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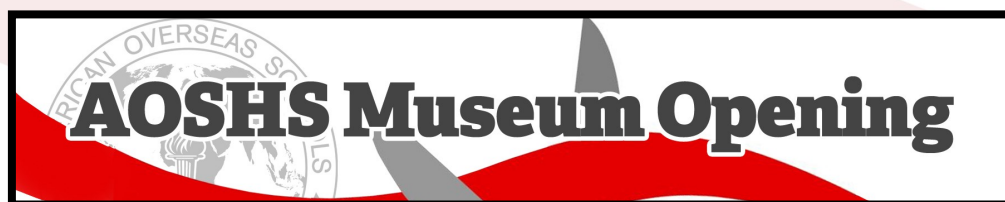


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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

LINDA CONNELLY



With 2020 now in our rearview mirror, it is perhaps time to look ahead and think about our mission as an organization. As I am sure our members are aware, AOSHS is dedicated to “collect, record, maintain, and preserve relevant American Overseas Schools memorabilia and historical documents...provide research opportunities...and to establish exhibits to inform interested persons about the unique overseas school experience.” This is what “Our Mission” states. As a result, the **AOSHS Museum and Archives** will officially open on **Thursday, 15 April 2021**. The Museum Committee and the entire AOSHS Board have been working tirelessly toward this goal for some years.

- Thanks to the generosity of our membership plus the quantity and quality of memorabilia on hand in Wichita, we are now able to prepare the AOSHS Museum...YOUR museum...for a public opening and ongoing visitation. This has been no easy task. Did you know that AOSHS employs an archivist who examines and catalogs each

item that is sent to us? His meticulous work has helped to make it possible to know **WHAT** we have and **WHERE** to find it. Thanks to **Adam Gossman**’s efforts, the Museum Committee will be establishing the initial display for the Museum, which will cover various DoDDS locations around the world and grade level inclusivity.

- **Kevin Frutiger** is in charge of the extensive AOSHS Yearbook Collection. Many AOSHS members, and former teachers and students donate yearbooks to the AOSHS collection. You can check the AOSHS website to see which yearbooks we have on hand at the Museum and which ones we still need. Cooperation between other organizations and individuals allows for “loans” of yearbooks; in this situation, the books are sent to AOSHS, photographed, and then returned to the owner. Yearbooks are the most requested/searched item from the AOSHS Museum and Archives.

- **Chris Limes** is responsible for photographing items that have been donated to AOSHS. In addition, the photographs are also digitized, along with slides and documents; the processed images can then be displayed on the AOSHS website. A recent project has included putting opening and closing dates of DoDDS schools onto our website.
- **Monica Maack Tiller** is our Office Operations Manager. She handles the day-to-day operation of the Office, Museum and Archives. It is Monica who will greet you as you enter the door on Douglas Street in Wichita. It is Monica who answers the phone and the questions which come from all over the country. Monica keeps the organization running and helps to keep all of us focused.

And what exactly do our Board Members do? As you read this edition of the *AOSHS Quarterly*, you will gain insight as to what their

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volunteer efforts entail. Be sure to read each article. There is invaluable information on the Board's efforts to "grow" the organization and our collection. Whether it's the Endowment Fund, web page, museum opening, memorial program, history of AOSHS and our schools, yearbook initiative, or the many invaluable "memories" shared by our Board and our members...YOU!

It's all here in the 'Q'.

Finally, I mentioned that the Museum will formally open on 15 April 2021. This will be the official Grand Opening and due to the COVID-19 situation, attendance will be by invitation only. We have invited several local officials as well as representation from DoDEA HQ; however, we have learned the DoDEA officials may be limited to mission-essential travel only as a result of the pandemic. So, we are not sure if they will be able to

attend. The Museum and Archives will be open to the public after this date. A smaller celebratory opening will be held in mid-September and we will welcome the public. We sincerely hope that the COVID situation will allow this to happen on schedule. Please check the AOSHS web page for updates, as the time nears.

Thank you for all you do for AOSHS! Your continued support is truly appreciated and essential!

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RON HARRISON

AOSHS FINANCIAL SUMMARY REPORT	
	31-Jan
AOSHS Assets (Not including building and furnishings)	634,538.70
Fenced Operating Funds (Fenced for contractors, 80% of non-personnel costs, Scholarship Fund, and Endowment Fund)	476,173.40
Non-Fenced Assets (Available for operations & unpaid obligations)	158,365.30
Unpaid Obligations (Electrical work)	10,000.00
Non-Fenced Assets (After obligations are paid)	148,365.30
Projected Expenses to 01/31/2021 (Office Manager & 20% of operations)	54,000.00
Projected Non-Fenced Assets (As of 01/31/2021)	94,365.30



AOSHS KEEPING STORIES and MEMORIES ALIVE

JOEL HANSEN

When I became a member of AOSHS, first of all, I wondered why I was doing it and second of all, I wondered what the hubbub was about. Well, now I know. Most folks are pretty independent, and signing up for things that they don't have a particularly personal interest in might never happen. It is not until one realizes the impact on their lives and how it may impact the lives of others, that involvement occurs. It becomes personal.

As I reflected upon my story of leaving small town Iowa in 1984 on an adventure that changed Vicki's (my wife) and my life, I realized that my children would not have the attitudes and understandings they have today without also living the adventure. They had the chance to experience other cultures and gain friendships that expand far beyond many of their Iowa classmates and friends. How do you put a price tag on that? For 15 years living in Italy, it became home to them, as well as to Vicki and me. To this day, we tell stories in our own family of things that happened to us or how we

broadened our perspective of the world. I see such a deep appreciation of life, our planet and others reflected in my kids and now passed on to my grandkids. What a gift!

And so what? AOSHS, as a historical archive, strives to keep those stories and memories alive so they can be told over and over again. In these troubled and hectic times in our lives, right now, those with the broadest worldly perspective and appreciation of fellow humankind are those who can sometimes come up with the best vision of what our world should be AND CAN BE. We need to tell our stories not only of our experiences but also what we learned. We can do that through the endeavors and vision of AOSHS. The museum will open soon and along with that, a new chapter in the valiant efforts of all who have taken part in the journey. If you're not a part of it, please come join us and help us preserve the legacy of those who lived a life of incredible and unique adventures.

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or by email at **dskelsey@hotmail.com**.

ARTIFACTS, MEMORABILIA, PUBLICATIONS, YEARBOOKS & PHOTOGRAPHS

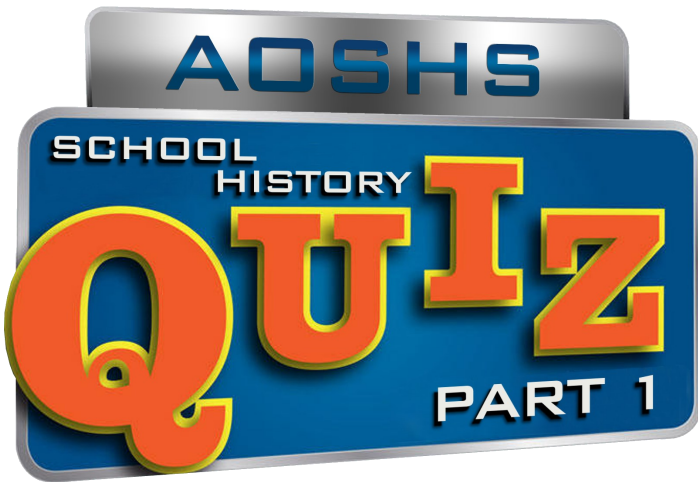
DOUG KELSEY

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. AOSHS's goal is to have 3,000 yearbooks/publications and 15,000 digital photographs accessible through the AOSHS website by the end of 2021.

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.

It is becoming more and more critical that AOSHS obtains items from the late 40's and the 50's. A fifteen-year-old student in 1953 would currently be eight-three years-old. A thirty-year-old teacher in 1953 would be ninety-eight-years-old today. The window or opportunity to collect items from this era is quickly closing.

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 with your return address stating you would like them returned. For questions, please contact **Doug Kelsey** at **dskelsey@hotmail.com** or text him at **404-664-9128**.



REBECCA DUNN

As stated in the last *AOSHS Quarterly*, AOSHS is trying to compile a school history for every overseas American school in our records, past and present. This is a daunting, yet very rewarding and informative task. As I have done the research, I have discovered many fascinating facts about our schools. We are all aware of the uniqueness of our schools; but you may not know the answers to these questions.

As our research continues, I will try to provide you with more interesting facts. If you know some unique details about a school where you worked or attended, please share them with me. My email is **simplydunn@comcast.net**.

How many of these questions can you answer correctly?

1. Where in the Pacific were schools operated prior to World War II?
2. What European high school was originally housed in a chateau?
3. What were the original names of the George S. Cannon Schools and where were they located?
4. What school in the Mediterranean was originally located in an "old tobacco warehouse"?
5. What was the name of the two-teacher school in Spain?
6. What is the name of the school in Italy where most students rode a ferry to school?
7. What school in France was a hotel before it was a DoDDS school?
8. What school in the Mediterranean was a former hotel before it was used as a DoDDS school?
9. What school in Japan started with only four students?
10. What was the minimum number of dependents needed in a complex in Europe for the placement of a DoDDS school in the community?

You can find the answers to these questions on page 11.

AOSHS WEBSITE UPDATE

KELLEY GERMAINE

The AOSHS Board continually tweaks the content of the website and posts additional artifacts and memorabilia on a weekly basis. The number of available yearbooks continues to grow while we are always looking for the ones we still need on a permanent or temporary loan basis. The same is true with the faculty/staff and classroom photographs. The newest portion of the website is the availability of school histories. If you have any information on a school's background, please contact AOSHS at office@aoshs.org, or **Rebecca Dunn**, Historian, at simplydunn@comcast.net.

So, what's next? The entire

"Memorial" section is being revised and revitalized. The unveiling will be after the publication of this newsletter. As soon as it is ready, an announcement will be made via email as well as in the next 'Q'. The Commemorative Tiles and Original Kiosk will remain, but the future look and feel of the program will change. Is that a bit of a tease? Yes!

We all hope to see each other at the next DoDDS Reunion in Jacksonville, Florida. It will be a wonderful celebration of being together again. Of course, there will be an AOSHS meeting for all; not just members. During that presentation you will learn and see

the wonderful advancements that AOSHS has made since our last gathering. Afterwards that presentation will be preserved on the website like all the previous years. Be sure to look at the footer on the site since that's the location of general information data.

Again, our website will never remain static. There's too much more we have to add to it. Remember to check back on a regular basis to see what's new or explore any area you have not viewed yet. One of these will be the "Virtual Tour" of our museum once completed! The future is here to stay.



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the FUTURE

NANCY BRESELL

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE AOSHS ENDOWMENT FUND WITH DEEPEST THANKS TO LINDA HIEBERT SEKIGUCHI

Now that we are on the eve of opening the AOSHS Museum and Archives, the Board of Directors has approved the establishment of the **AOSHS Endowment Fund**. The goal of the AOSHS Endowment Fund is to build an asset that will produce income for the organization for many years to come. The capital in the Endowment Fund will only be used for emergencies.

Donations will not be solicited from individuals exclusively for the Endowment Fund, but we may market the Endowment Fund to corporate and organizational donors. One exception to this was made when **Dr. Gayle Vaughn-Wiles** asked people who wanted to contribute to AOSHS in honor of the passing of her husband, **Dr. Dean Wiles**, to mark their contributions for the endowment fund.

The Board decided to move a percentage of our contributions to the Endowment Fund each year. The Board will determine what percentage of all donations will be placed in the Endowment Fund annually and under what conditions income from the Fund may be withdrawn.

AOSHS recently received an incredible gift from the estate of **Linda Hiebert Sekiguchi**. The Board decided to use this legacy to start the Endowment Fund. Linda's obituary was provided in the Fall 2019 edition of the *AOSHS Quarterly*. She taught elementary school in Topeka, Kansas, then joined the Department of Defense Dependent Schools (DoDDS) in Mannheim, Germany. She also taught with DoDDS in the Philippines and in Frankfurt, Germany before returning home.

The AOSHS Board of Directors is extremely grateful to Linda Hiebert Sekiguchi for her substantial donation to the organization. We will benefit from her generosity for many years to come.

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 in Jacksonville—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.***

DONOR SUPPORT LEVELS

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COMMEMORATIVE TILE PROGRAM

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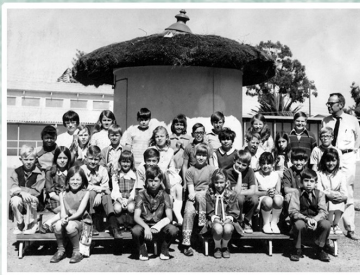
We have **30** tiles available for sale in assorted sizes:

- 8 4"x8" Red Quarry Tiles
- 12 8"x8" Beige Quarry Tiles
- 10 8"x8" Polished Granite Tiles

Once these remaining physical tiles have been sold, the Memorials page on our upcoming new website will then feature digital tiles in the form of a graphic image including an embossed inscription.

Forms for purchase of the tiles are located at the end of this newsletter.

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Goodbye, Norma Fay

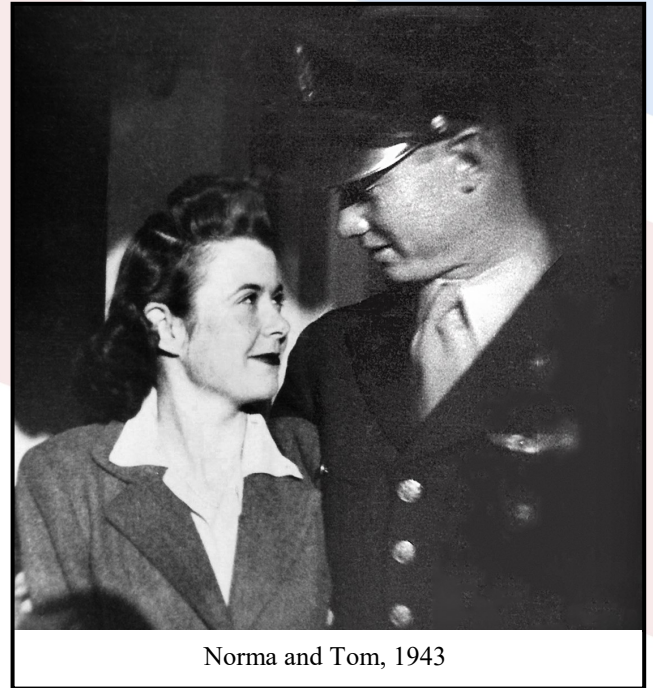


Norma Fay (Hall) Drysdale, 96, died peacefully on **September 15, 2020**. She was a founding member of, and active in, **AOSHS** (American Overseas Schools Historical Society) after returning stateside following many years overseas with her husband and AOSHS Founder, **Dr. Thomas T. Drysdale, Jr.**

At the time of her death, she was a resident at Sunrise Senior Living Facility, an assisted living facility in Alexandria, VA. She was born in Idaho in 1924, the daughter of Fay E. and Jessie May (Gray) Hall. She was predeceased by her husband of 70 years, Tom. They met in high school band class in

Compton, CA, both playing the clarinet. Norma was a WWII bride (Tom was a bomber pilot stationed in England and North Africa with the U.S. Army Air Corp).

She leaves her children: Lianne of Westminster, CO; Peter (Anne) of Edinburgh, Scotland; Connie (Joel Rosenbaum) of Branford, CT; Dale (Dorothy Wyatt) of Arlington, VA; Brian, of Buckeye, AZ and Karl of Goodyear, AZ. She is survived by six grandchildren: Audrey Webb, Michael McCord, Daniel McCord, Adrienne Wright (Joe Turner), Karen Stonecypher (John) and Armon Drysdale (Mary). She also leaves behind seven great-grandchildren: Nathan, Jared, Ian, Brendan, Jude, Zachary and William.



Norma and Tom, 1943

Norma was pre-deceased by her infant son Timothy, brother Robert Leroy Hall, and her sister (Jessie) Virginia Hall Deland. Her two surviving brothers are Richard, of Paso Robles, CA, and Ronald Justin (Betsy) of Mission Viejo, CA. Her husband, Tom, was an educator, school administrator, and college professor. As a Department of Defense school principal and superintendent, he and the family lived and traveled abroad for many years. During their travels Norma cared for her family while living in Whittier, CA, Germany, England, Hawaii, Virginia, Florida and Arizona. Her family was always her first priority. Norma was widely loved and will be missed by all who knew her. Her gentle spirit and kindness extended to all she encountered.

Due to the coronavirus, plans for a memorial service are on hold. Memorial contributions can be made in her memory to **AOSHS, 704 W. Douglas Ave., Wichita, KS 67203**, or to the **Senior Services of Alexandria, 206 N. Washington St., Alexandria, VA 22314**.





IN MEMORIAM

MARTHA BROWN and JACKIE KELLY

JOHN BEAUDOIN

September 14, 1943 - June 10, 2020

John K. Beaudoin, 76, died on Wednesday, June 10, 2020, while living at the Forestview Manor in Meredith



following a short illness. John was born in Franklin the son of the late Rene and Alice (Rand) Beaudoin of Salisbury. He was raised in the town of Salisbury until he graduated from Franklin High School and later Plymouth State College, where he earned his teaching degree. He taught at Franklin High School,

Laconia High School and Portsmouth High School, specializing in chemistry and science. He went on to earn his pilot license in New Hampshire and enjoyed flying out of Laconia Airport.

John later signed up with the Department of Defense to teach school for the Marines in Okinawa, Japan. He remained there for 25 years, coming home to his house on Lake Winnisquam every summer. John loved Corvettes and through the years collected many of them. After his retirement, he enjoyed going to area car shows and spending time with his buddies and his family.

John is survived by his two brothers, Edward R. Beaudoin of Contoocook and Walter R. Beaudoin of Belmont. He also leaves his four nieces and nephews, Vicki Beaudoin of Idaho, Carole Fellows of Sanbornton, Mark Beaudoin of Contoocook and Craig Beaudoin of Gilmanton.

Sponsor: Jackie Kelly



SHARON LYNETTE CARTER

June 11, 1950 - October 8, 2020

Sharon was born June 11, 1950 to the late Sterling R. and Audrey J. Bouldin. She was the oldest of two siblings.

Sharon was born and raised in Washington D.C. She attended D.C. Public Schools and graduated from McKinley Technology High School. After graduation she



attended Langston University for undergraduate studies. Then attended Howard University to receive a Master of Education in Early Childhood Education in December 1976.

During this time, she was also blessed with a son Selwyn L. Banner III. A few years later Sharon met the love of her life and married Sherman R. Carter on August 17, 1985. They went on to spend the next 35 years in Japan together.

Sharon began her career in 1973 with the District of Columbia Department of Recreation as the Director of Adaptive Aquatics, Adaptive Physical Education and

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IN MEMORIAM

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Recreation Programs for the Physically and Mentally Handicapped at Mamie D. Lee Elementary School. In 1981, she transferred to D.C. Public Schools where she taught special education and general education in elementary and secondary school.

In 1986, she joined the Department of Defense Dependent Schools (DoDDS/DoDEA). Her career included teaching special education at various schools in Okinawa, Japan. She also served as assistant principal and principal at various elementary schools in Okinawa and Mainland, Japan. In addition to being a teacher and a principal, Sharon also served at the Okinawa District Office for eight years as the Early Childhood / Elementary Education Instructional Systems Specialist. Sharon dedicated 34 years of service to DoDEA East.

Sharon was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother. She loved God and believed in sharing the gospel with

others especially through song. She loved to sing, dance, and was an avid reader. Sharon loved traveling and spending time with family. Sharon was an active member of her church community and sorority Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Sharon departed this life on October 8, 2020. She is preceded in death by her sons: Selvyn L. Banner III and Marlon Norris; her mother Audrey J. Norville; her father, Sterling R. Bouldin; and her sister Michelle A. Bouldin. Sharon leaves to cherish her memory her spouse, Sherman R. Carter; sons Reginald C. Carter and Ryan D. Owens; her daughters: Kayona M. Dade and Mia Bouldin Chapman; her grandchildren: DiaYon, Jaden, Adia, Benjamin and Malachi; son-in-law Fredrick D. Chapman; uncle Ambrose Frasier, and a host of other loving relatives and friends.

Sponsor: Shirley Sweetwine



JOAN M. FREY

Sept. 19, 1928 – Sept 15, 2020

Joan M. Frey, 91, of Quincy, Illinois, died on Tuesday, Sept 15, 2020. Joan was born Sept 19, 1928, the only child of the late Gerald P and Ada Orner Frey. Following graduation from Liberty High School, she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Music Education from Milliken University, a Master of Arts in Music Education from Teachers College of Columbia University, and Media Specialist certification from courses at Quincy College and Western Illinois University.

Prior to accepting a teaching assignment with DoDDS, Joan taught in several communities in Illinois as well as in St. Louis, Missouri, and Austin, Texas. Her DoDDS career spanned twenty-eight years. She served as



media specialist in schools located in Germany.

Joan was a founding member of the Liberty Community Historical Society and pursued her interest in genealogy through researching histories of the Xander, Frey, Uhland, Omer, McGirr, and Hofmeister families while in Germany. She was also active in several community and religious organizations. She was past president of the Adams County Church Woman's United, past secretary of the of the Adams County Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and a member of the Quincy Symphony Chorus.

Sponsors: Jack deVillie and Mary Swinehart

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IN MEMORIAM

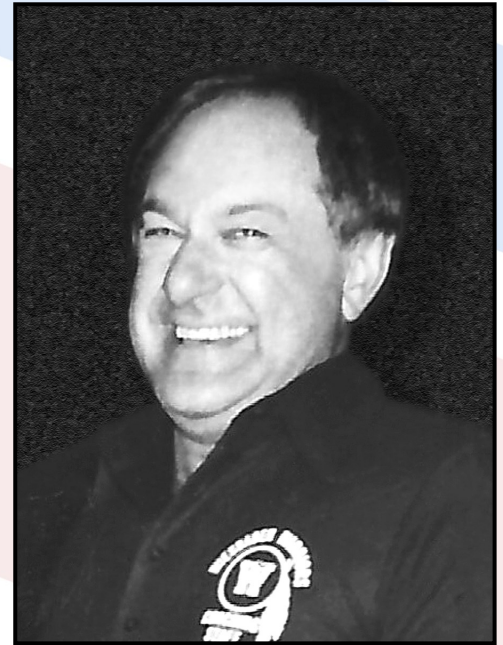
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BYRON E. SMITH

September 20, 1933-January 01, 2021

Coach Byron Smith, formerly of Berlin High School (1969-1977) and Wiesbaden High School (1983-1992), died on January 1, 2021. He was 87 years old. Originally from Bellingham, Washington, Byron enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1950 and served aboard the troop transport U.S.S. Noble where he was a signalman and LST driver. He was involved in U.S. Army and Marine amphibious landing operations on the Korean peninsula during the Korean War. Following his discharge from the Navy, Byron attended Western Washington State College where he earned a teaching degree. Following several teaching assignments in Washington, Byron entered the Department of Defense Dependent School system where he and his family lived in Newfoundland, Japan, the Azores, and Germany. An Industrial Arts teacher and coach, Byron was a very successful basketball, football, and track coach. During his tenure at Berlin High School, Coach Smith led the Berlin Cubs boys' basketball team to 7 consecutive conference championships. Later, as the head football and basketball coach at Wiesbaden High School, Coach

Smith led the Wiesbaden Warriors to several football and basketball conference championships. When he retired from teaching in 1992 Coach Smith was one of the winningest basketball coaches in DoDDS history. First retiring to Ft. Walton Beach, Florida, Byron and Margaret Smith moved to Villa Rica, Georgia in 2005 where they have lived until his death.



Sponsors: Ron and Glenna Harrison
Berlin Brats Alumni

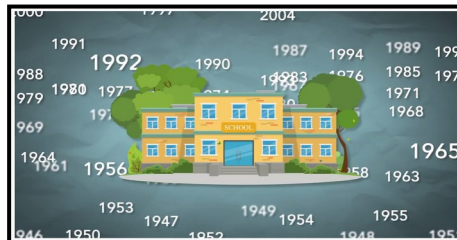


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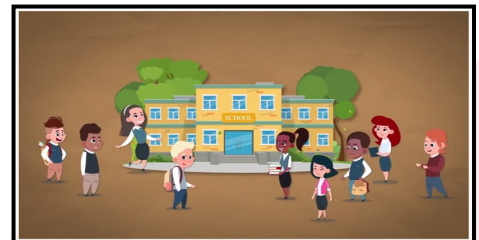
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2019 AOSHS Yearbook Initiative

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2019 AOSHS What's in your box?

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ANSWERS: 1. The Philippines, Leonard Wood School in 1918; 2. Chateauroux High School, France; 3. Midway Island Dependent Schools, Midway Island; 4. Izmir Unit School, Turkey; 5. Moron de la Frontera, Spain; 6. La Maddalene School, Sardinia, Italy; 7. Ekali Elementary School, Greece; 8. Joshua Barney Elementary School, Beaulieu Sur Mar, France; 9. Chitose Army Base Dependents School, Hokkaido, Japan; 10. Ten

This is a new feature in the *AOSHS Quarterly* started in the Winter 2020 Edition. 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 are listing the latest notices of those recently deceased. Anyone interested in sponsoring a Memorial Fund can find the **AOSHS Memorial Fund Application Form** toward the end of this newsletter.



In Memory

Evelyn Teykaerts

-March 23, 2018

(Was not in DoDDS 2018 Memorial)

George R. Ausra

February 28, 1933-December 31, 2018

(Was not in DoDDS 2018 Memorial)

Robert "Bob" Curtis

May 31, 1930-January 15, 2020

Joseph H. Guay

-February 15, 2020

(Was not in DoDDS 2020 Memorial)

Hatsue "Hattie" Higa

January 06, 1934-October 14, 2020

Carol B. Sams

October 06, 1942-October 17, 2020

Virginia A. Miles

May 22, 1926-October 22, 2020

Margaret Shrout Fencken

July 23, 1933-November 30, 2020

Marcine (Heaton) Wilson

January 4, 1938-December 6, 2020

Marilyn Workman

July 28, 1932-December 06, 2020

Richard C. Rhoads

November ??, 1934-December 19, 2020

Inez Bliven

May 12, 1923-December 20, 2020

Mary F. Brady

October 08, 1934-December 26, 2020

Gregg Mowen

June 24, 1959-January 04, 2021

Joan A. Dutter

April 18, 1944-January 10, 2021

Ed "Eddie" Schulze

October 12, 1935-January 10, 2021

James Parker

1936-January 12, 2021

Larry Daniels

-January 15, 2021

Doris M. Talbutt

April 14, 1935-January 23, 2021

Carol J. Wiborg

December 10, 1942-February 05, 2021

Barbara "Bonnie" Bonnavist

-February 07, 2021

Doris C. Baker

September 25, 1917-February 08, 2021

Cynthia A. Goodwin

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Charles "Chuck" Lockwood

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Larry Burden

-March 08, 2021

Overseas MEMORIES

ALLEN HAYMON

Teacher, School Administrator 1972-1995

The day that I walked into **Zweibruecken ES #1** and met **John Romeo**, the principal, was the beginning of what turned into a fantastic 23-year educational experience. I remember that following that meeting we began the search for a place to live. A few days later we met a landlord in the village of Kirrberg who had a unit beneath his Gasthaus that was available. On the first night in our new home, we noticed there were no shades or blinds covering the windows. Resourcefully, we covered all windows with sheets. A few days later, an American friend of our landlord came to meet us. The landlord had noticed the sheets and had asked her to stop in and show us the built in rouladens that you lowered and raised. This was just the beginning of our education on living in Germany. Our landlords were great. They would come down and escort our three-year-old daughter up to the Gasthaus where she would feast on schnitzel, pomme frites and other menu items until we rescued her. We continued to dine there years after moving to a new location. The older residents of the village were especially curious about my wife's Afro and wondered how her hair was supported. We were told that some thought it was

supported by something underneath. One day an older resident while talking to my wife reached up and squeezed her hair. Curiosity satisfied.

The teachers at Zweibruecken ES#1 were a close knit and outgoing group. They were involved in the military community through activities such as the local theater, bazaars, and holiday activities. There were many dinner gatherings that extended into France, a short drive from the school. I loved the school, the teachers, and the community. **Frauline Zutter** and **Frau Lacroix**, our wonderful local national teachers, immersed our students in the German culture as much as possible. Study trips to cities like Trier, connected with an excursion on the Mosel River, topped off by lunch in Bernkastel-Kues were so educational and fun. As a teacher and school administrator I recognized the dedication of the teachers. You could pass the building on weekends and see their cars in the parking lot. They did not hesitate when asked to assist in school related activities as well as those that were non-school related. We were the surrogate family away from home. A few weeks before my second child was born, I was summoned to the

library where I was surprised with a staff organized baby shower.

In addition to the language there were other "things" new to us; for instance shops that closed on Tuesday at noon, restaurants that did not open on certain days, not being able to shop on Sundays, buying meats in one shop, and bread in another. We adapted and developed our own routines, going to the market in the downtown area on Saturday and buying flowers and other items from the local booths, and stopping in for coffee at our favorite Kaffeehaus. On other Saturdays we would drive to Kaiserslautern, Ramstein Airbase, Heidelberg, or Frankfurt to shop at the larger base exchanges.

We were able to travel to cities and visit sights that we never thought we would see. Who would not love seeing the tulip fields of Holland, driving through the alps, spending weekends at the Oktoberfest and wine fests, enjoying a Rudesheimer coffee in Rudesheim, strolling the streets of Paris, lying on the beaches of Italy, or attending plays in London and Vienna? So many wonderful memories. So many wonderful people.



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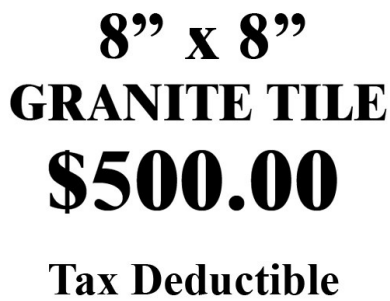
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