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This is the 27th and last issue of the Quarterly that will be published by AOSHS, an Arizona Nonprofit Corporation. The first issue, in January 1996 reported on the American Overseas Schools Archives, founded in 1989 and the newly formed nonprofit American Overseas Schools Historical Society.

The 27 issues are a record of the growth and development of the Archives, the Society and future Historical Park in Wichita, Kansas, all of which began with the archives on the campus of Northern Arizona University.

The next issue in November 2002 will be the first by the new AOSHS Kansas Corporation. Based on the past growth and progress of the society and archives, future additions will report on the continuing growth and progress in meeting the basic needs of an expanding number of overseas educators and students.

Members worldwide have demonstrated a willingness to help the society achieve its goal of an Historical Park in Central USA. With that kind of support, the AOSHS-KS Board of Directors anticipates leading the way.

In light of the Historical Park Site Dedication in Wichita on July 21, 2001 and plans to construct the park following achievement of an endowment goal, all members (over 500) at the Seventh Annual General Membership Meeting in Denver on July 13, 2002, voted for the Society to become a Kansas Corporation. Subsequently the Arizona Board of Directors, at a special meeting on August 12, 2002, determined in the best interests of the Society, to change incorporation from Arizona to Kansas and adopted four resolutions authorizing this change. Therefore, it is urgently requested that members read the enclosed Resolutions, a Plan and Agreement of Merger, and the announcement of an October 15, 2002 Meeting of Members. For those not attending the meeting, a Proxy Form and an addressed return envelope are enclosed.

Due to the expense and inconvenience of members worldwide and the logistics involved in such a meeting, it is suggested that members vote on the merger by using the enclosed Proxy Form instead of attending the meeting.



AOSHS POLICY

The Trustees realize that to obtain all objectives: (1) the strong support of the membership is absolutely essential and must be recognized, (2) that although the Society greatly appreciates and recognizes all donations and gifts, it will not recommend nor will it encourage its members to obtain the services or products of any company, and (3) the Society will not discriminate on the basis of lifestyle, race, sex, religion, or political affiliation.

THIS PAGE WILL BE CHANGED AND UPDATED IN THE NOVEMBER 2002 *QUARTERLY*

HISTORICAL SOCIETY DATABASES



The AOSHS has three personnel databases. If you have been, or are an overseas educator or an overseas student and have not already done so, please send the following information to the American Overseas Schools Archive, PO Box 1500, Wichita, KS 67201: EDUCATORS—Send your name (including maiden); mailing address; telephone and fax numbers; e-mail address; countries, schools, and above school level offices where you worked; years at each location, including grade levels, subjects, and positions. STUDENTS—Send your name, (including maiden); mailing address; telephone and fax numbers; e-mail address; countries, schools, and grade levels attended. All current and past students and educators are encouraged to send information regarding deceased overseas schools educators and students.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS



⇒ **The AOSHS-AZ Board of Directors** is involved with law firms in Wichita, KS and Mesa, AZ, incorporating the society as a nonprofit IRS 501(c)(3) charitable organization in Kansas. Therefore, with this issue of the *Quarterly*, there are three colored pages which all members should read: (1) the announcement of a meeting of members on October 15, 2002 to vote on the merger of AOSHS-AZ into the new AOSHS-KS with the Kansas Corporation being our new entity in our new Wichita home; (2) four resolutions adopted by the AOSHS-AZ Corporation advising members to change incorporation of the Society from Arizona to Kansas; (3) a plan and agreement merging the AOSHS-AZ and AOSHS-KS Corporations; and (4) a proxy form for use by members who cannot attend the October 15 meeting. **The board recommends that members use the proxy form to vote on the merger with the Kansas Corporation being the surviving Corporation, instead of attending the meeting.** To incorporate the Society in Kansas, the majority of those voting at the meeting or by proxy must approve the merger of the two corporations, with the Kansas corporation being the surviving corporation. **Therefore, the board recommends that members send the proxy form to AOSHS as soon as possible and not wait until the October 12 deadline.**

⇒ **The AOS Historical Society (AOSHS)** now has two addresses: PO Box 1500, Wichita, KS 67201, and PO Box 777, Litchfield Park, AZ 85340. Until further notice all correspondence, dues and donations should be sent to the AZ address. The Wichita address is being used temporarily only for local correspondence.

⇒ **The address for The AOS Archives (AOSA)** is 539 South Water Street, Wichita, KS 67202. Send historical items, artifacts, packages, boxes and memorabilia to this address.

⇒ **ATTENTION CURRENT AND PAST OVERSEAS EDUCATORS!** Attachment No. 2, at the end of this issue of *The Quarterly* is an Archives Registration Form. It is a basic record of your service overseas, used only for historical recording and research purposes. Please fill out and send to the address on the form ASAP. Many of you have filled out the form before, but it is now time for an update. The American Overseas Schools Archives (AOSA) is not a personnel locator! Information on your registration form will only be released at your request.

⇒ **The AOSHS Memorial Program and The AOSHS Memorial Fund** provide for inscribed bricks, blocks and polished granite pavers that will be installed at the Historical Park in Wichita. They have both been very popular. The *Memorial Program* is for a personal purchase for yourself, as a gift for a friend, loved one, or in memory of a friend, loved one, school, alumni association etc. The *Memorial Fund* is when an announcement is made in the *Quarterly* requesting others, who may wish to contribute, send funds in remembrance of deceased friends or loved ones. Both the Memorial Program and the Memorial Fund are described in a **Special Attachment** at the end of this *Quarterly*.

AOSHS/DoDDS DENVER

By Glenn Greenwood

Recently more than 1,000 retired and active Department of Defense Dependents School (DoDDS) teachers, administrators and students ascended to the mile high city of Denver for the DoDDS XIV Reunion at the Denver Marriott Tech Center Hotel.

The four-day annual event began on Friday, July 12 and attendance quickly exceeded all expectations. "The response to the Reunion was so enthusiastic that we decided to open early registration on July 11, and over 300 stopped by to pick up their packets, sign up for the banquet and mini-reunions, and just to start the festivities early," commented JoAnn Johnson, Reunion Registrar "It was unbelievable," Tina Calo, treasurer for the event, noted. "We have created a lovable, exciting, and enjoyable "monster," said former DoDDS Administrator, Lee Davis.

Friday's all day registration was climaxed by the opening buffet reception. This reception set the tone for the next few days. There was plenty of food and certainly enough bartenders to keep long lines down. It was wall to wall people, as certainly more than 900 joined in! Tennessee-transplant Joann Rotelli Blair was heard to say, "This is the greatest! Let's start our engines and party!"

Saturday morning began on a more serious note with the American Overseas Schools Historical Society Annual Business Meeting. Lead by outgoing AOSHS President Dr. Thomas Drysdale, the meeting opened with more than 400 members in attendance.

At the top of this year's AOSHS meeting agenda was the realignment of board positions, made necessary by an increase in membership and the approval of new by-laws necessary for the society's incorporation in Kansas. These items were approved unanimously by the members at the meeting.

These approvals pave the way to the future for AOSHS, "The progress made by AOSHS is evidenced by the need for realignment, which increased the size of the board and the addition of more than a dozen volunteers to the current group," said AOSHS President - Elect Ann Bamberger. "We advertised several specific volunteer positions and all were filled, further evidence of outstanding support from our membership," added Bamberger.

Outgoing President, Tom Drysdale had this to say about the changes at AOSHS, "Ann Bamberger, the new president-elect, has an outstanding record in Europe and the Pacific as a teacher, principal and district superintendent. She will guide AOSHS in the right direction, unselfishly meeting the needs of current and past overseas students, educators and schools. I can think of no one better to fill the president's shoes. The only problem is that the old shoes are not large enough."

Additionally, Drysdale commented, "Also it is very encouraging to see that on the new unanimously elected nine member Board of Directors, five will be overseas schools alumni.

Realignment of leadership at AOSHS will allow Dr. Thomas Drysdale, as president emeritus to focus on the fund raising necessary to complete the endowment fund required to hire personnel for the Historical Park in Wichita, Kansas, followed by capital funds needed for construction.

As the AOSHS business meeting was concluded, retired DoDDS Teacher, Linda Hiebert Sekiguchi announced the creation of the Tom and Norma Drysdale Endowment for the Restoration and Preservation of Archival Materials. A grass roots effort started by Ms. Sekiguchi, the endowment was begun to honor the Drysdales and opened with more than 475 contributors donating in excess of \$18,000. "Tom and Norma Drysdale have been absolutely incredible in their dedication to the cause of AOSHS! Through their vision, the archives were begun and the organization was founded. I felt that the Drysdales should be recognized for their years of dedicated effort," said Sekiguchi."

AOSHS First Vice President, Lee Davis then presented the Drysdales with a plaque reading, "The Members of the American Overseas Schools Historical Society Recognize the Countless Hours of Dedicated Effort Made by: Tom & Norma Drysdale. In grateful appreciation, we establish The Tom and Norma Drysdale Endowment for the Preservation and Restoration of Archival Materials."

Following the AOSHS meeting, the mini-reunions got off to a fast start! "Next year, we'll have even more," a Committee member said. "The success of our first-ever mini-reunions certainly exceeded our expectations!"

The "crowning" moments of the Reunion occurred at Sunday evening's banquet, where a sell out crowd was treated to a social hour followed by an excellent dinner and entertainment emceed by Richard Smith with a little help from Emily Van Sweden.

"Everything went so well," commented Reunion Committee Coordinator, Bill Hobbs. "We have received so many wonderful compliments. This year has been a joy to all of us on this committee. Indeed, the members all deserve a large round of applause!"

Next summers DoDDS Reunion will take place in Atlanta. All information regarding this event will be forthcoming early this fall when all details are confirmed, according to Atlanta Committee officials.

"Repeating the success of Denver will be a real challenge," JoAnn Johnson, registrar, notes, "but we have a very special, very hard-working committee who will be doing all they can to see that Atlanta, too, is a triumph." Tina Calo added, "We are all open to suggestions. Let's make Atlanta even grander and more fun than Denver, if that's possible."

Anyone requiring information or wishing to make suggestions for next years gathering in Atlanta can send an e-mail to: doddsreunion@cox-internet.com.



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**NEW ENDOWMENT FUND ESTABLISHED
for
THE AMERICAN OVERSEAS SCHOOLS ARCHIVES**

By Linda Hiebert Sekiguchi

Tom and Norma Drysdale have been absolutely incredible in their dedication to the cause of AOSHS! Through their vision, the *Archive* was begun and our organization was founded. Their dedicated effort, hard work, and ability to motivate others to become involved were instrumental in bringing our Historical Society to the level of achievement it now enjoys. With plans in place for our wonderful museum and archive complex in Wichita, KS, we have fulfilled Tom's "impossible dream."

I felt that the Drysdales should be recognized for their years of dedicated effort. Last January, I inquired about making a personal donation to the *AOSHS Memorial Fund* in their honor. No mechanism was in place to make this type of contribution as the memorial fund was basically established for members and friends who are no longer with us. Upon further investigation over the next several months, I found that no special plan was in place to formally recognize their years of service. This was largely due to Tom's repeated admonition to the Board that the organization is of prime importance, and that it should not exist for the aggrandizement of any individual. He stated in no uncertain terms that he had not become involved for his, or his family's recognition or benefit. The Board was under strict orders that no special recognition should be made at their last office-holding membership meeting in Denver.

In consultation with other members, we felt that we wished to show our appreciation while the Drysdales are with us, not wait until they no longer could receive the gratitude and recognition they so richly deserve. Thus was born the grass roots idea of an endowment fund that would support the archives. The *archives* had been named in their honor by the membership in 2001—in a motion prepared without their knowledge. However, no monetary commitment accompanied the designation.

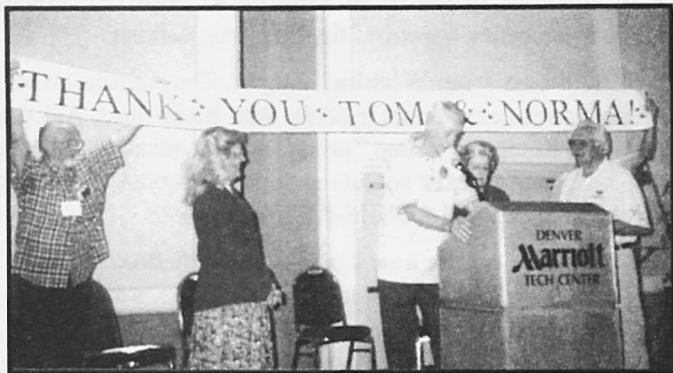
Everyone I spoke with or e-mailed was most enthusiastic about the idea of the endowment and honoring the Drysdales in this way! People called to help and offered various types of assistance. Without the knowledge of board members, a group of dedicated individuals consented to copy and mail flyers to the AOSHS membership. Special thanks goes to the following people for their enthusiastic support and efforts: Colette Brinkman, Leslie and Carol Burch, Dick and Lis Coss, Lee Davis, Scott and Carolyn Davis, Marie Espinoza, Kermit Long, John and Joann Middleton, Charlotte Miles, Michael O'Brien, Walter Peik, Jeff and Shelley Pellaton, Betty St. George, Sunny Schwentner, Grant and Elizabeth Smith, Homer and Esther Smith, Dode Thorsen, Frank and Joyce Vahovich and for many hours of special assistance from Bruce E. Mitchener on the computer (as I am legally blind).

Following the mailing, hundreds of checks began arriving in my mailbox. Without exception, all who included notes stated such support as: "Great idea!" "I'm glad someone started this!" "The Drysdales are most deserving!" "I'm sorry I am unable to contribute more in their honor!" "I'm glad you're doing this!" "I knew the Drysdales overseas. They have been wonderful!" "How appropriate!"

Thanks to the fantastic response from members, we are able to report that as of this writing, nearly one-third of the membership has contributed to the Fund so far. What an honor it was to surprise the Drysdales at the Denver meeting with Lee Davis, presenting them with a plaque reading:

The members of the American Overseas Schools Historical Society recognize the countless hours of dedicated effort made by: Tom and Norma Drysdale

In grateful appreciation, we establish
The Tom and Norma Drysdale Endowment
for the
Preservation and Restoration of Archival Materials



Left-to-right: Walter Peik,
Linda Hiebert Sekiguchi,
Tom & Norma Drysdale;
Lee Davis, and Les Burch
(behind Lee)

Those present were invited to write their personal appreciation on a banner reading:
"THANK YOU, TOM AND NORMA!"

Checks amounting to over \$16,000 were presented to Ann Bamberger for deposit to the endowment. Additional donations since then have increased the endowment to more than \$18,000.

Linda Hiebert Sekiguchi, retired overseas teacher, is a resident of Minden, NV <lindas4@juno.com>



Madrid/Torrejón Challenge Grant Has Been Met!!!

We take great pleasure in reporting that the \$2,500 Matching Challenge Grant initiated by the Madrid/Torrejón HS Association last fall has been brought to a successful conclusion.

As a result, AOSHS received more than \$6,000 !

The groups that rose more than \$3,500 to meet the \$2,500 challenge include the:

Ramey HS 70's Alumni Association

Berlin Brats Alumni Association

Heidelberg Alumni Association

Nouasseur Alumni Association

Overseas Brats

Stuttgart/Ludwigsburg American HS Alumni Association

Wainwright American HS Alumni Association

Fountainebleau Alumni Association

Zweibrücken Alumni Association

Karlsruhe Alumni Association

Nürnberg Alumni Association

Tehran Alumni Association

We thank the Madrid/Torrejón HS Association for issuing the Challenge and the above associations for exceeding the challenge. It is a privilege to count you all as our supporters.

Thank you!

Jeri (Polansky) Glass

Report on the Seventh Annual Meeting of AOSHS Members
during the DoDDS XIV Reunion
in the
Denver, CO Marriott Tech Center Hotel July 13, 2002

Following the *Suggested Realignment of Positions*, mailed by the AOSHS-AZ Board of Directors to members on April 22, 2002, those attending the meeting approved the following actions:

(1) The election of two new board members from Wichita, Kansas. The Arizona AOSHS Board of Directors now consists of Arizona residents Tom Drysdale, Ann Bamberger, A. Lucille Hansen, Norma Drysdale, Jeri Glass, Diana Kempton, Bruce Taft and Kansas residents Margaret Palmer and Chuck Willis. AOSHS-AZ will cease to exist sometime during September/October 2002 and following the merger of the AOSHS-AZ and AOSHS-KS Corporations.

(2) The election of board members to serve on the new Kansas AOSHS Board of Directors, following a merger of the Arizona and Kansas Boards and AOSHS-KS subsequently becoming the surviving corporation. Their positions and names are: **President** — Ann Bamberger; **Vice President** — Leland Davis; **Secretary** — Doris Thorson; **Treasurer** — Chuck Willis; and **Board Members** Bruce Taft; Jeri Glass; Diana Kempton; Margaret Palmer; and Linda Wagner. All are from the Phoenix area of Arizona except Margaret Palmer and Chuck Willis of Wichita, Kansas and Linda Wagner of Bradfordwoods, Pennsylvania.

(3) The reappointment of volunteers and appointment of new volunteers. Their positions, names and states of residence appear below. (Residences and e-mail addresses will appear in future issues of the *Quarterly*.)

<u>Architectural Design</u>	Diana Kempton (AZ)
<u>Archive Assistants</u>	Belinda Colella (KS); Marilyn Kirby (KS); Bernard Tibbetts (KS); Lynn Wassinger (KS)
<u>Archive Audio/Visual</u>	René Cole (KS)
<u>Archive Director</u>	Tom Drysdale (AZ-KS)
<u>Archive Historian</u>	Margaret Palmer (KS)
<u>Archive Personnel Database</u>	Linda Willis (KS)
<u>Audio/Visual Historian, AOSHS</u>	Lucille Hansen (AZ)
<u>Capital Representative Washington, DC</u>	Jan Mohr (VA)
<u>Communications/PR</u>	Glenn Greenwood (TX)
<u>Directory Development-Overseas Schools and Offices</u>	Les Burch (CO)
<u>Fund Raising</u>	Tom Drysdale (AZ_KS); Jo Emerson (MN); Linda Wagner (PA)
<u>Membership</u>	Tina Calo (SC)
<u>Memorial Program</u>	Carolyn Wilber (AZ)
<u>Merchandise Sales</u>	Jeri Glass (AZ)
<u>Newsletter Editor</u>	Loyd Morrow (OR)
<u>Overseas Representative</u>	Bruce Taft (AZ)
<u>Roving Ambassador</u>	Lee Davis (AZ)
<u>Webmaster</u>	Lyn Fort (FL)

INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL BANGKOK

ALUMNI GENEROUSLY DONATE FUNDS TO AOSHS

The International School of Bangkok Network Alumni Association held its bi-annual reunion, August 2-4, 2002 at the Litchfield Park Wigwam Resort, in the West Valley near Phoenix, AZ. The venue had tremendous Southwest ambiance, the pools were inviting and the events too fun not to participate in. There were lots of first-time attendees this year. And judging from the many comments overheard during the reunion, many plan to attend the next reunion in 2004—ah yes, hooked like the rest of us.

Dr. and Mrs. Tom Drysdale were among the nearly 400 alumni and guests who gathered at the Wigwam Resort for the "Hot Fun in the Summer Sun" Reunion. Dr. Drysdale was invited by the Board of Directors of the ISB Network Alumni Association (ISNA) to host an AOSHS information table during the reunion and to speak to the Board of Directors at their annual board meeting.

Even though most of the ISBN Board members had attended the moving Historical Park Site Dedication Ceremony in July 2001 in Wichita, Kansas, Dr. Drysdale's recount of the years of patience and persistence devoted by many, to bringing the American Overseas Schools Historical Society to life was both inspiring and motivating. We immediately embraced "The Dream" as our own, and anonymously voted to contribute funds that would help build Our Home in Wichita to preserve the unique history and upbringing all overseas brats share.

Kris Stahlman, president of the ISBN Alumni Association commented, "We are excited to be able to donate funds that will be used to preserve the history of attending school in Thailand. We also plan to donate precious archive items, spanning 50 years, which will keep those memories alive long after we are gone".

During the ISBN Saturday evening awards dinner it was announced that the ISBN had donated \$500 to the AOSHS Endowment Fund and \$1,000 to AOSHS for the purchase of a personalized ISBN Granite Paver. Joe Condrill, ISB alumnus, Charter Member of AOSHS and president of Overseas Brats accepted the donation on behalf of AOSHS.

Kris Stahlman, President of ISBN AA resides in San Jose, CA. <kstahlman@earthlink.net>



HOW THE GERMANS WELCOMED US BACK WITH WELCOME ARMS

By Linda Irvine

The Zweibrücken American High School Reunion held June 14-17, 2002 in conjunction with the 650th Anniversary of the city was a huge success. Over 110 alumni, faculty and their guests attended one or more portions of the reunion.

Our small city of only 35,000 was host to over 200,000 guests during the weekend including President Beck of Rheinland Pfalz. With 12 live stages running daily, the food, the beer and a four-hour parade, the Germans masterfully demonstrated how they are the kings at throwing a festival.

Having been planned over two years in advance, the Reunion was held right downtown at the Rosengarten Hotel. The opening reception was in the Rosengarten itself, which was in all its wonder with the fountains and roses in full bloom. Surprise guests included Coach Clark, who was the Gym, Cross-Country and Golf Coach for almost 25 years at Zwei.

The banquet held at the Fasanerie, still adorning the 17th century castle ruins, where Dr. Heinz Heller, the Bürgermeister of Zweibrücken and Colonel Sam Norman, Faculty for 1974-79 and now Commander of a Support Wing at Ramstein AFB, were the guest speakers. But the reunion would not have been complete if it had not been for our beloved Clint Killin, faculty for 20 years, crashing the banquet dinner.

The highlight of the reunion was the parade. The Germans welcomed the Americans back with enthusiastic applause as our float approached, touching all of us immensely. We were even on German National TV with full narration.

With over 3,300 parade participants, The Zweibrücken American High School Alumni Association Float was up front, Number 7, since we were from the city. Adorned in Trojan Blue and White, picture boards from the 70's, 80's and 90's, banners, balloons and giant horseshoes, the float proudly waved both the American and German Flags.

About 60 alumni and faculty dressed in anything from Trojan costumes to graduation caps and gowns to sports uniforms, either rode on or followed the float.

Linda Yetter Irvine from Kennewick, WA is Chairperson for the Zweibrücken Alumni Association, and President of Reunion Brat. <BratMail@aol.com>

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As you read this issue of the Quarterly, we hope you are aware of some contact names, addresses and e-mail changes. The few changes in this issue reflect the beginning of the reorganization of AOSHS. During the next three months, when the new Board of Directors begins its work, there will be

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many more contact changes to come. **It is vital that you check carefully in both this issue and, especially, the November issue,** to note whom to contact about each concern. (Dues, Memorial Program, Archive Database, articles for the newsletter,

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deceased, donations to the archives, etc). By November, many of these contact points will change and since members from Florida to Oregon will accomplish these tasks, it is important that you contact the correct person. Your attention to these details is appreciated.

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PERSONNEL REGISTRATION FORM

For all current and past educators and support personnel, American and foreign.

Name: First _____ MI _____ Last _____

Maiden name _____ Sex: M ___ F ___ Citizenship _____

Date of Birth: Mo _____ Day _____ Yr _____

Primary Address: _____ Apt. No. _____

City _____ State/Province _____ ZIP _____

Country _____ Telephone No. _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Educational Background:

BA ___ BS ___ Other _____ School: _____ Yr. Rec'd _____

MA ___ MS ___ Other _____ School: _____ Yr. Rec'd _____

Ed.D. ___ Ph.D. ___ Other _____ School: _____

Dissertation Title: _____

_____ Yr. Rec'd _____

I understand the information I have provided will be available for research purposes in the archives.

Signature _____ Date _____

Please complete the information on the reverse of this form and mail to:

AOSHS Archive Registration
P.O. Box 1500
Wichita, KS 67201-1500

No. of Years with Private Overseas Schools _____ First Yr. _____ Last Yr. _____ If there was a break in service please list the year(s) you left, then returned: Left _____ Returned _____; Left _____ Returned _____; Left _____ Returned _____.

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Our AOSHS Family

Overseas relationships are as strong as blood relationships for many AOSHS members. Adventure, service, experiences, camaraderie, and memories are but a few of the intangibles, which describe the AOSHS, life.

Leaving a Legacy

Planned Giving can enable donors to realize substantial income and estate tax savings and may actually increase their lifetime income flow and that of their beneficiaries.

A planned Giving Program is a sensible way for individuals who want to make charitable gifts during their lifetime, or by their will to do so prudently and with maximum benefit to both the charity and themselves.

There are many ways to leave a legacy. Some have significant tax advantages, both while you are alive and following your death. Talk with your attorney about the best options for you and your heirs.

Here are six steps you can take to leave a legacy:

- 1) Prepare or amend your will or living trust naming AOSHS. Your bequest can be a flat dollar amount, a percentage of your entire estate, specific assets or the residue of the estate.
- 2) Change a portion of the beneficiary designations of your retirement plans and tax-deferred annuities to AOSHS. This is easy to do and you don't need to amend your will or living trust. This is the single most tax-efficient way to leave a legacy. AOSHS can receive this tax-free, but your heirs can not.
- 3) Give an unneeded life insurance policy, or purchase a new one, naming AOSHS as the beneficiary. Depending on how you structure it, you might also get a charitable income tax deduction.
- 4) Consider giving appreciated assets to AOSHS while you are living. You can get a tax deduction and avoid capital gains.
- 5) Remember a loved one with memorial gifts.
- 6) Encourage family and friends to leave a gift to AOSHS in their wills.

A planned Giving Program is a sensible way for individuals who want to make charitable gifts during their lifetime, or by their will to do so prudently and with maximum benefit to both the charity and themselves. Planned Giving can enable donors to realize substantial income and estate tax savings and may actually increase their lifetime income flow and that of their beneficiaries.

The American Overseas Schools Historical Society's Planned Giving Program will greatly strengthen our ability to educate future generations on the heritage of, and services performed by all those students, parents, educators associated with American Overseas Dependents Schools, worldwide, both military and private.

YOU can make a difference. Plan TODAY to CREATE A LEGACY FOR TOMORROW. The type of gift that is best for you will depend on your personal circumstances. We encourage you to include AOSHS as one of your chosen charitable beneficiaries.

For additional information, please contact AOSHS.

FOLLOWING YOUR NAME ON THE ADDRESS LABEL OF THE QUARTERLY IS A NUMBER.

IF THAT NUMBER IS 27 OR LESS, YOUR DUES ARE DUE.

(AN "E" AFTER THE NUMBER INDICATES YOU HAVE MADE A DONATION TO THE ENDOWMENT FUND. A "D" INDICATES OTHER DONATIONS. THANK YOU!)

IF YOUR DUES ARE DUE, PLEASE SEND \$20 TO AOSHS USING THE FORM BELOW.

AOSHS PO Box 777, Litchfield Park, AZ 85340 {<http://aoshs.wichita.edu>}

(AOSHS is currently administered 100% by volunteers who receive no remuneration).

NEW MEMBER APPLICATION* _____ **RENEWAL APPLICATION*** _____

Printed full name (Including Maiden): _____

Printed address: _____ **Apt. No.** _____

City (or APO-FPO) _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____ **Tel.** _____

E-mail address: _____ **Signature** _____ **Date** _____

I am an Ex ___ **Current** ___ **Overseas Educator** ___ **or Overseas Student** ___

Enclosed is my check/money order for an Individual Life Membership. \$ _____
See program description below.

Enclosed is my \$20.00 check/money order for dues for one year, and four issues of The AOSHS QUARTERLY \$ _____

Enclosed is a Donation for the AOSHS Endowment Fund \$ _____

Enclosed is a Donation for the T & N Archives Endowment Fund \$ _____

Enclosed is a Donation for the AOSHS Building Fund \$ _____

Enclosed is a Donation for the AOSHS Operating Fund \$ _____

Attached are names of spouse and children **Total \$** _____

***Annual Dues \$20 effective 10/01/00**

Thank You!

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AOSHS Individual Life Membership Program (ILMP) Now Available

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Make checks payable to AOSHS – ILMP

and send to AOSHS Box 777, Litchfield Park, AZ 85340

<u>AGE BRACKETS</u>	<u>ILMP</u>
21 – 30	\$ 640
31 – 40	535
41 – 50	450
51 – 55	375
56 – 60	310

<u>AGE BRACKETS</u>	<u>ILMP</u>
61 – 65	\$ 255
66 – 70	215
71 – 75	180
76 – 80	145
81 +	110

REUNION NEWS — COMING EVENTS

JOIN US ON THE WORLD'S MOST FAMOUS BEACH

DoDDS-FL Reunion in Daytona Beach

October 25-27, 2002

Radisson Resort Hotel (All rooms have an ocean view!)

Call 800-333-3333 or 386-239-9800 for reservations.

Send meal reservations, etc. to Marlene Ludlow

3170 Ocean Shore Blvd. #504

Ormond Beach, FL 32176

Deadline: September 14, 2002

For further information, contact:

Sharon Pearce or Marlene Ludlow

386-441-7730

386-441-8523

sapearce@hotmail.com

ludlowma@bellsouth.net

OVERSEAS BRATS "Chicagoland Gathering"

October 17-20, 2002, at the Lisle Wyndham Hotel, 3000 Warrenville Road,
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A wonderful and FUN Reunion Experience for all who were Brats,
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Hotel information: \$92 a night for single/double occupancy or \$175 a night
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BRATS "Chicagoland Gathering." PLEASE NOTE: Our room block with
the hotel expires on September 25, 2002.

For more information, visit the official OVERSEAS BRATS web site at:
{<http://www.overseasbrats.com>} or call (316) 269-9610

The AOSHS Memorial Program

PO Box 4312, Scottsdale, AZ 85261

The following is a recap of the memorial program currently available.

All purchases and donations are tax deductible.

1. **Memorial Program** – you may purchase a brick, block or paver in your own name, as a gift for a friend or loved one, or in memory of a friend, 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.
2. **Memorial Fund** – you may organize a memorial fund for a deceased friend or loved one. The fund will be announced in two issues of the AOSHS 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 to complete and submit with your original donation.
3. You may donate to a memorial fund already established by sending a check payable to AOSHS Memorial Fund and note the honoree on the memo line. Send checks to the:

Memorial Program, PO Box 4312, Scottsdale, AZ 85261.

E-mail: <clwilber@juno.com>

<u>Type</u>	<u>Size</u> (inches)	<u>Max Characters</u> <u>per Line</u> (including characters and spaces)	<u>Max Lines</u>	<u>Total Characters</u> (including characters and spaces)	<u>Cost</u>
Ceramic Brick	4x8	15	2	30	\$ 100
Ceramic Block	8x8	15	5	75	\$ 250
Granite Block, Polished	8x8	15	5	75	\$ 500
Granite Paver, Polished	16x16	25	11	275	\$1,000
Granite Paver, Polished	24x24	35	17	595	\$2,500

Who?

Who will pay homage to American overseas
educators and their students?

Who will record and preserve the history of American
elementary and secondary education abroad?

Who will preserve the legacy of
American Overseas Schools?

Who will archive the memorabilia of
American Overseas Schools?

If AOSHS doesn't do it, who will?

DoDDS XIII Kiosk Site in Wichita — Now Available to You at Home

As the bricks, blocks and pavers, which are a part of the Memorial Program, have been purchased, the information provided has been entered into a computer program. From that program a kiosk has been developed to enable people to see who has purchased an item individually, as a gift for a friend or loved one, or in memory of someone. If a biography and photo were submitted, they are a part of the kiosk page. Attendees at the Wichita reunion had the opportunity to be on line and look at the biographies and see an example of approximately what the item will look like. On August 10, the site went on the Internet and can be accessed at: <www.aoshs.com/kiosk>.

The home page gives you five links: **Interactive Kiosk** – an alphabetical roster of who is entered in the program. Follow the prompts to find the alphabet page you want to see, click on the name to get the page to read the bio and see the photo (if submitted), then click on the word Brick, Block or Paver to see a facsimile of the item. **Historical Park** – tells about the projected park, with a map and photo of the architects' model. **Memorial Program** – tells about the program and lists items that can be purchased, the details of each item and how to receive order cards. **Fund Donation** – lists the current funds which are open to receive donations, and tells where to send a donation. **AOSHS Home** – this link will take you to the AOSHS web site which can also be accessed at: <aoshs.wichita.edu>.

Those of you who have already purchased a brick, block or paver and have not sent in a biography and/or photo, are welcome to do so at any time. Please note: 1) The first time you go to the site, it may take a while for the pictures and colors to load onto your computer. 2) if you click on a paver, and it shows a blank, with no inscription, that is because none has been received as yet. When a memorial fund closes, it is often three or four months before the organizer of the fund submits the inscription desired. It is not the fault of this program or your computer. When the bricks and pavers are eventually installed at the Historical Park, there will be a kiosk on site. Visitors will be able to read all of the above information, plus it will give the location of each item so they can view it in place.

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

LAWRENCE LUNDBERG (1932-2001) MEMORIAL FUND

Larry Lundberg and the schools established on the SHAPE (Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe) compound were intimately intertwined for 27+ years. He came to the "school within a school" in 1968 as principal of the US Section, a US military dependents school sharing an international campus with 13 others schools representing 8 nations. The international school was newly formed and in its developmental state. His contribution to the establishment of cooperative teacher and student interaction, the sharing of common facilities and the esprit de corps among school staffs is well known and acknowledged by both students and professional educators. It was his choice in 1975 to return to the profession closest to his heart, that of classroom teacher at SHAPE American Elementary School. He will be forever remembered by staff and students as a dedicated teacher whose positive influence is not bordered by the passing of time. "The most important thing is to be there," and he always was.

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

VIRGINIA C. REIDY (1923-2001) MEMORIAL FUND

Virginia Reidy was born in San Diego, California on July 24, 1923. She received a B.A. from Occidental College, Los Angeles. While teaching elementary school in San Diego, she accepted a teacher exchange position in Glasgow, Scotland for school year 1951-52. She enjoyed the overseas experience so much that in 1954 she applied to the schools operated by the military overseas. Virginia enjoyed her assignments in Kitzingen and Frankfurt, Germany. After a number of years suffering with acute side effects of diabetes, she passed away December 6, 2001. She will always be remembered for her skillful teaching methods and bright, sunny outlook on life.

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

JOAN L. WICKS (1934-2002) MEMORIAL FUND

Joan wicks was born in Decorah, Iowa. After receiving her degree from the University of Iowa, she taught elementary school in Iowa and California before going overseas in 1960. Her assignments with dependents' schools included Okinawa, Germany, Italy, Turkey, Puerto Rico, Japan, Korea, the Philippines and Virginia. While overseas, she earned her MA from Michigan State. After her retirement in 1991, she discovered she missed working with children, living overseas and traveling. She went back to school, earned her certification in early childhood special education and went back overseas, though she was diagnosed with cancer and treated several times over the past nine years. Joan is remembered for her determination, her loyalty to her many friends, her love of the young children she taught, her enthusiastic participation in the arts and cultural activities of the countries where she lived and traveled and her active interest in gourmet cooking and home decoration. Joan passed away after her long battle with cancer on May 16, 2002.

SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT

JOHN BROKAW (1935-2001) MEMORIAL FUND

Originally from Shelbyville, Indiana, John Brokaw, Ph.D., began his teaching career in 1959 as a music teacher in Fowler, Indiana. He spent three years there before applying to the overseas dependents schools where he subsequently worked for 32 years. John served as a music teacher and later as an administrator in France, Turkey, Japan, Korea, The Philippines and Germany. He concluded his overseas career as Principal of Patch American High School in Stuttgart, Germany. John remained very active after his retirement, holding the following positions: President of the Indianapolis Computer Society; member of the Board of Directors of the Indiana Delta Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon; Head Deacon of the Crestview Christian Church; member of the Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce; involved in Brokaw Enterprises, served as a Northwest Radiology Network courier, and from 1997 until his death, was the AOSHS Overseas Schools Educators Database Manager. John will be remembered for his dedication and service to others, for his vitality, his sense of humor and his gregarious personality.

SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT

NANCY LEE HILL (1922-1992) MEMORIAL FUND

Nancy Lee Hill, a DoDDS Teacher of the Year, was a proud Virginian who started her overseas teaching career in 1972 at Seoul, American High School as a math teacher. Prior to going to Korea, Nancy, a teacher with great intellectual curiosity, had a rich and varied teaching career which included founding the Grymes Memorial School (VA), where she also taught. She was also an exchange teacher in England during the summers of 1967-71 and, during her years in Seoul, taught several math classes at the University of Maryland. Nancy left Seoul in 1989, retiring to Morgantown, North Carolina. She is remembered for the high academic standards she set for her students and the dedication and determination she displayed in helping each student reach his/her potential. She was talented, classy and adventuresome - one who loved and lived life to the fullest.

SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT

FRANCES C. MURPHY (1923-1998) MEMORIAL FUND

Fran was born in Estherville, Iowa and graduated from Drake University earning baccalaureate and masters degrees. She taught in Iowa for several years. As a young widow, Fran started teaching with the Department of Defense schools in 1965 after her Naval officer brother made contacts on her behalf. Her assignments included Guantanamo Bay, Cuba; Rhein Main, Germany; Clark Air Force Base, The Philippines; Karamusel, Turkey and Japan. She retired from DoDDS and taught two more years in Iowa, giving her 45 years in the classroom. In 1998 she died in Stillwater, Minnesota at the age of 74. Fran had a distinctive splotch of gray at her forehead amidst her head of black hair. She was known for her wisdom, generosity, warmth, loyalty, no-nonsense approach to life and teaching.

SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT

KIP P. TAYLOR (1963-2002) MEMORIAL FUND

LTC Kip Paul Taylor, born in Verdun, France and a Berlin American High School graduate, class of '81, was killed in the attack on the Pentagon on September 11, 2001. Kip's 16 year ascent through the army ranks began when he received his commission from the Reserve Officers' Training Corps at Northern Michigan University, a unit run by his father, Don. Kip served as a special assistant and speech writer to Lt. General Timothy Maude, also lost in the attack. He is survived by his wife Nancy and two young children. Kip will be remembered by his classmates at BAHS as the tall, blond, tousle-haired, basketball playing guy who was always smiling.

CLOSED MEMORIAL FUNDS

*FOLLOWING IS THE DISPOSITION OF FUNDS THAT CLOSED IN FEBRUARY AND MAY OF 2002.
THEY ARE LISTED ALPHABETICALLY.*

ABIGAIL ABE	8 x 8" polished granite paver, excess \$ to Historical Park Beautification Fund
DR. HAROLD "MIKE" BROWN	16 x 16" polished granite paver
ELEANOR (LIN) CHUHA	8 x 8" ceramic paver, excess \$ to Historical Park Beautification Fund
MARTHA JEAN DAL SANTO	24 x 24" polished granite paver, excess \$ to Historical Park Beautification Fund
GRACIELA GUTIERREZ	8 x 8" polished granite paver
LINDA SUE HARRIS	not yet determined
KAY JENSEN	recognized on "Those no longer with us" paver
PATRICIA ANN LAWLER	8 x 8" ceramic paver
DR. EDWARD MANTEL	not yet determined
CLETA MCGUIRE	8 x 8" ceramic paver
BEVERLY NEVEAU	8 x 8" ceramic paver, excess \$ to Historical Park Beautification Fund
SOLVEIG SATTRE	16 x 16" polished granite paver
HERMAN D. SEARCH	not yet determined
CATHERINE B. STOLZER	not yet determined
MARY MARGUERITE WANT	not yet determined

THE SHIP OF MEMORIES

The Ship of Memories was launched in 1995 and christened in 1996. With an initial crew of four and 262 passengers it began a world cruise in search of more passengers with a common cause of preserving their unique but similar memories and finding a permanent home port. In the following years the passengers, now in 1,700 staterooms, have increased to more than 2,600, and more are coming on board daily.

The name of the ship is The Good Ship AOSHS. It has been in dry-dock since last July at the request of 500 passengers who attended an annual meeting in Denver and signed on more passengers. It is being outfitted to accommodate a larger nine-member crew, many more volunteers and passengers. The volunteers will soon be working to benefit passengers by improving old programs and assisting in the delivery of new ones.

The old captain, with the able assistance of volunteers cataloging and recording archive items belonging to the passengers, is preparing to raise money for more fuel. Many passengers have helped and continue to help in this effort, but much more fuel is needed for USS AOSHS to reach its new homeport.

The work in dry-dock is scheduled to finish by the end of September when USS AOSHS will start a shakedown cruise that will last for the remainder of 2002. On the bridge will be the new Captain Ann Bamberger assisted by Lieutenants Lee Davis, Dode Thorson, Chuck Willis and Ensigns Jeri Glass, Diana Kempton, Bruce Taft and Linda Wagner.

During the shakedown, cruise the crew and volunteer deck hands will be working stem to stern, port to starboard, to insure that USS AOSHS will eventually reach its destination, dock and establish a central worldwide corporate headquarters at its new and permanent home port on the north bank of the Arkansas River in Wichita, Kansas.

