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Tech Alumni Association **Awards Ceremony**



Left to Right: Kathleen White McAdams, Michael Burris, Ronald Davie, Thomas Jordan and Teri Morgan.

lumni Association President, Anita Chambers
Matthews has chosen
to honor two alumni
for the President's Award for
2022.

First to be honored was **Kathleen White McAdams**, Class of 1951. Ms. McAdams has been a staunch supporter of her alma mater. She has been an active member of the Tech Alumni Association Scholarship Committee, and through the McAdams Foundation, she has donated scholarship money each year to deserving college-bound Tech High School seniors. During her high school years

at Tech, Kathleen White was a member of the Tech Legion. She graduated with high honors and received the Commercial Art Departmental Award. Additionally, she was recognized as having perfect attendance. Extracurricular activities included working for her homeroom teacher, Lester Bolander, and for Martha Turpin, Dean of Girls. She was a member of the Latin Club, S.A.O. Executive Board, and a drum majorette. After her graduation, because of her secretarial experience, she was hired by Eli Lilly & Co. She was a private secretary to a heart physician in their Medical Research Department. She married Rolla McAdams. also a Tech graduate, when he returned from the Korean War. She stayed at Lilly briefly and then left to be mother to their three children, Marti, Tim, and Jim, while Rolla worked and went to school. Over the years Kathleen and Rolla reconnected with Tech. Each was involved with their respective 50th Class Reunions. Kathleen tells us, "It was a good feeling to give back to such a great school!" The Tech Alumni Association is grateful for the McAdams' longstanding support.

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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 looking for people to serve on our committees. If you are interested, please contact Anita Chamber Matthews at majorclark@att.net or Janet Sims Brown at brownie4462@yahoo.com or leave a message on the Alumni Association voicemail (317) 693-5459.

SAVE THE DATE!

ALUMNI DAY SAT. JUNE 10, 2023





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A Message from the Alumni Association President

Hello Fellow Greendads and Titans,

Welcome to the fall/winter edition of Technically Speaking. Thank you for another successful year! I commend those who sacrificed personally, physically, professionally, and financially to attend our Annual Alumni Day program. There was not only an increase in attendance, but also an overall increase in alumni members from various graduating classes.

Annual Alumni Day is confirmed for June 10, 2023. The program will occur on campus. We hope you will plan to attend next June. In addition to annual reports, our Alumni Awards will be presented. Several classes will be celebrating milestone anniversaries. We will be introducing the Officers and Directors for 2023-2024. If you are interested or would like to nominate someone for an award or the Board of Directors, please leave a message on the Alumni office voicemail or you mail the nominee's name to me at majorclark@att.net. Descriptions of the awards are on our website at www.ATHSAlumniAssociation.com. Each of us is responsible for ensuring that the rich history and legacy of our school is preserved.

Our mission hasn't changed, nor has our drive to fulfill our mission. This school year, Tech has enrolled 300-400 more students than last year. Approximately 2,402 students are enrolled. This is more than what the school projected.

I am proud to share that this year, our Alumni Association provided several scholarships totaling \$31, 250.00, thanks to your commitment and continuous support of our students and staff at Tech. Academic achievement remains a top priority. Such support is integral in ensuring Tech continue to produce great leaders.

There are so many ways that you can provide support. Please consider serving on one of our committees. Among these are: Membership, Ways and Means, Communications, Service Projects, Grants and Scholarships or volunteer to work on a special project.

The Alumni Association continues to seek new members to broaden its reach to alumni. I ask you to consider reaching out to us and asking how you can serve your Alumni Association.

Please stay connected with the Alumni Association. You may contact us at 317-693-5459 or email us at ATHSAlumniAssociation@gmail.com. The website address is www.ATHSAlumniAssociation. com. Please send all mail communication to PO Box 11433, Indianapolis IN 46201.

Best Regards, Anita (Chambers) Matthews, Class of 1981 President, ATHS Alumni Association

Tech Alumni Association Awards Ceremony

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Michael Burris has been an advisor to the Tech Alumni Executive Board and was a part of the Tech Centennial celebration committee. Mr. Burris currently serves on the annual TechFest reunion committee, a group that provides an annual scholarship to Tech graduates. He also hosts a monthly brunch for Tech Alumni. In recognition of his efforts to support Tech graduates and to bring Tech alumni of all classes together, Mike was presented one of the 2022 Alumni President's Awards. Mike is a member of the Class of 1974. Mike played three years of basketball for Tech and was part of the 1974 city championship team. He also ran cross country and was on the chess team. Mike has four siblings who also went to Tech: Bob ('61), Bonnie ('62), Linda (65), and Mark ('77). Mike credits his siblings along with his parents for making him the person he is. Mike also has a daughter (Katie) of whom he is immensely proud. Mike says his days of attending Tech High School were some of the best times of his life, and it prepared him well for life in the workforce and as a parent. Mike considers Tech high school and its alumni to be the best in the state and wishes continued success for both.

For his many accomplishments as a Tech athlete and as a coach and high school sports official, **Ronald Davie**, Class of 1971, was awarded the 2022 Wally Potter Award. He attended John Hope School #26, where he excelled in basketball. Ron thought he would play basketball when he entered Tech High School,

but soon found out that there were many others at Tech whose basketball skills were much better than his. So. Ron tried out for the cross-country team, where he found instant success. As a Tech student, he participated in cross country and track and field all four years and served as team captain. He became a two-time city champion and state finalist both. He still holds the school record in the mile run after 51 years. After graduating from Tech in 1971, he was the first in his family to attend college graduating from Ball State University in 1975.

After graduating from Ball State, Ron taught and coached boys and girls track and field and cross country at Elyria West High School, Ohio. He returned home to Indy where from 1978 - 1983 he taught at IPS School 71, Arlington High School, Broad Ripple High School, and Crispus Attucks High School. He also coached boys track and field and cross country at Tech during this period. In his 42-year career as an educator, Ron held numerous administrative positions in Washington and Lawrence Townships, including stints as principal at Belzer Middle School, assistant principal at Lawrence Central High School, and principal of the Lawrence Advance Academy High School.

Ron is immensely proud to share that he and his wife, Marcia Johnson-Davie, a Shortridge graduate, have been married for 40 years. Together they have six children, ten grandchildren, and six greatgrandchildren. Although he retired from public education in 2017, he still works for the Lawrence Township Schools as needed. He loves playing golf and being around his grandchildren. He has been an IHSAA basketball, volleyball, and track and field official for more than 35 years. However, his favorite sport is still track and field.

For his long-time support of the Tech Alumni Association and his dedicated service to the Arsenal Technical High School Centennial Museum, Thomas **Jordan** was presented the 2022 Karl Stipher Award. Tom. Class of 1951, comes from a large Tech High School family. He, his three sisters, and two brothers all went to Tech. Tom has fond memories of his days as a Tech student - particularly the art classes he took there. Although it has been over 70 years since Tom graduated from Tech, he is still in regular attendance at his alma mater. Almost any Wednesday that school is in session he can be found at the Tech High School Museum in the media center. He has been a volunteer since its inception in the remodeled Guardhouse. In addition, Tom was named by Governor Eric Holcomb as a Sagamore of the Wabash, and he received the Silver Beaver Award from the Boy Scouts of America for 20 years' service as a Scout leader.

From the time her daughters started attending Tech High School, **Teri Morgan** became a parent volunteer extraordinaire. Being involved in her daughters' school activities led Ms. Morgan to volunteer with the Tech Marching Band and

with Music Department productions. Over the years, she has worn many hats, including journey chaperone, chuck wagon cook, seamstress for the band, show prop creator, and fix-it whiz. And although both her daughters have graduated, Teri still actively volunteers at Arsenal Tech. For sharing her time, energy and extensive talents with Tech students and staff, Teri has been named the 2022 Honorary Tech High School Graduate.

Teri, a native of Huntingburg, Indiana, is the oldest of four children of Gary & Mary Ellen Hoffman. She clerked in her grandparents' family grocery business during high school. She graduated from Southridge High School in 1977. Teri earned BS and MS degrees in Home Economics Education (later Consumer and Family Sciences) from Indiana State University in Terre Haute. She worked as a 4-H/ Youth Educator for Purdue Extension and has been a Marion County 4-H volunteer for several years. She is married to Michael Morgan, a senior metallurgist at Faurecia in Columbus. Daughter Samantha ('15) earned a BS degree in Environmental Science from Purdue. Daughter Catherine ('18) earned Certification in Band Instrument Repair from Minnesota State College Southeast in Redwing, MN. Teri tells us that, of all positions she has filled, "mom" has always been her favorite role. (Editors Note: Teri's devotion to the Tech Music Department has led her to officially become their part-time assistant for the 2022-2023 school year.)

CLASS REUNION NEWS

Send your class reunion news to ATHSAlumniAssociation@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 an integral part of their reunion events. Event planners are asked to keep their announcements brief. All class announcements must include at least 1 contact with a phone number and/or e-mail address.

TechFest

Sept. 9, 2023

Techfest will be held on September 9, 2023, at the Sertoma campgrounds located at 2316 S. German Church Rd. The event starts at noon and continues until about 8 PM. There will be a car show, class pictures, 50-50 drawing, live music, food, fellowship and much more! Five dollar donation appreciated. Please bring your own chairs, drinks and a side dish to share. For info, call Mike Burris at 317-709-5815. TechFest is also on Facebook.

Class of 1948

75th Anniversary

The class of 1948 has kept busy locating classmates over the years. Our class graduated around 1000 students which included Veterans coming back from WWII. Of that total we have located 811 deceased graduates that we know of. Also, the class of 1948 was instrumental in establishing the Veterans Wall on campus in front of the Arsenal. There are now 8354 names of Veterans who attended Tech through the years on that wall. Our class continues to be of some help to the Alumni Association and their mission.

Class of 1951

June 2023 Lunch Bunch The Class of 1951 plans on hosting their spring luncheon in June at the MCL Cafeteria on the south side of Indianapolis. The exact date will be announced in the spring issue of Technically Speaking. Electronic notification will be sent and a note will be mailed to those with no email address. Please contact Barbara Mohr Heiden, 318-371-2619 or Barbara.heiden@comcast. net for more information. As in the past members from other classes are welcome.

Class of 1970

The Class of '70 hosted a **"70th Birthday Party"** on October 30th to celebrate the collective 70th birthdays of the majority of their classmates who crossed that milestone in 2022. It was held at George's Neighborhood Grill and was a fun time for all who attended. A 50/50 drawing was held to raise money for the **Class of 70 Bessie Anderson Speights Scholarship Fund.**

Class of 1973

50th Reunion September 23, 2023

SAVE THE DATE!

The Class of 1973 is planning our 50th Reunion. It is scheduled of September 23, 2023 at Primo Banquet Hall & Conference Center in Indianapolis. For more information or comments, please contact Suzette Clayton Pipkin at Classof73@gmail.com

Class of 1983

40th Reunion September 23, 2023

Calling all Members of Class of '83!

40th Class Reunion will be held on Saturday, September 23, 2023 at the Madam CJ Walker Legacy Center. The theme will be "Titans in White" with a splash of green. Please update your contact information with the Alumni Association so you can get updates! For questions or to participate on planning committee, please Christy Johnson at ATHS1983@gmail.com

Class of 2003

20th Reunion June 10 - 11, 2023 ATHS C/O 2003 Planning Committee is announcing that the Class of 2003 should "Save-the-Date" for their 20th Reunion for a semi-formal dinner on Saturday, June 10, 2023, at VisionLoft Events Stutz (in the famous historic Stutz Automobile Factory), 1060 N. Capitol Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46202 and for a Titian Field Day on Sunday, June 11, 2023 at Riverside Park, 2420 E. Riverside Dr., Indianapolis, In 46208. Contact Sika Kiudou at ATHSclassof2003@gmail.com for more information or comments.

Other Classes

To celebrate the anniversaries of the 70 year, 65 year, 60 year, 55 year, 45 year, 35 year, 30 year, and 25 year classes, separate tables will be set up so that you can catch up with former classmates. The Alumni Association looks forward to seeing you on June 10th.

2022-2023 ATHS Alumni Association Board



2022-2023 Alumni Association Board: Anita Chambers Matthews '81, President; Timothy Oliver '89, Vice-President; Deb Deckard Gerlach '70, Recording Secretary; Jenny Goodnight Yarian-Scalpellli '64, Corresponding Secretary, Communication Director; Dountonia Slack Batts '92, Treasurer, Compliance Officer; Directors: Ramon L. Batts '90, Endowment Grant; Linda S. Hill '68, Scholarships; Diana Wong Poett '73, Ways and Means; Isadore Cosby '81, Alumni Day; Edric Mitchell '08, On-Campus Liaison; Advisors: Dennis S. Nichols '71, Immediate Past-President; William Buckley '69, Past-President Emeritus; Rondell Jackson '98, Reunion Coordinator; Janet Sims Brown '81, Communications; Midge D. Kelley, Yearbook Sales; Beth Aubrey Meyer '77, Museum Director; Cynthia Lewis Hartshorn '70, Tech Retired Teachers; Jacqueline Newbern Hudson '72, Special Projects and Events; Joseph Fuller '82, Veterans Outreach Program; Mary Paula Collins Nicewanger '67, Technically Speaking Layout Editor; Tamyka Dickerson '90; Howard Gearlds '68; John Habig '64; Timothy Schneider '69; Clifford Bennett '69; Ray Allison '92; Peggy Berchekas Clark '66; Judith Maxwell Coons '56; Elaine Thompson Pfenning '62; Wanda Towner Harris '48; Marilyn Hicks Hoffman '60; Betty Brock Stucker '50; Jerry Troxel '68.

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Veterans Memorial

Two new bronze plaques were installed on the east end of the wall facing Michigan Street. The plaques contain 887 names. That makes the total number of Veterans on the Wall at 8354. Wanda Towner Harris ('48) has 118 more Veterans names to go on the next plaque and Jenny Goodnight Yarian-Scalpelli ('64) keeps finding more. With that in mind we know that it will take funding to continue to add names to the Veterans Wall on campus. The last two plaques cost over \$4,000.00 – not counting installation. The alumni of Tech can help with this project by donating funds for the next plaques. All donations regardless of size can make a difference. When sending in your donation be sure and mark it for the Military Fund.

Tech Alumni Scholarships

On May 20, 2022, during Supreme Day festivities, the Alumni Association awarded \$31, 250 in scholarships to the following members of the Class of 2022. These scholarships are in addition to the 21st Century Scholarships awarded by the State of Indiana and scholarships given by the various post-secondary institutions that these students and others will be attending. Linda Hill ('68), Scholarship Director, reports that all of the students who applied for one of the scholarships awarded through the Alumni Association and were academically qualified were awarded a scholarship.



left to right: Jessilyn Shearer, Linda Hill, Elizabeth Chew

ATHS Alumni Association Scholarship	Elizabeth Chew
Bessie Anderson Speights Memorial Scholarship	Mariana DeDios
Cecil & Georgana Tresslar Scholarship	Emily Perez-Beltran
Cecilia Morris-Walton Scholarship	Suemi Gomez-Cruz
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Class of 1981 Scholarship	Arleth Escobar Vargas
Cynthia Carter Graff Scholarship	Suemi Gomez-Cruz
Fern Messmer Roesch Memorial Scholarship	Jessilyn Shearer
Frank and Margaretta Leibel Hill Scholarship	Heera Bibi
Harlan & Helen Brockman Hicks Memorial Scholarship	Veronica Walker
Howard Longshore Memorial Scholarship	Colin Mojica
Joan Persell Memorial Scholarship	Genesis Martinez
John M. Hoffman Memorial Scholarship	Emily Velez
Kenneth Wells Scholarship	Kenyon Jackson
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McAdams Family Foundation	Jaylen Grimes
McAdams Family Foundation	Alan Gomez
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Cathy J. Ressinger, 1969 Richard B. Bedwell, 1970

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In Memory of:

William C. Stone, 1944

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David Lee Smith, 1947 John R. Wells, 1946

Deceased Jokers

Wallace "Wally" Potter, 1940, Tech Faculty and Coach

E. V. Rutherford, Tech Faculty member

Benton M. Harlan, 1952

Classmates of '55 who have passed before us

Sally Low Stanley, 1952

Donald R. Powers, 1957; Ralph D. Jester, 1957 Stanley Dean Rice, 1954; Stephen D. Beeker, 1954 Karl Kalp, Tech Faculty and IPS Superintendent

Bonnie Burris Landis, 1962; Linda Burris Moon, 1965

R. Edward and Harriet Dowdy, Tech neighbors in Woodruff Place from 1956 - 1966

James Edward Jacobs, 1967 John Wayne Duncan, 1959

Georganna Tresslar

Joseph D. Henderson, John Laffey

Georganna Tresslar Georganna Tresslar J. Philip Wallace, 1966

Peter J. Cabell, Regina C. Coffey, and Gregory C. Young, 1966

Gregory C. Young, 1966 J. Philip Wallace, 1966

J. Philip Wallace, 1966 (from fellow classmates)

Mary Alice Lamparter Ressinger, 1938; Brian Bondus, Carmel 2013, nephew

Bessie Anderson Speights. 1916

Bonnie Burris Landis, 1962; Linda Burris Moon, 1965

Jerry L. Hill, 1976

Bonnie Burris Landis, 1962; Linda Burris Moon, 1965

Wanda Carroll Lowe, 1957 Carol Stafford Gralia, 1962 Wilma Goens Wells, 1950 Fern Messmer Roesch, 1934

In Honor of:

The Class of 1950

Class of 1951

The Bowman Family - Donald, 1948; Janet, 1953; David, 1956; Richard, 1959

William R. Cook, 1962

Cecil T. Tresslar, 1951. Tech Faculty Member

Cecil T. Tresslar, 1951, Tech Faculty Member Cecil T. Tresslar, 1951, Tech Faculty Member

All of our former classmates Katherine Sullivan Corey, 1946

Tech Alumni Association Contributing Members

We acknowledge those whose donations of \$10 or more to the Alumni Association were received by the Association between April 1, 2022 and September 30, 2022. Those donations are listed below

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Anita Irene Barnes Rayner

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CLASS OF 1961

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CLASS OF 1962

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Maurice A Barnes
Walter Charles Bolinger
Joyce Dowdy Utroske
James "Jimmy" L Heitzman
Anita J. Hougland
Frank C. Jacobs
Phyllis C. Miller Altopp
Linda Joyce Snell Duncan

CLASS OF 1963

Eric W. Alm Harold E. Backus Ernie C. Hann

CLASS OF 1964

Frank Deal
Jenny Goodnight Yarian-Scalpelli
John C. Habig
Ilze Henkels Bye
Evelyn Resnick Drummond
Fredrick L. Snow

CLASS OF 1965

Lewis C. Beem Anthony S. Cabbell Richard Eric Johnson Kay A. Lester Mooy Elster A. Meador John "Rick" Newell Mara Strelnieks Peffley

CLASS OF 1966

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Jerry D. Ferguson
Stephen C. Neff
Carol Oakley Jackson
Jill Schmidt Rice
Richard M. Storm
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CLASS OF 1968

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CLASS OF 1971

Albert Evans Dennis S. Nichols

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Class of 1982 40th Reunion

The Arsenal Technical High School Class of 1982 held their 40th Reunion over the weekend of Homecoming, September 16-17th, 2022. The planned festivities began at 4pm Friday evening with a short visit to the Tick Tock Lounge on E. 10th Street near campus. The Tick Tock is an old establishment but is currently owned and operated by Tammy Bellamy, a Tech grad and sister of Stan Bellamy, Class of '82.

The evening proceeded down the street to the parking lot outside the stadium and before kickoff to the high school game. The Class of '82, like different classes, set up shop with food and beverages in a 'bring your own' and share fashion. The tailgate was well attended and socializing with each other, and other classes was in full force. Future reunion tailgates should know, however, that to set up canopies or tables, you must be on the furthest west end of the park-

ing lot, next to the grass. Set ups are not allowed in the middle of the parking area.

Finally, the biggest event was a dinner dance Saturday night. The Class of '82 secured Northside Events on the northside of Indy. With over 110 attending, the evening included a delicious buffet dinner, dessert table, cash bar, DJ and a beautifully decorated room, table, and chairs. Two hits for the evening included a "Step and Repeat" customized photography backdrop. was widely used by everyone in attendance with special shots for athletic teams, cheerleaders, reunion committee, etc. A touching tribute was made for those classmates no longer with us with a decorated poster board with all their names and candles somber, but well appreciated by those in attendance.

The dinner dance began with a gathering and socializing hour, followed by a short program, dinner, and then dancing and more socializing. For some attendees, this was their first reunion, having been unable to attend the 10th, 20th, or 35th. Still others had attended all the previous reunions.

Many said this was the best reunion ever due to the hard work and organization of our Class President Kim Bernard. She and the reunion committee started a year out, meeting and planning via remote video meetings, emails, and texts. No detail was missed; different voices were heard and included, and all were driven by a desire to put forth the best opportunity to gather, reacquaint, and socialize in a fun, fulfilling, but affordable way (the dinner dance was \$75/person - the other opportunities were free.)

The Reunion Committee consisted of Kim Bernard Hood (from FL!), Ray Ingram (in GA), Edward Grady, Tim Oakes, Dawn Younger Page, Elesha Storey (TX), Joe Fuller, Linda Chambers Martin (crowned "Queen"), Tony Churchwell (crowned "King"), Mary Alexander, and Vivian Helms.

Tech Alumni Response Form

Please make all checks payable to: ATHS Alumni Association.

Mail checks to: ATHS Alumni Association, PO Box 11433 Indianapolis, Indiana 46201

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Your Name:				Class Year:
City, State & Zip:				

ATHS Class of '72 Holds 50th Reunion



It's been said that memories are the threads that hold together the patchwork of friendship. Some wonderful colors of thread came together recently during the ATHS 50th reunion of the class of '72. More than 140 classmates and guests gathered to celebrate half a century of friendship. The morning beforehand, Dr. Rondell Jackson led a group of 15 classmates on a 2-hour walking tour of the campus. He said the campus has undergone several significant changes from how classes are attended to the establishment of a modern library, museum of school history, and swimming facilities. "We had the first pilot of the walking tour for the Museum with the class of 1972. It was a great success."

Dressed to impress, the crowd was greeted September 3rd at Primo Banquet Center by volunteers who issued name badges and programs specially designed by Ira Jones. Stella Farris Wickware-Anderson created a unique table of old school sweets that harkened back to childhood days, while Jerry Townsend provided professional photography coverage of the grand event. After an invocation by Wickware-Anderson, planning committee chair Dexter Harney offered opening comments. He thanked planning committee members for their diligence and hard work over the months of organization. "Our desire and efforts as a committee were for the very joy that fills this hall."

Frankye Johnson and Kerry Conwell served as Mistress and Master of ceremony, and Anita Chambers Matthews, president of the Tech Alumni Association was on hand as guest speaker. She highlighted the importance of continuing education and thanked the reunion committee for working so tirelessly to organize the milestone event. There was no shortage of enthusiasm for the time of trivia and special awards. Nate Rush was recipient of the Tech Titan Spirit Award because of adversities he experienced and overcame throughout his life, most recently, because of the adversity he experienced in the face of Covid-19. Rush danced up to the podium and thanked God and his classmates for honoring him.



Planning committee members had been meeting via Zoom and Jitsi platforms for nearly 12 months, deciding just how to make the reunion memorable. The members included: Stella Farris Wickware-Anderson, Freida Marshall Taylor-Blackmon, Kerry Conwell, Dexter Harney, Jacqueline Newbern-Hudson, Frankye Johnson, Ira Jones, George Taylor, Herb Thompson, Jerry Townsend, Rita Byrd-Wise, Sandra Montgomery and Laurie Lewis-Wood.

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Class of 1962 — Celebrating 60th Reunion!

The 60th Reunion for the Class of 1962 started on Saturday, September 17th with a tour of the campus where a group viewed the changes to the campus, visited the Veterans Memorial, and recalled what was there during their high school career. The evening was spent trading memories from



days gone by, renewing old friendships, and communing with nearly 100 fellow classmates and spouses at the Steer IN where we cruised for hours on end during our youth. A goodtime was had by all, so much so that we've decided to make a reunion dinner for our class an annual event. For those of you who graduated in 1962, mark your calendar and make plans to join in on the fun at our next gathering on Saturday, September 16, 2023. Time and place yet to be decided.

