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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

LINDA CONNELLY

Welcome to AOSHS 2020 – 2021!

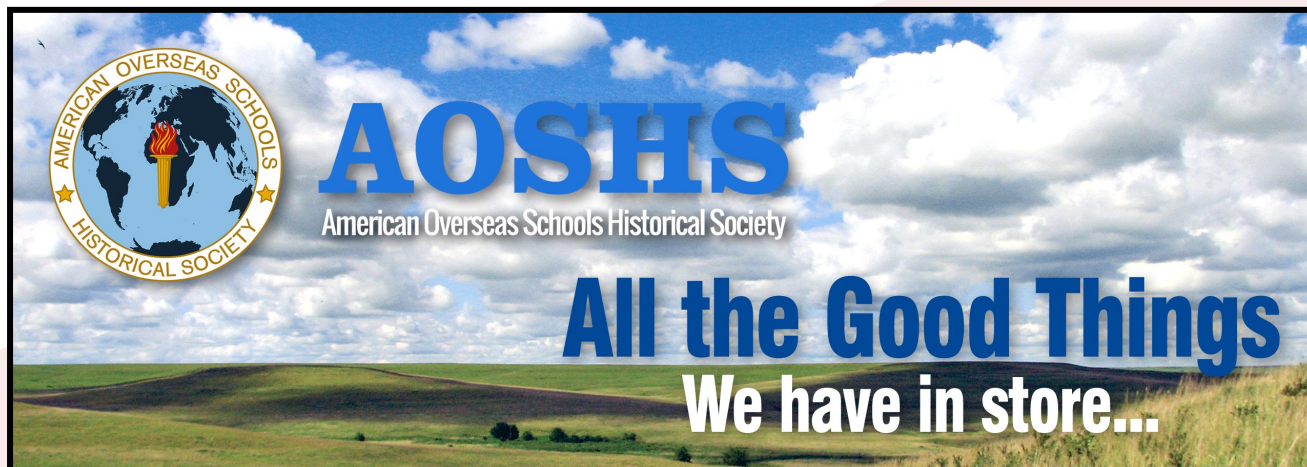
We're so happy that you've chosen to be part of our organization and to help celebrate and perpetuate the important work done in our overseas schools. The *AOSHS Quarterly* is but one way we keep in touch with our members and "spread the word". Our work is meaningful to former and current teachers, students, parents, and military members. You can "read all about it" in each edition of the *Quarterly*.

We are proudly looking forward to the opening of the **AOSHS**

Museum and Archives at our Wichita, Kansas headquarters in April 2021. The Museum will display a sampling of memorabilia that has been donated by our members and individuals over the years. Items such as yearbooks, letter jackets, a multitude of class photos, uniforms, various trophies, and Volksmarch medals (an example of host nation participation) tell the story in a way that mere words never could. From **DoDEA's** beginnings to the current day, the story is best told by those of us who have lived it. These physical exhibits will bring a smile to our visitors' faces. I am confident that AOSHS Founder, **Tom Drysdale**, would be proud of the displays. It has truly been an adventure and an honor to help sort through and organize the myriad of things sent to our organization headquarters.

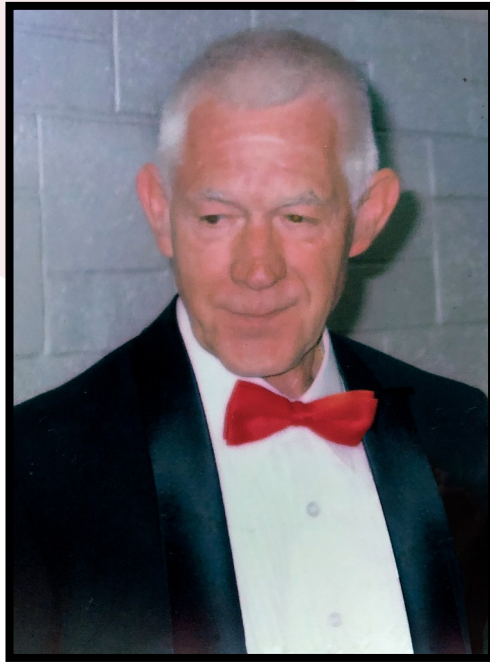
The AOSHS Museum and Archives will officially open on **Thursday, April 15, 2021**. There will be a morning and an afternoon session with media coverage. It is planned that the events of the official opening will be recorded by a videographer, so that the ceremony can be posted on the AOSHS website with our many members around the globe.

Because of the level of interest in the opening and because of the number of people who will attend, the opening will be by invitation only. Following the official opening, the AOSHS Museum and Archives will be open to all visitors on a regular schedule. Please consider a visit to Wichita and to YOUR museum! It will be time well spent and I guarantee that you will be very proud to be a part of this story!



The **MAINE** MAN

Crawford, Maine –
Dr. Dean Chapman Wiles, 87, passed away Thursday, November 5, 2020 at his home with his beloved wife, Gayle by his side. Dean was born in Norway, Maine on December 21, 1932, son of the late Kenneth R. and Helen (Snodgrass) Wiles.



During his senior year of high school, Dean's family moved to Farmington, ME where he graduated from Farmington High School, Class of 1951. Dean attended Farmington State Teacher's College until joining the U.S. Army to serve during the time of the Korean War. He served with the 86th Infantry at Fort Riley, Kansas until his discharge in 1955. Following his service, Dean returned home to Maine and completed his Bachelor of Arts from Farmington State Teacher's College in 1957.

Dean taught school in Dixfield and Carthage until starting his career with the Department of Defense Dependents Schools in 1959. He taught school in Ansbach, Germany until returning home to earn his Master's Degree from the University of Maine at Orono, Class of 1962. Dean returned to Germany where he was a teaching principal in Illesheim. In 1964, he became the Principal of Bamberg American Elementary School, 1965 Principal of Bad Kissingen Elementary School, and 1966 Principal of Mainz, Elementary School Germany. In 1971, Dean completed his PhD in Philosophy of Education from Syracuse University in New York.

Dean's career with the DoD Dependents Schools System allowed him to live and work in Europe and Asia. In 1971 he was given a Special Assignment Coordinator position in Butzbach, Germany. He then became the Butzbach Elementary School Principal in 1972. Dean moved to Okinawa, Japan in 1974 where he

was the Elementary Coordinator. In 1976 Dean became Principal at Seoul American High School. Following that assignment, he worked as the Chief School Administrator for Principals of South Korea. Returning to Germany in 1979 he was the Education Branch Chief for Curriculum for schools located in the Germany North Region and in 1982 became the Chief of the Educational Division for DoDDS Germany. During his tenure, the DoDDS Schools in Germany North and Germany South were combined. Dean had oversight of 143 schools with 78,000 students. Dean retired in 1996.

Following his retirement, Dean accompanied his wife Gayle to her leadership assignments in Okinawa, Japan, and Guam. While in Okinawa he was the DoDDS Home School liaison for the International Distance Education of Alaska. Dean was a life member and president of the education fraternity, Phi Delta Kappa (PDK), in Germany. He was Kaplan of the Year in 1984. He was PDK Chapter Member Liaison for Pacific Region A 2002-2008. He was also a member of the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development.

Dean was predeceased by his parents. Surviving are his loving wife, Gayle Vaughn-Wiles of Crawford; his children, all of Maine, Bruce Wiles of Newburgh, Scott Wiles (Mary Ann) of Eastport, and Alison Wiles Hamlin (Tom) of Auburn; his grandchildren Tiffany Janvrin (Eugene) of Palmyra, Shannon and Allison Young, of Charlotte and Wells respectively, and Emily Hamlin-Nickulas of Merrimac MA; and his great granddaughter Chloe Young also of Charlotte Maine.

Due to COVID restrictions, a Celebration of Dean's Life will be held at a later date. Arrangements by Mays Funeral Home, Calais & Eastport. Condolences and memories may be shared at www.MaysFuneralHome.com.

As an expression of sympathy, memorial contributions may be sent to the American Overseas Schools Historical Society (AOSHS) Museum and Archives Endowment Fund at:

AOSHS
 704 W. Douglas Ave.
 Wichita, KS 67203

(NOTE: Please remember to specify "Dean Wiles" on the Memo section of your check so that we know where to direct your donation. Thank you.)

NEW ON BOARD



MARTHA H. BROWN



Martha Brown's DoDEA career spanned 32 years and found her in positions in DoDDS-Europe, DDESS, and DoDEA Pacific. In 1980, she began her DoDEA career teaching at Ramstein Junior High School, followed by positions at Berchtesgaden Elementary School and Kaiserslautern American High School.

Ms. Brown served as an Assistant Principal at both Kaiserslautern Elementary School and Kaiserslautern American High School before being promoted to Principal of Augsburg High School. Her other principalships include Kaiserslautern American High School, Heidelberg High School and Lejeune High School. She was honored to be selected the DoDEA Secondary Principal of the Year in 1997.

At the above-school level, Ms. Brown served in the DoDDS-Europe Area Office as a Supervisory Education Specialist for four years, was the Community Superintendent of Fort Campbell Schools for four years, and the Okinawa District Superintendent for four years. Before leaving the Pacific Area for DoDEA Headquarters, she was asked to serve as the Acting Director of DoDEA Pacific for a year.

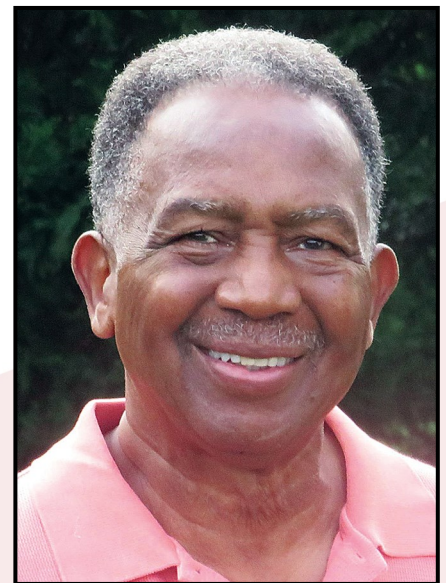
Ms. Brown earned a BA in English from Limestone College, and MEd in English from North Georgia University, and an EdS in educational leadership from Converse College.

She retired to her native South Carolina where she and her husband enjoy the low country lifestyle and are active in several community service organizations. Their son and daughter-in-law are both proud graduates of DoDEA.

ALLEN HAYMON

A native Kentuckian, **Allen Haymon's** undergraduate degree was earned from Kentucky State University, Frankfort, Kentucky, and his master's from Spaulding University, Louisville, Kentucky. In 1972 Allen left his teaching position in Louisville and joined DoDDS as a teacher at Zweibruecken Elementary School # 1, Zweibruecken, Germany. In 1975, he was assigned to the position of Teacher Assistant Principal of the school. Allen later served as Principal of a small school in Zweibruecken (1978-1981), Assistant Principal of Kaiserslautern Elementary #1 (1981-1983) and in 1983, coming full circle, returned to Zweibruecken Elementary #1, (later renamed Kreuzberg Elementary) as Principal. He assumed the position of coordinator for the staff development program, The Study of Teaching, DoDDS-North Germany Regional Office in 1990.

Allen was selected as the Leadership Development Coordinator in the Professional Development and Education Equity Division, DoDEA in 1995. He later held the position of Education Equity Training Specialist and Chief, Professional Development. Allen retired from DoDEA in 2005. Three years later he returned to DoDEA as a reemployed annuitant for the purpose of redesigning leadership development for the school system.



Allen and his wife Connie reside in Spotsylvania County, VA (Fredericksburg). She is retired from her position in the Logistics Division, DoDEA. Their daughters are DoDDS graduates: Nicole (Zweibruecken HS) and Jaclynn (Kaiserslautern HS).

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FRANK E. ROEHL



Frank E. Roehl received his Bachelor of Science in Physical Education & Coaching from the University of Nebraska, Lincoln (1970) and his Masters in Human Services Delivery in Education Administration from Boston University (1983). Frank retired from DoDEA in July 2018 after 48 years of Federal Service. He served as the Superintendent of Schools for the DoDEA Europe West District, Superintendent of the Isles District and Heidelberg District, Assistant Superintendent of the Bavaria District, Assistant Superintendent and Acting Superintendent of the Heidelberg District, DoDDS Middle Level Coordinator, and a principal, assistant principal, classroom teacher and coach at elementary through high school levels with assignments in Germany and Turkey. Frank served as the Germany Vice President and DoDDS Worldwide President of the Federal Managers Association, Chapter 135 for four years.

Mr. Roehl is a "military brat," attending 13 different schools in grades K-12 and experiencing his father's two unaccompanied tours while his father served in Korea and Vietnam. He served as a US Army commissioned field artillery officer on active duty and in the reserve forces in Germany prior to and during his teaching career. He was a member of the United States Reserve Europe Marksmanship Team representing the US in competitions throughout Europe.

Frank and his wife, Margy, a retired DoDEA teacher and Information Specialist for 46 years, live in Southern Pines, North Carolina. Together, they raised two children who attended DoDEA schools K-12, and both graduated from Heidelberg High School. Brian is working as a government civilian employee at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. Aileen, recently with the Paul Taylor Dance Company in New York City, is in Stuttgart, Germany with her Navy helicopter pilot husband.

Frank's hobbies are traveling, "tinkering" with his 1995 BMW M3 and 1966 Austin Healey 3000 Mark III and enjoying his free time!

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RON HARRISON

AOSHS FINANCIAL SUMMARY REPORT					
	30-Jun	31-Jul	31-Aug	30-Sep	31-Oct
AOSHS Assets (Not including building and furnishings)	478,144.35	469,983.13	452,857.19	411,646.79	398,719.66
Fenced Operating Account (Fenced for contractors and 80% of non-personnel costs)	153,725.31	141,504.16	127,600.33	117,015.22	117,045.30
Non-Fenced Assets (Available for operations & unpaid obligations)	324,419.04	328,478.97	325,256.86	294,631.57	281,674.36
Unpaid Obligations (Museum, façade & fire suppression system)	36,000	36,000	36,000	10,000	10,000
Non-Fenced Assets (After obligations are paid)	288,419.04	292,478.97	289,256.86	284,631.57	271,674.36
Projected Expenses to 12/31 (Operations Manager & 20% of operations)	27,000	22,500	18,000	13,500	9,000
Projected Non-Fenced Assets (As of 12/31/2020)	261,419.04	269,978.97	271,256.86	271,131.57	262,674.36



FUND *the* FUTURE

DOUG KELSEY

generate \$8,000 per year, so we need an additional \$47,000 a year in donations. We request that you donate both to the general fund and the endowment fund.

Hopefully, through all of our efforts we will be able to ensure the future of AOSHS as an organization and fund a “home” for all of our wonderful artifacts and memories. Thank you for your support.

AOSHS is establishing an endowment fund to provide an asset that produces annual income for us. The fund will be established through donations, through condolence gifts, through corporate/organization gifts and through estate gifts.

The fund will not be accessible for general operating expenses. Only the income/interest from the fund may be utilized for AOSHS needs. Although the final parameters are currently pending, the funds will only be available in emergency situations by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

If you are interested in donating to this fund, you may do so at any time. Please write your checks to AOSHS, with a note that the funds are for the AOSHS Endowment Fund. You may also ask your family, friends and colleagues to provide a condolence gift to honor a loved one that has passed.

For AOSHS to remain operational, we must secure approximately \$55,000 per year in Donations and membership dues. Membership dues only

WANTED



AOSHS wants your **CLASSROOM PHOTOGRAPHS** from elementary and middle schools for our Archives. They may be donated or loaned to our archives. Whether donated or loaned, they will be scanned and available for viewing through the AOSHS website. If donated, they will be scanned, placed online and placed in the archives. If loaned, they will also be scanned, placed online and returned to you.

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For further information, please contact **Doug Kelsey** by text at **404-664-9128**
or by email at **dskelsey@hotmail.com**.

AOSHS WEBSITE UPDATE

KELLEY GERMAINE

AOSHS continues to improve and expand our website. Every week there are about 100 new artifacts and/or memorabilia under the 'Collections' heading. We now have almost 3,800 items in our digital display.

You can also view numerous **classroom and faculty photos** under the 'yearbooks' section of 'Collections'. If you have any of these artifacts that you are willing to share, please contact us. This section will continue to expand as we digitize more artifacts that we acquire through a loan or items that remain housed in our archives. To loan or donate your photographs, you can mail them to our office at:

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Please remember to include a note with your name and contact information and whether you are loaning or donating your items. Donated items will be returned immediately following our copies.



Wait...this is not all. AOSHS is now going to add specific **school histories** to our website. We have a few of them but need more. So many of us know some background about the schools we were involved with, but do we *really* know the full history? We need everyone to share what you have regarding the history of a particular school. If you have verifiable school history information, please send it to **Rebecca Dunn** for inclusion on our website at simplydunn@comcast.net.

Last but not least will be the addition of the newly created **Virtual Memorial and Commemorative Program**. This section will be the next phase of the Commemorative Tile Program. It will occur after the addition of the School History has been formatted on the website. Please see the article by **Jackie Kelly** on Pages 12 & 13 of this issue.

AOSHS will also be adding the Virtual Tour of our **AOSHS Museum and Archives** once completed. So, visiting the AOSHS website should become part of your weekly schedule to view all of these upcoming additions. As always, please contact us if you have any questions or comments regarding the website at <https://aoshs.org/contact/>, or our email at office@aoshs.org.

Hope you enjoy all of the updates!



REMEMBER, WE NEED
YOU!
TO MAKE IT HAPPEN

ARTIFACTS, MEMORABILIA, PUBLICATIONS, YEARBOOKS & PHOTOGRAPHS

DOUG KELSEY

AOSHS continues to seek donations of artifacts, memorabilia, publications, yearbooks and photographs from students that attended DoDDS schools and from teachers and administrators that worked in these schools. I would like to share with you a recent "good news" story of how AOSHS continues to complete the gaps in our archives.

The **H.H. Arnold High School** (Wiesbaden) Information Specialist has agreed to send us the yearbooks in the school's Information Center. The yearbooks will be scanned and returned to the school. After this initiative is complete, we will have every yearbook from Wiesbaden from 1948 through 2020, except for 1993, 1995 and 2015. We recently completed a similar endeavor with **Ramstein High School**. AOSHS is currently working with **Zama HS, Misawa HS, Vicenza HS.** and the **W. T.**

Sampson school in Cuba to obtain their resources.

As you know, AOSHS has over 2,300 yearbooks available on their website and will add an additional 1,000 yearbooks soon. The first

memorabilia, publications, yearbooks, and photographs.

Please help AOSHS accomplish success in its mission to have a comprehensive collection for these initiatives. Check your closets, your garages, your attics and your storage areas to see what you might have that would be a valuable asset to the AOSHS archives. Also, please contact your friends and former colleagues to see if they can assist in these efforts.

Please send your items to: **AOSHS, 704 W. Douglas Ave., Wichita, KS 67203.** This is all that is necessary if you would like to donate the items. If you prefer to loan them to us, all you need to do is enclose a note stating you would like them returned with your return address. For questions, please contact **Doug Kelsey** at **dskelsey@hotmail.com** or text him at **404-664-9128.**



4,000 digital photographs are now online through the AOSHS website. We have over 60,000 more to digitize and place online. None of this is possible without your efforts to provide us your artifacts,

EXCESS YEARBOOKS AVAILABLE (For A Small Donation)

The AOSHS Archive has 100's of extra yearbooks that are now available to sell due to our limited storage facilities for a donation of \$35.00 per book. For any one yearbook, AOSHS keeps and preserves the two best copies in our archives and any additional copies are considered surplus. **We are now offering these excess yearbooks to you!**

Once purchased, our office will then mail you a receipt with the yearbooks you ordered.

To know which yearbooks are available, you may:

- Contact AOSHS through our website at **www.aoshs.org/contact/** to inquire and request yearbooks for a particular school or year.
- Email our office directly at **office@aoshs.org**.
- Email **Doug Kelsey** at **dskelsey@hotmail.com** or text him at **404-664-9128**. The list is huge, so this method will be the most expedient.

The following article is based on materials that we have in the AOSHS archives. There are treasures about our history in each box that we open. Many of us will be able to relate to the description of Ms. Baker's life and service. **Ms. Baker celebrated her 103rd birthday this past September.**

A SPECIAL FORCES LEGEND



On November 5, 2014 **Ms. Doris Baker** was inducted as an **Honorary Member of the Special Forces Regiment**. She was recognized for her 20 years of service with the 1/10th Special Forces Group (Green Berets). As they tipped their berets to make her one of their own, Miss Baker joined the ranks of a select category. She is one of only nine other distinguished individuals worldwide, and one of only three women to ever receive this elite membership. Honorary membership in the Special Forces Regiment is rare and given only to select civilians who have contributed to the welfare, advanced the interests, and served as role models for the regiment. Ms. Baker was also presented with a certificate of recognition stating that she was the first USDESEA (now DoDEA) employee ever to have been given Honorary Membership in the Regiment. She was also awarded a coveted **Silver Honorary Life Membership** from Special Forces Chapter 65, Bad Toelz, Germany, Flint Kaserne Chapter.

Ms. Baker's service to her nation during the Cold War played out behind the scenes. Unlike publicly celebrated military and political heroes who helped maintain peace and security in Europe, Doris was among fellow Department of Defense civilian employees whose dedication to soldiers and their families serving on the frontiers of freedom never achieved notoriety beyond their communities. Their efforts, however, made a vital difference to the readiness and well-being of the forces.



While serving as a teacher in Michigan, Doris heard about better pay and a world of adventure in overseas teaching opportunities. She

signed up, thinking she was going to be sent to Japan. Instead, she was sent to Germany where, from 1950 to 1979, she served the DoD with great distinction as a teacher and principal of the U.S. Army Elementary and Junior High Schools in Flint Kaserne, Bad Toelz, Germany, the first overseas assignment base for the 1/10th Special Forces Group Airborne (Green Berets) located near one of the largest SS training camps. During her tenure in Bad Toelz, Doris established and led a high-quality educational program in a remote location and under unique circumstances, playing a key role in an unwritten chapter in the history of American education – the overseas education of more than



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four million American children since World War II.

Her outreach, mentorship, counseling and friendship to students, parents, the command, and the entire Army community benefitted thousands who passed through the gates of Flint Kaserne. For more than 30 years, Doris adopted the Green Berets as her own, calling them "her lads." The original 10th Special Forces Group continued to remain in Doris' heart throughout her life, and she later assisted in the acquisition and preservation of archives, photos and memorabilia for the Airborne & Special Operations Museum Foundation at Fayetteville, North Carolina. In order to keep the legacy of the 10th alive, she also has spoken to various military

groups, and incoming commanders and their spouses on the topic of Special Forces history.

Her experiences of living among the first Special Forces Group in Europe served as the basis for Doris' book **The Originals**, the first book about the Green Berets written by a woman. Her book chronicles an American woman caught in the dangerous lives and fortunes of these extraordinary men. Her adventures in Europe put her directly in the path of history, including close-call border crossings, a face-to-face encounter with Hitler's last active general, and put her in possession of personal photographs of Hitler. Her extensive travels and freelance photography assignments after World War II



were blended into her book, **I'll Let You Know When We Get There**.

Miss Baker's legacy of service and adventure inspires all who have been touched by her and her work and continues to live on through the lives of her students, colleagues, and friends whom she continues to influence around the world.

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SCHOOL HISTORY PROJECT

REBECCA DUNN

AOSHS is starting a new project and, again, we need your help. We are compiling a history for every school in our historical files. (The opening and closing dates for schools is located in Historical Book 4 on our webpage.) Many high schools have histories in their yearbooks, on their alumni pages or on Wikipedia. However, little information is available about elementary, junior high or middle schools. Often there was a faculty member, such as a host nation teacher, media specialist or long-time

employee who kept track of a school's history. Often, NCA reports contain school histories. We need these histories. If you know a school's history, or even a part of it, or can contact someone who knows the history, please send this information to **Rebecca Dunn** at simplydunn@comcast.net. With your help, we can have complete histories of all our schools. Again, thanks for your help. This is a huge project, and we need you to make it happen.

MEMBERSHIP *Update*

JOEL HANSEN

On Veterans Day as I scanned through the hundreds of messages from family and friends honoring the commitment and courage of those who served, I couldn't help but think of the number of lives they touched. Not only were these men and women frequently in harm's way, but their families also endured the home struggles from afar. Whether it was in CONUS or on some military installation overseas, life went on even though the military member was absent as they fought in wars or were deployed somewhere in a remote location.

Over the years since 1946 when the DoD school system began, over 15 million students have walked through the doors of our schools. Even when the military family member was engaged in their honorable duty, the school-aged dependents went to school. Students became good friends with others who endured similar lives. Today, we see evidence of these relationships through numerous conversations on social media—the bonds formed were strong. The adventures experienced, countries visited, and stresses overcome are the glue that holds each other close.

AOSHS is committed to being a repository and

memory vault for the wealth of interesting stories of students, teachers, administrators and family members who lived their lives while being connected to the military. If you haven't considered being a member of AOSHS, please give it some thought. We could certainly use your help. Presently, hundreds and thousands of artifacts, yearbooks, and memorabilia are being digitized for all to see. We are posting stories from individuals on social media who share the unique experiences of teaching and learning in overseas schools. Furthermore, the Grand Opening of the museum in Wichita is coming soon which will be a splendid event marking the commitment to preserve and display the memories.

Presently, there are 953 active members in AOSHS but there are millions of students, teachers, administrators and families who have experienced the overseas schools in some way. If you have joined us in support of our cause, THANK YOU! If you are one of the millions who have not yet decided to join, please give it some thought. We believe it is worth it and think you will too once you have visited the website and learn about us. Find us at www.aoshs.org.

RECOGNIZING THOSE WHO

DONATE

TO AOSHS

NANCY BRESELL

AOSHS wishes to recognize this quarter's donors who support the Archives and our Operating Fund, below. While membership fees are definitely the backbone of our funding, member donations are vital to carrying out and expanding the work of the Society.

The annual recognition program runs from the current DoDDS Reunion (Cancelled Reunion XXXII in Omaha) to the beginning of the DoDDS Reunion the following year (Reunion XXXIII—July 14, 2021). Due to the cancellation, donations through this period were extended through July 31, 2020 for the July 2019 - July 2020 year, with later donations beginning August 01, 2020 for the upcoming July 2020 - July 2021 year.

Donors within the Support Levels have their names published in the *AOSHS Quarterly* the quarter that their donation was received, or if missed, the following newsletter. **All donors for the year will be recognized for a final time in each Fall Issue**, and to all of you who found it in your hearts and pocketbooks to support the AOSHS mission, **WE THANK YOU**.

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CORRECTION~ The Fall 2020 issue incorrectly listed Susanne and James Lenz in the Annual Donors list from July 2019 through July 2020 under the PATRONS category when they should have been listed under the BENEFACTORS category. Our sincere apologies to them both.

BENEFACTORS

Susanne & James Lenz



AOSHS Memorial Program

JACKIE KELLY

We are beginning a new feature in this Winter 2020 edition of the *AOSHS Quarterly*. With the assistance of **Tina Calo**, **Linda McCauley**, and **Suzanne Bachman** who receive and organize all new obituaries for AOSHS and the DoDDS In Memoriam Programs respectively, we will list our latest notices of those recently deceased. Not only will this provide our readers with perhaps heretofore unknown information, but also allow Memorial Funds to be established in someone's honor if so desired.



In Memory

Dorothy Mistark September 03, 1939 ~ August 19, 2020	Duane Kroseman August 04, 1944 ~ October 21, 2020
Norma Drysdale _____ ~ September 15, 2020	Frank Martella July 24, 1932 ~ October 21, 2020
Joan Frey September 19, 1928 ~ September 15, 2020	Patricia Dombrink April 07, 1942 ~ October 28, 2020
Susan Ergle Nance April 13, 1961 ~ October 06, 2020	Barbara Rodney July 20, 1935 ~ November 01, 2020
John Lyon June 10, 1943 ~ October 07, 2020	Dean C. Wiles December 21, 1932 ~ November 05, 2020
Richard J. Heidt January 16, 1932 ~ October 20, 2020	Dorothy Williams _____ ~ November 12, 2020

Anyone interested in sponsoring a **Memorial Fund** can find the **AOSHS Memorial Fund Application Form** toward the end of this newsletter.

THE AOSHS VIRTUAL MEMORIAL AND COMMEMORATIVE PROGRAM

The AOSHS **Virtual Memorial and Commemorative Program** should be up and running soon. Our November 2020 AOSHS Board approved the name of the program and after the web designers finish the upcoming School Histories and

Memories project, the **Virtual Memorial and Commemorative Program** will be next in line. Our website continues to grow. If you haven't visited the website at **www.aoshs.org** please do so. You will be amazed!

The Memorial Program and Commemorative Tile Program have been part of the backbone of supporting funds that preserves our AOSHS legacy. As I mentioned in

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AOSHS Memorial Program

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the Fall 2020 *AOSHS Quarterly*, the **Virtual Memorial and Commemorative Program** will be similar to the previous Memorial Program and the Commemorative Tile Program. The bricks and pavers originally intended for another AOSHS building in Wichita, KS are now quarry and granite tiles mounted on the inside walls of our new AOSHS headquarters. We still have a small number of tiles left that can be purchased. Forms for each are located at the end of this newsletter:

- 13 4"x8" Red Quarry Tiles
- 16 8"x8" Beige Quarry Tiles
- 10 8"x8" Granite Tiles

The **Virtual Memorial and Commemorative Program** will have a system of donations similar to the old programs and will be uploaded on our AOSHS website.

The new website will include:

- **Original Kiosk (preserved)**
- **Those No Longer With Us** - \$25 per name listed with date

- **Memorial/Commemorative listings:**

- ◇ Tier 1 - Three lines, 36* letters per line (\$100)
- ◇ Tier 2 - Six lines, 36* letters per line and photo (\$250)
- ◇ Tier 3 - Six lines, 36* letters per line and photo and link to a 250-word biography (\$500)
- ◇ Tier 4 - Video, pictures, collage, or slideshow, 25 MB (\$2000)

** The number of letters may change depending upon the configuration of the web space.*

Memorials

One of the advantages of the Virtual Memorial Program is that member sponsors will now begin with a \$25 initial donation to honor a friend or colleague, have it announced in the *AOSHS Quarterly* then entered into the website as "Those No Longer With Us." When others want to add to the memorial, the sponsor can then enhance the original submission into a Tier 1 level donation (\$100), and if more friends

and family gather donations, you could progress to another Tier and add a picture, biography or 25mg of a slide show/movie.

Commemoratives

The Virtual Commemorative Program begins at Tier 1 (\$100) and is a unique way for teachers, administrators, staff, and BRATS to have remembrances posted in our DoDDS, DoDEA history overseas. Some retirees may like to be remembered for their years of service. Teacher and BRATS reunion groups both past and present can record their milestones with a commemorative listing. The possibilities are endless and because it is virtual, timeless.

I'd like to thank **Kelley Germaine**, **Doug Kelsey**, and **Monica Tiller** for their help and feedback on this project. It really enhances the project when you're working with a team. Thank you, Kelley, Doug, and Monica! For those who would like more information please feel free to call me at (802-681-7497) or contact me by email: kelly_jackie@hotmail.com.





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MEMBERSHIP/DONATION FORM

☐ New Member ☐ Renewal ☐ Life ☐ Donation Only

How did you hear about us? ☐ Friends ☐ Facebook ☐ Web Search ☐ Other _____

Printed full name: _____ Maiden Name: _____

Address: _____
Street or Box City/APO State/AA/AE/AP/Country Zip Code

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

☐ Educator ☐ Student ☐ Other

\$25 for 1-year dues \$ _____

\$45 for 2 years dues \$ _____

Donation to the AOSHS Operating Fund \$ _____

Other _____ \$ _____

Please visit our website at www.aoshs.org and click directly on "Quarterly" to access our membership newsletter.

Credit Card _____ Expires ____/____

Security Code _____ Zip Code _____



Name on credit card _____

☐ **CHECK ENCLOSED** Check Number: _____
(Make check/money order payable to AOSHS)

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Mail to:
AOSHS, 704 W. Douglas Ave., Wichita, KS 67203-6104

THANK YOU!

OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Received _____ Tier/Category _____

Quarterly Issue _____

Dues Renewal Date ____/____/20 ____ ☐ LIFE Logged: ☐ Database ☐ Spreadsheet

☐ Letter of Receipt Sent



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MEMORIAL FUND APPLICATION FORM

To establish a memorial fund, please complete this form and return it to:

**AOSHS Memorial Program
704 W. Douglas Ave.
Wichita, KS 67203**

Your name _____ Date _____

Address _____

City/State/ZIP _____

Telephone (____) _____ E-mail _____

Name of honoree (include title if appropriate)

Honoree _____

Dates of birth/death _____

Check those items below which apply. **Numbers 1 and 2 are *mandatory*.**

- ☐ 1. Enclosed is a 100 to 300-word biography to be used as an announcement in the next issue of the *AOSHS Quarterly* newsletter.
- ☐ 2. Enclosed is my check in the amount of \$ _____ to open this memorial account (minimum \$25.00)
- ☐ 3. Enclosed is a photo of the honoree (cannot be returned).
- ☐ 4. I will submit a photo of the honoree when the memorial fund is closed.
- ☐ 5. I do not intend to include a photo.

After this form is received, the fund will be announced in the next two issues of the AOSHS newsletter. When the fund closes, you will be notified as to the amount collected.

If you have any further questions regarding establishing this fund, please contact me as noted below, or write to: **AOSHS Memorial Program, 704 W. Douglas Ave., Wichita, KS 67203.**

Jackie Kelly, AOSHS Membership Chair
For the Board of Directors
jackiekellyVT@gmail.com



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PROPERTY DONATION FORM

Donor's Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: (Home) _____ (Cell) _____

E-Mail: _____

Name of the person who had these items: _____

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

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

Description of item(s) being donated:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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

NOTE: Photographs should have LOCATION, DATE TAKEN, DESCRIPTION (Names of individuals/groups), ACTIVITY if applicable, SCHOOL, NAME OF ORIGINAL PHOTOGRAPHER, SOURCE OF PHOTO (if not original photographer)

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 Historical Society.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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

Send to: AOSHS | 704 W. Douglas Ave. | Wichita, KS 67203



4" x 8" RED QUARRY TILE

\$100.00

Tax Deductible

NAME OF PERSON ORDERING

STREET

CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE

(H)

(C)

TELEPHONE

EMAIL ADDRESS

Mail To:
AOSHS Commemorative Tile Program
704 W. Douglas Ave.
Wichita, KS 67203

AMERICAN OVERSEAS SCHOOLS HISTORICAL SOCIETY 4" x 8" Red Quarry Tile

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Up to three (3) lines.

Up to twenty (20) squares per line for each character,
 which includes a letter, punctuation mark, numeral or
 blank space.

AOSHS reserves the right to refuse the engraving of any
 material it deems inappropriate.



8" x 8"

☐ **BEIGE QUARRY TILE**
\$250.00

or

☐ **GRANITE TILE**
\$500.00

Tax Deductible

NAME OF PERSON ORDERING

STREET

CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE

(H)

(C)

TELEPHONE

EMAIL ADDRESS

Mail To:
AOSHS MEMORIAL PROGRAM
704 Douglas Ave.
Wichita, KS 67203

AMERICAN OVERSEAS SCHOOLS HISTORICAL SOCIETY
8" x 8" Beige Quarry Tile OR Granite Tile

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- 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 neither recommend nor 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.

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