

Military Family Scholarship helps prolong USAWC family's educational tradition

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Marshall Wallach and Amelia Sniffin, Sniffin arrived at The Hill School in the fall of 2016, and is the first recipient of the Wallach Family Military Scholarship. Marshall Wallach and his family established the scholarship to benefit children of act

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A military family scholarship and the generosity of one family prolonged the educational tradition of another, and brought the two families of the extended Army War College Community together for the common purpose of higher education.

Amelia Sniffin, daughter of Chap. (Col.) Peter Sniffin, Director of Ethical Development and Senior Chaplain here at the Army War College, was the first recipient of the Wallach Family Military Scholarship, which was awarded to her in 2016.

Marshall Wallach, with his wife Diane and their sons, Marshall, Forbes and Clark, established the scholarship to benefit qualified active duty commissioned officers by providing need-based financial aid for a Hill School education. The Hill School is a boarding school located in Pottstown, Pa.

"I am so grateful for the Wallach Family Military Scholarship," said Amelia. "Hill never would have been an option without it. I would encourage anyone who has the opportunity to apply for this scholarship to do so."

The Wallach family has strong military ties. Marshall, a Hill School graduate himself, was an Army officer who served in Vietnam. His father and brother were also in the Army, and his father, a veteran of World War II, was an instructor here at the Army War College.

"The Wallach Family Military Scholarship is a way for me to give back to The Hill and to help another military family provide a Hill education to their son or daughter," said Marshall.

Sniffin grew up in the Army as well, and in his years prior to high school experienced multiple school changes, because his father was on active duty and due to family PCSs. In 1977 he entered The Hill School, because his parents were seeking to stabilize his education. It was his fifth school in five years and boarding school would mean one school for his high school years.

The Hill has produced multiple members of Congress as well as many state legislators. Some well-known alumni include former Secretary of State James Baker, Academy Award winning director Oliver Stone, and the current Governor of Pa., Tom Wolf. "It worked out well as I got a great education and was able to spend all of my high school years not just in one school, but one of the country's best schools," said Sniffin.