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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

It is amazing how the time seems to get away from you! So many interesting events have occurred these days. While attending the AOSHS Board meeting in Wichita, I hired a new office manager because Iain Woessner resigned. The new office manager is Robert Webster. He had been volunteering in our office and comes to us with an impressive resume. Mr. Webster's first task for me was to schedule meetings with Mr. Carl Brewer, Mayor of Wichita, Dr. John Bardo, President of Wichita State University, and the McConnell Air Force Base Commander. Dr. Dean C Wiles and Tina Calo, AOSHS Board Advisor accompanied me to the various meetings.

It was great renewing the AOSHS affiliation with the Wichita Mayor who was quite informed about our organization and our original plan of establishing a museum on the river. Wow! Do you remember the groundbreaking ceremony for the museum on the river? Dr. Bardo informed me of the newly created Military and Veterans Student Center. They held their First Annual Veterans Upward Bound Community Reception as well as a dedication ceremony for the center. Mr. Webster represented AOSHS and proudly distributed information about the historical society. Dr. Jay Price, WSU Director of Public History, has been supporting our office with concerns related to archival documents, temporary loan agreements, and transport liabilities. Evelyn Bauer spearheaded our initial meeting with Dr. Price. Evelyn just recently resigned from the board but she will support us as we move forward. We are expanding, and believe me, I feel the growing pains!

We will truly miss Carolyn Wilber, who was responsible for the Memorial Program for approximately 14 years until she passed away a few months ago. Ted and Dee Edwards have consented to be in charge of the Memorial Program. Dr. Ann Bamberger developed the memorial program and she has trained Ted and Dee concerning the procedures of the program.

I am cautiously moving forward with a professional team that is quite knowledgeable. It is a great feeling to coordinate the support of the many people who are listed in our directory as well as significant others to include the Reunion Committee. It is important for us to encourage our colleagues to join AOSHS and help us to preserve our legacy.

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On July 25, 2014 former U.S. Sen. Bob Dole was present at the WWII Memorial greeting fellow veterans many from an Honor Flight to Washington, D.C. When he asked me if I was a veteran from WWII and I said yes, he asked if I would like to have a picture with him. On this day he also honored Lucy Coffee who is the oldest living woman WWII veteran. She is 108 years old. Ms. Coffee was in Wash. D.C. on an Honor Flight from San Antonio, Texas.

Wilbert Young



Gentle Reminders:

1. Send information about any deceased educators to Tina Calo and Linda McCauley.
 2. Send any change of addresses or other information to the AOSHS Office. Some members do not get their "Q" because they have not informed us of their change of address.
 3. Update your educator data sheet as often as necessary. We use the information often.
- As we prepare for and go into the holiday season, make time to enjoy family and friends and most importantly, reflect on the "Reason for the Season".

A Local Hire Finds His First Job with DoDDS

by Tom Smith

My wife and I went to Europe to work in a traveling show playing NCO and Officers' Clubs. It did not work out the way we had planned and found ourselves in Wiesbaden, Germany without a job the first week of December 1965. I had been teaching music for three years in Portland, OR so I applied for a teaching position at the Wiesbaden USAF base where there was a personnel office. There were no music teaching positions but because I had a MEd in guidance, I was offered a job as a dormitory counselor at Lakenheath HS in England. I asked what a dormitory counselor did. The interviewing officer said "I don't know but there are 22 of them at Lakenheath." We left Wiesbaden by train on Dec 23rd arriving in London on Christmas Eve. We traveled with 14 pieces of luggage including two saxophones, two clarinets, music for dances and shows, dance band stands, costumes for shows and our personal clothing. Upon disembarking at Victoria Station, we were confronted with thousands of people running to catch trains to go home for the holiday. We knew no one in England. We had a "Europe on \$5.00 A Day" book, which we searched through to find a nearby hotel. We found a telephone to call the hotel and were confronted with a strange contraption that required shillings and tuppence coins. We lost several to the coin-snatching machine before we were told we had to push a button on the black box when someone answered or they couldn't hear us. Christmas Day in England, at that time, was a family at-home day. The streets of London were deserted. We found one person to ask where we could buy a meal since all of the restaurants were closed. He said the only place open was a Lyon's Corner House on the west side of Hyde Park. We walked because there were no buses running that day.

After a few days in London, I took a tube (underground) train to a place call West Ruislip west of London where the school superintendent and personnel offices were located.. After a day of endless paperwork, I was processed to go to my new assignment.. I was given instructions how to get to Lakenheath by train. It was about 75 miles north of London but the closest stop was at Shippea Hill. We packed our 14 pieces of luggage on the train but when we reached Cambridge, we had to change trains (with our luggage) to a two car commuter train. Upon arrival at Shippea Hill, we found it to be a railroad stop in the middle of a field with no town or base within many miles. Fortunately, we were met by the assistant principal who drove us to the only billeting available at RAF Mildenhall which is a sister base about 10 miles from Lakenheath. I asked what a dorm counselor did and he said he wasn't sure and the dorm supervisor was away but to report to the dorm at 3pm on Sunday. I left that afternoon on a shuttle bus with toothbrush in hand because I thought I might be spending the night.

I arrived at the dorm and was told I would be working with a married couple. They had keys and would brief me about my responsibilities. Students began to arrive and they greeted me with "hi, your must be the new dorm counselor." We all waited outside for an hour until a counselor from another building came over and opened the building. After a short briefing, he left (I still had no keys). By lights out time, I had a dorm of 60 boys for which I was responsible without keys or any idea about what to do. Fortunately, all of the guys understood my problem and the student leaders made sure everything went smoothly. The missing counselor couple finally showed up two nights later. They were stuck in Venice fog bound and couldn't fly. By the time they arrived, I felt like an old timer and had a key.

Dr. Smith worked in DoDDS from 1966 -1982 at Lakenheath HS (England), George C. Marshall HS (Turkey), Vicenza HS (Italy) and London Central HS

DoDDS Reunion Weekend XXVII

Oak Brook, Illinois July 16-19, 2015

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____

E-MAIL _____

INITIAL HERE if you do not wish to have your address, etc. published in our directory ____
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Jan. 1, 2015 until March 31, 2015: \$90.00 per person

From April 1, 2015 until June 30, 2015: \$95.00 per person Registration after July 1,
2015, will be "at the door": \$100.00 per person **MAIL MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER
THAN July 5, 2015** # Persons _____ X \$ _____ = \$ _____ Make checks payable
to **DoDDS Reunion XXVII. Mail with completed registration form to:**
Harry Stine DoDDS Reunion XXVII 7034 Cabriolet Drive Colorado Springs, CO 80923-8761

(The fee is for all food events. No pro-rated events. No partial payments accepted for single events due to
agreements with hotel. Fee includes a light-buffet reception, banquet dinner, buffet breakfast, and
committee expenses.)

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Salt Lake City ____ Las Vegas ____ Indianapolis ____ Orlando ____ Denver ____ Dallas ____

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canceling BEFORE JUNE 30, 2015, will receive the registration fee(s) paid, less a \$25 handling charge *per registrant*. There
will be no refunds after June 30, 2015, as exact minimum commitment to the hotel will be made then, for which we will be
charged fully. PLEASE UNDERSTAND. For hotel cancellations, contact the hotel directly.)
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REUNION XXVII 16-19 July 2015 Oak Brook Marriott, IL (Chicago suburb)

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| • 16 July | Reception | • 18 July | Banquet |
| • 17 July | AOSHS & Mini Reunions | • 19 July | Farewell Breakfast |

More will follow in upcoming Quarterly newsletters.

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, Attn: Dee Edwards,
P.O. Box 370962, Las Vegas, NV 89137**

[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

Wendell Buntain Dec. 19, 1934 - July 23, 2014

Wendell, the only son of seven children, graduated from high school in 1952 and served in the army from 1954-56. During this period Wendell was stationed in Germany where he married his high school sweetheart Helen Gregory. This time in Germany planted seeds of wanderlust that defined their professional lives. In 1966 Wendell was hired as a school principal by DoDDS and began a 26-year overseas odyssey. Four years in Okinawa, four years in Germany, three years in the Philippines, three years in Japan and finally, finishing his career with 12 years at various locations in Germany before retiring to New Mexico in 1992.

Wendell was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather until his death. He is survived by his wife Helen, son Greg, son Matthew. (wife Patti), son Nick (wife Irene), daughter Julie Pannell (husband Mike) and grandsons Christopher, Benjamin, Wilton and Matthew.

At heart, Wendell was never the "small town boy" into which he was born. Rather, he was a wanderer and explorer as he discovered when his Army troopship landed in Bremerhaven, Germany in 1954. From that time until his death, Wendell longed to (and did) travel to see and experience exotic locations and new things, never content in one place for too long. Wendell's ashes (along with those of their beloved dog of 17 years, Pete) will be scattered in a beautiful and secluded favorite location,

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the Jemez Mountains. The Mesilla Valley Hospice in Las Cruces, NM made Wendell's final days comfortable and peaceful. The World is less better with Wendell's passing.

Carolyn Wilber July 30,1938 - Aug. 26, 2014

Carolyn was born in Hollywood, CA, the only child of Charles and Dorothy Wilber. She graduated from Beverly Hills H.S. in 1956 and four years later from Pomona College, majoring in math. She began her teaching career at Pomona H.S. Carolyn traveled with her family each summer throughout her school years. She graduated from college having been in every state and to both Europe and the Far East.

In 1969 Carolyn joined DoDDS, spending three years in the Philippines. She transferred to Germany with assignments at Kaiserslautern H.S., Bitburg H.S., and Ramstein H.S. She returned to the Orient to teach two years at Kadena H.S. in Okinawa. She took a year off to earn her MA in Computer Science, finishing her career at Soesterberg H.S. in the Netherlands. She retired to Scottsdale, AZ in 1993.

Carolyn's love of travel carried over into retirement. She routinely left for "foreign ports" every year or two. Following a year of chemo to combat breast cancer, she left 4 weeks after her last treatment for two weeks in the Caribbean. Her other love was keeping in touch with former students and friends and entertaining guests. She was never happier than when preparing a Thanksgiving or Christmas feast or entertaining overnight guests. She collapsed at home, her heart having given out, while planning her next trip in Sept.

We all knew her as a fun loving, gregarious, generous friend who provided many happy memories as a teacher, colleague, friend or traveling companion. Those memories will be with us through the years.

Carolyn had managed the AOSHS memorial program for the past 13 years.

SECOND 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, 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.

Allyn Wells Smart 1934 - 2014

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 throughout 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.

CLOSED FUND

Carter Johns Polished Granite Paver and Ceramic Block

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

Doris Baker Honored submitted by Tina Calo



On November 5, 2014, a former DoDEA educator and Principal, Ms. Doris C. Baker was inducted as an Honorary Member of the Special Forces Regiment (HMOR) at her Atlantic Shores retirement home in Virginia Beach. The presentation was held at 1300 hours and the award was presented by Regimental Commandant, COL Matthew Carran and CSM Raube, Regimental Command Sergeant Major. Dr. Adrian Talley attended the ceremony.

Doris C. Baker, author, prolific writer and poet, served as a classroom teacher, educator and principal of Bad Toeltz Elementary and Junior High Schools, Flint Kaserne, Bad Toelz, Germany, from 1950 to 1979. Her experience and relationship with members of the Special Forces commenced from her very first and only overseas assignment in 1950. She is a graduate of the University of Michigan and holder of a Master's Degree.

The Regimental Honors, Awards and Affiliation Program recognizes those who have contributed to the welfare of the Civil Affairs, Special Forces and Psychological Operations regiments, active or reserve component, as Department of the Army civilians, or in a private capacity. The honor is bestowed under the auspices of The U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School (SWCS), a direct reporting unit to the U.S. Army Special Operations Command.

Instrumental in bringing about this honor is H.C. Woody Woodward, former SGT with 1st, 7th SFG & 173rd ABN (SEP) and DoDEA employee -- the first Director of Project Bold in the former DoDDS Germany Region.

Ms. Baker developed a trusted relationship with the members of Special Forces through her support of their dependent children. Ms.

Baker went on to write "The Originals" a non-fiction book about the first Special Forces Group in Europe. The book was a semi-finalist in the William Faulkner Creative Writing Competition. She is a SF Association Chapter LXV Silver Honorary Life Member



Congratulations Doris! We are so proud!

Teaching children of U.S. Army dependents in Bamberg, West Germany in 1969-70 and 1970-71 was a privilege. One of my most precious memories was of the times when Frau Lotter would enter my elementary grade classroom to teach the students a second language, German, the language of the host country. There were two host nation teachers at that time, Frau Lotter and Frau Ernst. I would enjoy conversations with Frau Ernst about her beloved Prussia at social gatherings, but the stately Frau Lotter was our teacher. I respected how Frau Lotter carried herself, her gracious manner and her caring interaction with the children. So I drew on the 'show of respect' I was taught in my early Catholic school education in Elgin, Illinois in the 1950's. I wanted the students to convey the respect to Frau Lotter as she entered our classroom that she deserved. Each morning that she joined us, as she approached the doorway, the students knew she was coming and could cue each other when they saw her! Standing promptly as a group, the students would joyfully yet respectfully greet her chiming "Guten Morgan, Frau Lotter!"....Such a precious memory...Such a precious Frau Lotter!

In teaching fourth grade, U. S. Air Force dependents, at Clark Air Force Base in the Philippines 1968-69, I was given the opportunity to leave a small town in Elgin, Illinois and be 'thrust' into an active and bustling transfer point for the U. S. servicemen going into combat in Vietnam! I valued the children in my class that were entrusted to my care. Their fathers and mothers were doing such an important task on the worldscale! The photos of "my children" that I have kept all these years are so precious to me. God bless them all! Thank you for this opportunity to remember with love...Lani

"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. Some people have already sent in their quotes, but it's not too late! If you would like to contribute a short (no more than half a page) written memory 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 your thoughts loosely based on the following:

- The Host Nation-holidays, field trips, interactions with the locals
- USDESEA/DODDS' Early Years-what was it like? What kind of conditions?
- Your First Impressions-your first days of school or at your assignment—how did you feel?
- Military and/or World Events & their impact on school-evacuations, terrorism, famous visitors
- Favorite Field Trips-where did you go, why was it important for the students, etc.
- Making Do-supply shortages, substandard buildings, bad weather...you name it!
- Academics-special educational programs, academic clubs, awards
- Saying "Goodbye-base closures, PCS, deaths, graduations..."
- (Now) Famous students-can you write about what they were like when they were young?

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

**Deadline for
submission is 1/31/15**

Email to
militaryfamilymuseum@comcast.net Or mail to:

MAMF

Attn: Ole Olson

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Holiday Memories-DoDDS/AOSHS Style

By Tina Calo

Many years ago I learned that the life of a DoDDS educator was quite different from life in Small Town USA. The DoDDS life brought along lots of travel, adventures, and, eventually, lots of fond memories of holidays spent with the DoDDS "family." Many of us traveled to foreign places-- all alone-- filled with anticipation of a new world for us. After almost 50 years of a connection through DoDDS and AOSHS here are some holiday memories that come to mind:

On Okinawa, your travels began at Thanksgiving, when you traveled to Taiwan and bargained yourself broke because if one snakeskin was cheap, two were cheaper and so on. Those of you who were there in the 60s, can visualize the very pointed high heels we had made, the material we bought to take back so to our "sew girls" who could perform miracles just from looking at a picture. At Christmas, if you didn't make the long journey home, you took the Circle Tour with either Johnny Tours or OTS. They took you to places like Bangkok with its temples and Buddhas, the Philippines with its decorated taxis and teeming night life, Singapore with the Car Park, a parking lot by day and an outdoor restaurant by night, and finally Hong Kong, with its small alleys, mysterious legends, the shopping, shopping, shopping, and the wonderful China Fleet that had an APO post office so we could mail back our packages without overloading the plane.

Easter found us flying to Japan with hopes of the weather being just right, so we could experience the beauty of the cherry blossoms and the wonders of Japanese history.

Three years later, I transferred to Germany and my first assignment was Berlin. After Okinawa with its warmth and excitement, Berlin seemed so isolated from the rest of Europe and was cold and dreary for a good part of the year. Travel to "the zone" was interesting and a bit scary at times, but we got it done. The troop train got us out now and then, and after a couple of trips, we got brave and drove. Going through the checkpoints was like taking part in a play. We had a script. We had to enter and leave according to the script and we could not deviate or we might never be seen again. When I received a transfer to West Germany, travel became much easier, and trips were taken more often.

I traveled many weekends in a row- to beer fests, wine fests, Christmas markets, and to London every Thanksgiving, when possible. There was a DoDDS exodus to London for 4 wonderful days of people speaking English, the theater and shopping, shopping, shopping.

Since England didn't celebrate Thanksgiving, stores were ready for Christmas shoppers, and decorations made you feel the spirit of the Christmas holidays. Memories include the Regent Palace and the American Hotel, a Thanksgiving dinner at the Hard Rock Café, standing in line for at least an hour with mouths watering for turkey and dressing with a touch of cranberries on the side. We also enjoyed the Carvery, and after the first trip, you were part of the DoDDS educators who met in the lobby of the Palace, renewing old friendships and creating new ones.

As we head into a brand new year, a highlight for many of us will be to attend the DoDDS reunion in July. I love also, taking an active part in AOSHS which has helped me to continue my friendships and additions to my memory bank. Holidays are a nostalgic time of year and sometimes sad but mostly wonderful memories show up and continue to multiply (for me anyway). Wishing all a most wonderful 2015.



Q& A with Evelyn Bauer—Looking back on a career in DODDS

How did you get interested in joining the dependents schools and what were your immediate first impressions upon arrival at your first school? Heard initially about the program in 11th grade from former DoD teachers...Enjoyed meeting new teachers.

How did your impressions change as the school year progressed? Enjoyed traveling and skiing with group; enjoyed meeting new teachers.

Were you familiar with a military environment? How did you adjust to it? No – enjoyed being on a military base and felt I was helping my country.

Locations

Tell something of your favorite and least favorite location, both with respect to the installation and to the host nation community. Labrador – Air Force so supportive...Class was in Quonset hut...Germany - opportunity to see Europe on weekends

What was special about living in a host nation community? Learning the language...Both great – saw Northern lights for first time in Labrador...Learning German language in Germany.

Under Three Military Services

Can you describe differences in school life on Army, Air Force, or Navy installations? Air Force – Great...Treated as

well as Generals...very supportive of teachers and family. Army – “If they wanted you to have a family, they would have issued you one.”

Facilities

What kinds of school buildings did you work in? Quonset hut and old buildings...

Did your classrooms differ from your stateside experiences? Yes, not up to “codes”...

Supplies and Equipment

Assess the availability of text books and general supplies in DoD schools. Yes, unless the ship sinks...

How did you cope with supply shortages? Great to create your own...Did a program of Xmas around the world with student and parents...I was very creative.

Impact of OEA, OFT, PTA

Describe involvement of teacher and parent organizations in your work life. We had no PTA in Labrador but did have in Germany – very helpful in meeting parents. Sometimes a private one-on-one would follow...

Other Issues or Questions We Should Have Asked? How to get teachers to join AOSHS

My DoDDS Memory by Jill Abbott

In DoDDS I worked in several types of classrooms, some regular type you'd expect in a school and others that were converted buildings. In Sigonella, I taught at an annex building in a housing area about a mile from the regular school. Once a week I walked my 8 years old students to the main school for their library time. Thankfully Sicily is very sunny and we didn't have to deal with rain. I also had a portable one year in back of the main building. With 5 minutes between classes, one had to really have good bladder control as it often was several hours before you could get a bathroom break.

In Bad Aibling our K-12 school used a 1930's era German hospital for our school. The long building was curved, so you couldn't see from one end of the hallway to the other. The basement was dark and spooky and it was rumored that there were connecting tunnels to other buildings on the Kaserne. The hospital dental and medical clinics were attached at one end of the building.

Over my career, I taught at the following schools:

Vicenza Elementary 1982-88

Sigonella ES/HS 1989-96

Heidelberg ES 1996-97

Bad Aibling ES/HS 1997-2002

Alconbury, England ES/HS 2002-2007

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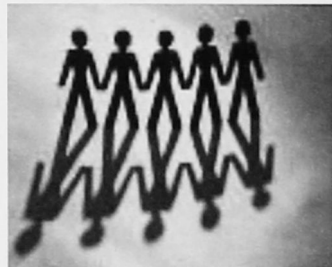
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