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Tech Alumni Association Awards Ceremony



(left to right) Marveda Tardy Saunders, '96; Edric Mitchell, '08; Toniana Jeffers; Phil Edwards; Randy Wilson, '70; Efthimios Pete Sotos, '85

Randall "Randy" Wilson '70 is the recipient of the 2026s **Duane Blankenhorn Award**. Randy graduated from the Indianapolis School of Practical Nursing in 1972. Around the time he passed his nursing boards, he joined GM's Chevrolet Stamping Plant, retiring after 32 years as a journeyman electrician. He and his wife, Dianna, have been married for 53 years. A past master of Irvington Masonic Lodge No. 666, he enjoys bass guitar, motorcycling, leathercrafting, and church service. Five years ago, he began part-time nursing work at an assisted living facility.

As a proud member of the Tech Class of 1970, Randy participated in its 50th reunion project by securing a grave marker for Bessie Anderson Speights, the first Tech black female graduate (1916), whose grave at Floral Park Cemetery had long been unmarked. A scholarship was also established in her name.

His motorcycle travels span thirty-three states and three Canadian provinces. He has earned a 200,000-mile club patch and is working toward 250,000 miles. His leathercraft has won dozens of ribbons at county, state, and international events, including Reserve Grand Champion at the Indiana State Fair for a custom guitar strap.

After retiring, Randy collected Tech memorabilia, including every yearbook from 1915 through 1980 except 1978 and issues of the Cannon newspaper. Around 2020 fellow alumni invited him to volunteer at the Tech Alumni Museum. He has proved to be an invaluable source of Tech History as well as a much needed "handyman". He especially enjoys "The First Fifty Years" room and says volunteering has made his life happier than ever.

Edric Mitchell '08, this year's **Karl Stipher Award** recipient, has connected with Tech as both a student and a choir and theatre teacher. In the Math & Science Magnet Program, he sang with Techoir for four years, performed with the Technicians for three, and appeared in every play and musical. His roles included the Beast in Beauty and the Beast and Elwood P. Dowd in Harvey. He also sang in the barbershop quartets Technical Difficulties and Chordially Invited.

Returning to Tech in 2016, Edric spent seven years teaching choir and theatre, directing productions and the Technicians Show Choir, and founding Titan Harmony, a student a cappella ensemble. He also served as Visual and Performing Arts Department Chair and the Alumni Association's On-Campus

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VOLUNTEER!



Do you have:

- Exceptional organizational skills or
- Experience with budgeting/ bookkeeping or
- Strong Community Network or
- Computer Skills/graphic design or
- Experience in Leadership or
- Spirit of volunteerism or
- Strong Social Media Skills or
- Time and Tech Pride

If you have any of the above, then we need you! Please email us at nominations@ATHSAlumniAssociation.com to discuss how you can help the ATHS Alumni Association by becoming a committee or board member or helping with alumni events and supporting our students with Tech Pride.

SAVE THE DATE!

ALUMNI DAY
SAT. JUNE 12, 2027

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A Message from the Alumni Association President



Dear Arsenal Technical High School Alumni,

What a year it has been for our Arsenal Technical High School Alumni Association! As I reflect on all that we have accomplished together, I am filled with Titan pride, gratitude, and excitement for our future. Our alumni association continues to prove that when Titans and Greenclads come together, there is truly no limit to what we can accomplish.

On June 13, we returned to our beloved campus for Alumni Day, and what a special day it was! We celebrated some of our outstanding alumni through our Alumni Awards, recognizing individuals whose accomplishments and commitments exemplify the spirit of Arsenal Tech. We also made history with the first-ever Arsenal Tech Alumni Band performance during halftime of the Alumni Basketball Game. Hearing our alumni musicians fill the gym with music was a powerful reminder that the talent, traditions, and spirit of Arsenal Tech live on through generations of Titans.

And then there was Homecoming! Once again, our alumni showed up and showed out for our Tailgate Party. We shared food, laughter, memories, and fellowship before heading into the newly renovated stadium to cheer our Titans to an incredible 40–0 victory over George Washington High School! What a way to celebrate our school and our community. Then the next day, we also proudly represented Arsenal Tech in the Circle City Classic Parade, showing Indianapolis that the Titan spirit is alive and well.

These moments are more than events on a calendar. They are memories. They are traditions. They are connections. They are our legacy.

But our story does not end here. We have exciting plans for the future, and we want YOU to be a part of them. Whether you graduated recently or decades ago, whether you live around the corner or across the country, you are a part of the Arsenal Tech story. Your experiences, talents, ideas, resources, and connections can help us create even more opportunities for our alumni, our students, and our beloved school. We aren't simply looking for volunteers—we are building a community of Titans who believe in giving back, staying connected, and keeping the spirit of Arsenal Tech strong for generations to come. There is a place for you here. Come to an event. Join a committee. Share your ideas. Bring a classmate. Support a student. Help us create a new tradition. Or simply show up and reconnect with the people and place that helped shape who you are today. The future of our Alumni Association belongs to all of us.

Thank you to every Titan or Greenclad who has supported us financially, participated in our activities, volunteered your time, encouraged our efforts, and helped keep the Arsenal Tech spirit alive. Your support has made our accomplishments possible.

Now, let's see what we can accomplish together. To get plugged in, contact us at: ATHSAlumniAssociation@gmail.com, peruse our website at ATHSAlumniAssociation.com, or follow us on one of our many Facebook pages.

With Titan Pride,
Christy Wilson-Davis, Class of 1983
President, Arsenal Technical High School Alumni Association

Connecting our past. Celebrating our present. Building our future.

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. **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 2 and 7) planning on celebrating reunions in the Spring or Fall of 2027 should send your info in by April 2, 2027, to be included in the 2027 Spring/Summer Technically Speaking! It does not need to be a formal gathering. Please send details to ATHSAlumniPublicity@gmail.com.

TechFest

Sept. 11, 2027
Sertoma Campgrounds

TechFest will be held on September 11, 2027, 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 1957

70th Reunion
June 12, 2027

All who are interested and are able, please pre-register and show up at school on Alumni Day, June 12, 2027. If enough are registered they will give us our own table or two. Please direct any questions to John Wampner at jvwampner@aol.com or my land line phone at 317-888-2353.

Class of 1964

In 2014, our class established a fund to support the Alumni Association website. To continue improving the website's functionality and user experience, we now need to replenish that fund. If you can contribute, please send your donation to the Alumni Association. Note that it is for the Class of '64 Website Fund. You can also donate on-line through the Alumni website using the "Donate Now" button. For any questions, feel free to reach out to John Habig at John.Habig@comcast.net.

Class of 1970

The balance in the Bessie Anderson-Speights scholarship, established in 2020 at our 50th reunion, is critically low. We have been able to award this scholarship for the past few years. If we wish to continue a yearly award, donations are needed. Please consider donating. Checks should be made payable to ATHS Alumni Association with a note on the memo line that it is for the Class of '70 Scholarship.

Class of 1977

50th Reunion
Sept. 17 2027

The 50th Reunion dinner dance is set for Friday, September 17, 2027, at the Ritz Charles, 12156 North Meridian St., Carmel IN 46032. Tickets are $150 on sale now that includes a weekend of fun, fellowship and activities culminating with church service on Sunday. Join our Facebook page "Tech Titan Class of 77" to follow details on all gatherings. For specific details contact Stephanie Engram at stephanieengram3222@gmail.com; Kenny Banks at kbanksboys@aol.com and Joyce Tyner atjoycemtyner@gmail.com. All payment due by June 17, 2027 by Mail: 3606 N. College Ave., Indianapolis IN 46205 or tel: 317-820-6163. Don't miss out on this wonderful milestone celebration.

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The deadline for submitting information for the Spring/Summer 2027 issue of *TECHnically Speaking* is **March 15, 2027**.

CLASS REUNION NEWS

Send your class reunion news to ATHSAlumniAssociation@gmail.com with Reunion News in the subject line.

Class of 1982
45th Reunion

HELLO TITANS CLASS OF " 1982".STANDBY FOR UP COMING INFORMATION FOR OUR 45TH, CLASS REUNION IN 2027.YOU DONOT WANT TO MISS THIS ONE!!. Watch our Facebook **"Class of 1982 Arsenal Technical High School"**

Other Classes
June 12, 2027

We encourage all members of all milestone years to gather on Campus for the 2027 Alumni Day. The Alumni Association looks forward to seeing all of you on June 12th

Tech Alumni Association **Awards Ceremony** *Continued from front page*

Liaison.

Today, Edric is the Arts Integration Instructional Coach and High Ability Liaison at James Whitcomb Riley School #43 in Indianapolis. He holds degrees in Musical Theatre and Executive Development for Public Services from Ball State University and is pursuing school leadership preparation at Butler University.

A founding member of Indianapolis-based a cappella group Impromptu, Edric performed in Taiwan and Russia. He continues to share his love of music through the Indianapolis Men's Chorus.

The 2026 **Wally Potter Award** recipient is **Marveda Tardy Saunders** '86. She attended Tennessee State University to study education before taking a different career path. Now an IPS Police detective stationed at Tech, Marveda credits ATHS with building her resilience. A proud alum, she spent four years on the basketball, volleyball, track and field, tennis, and JROTC Drill teams, developing leadership, teamwork, commitment, tenacity, and a positive approach to adversity—qualities that guide her career. She proudly graduated from ATHS as a cadet lieutenant colonel, crediting her ROTC instructors with teaching her to lead. Now an IPS Police instructor, she takes pride in successfully completing instructor school at the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy. Marveda stays active at Tech as assistant coach for girls' soccer and boys' volleyball, attending alumni meetings and volunteering at alumni events.

Phil Edwards of Shepherd Community was named an **Honorary Tech Graduate**. Phil is one of the Shepherd counselors placed in a newly created Reset room to give students a safe place to seek advice and talk about what's bothering them.

President Christy Wilson-Davis recognized three individuals for service to the Tech community.

When the Alumni Association's fragile 34-star Civil War flag could no longer be displayed safely, artist **Toniane Jeffers** created a replica so the original could remain protected. A local television feature on her Indianapolis sports mascot work led to the project. The Alumni Association acknowledged her talent with a **President's Award**.

A seamstress for more than 25 years, Toniane began working on mascots about 15 years ago at Costumes by Margie. She has since created, cleaned, and repaired mascots for Indiana schools and teams, including the Indiana Pacers' Boomer, Freddy Fever, and the Indy Fuel's Nitro.

Toniane made the roughly 8-by-18-foot replica in her father-in-law's barn, working eight to ten hours each weekday for several months. To match the original, she hand-sewed every star before machine-topstitching it. She called the project an honor and a joy; the award recognizes her role in preserving our history.

Cathy Rott Nuzum '70, was also recognized with a **President's Award** for her providing financial support for the replicate Civil War flag that is now available for display not only on Alumni Day but for school functions. The flag is to honor Cathy's ancestors who fought in the Civil War.

Aaron Russell '07 also was recognized with a **President's Award**. Information about Aaron's contribution had not been received by the editor of this issue of Technically Speaking before it went to the printer.

Wonder what your **Reunion Class** can give to the Alumni Association or Tech?

Here are a few ideas:

- Fund a scholarship
- Fund a plaque in Veterans Plaza
- Donate to the Endowment fund
- Fund landscaping in Veterans Plaza
- Fund landscaping in Alumni Plaza
- Purchase a stone garden bench
- Sponsor upgrading Alumni Database
- Fund donation for Tech Food Pantry





2026-2027 ATHS
Alumni Association Board



Front Row: Jenny Yarian-Scalpelli, Debbie Scott, Christy Wilson-Davis, Rondell Jackson, Linda Hill, Anita Matthews Back Row: Tim Jones, Tim Schneider, Trent LaLand, Joe Fuller,Bill Buckley Not Pictured (but present): Deb Gerlach, John Habig, Midge Kelley, Janet Brown, Isadore Cosby, Mike Burris, Mary Gano, Cindy Hartshorn, Sharron Denning

2026-2027 Alumni Association Board: 2025-2026 Alumni Association Board: Christy Wilson Davis '83, President; Trent LaLand '82, Vice-President, Alumni Day Director; Deb Deckard Gerlach '70, Recording Secretary; Jenny Goodnight Yarian-Scalpelli '64, Corresponding Secretary, Communication Director; Anita Chambers Matthews '81, Treasurer, Immediate Past-President; Directors: Rondell L. Jackson '98, Endowment Grants Director, Reunion Co-Ordinator; Linda S. Hill '68, Scholarship Director; Debra Groth Scott '69, Ways and Means Director; Nicole Haywood, On-Campus Liaison; Timothy Schneider '69, Museum Director; Reginald Shelt, Principal, Ex-Officio Advisors: Dennis S. Nichols '71, Past-President Emeritus; William Buckley '69, Past-President Emeritus; Janet Sims Brown '81, Communications; Midge D. Kelley '92, Yearbook Sales; Cynthia Lewis Hartshorn '70, Tech Retired Teachers; Joseph Fuller '82, Veterans Outreach Program; Mary Paula Collins Nicewanger '67, Technically Speaking Layout Editor; Richard Storm '66, Alumni Plaza Coordinator; Timothy Jones, Alumni Awards; Michael Burris, '74; Isadore Cosby, '81; Sharron Johnson Denning, '82; Howard Gearlds '68; John Habig '64; Ray Allison '92; Antonio Singleton, '90; Jerry Troxel '68, Mary James Gano, '83.

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ATHS Alumni Association
Centennial Museum News & Needs

By Tim Schneider, Class of 1969

1862 American Flag. The original 34-star Civil War era flag was displayed in the Alumni Museum through October. The replicated flag hung in Anderson Auditorium on Alumni Day and was presented to the ATHS Alumni Association by retired Army Lt. Col. Ryan Core, Senior Army Instructor of ATHS JROTC. He gave an excellent presentation speech weaving the history of the Arsenal, the 34-star flag, Tech's JROTC, and the ATHS commitment to maintaining that history. A copy of his speech is now displayed in Gallery Room A of the Museum.

The Alumni Museum is currently creating some new exhibits and reworking others. We hope to have those completed by year's end. One exhibit will feature the areas and neighborhoods surrounding Tech. We currently have Woodruff Place, Indiana State Women's Prison, Martindale-Brightwood, and the Coca-Cola bottling plant (now Bottleworks) represented. This new exhibit will be showcased in the Open Library Corner. If you have items/artifacts–including oral histories–from Holy Cross, Cottage Home, Windsor Park, Willard Park, Old Northside, or another neighborhood please let us know.



The Song of the South exhibit will remain in the main library room indefinitely. The Yearbook Art exhibit will remain on display at least until the end of February 2027. If you missed seeing these two special exhibits, we encourage you to plan a visit soon. The ATHS Alumni Museum is open on school day Wednesdays 10 AM to 2 PM or by appointment.

Oral Histories (again). We continue to request submissions of your personal oral histories. These can be memories of Tech events, day to day memories, or your 'Tech' neighborhood. Stories of a favorite teacher or class, pep rallies, receiving an award, the cafeteria's beef Manhattans, going to or from school, someone who held a door for you, a special date/friend, making band/orchestra/choir/athletic team/cheer squad. Tell us your favorite memories surrounding Tech. Along with the history of the Army Arsenal and Tech High School, your history here is just as important and worth sharing.

If you have a specific idea for a targeted exhibit in the Museum, please contact us via email: MUSEUM@ATHSALUMNIASSOCIATION.COM.



If you have visited the Alumni Museum and were unable to make a cash donation at the time, consider a donation to the Alumni Association; see the form on page 10. You can designate all or a portion of your donation for the Museum. If you'd like to make your donation in honor of a past volunteer whom you may know, they are Katherine Sullivan Corey '46, Janet White Meyer '46(D), Beth Aubrey Meyer '77, and Tom Jordan '51 (D). Also, former Principal / Campus Administrator Principal Sarah H Bogard (2005-2011), honorary Tech Grad in 2013, was the Museum's originator for the ATHS Centennial Celebration in 2012.

Memorial Gifts to the Tech Alumni Association

Thank you for your generous support of Tech and its students through your Memorial Giving

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Bob Potter, Indiana Association of Track & Cross Country Coaches	Wallace "Wally" Potter, 1940, retired Tech coach, teacher, and administrator

NOTE from Communications Committee: If your name is misspelled, your graduation year misspelled, or your name is omitted from either list, please contact the Communications at ATHSAlumComm@gmail.com so that we can correct our error in the Spring issue of this publication.

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Tech Alumni Association Contributing Members

We acknowledge those whose donations to the Alumni Association were received by the Association between April 1 and September 30, 2026. Those donations are listed below.

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CLASS OF 1983
Walt Stone

CLASS OF 1989
Kira Yant Stoller

*deceased

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Alumni Day 2026 Saturday June 13th

By Trent LeLand '82,
Vice-President and Alumni Day Director

Tech Alumni Day was held on Saturday, June 13th, on Tech's High School beautiful historical campus. Tech alumni wearing their green and white school colors, along with family and friends, filled the campus for an awesome fun filled day, with great food and activities for everyone to enjoy.



The activities kicked off at 9 a.m. with the Veterans memorial ceremony held at our Veterans Memorial Plaza, then we transitioned to the auditorium at 9:30a.m. for our annual business and awards program. At 10:30a.m. there was a car show outside in front of the auditorium



with D.J. Royalty rocking the tunes.

At 11a.m. in the cafeteria, we had catered lunch from Sincere Catering and Chick Fil A, along with prize giveaways as well as Tech merchandise and apparel for sale. A couple of Tech's Key Club members assisted at the merchandise table – getting a glimpse of how to support their high school.

At 1p.m. in the cafeteria and back by popular demand, we played bingo with a prize for each winner. All throughout the day there were campus tours and the opportunity to visit Tech's historical museum in the media center.

At 2p.m. in Tech's West gymnasium, Tech Titans Alumni basketball team played Broad Ripple Rockets Alumni. The Titans lost a close one by 2 points.



The highlight of the day was a special halftime show, which featured an incredible showcase of Tech Alumni singers and musicians: Rapper Bryan Smith (Twelve) '99, Vocalist Trand Lane Robinson '83, Vocalist Marveda Tardy Saunders '86, Vocalist and Guitarist Damon Wharton '14, Percussionist John Reed '83, Saxophonist Trent LaLand '82, Saxophonist Sizzling Greg Bacon '71.



Tech Alumni Day was about reconnecting, reliving cherished memories, and celebrating the lifelong bond that we share as Tech alumni.

Class of 1981 Celebrates 45th Reunion

Congratulations to the Class of 1981 on celebrating its 45th class reunion! We gathered at the Stone Dry Company on September 11, 2026. A warm welcome and heartfelt thanks to everyone who attended, with special acknowledgement to our classmates who traveled from out of state. Although many were unable to join the celebration, they were missed and remain a valued part of the class family. This milestone honors 45 years of memories, friendships, and lasting connections!



Contributing Members

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CLASS OF 1989
Kira Vant Stoller

CLASS OF 1990
Judah Stoller

CLASS OF 1991
Eugene A.W. Garrison

CLASS OF 1992
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Tech Alumni Response Form

On-line donations may be made from the Alumni website: ATHSAlumniAssociation.com by clicking the DONATE NOW button. Please include **GRADUATION NAME, CLASS YEAR, AND ADDRESS** when applicable. If the donation is in honor of someone please indicate that information. Also make sure that the Alumni Association has your current address.

Please make any checks/money orders payable to ATHS Alumni Association and mail to:
ATHS Alumni Association, P.O. Box 11433, Indianapolis, IN 46201-0433

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Joe Sexson Scholarship	❑ Amount: _____	Other (please specify)	❑ Amount: _____

Correspondence: Please send to the address above or e-mail to athsalumniassociation@gmail.com

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*.

Your Name: _____Class Year:_____

City, State & Zip:_____

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Reunion committees may contact Dr. Rondell Jackson '98 for more information ronljack98@gmail.com

HONOR DAY '26 • Tech Alumni Scholarships

In the past fifty or so years the number of scholarships that the Alumni Association has awarded from two (2) $100.00 scholarships to a total of thirty-two (32) this year. The 2026 Scholarship Committee had to overcome several challenges for the 2026 year. The standard challenges include finding a date for interviews that fit the committee members' schedule and that would not conflict with Spring Break, Good Friday, Tech Legion and the availability of the Colonel's Cupboard for interviews. This year there were thirty-nine (39) applicants. This led the committee to decide to do interviews over two (2) days instead of one (1). This presented a new challenge of the committee members to be available for both days. April 16th and 17th was chosen and accommodations were made for the committee members that would not be available both days – with Scholarship Director Linda Hill and Treasurer Anita Chambers Matthews available for both days. During the lunch break of the first day of interviewing the ceiling of the Cupboard dining room decided to collapse – injuring one of the interviewers. Having the interviews spread over two days turned out to be fortuitous but the Committee with its alternate committee members and assistance from Tech Administration was able to complete the interview process meeting in a conference room in the Arsenal. Thirty-two (32) scholarships valued at $39,850 were awarded to thirty-two (32) seniors on Supreme Day, May 15, 2026.

Most of our scholarships are individually funded in memory of deceased Tech graduates or Tech faculty.
In addition to the Alumni Scholarship, several others are funded through investment accounts established by Tech graduates.
Please consider supporting Tech students and the Alumni Association.



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Class of 1976 • Celebrates 50th Reunion

By Kristi Senour Bennett '76



The Bicentennial Class of 1976 celebrated their 50th Reunion in grand style! Held at the Ivy Tech Conference Center and Culinary Institute on October 2, 2026, the festivities included a reception, dinner, speakers, fellowship, and dancing. With 120 people in attendance, everyone enjoyed reuniting with fellow Titans, connecting with vendors, winning door prizes, and having a wonderful time!

Speakers included Class President Libby Quintana and Dr. Valerie McCray ('77 Alum), who was the first African American woman on the Indiana ballot for the U.S. Senate (2024). The event DJ was '76 Alum Tim Fuller, who provided great music for reminiscing and dancing. Classmates travelled from near and far to celebrate this momentous occasion, and a fantastic time was had by all!

The Media Center was the location for our Saturday event that included lunch, visits to the Alumni Museum, and a tour of the campus. Many classmates attended and enjoyed.

Special thanks to committee members Dwayne Engram, Karen Hughes Ellison, Isabel Espinoza, Marjorie Darden, Kathy Jones Barnett, and Darrell Daniel, as well as the several members of the Class of '77 who assisted during the event. Thank you to everyone who helped make this a memorable occasion!



