

## Warren Madden '81



### **What are your fondest memories as a student of AWHs?**

Two that immediately come to mind are performing in Sister Corona's school musicals and being a part of Mr. O'Brien's Games Club.

What has always struck me about the musicals was the level of participation from the student body. I really enjoyed being a part of that, and felt it brought me closer to my classmates.

Mr. O'Brien was more than just a teacher to me, he was also a great role model. He shared his love of history and games with us, and I am forever grateful for that (though my wife wonders where we can put our ever growing game collection!)

### **Have you stayed close to the friends you made at AWHs? If so, why?**

While I had lost touch with most of my AWHs friends over the years, I have always enjoyed attending the reunions, and recently have reestablished contact with several through Facebook. It's amazing to see how far we've spread across the country!

### **What are your impressions of AWHs today? Strengths? Areas of potential growth?**

I've always felt one of the primary strengths of AWHs has been its sense of community, the bonds fostered between faculty, students, and parents. The fact that we see so many brothers, sisters, children, and now grandchildren of past graduates attending speaks highly of the school.

### **How might our alumni best serve AWHs?**

Beyond the usual support for the school through donations of time and money, I think one way to serve the school is to find ways to contribute to the broader community. The school's reputation is enhanced when its graduates make their mark upon the world.

Warren has had a varied career since his days at AWHs. He has served in the US Air Force for the past 25 years, and currently is a Lieutenant Colonel flying with the Air Force Reserve Hurricane Hunters. He spent fourteen years as a full-time television meteorologist, and still appears several times a month on the Weather Channel. Currently he is working as a software engineer at Lockheed Martin, where he writes the storm data-collection software for the Hurricane Hunter aircraft.

Warren and his wife Sharon will celebrate their fifteenth anniversary this fall, and together they enjoy playing board games, and aviation (Warren is an instrument-rated private pilot), and travel.