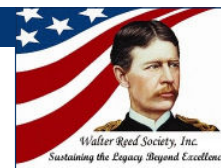
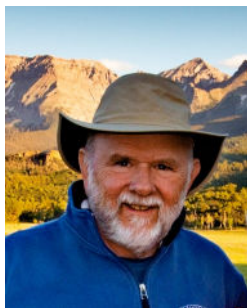


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President's Message



John Pierce

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Wow what an amazing day at the Society's reunion on the old Walter Reed Army Medical Center campus!!! Beautiful weather, wonderful turn-out, great friends from days gone by, good food and a chance to reminisce and to see the many changes to the old campus. Thanks to all of you who worked so hard to make it happen and special thanks to John Wetterau, Jan Southby and Hermalene Taylor who worked extra hard to pull it off. Several years ago it was John Wetterau's idea to have a reunion on the old campus. Not sure who said it but "ideas are a dime a dozen." Making something actually happen is totally different. I especially thank John for doing so much to make this great and memorable event actually happen.

The success of the reunion would not have been possible without the support of our sponsors. There is a listing of them below. We will have more information about the reunion in the next newsletter.

RECOGNITION OF SPONSORS

Battalion - \$5,000

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The Lewis & Rose Mologne Family

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Again, our thanks and gratitude to all our donors and supporters. We very much appreciate your continued generous support. I look forward to seeing you at our Holiday Meeting in December.



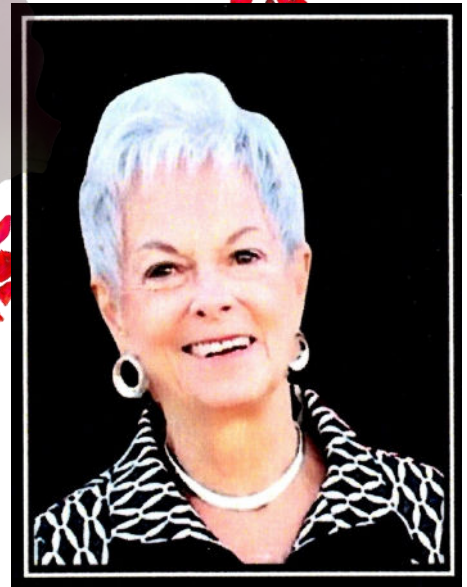
WRS HOLIDAY EVENT—December 11, 2022 ~ 11:30 AM - 2 PM ~ More on page 3



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Remembering WRS Founding Member — Rose Mologne

Our beloved Rose Mologne, one of seven charter members of the Walter Reed Society, passed away peacefully on April 1, 2022. Rose — born June 27, 1931, in Connellsville, PA — was 90. After graduating from The Pennsylvania State University she became a registered dietitian. Working as a dietitian at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, she met her future husband, West Point graduate Lewis Aspey Mologne, then a medical student in the university's school of medicine. They married June 18, 1960 and subsequently had five children, three sons and two daughters who survive her along with 9 grandchildren.



Dr. Mologne completed his internship and residency in general surgery at Walter Reed Army Medical Center (WRAMC). With Rose at his side, they had follow-on assignments at WRAMC, Walter Reed Army Institute of Research, and Germany. They moved to Colorado in 1973 where Rose began volunteering with the American Red Cross at Fitzsimons Army Medical Center. She would ultimately volunteer for the Red Cross for over forty years. After over a decade at Fitzsimons with her husband, interrupted by his unaccompanied assignment to command the Army hospital in Seoul, Korea they came to Washington DC when he was promoted to Brigadier General and assigned to the Office of the Surgeon General, US Army. Within a short period of time they came the WRAMC where they both became legendary figures. Rose credited her husband for encouraging her to continue volunteering with the Red Cross even more so after he became WRAMC's commanding general. She said, "It was easy for me to go along on that path with him." General Mologne died from cancer in August 1988, three weeks after relinquishing command of WRAMC. Despite the loss of her husband, Rose remained committed to the military and to serving others continuing her work as a volunteer.

In 1996 she became a founding member of the Walter Reed Society and continued her work with the Society for more than 25 years until her death. In 1997 the Mologne House, a 200 room hotel for patients and families was opened on post at WRAMC. It had been a long-time goal of General Mologne to have a facility on post for patients not requiring in-patient care and for families. After WRAMC was deactivated and closed by the government, patient care was moved to the new Walter Reed National Military Medical Center in 2011 where Rose continued her volunteer work with the Red Cross completing more than 45 years of service. The WRS Board has had discussion with the Red Cross Station leadership at WRNMMC about establishing and sponsoring a Rose Mologne Award for an appropriate Red Cross volunteer at WRNMMC. The first award will be made in the spring of 2023.

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For Everything There Is A Season

Rose enjoyed holiday events and activities that continue on as WRS traditions. As co-chair, she planned the Society's December gathering for members and friends. With her dynamic smile, warmth and good cheer, she also assisted with the annual fund-raiser — WRS collectibles sales at WRNMMC. Proceeds help patients and families at WRNMMC and other facilities in the National Capital Region. Her work endures and inspires us to continue on during this season of giving!

★ ★ ★ WRS HOLIDAY GATHERING

Sunday

December 11, 2022

11:30 AM - 2 PM

★
Uniformed Services
University of the
Health Sciences
(USUHS)

Dining Room

4301 Jones Bridge Rd
Bethesda, MD, 20889

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Brunch ~ \$30 per person

Mail checks to:

Walter Reed Society
8901 Rockville Pike
Box 303

Bethesda, MD 20889

or

pay in-person at door
Check ~ Cash ~ Credit

★
RSVP by December 4th
support@walterreedsociety.org

★ 301-571-1580 ★

Check WRS website for updates

WRS 2022 Collectible

This year's collectible marks the 100th year anniversary of the Lincoln Memorial. The centennial commemorative is displayed with the Walter Reed Society oval. Made in the USA, the etching on the back reads: "100th Anniversary 1922-2022 — "IN THIS TEMPLE AS IN THE HEARTS OF THE PEOPLE FOR WHOM HE SAVED THE UNION THE MEMORY OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN IS ENSHRINED FOREVER."

\$20 each
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16th President of the United
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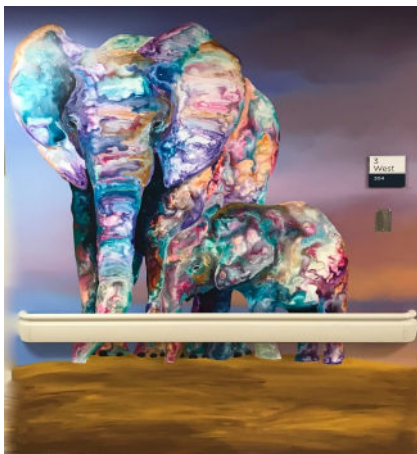
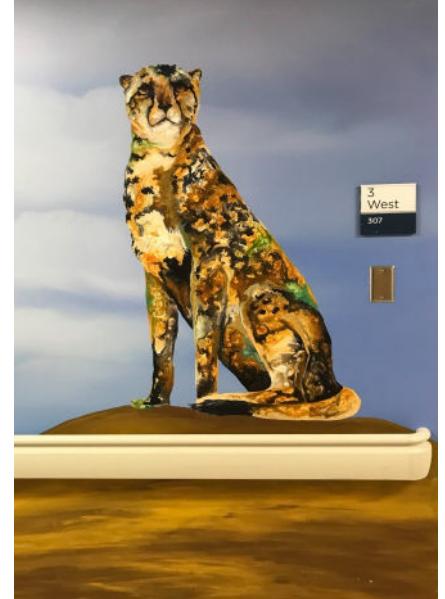
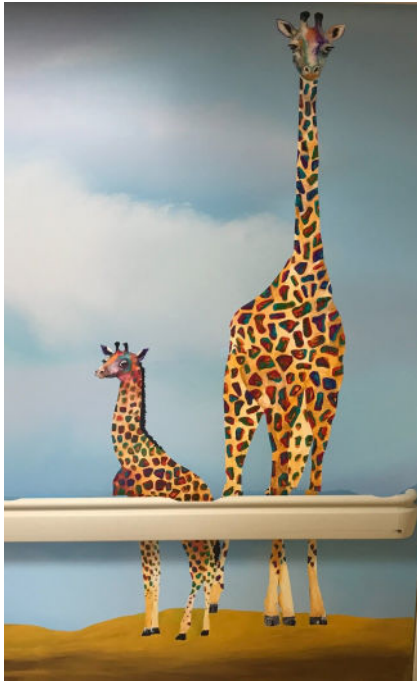


The description and information provided about the collectible is taken from Beacon Design.

Visit walterreedsociety.org for online purchases and more collectibles. Methods of Payment: Credit Cards ~ Checks payable to: WRS, 8901 Wisconsin Ave, Box 303, Bethesda, MD, 20889. **Want items delivered by 12/25? Estimated recommendation: Payments be received for processing by 12/14.** Questions? Contact: support@walterreedsociety.org or 301-571-1580

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In-Patient Pediatric Art Project



The Walter Reed Society has been successfully collaborating with Mission M4 for several years to improve the environment and experience of pediatric patients at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center (WRNMMC). Another project was recently completed , a long-anticipated art project for the inpatient pediatric ward. Initially started as a project to help a single pediatric cancer patient who came to Walter Reed from Okinawa via Tripler Army Medical Center, this art therapy project revolutionized the environment of the inpatient pediatric ward at WRNMMC visually improving the environment of the 3 West Unit to which 17 clinical services admit their patients. The initial project placed art work done by pediatric patients on the walls for others to see and soon became a morale booster for the patients, families, and staff. The spontaneous “art show” with pieces simply taped to the hospital walls needed a new home and setting. At that point, the inspiration to develop an integrated, therapeutic, and sustainable, environment with a continuous art show (that was hospital and fire code compliant) became the passion of art therapist, Kristin Ramsey. Ward staff voted for a jungle theme incorporating soothing colors and comforting animals. (cont. page 5)

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AHIMA Foundation Scholarship Program

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Unfortunately, administrative and other delays caused the project to drag-on for almost two years. But during this down-time, the African animal artwork of Leah Beach was 'discovered,' and she was engaged to create the new vision for the pediatric unit. It was determined by the facility that the artist would not be allowed to paint directly onto the walls, but the original artwork could be transferred onto wallpaper. After a great deal of searching and with the help of Linda Wolf from Mission M4, a wonderful vendor copied the artwork and exploded the life-like African animals onto wallpaper as 8 foot murals in a savannah setting. The images transformed the entire ward into a harmonious, therapeutic environment which now enlightens all who enter the unit. Finally, cabinets were hung to properly display the art work of the patients, family members, and staff who provided the inspiration for this major renovation. There are many things beyond the control of the patients and families who spend time in the hospital. Redoing the walls in a cohesive jungle theme and securing the continuation of a unit wide art show which pulls in patients, families, and staff will mean that everyone there is enveloped in a space designed specifically to support them through what might be some of the most difficult days their lives.

By Philip Rogers COL, Medical Corps U.S. Army (Ret.) — (see April 2019 WRS newsletter for more info on Mission 4)

The Walter Reed Society has been contributing to the AHIMA Foundation's Scholarship Program since 2013. Through this program Veterans are eligible to receive up to \$10,000 in scholarships to pursue associate's, bachelor's, or master's degrees in health information management (HIM) or health informatics (HI). In 2021, six Veterans were awarded scholarships; applications are still under review for 2022. The odds of being awarded a scholarship are above 50% for eligible participants, and even higher for Veterans!

The Foundation has been running the scholarship program for over 20 years and looks forward to continuing this program for years to come. The AHIMA Foundation will be re-vamping this program in 2023 to streamline the application process and encourage additional applicants. Applications will open in February 2023. Please help the Foundation spread the word about this excellent opportunity.

— By COL Brian Foley, (Ret.)

Eligibility Criteria:



During the pandemic, I decided it was time for career change and a challenge. As the proud spouse of a United States Marine Corps Veteran, it is my goal to help make a difference for Veterans and military families like mine in a healthcare setting.

Krystal Graham
Kent State University
Healthcare Information Management
Associate's Degree Program



Krystal Graham—Associate's Degree Program



- Members of the military and uniformed services or spouses of active-duty military and uniformed services, veterans and their spouses, wounded warriors and their spouses, surviving spouses.

- Current member of American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA)

- Student Membership is \$49 annually, membership information can be found here: [Membership Types and Benefits/ AHIMA](#)
- Achieved a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.5



I am a Navy Veteran and full-time employee at Bon Secours Mercy Health working as a medical coder. I have worked in Health Information Management for 16 years and always wanted to advance my career into hospital administration. Thanks to your generous scholarship I am one step closer to achieving my professional goal.

Jamie White
Miami College of Ohio
Healthcare Administration
Master's Degree Program



Jamie White—Master's Degree Program



- Currently enrolled into a health information management program accredited by CAHHIM in the United States

- Additional eligibility criteria can be found at [Scholarships/ AHIMA Foundation](#)

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Honor Our Troops Classic Supports Walter Reed Society

The 2022 Olive Branch, Mississippi Honor Our Troops Classic (HOTC) golf event was held September 29th-30th. The event — attended by WRS members Kerwin Miller and Carlton Kammerer—benefits the Society and other military related organizations.



Carl Kammerer (pictured left) and Kerwin Miller (right) present a WRS coin to Olive Branch Mayor Ken Adams



WRS member and Navy Veteran Attorney Kerwin Miller presents a WRS 25th anniversary coin to Mississippi Attorney General Lynn Finch



HOTC Organizer Mike Brown (right) and Kerwin Miller by 18th Hole Sponsorship sign in Memory of COL Vandy Miller, long time WRS Board member



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Noteworthy

Stagg Award Honors for Carlton Kammerer WRS Liaison for Sports and Recreation



Carlton Kammerer has served for many years as the Liaison for Sports and Recreation for the Walter Reed Society. Since 2010 Kammerer has assisted in raising nearly \$375,000 for the Walter Reed Society through golf tournaments with former NFL players and wounded veterans. In April 2022 he received the University of the Pacific's Amos Alonzo Stagg Award recognizing a former Pacific student-athlete who has achieved significant distinction in their life through the notable examples of integrity, dedication, idealism, and team spirit that Mr. Stagg personified. The legendary football player and coach Amos Alonzo Stagg coached at Pacific for many years. Kammerer played three seasons with the University of the Pacific Tigers and was drafted in the second round of the 1960 NFL Draft. He played linebacker for 9 years in the NFL including seven years with the Washington Redskins and two with the San Francisco 49ers.

After his retirement in 1969, Kammerer worked in numerous federal government positions, including as a senior executive at the Atomic Energy Commission and its successor agency, the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission. He was a charter member of the federal government's Senior Executive Service. It was in this position that he met COL (Retired) Vandy Miller who became a great friend and partner at wounded warrior golf tournaments.

Notes of Thanks

Dear Walter Reed Society —We had a wonderful time welcoming Caregivers and their families to our Stars, Stripes, and Snowflakes event in December 2021 thanks to your support. As we welcome 2022 we look forward to also welcoming a cohort of Caregivers to enjoy quarterly self-care sessions and opportunities to connect and planning a wonderful outdoor event for Caregiver families this summer. We are so grateful for your support and partnership and look forward to continuing to work with you. — Very respectfully, Tonya Murphy Blue Star Families National Capital Region Chapter, January 2022

Members of the Walter Reed Society —Little Farms Garden Club would like to thank you for your generosity in supporting the renovation of the Blue Star Memorial Garden at the Potomac Community Center. You provided much needed funds on top of the money we had raised to make our vision a reality. As the group that spearheaded the original installation in 2007, this was and is an important part of our mission as a contributing member of the community. We have always liked that it is the first thing you see when you drive in, and with the new eye catching design, we hope it is a reminder of how important our service members are and how much we owe them. I think the design will draw people to walk over for a moment of contemplation...Again from the Club, we couldn't have achieved the level of quality...without you. Be assured we will continue to care for the garden...Thank you so very much for partnering with us. Regards, Tricia Owen Past President and Project Manager Little Farms Garden Club of Potomac, June 2022



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MEMBERSHIP CONNECTIONS: We continue to develop an electronic mailing list of our membership. Please share your email address and indicate interest in receiving our newsletter electronically.

Are You a WRS Member? - Annual - \$25; Two Year - \$40; Five Year - \$100; Lifetime - \$500



CFC WEEK OF GIVING

The week of November 28th is Giving Tuesday Week. Founded over ten years ago, Giving Tuesday is a charitable response to Black Friday and Cyber Monday. As CFC noted — it's the world's biggest giving day of the year.

Show your support by downloading the [Giving Tuesday Badge](#) and using it in your email signature and social media. For your badge and more info, visit: [cfchttps://givecfc.org/giving-tuesday](https://givecfc.org/giving-tuesday)

Source: Combined Federal Campaign (CFC)



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Giving Tuesday is November 29th — an annual day of online giving that celebrates the spirit of generosity. Donations can be made through CFC or directly.

Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) is underway thru January 14, 2023. Federal government employees, retirees and new hires are eligible donors. Help us spread the word and ask all to consider WRS when making contributions. Thanks for your support!

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