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ATHS Alumnus of the Year for 2025 **Anita A. Chambers Matthews**

This year's Alumnus of the Year is an outstanding Tech student from the Class of 1981, Anita A. Chambers Matthews. Anita, a proud product of Indianapolis Public Schools, attended Charity Dye School #27 and Harshman School #101 before graduating from Tech. She is grateful for teachers like Ms. Oakshot and Mrs. Frances Linthecome who took an interest in her at an early age and taught her the value of working hard and excelling academically. A four-year honor student, she graduated as the valedictorian of her Tech class. President of her senior class, she was Co-Commander of Tech Legion and earned an honor letter sweater. She was also a member of Key Club, Athenians, and Spanish Club. She was awarded several scholarships and chose to attend Miami University of Ohio for her first year of college. She then transferred to Ball State University, graduating with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing in the top 5% of her class. While at Ball State, she enlisted in



the U.S. Army, Indiana Army National Guard. She also became a member of Delta Sigma Theta, a service sorority. In 1986, she was inducted into Sigma Theta Tau, the International Honor Society of Nursing. Upon graduation she transitioned to the U.S. Army, Army Nurse Corps as an officer. Anita started her nursing career at St. Vincent's hospital her senior year as a student nurse. She remained at St. Vincent Hospital after graduation from Ball State. There, she primarily worked

within the Medical-Surgical and Cardiology Units.

Anita's childhood was challenging. Not only did she suffer with asthma, but her mother is a chronic asthmatic. Despite her mother's health challenges, her mother continued to work, taking care, of the home, focusing on her children's education, and being present at all her children's activities. Years of observation ignited Anita's passion for medical research, fueling her aspiration to pursue a career devoted to find a cure for asthma. Thus, she transitioned to a position with Eli Lilly and Company in 1988. There she had an opportunity to work in medical research. Her initial assignment was at the Lilly Clinic focusing primarily on medical research in a clinical environment, ensuring Phase I protocols supporting various therapeutic areas were developed and executed in a compliant state as the patients were all healthy volunteers. At Lilly, she advanced to the Drug Epidemiology Unit, Medical Training, Director-Capabilities

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Volunteer!

WE WANT YOU!

Do you have:

- **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 Volunteers@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.

Alumni Day 2025

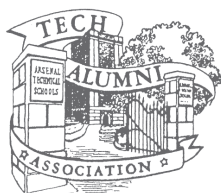
ALL CLASSES WELCOME!

SATURDAY, June 14th

7am Campus Gates Open
8am Registration Starts
9:30am Awards Program
11:30am - 1:00pm Lunch
3pm Buildings Close

Register & Order Lunch by May 31st

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A Message from the Alumni Association President

Hello Fellow Greenclads and Titans,

We are proud to present to you the spring edition of *Technically Speaking*. Over the years, our *Technically Speaking* newsletter has continued to serve as our primary channel to communicate and stay connected with each of you. Our newsletter is written, printed, then mailed or emailed to more than 20,000 alumni members throughout the nation and world in the spring and fall of each calendar year.

Our Annual Alumni Day is confirmed for Saturday, June 14, 2025. Your participation, attendance, and positive feedback from last year was quite exciting and encouraging. As such, plans for our annual day will be somewhat like last year. To build upon the momentum from last year, our theme for Alumni Day is, **"It's a Family Affair!"** Once again, we encourage you to call your classmates and make plans to meet and reconnect on campus. We are hoping that you are also making plans to bring your spouse (or significant other), children, grandchildren, family members and friends. There will be activities for all ages. We've had yet another exciting year! We are looking forward to sharing the details with you during the presentation of the annual reports. We are proud to also recognize several recipients who will receive Alumni Awards. Our new Officers and Directors for 2025-2026 will be presented.

On Alumni Day I will pass the gavel on to Christy Johnson. While Christy has been active with the association for a brief period, she on-boarded and immediately assumed responsibility for one of the key areas of the association that is critical to our mission. She has worked hard and has positioned herself to be integral to the success of the organization. I have no doubt that Christy possesses the skillset to lead our association. I solicit your continued support as she leads us through the next chapter. I am grateful and honored to have served as the President of our ATHS Alumni Association for the past five years. Thank you for all your support, words of encouragement and feedback. I appreciate each one of you.

Thank you for your contributions to our Alumni Association. Your unwavering financial support enables us to continue to raise the bar year after year by making a difference in the lives of our students and staff at Tech High School. Your generous donations also give us the means to provide our newsletter and to continue to execute the operations required to sustain the Association. I ask you to strongly consider reaching out to us and ask how you can serve your Alumni Association. Let's continue to work together.

Please stay connected with the Alumni Association. You may email us at ATHSalumniassociation@gmail.com or visit our website at www.athsalumniassociation.com. Here you will find a great deal of information about our association, alumni merchandise, and upcoming events. You may also contact me directly at: amatthews@athsalumniassociation.com. Please send all mail communications to PO Box 11433, Indianapolis, Indiana 46201.

Best Regards,

Anita Chambers Matthews, Class of 1981
President, ATHS Alumni Association

Memorial Gifts to the Tech Alumni Association

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

Donated By:

Katherine Sullivan Corey, 1946
 Dolores A. Eldridge Sauer, 1950
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 Marvin L. Daugherty, 1957
 Robert J. Jackson, 1957
 Betty Wegner Clements, 1958
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 Steven W. May, 1959
 Donald "Moose" Parish, 1959 and
 Margaret Bowlby Parish, 1959
 Charles B. Woods, 1960
 Jane Brock-Jones Bowman, 1961
 Bruce C. Roberts, 1961
 David Altopp, 1962 and
 Phyllis Miller Altopp, 1962
 Richard L. Gandolf, 1962
 Susan Fortner Lebo, 1963
 Fredric Dunkman, 1965
 Elster Audie Meador, 1965
 Kay Ratliff Campbell, 1966
 Stephen (Watkins) Neff, 1966

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 Mary Kay Sayles, 1967
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 Class of '50
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 Donald R. Powers, 1957
 Billie Wegener Crow, 1951
 Russell Bowman Family: Donald, 1948; Janet, 1953; David, 1956; Richard, 1959
 James H. Little and Warren H. Wetzel, 1959

Vernon L. Parish, 1937; David A. Parish, 1961; Bruce E. Parish, 1965
 Karl Kalp, Tech Faculty
 Felson Bowman, 1958
 Norman C. Roberts, 1962; John E. Roberts, 1963
 Marguerite Hardy, Tech Faculty

William R. Hawley, Retired Tech Faculty
 Jeanne E. Forkner, 1966
 Marianne McKnight Dunkman, 1967
 Mark A. Aaron, 1965
 David Lee Hasler, 1959; Jay C. Ratliff, 1965
 Peter Cabell, 1964; Regina Coffey, Charles Michael Ensminger, Roderick Morgan,
 Gregory Young, and John S. Miller, 1966
 Thomas Danheiser, Tech English Teacher
 Bennie Sayles; Mary Sayles; Benjamine Sayles Sr, 1970

Bessie Anderson Speights, 1916
 Janet L. White Meyer, 1946
 Barbara Frost Harmon, 1970; Roy D. Burks, 1969
 Ivan G. Christensen, 1970
 Terry A. Loux, 1969
 Will Arthur Jones, 1969
 Bessie Anderson Speights, 1916
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 Connie Hendrickson Thompson, 1979; Cornelius "Big Neal" Coward, 1978
 Brian S. Gore, 1983
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 Kathleen McNulty, Retired Tech Teacher
 Brian S. Gore, 1983
 Frank E. Morton Sr., 1951
 Frank E. Morton, 1950
 Frank E. Morton, 1950
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CLASS REUNION NEWS

Send your class reunion news to **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 6 and 1) planning on celebrating reunions in the Spring or Fall of 2026 should send your info in by September 15, 2025, to be included in the 2025 Fall/Winter *Technically Speaking*! It does not need to be a formal gathering. Please send details to ATHSAlumniPublicity@gmail.com

TechFest

Sept. 13, 2025
Sertoma
Campgrounds

TechFest will be held on September 13, 2025, 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 1951

June 18, 2025

The Class of 1951 will meet for lunch at the MCL Cafeteria at 1 PM on Wednesday, June 18. The address is 3630 South East St., Indianapolis. Our table(s) are to the right as you enter. Members of all classes are welcome and feel free to bring a friend. Please reply to Barbara Mohr Heiden if you would like to send a reservation. Barbara Mohr Heiden, Barbara.heidenn@comcast.net or 317-371-2619.

Class of 1955

70th Reunion
Alumni Day
June 14, 2025
Tech Campus

Hey Class of '55! We know we're old but we still have the love for and spirit of Tech running through our veins! There have been many changes to the campus and it will be good to come back. Let's meet to celebrate our 70th year class reunion (BEEG NUMBER!!) at the campus and join the all class alumni reunion on June 14 beginning at 9:30 with a short program in the auditorium. We'll have our picture taken on the Arsenal steps after the program. Golf carts will be available that morning! We'll have reserved tables identified by #55 on them for us to sit, eat and catch up. Seems like yesterday we had our 50th! Patti will again be our go to gal with any details or questions! Be sure you contact her as well as sending in your reservation for the luncheon. Her contact information: Patti Rodgers Campbell, (317) 888-5196, Knuckleknots@gmail.com. Would love to hear from you whether you plan to attend or not! Check out the schedule of events on page 12.

Class of 1964

Back in 2014 our class created a fund to support the Alumni Association website. Since that time the website has hosted a virtual Alumni Day, hosts over 20 years of this publication, and has grown to include an expanded merchandise store. We need to replenish that fund so that the website can become more user friendly. If you are able, please send your donation to the Alumni Association with a notation that it is for the Class of 1964 Website Fund.

Class of 1965

60th Reunion
At TechFest
Sept. 13, 2025

The Class of '65 will be celebrating its 60th reunion by attending TechFest on Saturday, 9/13/2025 from 12-6pm at Camp Sertoma located at 2316 S. German Church Rd in Indianapolis. There are hotels nearby. There will be picnic tables covered by a pop-up tent waving a '65 banner for us. Details on TechFest are in the TechFest announcement. Dress is casual. Bring your favorite drinks and a chair or sit at the shaded picnic tables. Please come join us! If you are coming or have questions, please contact Sandi Wong Brow at TechTitans65@yahoo.com or the Arsenal Technical High School Class of 1965 Facebook page. And we want to the alumni day committee for acknowledging us at "Alumni Day on Campus". Please come and don't forget, pictures

The deadline for submitting information for the Fall/Winter 2025 issue of *TECHnically Speaking* is **Sept. 15, 2025.**

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Class of 1970

55th Reunion
June 14, 2025

CLASS OF '70 TITANS! Because we did not receive a big response to the article in the Fall edition of TECHnically Speaking, plans have changed to celebrate our 55th class reunion. Instead of having a planned event as we had hoped, we encourage all Class of '70 Titans to attend Alumni Day this year on campus on Saturday, June 14th. Complete details about Alumni Day are included in this newsletter, along with a registration form. The campus opens at 8:00 a.m. with registration in the Cafeteria. Lunch will be catered by Olive Garden at a cost of \$20 per person. If you plan to eat lunch, you must register and pay ahead of time. Tech merchandise will be sold and we accept cash and credit cards. Many of the campus buildings will be open and you are encouraged to visit them and reflect back on your time at Tech! It is especially noteworthy to visit the Museum in the Media Center to see the many alumni donations and archived items detailing Tech's rich history! Of special interest to our class is that the Wally Potter Athletic Award will be given posthumously to Frank Kendrick and will be accepted by his family during the Alumni Day program. The program begins at 9:00 a.m. in the Auditorium and all are encouraged to attend. For questions, you can email Deb Deckard Gerlach at dkgerlac@yahoo.com or Cindy Lewis Hartshorn at cindychartshorn@gmail.com. We hope to hear from many of our classmates to determine the number of reserved tables we will need for Alumni Day!

Class of 1975

50th Reunion
Sept. 12, 2025
Primo Conference Center

IT'S HERE! The Class of 1975 will be observing our 50th Reunion on Friday, September 12, 2025, at the Primo Conference Center, 2615 National Ave. in Indianapolis. The early-bird registration is \$65 per person by June 30, 2025. After that date the cost will be \$70 per person. The dress for this event is evening wear or business casual. Payment by check or money order should be sent to Ramona V. McClung, 222 S. Dequincy, Indianapolis IN 47201. PayPal payments (friends and family only, please) should be sent to lkhogue57@gmail.com. Cash App payments should be sent to \$ATHS75. Please include your full name including name at graduation and the name of your spouse and/or guest. Questions – email Leslie Hogue atlkhogue57@gmail.com or text him at 317-340-1925 or leave a message on our Facebook page – ATHS Class of 1975 – 50th Reunion. Plan on attending Alumni Day on June 14 on Tech's Campus. We will have a Class of 1975 group picture taken in front of the Arsenal after the business meeting. Details on registering are in this issue of *Technically Speaking*.

Class of 1985

40th Reunion
Sept. 12-14, 2025

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: The Class of 85 40 Year Reunion weekend will be September 12-14, 2025. We will also be having several events throughout the summer including bowling, a May Day, and Alumni Day (June 14th) where we will have our group photo taken on the steps of the Arsenal. All events will be posted on our Facebook page (see below) and sent via our email address (if we have a good email address for you). On Friday, September 12th, we will meet up on our favorite campus and watch our alma mater's football game. We have a great venue lined up. Please go to our Facebook page or email us for details. On Saturday morning, September 13th, we will attend the Tech Fest as a class and wear our T-shirts (we are having printed). On the evening of September 13th, we will party like it's 1985. We are presently looking at outstanding venues and will lock it down soon. The information will be shared on our Class of 85 Facebook page and sent out via our email address: ATHS Class of 1985 40th Reunion | Facebook / athsclassof85@gmail.com

Class of 2015

10th Reunion
TBA

Calling all Tech Titans from the class of 2015! It is time to get excited for our upcoming 10-year reunion in 2025! Reunion planning for a summer 2025 gathering is underway. Email athsreunion2015@gmail.com or text Brittany Dixon at (317) 414-9956 to be added to the contact list to receive follow-on details or to express interest in assisting with coordinating the reunion. We hope to see everyone there!

Other Classes

June 14, 2025

To celebrate the anniversaries of the "5" and "0" 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 2025 Family Affair. The Alumni Association looks forward to seeing all of you on June 14th.

2024-2025 AHS Alumni Association Board

2024-2025 Alumni Association Board: Anita Chambers Matthews '81, President; Rondell L. Jackson '98, Vice-President, Reunion Coordinator; Deb Deckard Gerlach '70, Recording Secretary; Jenny Goodnight Yarian-Scalpellini '64, Corresponding Secretary, Communication Director; Dountonia Slack Batts '92, Treasurer, Compliance Officer; Directors: Ramon L. Batts '90, Endowment Grants; Linda S. Hill '68, Scholarships; Trent LaLand '82, Alumni Day; Debra Groth Scott '69, Ways and Means; Tamyka Dickerson '90, On-Campus Liaison; Reginald Shelt, Principal, Ex-Officio Advisors: Dennis S. Nichols '71, Immediate Past-President; William Buckley '69, Past-President Emeritus; Janet Sims Brown '81, Communications; Christy Wilson Johnson, '83, Alumni Day; Midge D. Kelley, Yearbook Sales; Timothy Schneider '69, Museum Director; 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; Isadore Cosby, '81; Howard Gearlds '68; John Habig '64; Ray Allison '92; Elaine Thompson Pfenning '62; Wanda Towner Harris '48; Jerry Troxel '68.

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Thank You!

The Alumni Association extends its heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has supported our efforts, whether through monetary contributions or by giving your valuable time. Your generosity has made it possible for us to sustain vital initiatives such as the Alumni Newsletter, Museum, Plaza, and the Veterans Memorial. Additionally, your contributions help provide grants to faculty that support students in culinary arts, visual and performing arts, athletics, and JROTC, as well as scholarships for students pursuing post-secondary education.

We are proud to be the caretakers of Tech's rich history and beautiful campus, but we can't do it alone. We need your help to continue these meaningful endeavors. Please consider volunteering to make a difference—whether it's on Alumni Day, at athletic events, during campus clean-up days, or in the Alumni Museum. Leave us a voice mail at 317-561-9417 or email us at volunteer@athsalumniassociation.com.

Together, we can ensure that Tech's legacy thrives for generations to come. Your support is invaluable—our success depends on it. **Thank you for being an essential part of our journey.**



**HOLD YOUR CLASS REUNION ON CAMPUS
AND CREATE SCHOLARSHIPS**

Reunion committees may contact Dr. Rondell Jackson '98 for more information rjackson@athsalumniassociation.com

Tech Alumni Museum Update

Tim Schneider '69, Museum Director

First off, thank you to everyone who donated their Tech memorabilia to the Alumni Museum. After last fall's request for artifacts, we received a flurry of items, and we hope it continues throughout 2025. Our artifact request is simple: ANYTHING Tech related (please refer to the Fall 2024 Technically Speaking for the list of suggestions).

The volunteers recently cleaned out an Alumni storage room and brought many treasures to the Museum. Prized items include 100+ year old scrapbooks, a 7' x 4' panel of class of 1922 senior photos, and a 4' x 6' painting of the Arsenal done by Wendrel Price ('63) that he completed in 1993 during his tenure as a teacher in the Tech Art Department. The last two items are already hung, so be sure to check them out during your next Museum visit.

In December 2024, Lisa Hendrickson and husband John Whalen toured our Museum and campus with a specific interest in seeing Stuart Hall. Lisa's grandfather, Edward Pierre, was the architect. Our main stops were the Arsenal, Stuart Hall, and the Museum. Lisa had never seen Stuart Hall or the campus. She especially loved the tower's exterior, the tower room with its beautiful murals, the sunrise/sunset window, and the bas reliefs depicting various



submitted photo
Billy Isbell ('67) on file cabinet hanging composite pictures of Class of 1922 and Tim Schneider ('69) supervising.

courses of education. Other highlights were the deco style aluminum stairwell handrails, the ceiling fixture pointing the way to the Forum, and the Forum itself which now houses the planetarium. Following their visit, Lisa has donated several items that are now included in the Museum's Stuart Hall display. Lisa's father Robert Hendrickson graduated from Tech in 1945.

The Alumni Museum is open on Wednesdays from 10AM-2PM or by appointment (contact Tim Schneider at 707-246-5454) when school is in session. We are in the McClintock Media Center (library). Enter the Michigan Street gate and check in at the Arsenal for clearance and

a visitor badge.

Alumni VP Rondell Jackson '99 donated and set up a computer, monitor, and scanner in the Museum workroom. This summer we will scan letters and documents currently on display in the Arsenal. The originals are fading badly due to sunlight exposure through the Arsenal Tower windows. The originals will be stored and replaced with duplicates in the Tower and the Museum.

On March 19th, Tamara Hemmerlein (Director, Local History Services) and Zane Cuthberton (Support Grants Coordinator) from Indiana Historical Society visited the Museum and offered guidance in a

number of areas including artifact care, display, storage, labeling, and inventory. We look forward to their continued support and guidance.

The Alumni Board recently approved a few changes requested by the volunteers. We are dropping "Centennial" from the official title. It will now be known as the ATHS Alumni Association Museum, or Tech Alumni Museum for short. In addition, we are dedicating our galleries in recognition of the Museum founders: Sarah H. Bogard (Principal 2005-11); Katherine Sullivan Corey '46; Janet White Meyer '46 (wife of Bob Meyer '44 and longtime Tech faculty member); and Beth Aubrey Meyer '77 (first Museum Director).

We are still looking for information on your suggestions for Alumni Hall of Famers and the area or field they gained notoriety in—professional, military, or volunteer. Please submit the person'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. You can submit by mail to ATHS Alumni Association, PO Box 11433, Indianapolis IN 46201 or email to athsalumniassociation@gmail.com.



submitted photo
Wendrel Price ('63) with the painting he did of the Arsenal in 1993 (he was a member of Tech's Art Department).

Tech Alumni Association **Contributing Members**

We acknowledge those whose donations to the Alumni Association were received by the Association between October 1, 2024 and March 31, 2025. Those donations are listed below.

CLASS OF 1946

Katherine Sullivan Corey

CLASS OF 1947Lawrence R. Moore
Frank L. Tout**CLASS OF 1949**

Lois Smith Nahre

CLASS OF 1950Dolores A. Eldridge Sauer
B. Jack Realey**CLASS OF 1951**

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Caron Bruce Butrum
Harold A. Butrum**CLASS OF 1976**David C. Griffin
David Q. Harwell

*deceased

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Tech Alumni Association **Contributing Members**

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Lawrence Gates

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Randy George
Sharon Barker Grant
David Hollander
Cynthia Lange
Chris Ryan
Jane Wilson

Anita A. Chambers Matthews

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and Solutions, and Director-Biometrics Business Operations, to name a few of her assignments during her Lilly career. In these roles, she responded to internal and external inquiries from health care professionals (HCPs) and laymen about neuroscience medications (primary focus was Prozac) and developed, managed, and implemented global capabilities, solutions, and strategies for delivering medical/scientific communications to address customer inquiries and expectations (i.e., physician and/or patient letters; package label for prescriptions; training materials for patients, etc.) During this time, she traveled to Japan, six different countries in Europe, Hawaii, as well as to states beyond Indiana, training, and teaching HCPs about clinical research in the pharmaceutical industry while ensuring clinical research units were operating and executing protocols in a compliant state. After 27 years in 2016 Anita retired from Lilly. In 2018 she re-entered the workforce, initially joining Endocyte Inc., a U.S. based biopharmaceutical company which was acquired by Novartis Pharmaceutical a year later. She re-entered the workforce because she felt she still had more to give to others. Anita's desire is to always make a difference in the lives of others in whatever assignment or position that

she holds. She provided strategic clinical quality management and oversight for Phase III and Phase IV clinical trial studies at Novartis. In doing so, she was instrumental in the FDA approval of Pluvicto, a targeted prostate cancer treatment, in the United States.

Anita served as a member of the U.S. Army Reserve, Army Nurse Corps for 23 years plus six years in the U.S. Army, Indiana Army National Guard. During her military career, she served as officer in charge (OIC) of the Medical Unit, providing medical examinations for soldiers across the entire Midwest Region. She was later appointed as the Hospital Adjutant (S1) of the 337TH Combat Support Hospital. She received several awards and accolades during her successful military career and was honored with the Meritorious Service Membership Award (MSM) in 2003. Anita was selected to serve as the Commander of the newly created 425th Medical Detachment Unit. This selected team of healthcare professionals travelled across the United States and most notably Ecuador in providing medical care to soldiers and civilians. She retired in 2006 as Commander of the 425th Medical Detachment Unit with the rank of major. Her prior service in the military further developed her leadership and organizational skills. Most importantly, she learned to acknowledge and appreciate the value that each person brings - to "always" plan

but while planning, prepare to discern the need to alter the course when necessary to mitigate risk, maintain the safety of others, and accomplish the goal (i.e., always have a Plan B).

Over the years, Anita has supported the Indiana Black Expo. She had an opportunity to become more active in the planning of the pageant. In 1981, she participated and won first runner-up in the pageant.

Anita generously gives her time and treasure to Tech and the Tech Community. In April of 2008 she partnered with the Indianapolis mayor's staff in planning and moderating the Mayor's Night Out. This allowed her to listen to the concerns of community members and advocate for their needs with the mayor. Anita has served the ATHS Alumni Association as vice-president from 2018-2020 and president from 2020 to today. She is an active Tech Alum, chairing the 10th, 20th, 25th, 35th, and 40th year reunions for the Class of 1981. Anita is a Sunrise Missionary Baptist Church member who serves as a trustee and administrative assistant plus she sings in the choir. Anita enjoys traveling and spending time with her husband, Christopher, and her family. She enjoys planning and coordinating family events and worshipping God. She lives by her favorite scripture, Psalms 37:4, "Delight thyself in the LORD; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart."

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 under the Alumni Day tab. **We need everyone to register (even those not ordering a lunch option), so that we know how many alumni and guests we expect to be on campus.** Please plan to enter 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: ☐

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 _____	Alumni Room/Pantry	<input type="checkbox"/> Amount _____
Wally Potter Scholarship	<input type="checkbox"/> Amount _____	Alumni Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Amount _____
Joe Sexson Scholarship	<input type="checkbox"/> Amount _____	Other (Please Specify)	<input type="checkbox"/> Amount _____

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(Attach additional sheet if necessary)

Alumni Day Reservations Reservations for Buffet Luncheon must be received by May 31, 2025

Lunch selections: (Olive Garden or Chick-fil-A - descriptions of selections on page 11)

Olive Garden Lunch(s): _____ x \$20.00 \$ _____

Chick-fil-A Lunch(s): _____ x \$10.00 \$ _____

Donation to Alumni Association (from above) \$ _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Non-lunch registrants: _____ (no cost)

Do any attendees need mobility assistance? _____ If yes, please indicate how many _____

Are any attendees interested in Bingo? _____ If yes, please indicate how many _____

Are any attendees interested in being a cheerleader?: _____ (If yes, the committee will contact you with more information)

Names of all attendees and class years: _____

ALUMNI DAY Saturday June 14, 2025

"It's a Family Affair"

Bring your children, grandchildren, family and friends for round two of "It's a Family Affair"! If you missed last year's Alumni day, you are in luck as we are providing you another chance to experience this dynamic event! Call your classmates and plan to meet on campus to reconnect & revisit our beautiful historic campus for a fun filled day on Saturday, June 14th, 2025. The campus will be open from 7am-3pm. Registration in the cafeteria begins at 8a.m. Please bring canned food items to support the food pantry for current AHS students. Class pictures will begin at 11a.m. on the north steps of the Arsenal bldg. Please email tlaland3@gmail.com to reserve your class time.

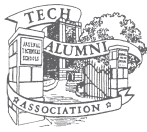
- Buffet lunch catered by Olive Garden \$20
Create your own pasta station; your choice of Pastas: Fettuccine, Spaghetti, Sauces: Marina, Meat Sauce, Alfredo, Toppings: Grilled Chicken, Meatballs, Italian Sausage, Sides: Salad and Breadsticks, iced tea (sweet & unsweet), lemonade, and assorted desserts
- Chick Fil A \$10 – includes chicken sandwich, a bag of chips, and a 16 oz bottle of water
- Kona Ice \$4 - 7
- "DJ" Jesse Carruthers (Class of '83) will rock your favorite tunes.
- Raffle Drawing in cafeteria.
- Bingo in cafeteria.
- Car Show
- Games with prizes for kids
- Face Painting for kids
- Guided Campus Tours or explore on your own.
- Alumni Line Dance in Tech Gym (All Classes)
- Alumni Cheerleaders will perform.
- Alumni Basketball Game & 3-point contest Tech Gym

Register online to attend, so we can prepare for you at ATHSAlumniassociation.com under Alumni Day. Catered lunch must be pre-paid in advance (on the alumni website under Alumni Day tab or use the registration form and send a check). Sign up to participate in the Alumni Cheerleaders "Cheer Off".

Order of Events for Saturday, June 14, 2025

- 8:00am – Registration (Cafeteria)
- 9:00am - Veterans Memorial Ceremony (Veterans Memorial Plaza)
- 9:30am - Alumni Association Annual Meeting/Awards Program (Auditorium)
- 10:00am - Car Show begins
- 11:00am - Guided Campus tours
- 11:30am – 1:00pm Lunch will be served in Cafeteria with slide show
- 1:15pm - All Class Line Dancing (Tech Gym)
- 1:15pm – Bingo (Cafeteria)
- 2:00pm- 4:00pm - Alumni Cheerleaders, Alumni 3-point contest and Basketball game (pictured here) last year's Alumni Cheerleaders





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Arsenal Technical High School Military Plaza

The Arsenal Technical High School Military Plaza is located on the south side of the Arsenal Building facing Michigan Street. The Military Plaza was originally dedicated on June 11, 2005 as a gift from the Class of 1955. The Class of 1956 added a bench the following year.



On June 8, 2013 the additional Memorial – often referred to as “the wall” – was dedicated “To Honor the Brave and Selfless Veterans of Arsenal Technical High School” as a project of the Class of 1948. Many individuals and reunion classes have contributed to continue to make this Memorial a reality. Around the Plaza there are plaques listing the many thousands of Tech students who have served our country in times of war and peace. Currently the parking for visitors is in front of the Arsenal Building allowing visitors to

walk through and observe the dignified Memorial commemorating Tech’s Military Veterans.

Additionally, the Military Plaza Committee has identified eight former students and one Tech teacher who have been inducted into the Indiana Military Veterans Hall of Fame located on the grounds of the former Fort Benjamin Harrison. These include Paul Cauley, Melvin McCoy, William McGee, Thomas Montgomery, Ivan Moreman, James O’Donnell, Frederick Panhorst, Robert Pedigo and Richard

Storm. Perhaps you knew some of these individuals from your time at Tech. Each year additional nominees are evaluated for induction into the Hall of Fame. The criteria for nomination is located on the Hall of Fame website, www.imvhof.com. We encourage you to nominate any Tech Veteran, student or teacher, if

they meet the selection criteria. Currently, there are at least two additional Tech alumni in the process to be nominated for the 2025 Hall of Fame Class.

Finally, the Military Plaza Committee is seeking additional alumni volunteers to help maintain the cleanliness and landscaping of the Plaza. Please contact one of the following at the email provided for further information if you have some availability to help; Joe Fuller: iraq-2006@hotmail.com, Robert Hill: robertdhill@gmail.com, Richard Storm: rcmk2@comcast.net