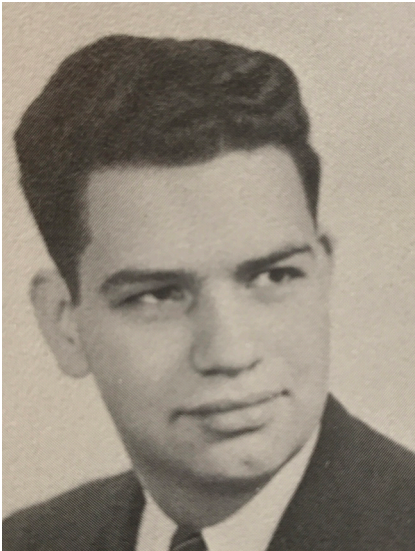


1960s: The World's Youngest Diplomat



Kendra Frost graduated in 1960, going on to serve as the President of the Tecumseh Historical Museum. She is a lifetime member of the society. David Van Valkenberg, also a '60 grad, went on to get degrees from Malone University, the University of Kansas, and Harvard. He currently works with Balfour Associates and sits on the board for the Network Creative Group and Melaleuca.



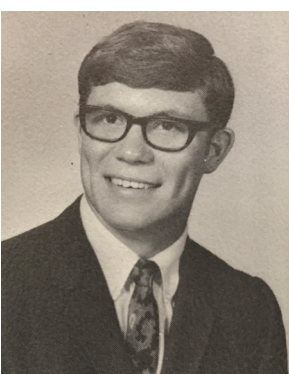
In 1962, one of Tecumseh High School's most accomplished graduates received his diploma. Arthur J Collingsworth, known as "The World's Youngest Diplomat," began his journey at 14 when he wrote a letter to the president of Brazil that resulted in his appointment as Brazilian Government Trade Bureau Representative to Michigan and Ohio. He entered the University of Michigan as a Regents Alumni Scholar and graduated with a degree in Political Science. In 1967 he established the Neils Hansen Memorial Foundation and has served as its Chairman ever since. In '67 he entered Georgetown University Graduate School as an Earhart Foundation Fellow graduating with his master's degree in Government (International Relations). He worked on President Richard Nixon's campaign and transition staff.

For the next 13 years Collingsworth worked for the Youth for Understanding Teenage Student Exchange Program, one of the world's two largest student exchange programs, and rose to the position of vice-president. In 1982 he joined the staff of the United Nations University in Tokyo as their Senior Resource Development Officer. While there he raised \$30 million for the establishment of UNU's first research and training center - the World Institute for Development Economics Research in Helsinki, Finland.

In 1989 Arthur J Collingsworth began his own consultancy specializing in international fundraising. He has worked with numerous organizations across the world including the W.K. Kellogg Foundation where he assisted in the grant that established the International Youth Foundation. He has been awarded both the Finnish Order of the White Rose and Order of the Lion for his work. Collingsworth passed away in 2013.



Karl James Mobley (1968) graduated from Michigan State University and went on to become a restaurateur opening 5 different restaurants or clubs in Ann Arbor, Florida, and Colorado. Also in 1968, Kathy Tuberville graduated from the high school. She has been teaching in the Tecumseh School district since 1973 and is currently the TEAM teacher at Herrick Park Elementary.



1969 would have been the year of Sam Brooks' graduation. He was a young man respected by "students and staff alike." He passed away two weeks before graduation. An award is given in his name each year to a senior boy who displays leadership, character, positive personal traits, personal integrity and helpfulness to others and holds the respect of his peers.