

## EXCOM January 21, 2020

### Minutes, USMA '58 EXCOM, January 21, 2020

The EXCOM met at Andy Andreson's home. Committee members present were Andy, Audrey Webb, Margi Downing, Lee Miller, Palmer McGrew, Jack Bradshaw and Frank Waskowicz. Members participating via telephone were Bob Hayden (succeeding Paul Vanture), Mike Daley (succeeding Tom Claffey), and Mike Mahler. Also participating via phone were Tom Sands regarding the New Orleans mini and Garry Roosma to discuss plans for our 65<sup>th</sup> at West Point.



The minutes of the August, 2019 EXCOM meeting were approved.

Photos show the Chair hard at work and some of those attending the meeting

**New Orleans Mini, May 26-28. (Tom Sands)** Tom provided an update on the planned mini in New Orleans as a followup to his Dec 11 email (which is attached). Some highlights:

There will be a reception on the 26<sup>th</sup> at 1800hrs. Initial plan was to have the President and CEO of the WWII museum welcome the class. Turns out that was not a freebee, and his involvement is scratched. There will be Registration charge of \$65/person to cover Benny Haven and other shared expenses.

On the 27<sup>th</sup> there will be a 10am showing of the movie "Beyond All Boundaries" in the museum. There are also daily performances with lunch at the Stage Door Canteen. On the 27<sup>th</sup> it will feature an Elvis impersonator, and on the 28<sup>th</sup> it will feature the Victory Belles — ala the Andrews Sisters. Lunch and show begin at 1145. Tom cautions that tickets to these two events are limited, and recommends that you make reservations NOW!! When calling the museum make sure you identify that you are former military and the cost of the show is waived.

The Benny Havens room will be open in the Eisenhower Suite beginning at 10am on the 26<sup>th</sup> and will remain throughout the mini.

On the 28<sup>th</sup> there will be a memorial service and class meeting. Tom will finalize the costs of this event shortly, and will provide more details on this very promising mini.

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**Memorial Service.** It was agreed that at future reunions, only the names of those classmates and wives who passed since the last reunion will be read. At the 65<sup>th</sup> the names of all classmates and wives who passed since the 60<sup>th</sup> will be read. George Sibert and Frank Waskowicz will continue to produce a booklet listing all deceased classmates and wives.

**65<sup>th</sup> Reunion Planning (Garry Roosma).** Gary sent a 2-page info paper for consideration. Two major issues were discussed: (1) When should we have the reunion? And (2) Should we use the Thayer or a Marriott either at West Chester in Tarry Town or Park Ridge.

The two option for parade dates are the Retiree Review in April, or the Alumni Parade coincident with Graduation in May. Our 60<sup>th</sup> was held on the weekend celebrating retirees. The EXCOM agreed that the May date was preferable because of warmer weather. Garry (and the Academy) are keenly aware of mobility issues, more chairs (to obviate the need to navigate the stairs in stands) and the availability of water.

The committee also instructed Garry to plan on one of the Marriotts. Reports from USMA '54 were very critical of the Thayer – on two counts: insufficient concern for disabled to move about and cost.

Based on AOG's historical data, Garry is planning on about 170 folks to attend the reunion.

**Web-Monitor Backup. (Andy Andreson)** No backup has yet been identified to support Pete Trainor's support of class activities on the web. Trainor.

**Status of Distinguished Grad nomination for Alan Salisbury. (Mike Mahler)** Mike felt that everything that needed doing was done, to include 16 quality endorsements. *Unfortunately, in the week following the meeting, Jack Bradshaw was advised by the AOG that Alan was not selected. However the class' nomination is valid for two more years.*

**Social activities. (Palmer McGrew)** Palmer sketched out the following schedule for 2020.

- Feb 13            A Valentine's Day function; location TBD
- March 5        Joint luncheon with USMA '57
- April 16        Open
- May 17        Luncheon at ANCC Arlington following memorial services at the wall
- May 26-29     Mini in New Orleans
- June            Open
- July 16        Luncheon at ANCC Arlington
- August        Open
- Sept 24        Picnic at Burke Lake
- October 7     Luncheon at ANCC Fairfax (Palmer had explored desirability of joint luncheon with USMA'59. Phil Gibbs nixed the idea)
- Nov 12        Luncheon at ANCC Fairfax
- Dec 3          Army Navy game at Salisbury's

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**Funds (Lee Miller)** Lee has completed the annual financial report required in our by-laws. It is attached to these minutes. He reported that our class fund stood at roughly \$87-thousand. This fund will at some point will constitute monies that will sustain operations of the Perpetual Endowment Board.

The Class gift fund stands at \$91,000, these monies to be given the Academy in the course of our 65<sup>th</sup>.

**Memorial Articles. (Bob Hayden)** Bob provided the committee a comprehensive Excel spreadsheet portraying the status of memorial articles. It is attached. Bob discussed the difficulty sometimes incurred in securing spousal approval of complete memorial articles. There was a discussion of various ways to circumvent this obstacle. Jack Bradshaw indicated that he has in the past gotten involved, and could do so in the future where absolutely necessary. The particular case in point involved Neal Williamson's widow who has not approved an already completed memorial article.

Bob identified three new CCQs:

Paul Vanture	Company B-2
Ben Pellegrini	Company F-2
Chuck Cabell	Company E-1

Bob also provided a revised poop sheet outlining CCQ responsibilities.

Both Bob's status report on memorial articles and his instructions to CCQs are attached to these minutes.

Margi Downing asked for a current listing of CCQ.

**Widow's Outreach Team. (Audrey Webb)** Audrey described the most recent activities of the WOT. Her full report is attached to these minutes. The highlight was her description of the activities involved in mailing the mementos to the widows who had not received them at the 60<sup>th</sup>. She and Margie Downing are glad to bring this very worthwhile initiative to a close. The



photo shows Audrey and Margi delivering the medallion packages to the Post Office. Audrey described for the committee the contents of the package. She also shared some of

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the letters of appreciation received from class wives. It was suggested that they might be posted in the Benny Havens room during the New Orleans mini.

Margi shared some of the files she and Jack have accumulated over the years; specifically a copy of the Camp Buckner "Mortar" and memorial articles. The question is what is to be done with them. For the time being, Frank Waskowicz took possession, and will digitize them, with ultimate disposition to be determined.

**Oral Histories.** Mike Daley had raised the question of oral histories — both at West Point and at the Army War College. The concern is that many classmates have had experiences that should be captured for posterity. The belief is that only the recollections of Tony Smith have been captured. There is an effort to find out more about the possible involvement of other classmates and to take some action to enter these into those archives. The idea of capturing them into a booklet similar to the memories effort undertaken at our 60<sup>th</sup> was raised. The sense was not to undertake such an effort for our 65<sup>th</sup>

The meeting was adjourned at 1130. Andy announced that he would like to have another EXCOM meeting prior to the May mini in New Orleans — probably in April.

Respectfully submitted



Frank Waskowicz  
Secretary

Attachment 1 — Dec 11 planning notes for the New Orleans Mini (Tom Sanders)

Attachment 2 — Financial Reports (Lee Miller)

Attachment 3 — CCQ Responsibilities (Bob Hayden)

Attachment 4 — Status of memorial articles (Bob Hayden)

Attachment 5 — WOT Report (Audrey Webb)

**From:** Ronald Andreson randreson@cox.net  
**Subject:** FW: reunion58: 2020 Mini  
**Date:** January 31, 2020 at 9:37 AM  
**To:** Frank Waskowicz mynorimages@me.com  
**Cc:** Thomas Sands sand2988@bellsouth.net



Frank,

Here is Tom's 11 December message - for attachment to EXCOM meeting minutes.

Andy

-----Original Message-----

From: owner-reunion58-digest@west-point.org [mailto:owner-reunion58-digest@west-point.org] On Behalf Of Thomas Sands  
Sent: Wednesday, December 11, 2019 4:35 PM  
To: reunion58@west-point.org; reunion58@west-point.org  
Subject: reunion58: 2020 Mini

Planning for the 2020 Class Mini in New Orleans is still in process, but established to the point where you should make both travel and hotel reservations. As we did when the Class gathered in New Orleans in 2007, regular updates will be provided via reunion58@west-point.org. The following is provided to assist you in your personal planning process.

REUNION DATES - May 26-29, 2020 - Arrive on May 26th and depart on May 29th. You will note that hotel reunion rates are available both 3 days before and after the reunion dates.

LOCATION - Higgins Hotel. 1000 Magazine Street, New Orleans, LA 70130 - The room rate is \$159 plus tax per night single or double occupancy. With the current tax structure the total would be \$185.76 per night. Valet parking is available at \$40 plus tax per night and self-parking is available at \$25 plus tax per night. If you are arriving by air, I do not recommend renting a car. To make hotel reservations go to <http://group.curiocollection.com/WestPointReunionClass58> or call 844 442 8746.

PLEASE MAKE YOUR HOTEL RESERVATIONS AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE!! The hotel has 230 rooms and is getting significant press. There are 60 rooms currently reserved for our Class, but I can add to that reserve as required, assuming rooms are still available. So, help me out by making reservations as soon as you decide to join us. The hotel is art deco in style and compliments the museum. Check it out at [www.higginshotelnola.com](http://www.higginshotelnola.com).

REUNION WEBSITE - We (son, Calvin, as he did in 2007) will establish a website that will provide details about the reunion, activities available in New Orleans, local tid-bits and reunion registration info. We will recommend activities you might consider to include local restaurants, shopping, etc. Hopefully the site will be up in a few weeks. I will advise when it is available.

REUNION SCHEDULE - As of today, but subject to and will change, as you would expect.

May 26th

Arrive, hotel check-in  
Reunion Registration - Benny Havens (Eisenhower Suite, 8th Floor)  
Benny Havens opens at 1000 for those who arrive early (Closes nightly at 2300+/-)  
1800 - Welcome reception - Either in the hotel or at the WW2 Museum

May 27th

1000 - Welcome, "Beyond All Boundaries" movie - WW2 Museum  
1200 - 2300+/- Benny Havens  
Actives on your own

May 28th

1000 - Benny Havens opens  
1830-2130 - Memorial Service, Class Meeting and Dinner - Hotel

May 29th

Depart

As included in Pete Trainor's monthly update, October 21st, the WW2 Museum has agreed to provide a 2-day museum pass for \$30 per person and \$7 per person for "Beyond All Boundaries" film. The museum is superb. Please check it out at [www.nationalww2museum.org](http://www.nationalww2museum.org). You will find a number of events scheduled at the museum that might be of interest. For example, a matinee at the Stage Door Canteen on the 27th will be "Elvis: Through the Years". If it strikes your fancy make reservations or let us know and we will do it for you through the hotel. As we did in 2007, I will look for some interesting individuals that might be available to discuss topics, for those interested, in Benny Havens. We will have more activity options for you when the reunion website is available. If there are any suggestions you would like to provide regarding Mini activities, schedule or whatever, please email me at sand2988@bellsouth.net or call 504 638 3658.

Balance Sheet Class of 58 Administrative Fund as of 12/31/19

Assets

Funds Held by the AOG (Value of the Admin Fund)	\$87,776.08
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Cash/Market Value of Investments	\$87,776.08
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Total Assets	\$87,776.08
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Liabilities

Accounts Payable	\$1,146.56
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Class Admin Fund Liab*	\$86,629.52
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Total Liabilities	\$87,776.08
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Net Worth (Ending Net Assets )	\$87,776.08
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\* This category does not represent the Class's Liability

Income Statement for CI of 58 Admin Fund (12/31/18 thru 12/31 /19)

Revenues

Interest and Dividends from Investments from AOG	\$2,055.12
Real Gains and Losses from Investments from Investments from AOG	329.02
Other Class Revenues Check Received from Wades for Luncheon	74.00
Total Revenues for Period	\$2,458.14

Expenses: Class Activities

1. 1/24/19 IRS Income Tax for 2019 to Lee Miller	\$39.95
2. 2/11/19 Meeting TP Fees To Tony Bauer	24.48
3. 5/30/19 Postage Mary Hall	25.12
4. 5/30/19 Reimb Admin Exp Mary Hall	56.15
5. 5/30/19 Contribution to Code of Support	1,000.00
6. Five Class Memorial Contributions 1/1/18-6/30/19	500.00
7. Seven Class Memorial Contributions 1/7/19-12/31/19	700.00
8. 9/6/18Wreath for Sen McCain's Funeral	210.00
9. 11/1/18 Start Meeting Fees to Tony Bauer	18.54
10. Endowment Fund Conference Call	34.37
11. 12/24/19 Start Meeting Fees Tony Bauer	24.99
12. Admin Expenses Frank Waskowicz	53.00
13. 5/24/19 Donation National League POW/MIA Ref Merwin Morrill	17.25
14. 6/27/19 Women's Outreach Team Payee: Frank Waskowicz	132.50
15. 3/7/19 Women's Outreach Team Michael's Payee: Frank Waskowicz	8.48
16. Start Meeting EX COM Conf Call Payee Lee Miller for Reimbursement	45.12
17. 12/23/19 CI of 58 Wives and Widows Packaging, Materials and Mailing	1,102.41
Reimbursible to Audry Webb	
Total Class Activity Expenses	\$3992.36
Management Fees to AOG for this Period	\$900.18
Total Expenses for Period	\$4,892.54
Revenue Minus Expenses for Period	(\$2,434.40)



General: You are the glue that helps keep our classmates informed and participating in Class activities; and, you are especially important in coordinating the writing of Memorial Articles for your company mates.

Specific:

Be the principal point of contact with your company mates and widows while passing on appropriate information to and from the Class and to the Class Scribe [George Sibert]. Some CCQ's do periodic communications with their company mates; others do not.

Support Class activities [reunions, projects, etc.] and urge company mates and widows to support them, too. If possible, have a Classmate or Widow living in the DC area attend Class functions.

Get as many company mates as you can listed on the Class email and snail mail lists [see [58usma@west-point.org](mailto:58usma@west-point.org)]. To add or change an email address, contact Pete Trainor; for snail mail contact George Lawton or John Nun. For those not wanting to be on these lists, devise some means of passing info to and from them. If you have not already done so and want to establish a company email list or website, contact Pete Trainor for assistance.

Death of Classmate or Spouse/widow:

If you learn of a death and have not already been notified by AOG or the Class, inform 'Death Notifications' [Terry Connell-alternate is Jack Downing] with as much information as you have [date and location of death, any planned services, plans for interment, obituary availability].

Contact the Class Treasurer [Lee Miller] to arrange for flowers or other donations from the Class.

Contact Palmer McGrew to arrange for the Class Flag to be sent to the funeral and returned to Palmer.

Ask a company or classmate to attend the funeral and to try to collect as much information for a Memorial Article [MA] as feasible being respectful of the family's stress.

Find a company mate, classmate or family member to write the MA. The rules and format for MA's are at the above website under 'Be Thou at Peace' in upper left—this sends you to AOG website.

Get as many of your company mates as possible to write their own MA's. We have a lot of living classmates who will pass in the next several years. Because we are nearly all 25 or 30 years beyond our active duty or active employment careers, some of the most important things to us individually may no longer be fixed in the minds of our classmates and family. Thus, in fairness to our families and classmates, it behooves us to write as much of our own MA as we can.



If you are unable to or tired of doing the CCQ job, try to find a replacement in your Company and inform the CCQ Coordinator [Bob Hayden]. If you need help with some aspect of the job, let Bob know.

# Graduates

Co	Regt	Last Nm	First Name	Year Died	Mo died	Day died	code	Status	Code	Remarks
A		1 Garrett	Donald	2019	9	19				
A		1 Gordon	Jack				T	sent to aog	S	
A		1 Klotzbach	George	2016	12	9				
A		1 Mayer	Fred				W	writing	S	
A		1 Miller	Lee				T	sent to aog	S	
B		1 Nuffer	Fritz				T	sent to aog	S	
B		1 Price	Richard				W	writing	S	
B		1 Thompson	Thomas	2019	10	9	T	sent to aog	C	
C		1 Bond	Charles	2018	12	6				status date 11-24-19
C		1 Lane	Glenn	2015	11	14	W	writing	F	family + Mitchell
C		1 Mitchell	Gerald				W	writing	S	
C		1 Moentman	Dwain	2015	10	6				
C		1 Peck	James	2016	11	7	W	writing	F	son gergemar@cox.net
D		1 Hill	OK				W	writing	S	
D		1 Weckel	Ed				T	sent to aog	S	
E		1 DeBoeser	Edward	2017	11	17				
E		1 Evans	John	2018	7	29		?		Family? Or NC?
E		1 Myers	Sam				W	writing	S	
E		1 Raymond	John	2016	12	1				
F		1 Crosby	Ben	2016	10	21	R	refused		
F		1 Kubiak	John				T	sent to aog	S	
F		1 Pedersen	Millard	2014	5	27	W	written goal is 2020	F	Fmily reviewing Rhodes writing
F		1 Rhodes	RG				W	writing	S	
G		1 Andreson	R				T	sent to aog	S	
G		1 Cibosky	William	2015	7	11				
G		1 Garlick	Richard	2017	2	21				
G		1 MacCleod	Albert	2011	7	29	R	refused		
H		1 Betts	Jerry				T	sent to aog	S	
H		1 Carter	Daniel	2017	6	15	W	writing		Worsham
H		1 Devens	John				W	writing	S	
H		1 Loffert	John	2018	8	31	W	writing	C	worsham
H		1 Munger	Robert	2012	1	12	R	refused		
H		1 Parker	William	2019	1	2				
H		1 Robertson	George	2019	7	6				
H		1 Rudolph	Gerald	1982	10	14	R	refused		
H		1 Rupprecht	Dennis	2010	10	7	W	writing	C	Glenn Hall Devens
H		1 Victorine	Clifford	2007	7	29	R	refused		
I		1 Bauer	Anthony				T	sent to aog	S	
I		1 Jones	Lincoln	2013	1	16	W	writing	F	family +
I		1 Moscatelli	Robert				T	sent to aog	S	
K		1 Barker	Robert	2013	5	13	R	refused		

K	1	Buchanan	John	2009	5	21	R	refused		
K	1	Jaschen	Daryl				W	writing	S	
K	1	Serchak	William				W	writing	S	
L	1	Chappell	Troy				T	sent to aog	S	
L	1	Herberger	Ken				W	writing	S	
L	1	Peters	John	2004	1	21				
L	1	Tirre	Joseph	2014	12	14	W	writing	C	Mahler
M	1	Dodd	Edwin		4	22				
M	1	Kyle	David	2013	4	5	T	sent to aog		To be pub 2020
M	1	Lynne	John	2009	10	29	R	refused		
M	1	Patterson	Walt				T	sent to aog	S	
M	1	Smith	Frank	2009	11	7	R	refused		
M	1	Villanes	Juan	2019	4	23				
A	2	Bradley	John				T	sent to aog	S	
A	2	Buckalew	RICHARD				W	writing	S	
A	2	Coury	David	2000	1	1	W	writing	C	Densford
A	2	Densford	Charles				W	writing	S	
A	2	McManigell	Richard	2015	10	6				
A	2	Nun	Lee				T	sent to aog	S	
A	2	Smith	Willis	2008	2	3				
B	2	Ackerman	Phil				W	writing	S	
B	2	Manos	John				W	writing	S	
B	2	Oelke	Karl				T	sent to aog	S	
B	2	Prochaska	Jerry				T	sent to aog	S	
B	2	Schonberger	Dick				T	sent to aog	S	
B	2	Vanture	Paul				T	sent to aog	S	
B	2	Wyatt	Wayne				W	written draft	S	
C	2	Koster	Brian	2019	1	5	R	Refused		
C	2	Lyon	Harold	2019	11	9	W	family drafted	F	Penczer working on final
C	2	Swanson	Dave				W	writing	S	
D	2	Byrne	Peter				T	sent to aog	S	
D	2	McCann	Robert				T	sent to aog	S	prob 2020 pub
D	2	Murphy	William	2019	2	10	T	sent to aog	F	To be pub 2020
D	2	Ruud	Paul				T	sent to aog	S	
D	2	Tilley	Jim				T	sent to aog	S	
E	2	Hatcher	Charles	2007	3	9				
E	2	Toftoy	Charles				T	sent to aog	S	
E	2	Weis	James	2016	1	15	W	writing	F	family
E	2	Williams	Harold	2018	6	25				
F	2	Coffey	Raymond	2009	6	5	T	to aog	F	Family + Pelligrini+ Lawton 2020 pub
F	2	Doucette	Arvind	2008	5	18	W	writing goal 2020	F	<a href="mailto:son-jdoucette@ndow.org">son-jdoucette@ndow.org</a>
F	2	Fernandez	Claude	2015	4	1	W	draft written	C	Lawton sent to widow
F	2	Klempnow	Paul	2013	4	19		No contact Pelligrini working		NC
F	2	Palladino	Donald	2018	5	27	W	Connell writing	C	
G	2	Bujalski	Jack				T	sent to aog	S	

G	2	Depew	David			R	refused		
G	2	Julian	Bob			W	writing	S	
G	2	Lawton	George			W	written	S	
G	2	Palmer	John			R	refused		
G	2	Waller	Edgie			T	sent to aog	S	
G	2	Weiss	Wayne			T	sent to aog	S	
H	2	Baker	Robert	1992	2	6			
H	2	Downing	Jack			T	sent to aog	S	
H	2	Sharon	Denny			W	writing	S	
H	2	Sibert	George			W	writing	S	
H	2	Soper	John			T	sent to aog	S	
I	2	Abernathy	John			T	sent to aog	S	
I	2	Bacon	Stanley			T	sent to aog	S	
I	2	Cockle	Dale			W	writing	S	
I	2	Daley	Mike			W	writing/Bio to aog	S	
I	2	Dugan	Michael			W	writing	S	
I	2	Dykes	John	2012		R	refused		
I	2	Groh	Pete			T	sent to aog	S	
I	2	Hunt	Larry			T	sent to aog	S	
I	2	Manges	Duff			T	sent to aog	S	
I	2	McGrew	Palmer			W	Writing/obit		
I	2	Millsbaugh	Pete			W	Considering writing		
I	2	Oxrieder	Charles			R	refused		
I	2	Schwar	Joe			T	sent to aog	S	
I	2	Smith	TK			W	writing	S	
K	2	Brandl	Joseph	2012	19	2	R	refused/no contact w family	
K	2	Claffey	Tom			T	sent to aog	S	
K	2	Craddock	Bo			W	written	S	
K	2	Davall	Bernard			W	writing	S	
K	2	Goodenough	Fred	2019	2	11	W	written	F daughter Kathleen 20 Taps goal Claffey
K	2	Hultzen	Robert	2017	10	9	W	Writing	F Widow, Thesa goal 2020 TAPS
K	2	Meyer	Arthur	2019	5	22	W	Writing	F Dau Janet Kasmer goal 2020 TAPS
K	2	Simmers	Richard	2005	12	2	R	refused	
L	2	Rector	Kyle			T	sent to aog	S	
L	2	Reynolds	William	2014	10	20			
L	2	Sullinger	Carl	2017	6	5	W	writing	F widow
M	2	Grete	Bob			W	writing	S	
M	2	Hayden	Bob			T	sent to aog	S	
M	2	Haynes	Ashton	2017	7	17	R	widow refused	
M	2	Mathews	Bill	2017	3	23		widow no reply	
M	2	Schroeder	John			T	sent to aog	S	
M	2	Williamson	Neil	2007	9	17	R	written widow Refused	Bradshaw Hayden Wrote filed aog

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## Report from Widows Outreach Team

Since the last ExCom Meeting on Aug. 27, 2019, there have been two graduate deaths.

Hal Lyon died on Nov. 9, 2019 in a totally unexpected, tragic boating accident near his home in Bear Island, NH. It was difficult to reach his wife, Karin, who was in Germany at the time. Preferring not to talk on the phone, we exchanged emails. There will be a Memorial Service next Aug. 8, 2020 at St. John on the Lake Church on Bear Island with Burial at Arlington.

Barbara Raymond and I both reached out to Middie Thompson after the passing of Tommy Thompson on Oct. 9, 2019 of esophageal cancer. He was buried in Kentucky.

(Gen. Jay Raymond, Barbara's son is the head of the new Space Force.)

Thanks to Lee Miller, in December I received a check from the AOG in the amount of \$1,112.41 to reimburse me for my expenses in the Pin/Pendant Project for the Ladies of the Class of '58. The expenses were for packaging materials and postage for mailing.

While these numbers must necessarily be approximate due to the many complications

of delivery of the pins to the ladies, I will give a very brief overview of when and how the ladies received their pins.

A large number of pins were originally given out to the ladies who attended the 60th Reunion in April, 2018. There were also many classmates, as well as friends of the ladies who did not attend, who wanted to personally deliver pins to their friends. I will add that Margie Downing seemed to feel that it was her mission on earth to hand deliver as many of the pin/pendants as she possibly could!

By Aug. 2019, approximately 200 pins had been distributed. Then Margie and I began our grand project to mail the rest of the pins. We spent many hours packaging and addressing about 250 envelopes.

On Sept. 10, 2019 we mailed these at The West Springfield Post Office. At least 18 came back as "Return to Sender." With George Lawton's assistance we were able to correct 13 of them. So in all at least 242 additional pins were successfully mailed and received.

Frank Wasconicy printed handsome cards to explain the content each lady was receiving.

Florence and Alan Salisbury were immensely helpful in helping with the pin design, ordering

the pins, printing the top cards, and as far as I know, have received no financial compensation. A true labor of love.

It has been gratifying to receive the many expressions of appreciation from the ladies. Many were greatly touched.

Thank you for the Class of '58 and the Executive Committee and your efforts to show appreciation to the Ladies of the Class of '58 and their service to their husbands and the Nation.

Submitted by  
Audrey Webb  
for the Widows Outreach Team