

Bald Eagles Echo

January 2001

MURPHY PASSES CROWN

Frankfurt American High School Alumni Association President Sue Milstead Murphy '66 passed the mantle of office to Barbara Motson Leiser '65 at a touching ceremony at the Chicago Holiday Inn on a Saturday night in June 2000 as the FHS Alumni from the classes of 1963 - 1966 celebrated the beginning of their sixteenth year together.

Echoes of **"I demand a recount!"** could be heard coming from Prez Leiser's table, while **"You won't get this crown from me while I'm still alive!"** wafted from the outgoing officers' vicinity.



Barbara Motson Leiser and Sue Milstead

After the official ceremonies, the '63-'66 group was joined by some of the '67-'71 alumni who were meeting at the same hotel. The dancing, talking, and reminiscing made its way back to the Hospitality Suite somewhere around 2 a.m. and continued until breakfast the following morning.

PREZ' PONDERINGS

Dear Fellow Alumni of **FAHS:**

May I first introduce myself to those of you who do not know or remember me. I am Barbara Motson Leiser, class of '65, your newly elected President of the FAHS Alumni Association '63-'66. I will serve as such for the next 5 years. I think I only won by 40 or 45 votes, so if ANYONE wants a recount, I'm OK with that. So far, no one has been able to come up with any "dirt" or embarrassing pictures of me...however...I feel if people look they may find some really good "stuff" on my campaign managers, Laura Baxter '66 and Alice Atkinson '66. (I have to find some way of getting them back for talking me into this.) So far, the vote stands and you are all stuck with me and my fellow officers -- a great group of people I have gotten to know quite well over the past 15 years.

Yes, it has been 15 years since we all discovered each other again. I must say it has been a great added joy in my life. For any of you who have not been to any of our reunions, you are missing a wonderful experience. This is a group that would make you proud to have been a part of each others lives years ago. A more interesting, fun-loving, generous gathering of people you will

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BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

Frankfurt High School Alumni Association
Annual Business Meeting
June 24, 2000
Chicago, Illinois

The meeting was called to order by President Sue Milstead Murphy at 10:0 a.m.

Officers were introduced:

Sue Milstead Murphy - President
Lorraine Burch Johnson - Vice President
(absent)
Alice Atkinson Malton - Treasurer
Janet Surkin Heidorn - Secretary
Hal Corbin - Attorney

Old Business:

A roster was passed around to all those present for corrections and/or additions. After much discussion, it was decided that due to the cost of printing and the availability on the Internet, rosters be mailed **ONLY** every 5 years. Anyone needing a printed copy can contact Allen Macklin, and for the cost of printing and mailing, can have one at any time. Changes and additions will be noted annually in the newsletter.

If anyone does NOT wish to receive the newsletter, please contact Allen Macklin or Susie Harlan Alley. Your name will continue to be on the roster.

Susie Harlan Alley '65 volunteered to produce both an Electronic and Hard Copy newsletter.

The Alumni Aide Fund was discussed. Alumni only may use the fund only once every five years for either a reunion or business meeting. The fund is to be used to help defray costs while at the reunion; not for transportation. Requests must be made to the Treasurer (who will maintain confidentiality) before the time of use.

New Business:

The 2001 business meeting will be held in New York City and will be hosted by Tom Burns '65 with help from Barbara Motson Leiser '65.

The 2002 business meeting is scheduled to be held in Las Vegas and hosted by Fred Schloss '64.

Gary Sams '65 volunteered to investigate an FHS World Tour T-shirt and look into an FHS trip to Europe.

Virginia Search Chessnoe '64 is maintaining a memory book and asked everyone to sign.

New officers were elected and will serve until the Chicago Reunion in 2005.

President - Barbara Motson Leiser '65
Vice President - Kris Payne Rome '65
Treasurer - Janet Surkin Heidorn '65
Secretary - Charlotte Stebbins Jacques '66

Historian - Virginia Search Chessnoe '64
Legal Council (*for Life*) - Hal Corbin '65
Webmeister (*for Life*) - Allen Macklin '65
Newspaper Editor - Susie Harlan Alley '65

Class Representatives recognized:

1963 - Jerry Zimmerman
1964 - Virginia Search Chessnoe
1965 - Gary Sams
1966 - Susan Milstead Murphy

Past Presidents recognized:

1995 - 2000 - Susan Milstead Murphy '66
1990 - 1995 - Virginia Search Chessnoe '64
1985 - 1990 - Gary Sams '65

Meeting adjourned.

submitted by Janet Surkin Heidorn '65

PREZ' PONDERINGS *con't from page 1*

never find. Each year I seem to have the pleasure of getting to know a few more people a bit better, and I return home feeling that I have added another treasured friend to my life.

For all you "chickens" out there who are afraid to venture to a city perhaps you have not been to before to see people that you think you may not remember or who may not remember you ... well, we all went through that once. Now, each year, we can't wait to go to a new city and see old and new friends who have once again become an important part of our lives.

I was not one of the "IN" crowd at FHS. I lived in Hanau, and mainly "hung out" with the Hanau crowd. I only went to Frankfurt my last 2 years of High School, but those were such interesting times in our lives, and those years and people have left lasting impressions on each of us. I have found over the years that few people I have met quite "get" what an experience it was to live in Germany during the "Cold War," move around every few years, make new friends, leave them and some how adjust. Well, in these "get togethers," you are in the company of people who do know.

Come join all of us in NYC 2001 and bring back some of those memories and friendships. I can only hope these weekends once a year become as special to all of you as they have become to many of us.

Hope to see you all in New York City 2001!

Madam Prez



EYE ON THE TOWN

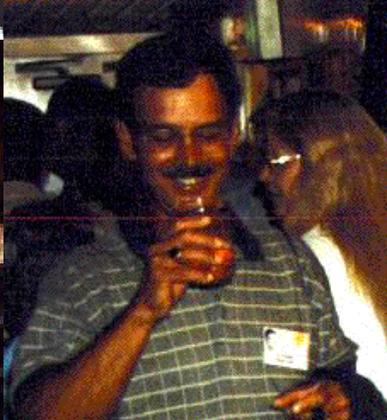
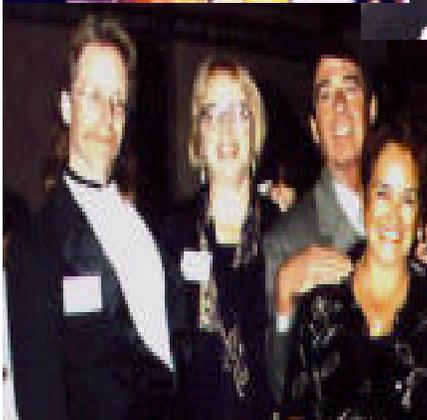
This reporter didn't arrive in the Windy City until mid Saturday morning and missed seeing some of the Eagles who had to fly out after what I understand was a wonderful boat ride Friday night. I just hope I haven't omitted anyone as I list the June 2000 Reunion attendees

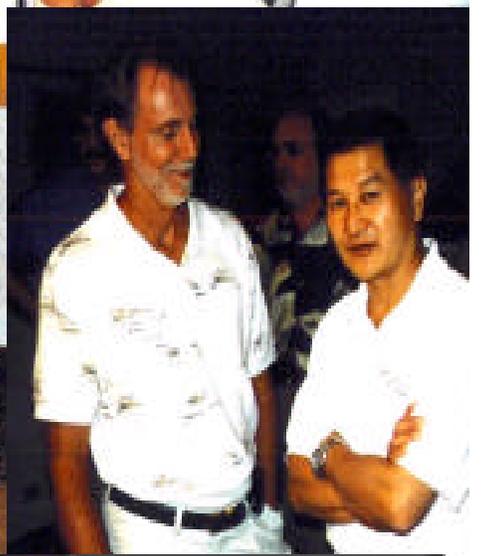
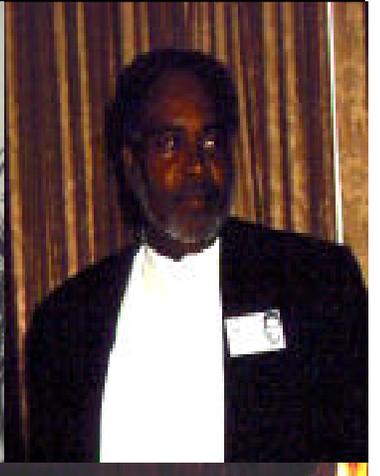


Alice Atkinson Malton '66	Julie LaBounty Newton '66
Honor Bailey Wiggins '64	Mary Jean Latenser Brown '66
Tico Bailey Marsh '65	Petie Latenser '67
Dick Bartelt '65	Bob Leftwich '63
Kathy Bates Johnson '66	Gail Lewis Smith '65
Laura Baxter '66	Sheila Lutjens '66
Don "BJ" Becker '65	Dennis McDougall '64
Bob Begg '65	Bob McGregor '65
Bobby Bepko '66	Allen Macklin '65
Bill Bowling '65	Larry Mammoser '64
Craig Broome '65	Tony Mammoser '65
Sue Brady Chinnery '64	Jody Manley '64
Ken Brown '65 (and Anna)	Anton Marx '64
Michael Chessnoe '64	Sharon Miller Nilmeier '64
Anne Cleveland Lockwood '65	Susan Milstead Murphy '66
Hal Corbin '65 (and LeighAnn)	Barbara Motson Leiser '65
Bill Correa '66	Dennis Nolen '64
Nonie Counts Ogilvie '66	Dan O'Connor '66
Bunny Daigle '64	Kris Payne Rome '65
Linda DiFazio '65	Peggy Pete' Becker '65
Steve Downs '65	Michael Scott Rankin '63
Harlan Durgin '64	Cindy Ravitsky '66 (and Naldo)
Bruce Ey '65	Rogers Reeves '66
Eleanor Flores Demasco '66	John Robinson '65
Ernie Flowers '64	Vicki Rottman '64
Terry Follas '64	Gary Sams '65
Gary Graham '65	Fred Schloss '64
Bryan "Rip" Gruver '62	Virginia Search Chessnoe '64
Susie Harlan Alley '65	Donna Sill Willett '66
Dave Harris '65	Diane Smith Middlemist '64
Eric Heiss '65	Hal Stieber '64
Rich Heiss '66	Ann Squires Harstock '66
Sharon Humphrey '66 (and Jim)	Charlotte Stebbins '66
Bill Kellond '65	Natalie Steele Armstrong '65
Judy Kellond Bader '66	Janet Surkin Heidorn '65
Bruce Kerwin '64	Claire Taylor Barclay '66
Earl Kishida '64	Ed Wiggins '64
Tinet Klaveness Gros DuBois '65	Al Willett '65
Karla Knickman Paul '65	Gary Word '66

Who can you see







'59-'65 "DARMSTADT GANG" HOLDS MINI-REUNION



The "Darmstadt Gang" from the early sixties got together in Seattle in December 2000.

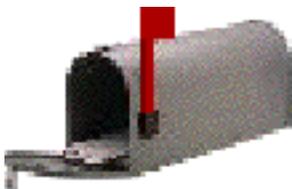
left to right - standing:

Dick Cable
Mike Carney
Linda Carney Grasser
Mike Myers
Mary Lynne Mock James
Annita Clark Madden
Sydney Clark

kneeling:

Claudia Cable Bushy
Tom Guptill
Susie Guptill

SAVE THE TREES!!



From Alabama to Zaire, FHS alumni are bodies in motion. Since the last roster was printed in June 1999, there have been over 250 additions and/or changes. Our numbers grow, but our treasury does not. The "Echo" is becoming more and more expensive and time consuming to produce. Without email, Madam Prez, Herr Webmeister, NewsLady, and MoneyHoney would never have been able to communicate to everyone else they needed to talk to or each other in order to get the "Echo" published. Without email and the Internet you

all would still be greeting the spider that has taken up residence in your mailbox and wondering about the FHS gathering in NYC in June because the "Echo" would still be sitting in pieces on at least four different desks in four different parts of the country.

It's your turn now to help us help you get the "Bald Eagles Echo" electronically. It's time to stop killing trees! If you have an email address, email our Webmeister, Allen Macklin, at macklin@pml.noaa.gov today. If you have access to the Internet -- with or without email capabilities -- and can get/read the "Echo" on our Webpage, please let Allen know a.s.a.p. Each newsletter costs almost two dollars to print and mail. That doesn't sound like much until you realize that there are almost 400 newsletters that must be mailed.

Please, **save the trees!**

FHS in NYC 2001

June 22 - 24



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The 16th floor penthouse of *the roger smith* will serve as the "Eagles Roost" for the 2001 annual FHS gathering.

In the center of Manhattan, on Lexington Avenue between 47th and 48th Streets, minutes from the UN, Grand Central Station, Rockefeller Center, theatres, shopping and museums, lies *the roger smith*, "a great little new york hotel." This intimate, boutique hotel features 131 spacious, individually decorated and suites

w i t h
refrigerators,
c o f f e e
m a k e r s ,
voicemail,
video players,
access to off-
site executive
health club
and tennis, car
service to and
from all area



parking, and a complimentary continental breakfast buffet.

FHS has 30 rooms guaranteed until April 1, 2000 at \$222.84 per night. That rate will be honored for early arrivals and late departures.

A German dinner is planned for Friday night. A Circle Line Tour will be available for Saturday afternoon. We'll be on our own for Saturday night with the theatre, ball games, etc. available.

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the roger smith too much?

The Hotel Edison, located at 228 West 47th Street is only about six blocks west of the roger

SENIOR EPIC POEM

Class of 1965 by the late John Parrish

Sing, O Muse, sing of the Senior Class,
Who sweated from September until June
A one-year bond dissolving all too soon
Before some greater mischief comes to pass.
For rich in deeds of glory is this mass
Its heroes leaving signs on every wall
of '65, the special year of all
Who graduate next Tuesday as a class.
September was the start of their long trail
As, greeted by Miss Hutching's friendly smile,
They marched to their homeroom's row and file
And chewed their gum in time with Moss's rife.
Of Mister Moss I'd like to say a bit
All passless people put him in a fit.
When sighting some stray wanderer he'd
moan
And earn his title "human megaphone."
Miss Karla Knickman was his only rival.
Between the two no ears can have survival.
But Moss was, too, the coach of a team
That missed first place but almost had a
queen.
The football squad considered it quite ivy
To nominate the candidate Pat Spivy;
And such a damsel crowned at Homecoming
Would certainly the school much glory bring.
There shortly followed thunder in the air
When F.H.S. received its first bomb scare.
The N.S.E.S.P. was said that day,
Under the leadership of Mr. May,
To be engaged in quite a nasty mess
While periodically turned red Herr Hess.
But Fuhrer Becker had the group in tow;
So secret were they, secret no one'd know.
Now Hess was also president, I guess,
Of Frankfurt's quite notorious N.H.S.
Their Hamlet brought anon a roaring cry
When Marsha Hunter's stomach wouldn't die.
And books they peddled everyone they met
As, desperate, they tried to pay their debt.
So to them lastly here's a one line ode:
Whatever happened to the Honor Code?
No next in sports there came our basketball.
Coach Moss would say, "Boys you're just too
tall."
There's reason why they missed so many
throws:
The baskets would get stuck around their
toes.
By then had Christmas time arrived on us
And trimming trees relieved the daily fuss.
With Winter came some pretty scanty snow

But never let your drinking go amiss.
Observe the horrid state of Red Cross Kris.
Although too much is often a mistake,
A glass or two can great an actor make.
Now let us to the sports return again:
Our wrestlers made some great bald-headed
men.
The spirit of old Frankfurt they did lift
And gave Coach Nelson a most useful gift.
Our track and field team did then gain renown
As every passer-by they tried to drown.
And with the soccer team they learned for
sure
That proms make better playing than of yore.
Now shall I laud the pleasant halls of Dorm.
The food's good if you like lettuce on your
worm
And butter on the ceiling not on bread
For they that eat of it are soon found dead.
Acoustics in the place are great for noise
As screaming run the little girls and boys.
Of physics let us now observe the fate
That wonders that the lab can operate.
8 liters into ripple tanks won't go
And slinky is tangled easily, you know.
But with these difficulties we go through,
For as Clavin all's you gotta do ...
But let us turn to Easter trips for now;
To Rome and Paris came we strong, and how!
And Dyer, who learned shaving in Berlin
Said green his favorite color once had been.
In Rome the swimming's rather fine at times
In Fountains threw we feet instead of dimes.
"Our favorite dish is chicken," said the Pope.
"You'll have it once again I surely hope."
The quarters that we found in Rome were
sane
Compared to ill-side beds upon the train.
Now let me speak of our administration.
A poem I found describing two's relation.
The class is calm tonight
The glasses are full, the mood is fair.
Now remember the one with the silver hair
In the halls he held a conference
The fate of the class decided hence.
Driving in an old Chevy car
All o'er town from bar to bar
On Senior Skip Days Twohy went
To ruin the kid's enjoyment.

Class of '65: is there more to