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## It's a Disco Party in Boise!

by Reni (Peek) Michael, '79

We are less than a year away from the reunion in Boise. The board is beginning to plan the festivities which will include a 70s themed reunion dinner. We encourage you all to pull out your bell bottom slacks, scarves, vests and polyester shirts. ***It's a Disco Party in Boise.*** You might check out the costume section at Halloween for 70s themed outfits. While the music will focus on that from the 70s, there will be music from all eras to appeal to the varying classes. This reunion's t-shirt will also feature a 70s retro theme. Graphics will represent those used on shirts found in photos in the annuals.



The reunion is in the small town of Boise. Some alums have questioned Boise, as it is not a likely destination location. However, Boise has a small town atmosphere with conveniently located restaurants and bars in the downtown area in close proximity to the reunion accommodations. The climate is an exciting factor. No humidity! No swollen ankles!!

The smaller, more intimate venues such as Lake Tahoe and Breckenridge have gotten the best reviews from past attendees because the focus is more on reunion events and enjoying time with friends and fellow alums. The board will once again negotiate Era Suites to be included in the reunion activities. These suites have been very popular during the last two reunions and are gathering places for specific eras as well as provide a meeting place to visit with friends and share annuals, photos and memorabilia.

We hope that you seriously consider joining us in Boise. If you have previously attended a reunion, you know how much fun they can be. If this will be your first reunion, let me warn you that you will have the best time. Please go to the following link for photos of the last 3 reunions as well as regional mini reunions held around the country. <http://nhsreunions.homestead.com/>

We hope to see you in Boise June 16th thru 19th, 2011!!!



### Board endorses '70s Theme

Do you remember loving hot pants, bell bottoms, afros, side burns? If so, you are in for a treat. The board has voted to have a 70s theme for our reunion next year in Boise, Idaho. Personally I can't wait to disco. I am already rewatching *Airplane* and other classics from the 1970s. So, dig out your leisure suits and gold rings and chains and plan to join us next year.

Charlotte Forman  
secretary/treasurer and  
disco dancer extraordinaire

*Editor's note: No, that is not Charlotte in the picture above.*

**Jack Voyles, '62  
Honored by Army**

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# Overseas Brats Score High

**Donovan R. Walling, '66**, reports in the spring issue of the American Overseas Schools Historical Society Quarterly on a recent headline in Stars and Stripes:

## “DODEA reading scores top much of U.S.”

The article in the March 26 issue went on to say the Defense Department schools “finished atop the rankings in five categories of the National Assessment of Educational Progress test. Results reflect tests taken by fourth- and eighth-grade students in 2009.” “Particularly impressive,” Walling said, “was the finding that black and Hispanic students attending Defense Department schools scored higher than their U.S. peers in the NAEP reading test.”

Once again, you done good, Brats!

*Dr. Bob McQuitty, historian*

# Top Ten Reasons to Come to Boise in 2011

- 1) A vacation
- 2) Seeing old friends
- 3) Meeting new friends
- 4) The cool retro tee shirt that is complimentary for all reunion registrants
- 5) The disco dance & dinner on Saturday night
- 6) Group dinners at the local downtown establishments
- 7) Reliving your childhood
- 8) The mild climate sans humidity
- 9) Checking out all the yearbooks, photos and memorabilia that the alums bring to the era suites
- 10) FUN FUN FUN

**Don't forget that you must join the Nürnberg Alumni Association to be included in NAA events and to attend the dinner. Cost is a very reasonable \$20 per year and allows you full access to the NürnbergEagle website([www.nurnbergeagles.org](http://www.nurnbergeagles.org)), access to the online alumni directory and a copy of the *Trichter* magazine sent to you 3 times per year.**

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# JORGENSEN'S JARGON

By Association Founder  
T.D. Jorgensen '62



Upon receipt of this edition of the *Trichter*, in case you didn't notice ... we are officially now less than 12-months away from arriving in **BOISE, Idaho**, site of our next Gathering of Eagles. I'm starting to get very excited!

You probably have received your official invitation (*i.e., our colorful postcard we designed to promote our Boise reunion*) by now, as well, yes? We just sent them out to about 1,600 Eagle alums, faculty & staffers. Are *you* getting excited, yet?

A couple of things to share... **(1)**. You can now see the informative and colorful brochure we created for you on our website ([www.NurnbergEagles.org](http://www.NurnbergEagles.org)). It will make it much easier for you to better understand what is available in and around Boise for you and your classmates, era mates, and family members to enjoy together.

And, **(2)**. For the many alumni who have occasionally complained of *heat & humidity* during our reunions... all will be *delighted* to experience the *low humidity* count, and *moderate* summer temperatures. It's an incredible environment in which to enjoy life in the summer, with old friends.

Of all the various cities in which we've hosted our triennial reunions... I truly believe those who will be attending the **June (16-19) 2011** Gathering are in for one of the most pleasant surprises of their lives, as this is one *great ... clean ... friendly ... entertaining ... and easy to fall in love with* city. There's truly something for everyone, whether you enjoy indoor, or outdoor activities.

We're going to try and organize motor-tours to the various venues, attractions, and sites for those interested in visiting and learning all about the various highlights of Boise, and we hope to have a **Sign-Up Form** placed *online, (on our website/home page)* so you can indicate your interest, and willingness to pay a modest fee for the cost of chartering either a large tour bus, or several small 30-40 person busses, to accommodate all interested alumni over the 1<sup>st</sup>-couple of days in Boise.

Some of the attractions we feel will draw interested motor tour alums include... The **WarHawk Museum**... The **World Center For Birds of Prey**... The **Basque Museum & Cultural Center**... The **Anne Frank Human Rights Memorial**... **Boise State University**... the **Starlight Dinner Theater** (*an interactive theater that serves dinner, and hosts a play-theme that brings in the audience of NHS Eagles*), or even the **Cascade Whitewater Rapids Expedition** for a half-day ride of your life.

Or maybe you'd like a trip to **The Boise Art Museum**? Or, **The State Capitol Building**? Want culture? How about **The Idaho Shakespeare Festival**? Maybe **The Olde Boise Train Depot**?

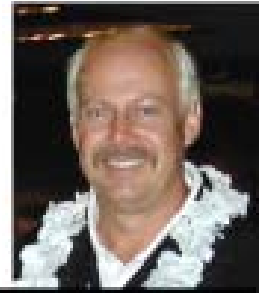
Or, maybe you'd just prefer to take a leisurely stroll along **The GreenBelt** (*17-miles of river walk on both sides of the river, in and out of Boise, with oodles to see and experience along the route, whether you walk, jog, run, roller-skate, bike, or float*). Folks..., it's **BEAUTIFUL** and **pastoral** with gigantic oak

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# FROM THE PRESIDENT...

David Ogé, '70



## Summer is Upon Us... and so is Boise, Idaho

It's summer already and the heat is up in more ways than one. Remember that we are having our 2011 Gathering of Eagles in Boise, Idaho next June 16-19. That means that in just under one year, you need to make the time to fill out your registration form and make your reservations for this beautiful city, the capital of Idaho. Sounds like plenty of time to get it into gear, but believe me, time has a way of slipping away, so take time now to register and make your reservations!

The weather will be dry with an average low-high temperature of 53 - 82 degrees in June. Boise ('see' not 'zee')

sits in a nice little valley in a high mountain desert with lots to do. By now, if you have gone to our official web site, <http://www.nurnbergeagles.org>, you have seen a good variety of activities close in. If you would like to venture a little outside of Boise, check out <http://www.ioga.org>. This is the web site for the Idaho Outfitters and Guides Association. There you will find tons of information.

Finally, keep in mind your slate of candidates for your board at the General Membership meeting, it is here that you can nominate and vote for your favorite to lead us into the next three years. At

this time, I can tell you that the offices of the President, Vice-president of Advertising and Secretary/Treasurer will not be sought by the incumbents.

Remember, it's less than a year to Boise and a lot of fun at a great hotel property, The Grove. There will be plenty of hospitality suites with condiments and refreshments for all the different eras. See you there for a hot time in the summertime!

## Jorgensen's Jargon

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trees, parks, and environmental learning stations scattered along the way, which are sure to grab your attention and personal pleasure.

Like the postcard pointed out ... *We'll have the Hospitality Suites stocked and awaiting your arrival following the registration procesing by the Alumni Association.*

If anyone has questions about anything related to this 2011 Reunion please know you'll get quick, accurate answers from yours truly. Just email me at: **Nurnberg62@aol.com**

**June 2011** will be here before you know it. So, mark it on your own calendar **now**, so you can be sure to plan ahead, book your trip, and *register online* to let us know you'll be coming. The **Reunion Registration Form** (which accepts payment online for your convenience, using our PayPal-option) will be on our website by the time you get this **Trichter**, or shortly thereafter.

See you soon, Y'all.



Das ist schön!

# Eagle Bragging Pages

## Bob McQuitty, Fac.

The McQuittys finally have a grandchild to brag about. On January 8, Riley Owen McQuitty was born to David McQuitty and Christina McCrery.

Having inherited literary leanings, Riley is pretending to be Hamlet in the picture below. He's saying, "Alas, poor Yorick, I knew him well."



Riley Owen McQuitty

## Joan Kay (McCarter) Adrian, '49

Betty Thomas and I won't be getting together until toward the end of October. Our German friends (Aschaffenburg residents) are coming to Kentucky around end of October for their vacation and possibly bringing one or two of their teenage nephews—they are still trying to work out the finance situation with the teens' parents. Betty will come here to help host their visit. The International

Equestrian Games will be over by then and hopefully, their airfare won't be so expensive. This is the first time the IEG has held their games outside of Europe and they will be at the Horse Park in Lexington, just 30 minutes drive from our home here in Frankfort. We are expecting a number of tourists and I am on call with the local tour office if they need a step-on guide for bus tours. Two of the local hotels already have a large booking from Australian members of the equestrian team. Several Australians came thru Frankfort last year, checking out the possibility of staying in Frankfort since we are close to the Horse Park. Prices have gotten high in Lexington, and they found Frankfort a lovely small, historic city and decided to stay here. We now have a trolley tour bus that goes to all the historic buildings and it is free. People can get off, tour the historic building, and get back on when the bus makes its next round. If any of the Nürnberg alumni are planning to attend this event (I know there are horse lovers out there), they can contact me for information about accommodations here in Frankfort.

I was scheduled to take a bus tour from Alabama in mid May. A group of WWII vets and some family members were planning to tour Frankfort. Unfortunately, the Kentucky River flooded on our county road off the property and was under several feet of water and closed. Fortunately we didn't get water in the house. Our 2 daughters that live here on the acreage were surrounded as well. One daughter got 3 feet of water in her basement and was trapped in for almost 3 days. No loss of electricity or phone service. So I had to have the tourist office get someone else

for the bus tour. Donn and I did manage to get out on the last day of the group's tour (26 attended), to meet with them at the Vietnam Memorial for a memorial service while they were here.

The service for our dear friend Bob Ledbetter at Arlington National Cemetery on March 5th was most impressive. He had been best man at our wedding in 1951 (Bob and Donn—my husband—attended OCS together at Ft. Riley, KS in 1949 and both were sent to Germany on assignment after graduating), so he was a dear friend for 60 years. The ceremony was full military honors (Bob had 2 tours in Nam and several high medals), with Army band, horse-drawn caisson, honor color guard, and 21-gun salute. If no one has ever seen one of the military funerals, I recommend you go to the cemetery. There are several scheduled every day. We had almost 70 family, friends, OCS classmates attend the service. His widow had a special luncheon at the Ft. Mead Officers' Club following the service. I drove to Indianapolis a few days after we were all home to spend several days with Bob's widow, during her difficult time. Everyone misses him.

## Betty Thomas, '54

In April, I was a part of THE outstanding yearly event in Clay County (we're just south of Jacksonville, FL). 102,728 people attended the Clay County Fair this year. We had 10 days of perfect weather during spring break. It was incredible. I am the Sponsorship Director of the Fair's working board. We serve two terms at 3 years each, and next year will be my last year on the board. I

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Betty Thomas and friend at the Clay County Fair

intend to continue to do some volunteer work for them - I'll decide later as to what extent. We have only three paid employees who are excellent at directing the directors and all the many volunteers with blue ribbon results. Visit the web site at [www.claycountyfair.org](http://www.claycountyfair.org) and view the 3 minute video. I had a good time as well.

## Barbara (Bobbi) Coe Henderson, '59

The past year has been challenging for the entire country, I'm sure, and certainly we have had to cut back on unnecessary wants and focus more on just our needs. My husband, Joe, sells cars for a living and I'm a realtor and with both markets hit hard, it's been somewhat scary at times. The good news is: commissioned sales people don't get fired! And, more good news, the economy seems to be turning around somewhat and things are "picking up." I hope you all have also weathered the storm and come through okay.

The real news for me has been the birth last October of my first biological grandchild - a boy, Ryden Oliver Breckenridge. He was born to my son,

Rob and his wife Polly, who lives in Charlottesville (about an hour away from me here in the Richmond, VA area.) Ryden is, of course, the most beautiful child ever born (yes, yes, I know. Yours are too!) I have the privilege of taking care of him once every couple of weeks and return home exhausted and happy. God has us have children while we're young for a reason.

My children's father was in crisis a few weeks ago and is now in a rehab facility in Charlottesville. I spent a few weeks helping them help him by transporting and giving them information they had never had to deal with before. I feel like I'm turning over the baton (so to speak) and they are taking over as my generation moves into the retirement phase. Now, if only we could retire, that would be great! It doesn't look like that's going to happen for awhile. To make life even more challenging, I'm going back to school. Who says you can't teach an old dog new tricks?! We'll see about that. Besides, my Mom is 88 and still going strong so my genetic heritage is promising!

I'm writing this because Pat Wood wanted us to contribute to the *Trichter* but I've already sounded too much like that Christmas letter from your aunts that bores you to death, so I'll say bye for now. Good health to you all!

## Skip Lewis, '59

I was in Mexico from June 2nd to June 6th on a Medical Mission Trip with our church, North Metro First Baptist Church, here in Georgia. It was a very rewarding experience. We worked out of a mission in Cancun. We went to a town called Kantunilkin, a two-hour drive from Cancun. We saw 137 patients on the days we were there (3rd, 4th, 5th) After traveling two hours and then seeing patients and another two-hours return trip, it made a very long day and it was very hot and humid. We saw people of



Skip Lewis and Rebecca, a Mexican child

all ages, the young (picture with Rebecca and me) to the seniors. We made many friends. The area we were in is called the Maya Corridor. The typical Mayan is short, normally around 5' 6" and shorter so for once I was tall. You can google K-town (where have I heard that?). It is one of the least visited towns with no tourist interest. The people were friendly and appreciated all we did and we appreciated God giving us the tools to serve Him and bring Him glory. As my dear friend, Pat Wood, says, "God bless and God blesses".

## David Shoemaker, '59

On 3 November 2009 the voters of Washougal, Washington, (population 13,400) elected Dave Shoemaker '59 to the city council. He took office on 1 January 2010 for a four-year term. Dave's election changes the balance on the council to a more conservative, but slim, majority of one. There are four conservatives and three liberals. The new conservative majority is engaged in changing budget priorities, ending the global warming concerns that dominated so much of the previous council majority's political agenda, and creating a business friendly climate. Dave and Lee look forward to seeing all Eagles in Boise next year.

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*Gayle Morton and Charlie Orcutt*

## Charlie Orcutt, '60

Gayle Morton '62, my wife, and I met for a quick mini-reunion when Gayle made a trip with her son and family from her home in Texas to San Jose, NM. They made more stops along the way but we were able to talk and share pictures for about three hours. We met in Albuquerque, NM just south of I-40. It was wonderful to enjoy the company of a friend.



*Ken Hankinson, his wife Pam, James Farrell and wife Marge*

## James Farrell, '63

The Farrells met with Ken Hankinson and his wife Pam at the beach in Rhode Island. We were preparing ourselves for a mini reunion in Mystic, CT in September. Gotta get those laugh muscles ready.

## Bob Hervey, '64

This is to announce after a grueling effort for the past 5 1/2 years my

youngest son Wyatt has graduated from college. He even has a job!

## Sue Sellers, '64

I'm enjoying retirement. I continue to enjoy kayaking very much. We actually had a real spring here in Massachusetts this year, so the water temperature was warm enough in April for us to begin kayaking then rather than waiting until June.

## Rita (Jannusch) McKenzie, '63

Just when you thought you had more pieces of communication than you want, I'm adding another one. I've started a Nurnberg High School blog to add pictures — old and new — and to add my remembrances of those wonderful days. You can add comments or memories of your own. Better yet, start a Memory Blog of your own. I think it will be fun. Go to <http://nurnberghighschool.wordpress.com/> to see Rita's blog.

## Leland C. McCaslin, '65

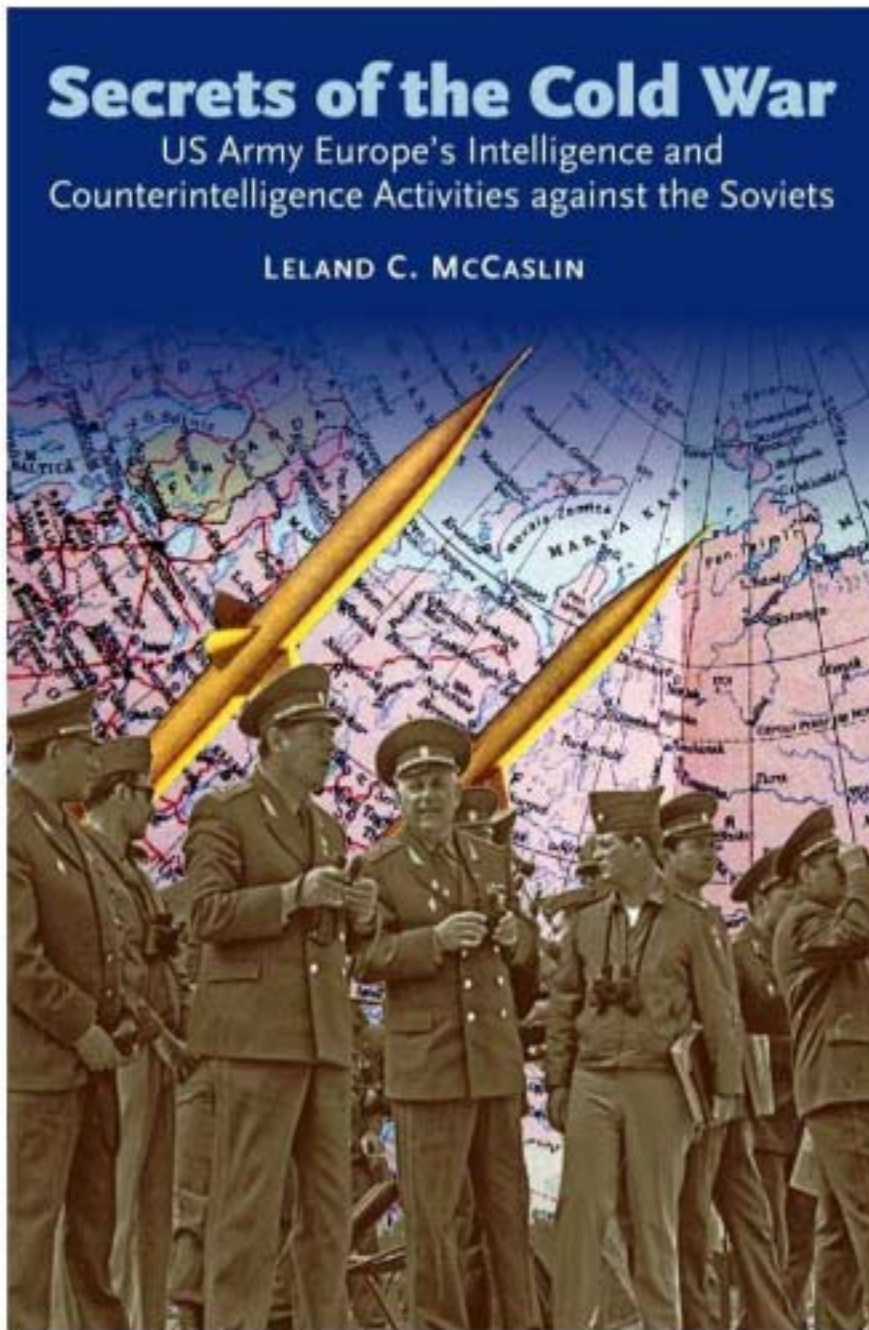
Leland has published a book about his experiences and the experiences of others during the Cold War. It will be released in August. He recounts his own experiences as an Army intelligence officer and those of his compatriots. The book is available for pre-order from Amazon or from the publisher in England. Famous participant in the Cold War, Francis Gary Powers, Jr. called it, "Well written and informative, the book is a magnificent assessment of the Cold War history."

## Reni Peek-Michael '79

Last December my family and I traveled to Europe for a 25 day trip. I have been married for 17 years and neither my husband nor my two teenage children had ever been to the place where I spent 12 of my first 15 years. It didn't seem as if they knew all of me without experiencing what I experienced during my childhood in such an amazing location. Starting in England and France, we did not arrive in Germany until December 22nd. One of my biggest wishes was to attend the Nürnberg Christkindlesmarkt which was open

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*The cover of Leland McCaslin's soon to be released book.*

through December 23rd. We left my relatives and boarded a train for Nürnberg early on the morning of December 23rd. My excitement was at its peak as the train approached the Nürnberg train station.

I exited the train station and instantly knew exactly where to go even though it had been 35 years since my last trip to the Christkindlesmarkt. My children thought I had lost my mind as I jumped up and down in excitement. We

walked through quaint shops inside the Nürnberg wall and along brightly decorated streets alive with people and vendors manning their booths. The aromas of the market were upon us before we arrived. We spent the entire day eating our way through the market. My children got to experience authentic Nürnberg Lebkuchen, Bratwurst with Senf, baked goods and warm cider while the adults sampled the Glühwein in souvenir mugs. We walked up the hill to



*Reni found this at the Markt*

the old castle and then back down to have lunch at the Bratwursthäusle where we had Nürnberg Bratwurst, Sauerkraut and German dark bread and Brötchen. We passed vendors with buckets filled with fragrant flowers, handmade ornaments, German Bratwurst, knit goods, decorated gingerbread hearts, and even booths that still sold the little walnut people.

It was the highlight of my trip and was probably the most excited I've been in years. It was like going home.

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# Gone but not forgotten...

## Hugh Brady, faculty

Carol Brady sent news from Florida of the death of her husband of 37 years, Hugh Brady, long-time member of the Nürnberg Alumni Association, on June 16.

Though not connected directly with the high school – he was principal of Nürnberg Elementary School – Hugh always considered himself an Eagle and attended many reunions.

Born in Stamford, CT., he served in the Navy and with a unit attached to the U.S. Marine Corps in World War II. After the war, he completed undergraduate and graduate programs at UCLA and the University of California, Berkeley. Dr. Brady received his Ph.D. from Michigan State University.

Before heading overseas, Hugh taught in several California public school systems. Employed for 27 years by the Department of Defense Dependents Schools in Europe, Hugh was principal of the American elementary school in Fontainebleau, France, Paris Elementary, and Stuttgart Elementary, as well as Nürnberg.

In his later years with DODDS, he was Supervisor of Primary Education and Administrator of the DODDS Pre-Discharge Education Program for active duty military personnel in Europe.

Bob McQuitty, NHS English and journalism teacher from 1958-1962, commented on news of Hugh's death.

"Such a sad day for Nürnberg Eagles. Hugh told the best stories of anyone at the reunions. He remembered all the escapades of his elementary teachers and the high school faculty too!"

Those wishing to send condolences may go to <http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/sptimes/> Type in Hugh Brady's name. The Guest Book will be online until July 20, 2010.



Bill Daley and Betty Thomas in 2007

## Bill Daley, '54

Bill was born on 4 December, 1934 in Twin Mountain, N.H. to Wm. F. Daley Sr. and Mildred E. Morgan Daley. He was raised in the U.S. Army and was a proud "Army Brat." After high school graduation in 1954 he joined the U.S. Air Force. While stationed at Schilling A.F.B. in Kansas he met Patricia Mackinnon and they married in 1960. They have two daughters: Colleen Kay Godwin of Kansas City, Kansas and Janice Marie Pimentel of Jacksonville, Fl. Bill retired in 1974 from the Air Force. He is survived by his wife, their two daughters and their husbands, Larry Godwin and John J. Pimentel. He leaves four grandchildren: Alex Godwin, Ema, James and Dylan Pimentel plus a great granddaughter Amber Pimentel. He died quietly on 29 May 2010.

## Judith (Wyss Knueppel) Shrewsbury, '57

Judith C. Shrewsbury, 71, of Junction City, passed away Sunday, June 6, 2010, at her home. Mrs. Shrewsbury was born Dec. 25, 1938, in Milford to Carroll and Mildred (Bregan) Wyss. She married Daniel E. Shrewsbury April 10, 1959, in Junction City. She was a



Judy Shrewsbury, '57

member of the Episcopal Church and was active in the altar guild. She also volunteered for the Geary County United Way and was a member of the Eastern Star. Mrs. Shrewsbury worked for Geary County Schools. She was to retire on June 11, 2010. She is survived by two sons, Scott Shrewsbury and Doug Shrewsbury, both of Junction City; and one sister, Kathy Allen of Columbus, Ga. She was preceded in death by her parents and one son, Keith Shrewsbury.

### *Other alumni living in Junction City provided these details of Judy's death.*

The murder-suicide story is that her husband, Daniel Shrewsbury, was a heavy drinker for most of their marriage, and the two of them argued a lot. He developed cancer, which didn't help his temperament. She made the mistake of telling him that she was leaving him and moving to Arizona as soon as she retired (which was to be June 11). He evidently decided that if she wasn't going to stick around and take care of him in his illness, he wouldn't allow her to live. He ended her life with a bullet.

### *Tony Ubalde writes of Judy's death:*

I got this message at 11:30 this morning, but I couldn't reply for two reasons, the news was so upsetting and secondly Carol and I had a luncheon meeting to bid someone goodbye from the college. I had a chance to talk to Carol about Judy on the way to our luncheon appointment. I told Carol that I remembered a beautiful, peaceful, and warm classmate. I don't recall her having any negative spirit about her. Darkness

was never in her persona. Her saying in her senior year book was, "Truth is beauty, beauty is truth." Doesn't that say it all about Judy?

I would say she certainly was on to something there, for a basic, guiding philosophy of life (for her, for sure). It just tells us all how many people in this world carry so much pain and unhappiness in their lives that it calls us to be more gentle with so many people we meet, thus, we are simply asked to make gentle our bruised world. Yes, just the opportunity to affirm those struggling to survive. I hope I'm not reading too much in what I read earlier. I pray for her spirit who is now in the embrace of her beloved Father who is the source of peace and glory in the life after, as well as for those whom she left behind.

## Tony Keller, '64

Tony died on June 6, 2010. No other details were provided.

## Laurie (Cutbirth) Fricke '91

Laurie Lynn was born May 15, 1973, in Ft. Campbell, KY, to George and Catherine (Thomas) Cutbirth. She died on March 30, 2010, in Sheridan, WY.

Laurie was a wonderful mother, wife, daughter and friend. She volunteered for the Salvation Army, Sheridan Veterans Hospital, various women's shelters and others that needed help. She was a very active member of First Presbyterian of Sheridan. Laurie grew up in a military family and lived in several locations in the U. S. and Europe. She graduated from Nürnberg High School. Laurie attended Harford Community College while working for the Army and Air Force Exchange at Aberdeen Proving Grounds, MD. Laurie was a proud veteran of the United States Army where she served as a combat medic from 1995 to 2001. Laurie is survived by her husband, Michael Fricke and daughter, Ryan Nicole Mauck; her

## Reni Peek-Michael's Trip Home



*Above, Aaron, Reni, and Em at the Christkindlesmarkt*

*Right, one of the booths at the Christkindlesmarkt*



## A follow up to last issue's story on the Fall of the Berlin Wall...



*Deb (Brians) Clark (right) standing in front of the Berlin Wall in 1989 with her cousins Frank Wanderer and Connie Wanderer Schnorr.*

parents, George and Catherine Cutbirth; two brothers, George Paul Cutbirth and wife Melissa, and Matthew Thomas Cutbirth and wife Ashley; maternal

grandparents, Freddie Thomas and Shirley L. (Andrus) Thomas. Laurie was buried in the Short Cemetery in Hurley, MO.



# Marching Backward to 1957-58 School Year



Edited by Bob McQuitty, NAA Historian/Archivist

## Important Events of 1957-58

- Aug. 28 – Senator Strom Thurmond (D-SC) sets record for longest filibuster with 24-hour, 18-minute speech railing against a civil rights bill.
- Sept. 4 – Gov. Orville Faubus of Arkansas calls out the U.S. National Guard, to prevent African-American students from enrolling in Central High School in Little Rock.
- Sept. 24 – Pres. Dwight D. Eisenhower sends federal troops to Arkansas to provide safe passage into Central High School for Little Rock Nine.
- Oct. 4 – Soviet Union launches Sputnik 1, first artificial satellite to orbit earth.
- Oct. 21 – U.S. military sustains its first combat fatality in Vietnam.
- Nov. 3 – Soviet Union launches Sputnik 2, with the first animal in space (a dog named Laika) on board.
- Dec. 6 – First U.S. attempt to launch a satellite fails, the rocket blowing up on the launch pad
- Jan. 31– First successful American satellite, Explorer 1, launched into orbit.
- Mar. 27 – Nikita Khrushchev becomes Premier of the Soviet Union.
- Apr. 14 – Van Cliburn wins the Tchaikovsky International Competition for pianists in Moscow, breaking Cold War tensions.
- May 13 – During a visit to Caracas, Venezuela, Vice President Richard M. Nixon's car is attacked by anti-American demonstrators.

## Record Broken?

At the beginning of the 1957-58 school year, NHS broke all previous records with an enrollment of 451 in grades 7-12 [302 in grades 9-12]. This number tops last year's enrollment of 326 by a good margin.

## Raffle to Raise

### Money for AYA, NHS

The AYA and Student Activities Raffle is in full swing again. Ticket sales began in Nurnberg Sub-Area Sept. 23 and will continue until Nov. 20. ...

Prizes, in order of value, include a Volkswagen, \$500, \$250, a Grundig radio-phonograph, a Browning shotgun, a golf set, a movie camera, fishing equipment, luggage, silverware, a dinner set, and an Argus slide projector.

The money raised will support AYA activities and NHS student activities, including athletic trips, the USAREUR music festival, the student council and yearbooks conferences.

[The Feb. issue reported that NHS received \$1000 from the raffle.– Ed.]

## Frosh Initiated into Nurnberg High

Cries of "yes, sir, no, sir, yes, I'm a rat, sir!" echoed through NHS this week (Oct. 2-3) as the seniors initiated the Class of '61 in the time-honored traditions of Nurnberg High. ...

The seniors sponsored a dance Wednesday night in honor of the freshmen.

Thursday saw the entire Class of '61 outfitted in a wild array of combat boots and "Bermuda" skirts. The initiation was climaxed by a kangaroo court held during activity period. The seniors "tried" the freshmen and then announced their verdict. "The Class of '61 has successfully completed its initiation and is now a class in 'good standing' at NHS."

Excerpts from the **Trichter**

**Ethel Walske**, editor

**Dave Johnson**, advisor

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## HEADLINES

**Allen Moore Elected  
Student Council President**

**Lowell Armon Elected  
Senior Class President**

**Pat McCarroll named  
Homecoming Queen as  
Lions, Eagles Battle to 0-0 Tie**

**Coke Machine, Telephone  
Installed for Convenience  
of Dorm Students**

**Junior Slave Sale  
Deemed Success**

\$4.50 – do I hear \$5.00? As the gymnasium was changed into a place of auction Nov. 13, the whole school body turned out to see and participate in the annual junior class slave sale. **Larry McBride** as auctioneer took bids from the enthusiastic student body for juniors, seniors, and faculty members to "tote books and get lunches."



**NHS Frosh pay tribute to senior  
Shirley Wilkerson – yearbook photo**

## From the Eagles' Nest

by three eggs

Welcome to our Eagles' Nest, Freshmen, Senior, and all the rest, We've got the news, the tips and such, But we aren't quiet, we tell as much.

Watching for "Sputnik" is a favorite pastime with Nurnberg's guys and gals!

Welcome back, **Larry Mead**. Girls, did you ever notice how much he looks like Tony Perkins?

That suave sophisticate, **Howard Tupper**, presented sweet **Miss Thomas** with a rose and a Baby Ruth. . . . Ah, Chivalry!

Has anyone noticed that musical biology book in 3rd period that sounds suspiciously like A.F.N.?

When the eagle's just a bird and we're back in the Land of the Big P.X., we'll have these moments to remember:

- Walking back from the Youth Center on a foggy Wednesday night.
- Peanut races during initiation.
- The happy hours spent at the Post Library, studying American history?
- Pom-poms, anyone?
- The cast club and the crutch convention.
- The ringing salutation of an 18 door salute!

## Nürnberg's Famous Christmas Market to Open December 4

The opening ceremony, German and American choral groups, **including Nurnberg High's chorus**, orchestras, and processions highlight the market events.

### Come As You Were Or "As You Ain't"

Like something out of the past came NHS students in many different guises to the **Bridey Murphy\*** dance, sponsored by the senior class. "The "Come as You Were" dance was held in the school cafeteria on Jan. 29.

Such characters as Mark Anthony, Julius Caesar, and flapper girls were seen. A certain teacher from Texas came in "native costume." Taking the prizes for the best costumes were **Tom Reeder** as Anthony and **Kim Radcliffe** as a flapper girl.

## Brussels or Bust

# Seniors See World's Fair

On Friday, May 2, the seniors of NHS started on the annual senior trip, this year to Brussels and the World's Fair. **Mr. Minasian**, hiding behind a large cigar, and **Norah Speck**, bundled down with what seemed to be an endless supply of food, were chaperones for the 20 seniors on their four-day trip.

"Starting in good Nurnberg tradition, we acquired a traffic ticket outside of Wurzburg for passing a motor scooter. The trip through Deutschland was uneventful . . . and then we hit Holland—well, actually, we bounced off Holland.

"When we got to the border, four men looking like rejects from the Gestapo, stopped us to, of all things, examine the amount of gasoline in the bus's tank. After a few heads were pounded together for the better part of an hour, we finally left Holland and went into Belgium.

"Springtime in Belgium: the lovely flowers, the happy people, the cosmopolitan air of the country. . . . Unfortunately we slept all the way to Leige, where we had breakfast. Our first Belgian friend was a teen-age girl who had the annoying habit of beating on our bus and thumbing her nose at us.

"9:30 a.m. – Brussels! We had arrived at our chateau in a suburb of Brussels. After a seemingly endless trip we were going to relax, get washed with hot water (sorry, no hot water), and get some sleep.

"Come on, kids, no time for sleep. Let's go on a tour of Brussels.' 'Yes, sir,' weakly said. 'And later on tonight, we can go to the Fair.'

"Thus began two full days in Brussels filled with the wonder of the World's Fair – 12 hours a day spent in the great American tradition, doing our best to have a good time."

The American, Russian, and British pavilions seemed to be top attractions with the NHS Class of 1958. The Atomium, the amusement park, and the Czechoslovakian pavilion were also popular. One of the many highlights of the Fair was the Circarama film in the American pavilion, according to many of the

## USAREUR Amateur Scientists Convene

The first ever USAREUR Science Fair was held in Heidelberg March 29-30 Students from all USAREUR schools attended the fair, including 14 from NHS.

\***The Story of Bridey Murphy**. In 1952, amateur hypnotist Morey Bernstein put housewife Virginia Tighe of Pueblo, Colorado in a trance that sparked off startling revelations about Tighe's alleged past life as a 19th-century Irishwoman and her rebirth in the United States 59 years later. Bernstein used a technique called hypnotic regression, during which the subject is gradually taken back to childhood. He then attempted to take Virginia one step further, before birth, and suddenly was astonished to find he was listening to Bridey Murphy.

Most scientists today are satisfied that everything Virginia Tighe said can be explained as a memory of her long-forgotten childhood. –Wikipedia article

seniors. In two full days at the Fair, the students saw, on average, the interiors of approximately 12 pavilions. **Frau Speck** and **Bruce Starks** visited 27 pavilions.

After a 12-hour return trip, the seniors got off the bus tired, a little hungry, and maybe just a little dirty and ragged, but did they have a good time? Ask the nearest senior who went!

## Commencement Exercises Set for June 4

Twenty-nine seniors will receive a Nurnberg High School diploma on June 4 in the Community Theater. A reception for the students, their parents, faculty members, and friends, will follow in the Kalb Club immediately after the commencement exercises.

**Ethel Walske** will deliver the Valedictory Address. **Allen Moore** is the salutatorian.



## Historian's Corner

by Bob McQuitty, PhD,  
NAA Historian, Editor Emeritus



# Do the NHS newspapers reveal the history of NHS?

George Santayana, the American philosopher, famously said, “Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it.” This idea has always seemed very ominous to me. Pearl Buck, American novelist, is not so severe. She says, “If you want to understand today, you have to search yesterday.” But I like David McCullough, a contemporary American historian, the best: “History is who we are and why we are the way we are.”

Recently I have been asking myself what the excerpts from “The Army Brat” and the “NHS Trichter” reveal about who Nurnberg High School alumni and faculty were then, who we are now – and why.

Well, maybe they don't reveal much. As I read through the now yellowed pages, I find much that is boring because it is so trivial and predictable.

Let's face it, a high school year is very predictable. At the beginning the students jump in and eagerly elect their leaders. This is followed by football season, then basketball, then track. Dance follows dance. The first marking period is followed by the second, third, fourth. The school year ends with a prom and commencement.

School newspapers abound in the trivial. The student interviews always ask the same questions: Where are you from? How long have you been here? What is your favorite subject? Favorite pastimes? The features match pop songs with student names. The editorials espouse high ideals – always endorsing school spirit.

The inevitable gossip columns are the epitome of triviality. Yet my guess is that they were the most read parts of the newspaper. To one who was not at NHS on the school year in question, the gossip column is not only trivial but mysterious. Frequently only first names are used and the “events” are only alluded to, seldom explained.

And the news stories. Which is better, an impersonal objective account full of facts or a personal subjective story full of comment? Which is more interesting, which is more revealing of who we were and why?

My answer is that both can be interesting and revealing. When I read the old NHS newspapers, I look for new facts, events differing from other school years. For example the factual story in this issue's “Time Marching Backward” about

the AYA raffle named some astonishing prizes for the time, and the amount donated to NHS was so much more than the pitiful sums raised in previous years.

The subjective stories are sometimes more interesting, and often more revealing. In the “Time Marching Backward” pages, the story of the seniors' school trip to the World's Fair of 1958 is subjective and quirky but both interesting and informative.

The events of a former school year can not only compare or contrast with another school year, but they can also contrast (or compare) with today's events. Isn't this how we learn from history?

I only hope as the NAA historian that I'm making the right selections of what is the “true” history of Nurnberg American High School. A few times I have had occasion to see what others would have chosen as parts of the past worth preserving. We didn't always see the same things. Which brings me to the final point of this meditation:

Do the NHS newspapers reveal the history of NHS? Well, yes, they reveal part of who we were and are and why, but only part. When NHS alumni come to our reunions and sit around and recall the past, mostly what they recall is personal history – accounts of outrageous and often foolish acts, times youth challenged their parents and their teachers, and, best of all, “got away with it.”

A few years ago when I was editor of the *NAA Trichter*, I asked for just these kinds of stories in a section I called “Now It Can Be Told.” I got a tepid response. To set the pace, I told of an outrageous incident in my first year as a teacher at NHS, not something I was proud of, but not too bad. However, I have several other stories I have yet to write down – they're part of my personal history but not something I want a historian to record.

History, then, is what historians preserve, not necessarily what really happened or was most important. The student writers of the NHS school newspapers probably didn't realize they were writing history, for as John W. Gardner has said, “History never looks like history when you are living through it.” But then, who am I, and what am I doing? Franklin P. Jones said it best: “Perhaps nobody has changed the course of history as much as the historians.”

# Jack Voyles, '62 inducted into the Ranger Hall of Fame



Jack at the reunion in San Antonio

On July 8-9, at ceremonies at Ft. Benning GA, Command Sergeant Major (ret.) James E. Voyles was inducted into the Ranger Hall of Fame. Better known to us as Jack, the Association salutes this decorated veteran and good friend!



CSM (Retired) James E. Voyles is inducted into the Ranger Hall of Fame for 30 years of gallantry, heroism, and service in Ranger Units in war and peace. Ranger Voyles was awarded the Silver Star and Purple Heart while serving in the Republic of Vietnam in 1967 as acting Platoon Leader 2/503rd Inf., 173rd Airborne Brigade in an engagement with a superior enemy force. Despite being wounded three times by small arms fire, he organized a defense and evacuated the wounded before evacuating himself. Ranger Voyles also served in combat in Vietnam with Co. C (Rang) 75th Inf. (Althorn's) (1970-1971), and as CSM for 2nd Ranger Battalion during Operation Urgent Fury (1983). Ranger Voyles has served in every Army NCO leadership position from fire team leader to CSM, was one of the original cadre for the 1st Ranger Battalion (1974) which helped set the standards for the new post-Vietnam U.S. Army, has mentored hundreds of students as an instructor and tactical NCO, and served as Commandant of I (US) Corps NCO Academy (1987). He is one of the most admired, respected, and emulated Rangers of his generation, leading by example throughout his entire life and military career, inspiring an entire generation of Rangers to achieve and exceed the expectations set by the Ranger Creed, Ranger history and the Ranger community. Ranger Voyles continued his devoted service to Rangers and Veterans with the Veteran's Administration and the 75th Ranger Regiment Association following his retirement from active duty in 1992. Ranger Voyles is a 100% Disabled Veteran, Life Member of the 75th Ranger Regiment Association and has worked tirelessly for the Veteran's Administration to assist his fellow veterans. Ranger Voyles holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Evergreen State College, Olympia, Washington. Ranger Voyles truly exemplifies Leading the Way and integrally emulates 'Sua Sponte'\* in all that he does!

\*(Latin "on its own will or motion") The 75th Ranger Regiment (United States Army Rangers) uses *Sua Sponte* as their regimental motto, referring to the Rangers' ability to accomplish tasks with little to no prompting.



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**Website:** [tpf@peregrinefund.org](mailto:tpf@peregrinefund.org)



*Left-to-right,  
 Top-to-bottom:*  
**American Bald Eagle,  
 California Condor,  
 Peregrine Falcon and  
 the American Golden  
 Eagle, all birds of prey.**



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