

# Warrior Gazette

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Winter Edition

## Wiesbaden Updates...

- 2010 Renovation plans for the Hainerberg campus begin with the demolition of the High School Breezeway, gym and old locker room. New lights are installed around the football field.
- 2015 A new gym & media center are completed. More temporary buildings are installed around campus as renovation plans move forward.
- 2016 The main High School building is razed and a state-of-the-art, 21<sup>st</sup> Century facility is erected in its place. The new building officially opened at the start of the 2017/2018 academic year.
- 2018 In November, the Middle School building is razed in preparation for the next phase of renovations for the Hainerberg campus.
- 2020 The last phase of the Hainerberg Campus renovation project is the Elementary School, which is set to begin after completion of the new Middle School.

# The Baskett Case Files



Lvn Baskett Fort, '77

#### **CHANGES – WINTER 2018**

So much has changed since I started writing for the Alumni Newsletter. I remember my first article was in the newsletter put out by Jim Sains in the early 90s. It was so cool to be part of my past - as many of us know, our "past" is a

jumble of moves and houses and friends. I had so much fun in the years after that, helping in the Association, seeing the connections that folks were making because of us.

The big change since the 80s, when I went to my first reunion in DC with Becky Skaar and Fred Wolff, is the Internet and email and search engines and Facebook. I used to get calls all the time, "Lyn do you know

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### Jesse Trent, Class of '86 and his Transition Blues

Many of us have bumped randomly into a classmate from Wiesbaden. Sometimes, it's at an airport, or at another school not long after having left Wiesbaden. And we play the memory game... trying to remember how we knew them, and whether or not we want to strike up a conversation. Find out how one of Jesse's encounters turned out...

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where ...... is?" Then I would get emails right and left for the same reason. Now I rarely get anything because we are all in the information age online. It's so much easier to find people and friends.

The Association has certainly changed, from being tight and quick to do things to a bit slower, with less interaction, less questions needing answers. People are finding their own way now. I don't even know how many Wiesbaden Groups are on Facebook now. The Association as a group was formed for the reasons of helping alumni to find each other, keeping track of them, putting out a Newsletter, giving scholarships, and hosting a Reunion in Wiesbaden every 10 years. We also host a site on the NING pages. We accept dues and put them in an account which allows us to buy things like Yearbooks from past years, Letter Jackets, and other Wiesbaden High School memorabilia. I keep some of this, and Comanager Lindy Hirschman Aleshire, Class of 1988, keeps some of it.

We haven't had a drive for

membership/dues/money in several years, due to the fact that we have a nice balance in the account. To date it is a little over \$3,000. We haven't given scholarships over the last 12 years mostly due to the change in interest from alumni to join the Association – I get it, why join and send money if you can find and talk to folks anytime on your own...

I'd like to propose a change in this. While we've been slow to keep the School Spirit up, and the alumni have been the same – we should change right now. We have a reunion planned for late June 2020 in

Wiesbaden. I'd like to see it bust the record books. And to do that, we're going to need more than \$3K. So this newsletter is to put our alumni on notice. Get it together and join up! You, and WE, deserve better than the status quo.

We've all changed in the last 40 years. I remember when I could actually still climb a tree with my kids. Now my kids have kids, and I'm a very happy grandmother! I used to be able to laugh without peeing my pants, and bend over without farting. Yes, you may laugh because if you're not there, then you will be, my friends.

We used to be a group who frantically searched from friends in every city we visited, collected phone books to poor over names and addresses. But we have changed! And we will bring ourselves together again, care for our past and our future. With you and all our Alumni – we will Change – Again.

-Lyn Baskett Fort, '77



Lyn at Ft. Clinch, FL in 2018

# WE WANT YOU

**To Join the Alumni Association!** 





# 2 Cents From a GenX on the

# Comings & Goings of the

## WHS Alumni Association...

## A Dropped Seed.

There are folks who've been with the WHS / HH Arnold Alumni Association for many vears -classmates who got involved before I had even graduated from HH Arnold. who continue to send in membership dues to support the efforts of the Association - so strong is their commitment to ensure a permanent home for all Warriors, in what ever form it takes. We thank you sincerely for your years of unstinting loyalty and dedication.

#### Reflectin'...

From what this late 80s 'youngin' can see... the Association has been a fluid responder to the needs of Warriors from its infancy up through today, for all class years, young, old and somewhere in between. It has undergone startup pains,

growing pains, straddling oldschool communication with conversion to online interaction. It has sifted through officer elections, restructuring, extended hiatus, the birth and growth of social networking, and the ever-expanding age of information as we push through to the end of the first quarter of the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

As with any group spanning more than seven decades, this community has seen its fair share of drama, flare-ups and spats from differing perspectives, along with a heartfelt spirit of cooperation that continues to propel fellow Warriors forward in service to our alumni.

#### To the Point...

Apparently, Jim '59, Lyn '77, and myself '88, each thought, at roughly the same time, that now would be a good time to

give an accounting of what the Alumni Association has been and continues to be up to behind the scenes for the old guard (our Tried-and-True Gold-and-Blue), as well as the wave of younger Warriors who are finding us in recent times and maybe even for the first time today... (Welcome!)

#### Status of the AA.

The Association maintains domains/websites located at WiesbadenWarriors.com, WiesbadenHigh.com, and the official chat site at GeneralHHArnold.ning.com. We also interact with and coadminister multiple alumni groups on facebook.com, using that platform as a means for announcing and managing official events, and notifying a broader audience about news that impacts the community. We maintain presence on Facebook specifically to bring news

back to Warriors who don't use that medium, and vice versa, sometimes sharing things with the online community about folks who aren't present online. We maintain the largest database in existence of Wiesbaden Warrior alumni, including the list of classmates, teachers and close Friends and Family of the Warrior community who have passed, known as 'The Honor Roll.'

### Yearbook Project.

The Yearbook Reproduction project is still active, though slow-going of late. For alumni who send in membership for the year, we are able to mail out a DVD containing scanned versions of yearbooks for class years 1948 through 1987. We're also working on hosting them online for easier access.

## Big shout-out to Karl Miller-'76, for all the help he has given toward this effort.

We have more yearbooks we haven't advertised yet, so reach out if you're looking for a particular year. The process is pretty straight forward –

- 1. Just ping Lyn at lynfort@mail.com
- 2. Ask her if she's got the year(s) you're looking for...

- 3. Toss some membership love in the pot; the membership link is at WiesbadenHigh.com...
- 4. Lyn will get the digital yearbooks to you asap via snailmail or a link via email.

Scanned yearbooks, compared to the cost of hardcopy reproduction, continue to be an affordable way to bring home the HH Arnold/WHS memories. We're slowly making progress toward having later years available. Check back on WiesbadenHigh.com for more updates.

## But Wait! There's More...

The Association continues to be proactive in purchasing Warrior memorabilia and artifacts that turn up for sale online, including yearbooks, letter jackets and class rings.

#### REUNIONS...

As has been the case since 1990, the Alumni Association hosts two official events per decade. At the halfway mark of each decade (2005, 2015, 2025.), we host a stateside event in rotating locations. —In 2015, we co-located with the DoDDs Teachers' Reunion in Chicago — catching up with

our teachers was so cool!

At the start of each decade, we arrange a reunion back at our old stomping grounds in Wiesbaden, typically with tours of the school, and other military installations, along with fun city tours, group activities and more. I've heard the 1990 and 2000 Reunions were amazing. I had the very good fortune of helping with and attending the 2010 reunion and now know, it's the one our Warrior hearts want, so join us! We've just started advertising for the 2020 reunion and the buzz is already building, so keep an eye out for developments and start planning now, to make sure you can join us. Check WiesbadenHigh.com and facebook for updates.

#### The Newsletters.

We're averaging publishing a newsletter once every two years. As Lyn stated so succinctly, there was a time when the newsletter went out every 6 months and served as **the** way to get news out about upcoming reunions, messages from classmates looking for each other, and general items of interest to share in case old friends were out there reading.

When I began helping with the newsletter, I noticed we

were having to really chase people down for updates. It was getting tougher to find those old-school news items, even among the old guard, that weren't already out there and available thanks to social media. We really are thankful for the ease of reconnecting that social media has made possible. It has been a blessing for the Warrior community. But what to do with the newsletter? What was its purpose in this online age? Well, what began with, 'Shoot. What am I going to write about?' quickly became, 'I LOVE writing about this stuff!' Suddenly, the Association newsletter was filled with alumni-related trivia, in-depth stories about the misadventures of reunion attendees, and concentrated focus on pieces of our history that hadn't gotten much airtime in the past. Here was a way to share some of our rich history, as well as bridge some generation gaps by bringing new and old perspectives and experiences to a community that continues to have so much in common.

Now, we're doing exposés on things like... a group of maverick 1950s Warrior football players, roaming loose in Berlin and daring to get pictures with Russian border guards at a time when tensions were running high and escalation was in the air... and photographic evidence of late 80s alumni

striking the old flagpole crest with metal pipes to pry off tiles after the HH Arnold principal told them it wouldn't be saved during renovations of the school... (oooops!)

And now, we're tackling the topic of student protests, and we can't wait to see what else shakes loose in an effort to share parts of our school's past, present and future with the Warrior community.

## On The Horizon for the AA.

So, what's next for the Association? Well, Lyn and I keep threatening to make a push in several areas that have been on the docket for some time, including, but not limited to... expanding WiesbadenHigh.com, a much needed formal restructuring of the management of the AA, an online museum of HH Arnold/WHS memorabilia, a big push to expand the Yearbook project, a possible partnership with the WHS Booster Club to make official Warrior gear easier to get. discussions about the feasibility of reinstituting the WHS AA Scholarship program for deserving new WHS graduates heading off to college...

There's more, but I've probably shared more than I should. It's a lovely wish list, but it takes time – and Lyn and I do have pretty full and

busy lives outside of the Association with our respective jobs, families, etc.

So, dear Warriors, please don't take this as your cue to fuss at us about the progress we're making. Consider taking a page out of JFK's book and...

Ask not what your Association can do for you. but what YOU can do for your ASSOCIATION.



In the summer of 2015, I found myself in the Austin airport, staring at a display of classic Transformers (you know, Robots in Disguise) while on my way to a flight taking me to a tiny, obscure island off the NW coast of Canada for some hippie, mud-house building workshop I'd signed up for. I co-habit with a Transformers fanatic. so I pulled out my laptop, fired up PhotoBooth and held it most awkwardly as I tried several times to get the shot to share later (I'm an 80s kid who doesn't do cell phones). The photograph above was my first attempt. And since it is literally a picture of me with a light bulb over my head, it became an instant favorite.

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Jest Jo!

Visit WiesbadenHigh.com for more information.

Or email Lyn Baskett Fort at lynfort@mail.com.







# WARRIOR PROTESTS and WALKOUTS

Moments When HH Arnold/WHS Classmates were Driven, Inspired, or Just Moderately Interested in Breaking the Rules to Achieve an End Result...

After putting the word out on social media that the Association was covering HH Arnold protests in the newsletter, we got some pretty odd feedback. Someone pointed us to a picture of a handful of guys running down Texas Strasse completely naked. It wasn't clear what they were protesting. Perhaps a general disliking of clothes? It was entertaining, but not quite what we were looking for.

Another classmate reminded us of the infamous VW Beetle a student had parked over the crest in the foyer, but that was clearly a prank, not a protest. It's not like there was a shortage of parking spots at the school - though the students involved get top marks for a stellar and legendary shenanigan that continues to make the rounds among Warriors some 40+ years later.

Finally, some real leads paid

off, and kept paying and paying until... what was supposed to be a fun recap of a spirited protest quickly became something else entirely. With every lead followed, there were twists and turns, until it slowly became clear that this story was more than had been bargained for; we had wandered into a topic sensitive to administration, and remembered inconsistently by students.

We nearly pulled the plug on it, but realized it was an interesting story that deserved to be told, and that the Warrior community was exactly the right audience to tell it to. There may be... some fallout when this gets published. This topic is, to say the least, a bit of a risk. Social media has given a wide platform to folks, regardless of how well thought out their posts are, or aren't.

The WHS/HH Arnold Alumni Association respects the

difficult job that administrators and teachers have had, and continue to have in educating our youth. We also respect the students who had the courage to take a stand for their beliefs. This article is not meant to weigh in on the right or wrong of actions related to student protests at WHS/HH Arnold. Its intent is to share a few pieces of the rich and layered history of our school.



# 1989-1990: A Response to Censorship?

-Or a Great Way to Get Out of Class!

The relationship between education and administration has long been a murky one. The line between growth and supression is... scrutinized with every school newspaper published, every student council meeting held, every dress code articulated. At what point does administrative governance impose limits on the learning and development of students? Should students be encouraged or discouraged to question decisions implemented by the administration? What role should teachers play in such situations? Each community answers these questions as they come up – some more successfully than others.



Students pack foyer & stairwell of HH Arnold During 1990 Yearbook Protest.

With less than a week to go in the 1989/1990 academic year, students at General H. H. Arnold High School took part in a protest centered on a delay in yearbook distribution. The reason for the delay was not made known at the time and it remains difficult to determine to this day. But this protest doesn't seem to have been born out of students upset by the decreased time they'd have for friends to sign yearbooks prior to summer break. It seems to have begun with a few students on the newspaper staff. It is hard to ascertain whether their motivation came solely from the yearbook delay or mounting frustration over acts of censorship they had endured from the school's administration.



Protest gathers momentum as more students gather in the foyer and halls.

I approached this story thinking I'd be able to flesh out a few fun details to share with the alumni community about *a spirited demonstration* perpetrated by a united, albeit mischievous, group of students that dared to demand the administration honor the advertised delivery date of their yearbooks. But some odd things happened along the way. First, I spoke with the principal who had made the decision to delay the yearbook distribution. I went away thinking there was no story here, just some kind of miscommunication that had gone wrong. I spoke with both of the teachers most directly involved in the protest and found such an overwhelmingly different account (one that I was being encouraged to print in its entirety), that it took some time to

recognize the focus of the story had shifted away from the students and was centering around these teachers.

The teachers named a few students who could corroborate portions of their story, but those students and their versions never materialized.

I felt dismayed at being encouraged to run with a story unsubstantiated according to commonly held journalism guidelines that ensure against libel.

While I was following these leads. I had a conversation with a former student who was friends with several of the protesters I was trying to track down. She wasn't directly involved with the protest, but she spoke with me about her time spent in class with one of the teachers so closely involved with the protest. She said she learned a lot from this teacher, and valued greatly the time she spent in her class, but that this teacher taught from an extremely opinionated perspective, telling the students what to think instead of allowing them to reach their own conclusions.

That's what made me pause,



HH Arnold Students gathered in front of the Booster Club booth during the yearbook protest.

and rethink how I was approaching this story...

Based on what I had seen of this teacher on social media, I suspected this student's summation was on target, so I thanked her and ventured with caution into the rest of the story, still determined to bring out some scope of truth that helps us understand what happened that June day in 1990.

--Please note that the General H. H. Arnold / Wiesbaden High School Alumni Association has purposefully chosen to omit names due to the sensitive nature and unsubstantiated details of this story.

According to these two teachers closest to and involved with the protest, this event has been characterized as a continuation of an ongoing battle between journalistic integrity and the

school administration's attempts to suppress freedom of speech and freedom of the press. It's been said the yearbook distribution delay was retaliation toward one of these teachers who refused repeatedly to accept administrative interference with student publications.

This raises a lot of questions. Would the students have protested solely on the notion of a delay in yearbook distribution or was something else fueling the fire? How much did the journalism students know about the strained relations between administration and the teacher? If they knew about it, was it appropriate that they knew, and how much of a role did that play in the decision to protest?

Could the yearbook delay have been exploited as a way

# to push back on an increasingly overreaching administration?

Would the journalism students have rallied the student body if they hadn't received encouragement, and even instruction from teachers on how to go about doing it? Was it right or wrong for teachers to encourage the protest?

These questions cannot be answered definitively because this event happened long before it became commonplace for people to have cellphones with cameras capturing so much of their daily lives. But we can take a look at the backstory to help understand the events that led up to the protest...

During the late eighties, journalism became part of the curriculum at HH Arnold High.



Protesting students gather in front of the school. The sign reads: 'Underclassmen Paid 2! We Want Our Yearbooks!!'

During this time, censorship of school publications became a significant concern, to the point that in the fall of 1989, the HH Arnold newspaper team gathered signatures to file a complaint with the Student Press Law Center (SPLC). The SPLC is an independent Washington

D.C.-based non-profit advocacy group that weighs in on constitutionality of freedom of press issues impacting students in the United States. After SPLC reviewed the case, it sent written notification to the administrators of General H. H. Arnold High School, reaffirming that the rights outlined in the first amendment to the U.S. Constitution do apply to student journalists in overseas American High Schools and that censorship of high school publications violates those rights. It was a huge victory for the students and staff of the journalism program at HH Arnold.

The Stars and Stripes newspaper picked up the story. HH Arnold's journalism staff would go on to win an award the following year for



Students who didn't join the protest watch it unfold from their classroom windows, along with a teacher.

'Distinctive and Substantial Achievement in Scholastic Journalism' from Quill and Scroll, a prestigious International Honorary Society for High School Journalists. There was clearly an issue with censorship happening at the high school at that time. These events seem to have led to further strained relations between the school's administration and the journalism program. It's been stated that personal vendetta featured prominently in the delay in yearbook distribution that June morning in 1990. While there are two teachers who confirm this narrative, other teachers are far less clear on the matter. and because there are no student perspectives to feature (and it isn't from lack of trying), it remains unclear.

# This protest was supposed to be about the students, but it kept leading back to the teachers.

As the pictures show, this was a heavily attended walkout, yet out of the twenty student leads I approached, none of the students interviewed, who do say they were there, could remember much about the protest itself. A handful of alumni remember that it was about the yearbooks, and a few even recall that one particular journalism student seemed to have spearheaded the effort,



but many can't recall how it happened, or even what they were protesting. That particular journalism student has not responded to repeated requests for further information. It has become clear she doesn't wish to discuss it. Another student, a senior at the time, said the protest was a great excuse for getting out of class, and that he spent the time roaming the grounds playing guitar out in the nice weather. The sister of the guitar player, a sophomore at the time, said she was way too drunk to have known what was happening while she sat in the fover enjoying skipping class with her friends. (Wow that could be a whole other story to tackle!)

With so many students smiling and hamming it up for the cameras, coupled with the expressions of amusement on the faces of the military police called in to keep an eye on this pack of unruly dependents, this looks more like an end-of-year party than it does an exercise in their first amendment rights.

The grievances outlined by the teachers (one of whom







was the Faculty Union Representative at the time), if true, could have resulted in serious repercussions, had complaints been filed and grievance procedures been followed. It is sad to learn of such strife having taken place behind the scenes of our beloved school. But I understand that differences in ideology and perspective can create rifts in the workplace, and that our school is not exempt from that, just as it's not exempt from the laws of our constitution that outline our rights as U.S. citizens.

According to the school principal, the delay was due to receiving an incomplete shipment and once the rest of the shipment arrived at a later date, all the yearbooks were distributed. That conflicts with other statements, as students and teachers confirmed the protest was successful in achieving its goal of seeing all yearbooks distributed on the day of the protest.

After gathering in the auditorium to hear out administration, the students apparently refused to disband

until their demand was met. There are no date-stamped pictures that show tables covered with boxes of yearbooks and members of the yearbook staff distributing them to the student body, but according to students and teachers, the demands of the student protesters were met that day. They say they all got their yearbooks.

So, what really happened? We still don't know. But it sure looks like...

a spirited demonstration perpetrated by a united, albeit mischievous, group of students who dared to demand the administration honor the advertised delivery date of their yearbooks.

And it looks like they had a blast doing it.

Students gather in the auditorium to hear out administration's proposal for ending the yearbook protest. The students refused to disband until yearbooks were distributed that day.



# The Budget Cut Protest of 199



As the 94/95 school year was coming to a close. military budaet cuts were announced, due to the downsizing and closing of bases across Europe and the Pacific. The Berlin wall had come down in 1989, and the pulling back of resources was finally trickling down to the American overseas communities.

-Lindy Hirschman Aleshire, '88

In Wiesbaden, the American community was already feeling the squeeze with the closing of Lindsey Air Station in 1993. For the Wiesbaden school district, it was announced that the direct impact of the budget cuts would see the reduction of the school nurse position to half time, the elimination of the entire Graphic Arts program and dismissal of its teacher, elimination of English as a Second Language class, and dismissal of one of the two counselors whose job it was to work with students, helping them with career and education decisions as they neared graduation.

At the time of the announced budget cuts, the Wiesbaden community was also preparing to absorb the Frankfurt community, as the Frankfurt High School was closing down at the end of that academic year. An increase to the student population coupled with a decrease in resources left the

parents in the Wiesbaden community deeply concerned about the coming year and beyond. Many Warriors felt that bringing Frankfurt Eagles into the Wiesbaden community, a high-profile sports rival of HH Arnold, was enough reason to keep a full staff of counselors on board. at least for the next several years.

Some of the students pointed out how unrealistic it would be to have a nurse on call at the school for only part of the time.

A few students expressed that they hoped the Graphic Arts program could continue, as they felt they learned a lot of useful skills in those classes. The

counselor who was facing dismissal was Duane Kroseman. Duane and his family had been in Wiesbaden for many years. He was a popular and wellrespected member of the high school teaching staff. His primary duties at HH Arnold included serving as senior



class counselor and Work Experience Coordinator (CWE).

Duane's kids, Kim and Jeff, went to WAMS and HH Arnold with me. Our parents were colleagues and friends. I got a chance to catch up with Duane at the DoDDs Teachers' conference in Chicago back in July of 2015. but it was a tip-off from fellow HH Arnold teacher Frank Pendzich who put me onto the trail of the 1995 protest. Frank remembered this protest clearly and encouraged me to ask Duane about it directly, and so I did. It turns out that it was Duane's impending dismissal that was, for the most part, the catalyst for the events that took place after the budget cuts were announced. Duane insists that it was a combination of the pending removal of several teachers and programs, but according to the student who organized the protest - it was the loss of Duane Kroseman that motivated her and others into action.

It started with parents and a letter writing campaign demanding a halt to the budget cuts. It was a significant effort that galvanized much of the community, but the only response it got was a form letter from the school's Regional Superintendent, repeating the details of the scheduled budget cuts, and



its from Gen. H.H. Arnold High School in Wiesbaden, Germany, demonstrate against teacher aff cuts Tuesday morning.

#### Wiesbaden students protest staff reductions

By C.S. ALLBRIGHT

WIESBADEN, Germany About 100 Wiesbaden high schoo students walked out of classe Tuesday morning to protest teach er and staff reductions.

Shouting "Save our staff," students marched around the school carrying signs and protesting the impending cuts.

Students said their education at Gen. H.H. Arnold High School is being hurt by "penny pinches" who cut vital teaching slots and programs, senior Josh Carrico said. Particularly upsetting, they said, was the elimination of the senior counselor.

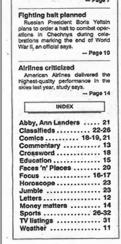
"The senior year is a very critica

an focus on what we as a class seed to graduate," said Sarah Bilnes, a junior. The senior counselr helps the students with class thedules, college scholarship aplications and vocational options,

This latest round of cusbacks in the Department of Defense Depenients Schools in Europe has rompted widespread criticism and chair. Last week, parents, teachers and students in Naples, Italy, circuted petitions in opposition to the uts in that community.

Wiesbaden students said they opted for the walkout after a petition drive failed to yield results.

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at 9 a.m. By 11 a.m., it had attracted the attention of a German television station and prompted a visit by Brig. Gen. Thomas E. Swain, Wiesbaden's senior

He briefly met with two protesters, Billings and senior Viktoria Fortmeyer.

"We got to talk to General Swain, and he seems to me like he wants to help," Billings and "Mear times the lawer that we're con-

Most students returned to class following the lunch break.

Athletes said they had been warned

not to participate in the walkout.
"Our coach told us not to do this or
we'd get kicked off the team," said junior
Nits Garrison, a soccer player. "We're
doine it answay because we need bee

Gen. H.H. Arnold High School has an enrollment of 350, but an influx is expected next year when the school absorbs much of the Frankfurt High School population. Frankfurt closes its doors at the end of this school year.

"Many teachers support us, but they're at allowed to say anything," junior Car-

Not all the students who left classes participated in the protest. About two dozen simply gathered at the school flagpole and enjoyed the midmorning sun. After a fight broke out among teen-agers not participating in the protest, several students pointed out the irony of making the



arah Billings, a junior at Gen. H.H. Arnold High School in Wiesbaden, Germann, te brig: Gen. Thomas E. Swain, about her concerns. Senior Viktoria Fortmeyer a

nurse position a half-time job.

"You can't tell when someone is got
to get sick or hurt," sophomore Mil

Protesters said they will wear black ribbons on Wednesdays for the remainder of the school year, Billings said. "My art teacher is the greatest and he

f the school year, Billings said.

"My art teacher is the greatest and he bouldn't be fired," senior Leihuanani tamba said, "He knows how to get the est work out of students."

would face disciplinary action for the three-hour walkout. The school principal, Henry Demps, refused to discuss any spneet of the incident.

said Demps is looking into the issue of disciplining the teens.

"If students have a concern about the implication of staff cuts on their edicational program they should address it through proper changes and means that

not addressing any of the concerns they'd expressed. So, the students jumped into action (with encouragement from some of their parents and teachers). They organized a walkout, led by the efforts of Junior Class President Sarah Billings. The walkout started at 9:00 am on April 25<sup>th</sup>, 1995 and saw about 100 students carrying signs, marching across the school campus, shouting, 'Save our staff!'

'A large group of students got up and walked out of their classes carrying some signs,' said Duane Kroseman. 'They did a short group march outside around the school and then they mostly congregated on the front lawn of the school. There was not much anyone could do as they were such a large group and determined to follow through with their protest.'

Duane also recalls that roughly about an hour later, the principal of the school demanded that the students return to class. Apparently, none of the students budged.

By 11:00 am, they had attracted the attention of a local German television station, and shortly after, prompted a visit from the Senior Tactical Commander, Brigadier General Thomas E. Swain.

Duane remembers, 'Around noon, I went out and addressed the students, thanking them for their concern and asking them to return to class, which they did. I forget at what point the base commander showed up, but I think it was after the students went back to class, but he did meet with a few of the organizers to hear their concerns.'

The base commander did meet briefly with Sarah Billings and another student, Victoria Fortmeyer. They arranged for a follow-up call to explain the issues the students had raised. The Stars and Stripes newspaper picked up the story on April 26<sup>th</sup>. 1995. The walk out had garnered enough attention that it landed on the front page, sharing space with the Oklahoma City bombing tragedy that had taken place just a couple of weeks earlier.

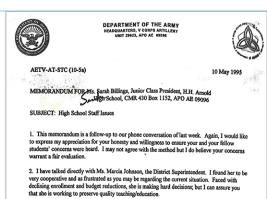
A copy of a memorandum from General Swain to Sarah Billings, dated May 10th, 1995, recaps the phone call that took place between them and reads like a compromise aimed at addressing sincerely the students' main concerns.

The memo details the status of each issue raised on the phone call between Sarah

and General Swain. These are, essentially, the results that the student protest achieved:

- English as a Second Language class was reinstated.
- The school nurse position was restored to full time.
- The Graphic Arts program and teacher were eliminated due to lack of interest; unsuccessful efforts had already been undertaken the previous year to try to save the program.
- Discussions were still underway about the fate of the second counselor position.
- The last paragraph of the memo was a bit of a finger-waggling about parents and teachers encouraging students to protest, and describing more 'proper' channels to pursue when there are disagreements or issues that need to be resolved.
- The memo ended with a promise to continue to look into the issues and to keep the students informed.

That last paragraph about keeping the students informed speaks to one of the



- 3. With regard to the specific concerns we discussed
- a. Ms. Johnson worked both the nurse and English as a Second Language (ESL) issues with ositive results. School nurse full time positions and the ESL position have been restored.
- b. The Graphic Arts program will not be able to be retained. It is a matter of declining earollment and ability to justify the instructor's position. Last year, concessions were made in order to retain the Graphic Arts Instructor's position while determining if enrollment would vailable keeping the course. The instructor was also given duties as a PE Instructor in order to warrant the instructor's full time employment. Unfortunately, student enrollment can no longer justify keeping the course and the school cannet afford to retain the PE position which was created not necessarily based on need. Although not related to the elimination of the Graphic Arts program, the cosmetology class will be offered based on student interest. It will be subject to periodic review, just as the Graphic Arts program, to validate its need versus enrollment.
- c. I have not reached an agreement with Ms. Johnson on the second school counselor positio and will address the issue with Dr. Sweeney, the Interim Regional Director, DoDDS Europe.

commitment. I do not, however, feel that parents and teacher support for the of national states. By encouraging this type of issue resolution, parents and teachers poul students occurred through appropriate channels. Parents and teachers is not better positions to express maximizing student learning time and presenting an environment for the students conductive to education.

4. I will continue to pursue the counselor issue and will keep you informed,  $\boldsymbol{\omega}$ 

THOMAS E. SWAIN
Brigadier General, US Army
Senior Tactical Commander

#### broader

issues raised by some of the student protesters; namely that when the adults around them were making these decisions about their educational experience, and other things that would impact their adult lives, none of them sought input from the students themselves. As teenagers nearing adulthood, just months away from being of legal age to vote in U.S. elections, sign legally binding contracts and serve in the U.S. armed forces, the students felt they should have some say when important decisions were being made about their education. Is that not, after all, what student council is for, to provide a

voice for the student body?

Had the individuals on the budget committee in the Wiesbaden American community brought student council in on the mission, they could have:

- Provided a more gradual notification of the looming budget cuts
- Given the students some sense of having a voice in the decisions being made
- Tasked the students with proposing areas most appropriate to achieve the needed budget cuts
- Worked out a compromise that included student involvement

A Smoke Signals issue published May 12, 1995 is devoted to the student protest and features a picture of the students on the grounds. The article focused on some of the negative aspects of the protest, such as the small group of students who were taking advantage of the situation to enjoy a day outside, lounging on the flagpole crest. And a former student who still lived in the area took it upon himself to head to the campus and start trouble with the MPs on hand.

That's when the students began returning to class -

when things turned violent with a small group that wasn't representative of the protest, likely about the same time that Duane Kroseman was out front, asking the protesters to head back into school.

Fortunately, the school nurse was still full time during the 94/95 school year and was on hand to help the students who were injured during the skirmish.

But even that small group that turned violent couldn't stop the majority of the students who were out there fighting for something bigger than themselves. They delivered their message in such a public way, that it went straight to the base commander. Regardless of how one feels about the propriety of students exercising their first amendment rights, in this case, it was effective.

Ultimately, the position of the senior counselor was, as they say, excessed, and he had to leave HH Arnold. Duane says it was a very traumatic experience for him, but he also said it turned out to be the best thing that ever happened to him as a DoDDs teacher. 'Over the summer, I got picked up by the DoDDS Distance Learning school to teach AP Physics and

Computer Science via distance learning. I had to leave the high school, but only had to move as far as Mainz-Kastel to an office with other Distance Learning teachers. So I was able to remain in the Wiesbaden area and embark on the best 10 years of my DoDDS career.'

After all these years, Duane continues to be sincerely touched by the efforts of the students on his behalf, and he was happy to share the details he could recall about the walk out.

It's been over 20 years since this protest. By now, Sarah Billings Gandrey is a busy mom, wife and professional, approaching roughly the same age as many of the adults she encountered during the 1995 protest. I was curious about how she felt about the protest looking back as an adult, so I reached out to her and this is what she had to say:

'This walkout and the conviction myself and my classmates felt about this issue has always been something I have been really proud to have been a part of. It was especially rare in a military community for us to take a stand, and to this day, I disagree respectfully with General Swain on the channels we chose to use being inappropriate. I don't think any of us could have

imagined the relevance this would have to events decades in our future, but here we are.

I think the same sentiments I had as a teenager hold true. The issues and concerns of young people are often overlooked. That has not changed. What has, unfortunately, is the severity of the issues that face our kids today. It has been over two decades and I am teaching Leadership at Palm Beach State College, a small state college only 20 miles north of Parkland, Florida.

The timing of you reaching out was so fitting. After the Parkland shooting, I thought a bit about our own walkout and peaceful protest... hearing parents and commentators weigh in on why these students had no real life experience to even share an opinion on issues such as gun control in America... to dismiss them based on their age. It was disappointing really, and also reminiscent of our experience.

My kids today are the same age I was when I stood with my peers in protest. The gravity of our concerns pales in comparison to Parkland, but there are some pretty significant similarities as well. It was inspiring to see the strength of young people across the United States raising their voices in a way possibly more American than

any other. What I noticed when I revisited the Stars & Stripes article however, was that my memory of that day was not about being class president, or being chosen to be the liaison to the General. It was not about the front page of the paper, or being on the news.

What I remember most fondly are my friends, our families and teachers who supported this cause. It's Margaret Hughes' sly grin as we raided art supplies with absolute glee. It was painting signs with Carrie Bourn and Ellie Maldonado. It was Priscilla Smith reminding us all to fight oppression, and Jacob Gothia interviewing everyone for what was sure to be the most important article of his high school journalism career.

I remember my mom still managing to muster up the will to tell me she was proud, even though she was certain she was going to be blacklisted because the name 'Billings' made it to her boss's desk in DC.

I also remember our teachers, possibly most of all. The men and women who, even at the risk of punishment, encouraged us to stand up for what we believed. They were the heroes who inspired us so much that we wanted to fight for them. The Duane Kroseman's and Carolyn Smith's of the world who

come everyday to educate our next leaders...

I don't know what *your* superpower is, but I think *that* is a pretty cool one.'

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It seems this demonstration was not just a successful exercise in first amendment rights, but that it also played a role in shaping at least one career path toward helping others develop leadership skills, and it may even have led to a heightened sense of community involvement.

These kids came together and created a louder voice collectively than they'd have had on their own, centered around issues that were important to them all.

While only some of their demands were met, the point is that the students' concerns were taken into account when budget cuts were decided upon for the 95/96 school year.

But they were only taken into account because they <u>insisted</u> upon it.

# One Last Thing About Protests...

Did you notice the spotlight on student protests centers on our 90s crowd? There's more out there that we haven't yet featured, and we're happy to continue this exposé, should anyone wish to contact us with incriminating evidence--err, corroborated details.

We've unearthed proof that the rumblings of discontent go back many generations. We just happened to have heard back from the Warriors of the 1990s for this round.

But in the spirit of protests and a calling to arms, take a look at this name-naming gem from the mid-1970s...

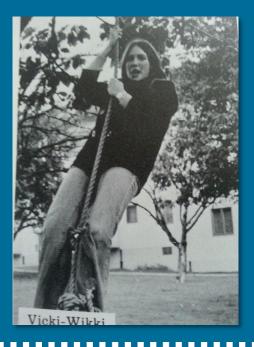
# Write on!

Some students who attend General H.H. Arnold High seem to agree with everything that happens on campus, but most don't. The average person attending WHS has some sort of complaint.

Just by walking through the halls, I hear dozens of complaints every day. Joe Bolinski feels that his ISCS teacher discriminates against Polish-Americans. Jane Parkinglot doesn't understand why she can't smoke dope during fourth period. Gertrude Wart thinks that sophomores are just as much qualified to be Homecoming Queen as seniors are. Jim Theisen calls the NHS members a bunch of eggheads who what to show off their brains to the rest of the school. Mr. Class President feels that students should salute when they see him.

These are only a few of the numerous gripes that I hear every day of the week. Many students have very good ideas, but they are never expressed publicly. Show the rest of the school where you stand by writing a letter to the editor of SMOKE SIGNALS.

## FEATHERED WARRIOR: Victoria Demarest Kanaar '76



We had to be sneaky to get details on Vicki for the purpose of recognizing her in the Association Newsletter. Like so many military brats, Vicki repeatedly steps up when needed and falls back without expecting recognition for a job well done. But we felt it was time to change that.

Vicki has been involved with the Association for the better part of 18 years, recruited by President Lyn Baskett Fort, Vicki has held down a number of duties, including newsletter editor and content manager, database manager and event organizer. She is continually in service to her fellow classmates, not only through the association, but also with online messages and posts aimed at inspiring people to respect and help each other.

Hey, Vicki Wikki... the Official Wiesbaden HS / Gen. HH Arnold HS Alumni Association greatly appreciates everything you do for our community. A great, big heartfelt thank you to YOU!



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heard one of your former H.H. Arnold classmates tell you how they were somewhere random and met a person who had also lived in Wiesbaden. We smile with good reason because of our shared understanding of that place and the affect it had on us.

I wonder how often an opposite reaction takes place? During a recent, quiet moment, I remembered a time when something like this happened. I had PCS'd back to the States in February of my junior year.

We did not move into a house right away, but opted to live in an apartment while my sister and I finished out the school year. My new school was okay, if not a bit cliquish. After three months, I realized my friends were other students who had not grown up in the school district, like me.

I knew my sister was having a hard time adjusting. She wasn't as social as I was and I think it might have been a difficult move for her. By May, I knew we would be going to a different school the next year, and I was likely less interested in spreading roots in my current school.

One day, as I was meandering to my first class after lunch, I was hanging out in the corner of a hallway. Just a ways down the hall I saw a girl that I remembered from a few years back in Germany. I believed I last saw her in 8th grade, but I remembered her even though it had been 3+ years. It took me a minute.

I went through the microsecond emotions of "She's familiar... from where? Germany, 8th grade." While not specific, I also associated her with a non-specific memory of cruel action. During this split second of looking at her and realizing where I knew her from, but not remembering the specific memory, I realized I had a choice to make; acknowledge her and talk with her, or not.

While this is all happening in

seconds within my brain, I catch her eyes, avert my gaze, as does she, and we go back and forth in another matter of seconds. I can't be sure if she remembered me, or just couldn't place me. As a 17-year old, proud boy, I decide that even though I can't remember what she did that made me think she was mean, I will not talk to her.

As years pass, I think we mature and someone we might have had issue with. who may have said painful things to us, we tend to forgive, or sometimes forget. Time does heal. Over the years, I have found that kindness is always the best action. I feel bad, because she may have had her own battles, like my sister, at this school. Maybe that connection with someone who shared a similar past would brighten her day.

The bell rang and we went into our different classrooms.

I hope wherever she is, someone is being kind to her today...

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# **RECONNECTING BEFORE the INTERNET!**

...How We Got it Done Before Facebook Existed.



Jim Sains, Class of 1959, is the Founding President of the Official Wiesbaden HS / General H. H. Arnold HS Alumni Association. Jim and a group of dedicated Warriors launched the first ever, massive campaign to help our classmates find each other long before the Internet made it so easy to do. Those early beginnings have a lot to do with why we Warriors feel such a strong, multi-era connection with each other. Jim has taken keyboard in hand to detail how it all started...



It has come to my attention that with all the recent chatting back and forth among the

Warrior community... boy are they young! Or is it that I am old? Well maybe... who would have ever thought that the association would still be around now or it would be populated by those young'uns who were not even a twinkle in their parent's eyes when the idea of an association was conceived?

All of that is more than this old fart could have ever imagined would take place and that it has done so... warms the cockles of my heart (What the hell is a cockle?)! With the young'uns chatting back and forth to their heart's content, I thought

it might be a nice time to introduce to them and anyone else who needs to read some ramblings to fill their otherwise empty day. So, for your edification and delight (I hope) here goes.

How did the association start? Who started it and why bother? Well, if you look back in your history books you will soon find there was no mention of... faxing... facebook... email... google... or internet. We had newspapers, television, and phones with dials and a receiver to listen and talk into. They all worked pretty well for the time but soon they would be put to the maximum because a bunch of old farts who happened to have graduated from H.H. Arnold High School in Wiesbaden got to wondering, "what ever happened to ... ?" And with that thought in mind trying to

find the answer to that question about their classmates launched them forward albeit rather primitive by today's standards.

What did they do? Well they contacted DODDS and that led nowhere. They also contacted Army Times and Air Force Times to spread the word. Nothing they tried actually got any really valid results. What did work was something that would later be called "networking" and that was to search out any and all of their classmates whom they still were in contact and for those others they searched hometown listings. and from there tried to contact. other classmates that each of them might know where they were. And with that effort they increased the numbers of locations of where some of the alums were. Not really effective, but when you

consider that many of our Warriors managed to stay in contact after returning to the states or even attending the same schools, it makes sense that is where they had to start and thus they did.

About that same time, the "World Wide Web" was invented by Al Gore and as soon as the Warriors figured out what it was they started finding ways to use it. Then groups like Overseas Brats formed and launched into finding and keeping in contact with all overseas brat schools and their alums.

Our core of hardened souls who were at the forefront of the Warrior effort may not be known by the members today, but it is imperative that their efforts and resolve be shared with all. At the risk of failing to include everyone, here is just a partial list of those Alums who mostly came from the class of '60: Tom Shea, Sue Patterson, Soapy Sorenson, Chuck Carver, Dick Hackford, Tom Hummer, and a few who also got involved, Dave Proctor, Dave Grant, and Judy Downer. While there were undoubtedly a few more, these few constituted the true core of those who were determined to reach out and find their classmates. (Of course the real force at this stage was one Linda Sains who played a major role and who was, at that time, not an official alumni. Was later to

change her status!)

Finally in 1980's they had found a few and managed to hold a reunion in Atlanta and at that reunion things started to gel. The next reunion was scheduled for 1987 in San Diego and it was there that I found myself entering into the core group. Another scheduled reunion was set for Dallas in 1988 and there, a reunion in Germany was proposed and with that the wheels started spinning toward reaching and finding our classmates and putting together something that would serve all our fellow Warriors!

Our trip to Wiesbaden was in August 1990. The principal opened up the campus and we got a chance to tour and see the changes that were made as well as walking the halls of the original campus. Since then, all of that has changed. While there, we stayed at the Penta and partied it up pretty well. It was at this time that some of those aforementioned souls who were consuming more than the local water, decided without my input that it would be time to draft up newsletters and send them to one and all of the alumni who we had in a small database. Having been "drafted' only told me that in the future, never intentionally miss any meetings that consisted with any of those astute souls. They could be

up to no good.

The following year with little talent and not much forethought, I drafted up a newsletter and sent out about 800 of them to the known alumni. Not thinking too far ahead, we proposed that if they might be interested, to remit \$10 for a 'membership' in an organization that didn't exist. Lo' and behold they did. so with some funds remaining from the Germany trip, a small treasury was started. Things got to rolling along faster then expected and soon it became apparent that we needed to create some Articles of Incorporation as well as a draft of some bylaws.

All of this was accomplished thru "snail mail" and phone calls. But, it got done, and then someone said we needed to hold a reunion for all class years of alumni and finalize the formation of this organization. In 1995 over 200 alumni met in New Orleans and did just that.

While I had been crowned with the title of President (but only in name....) I made it a point that in 1995 in New Orleans, it was time to pass the gavel and let them hold an election and bring forth a formal leader and a slate of elected (not anointed) officers. It was done and from there the organization was off and running.

Most of the history of the

organization subsequent to that time can be read in the newsletters that were written and printed by others (with a wealth of talent). While the original alumni who were the shakers and movers at the start, remained involved and some more than others, we all staved in close touch and started meeting as a smaller group over the years and thus a new bond was created from within the halls of the organization. Many other class years have also met on a regular basis and even alumni from different class years, but who live in a geographical area.

You may guess, but if you don't, it is so rewarding to read and see how successful the alumni organization has become, and all that has been accomplished. To witness the back and forth of classmates who are organizing not just meetings but projects with class rings, letter jackets, yearbooks, etc. just tells us oldsters that while we may have been primitive by today's standards, we came together and got it done! And just a footnote: We were met at almost every turn by a wealth of naysayers who claimed our efforts were for naught! "It just would not last!"

All it takes is for one to go to the association website and look at the classmates who have joined in and signed up for membership. What is still so good is that those grads from the 80's and 90's are very active, but alas, those from the 50's and some from the 60's are fading from the woodwork. Why? It must be age!

I doubt age has as much to do with it as life's circumstances. With age always come issues of health, wealth and of course... family issues. Most of us can't escape them, and that is as it should be, so alumni issues take a back seat. Fear not, if the messages of the association are constantly given audience at our campus with the students, regardless of changes in communication etc, there will remain a human need to reach out to stay in touch with those with whom you shared an important part of your life.

My intent is not to preach to the masses, only to share with you and other classmates our story and the success or failure that we encountered along the way. Keeping and recruiting new members has been a constant struggle and in concert with that goes funding. While it may appear that there is minimal cost to this website and association, it can get costly.

My little group of '50-'61 grad years has attended quite a few reunions... some small and intimate, and others quite large. Our numbers as with

any group have declined, and in part it has to do with our successes. Once we find our classmates and afford them the chance to meet someplace and see old friends, after a few visits they will no longer see the need to attend any in the future. In part it is because of those previous contacts they were able to stay in touch with, the newly found classmates from the past and isn't that a real benefit to having an alumni association?

When the idea was formed to pull one together, as previously mentioned, there was little support. What little support we had we managed to pull it together and go forward and while not knowing what the outcome might be, we were shocked with the intensity of the responses. It was as if our classmates had only dreamed of seeing their old associates but not knowing how or where to go.

This association afforded them the chance to have some of their dreams come true.

There can be no better reward than making them come true.

'Go Warriors! Forever...'
-Jim and Linda Sains, '59

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# **WARRIOR GATHERINGS & REUNIONS**

...All-Class, Private Gatherings, Class-Specific and More!

We Warriors love getting together at officially hosted and privately organized gatherings, small, large, and everything in between. Chances are, there's a Warrior reunion happening at a location near you. Check out just a few of the recent ones...

July 2015: Official WHS gathering at the DoDDs Teachers Reunion in Chicago. We were the first official student group to attend this annual event. And what fun it was to hang out with some of our former teachers!

Check wiesbadenhigh.com for official reunion news!



**DEC 2018:** This unofficial all-class gathering has been happening every December in North Carolina for over 20 years. It draws a nice spread of class years and continues to grow every year!



**NOV 2018:** The Class of 1963 gathered in San Antonio, TX to celebrate 55 years! These guys have been leading the way on small-scale, class-specific reunions for many, many years!



**NOV 2018:** November is a popular reunion month! The Class of 1964 also got together in Washington D.C., celebrating 54 wonderful years of fantastic Warrior friendship!



**OCT 2018**: 1986–1992 celebrated Class of '88's 30-year milestone in style in the heart of Austin, TX!

# **FALLEN WARRIORS – THE HONOR ROLL**

1948

Jocelyn Halladay Burns Richard A. Franek Pierre Marteney Dolores Miller Dolores N. Schiltz Mary Lou Cress Welch

1949

Robert Beltrone Shirley Lou Brown Colbath Robert McFadden

1950

Patsy McFadden Coyne James C. Hathcock Richard Seefer

1951

Betsy Franek Crouch Thomas Johnson, Jr. Eugene Marteney Richard E McClenahan

1952

Rudolph Langer Millard Lewis. Jr. Lavel Robbins Newman

1953

Gary Danko
John Deutschlander
Mary Dodson
Martha Dodson Fraioli
Kathy Utterback Irwin
Ellen Oxley

1954

Cecil Norquist Berton Robbins Marilyn Rutherford 1954 continued

John Schweizer, III Lorna Rae Jorgensen Steward

1955

Billye Bell
John Douthitt
Lonne Grice
Alice Neuendorf Kruse
Jerry L. Mason
John McFadden
LaVel Newman
Thomas Noonan
Sandy Roberts
Anne Owsley Shortridge

1956

Barbara Buelow
Jerry D. Douthitt
Robert Dunkle
John 'Jay' Eiseman
Charles Ellenbogen
Richard Gruendyke
Karen Sheley Harris
Ed Schweizer

1957

William 'Butch' Henry Densford Robert Genung Thomas Lamb Michael Mason Thomas Rutherford

<u>1958</u>

Richard L. 'Abby' Abshire
Frederick Allen
Donald Arvin
Deirdre McCabe Burke
James 'Jim' Burns
Judy Chapman
Ronald W. Maust
Robert Moore

1958 continued

Judith Shier Kenneth Shriver Pat Sweeney

1959

Vesa Juhani Alakulppi
Sue Newell Bacchus
Pegge Boysen
Anthony P. Chrest
Leroy A. 'Bob' Crum
Peter Davis
William 'Willy' J. Foreman
Patricia Dunkle Lowe
Thomas E. Millacci
Maude Harris Morris
Dale L. Ray
Peter Romo
Joseph 'Joe' Tunner

1960

Richard Ashton Nancy Blackledge Jerry Dan Bolt Don Ewaldt James R. Godwin Richard Hilton Hackford, Jr. **Dottie Pasch Harrington** Robert E. Malone Samuel 'Sammy' Martin Rene Pittet Beery 'Soapy' Sorenson Mara Southern **Sharon Deemer Staggs Gary Stewart** Joyce A. Vander Sys Tazelaar Sharon Summers Upton Ellen Broga White Walter 'Wally' Wickboldt

1961

Charles Decoteau

#### 1961 contined

John Frontczak
Dwight Herrington
Michael Hopkins
William 'Bill' C. Howk
Walter 'Skip' Henry Kosky, Jr.
Norman 'Norm' Law
Susan Scheel Lyttle
Charlotte Ann Miller Markum
Tom McCain
Barbara Jean Burts Podufaly
Roy Probst
Janice Cramer Ross
Ann Tamsett
Carl Turner Weaver, III

#### 1962

Sara Catherine Borden Martha Jean Lozano Delosh Jessie Bill Dominguez Cheryl Dixon Fix **David Bruce Grant** Richard 'Gus' Gustafson Al Haveman Lvnn O'Connor Heck Driskill Belcher Horton Anthony Jonassen Ronald C. 'Ronnie' Jones Diane Swett Lamev Frank G. McArthur, MD Chuck McGhee Robert 'Tom' Odom, Jr. Diane Orlowski Robert Porter Ronald Paul Redd Barbara Carol Pierce Redd Peter Reichard **Thomas Stewart** Lynn Sandra Heck O'Connor

#### 1963

Laurie Bane
Janice Ann Bass
Nita Klein Byrd
Susan Ellen Eaton Cavalier
Richard Grover Cleveland
John Thomas Corley, Jr.

#### 1963 continued

Donna Pollen Desando Larry Dowdrick Benee Gulinson Jones Leo Kraus Patrick 'Pat' Mayo Tom McKaia Risa McIntosh Paul O'Connell Sydney Samuelson Riggs Gary Wayne Schilling Michael Sinclair Judith Wheatley Szyszka James Thomas Susan C Rezner Thomsic **Thomas Trainor** George W. Weitland Thomas E. Yarbrough, Jr.

#### 1964

Michael P Biscayart John Cobb Dan Dundas Jack Exon Mary Dougherty Galbreath **David Garrett** William Franklin George Shannon Green Ralph 'Pete' Earl Herrick, III Mary Holcombe Deirdre Saunders Jepsen Patricia Jones Linda Sanders Junghans Richard 'Rick' S. Kepner John Kimball Jurgen J. McCann Jana Kolvas Morris Judy Nunn Tankersley Elizabeth Williams Homer Worrell, Jr.

#### 1965

Ramona 'Marty' Huber Bain James A. Hall Deirdre Saunders Jepsen Bill Jones Robbie Jones

#### 1965 continued

Michael McGinley David McKeen Bill Mullener Doug Newkirk Valerie Dolstra Newkirk James 'Jim' Richard Nuttall William 'Bill' Overton Kate Dodd Paden Larry Price Steve Rogers Jacquilene Ann Rudd Melvin Francis Sears, Jr. Carole A. Maloney Shellenberg George Michael Stainbaugh Richard L. Switzer James Tyree, Jr. Jane Boothby VanCamp Wallace A. Wright, II Jerry C. Yost

#### 1966

Maria Bresnan
Christopher Busse
Robbie Capps
Harriette Edwards Derryberry
Phyllis Ann Johnson Ewing
Graham Fling, III
Bruce Joseph
Robert Koch
Deborah Anne Ledbetter
James Loomis
Patrick B. Millberry
Chuck Morris
Diane Poulson
Kay Arfaras Sigler
Albert 'Al' Trahan

#### 1967

Kent 'Bucky' Buckingham
Ray Coggin
Bruce Connaway
Mary Crook
Dyanne Babel DeJong-Henderson
Nancy Hall
Robert Link
John Byron Mayo

#### 1967 continued

Frederick 'Fred' McBride Tommy Miller Joyce Phillips Phillip Raines Rus Stolling Rex Zippler

#### 1968

Terrance Airhart, III Terry Bench Cheryl Brehm Thomas 'Tom' Philip Curfs Charles Debaun Tim Donahue Herbert Ernst Tom Stone Gillis Stephen Hansen Mark Andrew Horton Robert Joyce Richard Lawson Jill Marett Robert C. 'Mac' McRae Ellen Murray Macaulay Ann Barr Na James 'Jim' Arnold Overton Charles Owen Michael Phillips Charles F. Postlethwait William Charles Pratt Linda J. Provance Tim Seaguist Kathy Seitz Shepard Carol Herbert Shingler Charles Ernest Wagner Diane Abbondandolo Wallace

#### 1969

Randolph W. 'Randy' Beebe Timothy J. Berger Rick Gaston James R. Goad, Jr. Joy Gruber Kathryn Ann Hermann Diane Hood Terrence J. McCall John O'Reagen, Jr.

#### 1969 continued

Steve Pusin
Ron Raybould
Mary Jo Anderson Rider
Eric Severson
Jon Thorkelsen
Peter Vitelli
Cathy Wyckoff

#### 1970

Greg Daggett
Wayne Richard Harrigan, Jr.
Brad Hostetter
Gregory Campbell Landis
George A. Lyons
Mary Mattord
Doris Neff
Chris Patterson
Donald Spearel
William D. Tyra, III
Peter D. Van Noppen

#### 1971

Lorenzo Borders Douglas Brethauer Kathy H. Robbs Gulbranson Mike Laurendeau Steve Lloyd Mike Mark Michael Martin Mary Ann Pesce Nana Taylor Purser Schneider Rodney Puseman William Rumpf Judy Jones Schmudi Linda Smallwood Ken Clark Smith Walter Sullivan Mike Terry

#### 1972

Herman H. Adams Fred Bennett Kevin Brill Tony Calhoun Deborah L. Clines

#### 1972 continued

Karl Daigle
Linda Linton
Linda Rae Lizotte McCord
Lynne Olson
Debra Groome Peterman
Roy Pricket
Michael Provo
Denise Toliver
Nancy Wills

#### 1973

Johnnie Azzarelli
Tony Barnes
Richard Bertschy
Dennis Patrick Danner, Sr.
William 'Bill' Davis
Patricia Fayfer
Georgia Hanning
Peter Hinkelmon
John Jones
Dan Mullen
Bob Olsen
Theresa McGowan Sleeman
John Kelly Smith
Grant 'Skip' C. Spears

#### 1974

Anita Barnes Azzarelli
Jackie Boldi
Michael Davis
Jacob Dixon, III
Daniel Eland
Larry M. Garrett
Steve Greeley
Georgia Haning
Georgia Obermayer
Phillip Olson
David Scott
Chris Ware
Pam Jennings
Debra Groome Peterman

#### 1975

Herman H. Adams Frank Michael Aita

#### 1975 continued

Carla Jean Bennett
Dale Chambers
Mitch Cyr
Henry Patrick Friou
Fred Hancock
Bobby 'Sunshine' Hill
Beverly Winton Holland
Gary Macko
Robert Morris
Dane Palma
Ernie Perrow
Michael Roggenbauer
Jim Sills
John J. Tarsitano

#### 1976

Donald Tim Boling
Gary James Burrell
Pam Kennedy Carnell
Ray Davy
Wendell Scott Dean
Joy Denney
Phillip Farmer
Brian Harper
Donald Hastings, Jr.
Shay Holderness
Lee Lewis
Donald R. Miller Jr.
Michael C. Morin
Tina Perry
Ronnie White

#### 1977

Yvonne 'Bonnie' Acuna
Trudy D. Arendel
Ralph Karl Bass
Michael E. Engelberger
Bill Gibson
Susan Carroll LePage
Victoria/Vicki 'Tori' Martella
Ken Pennington
Lisa Pratt
Benjamin Andrae Sessoms

#### 1978

Stewart Anderson

#### 1978 continued

James Jansen James Kunkel Eric Leaf Philip Roseman Wilbur M. Streett Suzy Swift

#### 1979

Marvin Lee
Dale Mayes
John Merritt
Stephen James Price
Denise Ross
Linda Hutchinson Whyte

#### 1980

Robert Cain
Paul Grade
Bobby Shortt
Brenda Settle Trefftzs
Melissa Steadman
Thomas Strause

#### 1981

Cherryl Harger Ashworth
Jimmy Carlton
John Carroll, II
Andrea Koutnik Hawk
Robert 'Bob' Oslin
Carol Lewis Rogers
Victor Scarr
RozLynn Washington

#### 1982

Suzi Teal Ellerson
Andrea Luise Light Gabrielson
Anthony Grayson
Frank Steven Schmidt
Franklin J. 'Frank' Trapnell
Drew Turzai
Franklin Vaughn

#### 1983

Sven R. Aragon Lisa Livecchi Ball

#### 1983 continued

Damon Bostick
Russell Davis
Sylvia Stettner Dawson
Tim Filbert
Vera Marie Halecki
Roy Norris
Lori Purdy
Stephanie Rochon
George Roseman
Tom Sila
Sonja Skalbeck Langley
Ralph Swift, Jr.
Judith Ann Weaver

#### 1984

Tania Brown
Billy 'Bear' Harvey
William Hicks
Debbie Sauers
John Shull
Lynn Regan Sidenstricker
Petra Krieger Smith

#### 1985

Craig S. Albertson Marlon A. Aragon Barbara Skilton Fougeron James 'Kim' Wagner

#### 1986

Lars 'Mike' Foster Mike Milchak

#### 1987

Sakrutai Binkamalee
Nicole Calvin
Mona Cordeiro
Jeff Harris, Jr.
Philomena Moran McWilliams
Angela Miller
Christopher 'Chris' Mitchell Morris
Christy Hartman Myers
Ken Reilly

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#### 1988

Darryl Brooks Kenneth Todd Kimmell Stephanie McNeil Philip James Sajona Sven Waclawski Jeffrey Claude Warwick

1989

Louise Austin Robert E. Barnes James V. Grof Kyle Haas Tijuana Smith

1990

Jaben Lamont Carter
Montrel Perkins
Kevin Terrell
Steve Trevino
Laura Lynelle Wisdom-Thomas

1991

Matthew Buss Wendell Hollis, II A. Damon Hooker Kelly Pack Powell

1992

Jessica Earle Phillip Kevelier Tavis Nemkevich Lejuane Lee Singleton

1993

Timothy Paul Deslatte Arnez Williams

1994

Irene Blair Edrick Carr Nate Gerloff Paulette James

1995

Amanda Sigman

#### 1997

Nicholas Flynn Apollo Scott Starnes

1998

Jessica Arthur Matthew Jason Bramblett Brer Bales Patrick Pryor

1999

Malaika Ebony King

2001

Chanee Naticia Goins Sheldon L. Tate

2002

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Eloise Dempsey John Petranek Rashelle Nicole Pitman Kimberly Wehr

#### Tomb of the Unknown Class Year

Keith Davis Billy Gore Paula James Darrell Rogers Rev. Benjamin Shinn

#### Unknown continued

Arthur Sinclair Venca Weber

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# **Like Warriors?**

# Dislike Facebook?

If you're interested in doing a little online catching up without joining the big social networks, check out the Alumni Association's official chat site run by Warriors, paid for by Warriors and populated only by Warriors and WHS teachers. It's a much less obtrusive way to connect online, and relive some HH Arnold / WHS memories.

Just head to: GeneralHHarnold.ning.com

Non-members can only see the front page of the site. Once your application is approved, you get access to member profiles, blogs, forums, groups and more.

This site is good for strolling down memory lane, and letting others recollections help you with your own. There's also a forum devoted to notices about departed Warriors. It carries the same information as the official database for the Alumni Association, but also gives people a place to leave

comments, and share pictures and stories about their departed friends.

When you click on the 'Join' link, you'll be prompted to fill out a profile that asks
Warrior-specific questions — that's how we ensure only fellow Warriors get past the front page. Then we'll welcome you onto the site and point out a few places for you to check out that might be of interest to you.

No ads, no spying on your buying habits, no spam!

If you're already on the site, or suspect you logged in ages ago and can't remember your log in details, you can always click on the 'forgot password' link or email us and ask us to help you get back inside.

We look forward to seeing you in the eHalls of HH Arnold/WHS!

#### A Word About the Association from the Association...

The Wiesbaden / General H. H. Arnold High School Alumni Association is unique among overseas DoDDs schools, not only due to its longevity, but also its strength in unity, and its ability to embrace change.

 Over the years, we've grown from a grassroots handful of classmates mailing postcards and newsletters to a wellrounded, diverse group with a substantial online presence.

One thing has remained constant over the years: We help Warriors reconnect and make new friendships across generations in our WHS community.

With the rise of social media, you might wonder if the Alumni Association is feeling a little bit replaced, but you won't find any gatekeepers in this crew. We're thrilled that so many avenues for reconnecting have opened up. The more, the better!

 We use social networks to spread the word on upcoming events, search for missing classmates, coordinate buying Warrior merch that pops up on ebay, Amazon, etc.. The Alumni Association is reinventing its business model to incorporate social media, but we're not talking about a complicated corporation – the Alumni Association is held down by a small group of dedicated fellow Warriors, committed to being of service to our school Community.

 We welcome your help, so please get involved by sending in thoughts or an article for the newsletter, throw some money in the pot to help us maintain our web presence, or just let us know that you'd like to help and we can talk about how that would shape up.
 We Are Warrior Strong!

#### **MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS**

Psst, hey, you... Yeah, you... Fellow Warrior... Whatcha gonna do with that \$15 burning a hole in your pocket (in your PayPal account, on your mileage-earning credit card, on your points-accumulating debit card)?

Please consider supporting your Warrior Alumni Association!

Where does the money go? It covers the cost of hosting our websites, which house things like Warrior newsletters, that massive Warrior database, event announcements, the Warrior chat site and other programs that we're working on unveiling in the very near future... -wiggles eyebrows-

There's no pressure to join long term – just help out when you can. A year here, a year there... The cost of one meal goes a long way in helping us to keep the Warrior mission going...



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