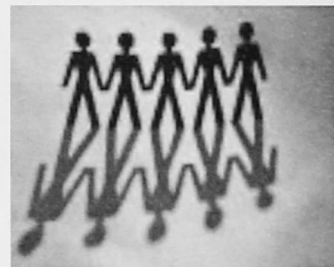
Were there a few glitches? Yes, and minor issues. However, my committee and I have learned from the experience and are prepared to make some changes for future reunions. Reunion XXVII is already underway. We are scheduled for Oak Brook (Chicago suburb), Illinois for 16-19 July 2015. Information will be coming out via the Newsletter. However, the general outline will be the reception on Thursday, 16 July; AOSHS meeting and mini reunions on Friday, 17 July; banquet on Saturday, 18 July; breakfast on Sunday, 19 July

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