



## 2019 AHS Academic Top Ten Percent

**T**he Academic Recognition Committee and the John and Roene Klusch Foundation, in cooperation with the Alliance City Schools, presented the thirty second annual Academic Recognition Dinner on May 8, 2019, at the University of Mount Union's Hoover-Price Campus Center. The fifteen students in Alliance High School's "Top Ten Percent" were honored for their academic achievements, along with their parents and each student's honored educator.

Charles Todd Diehl, AHS Class of 1986, served as keynote speaker for the Academic Recognition Dinner. At AHS, Todd took Machine Trades courses in the Vocational Education program. After graduation he attended four years of trade school at the Barberton Machining Institute. From a young age, he was interested in building things, or taking them apart. Todd began his career as a CNC Tool Machinist. In 1996 he started his first business, Premier Hydraulics. He operated and grew that business for ten years, before he sold it and bought his current company, PTR Group. He owns/operates, and is still growing PTR Group, with over 500 employees in Wheatland, Pennsylvania.

Earlier in the day, Todd spoke at an assembly at AHS for the entire student body, met for open discussion with a representative group of students from all grade levels, and discussed opportunities with Career Tech students.

Throughout the day and in his evening presentation at the Academic Recognition Dinner, Todd stressed the importance of family, educators and mentors in each student's life. He reminded



(Back Row): Brandon Mazzei, Jarek Leonard, Adam Hale, Cameron Cox, Gabe Baker  
(Middle Row): Alivia Williamson, Allison Waggoner, 'Speaker Todd Diehl '86,' Seth Stevens, Leeah Dulaney (Front Row): Anna Zumbar, Alexandra Cox, Giavonna Hill, Jessica Pisoni, Madison Serrano, (Not Pictured): Nadia Holderfield

students that high school is not a resting place, that people who "nag you" do it because they love and want to help you and they are the ones who reach out to break your fall in the difficult times. He reminded students that 'different is special,' to 'know yourself,' to 'follow your heart,' to 'take one day at a time,' and to 'not give up when you still have something to give.'

At the dinner, the academic achievements of each student were recognized as they were presented a Top Ten Percent certificate, a varsity letter, "Academic A," and a \$300.00 scholarship award from the AHS Foundation. The parents or guardians of the students were introduced, along with the student's 'honored educator,' chosen by each student as someone who has been most instrumental in the realization of their academic success.

(Continued on page 3)

## **AHS Class Reunion plans for 2020**

<b>Class</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Place</b>	<b>Contact Information</b>
1955	Aug 17, 2020 (Save this date)	One Day Reunion (65th) at Chives Grille	Jim Ramser 330-823-6989 or Carl Dietz 330-596-1010
1958	July 18, 2020 (tentative) Date and place to be scheduled after Jan 1st.	Catered Picnic 80th Birthday Party	Sandy Oswalt Good 330-821-0056 ahs58sg@neo.rr.com or Carol Twark Josh 850-861-0052
1970	Fri, July 24, 2020 Sat, July 25, 2020	Elks Pavilion - 50th Reunion Alliance Country Club	Patty Sassaman Zwick ahs1970reunion@gmail.com
1975	Fri, July 31, 2020  Sat, Aug 1, 2020	Mixer at Chives Grille 6:00 45th Reunion Dinner Dance at Elks Cocktails 5:00, Dinner 6:00 \$25.00 per person Entertainment: John Hampu Band	Janis Taylor Williams 419-565-2225 janis.l.williams@gmail.com Bob Sherwood 925-766-1111 rsherwood@sherwoodelectric.com
For updated information about reunion plans, birthday parties or Class luncheons, go to the AHS Foundation website at <a href="http://www.ahsalumnifoundation.org">www.ahsalumnifoundation.org</a>			

### **FIRST COASTAL PET/STOUT FAMILY SCHOLARSHIPS PRESENTED**

A Coastal Pet/Stout Family Scholarship has been established through donations from the Stout family. This scholarship is intended to serve Alliance High School graduates who understand the value of hard work. It will be available to students who plan to pursue a four year degree or plan to enter a skilled trade or vocational occupation training program.

The first awards of \$1,000.00 each were presented in May 2019 to Austin Blair, Nadia Keppel and Will Kinser.

Austin Blair plans to attend the University of Northwestern Ohio to major in Automotives/High Performance. He spent the summer between his junior and senior year in Basic Training of the Ohio National Guard. Austin's plans include a degree in Automotive Business Management and opening his own shop where he will be involved in hiring and training students to help with their 'work experience training.'

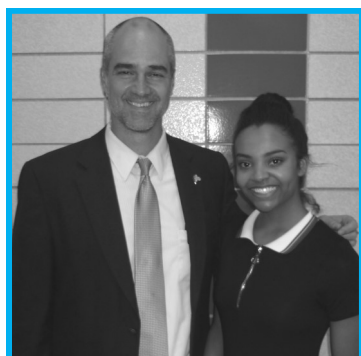
Nadia Keppel intends to pursue a career in nursing (long range, to be a 'flight/trauma' nurse) at Wright State University. She has a passion for the medical field and wants to be able to help people. While at AHS Nadia participated in Cross Country and Track and worked part time at McDonalds and Texas Roadhouse.

Will Kinser has enrolled in the Stark State Fire Academy, planning to be a Firefighter/EMT with a degree in Fire Science. During his highschool years he participated in Band, Orchestra, Carnation City Players, Broadcast Arts and more. He held part-time jobs throughout high school and volunteered through the Key Club and his Church.

The AHS Foundation Scholarship Committee will select the recipients of these scholarships. ✈



**Will Kinser, Sarah Morris Brown '61, Nadia Keppel  
and Austin Blair**



**Shawn Jackson, AHS Principal,  
and Dynasty Ford**

### **INITIAL REIGHART SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED**

Dynasty Ford '19 was named the first recipient of the Ray & Eva Mae Peters Reighart Scholarship in May.

Dynasty will be attending Bowling Green State University this fall. Although she is undecided about her major field of study, she is leaning toward a career in Finance. Dynasty has a summer job and has continued to represent The Greater Alliance Carnation Festival as the Carnation Queen until a new Queen was crowned during the August Festival.

The Reighart family has established this scholarship in memory of their parents. Eva Mae Peters Reighart graduated from Alliance High School in 1930. She taught for five years at Liberty Elementary School, married Ray and had

(Continued on page 3)



## 2019 AHS Academic Top Ten Percent (continued)

The Top 10 % of the Alliance High School Class of 2019 includes:

- **Gabe Baker**, son of David Baker & Tirzah Mohr Baker '86
- **Alexandra Cox**, daughter of Larry & Gretchen Lewis '83 Cox
- **Cameron Cox**, son of Ronald '87 & Tammy Cox
- **Leeah Dulaney**, daughter of Melinda Whitacre '92 & Scott Dulaney '90
- **Adam Hale**, son of Chris & Julie Oesch '89 Hale
- **Giavonna Hill**, daughter of Aaron Hill, Sr '92 & Sarita Lawson Hill '96
- **Nadia Holderfield**, daughter of Karen Holderfield
- **Jarek Leonard**, son of Abbey Quay Cugini '92 & Jason Leonard
- **Brandon Mazzei**, son of Jeff Mazzei '85 & Kendra Mazzei
- **Jessica Pisoni**, daughter of Jerry & Jodie Jewell Pisoni '83/'79
- **Madison Serrano**, daughter of Jose & Marcy Yarian '90 Serrano
- **Seth Stevens**, son of Jeff & Ellen Stevens
- **Allison Waggoner**, daughter of Amy Davidson Waggoner '91 & Edward Waggoner
- **Alivia Williamson**, daughter of Sandra Williamson
- **Anna Zumbar**, daughter of Michelle & Andrew '85 Zumbar

For the second year at AHS, student academic standing was calculated through a weighted grade ranking system. The class of 2019 began this process as freshmen. The weighted system gives higher points for specific dual college credit and advanced placement classes and these classes are weighted on the AP scale (5.0 scale). All fifteen students in the Top Ten Percent were recognized as Summa Cum Laude (GPA greater than 4.00). ✂

### CLASS OF 1968 FIRST SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTED

The first Class of 1968 Scholarship was presented to Merisa Howell last May. Merisa plans to pursue a career in Media Arts. She worked for Channel 1022 at AHS during her junior and senior years and wants to expand her editing and camera skills.



Merisa Howell

Merisa could be seen behind a camera or doing interviews as she covered many events around the city as well as high school activities and projects for her course work. Merisa has a desire to explore the world and tell people's stories. Media Arts has brought out her 'creative side' and she plans to follow that dream as she continues her education beyond high school.

The Class of 1968 created this scholarship as part of their fiftieth reunion celebration with donations from class members. Their scholarship goal continues to be the support of current AHS graduates and to honor the memory of their classmates.

A \$1,000.00 scholarship will be awarded annually. The recipient will be chosen by the AHS Foundation Scholarship Committee. ✂

### GRADUATES REVISITED

#### 1940-1949

**Fritz & Jo Donaldson Corey '47/'46** have been married for sixty-three years. They live in South Texas in winter and in the mountains of West Virginia in summer. "One plays golf and the other makes quilts." Fritz and Jo have four kids, six grand kids and six 'GREATS.'

Congratulations to **Boyd & Jean Carroll Webster '49/'53**. They were selected for the Grand Parade Marshal Award during the 60th Greater Alliance Area Carnation Festival in August.

#### 1950-1959

**Rolland 'Mick' Amos '50** writes: "Hi! Wrote a book! Take a Look! Poetry! Some good! Some great! I'll be famous! That's my fate! (just joking) Cheers!" See JUNK POETRY at Amazon.Com  
(Continued on page 4)

### Reighart Scholarship (continued)

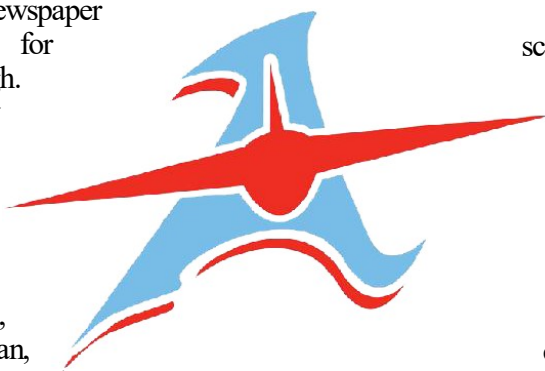
two children. She died in 1946 while the children were still young.

Ray Reighart '27-Ja taught at AHS from 1932 to 1967. He taught German, Biology, General Science and Driver's Education and served as high school golf coach for twelve years during his career.

This scholarship is a \$1,000.00 award, renewable for four years. Recipients are selected by the AHS Foundation Scholarship Committee. ✂

## Class of 1969 Celebrates 50th Reunion

The Alliance High School Class of 1969 held their 50th Reunion on August 9-10 at the Alliance Country Club. Music was provided by The John Hampu Band and DJ Still Bill. Classmates came from Oregon, Montana, New Mexico, Texas, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Michigan, Illinois, Maryland, Arkansas, Pennsylvania and Minnesota. Traveling the Farthest distance was Mike Fulop from Portland, Oregon. An original Heggy's Booth provided nostalgic pictures for classmates. Prizes were given for the First reservation that went to Debbie Tate Graham, 50th to Marilyn Wade Swinehart and 69th to Tom Hall. Three baskets were raffled off The Wine Basket went to Jean Couchie Burnquist, Cleveland Indians basket to Debbie Tate Graham and Alliance Country Club basket to Martha Hunt Kuceyeski. A class picture was taken and returned that night by Yosay Photography. Two memory tables were set up and decorated by Rachel Crist with newspaper articles, pictures and yearbooks for classmates to browse through. Centerpieces were made by Cathy Twyman which adorned the tables. A Sunday morning breakfast at Pancho's concluded the Reunion. The committee consisted of Jonathan Karns, Susie Grove, Bob Lavery, Barb Reay, Renee Thomas, Debbie Graham, Cathy Twyman, Tammy Davies, Dan Cherry, Carol Tallman and Pat Thomas. ✂



## RODMAN LIBRARY is archiving AHS Chronicles and Red & Blue newsletters

Work is progressing on two projects concerning Alliance High School history at Rodman Library. The Chronicles and the Red & Blue newsletters are being scanned and are available on the library website: [rodmanlibrary.com](http://rodmanlibrary.com)

For the Red & Blue project click on local history. You can help fill in the blanks on this project: Click on the 'missing issues' and see if you have any old issues that are not yet scanned. Contact Karen Perone at Rodman Library. She will be happy for your assistance, and will return the original copies after scanning them for everyone's enjoyment. Many Red & Blue's are already scanned, but many are still needed.

D J Digianantonio, in the library reference department, is spearheading the scanning of Chronicles in the library collection. So far, 1910 through 1984 have been scanned. The scanning process requires nearly two hours for each yearbook.

If you are willing to help with the scanning process, for either the Red & Blue or the Chronicle, the staff will easily train you in the process. Even just one session a week will make an impact on getting these parts of AHS history available on-line. To volunteer to help, go to [rodmanlibrary.com/employment](http://rodmanlibrary.com/employment) and select the volunteer form. You can submit on line or print a copy or pick up and submit a volunteer application at the library. ✂

## Graduates Revisited (continued)

### 1950-1959

**Neil Allen '53** is retired from the YMCA of Metro Detroit. Neil remains active with the chorus of the Henry Ford Village Retirement Community, the Dearborn Rotary Club and the YMCA retirees Association.

**Imogene Simmons Williams '53** writes, "It is the end of April and we just had a snow-storm blowing in from Lake Michigan. In my next life, I shall select an area like Hawaii and I promise to invite all of you to help me enjoy it. I miss you all! Imogene"

**Marilyn Dowling Sandru '54** is retired, still living in Alliance.

**Donna Ludu Wright '56** sends her 'Hello' to all her classmates.

Donna is retired and living the simple life in Warren, Ohio.

**Phyllis Mayer-Dunlap '58** is a retired RN and a professional gambler. She and her husband enjoy travelling. They have two sons, Eric a business partner in a winery and Craig an attorney in Las Vegas. Phyllis lives in Utah and enjoys the dry desert climate, "Besides, its only 125 miles to Las Vegas!"

**Ron Snider '59** joined the USAF shortly after graduation and served for twenty-two years. Ron started work for the US Postal Service in 1986, retiring in 2014 with twenty-seven years service. In retirement his hobbies are "fishing and procrastinating."

### 1960-1969

**Georgene Andress Gross '61** was named 'CITIZEN of the YEAR' during this year's Greater Alliance Area Carnation Festival.

To celebrate Veterans Day November 11th, **Michal Mainwaring '61** has donated in honor of those family members who were in active service.

**World War II-Bill Mainwaring '40** (Air Force); Jack Mainwaring '47-Ja (Navy); Mike Bilcze (Army) and Jokie Bilcze (Army).

**Viet Nam era-Dave Mainwaring '59** (Air Force); Billy Mainwaring '62 (Air Force); and Jim Quick '63 (Marines).

All found it to be a deeply meaningful experience and were proud to serve.

(Continued on page 5)

## TRACK & TURF AT LEN DAWSON FIELD DEDICATED

Dedication of the Artificial Turf and Track at Len Dawson Field was held August 23, 2019. This event culminated a 'flurry of activity' since the project broke ground in May 2019. The track (unsafe and needed to be replaced) and the sod playing field required repairs and improvements. A capital project including lights and artificial turf was approved.

Alliance School Board President Sally Ailes '82 cut the ribbon, assisted by ten Alliance High student athletes to officially open the upgraded facility. Athletic Director Mike Schott '88 made introductions and reviewed the plans for use of the new facility. The crowd that gathered for the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony was entertained by a preview of 'The Pride in the Sky,' AHS Marching Band halftime show scheduled for the football home opener.

A committee of Alliance alumni and Athletic Boosters, Administrators, Faculty and community representatives had been meeting, discussing, debating and analyzing the 'physical plant' needs of all Alliance students and recommended this project.

The new track will host AHS Track meets. Len Dawson Field will serve as a football practice

field; home site of football games for J V, freshman and Alliance Middle School and as an alternate location for soccer matches and more and more! ✈



Left to Right: Athletic Director Mike Schott, Superintendent Jeff Talbert, Head Football Coach Seth Whiting and AHS Principal Shawn Jackson

## NORTHSIDE SCHOOL NAME ADJUSTED

Northside Intermediate School has served all the city's fourth and fifth graders since 2014. Beginning with the fall semester 2019, it will become Alliance Intermediate School at Northside. The Alliance City School Board approved this change after a community open forum was held last July.

This name change will align Alliance Intermediate School at Northside with three other building names in the District:

- Alliance High School
- Alliance Middle School
- Alliance Early Learning School

The exceptions will continue to be Parkway Elementary and Rockhill Elementary, each serving grades 1 thru 3.

Northside Elementary was built in 2002, when a local school levee passed and state funding assisted in providing \$60 million to replace five buildings (North Lincoln, Rockhill, State Street, Stanton and Liberty). In their stead, the Alliance Middle School, Rockhill Elementary and Northside Elementary were built, along with additions and remodeling at Parkway Elementary, South Lincoln Elementary and Alliance High School.

Northside, Parkway, Rockhill and South Lincoln continued to serve grades K thru 5 until 2007 when South Lincoln became the Alliance Early Learning School for Kindergarten and Pre-School age students and in 2014 when Northside became the 'Intermediate School.' ✈

## Graduates Revisited (continued)

### 1960-1969

**Ronald Adams '62** is 'still flying.' Ron served five years in the the U S Air Force, two years in Vietnam and twenty-five years with FedEx. He now lives in Arkansas, off his own airstrip. "Keep em Flying!"

**Tom & Jackie Buccelli Aston '62/'62** are living in the Cleveland area. They send 'praises' for the newsletter and enjoy keeping up with 'old' classmates.

**Charles Lee Gross '63** has never left Alliance, except for two years in the Army. He is a retired teacher, having taught Industrial Arts for thirty-seven years. Chuck recently retired from his second career at Cassaday Turkle Christian Funeral Home after sixteen years of service. An avid Mount Union fan, he has worked the gate at Raider football games and the 'shot clock' for both the men's and women's basketball teams for over twenty-five years. Chuck and his "girlfriend" Cathy have been married for forty-eight years. The have three children and eight grandchildren. Chuck enjoys woodworking, his Harley-Davidson and going to the beach for family vacations. He recently completed writing a book on his

(Continued on page 8)

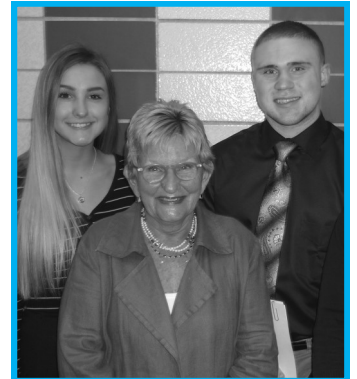




Karleigh McCracken, Adam Hale, Fatima Magana Meza,  
Jose Garcia, Alexandra Cox, Jarek Leonard



Dick Diser '63 and Emma Courtwright



Katelyn Howell, Sarah Morris  
Brown '61 and Jacob Craig



Marissa Scobee and Rachael Wagner



Dave Wolpert '65 and  
Abigayle Anderson



Gabriel Baker, Alivia Williamson, Giovanna Hill,  
Allison Waggoner, Seth Stevens



Brandon Mazzei, Leeah Dulaney, Cameron Cox,  
Emilly Swonger, Gavin Geier



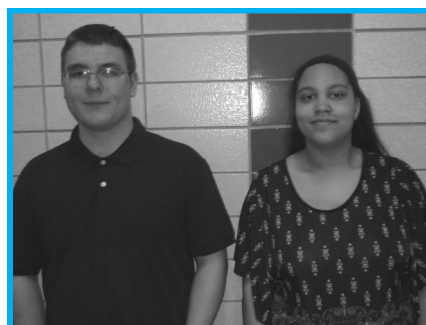
Corey Utterback and Nadia Keppel



Joe Zelasko '51, Anna Zumbar, and  
Sarah Morris Brown '61



Austin Blair



Dominic Bertolini and Merisa Howell



Will Kinser



Ki'Errah Martin



Madison Serrano



James Gray



Carli Beckett



Stefan Thalacker

## ***Recipients of AHS Foundation Scholarships and Scholarships Administered Through the AHS Foundation - Class of 2019***

<b>General Fund Scholarship Awards</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Recipients</b>
AHS Foundation Top 10 %	\$ 4,500	15 recipients
AHS Foundation-Renewable	\$24,000	Alexandra Cox Jose Garcia Adam Hale Jarek Leonard Fatima Magana Meza Karleigh McCracken
AHS Foundation-Non renewable	\$ 7,500	Cameron Cox Leeah Dulaney Gavin Geier Brandon Mazzei Emily Swonger
<b>Memorial Scholarship Awards</b>		
John & Roene Klusch-Renewable	\$30,000	Gabriel Baker Giovanna Hill Seth Stevens Allison Waggoner Alivia Williamson
Ray & Eva Mae Peters Reighart-rnw	\$ 4,000	Dynasty Ford
Byron & Isabel Saffell-Renewable	\$ 4,000	Anna Zumbar
Theresa Utterback-Renewable	\$ 4,000	Nadia Keppel
Days of Glory-Renewable	\$ 2,000	Madison Serrano
Megan Adelman	\$ 500	Seth Stevens
Gary Andreani	\$ 1,000	Jose Garcia
William D. & Mary L. Baker	\$ 2,000	Marissa Scobee Rachael Wagner
Carli-Cowan	\$ 700	Seth Stevens
Class of 1963	\$ 1,000	Emma Courtwright
Class of 1965	\$ 1,000	Abigayle Anderson
Class of 1968	\$ 1,000	Merisa Howell
Coastal Pet/Stout Family	\$ 3,000	Austin Blair Nadia Keppel Will Kinser
F. Kermit & Helen Donaldson	\$ 800	Stefan Thalacker
Donna Clayton Floyd	\$ 2,000	Dominic Bertolini Merisa Howell
Francis & Esther Furcolow	\$ 1,000	Gavin Geier
Edwin & Ruth Gibson	\$ 1,000	Cameron Cox
Eugene L. Haidet	\$ 1,000	Anna Zumbar
R. G. Hamrick	\$ 1,500	Will Kinser
Mel Knowlton	\$ 4,000	Carli Beckett Cameron Cox Seth Stevens Allison Waggoner
Jim Lear	\$ 500	Ki'Errah Martin
David & Goldie Mainwaring	\$ 1,000	Jacob Craig
	\$ 1,000	Fatima Magana Meza
	\$ 500	Katelyn Howell
Dorothea & Owen McCoy	\$ 500	Fatima Magana Meza
Margaret Peach	\$ 1,000	Austin Blair
Christopher Penny	\$ 1,000	Allison Waggoner
Pietrocola Family	\$ 500	Seth Stevens
Beverly Robertson Yeagley	\$ 1,000	Jacob Craig
Rockhill PTO	\$ 400	Ki'Errah Martin
Brett Streza	\$ 2,000	James Gray Emily Swonger
Cliff Trainer	\$ 1,000	James Gray Ki'Errah Martin
Vietnam Vets-Thomas A Mangino	\$ 1,000	Jarek Leonard



## ALLIANCE HIGH SCHOOL DISTINGUISHED ALUMNA

Many AHS Distinguished Alumni were selected prior to the reestablishment of the AHS Foundation and the publishing of this newsletter. In this and ensuing issues, we will share some of the achievements that qualified those graduates who have been honored as Alliance High School Distinguished Alumni.

Go to the AHS Alumni Foundation website: [www.ahsalumnifoundation.org](http://www.ahsalumnifoundation.org) to view a complete listing of honorees. Click on each name to read about their individual accomplishments.

### Iverne Rowland Carter Graduated 1921; Inducted 1967

After graduating from Mount Union College, Iverne Rowland married Robert Carter in Alliance, whose business took them to Bemidji, Minnesota. Mrs. Carter taught in Bemidji until 1942 when she went to work for the U. S. Bureau of Prisons. Initially she spent 12 years as an officer at the Federal Reformatory at Alderson, West Virginia. That was followed with a short period as the acting assistant warden at the Federal Reformatory on Terminal Island near Long Beach

In March of 1959, Mrs. Carter was transferred to the California Institution for Women - Chino, the largest women's prison in the United States. She is currently superintendent of the prison, a position she has held since 1960.

Of special interest to Mrs. Carter has been the development of a program for the rehabilitation of narcotics users in California. Famed in the field of penology, Mrs. Carter is listed in Who's Who in Western Women.



Iverne Rowland Carter

#### Biographical update:

Iverne Carter retired from the Bureau of Prisons on July 1, 1971 and returned to Bemidji, Minnesota, where she was active in the United Methodist Church, the League of Women Voters and the Federated Women's Club.

She passed away on June 9, 1998



California Institution for Women - Chino where Iverne Carter was superintendent from 1960 to 1971. (Source: [cdcr.ca.gov](http://cdcr.ca.gov))

at the age of 94. She was preceded in death by her husband. Survivors include two sons living in Minnesota, seven grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren. ✈

## Graduates Revisited (continued)

### 1960-1969

memoirs of Vietnam entitled SUPERSTES GRATUS / GRATEFUL SURVIVOR. Chuck enjoys reading the AHS Newsletter and keeping up with his classmates.

**Ginny Abblett '63** continues to do her art, traveling from Denver to Taos. Ginny asks that you check out her website: [ginnyabblett.com](http://ginnyabblett.com)

**Sue Brown Parsons '64** lives in central Florida with her husband Don. She is a retired obstetrics, neo-natal RN of forty-four years.

**Tommy R Bossert '64** is a retired Sheet Metal Worker living in Sanford, Florida.

**Philip Kuceyeski '66** is retired, living in Perrysburg, Ohio.

**Sharon Johnson Ries '68** retired from Penn State University in 2014. She has moved back to the Alliance area after thirty-six years and loves being home!

**John Hampu '69** and long time AHS Faculty member was presented the Carl Wirthwein Award in February. This is considered the highest award of the Ohio High School Swimming Coaches Association. For twenty years, Mr Hampu has been announcing the OHSA state swimming and diving championships at C T Branin Natatorium.

**Dawn Farkas Wiant '69** is a Psychologist, Administrator and former teacher/educator.

**Susan Nash Grove '69** is the 2019 Greater Alliance Area Carnation Festival, Favazzo-Jeswald Founders Award recipient.

### 1970-2019

**Pam Peters Gray '70** plans to retire in September after forty-five years as a dental hygienist.

**Kirk McGowan '73** says, "Retirement is Fantastic...". Kirk and Kathi live in Fort Worth, Texas. "The future looks bright, allowing for the

(Continued on page 9)



## VARSITY SCHOLARS SELECT HONORED EDUCATORS

Each of the AHS Varsity Scholars is asked to select an educator who has made a positive impact in their life. The 'Honored Educator' is invited to attend the academic recognition dinner along with the student and their family. Each 'Honored Educator' is presented a certificate of appreciation by the Varsity Scholar. The 2019 'Honored Educators' are listed:

### HONORED EDUCATOR

- Mark Pisanello, Math Teacher
- Crystal Sabik, Orchestra Director
- Keith McGeehen, 8th Grade Social Studies Teacher
- Stephanie McKnight, Sports Medicine Teacher
- Amy Latsch, Geometry and Calculus I/II Teacher
- Allison Morrison, AHS Guidance Counselor
- Steve Carman, Ind'l Tech & Intro to Engineering Teacher
- Matt Gulling, Coach & Middle School Math Teacher
- Michael Rossetti, Football Coach since 7th Grade
- Kelly Trout, Chemistry Teacher
- Elizabeth Davis, Spanish Teacher
- Amy Latsch, AHS Math Teacher
- Joshua Winner, Biology Teacher
- Renee Barnes, French Teacher
- Shaun Fontaine, Band Director & Academic Challenge Team Advisor

### SELECTED by:

Gabe Baker  
Alexandra Cox  
Cameron Cox  
Leeah Dulaney  
Adam Hale  
Giavonna Hill  
Nadia Holderfield  
Jarek Leonard  
Brandon Mazzei  
Jessica Pisoni  
Madison Serrano  
Seth Stevens  
Allison Waggoner  
Alivia Williamson  
Anna Zumbar ✈️

## Graduates Revisited (continued)

### 1970-2019

magic word 'chronic,' that comes with age. Best of luck to everyone!"

The search for a 1970 Stanton Junior High yearbook is a success!!!

**Diane Dugan Smith '73** reports that she received a copy of this yearbook, "all the way from Georgia." She sends her appreciation and thanks for rekindling her memories of 'school days.'

Congratulations to **Raymont & Brenda Johnson '78/'78** for being selected to serve as Parade Marshals for the 2019 Martin Luther King Jr. parade in Alliance last August.

**Jennifer Schleis Murray '87** graduated from Mount Union in 1991. Jennifer teaches Spanish and English in the Canal Fulton Northwest School District.

**Allison Waggoner '19** was selected in August to reign as the 2019 Greater Alliance Area Carnation Festival Queen for the coming year. ✈️

## AHS FOUNDATION ESTABLISHES A FACEBOOK PRESENCE

Search for us on Facebook by typing: AHS Alumni Foundation of Alliance, OH

We are up and running, but still in the planning stages. We hope to include connections to all class pages, develop a network that will inform about events of interest for all alumni, connect to the AHS Foundation website: [www.ahsalumnifoundation.org](http://www.ahsalumnifoundation.org) etc

After you visit our Facebook page, be sure and 'Like' us so you can keep up with all that is happening.

Please share your ideas of what you think should be part of this new opportunity. ✈️



### ***Donations of \$25 or more (through August 31, 2019)***

#### **Pilot**

**(\$500 to \$2,499)**

Allison Lansell '05  
Amanda Lansell '05

#### **Aviator**

**(\$250 to \$499)**

Leigh Mainwaring & Herb Spear '66  
Richard Baylor '73

#### **Navigator**

**(\$100 to \$249)**

Walter Wollam '44-Ja  
Paul Thomas '48  
Devona Waugaman Coy '50  
Margie Hein Higgason '50  
Eleanor Muffly Wimpfheimer '53  
Bonnie Duncan Thomas '55  
Dr Robert Speer '56  
Ron & Lynn Daniels Dezenzo  
'59/61  
William Sutton '61  
Robert & Debra Tate Graham  
'65/69

Philip J Kuceyeski '66  
Kathryn Miller Rogers '67  
Hammett Lilly '69  
Larry & Sandra Lyons Polen '70/71  
Dan Dwyer '71  
Kirk McGowan '73  
Dawn & John Stauffenger '73/52  
David Fox '74  
Lynne Kelly-Johnson '75  
Bruce & Susan Hunt Bowman  
'78/81  
Rebecca Blaser Grinch '98

#### **Airman**

**(\$25 to \$99)**

Jeanne Campeau Greenwald '43  
Ward "Bud" Tuttle '46  
Charlotte Noble Green '49  
Freda Hustus Cunningham '51  
Dick & Sandy Oswalt Good '52/58  
Roger B Olds '53  
Joyce Hoffman Thorpe '56  
Loretta & William Offenbecher  
'56/55

Robert Shanks '57  
Eleanor Surten Kaul '57  
Vickie DiDonato Cardinal '57  
David & Ann Polen Swarts '57/57  
Janice Baxter Fleming '59  
John "Richard" Zuccherro '60  
Brian W Ashbaugh '62  
Judy Robbins Clapsaddle '63  
David F Iden '64  
Catherine Williams Mills '64  
Susan Hamilton Clancy '64  
Donna Meves Buchman '64  
Forrest & Lynette Music Riddle  
'64/69  
Linda Akins Lahmers '65  
Thomas Hahlen '65  
Valerie Carretta Degenhard '66  
Linda Sue Umbs Ghonim '66  
David W Edwards '67  
Anthony Facchiano '69  
Dawn Farkas Wiant '69  
Joan Schneider Runion '71  
Chad Morris '01 ✈

### ***Memorial Donations (through August 31, 2019)***

#### **Donor / Class:**

#### **In Memory of:**

#### **Squadron Commander** **(\$2,500 or greater)**

Patrick Hanke 85  
Brett Streza Golf Outing

Clemma Hanke '87  
Brett Streza '81

#### **Top Gun**

**(\$1,000 to \$2,499)**

Claire Dell  
Edwin Gibson 60

Daniel R Dell '57  
Edwin P & Ruth A Gibson  
& Jane B Gibson

#### **Pilot**

**(\$500 to \$999)**

Margaret Kinsey Rodman 47  
Evan W Morris Jr 59

Dr James P Rodman  
Steve Diser '60

#### **Aviator**

**(\$250 to \$499)**

Ralph Sponseller 55

Roger Zingg '55, Howard  
'Skip' Good '57,  
Roger Frank '54,  
Earl Helsel '54 &  
Dewey Syme '54  
Charlene Pasco Russell '57  
& Deceased Classmates

Robert Russell 57

#### **Donor / Class:**

Eloise Keil Cohen  
Bill Earley

#### **Navigator**

**(\$100 to \$249)**

William Coleman  
Sarah Simpson Hunt 46  
Raymond Kloos 47  
Fritz & Jo Donaldson Corey  
47/46  
Phillip Gehm 50  
Margie Hein Higgason 50  
Ronald Feller 53  
Merlin A Simons 53  
Glenn Spore 54  
William J McGowan 55  
Howard Brick 58  
Tom Piccinin 59

Roy "Skeeter" Allen 59  
Robert P Curtis 61  
Ronald Adams 62

Patricia Petitti Cailler 62

Susan Dundon Brunner 64  
Bill Meiter  
Velma Losh Traphagen 64

#### **In Memory of:**

Steve Diser '60  
Kathy Ann Rotuna  
Earley '67

Dr Curtis B Coleman '39  
Neal Hunt '44-Ja  
Jean Kloos Russell '51  
Fred Donaldson '42 &  
George Donaldson '48  
Charles Gehm '48  
Dorothy M Hein '33  
Marjon Menster Feller '53  
Jerry Grier '53  
Beverly Farkas Spore '58  
Judy Barker McGowan '57  
Jean Obney Brick '39  
Judith Lynn Wilson  
Piccinin '61  
Dorothy Allen  
Guy O Rowland '62  
Robert A Adams '54 &  
Carol Adams Becker '64  
Beverly Robertson  
Yeagley '61 &  
Hugh Wilson '61  
Conrad Brunner '63  
Linda Tripp Meiter '64  
Deceased Classmates



## Memorial Donations (through August 31, 2019)

<b>Donor / Class:</b>	<b>In Memory of:</b>	<b>Donor / Class:</b>	<b>In Memory of:</b>
Barbara & Bill Wendell Sandy 66/64	Osco Mann '67	John & Jodene Smith Rasile 56/60	Richard Rasile '57, Judy Pittman '59, Rowena Ferguson '60 & Margie Foster '61
Peter Schneller	Jim Lear '66	Robert Shanks 57	Lavonne Douds Shanks '60 & Edward Shanks, Sr '53
Dave & Sue Rennels 66	Judy Tolerton '59	Nancy Buttermore Coman 57	Deceased Classmates
LTC Alan Fojt, USA Ret 67	Dr Gregory D Russell '67	Tommy Bissett 57	Deceased Classmates
Rachel Crist Nelson 69	Nancy Cowan Koch '69 & Brenda Snodgrass '69	Pat Elliott Summers 57	Harold 'Hank' Summers '44 & Bill Elliott '53
Edward J Holmes 70	Gillie & Jacob Holmes	Warner & Glenna Baker Zingg 57/60	Edwin Baker '47-Ja, Glenn Duane Baker '50 & Roger Zingg '55
Mary Ann McCready Wunsch 70	Ruth Williams, French Teacher	Phyllis Mayer-Dunlap 58	Larry Conway '57 & Deceased Classmates
Carol & Rick Bourne 70/61	Ralph 'Buster' Crider '61, Leslie Mainwaring Bourne '61 & Vicki Barret Herbert '70	Ron Snider 59	Paul & Dorthy Snider
Saundra Goldman 82	Todd Schafer 82	Lee Woolf 60	Sonnie Hopkins Craig '63, Jerry Brush '60 & Hugh Cannon '60
Jennifer Schleis Murray 87	Classmates Mark Barnes, Clemma Hanke, Jerhonda Holloway, Charles Jones, Jeffrey Sines, Marni Tolerton & Kelly Welsh	Albert Paone 60	Ed Paone '62 & Jerry Brush '60
Jennifer Diser Sutton 90	Brett Streza '81	Kathy Russell Walters 62	Vicki Tzetz Haupt '62
<b>Airman (\$25 to \$99)</b>		Richard Johnson 63	Patricia Marckel Shilling '54
Lillian Bissett Catlett 45	Mr & Mrs John Bissett Sr	Sue Ellen Brown Parsons 64	George David Brown '58
Ethel Buzogany Francis 48	Dick Garra '48	Nancy Jo Schaffer Walfish 64	Tom Thomas '63 & John Bovyer '63
Ohio Beta Omega Master	Joanna Pietrocola '48 & All Deceased Chapter Members	Alvin Carli 65	Paul Schuller '66
David E Owens 49	Deceased Classmates	Ted Salsberg	Jim Lear '66
Dean Walizer 51	Roger Vogel '50, George & June Ellis Nixon '48-Ja/'48-Ja	Patricia Ward Shears 66	Class of '66 Friends
Freda Hustus Cunningham 51	Christina Hustus Orlando '54	Linda Sue Umbs Ghonim 66	Rosemary '40, Don '37 & Alberta '40 Umbs
Judy King Douglas 51	Peggy Sonday Pohjala '50	Patricia Smith Travis '66	Stephanie Williams Heesten '66
Joe & Carol Speidel Zelasko 51/53	Janice Peters Giovanini '53	Jason Ascherman 66	Linda Timmerman Ascherman '66
Robert & Shirley Turk Kline 52/52	Deceased Classmates	Mary Ann Scheible Barker 67	David K Barker '65
Mary Ann Lee Day 53	Gregory J Day '73	Mark & Connie Howell Antonsanti 67/67	Chris Cade '67, John Hotchkiss '67 & Bruce Papineau '67
Imogene Simmons Williams 53	Patricia Prince King '53	Sharon Johnson Ries 68	Karen Johnson '68 & Kristy Schneider Wheatley '68
Neil Allen 53	Joe Wyrick '53 & Dave Wyrick '54	Pamela Peters Gray 70	John & Lois Peters '42/'40
Ray & Eleanora Stryffeler Campeau 53/53	Edward Campeau '45	Joseph Grabiel 73	Katherine 'Kitty' Brazar Pelanda '49
Dorthie Kutchever Edinger 54	David M Edinger '54	Bill & Kate Morris	Gregory James Day '73
Josephine Rich Pietrocola 54	Janice Freytag Stoll '55	Jeff Day 74	Gregory J Day '73
Linda Webb Kandel 54	Mom & Dad Webb	Lori House Skrjanc 76	Ronald House, Sr '54
Donna Ludu Wright 56	Victor Ludu '58	Ronald House Jr 76	Ronald House Sr '54
Larry Long 56	Coach Julius Tonges	Sally Moore Schneider 77	Mary Niarchos Moore '43
Terry Clarke 56	Russell Newburn '56	James Wallace 77	Chuck & Helen Haidet Wallace '36
John & Jodene Smith Rasile 56/60	Kenny Hite '56, James King '56, Glenn Emmons '56, Ralph Oates '56,	Craig & Stephanie Pietrocola Unckrich 83	Janice Stoll '55
		Corey & Clare Unckrich 08	Janice Stoll '55
		Michael Unckrich 14	Gary Andreani '71 
		Julie Krichbaum Fac	

**The AHS Foundation**  
P.O. Box 3123  
Alliance, Ohio 44601-7123

Return Service Requested

NON PROFIT  
U.S. POSTAGE  
PAID  
AMOS COMM., INC.  
44460

**The AHS Foundation Newsletter**  
**P.O. Box 3123**

**Alliance, Ohio 44601-7123**

**E-Mail:** ahsalum@alliancecityschools.org  
or info@ahsalumnifoundation.org

**Phone:** 330-821-2100

**Newsletter Design:** Chris Blaser '91  
Scott Blaser '93

**Managing Editor:** Dick Diser '63

***Dues are important;  
Donations are very much appreciated***

Dues and donations are very important parts of the financial growth of the Foundation.

Membership in the AHS Foundation is open to AHS graduates and to any person or organization interested in encouraging the further education of AHS graduates. Dues are \$20.00 per year and should be sent to:

AHS Foundation  
P.O. Box 3123  
Alliance, OH 44601-7123

**Donations (through August 31, 2019)**

**Donor / Class:**

**In Honor of:**

**Pilot**

**(\$500 to \$999)**

Michal W Mainwaring 61

Robert E Ross 65

Family Members who were in  
Active Military Service  
The Class of 1965

**Aviator**

**(\$250 to \$499)**

Dick Diser 63

Marguerite Glass Schneider 66

Barbara & Bill Wendell 66/64

The Class of 1963

"Days Of Glory" Scholarship Fund

"Days Of Glory" Scholarship Fund

**Navigator**

**(\$100 to \$249)**

Rolland W "Mick" Amos 50

Roy "Skeeter" Allen 59

Connie Weber Coates 63

Rick Kunz 65

Randy & Martha Hunt Kuceyeski

72/69

Alliance and AHS

Kay Allen Reardon '61

The Class of 1963

The Class of 1965

The Class of 1969

**Airman**

**(\$25 to \$99)**

Janice Ramser Locke 61

Linda Messenheimer Hendershot 77

"Days Of Glory" Scholarship Fund

"Days Of Glory" Scholarship Fund