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## 2024 Tech High School Alumnus of the Year Award, **Trey A. Lyles**

This year's Alumnus of the year is outstanding Tech student and athlete, Trey A. Lyles. Mr. Lyles graduated with the Class of 2014. A product of the New Tech High program, Trey was a four-year honor student, making him part of the prestigious Top 25 group for his Tech graduating class. He was also a member of the Tech Legion and the National Honor Society.



Entering his senior year of high school in Indianapolis, Trey was ranked as one of the best high school basketball players in the U.S. and was recruited heavily by multiple universities. During his senior year at Tech, Trey averaged 23 points, 13 rebounds, and 3 assists per game. He helped lead the boys' basketball team to the IHSAA Class 4A State Championship. His accolades include the Trester Award, Indiana Mr. Basketball, McDonald's All-American, and Indiana's Gatorade Player of the Year.

During the 2014-2015 school year Trey attended the University of Kentucky. He was named to the 2015 All-SEC Freshman Team and helped lead the UK Wildcats to a 2015 NCAA Final Four appearance. In 2015 Trey was drafted by the Utah Jazz as the 12th overall pick in the NBA draft. He played two seasons for Utah followed by two seasons for the Denver Nuggets. He then played for two seasons each for the San Antonio Spurs and the

Detroit Pistons. In February 2022 he moved to the Sacramento Kings for whom he still plays. At the beginning of this year (2024) he partnered with the Sacramento Public Library on a book club to encourage reading.

Trey generously gives of his time and treasure to Tech and the Tech Community. He comes back regularly to his alma mater to sponsor basketball camps, supporting both the girls' and boys' basketball teams.

His first year as an NBA pro he donated new basketball uniforms to the Tech Athletic Department. This year during the NBA All-Star weekend here in Indianapolis, he sponsored and participated in an All-Star Youth Camp hosted at Tech.

It should be noted that Trey has dual US - Canadian citizenship. As a result, he could potentially be a member of the Canadian 2024 Olympic Team. We wish Trey the best of luck in his commitment to participate in Team Canada.

## Volunteer!

Your Alumni Association is looking for volunteers to help us grow the organization and better serve all students and graduates of Tech. We are specifically in need of individuals with a strong financial background and individuals with technical experience. If you are interested please contact Anita Chambers Matthews at [majorclark@att.net](mailto:majorclark@att.net) or Janet Sims Brown at [brownie4462@yahoo.com](mailto:brownie4462@yahoo.com).

## Alumni Day 2024

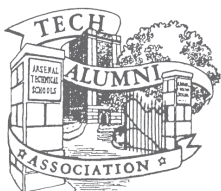
**ALL CLASSES WELCOME!**

**SATURDAY, June 8th**

7am Campus Gates Open  
8am Registration Starts  
10am Awards Program  
Lunch Following Program

**All should Pre-Register  
Order Lunch by May 24th**

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## A Message from the Alumni Association President

### ***Hello Fellow Greyclads and Titans,***

Welcome to the spring edition of *Technically Speaking*. Our *Technically Speaking* newsletter continues to serve as our primary channel to communicate and stay connected with each of you. Our newsletter is written, printed, mailed or emailed to approximately 19,000 alumni members throughout the nation and world in the spring and fall of each calendar year. As a result of your unwavering dedication and commitment to our Alumni Association, we've been able to continue to provide our newsletter, grants in support of the staff/school, and scholarships to deserving graduating students.

Our **Annual Alumni Day is confirmed for June 8, 2024**. Our theme for Alumni Day is, **"It's a Family Affair!"** Our hope is that as you plan for this day, you bring your children, grandchildren, family, and friends to see our beautiful historic campus and join us for a fun-filled day. There are many activities planned for all age groups. We certainly hope you are preparing to participate this year. It is an event that you do not want to miss! In addition to the presentation of our Annual Reports, recipients of our Alumni Awards will be recognized. An introduction to the new Officers and Directors for 2024-2025 will also occur.

Life can be overwhelming. No matter how overwhelming life's challenges and problems seem to be, **one person can make a difference** in this world. How do you make a difference? There are various ways: volunteering your time, being kind to others, displaying gratitude and donating to various organizations/charities. You do not have to have a lot of influence, wealth, or material things to make a difference. You must have faith in your power to change things. Show up and be accountable! Your active participation is crucial to the success of our Annual Alumni Day.

Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world. I would challenge you to think of ways you can give back to Tech to whatever degree you are comfortable. Each of us plays an integral role in ensuring that we are contributing to the sustainability of our beautiful historic campus and the successful execution of the mission of our Alumni Association.

I ask you to strongly consider reaching out to us and asking how you can serve your Alumni Association. Let's continue to work together. To appreciate and respect our differences. To understand that our strength comes from unity and not division.

Please stay connected with the Alumni Association. You may email us at [ATHSalumniassociation@gmail.com](mailto:ATHSalumniassociation@gmail.com). Our website address [www.athsalumniassociation.com](http://www.athsalumniassociation.com). You may contact me directly at: [amatthews@athsalumniassociation.com](mailto:amatthews@athsalumniassociation.com). Please send all mail communication to PO Box 11433. Indianapolis, Indiana 46201.

Best Regards,

Anita Chambers Matthews, Class of 1981

President, ATHS Alumni Association

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## In Memory Of:

William Karandos, 1947  
 The class of 1951 who have gone on  
 Letty Jo Emig Richards, 1954  
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 Robert "Bob" Chaney, 1954; John "Jack" M. White II, 1954  
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 Martha Huff Schroeder, 1916; Fredric V. Schroeder, 1949  
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 David Woempner, 1956  
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 David E. Klein, 1962  
 David Woempner, 1956  
 Thomas Hoy, 1954  
 David A. Parish, 1961  
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 Jeanne Forkner, 1966  
 Virginia Lett Goodnight, 1926; Ralph M. Lett, 1930; Ruth Ann Lett Jacobs, 1938  
 Louis C. Habig, 1936; Dorothy Grigsby Habig, 1938  
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 Bennie Sayles and Mary Kimbrew Sayles, my parents; Benjamine Sayles, 1970  
 Robert "Bob" Benson, 1971  
 Carlene Edna Mae Morris, 1972  
 Bennie Sayles and Mary Kimbrew Sayles, my parents; Benjamine Sayles, 1970  
 Brian S. Gore, 1983  
 Clifford Bennett, 1969  
 James Lowery, 2001  
 Kierstyn J. Roberts, 2017  
 Brian S. Gore, 1983

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# CLASS REUNION NEWS

Send your class reunion news to [ATHSAlumniPublicity@gmail.com](mailto:ATHSAlumniPublicity@gmail.com) • With Reunion News in the subject line.

## Guidelines for Posting Class Announcements

Reunion notices and other class announcements are published in *TECHnically Speaking* on a space-available basis. Priority will be given based upon proximity of the event to the publication date of the newsletter, and to those groups which incorporate the Alumni Association's Tech Alumni Day activities as a part of their events. Organizers are asked to keep their announcements brief. All notices must include at least 1 contact with a phone number and/or e-mail address.

## REMINDER

Milestone years (those years ending in 5 and 0) planning on celebrating reunions in the Spring or Fall of 2025 should send your info in by September 30th to be included in the 2024 Fall/Winter *Technically Speaking*! It does not need to be a formal gathering. Please send details to [ATHSAlumniPublicity@gmail.com](mailto:ATHSAlumniPublicity@gmail.com)

## TechFest

Sept. 14, 2024

**TechFest** will be held on September 14, 2024, at Sertoma campgrounds located at 2316 S. German Church Rd. starting at noon. Techfest is an all-class reunion for alumni of Tech high school. We will have music, 50-50 drawings, a car show, merchandise sales, class pictures and much more! Come on out and see all your old friends! For information, call Mike at 317-709-5815. Techfest is also on Facebook.

## Class of 1949

June 8, 2024

Hello 49'ers! Hope to see you at our 75th gathering in the Tech Cafeteria on Alumni Day. Erma Meyer Miller 317-776-8714

## Class of 1951

June 12, 2024  
Lunch Bunch

Our Lunch Bunch continues to meet for lunch at the MCL Cafeteria on the south side of Indianapolis, 3630 South East Street, on Wednesday, June 12, 2024, at 1 pm. Although we may be smaller in number we always enjoy being together. If you can secure transportation or if you are a wife, child, dear friend, who formerly attended with your loved one, we would love to have you join us. Members of other classes are also invited. We will meet inside the entrance, and we will probably eat to the right in the large dining room. For questions, please contact Barbara Mohr Heiden, [Barbara.heiden@comcast.net](mailto:Barbara.heiden@comcast.net) or 317-371-2619.

## Class of 1957

June 8, 2024

The Class of 57 luncheon group is urging the fifties classes of 54, 55, 56, and 58 to join our group on Alumni Day and, #1 Fill at least three tables at lunch and #2 Help those 59er's celebrate their 65th. RAH, RAH, Fifties. Any questions email [jvwampner@aol.com](mailto:jvwampner@aol.com)

## Class of 1959

June 8, 2024  
65th Reunion

It's time to plan our 65th reunion. Tech Alumni day this year is June 8, 2024. Our plan is to have dinner for us 59er's at George's Neighborhood Grill on Saturday, 6/8/24. We'll meet at George's Neighborhood Grill, 6935 Lake Plaza Dr, B12, Indianapolis, IN 46220 at 6:30 P.M. We have reserved a room at George's just for us. Please let Ron Christensen, [fritz80@sbcglobal.net](mailto:fritz80@sbcglobal.net), know if you can make it. We NEED a head count for this dinner. This will be Dutch Treat. We will be ordering from the full dinner menu. Adult beverages are available. Thanks - Moose, Ron & Dick Bowman

The deadline for submitting information for the Fall/Winter 2024 issue of *TECHnically Speaking* is **October 1, 2024**.



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## Class of 1964

60th Reunion  
June 8, 2024 and  
Sept. 27-28, 2024

Classmates from Class of '64 – It's been 10 years since our 50th and we need to gather again. We will gather during the Family Affair on Alumni Day in the Tech Cafeteria and then again at Homecoming in September. If you can't gather, please consider making a gift to the Alumni Association to support scholarships or to add to the website fund that we gifted in 2014. Linda Craig Wendel, Ralph Wendel, Janice Battenberg, Jenny Goodnight Yarian-ScalPELLI, and John Habig are some of the organizers. If you have questions or can assist, email [ATHSClassof1964@gmail.com](mailto:ATHSClassof1964@gmail.com) or find us on Facebook at ATHS Class of '64 Reunion (60th).

## Class of 1970

Attention Class of '70 – When we established the Bessie Anderson Speights scholarship after our 50th Reunion in 2020, the goal was to keep it funded so that we could award a yearly scholarship. Please consider donating so that we can maintain this scholarship on a yearly basis. Checks should be made payable to ATHS Alumni Association with a note on the memo line that it is for the "**Class of '70 Bessie Speights Scholarship**". Please mail your check to P.O. Box 11433, Indianapolis, IN 46201. If you have questions, email Deb (Deckard) Gerlach at [dkgerlac@yahoo.com](mailto:dkgerlac@yahoo.com).

## Class of 1974

50th Reunion  
June 8, 2024

The Tech class of 1974 is holding its 50th reunion on June 8, 2024, at Primo's Banquet Hall, 2615 National Ave., Indianapolis IN 46227 starting at 6 pm. Dinner starts at 7pm with more socializing and dancing starting about 8:00 pm. There will be entertainment, pictures and much more. The cost is \$65 per person or \$120 per couple. Checks can be made to Tech Class of '74 and mailed to Mike Burris, 3830 E Brunswick Ave., Indianapolis IN 46227. Another payment option is PayPal or Zelle to Michaelburris423@gmail.com. Watch our Facebook group Tech Titan Class of 1974 (and friends) 50th Reunion for additional information. Plan on joining us on the Tech Campus for Alumni Day on June 8th before going to Primo's. Looking forward to seeing everybody.

## Class of 1979

45th Reunion  
Weekend  
Aug. 23-25, 2024

On Friday, August 23, 2024, we will meet at the Northside Events & Social Club, 2100 E 71st St., Indianapolis, IN 46220 from 7pm-11pm. Ticket Cost:\$60.00. On Saturday, August 24, 2024, we will gather for a picnic at Lawrence Park, 5301 N Franklin Rd., Lawrence IN 46226 from 12pm-6pm. Finally on Sunday, August 25, 2024 we will gather for the 11 AM Morning Worship Service at Zion Hill Missionary Baptist Church, 1610 E. 19th St., Indianapolis IN 46218, Reverend Kenny Lee, Pastor. For questions contact Robin Burt at [robinburt16@gmail.com](mailto:robinburt16@gmail.com), Ronald Johnson at [RonjBig@gmail.com](mailto:RonjBig@gmail.com) or Sandra Muse at [samuse61@gmail.com](mailto:samuse61@gmail.com).

## Class of 1984

40th Reunion  
Sept. 28, 2024

Calling all Tech Titans from the class of '84! Our 40-year reunion will be held on Saturday, September 28, 2024, at the Mavris Arts & Event Center. For details, find us on Facebook at [facebook.com/groups/ATHS1984](https://facebook.com/groups/ATHS1984), or reach out to one of your reunion contacts: Janet (Webster) Kilgore at [janleigh66@yahoo.com](mailto:janleigh66@yahoo.com) or 310-850-3046, or Vince Thompson at [vbthomps@hotmail.com](mailto:vbthomps@hotmail.com) or 317-616-8005. Get in on early bird pricing by May 31st!

## Other Classes

To celebrate the anniversaries of the "4" and "9" year classes, tables will be set up so they can catch up with former classmates. We encourage all members of all milestone years to gather on Campus for the 2024 Family Affair. The Alumni Association looks forward to seeing all of you on June 8th.

# Centennial Museum Update

Tim Schneider '69, Museum Director

We have made great progress in reimagining and reorganizing the ATHS Alumni Centennial Museum. Furniture and artifacts have been moved to new locations and different rooms, and some artifacts have been archived as reference materials. We received donations of twelve display cases from the Indianapolis Museum of Art at Newfields. They



submitted photo  
New 8 feet long angled display tables with glass cover housing fragile historical artifacts.

include four 8 feet long angled-surface tables with glass lids, one 7 feet tall case with vitrine (a glass,

plexiglass, or lucite box that protects the artifact it covers), three wall hanging vitrine cases, three podiums with vitrines, and one large free-standing vitrine. The long glass covered tables, tall display case, and the stand-alone vitrine will protect fragile artifacts that have been over loved by inquisitive visitors. They will help extend the life of artifacts for many years to come.

Bill Buckley ('69), museum volunteer Randy Wilson ('70), and I transported

the display cases with the loading help of Elliott Smith's staff at Newfields and unloading help from the maintenance and custodial staff at Tech.

The five larger pieces would not fit onto the Media Center elevator and were forklifted around the building and up the hill to the front doors where the center standpost had to be removed to get them through the doors and into the building. Once inside, two doors were removed in order to get the pieces into the appropriate museum rooms. Thanks to museum volunteer Linda Hill ('68) for providing pizza that day.

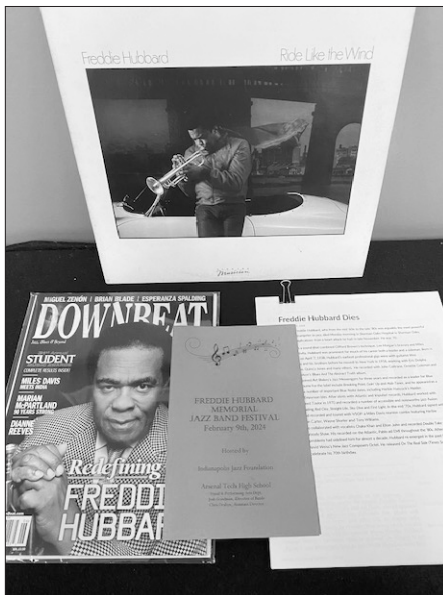
The museum purchased two rolling stands that will hold four more hanging garments from alumni donors. We also purchased a



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Complete set of fireman turnouts provided by Tech's Fire and Rescue Training classes.

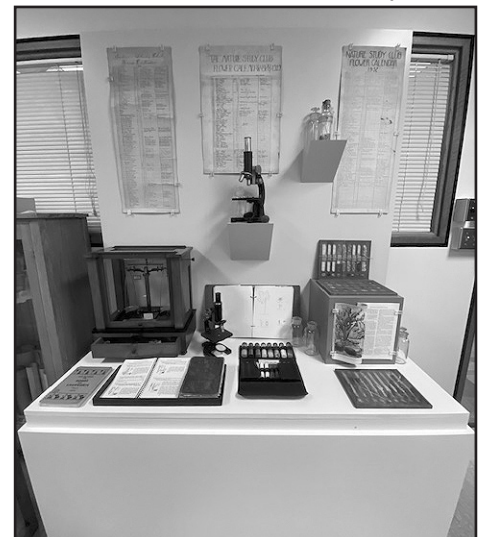
vinyl record and a Downbeat magazine for a new Freddie Hubbard ('56) display. In 1984, Downbeat magazine named Freddie the Best Trumpet Player in the World! We now have a June 2008 Downbeat magazine, dated five months before his death.

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The new Freddie Hubbard display: vinyl record & cover "Ride Like The Wind", June 2008 Downbeat magazine, 2024 Freddie Hubbard Jazz Festival program, and his bio and obit.



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New 7 feet tall display case housing science department artifacts for biology, botany, and zoology.



## Centennial Museum Update continued from page 6

Another acquisition is a plasma cut steel map of Indiana with Robert (Clark '46) Indiana's LOVE cut into the heart of the state. It was donated and created by Daniel (Dano) Jones of Circle City Metalworks, son of Debbie Doll ('72). Art department faculty member Jon Little is also creating a TECH piece in the style of Indiana's LOVE. These pieces, along with another, will hang with the Robert Indiana display exhibiting the homage spinoff items the famous LOVE sculpture gave birth to.

The Museum is currently open on Wednesdays from 10am to 2pm when school is in session and by appointment. It is currently staffed by four Tech Alums. That's four, despite Tech having graduated over 50,000 students.

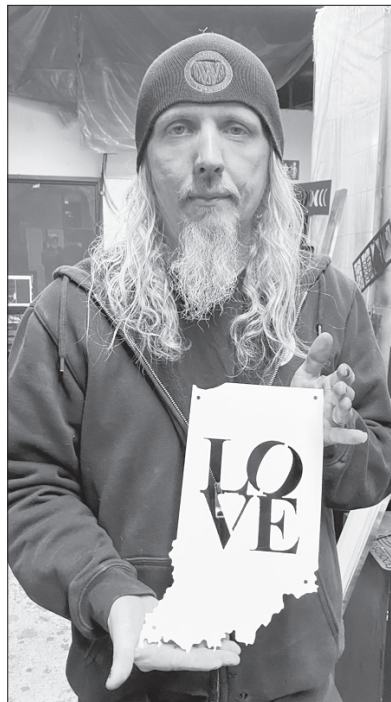
Our 3,000+ square feet of artifacts and history should be open more than just four hours one day a week. If you can spare even two hours one day a week, it would be a great help. If you are interested in learning what being a museum volunteer involves, please

call me at 707-246-5454 if you can, help our Centennial Museum with your time or with your dollars.

Closing Note: The museum features some famous alums and faculty like: Peter Lupus ('50), Durward Kirby (30), Robert (Clark) Indiana ('46), Garo Antresian ('40), William Edouard Scott, Frederick Polley, Bill Peet ('33), Luke Buck ('60), Hal (Harlow Hickenlooper) Fryar ('45), Bob Pedigo ('42), August (Bud) Hook ('25), Mike Epps ('16), Joseph Hayes ('36), Trey Lyles ('14), Freddie Hubbard ('56), Frank Kendrick ('70), and Landon Turner ('78).

We want to know your would-be Alumni Hall of Famers and the area or field they gained notoriety in. Please submit the per-

son's name (include maiden names), Tech graduation year, the field they gained notoriety in, what they did to achieve that notoriety, and year of death if deceased. Photographs and any other pertinent information are encouraged. A binder is being created for a reference display in the Centennial Museum. You can submit info by mail to ATHS Alumni Association, PO Box 11433, Indianapolis IN 46201 or email to [athsalumniassociation@gmail.com](mailto:athsalumniassociation@gmail.com) with ATTN: Museum in the subject line.



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Daniell (Dano) Jones of Circle City Metalworks (inside CCIC), son of Debbie Doll ('72) donated his "Indiana/LOVE" art.



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New extra large vitrine covering a 1930s loom and some of the fabrics woven on it.

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our **Alumni  
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our new items at

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*We acknowledge those whose donations of \$10 or more to the Alumni Association were received by the Association between October 1, 2023 and March 31, 2024. Those donations are listed.*

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**The Alumni Association** is pleased to announce the appointments of Debbie Groth Scott and Trent LaLand to the ATHS Alumni Association Board of Directors.

Debbie, a member of the Class of 1969, has accepted the position as our Ways and Means Director. In this role she is primarily responsible for the management of our Alumni merchandise especially the new items featured in the ATHS Alumni Association Store. Debbie has extensive experience in fundraising and will be an asset to our fundraising activities.

Trent, a member of the Class of 1982, has accepted the position as our Alumni Day Director. In this role, with the assistance of Christy Wilson Johnson ('83), Trent is responsible for the planning and implementing of Alumni Day activities. Trent participated in the planning and implementing of the 40th Reunion for the Class of '82 as well as the planned Alumni Cruise in 2025.

The Alumni Association would like to thank Diana Wong Poett ('73) and Isadore Cosby ('81) for their service as Alumni Association Directors. We look forward to seeing them on Alumni Day if not sooner.

If you are interested in volunteering please contact **Anita Chambers-Matthews ('81)** at [majorclark@att.net](mailto:majorclark@att.net)

# Tech Alumni Response Form

Please make all checks payable to: ATHS Alumni Association  
 Mail checks to: ATHS Alumni Association, P.O. Box 11433 Indianapolis, Indiana 46201

## Name & Address

Check here if this is a name or address change

Please Print:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
First Middle (Maiden) Last

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

All of the information on this form along with contributions to the Alumni Association and registration for Alumni Day (and payment for the luncheon) may be submitted via the alumni website [www.ATHSAlumniAssociation.com](http://www.ATHSAlumniAssociation.com) under the Alumni Day tab. **We need everyone to register (even those not ordering the buffet), so that we know how many alumni and guests we expect to be on campus.** Please plan on entering the campus via the Oriental Street gate and park in the north parking lot between Stuart Hall and the Howard Longshore Stadium.

## Contributions All contributions are tax deductible.

In Memory of:  In Honor of:  (Attach separate sheet if necessary)  
 Honoree: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
 From: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Contribution Made to:

Operation Fund	<input type="checkbox"/> Amount _____	Veterans Memorial Fund	<input type="checkbox"/> Amount _____
General Scholarship	<input type="checkbox"/> Amount _____	Tech Fountain	<input type="checkbox"/> Amount _____
Wally Potter Scholarship	<input type="checkbox"/> Amount _____	Alumni Room	<input type="checkbox"/> Amount _____
Joe Sexson Scholarship	<input type="checkbox"/> Amount _____	Other (Please Specify)	<input type="checkbox"/> Amount _____

Please check here, if you do NOT want this acknowledged in *TECHnically Speaking*. (Attach additional sheet if necessary)

All contributions should be mailed to the ATHS Alumni Association and mailed to the ATHS Alumni Association  
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## Alumni Day Reservations Reservations for Buffet Luncheon must be received by May 24, 2024

Buffet Lunch catered by RealTaste Catering (fried chicken, vegetable lasagna, green beans, mashed potatoes, tossed salad, fried biscuits with apple butter, unsweet tea/lemonade/water, and assorted desserts)

Lunches: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$25.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Donations to Alumni Association (from above) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Non-lunch registrants: \_\_\_\_\_ (no cost) Register to be Cheerleader in Cheer Off (list on separate page if necessary)

Names of all attendees and class years: \_\_\_\_\_

We welcome your comments and encourage you to share information with us about yourself and other Tech alumni that might be of interest to others in future issues of *TECHnically Speaking* \_\_\_\_\_

# Annual Alumni Award Winners

Please join us on Alumni Day, June 8th, to learn more about these deserving award winners. A description of these awards is found at [www.ATHSAlumniAssociation.com](http://www.ATHSAlumniAssociation.com) under the Alumni Association tab.

**DUANE BLANKENHORN AWARD** | John Habig ('64)

**WALLY POTTER AWARD** | TBD

**HONORARY TECH GRADUATE** | Tim Jones

**KARL STIPHER AWARD** | Connie Chew

**PRESIDENT'S AWARD** | Fred Kelly Sr.

## Memorial Gifts (Continued from page 3)

### Donated By:

Betty Jean Gutzwiller  
 Laura Hreno  
 Susan McDowell  
 Edward F Roesch  
 Esther Scarpello  
 Steven Spence  
 Allison Tresslar  
 Martin Dugan and Tiffany McCreary

### In Memory Of:

Cecil T. Tresslar, 1951, Tech Faculty  
 Cecil T. Tresslar, 1951, Tech Faculty from Julie Tresslar Mahan's CNO family  
 Fern Messner Roesch, 1934  
 Fern Messner Roesch, 1934  
 Cecil T. Tresslar, 1951, Tech Faculty  
 Cecil Tresslar, 1951, Tech Faculty  
 my grandfather, Cecil T. Tresslar, 1951, Tech Faculty  
 Thomas Weaver, 1964

### Donated By:

Sharon Barker Grant  
 Mary Zarifis Drake, 1948  
 Dolores Eldridge Sauer, 1950  
 Richard E. Bowman, 1959  
 Charles "Mike" Stigler, 1978  
 Charles "Chuck" Fairchild, 1981

### In Honor Of:

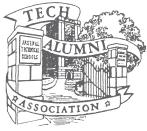
Katherine Sullivan Corey, 1946  
 The Class of 1948  
 My 91st Birthday and the Class of 1950  
 The Russell Bowman Family: Donald, 1948; Janet, 1953; David, 1956; Richard, 1959  
 Lindy S. Pruett, Tech Faculty  
 Robert Bulthaup, 1954, Tech Faculty Member

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# Alumni Day June 8, 2024 - "It's a Family Affair"

**B**ring your children, grandchildren, family and friends to see our beautiful historic campus and join us for a fun-filled day! Call your classmates and plan to meet on campus on Saturday, June 8, 2024. The campus will be open from 7am-3pm. Registration in the cafeteria starts at 8am. **Please bring canned food items to support the food pantry for current ATHS students.** The Class of 1974 will have their group picture taken on the north steps of the Arsenal at 9:30am.



- Ritters Custard
- Cotton Candy
- Register online to attend, so we can prepare for you @ [ATHSAlumniAssociation.com](http://ATHSAlumniAssociation.com) under Alumni Day tab
- Catered lunch must be pre-paid in advance (on the alumni website under Alumni Day tab or send a check)
- Sign-up to participate in the Alumni Cheerleaders "Cheer Off"

- Buffet Lunch catered by RealTaste Catering \$25 (fried chicken, vegetable lasagna, green beans, mashed potatoes, tossed salad, fried biscuits with apple butter, sweet & unsweet tea/lemonade and assorted desserts)
- Live Music by Helping Band featuring Indy Nicole and "DJ Right"
- Alumni Line Dance (All Classes)
- Alumni Cheerleaders "Cheer Off"
- Alumni Basketball Game & Dunk Contest
- Guided Campus Tours or explore on your own
- Bounce House and Face Painting for kids

**Order of Events for Saturday, June 8, 2024**

- 9:00am Veterans Memorial Ceremony
- 9:30am Class of 1974 picture on North steps of Arsenal
- 10:00am Alumni Association Annual Meeting/Awards Program
- 11:30am Lunch in cafeteria with live music
- 11:30am-1:30pm Guided Campus tours
- 1:00pm All Class Line Dancing outside of cafeteria
- 2:00pm-4pm Alumni Cheerleaders, Alumni Dunk Contest, and Basketball Game in West Gym