

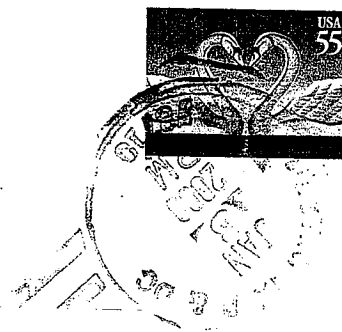
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Report on BreckFest!

by Gayle Spear Cratty '69

Dear Fellow Classmates

I apologize first of all for the delay in scribing my thoughts on paper. Life has truly had its twists and turns for me in the last year and I know many of you know that my sister is fighting for her life. I can only ask for prayers at this time as she is very ill. Her will to live is great and it is that will that sustains her.

I was able to meet everyone in Breckenridge, Colorado August 3-6, 1999 and have to tell you that this reunion was so extremely well organized by Bob Samborski, Guy Bennett, Meredith Smith, Lara White and Gaye Crosby. From the onset of this reunion, this group organized and worked well to deliver a reunion in which every detail was accounted for.

So many new alumni and friends attended this reunion and the number in attendance reached over 100. Not since the DC reunion I organized 10 years ago, did we see numbers like this. It was fabulous! The Olympic games against Berlin was awesome. Who said FHSer's weren't "fit." We beat the pants off of them except for the "Weanie Sling Fling" - Is there something wrong with this picture???

Neil Ohberg represented FHS in a most fortuitous manner as Berlin had to sing our FHS fight song and murdered it! Neil sang a response not to be forgotten. GO NEIL!!!! Truly, Berlin is a very fun group and never exhibited poor sportsmanship. I know we laughed a lot. I believe Steve Kuckelman may still have a headache from Greg Moldenhauer's grapefruit fling that hit his



Flying the Frankfurt Flag at BreckFest

Thanks to Kevin Lindroth for providing the banner!
photo by Bob Bolick '69

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head. You had to be there to witness this event.

Berlin would like to challenge us again in the future. Do they dare?? They were about half our age and look what we were still able to achieve. GO EAGLES!!! Coach Drakulich and his wife can attest to it. What a joy to see them there amidst all the craziness.

This reunion was particularly special for me because I got to see my roommate and friend, Krys Wages, whom I only see once a year at these events. I also connected with my best friend from Junior High School - Carol Harris. I know many of you had those same connections this year - seeing Jim Henson, John Zody, Skip Pettit, Stuart & Lennie Knowlton, Pablo Zamora, Greg Brown, Mike McCready, Steve Dean, Peter Van Witt, Bob Taylor, Chris Richards, Greg Moldenhauer - the list is endless. These connections make us appreciate the friendships which are and have always been very meaningful to us.

Carol flew to New York one week after the event and stayed with Tom and I for a week. It was a great time to catch up with her. We are on the phone so much since then that I think the phone company is making out royally on us. I think the phone calls we made to so many while she was here will not be forgotten! I don't think I laughed so hard in my life.

John Zody recently flew out for a reunion with his classmates from High School and drove up to New York to visit one night with us. He too, as did Carol, came to visit my sister in the hospital. I will see Carol and her daughter here for Thanksgiving. I so appreciate the time both took to visit. These friendships are truly what count for me. I hope to see Skip Pettit here as well by the end of October as he passes through to New England.

I have to tell you that those who live in Colorado certainly know how to treat their guests, we even had a homemade breakfast (Bob S. would you like to come to New York to cook). He makes a mean breakfast burrito. It was so delicious.

Thank you to all of you for the very special care you took to make every detail of this reunion so very memorable. I personally appreciate that your committee took my suggestion of going to a place like Breckenridge as I think it allowed for us to really have the sort of fun we always knew a place like this would allow for us have. The only drawback was watching so many of us trying to acclimate to the altitude change. Steve are you still breathing???? I was quite worried!

All kidding aside, if you have never experienced a reunion with us or if you are hesitating for one moment, then please pick up the phone and call me, I will convince you why these reunions are so important to everyone. It isn't just the fun dancing, eating at a restaurant or going through the motion the weekend events, it is all about gaining back the friendships we lost and even making new ones. We are from a past that has always bonded us and as we begin the new millennium year and we grow wiser and yes, older, we can be here to help one another with so much emotional support.

I personally have witnessed that through all the lovely emails sent to my sister, the many phone calls, the gifts, flowers and personal visits made to support me as well. I know the friendships made are lasting and true friendships. It is where they truly count. Jana Baumgartner Smith was also a dear, dear friend who came to visit my sister and I in New York before the reunion in Colorado. I thank you for your support and love toward my family and I during this very, very difficult time. YOU ARE MY FAMILY AND I LOVE YOU!

The only request I have of everyone is that you make it to Chicago June 23-25, 2000 for the next reunion. I know Glen Imobersteg has it marked on his calendar. We will be piggy backing with the Classes of '64-'66. What fun this will be! MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

If any of you fly into New York, you are always welcome in our home. May all of you enjoy a wonderful Holiday and New Year!

With much love and friendship,
Gayle '69

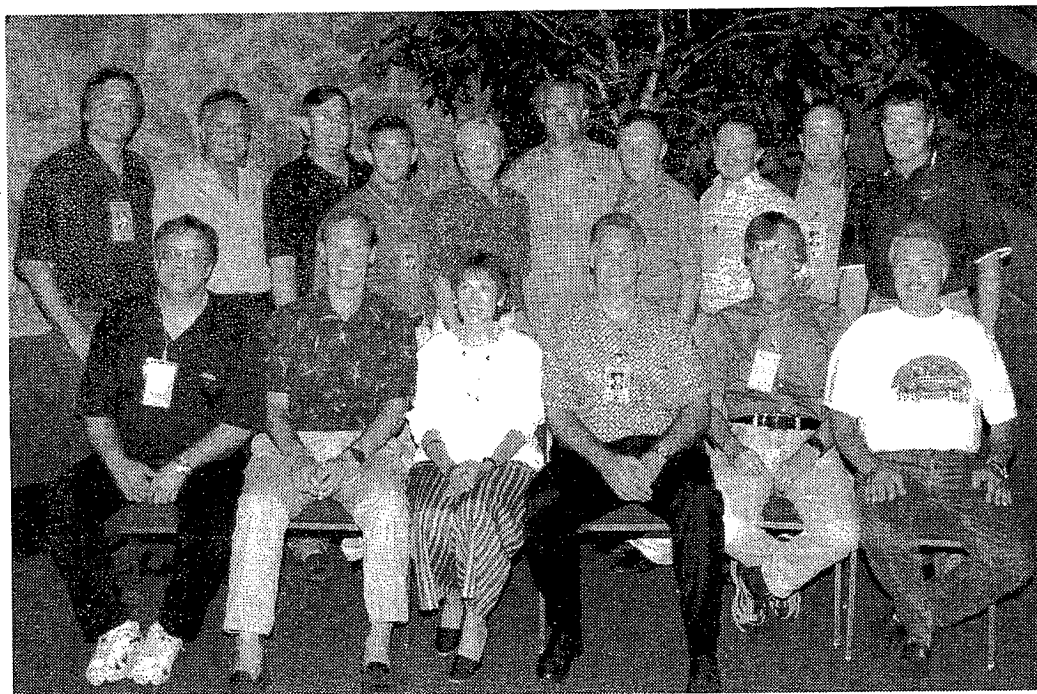
Guess Who Showed Up for BreckFest?



Class of 1967

Standing:
Steve Kuckelman,
Steve Dean, Nils
Ohberg, Mike
McCready, Lara "Sandy"
Svjagintsev White, Pete
Riddle, Mike Major

Seated:
Lennie Morris Knowlton,
Jeanne Barber-
Fiddleman, Linda Reese
du Kor, Linda White,
Mimi Venn Majors '66,
Kathy Cooney



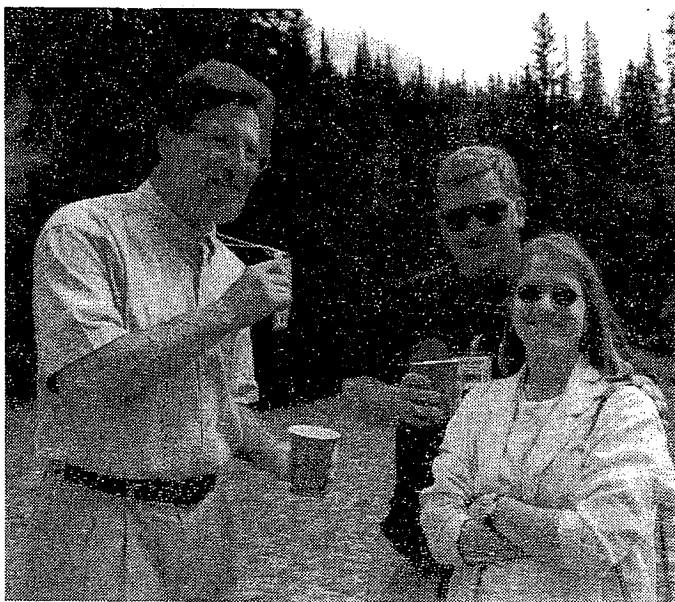
Class of 1968

Standing: Bob Samborski, Eddie Harris, Stuart Knowlton, Mike Nicholson, Bob Taylor,
Bob Edwards, Duke Taylor, Allen Afill, Mike Cavanaugh, Steve Holcomb
Seated: Skip Pettit, Steve Chapman, Lynn Larson, Guy Bennett, Tim Byrne, Don Ayers
Not pictured: Yvonne "Kym" Mingus Chapman, Steve Denmark



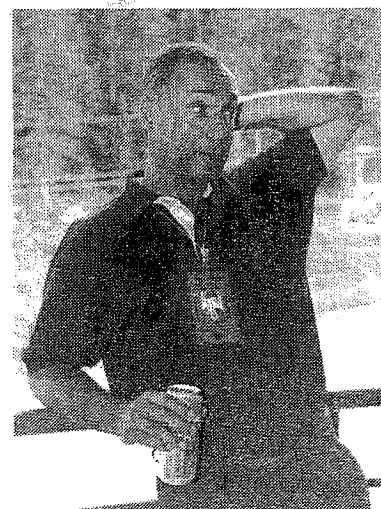
Class of 1969

Left to right, back row: Jim Henson, John McBee, Chris Horak, Greg Brown, Bob Bolick, Greg Moldenhauer, John Neumyer, Bob Schanzer, George Frangedakis, Pablo Zamora • 3rd row: Patricia Kelley, Jim Blanks, Deane Harimoto, Bill Brooks • middle row: Carol Harris, Patsy Ketchum, Barbara Jernigan, Gayle Spear, Peter van Witt, Kit Gonzalez, Ginny Cooney, Gaye Crosby, John Zody • front row: John "Topher" Godfrey, Steve Buck, Steve Gill, Chris Richards, Krys Wages, Tracy Cameron, Dusty Walton
not pictured: Mo Ostroff, Steve Burr



Olympics Spectators

Steve Burr
(left) with
Dusty Walton
and Tracy
Cameron



The elusive Mr. Mo

My First High School Reunion

By Steve Denmark, FHS '68

I graduated from FHS in June of 1968. I was accepted to start college in the fall. We left Germany in the morning of August 20.

By September, I was in school again and my father was stationed in Vietnam. I knew in my heart what most of us felt, high school reunions were going to be for other people. All of my friends from Giessen (where I lived from 1965-1968) and FHS were scattered to the four winds. There was no way we could ever get back together.

My story begins last spring with one of those cryptic calls from my mother (She's such a kidder). The conversation went something like this: She began by saying, "Steve, you will never guess who I just got a letter from." Not feeling creative at the moment I played along and went through the obligatory list of aunts & uncles, "the usual list of suspects".

Finally, she wearied of her own game and then it all started... She blurted out a name I had not heard in over 30 years. "It's from Kym! "Kym Landeis? I asked. "No silly, Kym Mingus!" What? Kym Mingus from Giessen? "Yes! Yes! Yes!"

Kym was on a quest! She had already found Morris Ostroff and Topher Godfrey. In her letter she

added that there was a web site for Frankfurt American High School, and a reunion was planned for the summer. Unbelievable!

Our children watched with quizzical



Giessen Mini-Reunion at Breckenridge

From left to right, back row: Topher Godfrey, wife Anne, Pearl Ostroff, Margy Buck, Dawn Ozanne. Front row: Mo Ostroff, Steve Buck, Kym Mingus Chapman, Steve Denmark
photo courtesy of Steve Denmark

smiles at the change in their Dad over the next few days. I started digging out (and dusting) off FHS annuals, playing classic 60's music, found my letter jacket, told stories about London, Spain, life in Germany (and now I was even planning a trip to Colorado). I tried to explain the significance of all of this "high school stuff". I still don't know how well I really did. My whole family is "civilian" and as we all know, try as you must, it's a little tough to explain a Brat's Life.

Once at Breckenridge, all of us from Giessen wanted to have our own mini-reunion, which we did! And, in typical "Giessen fashion", more than once! Ahhh, "mysteries of the ages", finally revealed, "Who took the football jerseys from the Bunny Hole

at the AYA? Why did the daughters of the two Colonels get into that fight after school? Remember the MPs and the Party in the Park for Steve B.' just before he went back to the States? And the Pizza Haus? What about all those FHS bomb scares? What a grand time we had!

Just by coincidence, Kym and Topher each owned condominiums in the area, so we divided our time between the two. Some of us may be grandparents, but we still remember how to have a Good Time and have the pictures (read: evidence) to prove it!

The Breckenridge reunion was fantastic. A beautiful location

and resort, very well organized, and it was great to share it with Berlin High. It's a ton of work to pull something like that off and, to use Mo's term, it was "Ausgesichnet!" I even saw Skip Pettit and Beaver Holcomb, my roomies on the Senior trip to London.

In conclusion, we have not let this end. We have our own web site now, www.GiessenUberAlles.com. We have published a newsletter for those of us who are not yet online. Needless to say, Cathy and Kym are already working on the plans for Chicago in 2000.

For those folks who think they are too old and that high school reunions are for young people, I agree with you! And I hope I never get that old.



Class of 1970

Standing:

Dale Dour, Janie Civile,
Stu Pike, Billy Cox,
Rob Lemon, Tom Mills

Seated:

Grant Caughey, Maria
"Charlene" Gonzalez Huey,
Lillian Zamora,
Nancy Grettum,
Joye Crosby Brooks



Class of 1971

Standing: Morgan Jones, Lillian Bennett,
Mike Leonard

Seated: Susan Warren, Peggy Rowland,
Lynda Ayers, Ricki Nelson Menard



Class of 1972

Meredith Turner Kellogg

A Letter from Dr. Gaugler

17 Jul 1999

William M. Gaugler
San Jose State University

Dear Frankfurt Alumni:

My thanks for the kind invitation to join the reunion at Breckenridge in early August, and for the copies of the *Bald Eagles Echo* with news of alumni events. It is touching to be remembered, and delightful to learn what our former students have accomplished. I deeply regret that I cannot be with you, but my wife is very ill and cannot easily travel.

I have fond memories of the three and one half years that I was on the faculties of the University of Maryland, European Division, and Frankfurt American High School. The intellectual curiosity, self-discipline, and affection of the students have remained fixed in my mind for thirty years. Indeed, I have a clearer recollection of students from that era than I do of many of the students who attended my classes and graduate seminars at San Jose State University in recent years. There is a freshness and frankness in younger students that disappears in later years.

Of my former colleagues I have only been in touch with Mr. GERAL Martin. The photographs of Mr. Meacham and Mr. Sonnier brought to mind other

colleagues at the high school with whom I enjoyed working.

Since 1996 I have been retired, except for publication of archaeological materials, and the Fencing Masters Program, which I initiated twenty years ago at the University. In certain respects it had its beginning at Frankfurt American High School where, as some of you may recall, Maestro Amilcare Angelini gave lessons, and I acted as his assistant. The fruit of this work is evident in my fencing publications, which some of my former students might enjoy reading, along with the autobiography of my first fencing teacher, Maestro Aldo Nadi. Copies of Maestro Nadi's volume, *The Living Sword*, for which I wrote the introduction, and my three books, *The Science of Fencing*, *A Dictionary of Universally Used Fencing Terminology*, and *The History of Fencing*, can be obtained by calling Laureate Press 1-800-946-2727.

You are welcome to reproduce this letter and publish it, or duplicate it for distribution at the Breckenridge gathering. I wish all of you a pleasant reunion, and want you to know that I shall always remember you with great affection.

Cordially,

William M. Gaugler
Professor Emeritus

Chicago, Chicago!

Just in case there's any doubt, we're planning our next reunion for Chicago! Members of the Class of 1967 have indicated that they would like to be able to have a reunion with classmates from the Classes of 1966 and 1965, and the only way to do that is to plan a reunion with our friends from that group. Every five years the Classes of 1963-66 get together in Chicago, so we asked if we could join them this time. Thank you to Sue Milstead Murphy '66 and Dick Bartelt '65 for warmly welcoming us and for making this possible.

Early plans include our group having dinner at a local German restaurant Friday night, and dinner at the hotel on Saturday. We hope to join the mid-60's crowd for dancing afterwards and are working on the details of that now. Room at the Inn, so to speak, is limited!

Details will follow with a registration form. Check in with our website at <http://www.frankfurthigh.com> for information as it becomes available! Another great on line resource is the mid-60's web page, which is accessible through a link with our page.

THE BARE FACTS

When: June 23 - 25, 2000
Where: Holiday Inn City Centre, 300 E. Ohio Street
Tele: 312-787-6100
(ref our Classes 1967-71)
Cost: \$135.00 per night
(Registration fee TBA)
Questions: contact Linda Reese du Kor or Gayle Spear Catty (see page 2 of this newsletter for info)

We need an early head count! Please call the hotel by January 15th if you know you are coming.

Annual Business Meeting Minutes Breckenridge, Colorado Reunion August 7, 1999

The meeting was called to order at 10:35 a.m. by president Gayle Cratty.

A raffle was held during the reunion to raise money for the Jeremy Michael Jernigan fund. Thanks to all who contributed, we were able to place \$470 into the fund.

Treasurer's Report: Gaye Crosby '69

See report, page 9.

We discussed the cost of the newsletter and web site. A suggestion was made to post the newsletter on the web site. Those alumni on line could access the information from the web site and be eliminated from the mailing list. Those not on line would still receive hard a copy. It was felt that this would be a money savings for the association.

Reunion 2000

The alumni member planning the reunion for next summer has withdrawn from the organization. Linda Reese du Kor suggested that we piggy back with the 64-65 group that is having their reunion in Chicago. Discussion ensued regarding the feasibility of this. Concern was voiced about the location, as in the past we have tried to commit to east coast, west coast and then central. Also we addressed the problem getting air fare and controlling the cost. A vote was taken for Chicago and it was unanimous for 2000.

Reunion 2001

There were several suggestion for the year 2001: 1) Maine 2) DC and 3) Nashville. It was suggested that individuals form a committee to investigate the cost for each of these

areas and, based on the findings, we would then make a decision as to where we will go. The committee will report back so we can make a decision regarding Reunion 2001.

Huge THANKS!

A thank you to John Neumeyer for his work and dedication for capturing our photo memories at the reunions. He has done a fabulous job that continually adds to our enjoyment. John requested that alumni please forward prints or negatives to him. After he has worked with them, they will be returned to the owners. It was also requested that those not wishing to have their picture taken, printed in the newsletter, or posted on the website, please notify John or Lynda Ayers.

Election of the Executive Board

It was unanimous that all officers will remain the same.

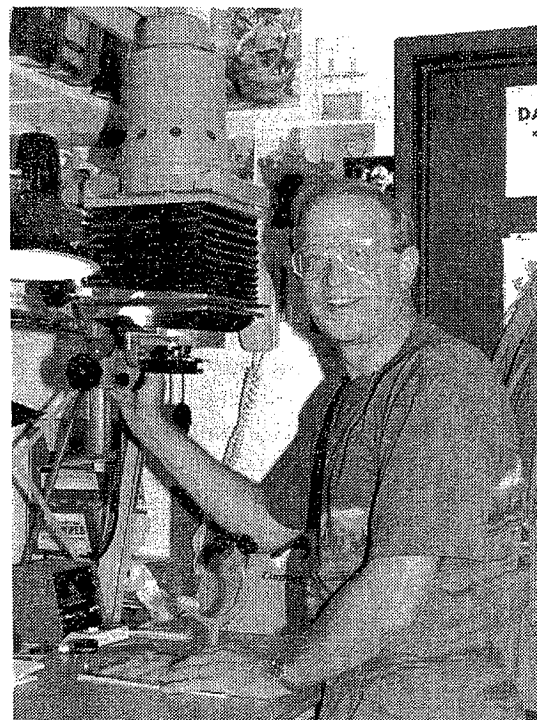
Web Site

Linda Ayers, our very own web mistress, shared how to access the website, and how to use the site to send and receive email. We are currently experiencing difficulty with the guest book; work will continue on this issue. Steve Dean said that we have had 18,000 hits since Dec. 1998.

Networking

We are also searching for classmates that were in Viet Nam. If anyone has information, please let the association know. Discussion ensued regarding networking to find lost classmates. John Zody has been networking to find

people, and has set up a chat site on Yahoo if any one is interested. Alumni need to keep the association updated with your addresses, phone numbers and e-mail addresses.



**John Neumyer
in his natural element**

Incorporation Issue

Gayle has sought legal input into the issue of the association becoming incorporated. A letter was read from the attorney regarding this issue. In summary, this attorney felt this would not be possible within the scope of the laws regarding incorporation of a not for profit group. The reason we have investigated this issue is to protect the people who are assuming the financial liability of putting on a reunion. Kathryn Cooney will head a committee to examine the issue. Members volunteering for the committee include Steve Chapman and Gayle Cratty.

Treasurer's Report 1 July 1998 - 30 June 1999

INCOME**Income from Member Dues**

1998 Dues	\$ 310.00	
1999 Dues	1,470.00	
2000 Dues	<u>260.00</u>	
Total Income from Dues		\$2,040.00

Other Income

Computer Fund Donations	232.50	
General Donations	190.00	
Reunion Fund Donations	145.00	
Jeremy Michael Jernigan Scholarship Fund	<u>337.50</u>	
Total Other Income		<u>905.00</u>

Total Income**\$2,945.00****EXPENSES**

Bank Fees	\$ -46.30	
Photo Expenses	-250.93	
Post Box Rental	-32.00	
Postage	-511.79	
Printing (newsletters, directories)	-1,768.57	
Subscriptions/Dues	-75.00	
Supplies	-29.90	
Telephone	-125.07	
Web Site	<u>-134.70</u>	
Total Expenses		-2,974.26

Net Income**-\$29.26**

FAHSAA Fund Balances

Treasury Balance, 7-1-98:	\$726.57	
Computer Fund		\$ 823.26
Incorporation Fund		960.00
Reunion Fund		601.76
Jeremy Michael Jernigan Scholarship Fund		337.50
Treasury Balance, 6-30-99		697.31
TOTAL FAHSAA ASSETS		\$3,419.83

*Meeting Minutes**Continued from Page 8:***Reunion Planning**

Steve Dean suggested we look at using a reunion planning service. He has been looking into them. In the past we have had a negative experience with one of these organizer. Bob Samborski has this professional experience, and is willing to share his skills with the group.

Networking for Faculty

If anyone is interested in working on this please contact an Executive Committee member. We would like to be able to extend an invitation to faculty to attend our reunions.

Notes

Steve Denmark has established a website for the Giessen alumni and will link up to our Frankfurt website. He will be providing information to Lynda Ayers and provide us a passcode to link to this site.

Graphics and MP3 files will be made available. A working title for the site is:

www.GiessenUberAlles.com

The meeting was adjourned at 11:35am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Krys Wages '69
Recording Secretary

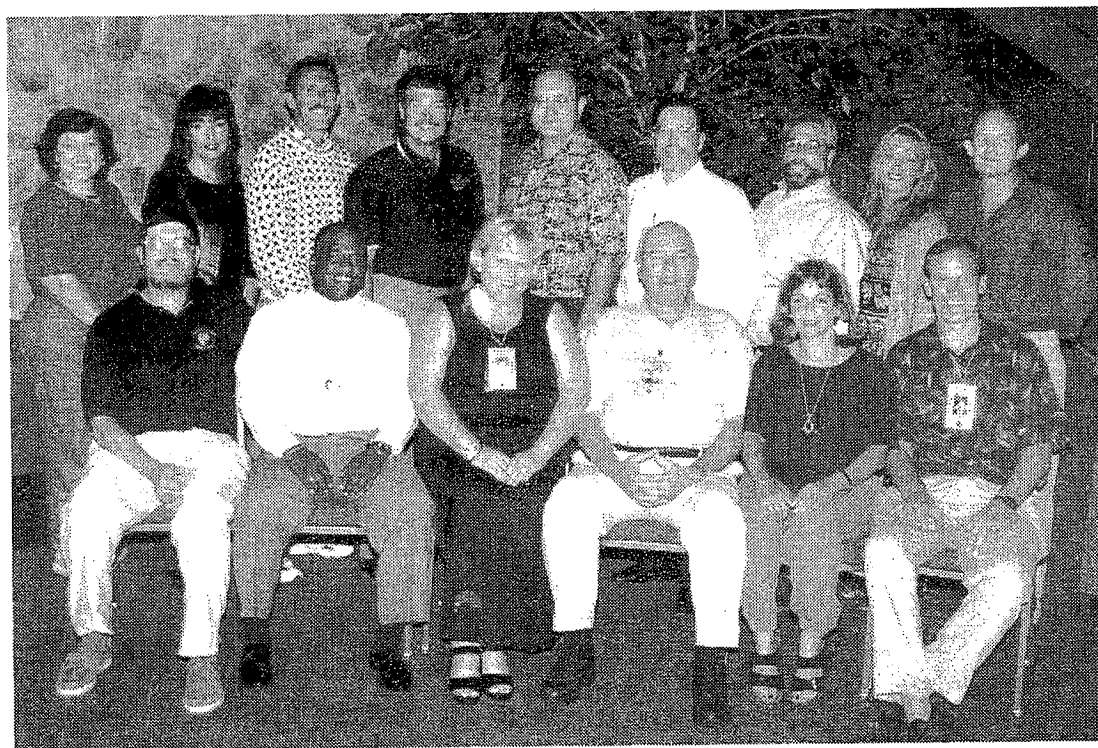
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Thank you to our Contributing Photographers!

A newsletter just isn't a newsletter without the photos. John Neumyer is, as always, our Ace Photographer, and asked that the following people also be recognized for sharing their photos:

Bob Bolick	Steve Denmark	Tom Mills
Grant Caughey	Patsy Ketchum Bell	Erica Nelson Menard
Gaye Crosby		



It's Their First Reunion!

Standing, l-r:

Mimi Venn
Charlene Gonzalez
Morgan Jones
Steve Holcomb
Dale Dour
Mike McCready
Pablo Zamora
Carol Harris
Jim Henson

Sitting:

Grant Caughey
Jim Blanks
Arina Drakulich
Don Drakulich
Lillian Zamora
Steve Chapman

From: Chris Horak '69 (chris.horak@unistudios.com) **Date:** 8 Aug 1999

Dear Gaye, Thanks for organizing a great reunion. It was also wonderful seeing you and having the opportunity to chat.

Took a shuttle to DIA with a bunch of Berlin Bears. 90% of their conversation was about high school. One of the great things about our group is that 90% of our conversation is about our lives now. I made some friends this weekend with people I never had any contact with in high school. It is definitely not just a nostalgia thing, which may be why we have been so successful in organizing ourselves the past ten years.



Who are these people and what are they DOING??
Chris Horak and Greg Moldenhauer fling grapefruit at the Olympics

From: Mo Ostroff '69
(MOSTR@aol.com)
Date: Mon, 9 Aug 1999

I heard that Beaver and Dusty won the soccer tournament. Well, did you know that Pearl and her big brother (that would be me) beat them during the evening on Friday. We played them another game and tied (they wouldn't give up the table to the next guys after we won so Beaver told the guy that the first game was a tie!). Anyway, the little known fact of their defeat at the hands of the Ostroffs should work its way into the newsletter somehow.

Another interesting comment from my end is when Mrs. Drakulich asked me if I remembered her from the library. I said no, but I remembered her husband from PE class. She proceeded to tell me that Coach graduated from ASU (Arizona State), and I said me too. Whereupon she whisked me over to Coach and asked him if he remembered me. He looked at my badge and said "oh yeah, I remember you. You were a wise guy!"

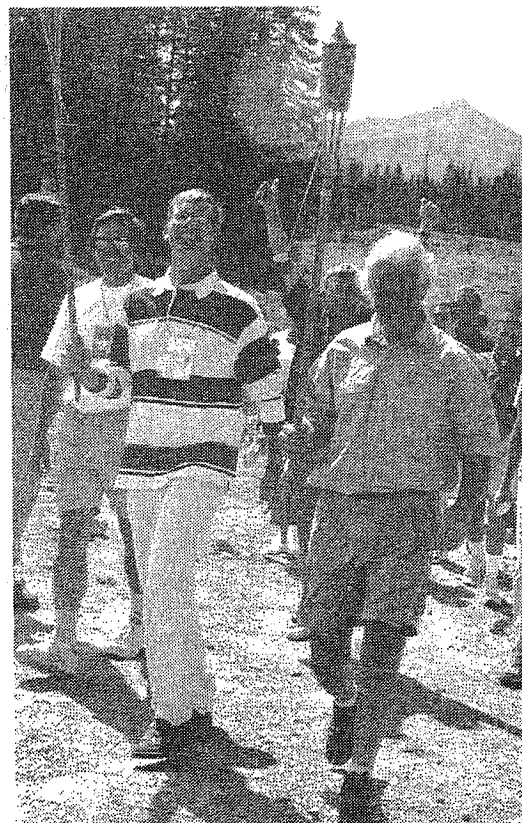
The Summer Olympics: Kickin' Bear Butts

We had a blast competing with the Berlin Bears and want to thank them for being such great sports. John said it all:

From: John Neumyer '69

Date: 9 Aug 1999

Just a quick note while BreckFest is still fresh in my mind to thank you for a superb Reunion. Well Done!!! Best attended reunion I've been to for our group and what a blast. The Summer Olympics turned out better than anticipated (maybe because we kicked their butts) and being there with Berlin High School wasn't as much of a distraction as I thought it might be).



Entering the Stadium with Tiki Torches
Bob Bolick (right) leads the procession

The photo session Saturday night was a challenge, but I hope I satisfied everyone's desire to be included in their special group. Pictures, as soon as they are processed, will be made available to Lynda to post on the Web Site.

Thanks a ton for all the work you guys put into this thing. Quality planning does make a difference. The reunion really was a good time.

Right: Jim Blanks displays
his prowess in the citrus
relay



Above: Alan Aufill was the undisputed Maestro of the frisbee toss

Here's What Our Alumni Are Up To ...

From: Bob Schanzer '69
(RBSCHANZER@aol.com)
Date: 4 Jul 1999

I am doing well, as is my family...I'm still in the Army Dental Corps and have been a full colonel for the past three years and have been the program director for an advanced education in general dentistry residency here at Fort Lewis, Washington for 2 1/2 years...should be here for another year then, who knows. I can retire on 30 September this year but will stay for a while depending on assignment options. I have two grown step-daughters with families of their own and two teenage boys, one entering his senior year of high school and the other entering his freshman year. Where do the years go???? Am really looking forward to this reunion and seeing all the old friends and making some new ones.

From: Tom LaCasse '67
(TLACASSE@ibr8gw80.usbr.gov)
Date: 6 Jul 1999
Subject: Breckenridge Reunion

Fellow FHS Alumni:

I was happy to hear that a reunion would occur in Colorado, but I am sad to say that I cannot attend. My job (Fisheries Applications Research, Dept. of Interior) takes me to California, for a fisheries study of endangered species, in the Delta. I have been doing scientific research for the federal government for about 15 years, and my travels take me out of town very often. (mostly to Tracy, Red Bluff, Salton Sea, and Shasta, California...if anyone lives nearby, drop me a line).

My wife of thirty years (Cindy)



Chris Richards, Bob Schanzer
and foosball!

and I have settled in Lakewood, Colorado, and have raised two children, Michelle (14) and Christopher (13). My wife is not a FHS alumnus, but don't hold that against her. She is a down-to-earth farm girl from Wisconsin, with a 700-acre farm in Burnett, Wisconsin. Although I did not have the fortune to graduate from Frankfurt High School, I do have fond memories of the school, dances at the "Eagles Nest", and great memories of the fun we had, as children, growing up in Drake Edwards community. I did, however graduate from another European school, Lakenheath High School, in England, Class of 1967.

Unfortunately, I have not attended many of those reunions either. Perhaps, in the future, I can cut back on my travels, in order to rekindle old friendship. It would be wonderful to see old friends once again. We may not be able to recognize each other from old yearbook photos, but the

heart of all FHS Alumni was always recognizable, through the family that we once were, in good ole Frankfurt, Germany.

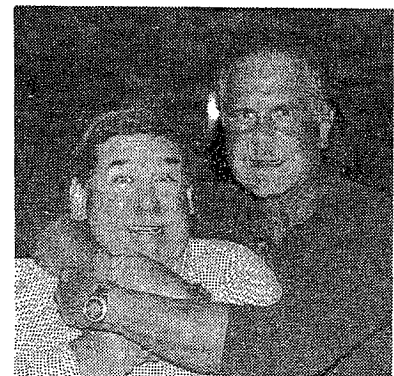
From: Dana Cox '70
Date: 15 Jul 1999

Just a note to say I appreciate being kept on the newsletter mailing list! I'm traveling mostly for swimming competitions. Went to Amsterdam last summer (Gay Games V) and won two golds and one silver! Just got back from Atlanta from another big meet.

Greetings to everyone at the Colorado reunion.

From: Wes Moody '69
(wes@ekpc.com)
Date: 20 Jul 1999

Well, it's been a while but HI! Had an email from Tracy Cameron recently and it got me to looking at the FHS web site and reading about the reunion and thinking about all the correspondence I haven't done. Thinking about those FHS days always makes me feel a little melancholy. I won't be attending the big 30th bash at Breckenridge, unfortunately. One



Eddie Harris does what we all
dream about doing to Zody.

of these days I'll get back to a reunion.

I was really interested in the "Olympics", particularly the foosball tournament. But with Greg Brown, Steve Burr and Deane Harimoto there, the championship is safely in the hands of FHS. If my memory is correct, they were almost as good as I (smiling). Hope we're still having reunions when I'm finally able to go to another one. Say hi to everyone for me.

From: Frank Plummer '71
(frank.plummer@bluebonnetmhm.org)
Date: Mon, 26 Jul 1999

My yearbook is in deep storage. I still have it, but it is on the bottom of the pile! I'm moving in a couple of weeks though. Hopefully, I can find it and look up classmates. Right now, I can't put a picture to a name. With time my memory has faded. I need a little jumpstart, at times.

In 1970, I attended H. H. Arnold in Wiesbaden. I played football, basketball and ran on the track team. In 1969 I attended Heidelberg High. I played football, basketball and ran track. I graduated from FHS in 71. Not much to note though. I played on the football team and ran on the track team. Also, I was on the student council. My girlfriend was Gretchen Pence. She was a cheerleader. I didn't know a lot of people at Frankfurt: I was kinda shy and engaged in sports, during my after school hours.

From: Marcia Morabito
Scrivener '67
(wscriv@earthlink.net)
Date: 1 August 1999

My family and I have been in Virginia since leaving Rhein Main AFB in 1966. I married in 1980

In Memory of Jim Rost '67

***Editor's Note:** I received a letter from Elaine Collier, Jim Rost's sister. She had found our alumni association newsletter on Jim's desk and sent me news of his death. Elaine graciously agreed to write the following about her brother for our newsletter:*

The website is great and thank you very much for recognizing Jim under "Thinking of You". I know Jim was excited and really looking forward to going to the reunion this year. That is why I sent you the obituary notice. I think he would have wanted you to know.

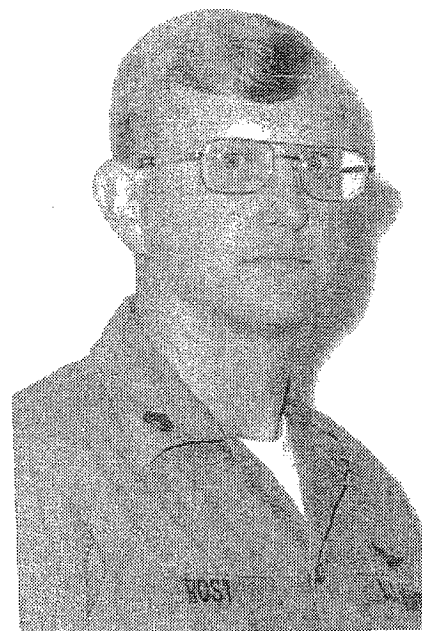
You asked for more information on Jim for the newsletter:

Jim was single (divorced), and has four children that live in Minnesota. He turned 51 years old on May 19th, two days before his accident.

The Army was his life. He was an E-8, Master Sergeant, in Helicopter Maintenance when he retired in Alaska July 1992. During his military career he was stationed at Hawaii; Fort Bragg, NC; Fort Rucker, AL; Fort Carson, CO; Korea and Alaska.

Upon retiring he moved to Florida to be near family. About a year later he purchased a 1989 Honda, 1500cc Interstate, Goldwing Motorcycle. This was Jim's pride and joy. The friend that was riding with him the day of the accident said he was very happy. He was doing what he loved when he died.

Jim loved to travel on the motorcycle and made many touring trips on the bike around the United States. As a matter of fact he was on a vacation



Jim Rost '67

trip to Key West, Florida when the accident occurred. He was pulling a small camper and the rear tire went down causing the trailer to fishtail, and he lost control of the motorcycle. I believe Jim would have brought the bike to a safe stop, had there not been a trailer on the back.

Jim was a very active, out going and hard working person. Always busy doing something, never idle except to sleep. Went to truck driving school and drove a semi tractor/trailer rig for about eight months, between getting his two degrees.

Jim had completed a General Business Degree at Pensacola Junior College and was working on his second degree. He only had one class left to complete this fall, then in December 1999 he would have completed his Engineering degree.

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and have a beautiful 17-year-old daughter, Rita. I was widowed last year. Rita and I live outside Charlottesville, VA and I work in the library/media center at Monticello High School.

The older I get, the more I realize how very blessed we all were to have had the childhood experiences we had. If any FHS alumni find themselves in central Virginia, look me up and I'll show you around Mr. Jefferson's country!

From: Bob Hall
(STRBob@aol.com)
Date: Sun, 5 Sep 1999

Hi Gaye,

I've touched base with the FAHSAA Web Site a few times to see if anyone I knew was listed. Sad to say, not many show up. Well, I thought there may be some of the people I once knew doing the same thing, so I put my name on the list.

I went to Frankfurt during my Sophomore year ('63 - '64) and half my Junior year in '65. Being a "Dorm Rat", I didn't hang with a lot of people outside of the dorm

group. I did visit with Chris Dawson back in the mid 70's in Washington D.C. I was on a road trip with a buddy of mine, and we didn't stay too long. I saw an article by Chris, stating Bob Martin was killed in Viet Nam. Last time I saw him in 1990, he was alive and well, and living in Austin, Texas. He and I were roommates in the dormitory for that year and a half. Both of us being named "Bob", we were referred to as Martin & Hall or "The Opera House Gang" due to our fondness for late night trips to the old opera house downtown. Well, so much for old news.

I've been living in Albuquerque, NM for the past 20 years, working for Simplex as a Senior Tech. Rep. I've enjoyed the past 13 years married to Ann. This past year has been one of sorrow and joy. We lost our son in a car accident last March and just enrolled our daughter in Boston University. I've learned of some health problems of my own, which is probably why I'm thinking more of the friends I haven't seen in such a long time.

Thanks for keeping the memory of the best school I ever attended alive and keeping us all in touch.

I spent most of my school years in public school as an outsider, and Frankfurt was the only time I ever felt at home.

Eagles Uber Alles!

From: Jim Diehl '70
(AJamesDiehl@aol.com)
To: Joye Crosby Brooks
Date: Mon, Sep 6, 1999

Hi there!

I've completed my last Capstone trip and have changed jobs and addresses. The last trip took us to Moscow, Bucharest, and Brussels, as well as Berlin, Bonn, and Stuttgart. Berlin is simply beautiful!!! It is truly remarkable what a great job of planning they did in using the land that had been occupied by the wall. My son and I found a house in Fredericksburg; he's beginning his junior year. (Daughter Bethany is off to James Madison for her freshman year.)

Job-wise, I'm back at Quantico (about 40 miles south of DC). Acquisition is a new field to me, but I'm working to learn it and they're sending me to grad school.

My thanks again to you and Bill for maintaining the data base!

Thank You!

This is actually a mixed condolences and thank you to **Mark Petry '67** and his wife, Nadine. They had planned to attend the reunion at Breckenridge, but had to back out at the last minute because Mark's father was critically ill. He died on August 6th.

Mark, we missed you, but would like to thank you for donating your registration fees to the association. Two alumni who might not have been able to join us were helped through your generosity.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Dawn and **Deane Harimoto '69**, and to big sister Stacey, on the birth of Alex Yoshio Harimoto. Alex was born October 18th and weighed in at 7 lbs 12 ounces and was 20 and one-half inches long! Mom's doing fine, but we're not so sure about Deane...

Steve Dean '67 and Gretchen Fraser tied the knot on June 5th. Congratulations and best wishes for many years of wedded bliss!

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