



# Alumni Newsletter

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"All aboard.....the LOVE TRAIN"

## 20th Anniversary Reunion Alumni honors years ending in 4 and 9 & Sellout is expected

We welcome the 4's and 9's this year, as well as ALL CLASSES, as we kick off the 20th Anniversary of the All- School Reunion and the re-birth of The OOB Alumni Association. Sandy Lord kicked this off 20 years ago and rounded up the team of individuals who keep it running annually.

Once again Alumni Weekend kicks off at Jimmy The Greeks as the Class of 74, celebrating their 45th Reunion, welcomes EVERYONE for a tailgate party, free of charge, ordering off the menu. Saturday we again feature The Chuck Hunter Golf Classic at Deep Brook Golf Course in Saco followed by an evening that begins with a cocktail hour, a delicious buffet featuring salad, 4-cheese lasagna, pot roast, baked haddock, potatoes, veggies, rolls and butter and dessert and then dancing! This year we also induct fallen firefighter hero Joel Barnes '05 into the Alumni Hall of Fame. We will welcome his family and several news agencies to the induction ceremony. Dancing will follow and we will end the weekend with a Farewell Breakfast at The Strike Zone Sunday morning. This year is SURE TO BE A SELLOUT! Banquet tickets need to be purchased in advance as a huge crowd is expected. Final deadline is September 7th, but on a first come basis.



## 2019 Scholarship Winner's Announced

The Old Orchard Alumni Association awarded 8 scholarships to deserving seniors at the commencement exercises on June 2nd. The winners were: **Samantha Donnell**, daughter of the late Paul Donnell '00 and Rose Boudoin, plans to attend American International College majoring in Nursing; **Matthew Doody**, son of Jeff Shawn and Alison Laroche '90 Fontaine, will be attending Thomas College majoring in Business; **Emily Greenlee**, daughter of Richard and Suzanne '76 Gendron Greenlee, plans to major in Health Sciences at SMCC; **Catherine Hall** will be attending YCCC to major in Culinary Arts and is the daughter of James and Beverly Spear '91 Hall; **Hannah LaCourse**, daughter of Robert '87 and Nathalie LaCourse, received the E. Emerson Cummings Alumni Memorial Scholarship and will be attending UNE to major in Medical Biology/Pre-Med; **James McCullum**, son of Joe McCullum '93 and Jamie Desrochers, will be attending SMCC with no selected major at this time; **Breanna Perrigo** is the daughter of Amanda Guerin '91 Perrigo planning to major in Nursing at USM; and **Leah Rubin** is the daughter of the late Kimberly Picard Rubin '83 and lives with her guardian, Ashley Picard '01. Ashley received the George Lariviere Memorial Scholarship and plans to attend USM majoring in Biology. The Alumni Association thanks everyone who paid dues, attended fundraisers, and attended All Classes Reunions to help us continue to raise money for graduating seniors with the desire to further their education.

We welcome the Class of 2019 to The Old Orchard Beach Alumni Association.

ALL NEW!

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I am so pleased that there have been some alumni members, other than officers, starting to attend monthly meetings. We are getting some new input and suggestions as to what alumni members are doing and like to see. Classes' wishing to have their own reunions and not attend the All-School Reunion in the fall is encouraging. The rebirth of The Alumni Association that started 20 years ago was started because of alumni members complaining that their classes never had reunions. From the rebirth, it has started to bring more members together and just not at reunions. Better yet, remembering the "good ole days!

We will be honoring Capt. Joel Barnes, Class of 2005, for the Hall of Fame dedication at the 2019 Reunion. The dedication ceremony comes after the social get-together and before the buffet. There will be a 50/50 raffle with the money being donated to the Captain Joel Barnes Memorial Scholarship Fund overseen by The OOB Alumni Association. I am personally looking for some volunteers with selling the 50/50 tickets, preparing the tickets for the drawing that will be at the end of the dedication, and help to keep track of the profit. If you are willing to help, please contact me by e-mail at [sandyseagull@gmail.com](mailto:sandyseagull@gmail.com) or calling 207-284-6726 and please leave a message. Hope to see a large turnout this year especially for classes celebrating their anniversary years of 4 & 9. SEAGULLS TOGETHER !!

## Class of '66 unites Monthly

By Nancy Marion '66

The Class of '66 would like to share some thoughts and ideas they employ.

We had several class reunions through the years. After our 50th Reunion in 2016, we decided to try getting together once a month for lunch. We started out the first months with 5 people and have had as many as 27 after missing only 3 months due to snowstorms. Turnout has been great, with lots of fun, laughter, and catching up with everyone's news. In doing all of this, we keep our contacts up to date, send out group pictures from the lunches, check up on and support classmates going through illnesses or the loss of loved ones. We even attend funeral services of classmates or their loved ones when possible.



We have maintained a private Facebook group where everyone can share memories, pictures, and chat with each other. Even our classmates in Florida have joined us for lunches when they come during the summer. The people in Florida, living down there and spending the winters, have now tried to do their own get togethers where possible. We put together a Florida map showing where classmates are in relation to each other. Two of them found out they were only 4 miles apart and they got together. Both of our groups, summer and winter, send pictures back and forth. We thought EVERYONE would like to know that this is possible and we wanted to share our story. Technology is faster and easier for everyone to stay connected, via Facebook, email, etc. There are a few people without the internet that we do call regarding our lunches and information, but most are on computer. Everyone feels relaxed and enjoys the lunches very much. It's all very casual, we sit, eat, and chat away the hours. If your class wants to try this and wants help, feel free to contact me, Nancy Robinson Marion at [nanmarion@gmail.com](mailto:nanmarion@gmail.com) or Kathryn Anderson Dolby @ [kdolby1@myfairpoint.net](mailto:kdolby1@myfairpoint.net).

### Editors Note: ( Mark Andrews, Class of '74)

Thank you Nancy ! Incredible idea. I encourage my Class of '74 mates to join us Reunion Weekend as we celebrate our 45th. Class of '74 night at Jimmys on Friday night ( FREE) and the Reunion dinner....a memorable one as we honor a fallen alumnus. Let's do what '66 does !! 207-423-2975. Text me your ideas !







# Joel Barnes to be Inducted into Hall of Fame

Alumni Association to select scholarship recipient in his name.

Captain Joel Barnes of the Berwick, Maine Fire Department was a 2005 graduate of Old Orchard Beach High School. Joel was always a hard worker and dedicated to everything he set out to do in life. He delivered newspapers as a young boy, even in the winter riding his bicycle in the snow. Joel was a kind, caring, easy going and smart guy who knew from a young age he wanted to dedicate his life to helping others. Joel was laser focused on his career, and at age 10 when he found books about fire science and emergency medicine, he studied them for hours.

After high school, Joel worked for Old Orchard Beach Rescue, South Berwick Rescue, York Ambulance, and a few other departments. Joel never wavered from achieving his goal of being a firefighter and paramedic. Joel attended Southern Maine Community College and graduated from the Paramedicine Program in 2010. Joel attended the 26th Horry County Fire and Rescue recruit class in South Carolina for more training. Joel then worked as a firefighter and paramedic in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina also qualifying for the Marine unit as a rescue swimmer.

A few years later Joel moved back to Maine to be closer to his family. Joel developed a close relationship with his nephew and niece. Joel was a loyal and loving son to his family, always putting them first. He was a wonderful uncle to his nephew and niece. He was creative, and enjoyed making silly games and was always making his nephew laugh.

Joel was known for his dry wit and enjoyment of outdoors. He loved camping, hiking, mountain biking and kayaking. He especially enjoyed time at his family's land at a pond in Maine and Sunday lunches with his mother, sister, nephew and niece. Joel loved road trips by himself and with friends. He also enjoyed Red Sox Games at several stadiums with his father.

In 2016 Joel joined the Berwick Fire Department where he worked his way up to the rank of Captain. He was also the training officer and emergency medical services coordinator. Joel was an active member of the department's fire prevention team and was often out in the community teaching kids about firefighting and safety. He often enjoyed volunteering at the library with the kids during story time.

Joel was dedicated to his community and always went above and beyond for them. He was the paramedic and firefighter who came back to a home after a patient was transported to the hospital and shoveled their driveway and walkways because it needed to be done. He was quiet and very humble and never asked for anything. He was a great friend, coworker, leader and the guy that everyone loved and wanted to be around. Joel always had a sly smile on his face and never boasted about his accomplishments or success. It was his passion to serve and protect members of his community.

On March 1, 2019 Captain Joel Barnes and his crew responded to a 4 alarm building fire. Joel and his crew entered the building and while on the third floor, the conditions worsened. Joel and another young firefighter were met with a wall of flames and had to be rescued. At 32 years old, Joel paid the ultimate price at that fire protecting one of his own. Without hesitation, he threw his own body on top of his colleague to shield him from the heat and flames that were closing in saving that young man's life. Captain Joel Barnes, a trusted, dedicated and skilled firefighter, died a HERO that day. It is with heavy hearts that we welcome Captain Joel Barnes to the Alumni Hall of Fame.

*Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13*



## In Memoriam

Clara Margone '41	Priscilla Dumont Stewart '64
Bob Hunter '48	John Ouellette '66
Robert Pettingill '48	Al Saucier '66
Charles McKenna '52	Billy Dale '67
Julia Tripp Boothby '56	Sally Crosby Marcotte '69
Carlton Hunter '56	Allan Lewis Bean '71
Arthur MacDonald '56	Ronald Doucette '75
Warren Gamash '58	Mark Snow 'Staff
Priscille Jeanne Parent Jarry '63	

*Thank you to those who have made donations on behalf of our departed Alumni to The Old Orchard Beach Alumni Scholarship Fund !*

## Class of 1954

*Alice 'Bootie' Hersom Jenkins invites all of her former classmates to the All -School Reunion as The Alumni Association welcomes all to celebrate their 65th Reunion ! Duffy's Galley Ballroom awaits, cocktail hour, gourmet buffet dinner and dancing....Hope to see you Alumni Weekend Sept. 13th , 14th, and 15th !*

## Class of 1969

*I encourage all of my 1969 classmates to join the All School Reunion Dinner and Dance on September 15th. Let's celebrate our 50th reunion together and create new memories. Bring your old memories to share and laugh about. Let me know you'll be coming at ckimball25@icloud.com. See you soon !*  
*Craig Kimball*

## Class of 1974

*I am inviting all of my classmates from the Class of 1974 to join me at The All School Reunion as we celebrate our 45th (YIKES) Reunion. As we have all reached retirement age, lets re-unite this fall ! I will send each of you more details in the near future. Thanks, Mark Andrews*

## Alumni Profiles

Our Alumni Profiles section returns next newsletter!

See who we honor in January 2020 !

**LARGEST HALLOWEEN PARTY IN OLD ORCHARD BEACH !**

Hosted by  
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**FANTASTIC  
DOOR PRIZES**

All Are Welcome!

# HALLOWEEN

**\$10**  
per person

Call to reserve  
your table of 8!

## DANCE PARTY

**Prizes**  
Scariest, Most Original  
& Best Couple  
Costumes

**SAT. OCT. 26TH**  
**7-10 PM**

Get your tickets at MacDonald's Garage in OOB,  
Prime Honda in Saco, Brady's Screenprint in Biddeford,  
or call Mark Andrews at 207-423-2975

Scholarship Fundraiser presented by the Old Orchard Beach Alumni Association!

## WHO AM I ?

Today you 'text' with two fingers. I taught my class how to do it with all 10 and ya didn't even have to peek....and if i caught you.... DUCK ! My goodness how times have changed! Today's youth wouldn't even know what a typewriter looked like. Thankfully, I am retired..... Who am I ?



Email your answer to [mandrew1@maine.rr.com](mailto:mandrew1@maine.rr.com) or text 207-423-2975 with your name , and year of graduation. Maybe YOUR name will be drawn and win a golf shirt ! Good luck !!

Last newsletter we featured Bernard Neveaux, former teacher and Driver's Ed Teacher @ OOBHS. Theresa Cook Jordan '61 was the lucky winner drawn and wins the alumni golf shirt ! Congratulations!

**PLEASE INCLUDE YEAR OF GRADUATION OR IF YOU ARE A STAFF MEMBER**



Register Today!

# Reunion 2019 Registration



**Alumni Weekend 2019**  
Sept. 13th-15th, 2019

Name : \_\_\_\_\_ Class of \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name : \_\_\_\_\_ Maiden: \_\_\_\_\_ Class of \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address : \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone : \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO : OOBAA

\_\_\_\_\_ dinners @\$30 ea. = \_\_\_\_\_  
 2011- 2019 dues at \$5 = \_\_\_\_\_  
 Prior dues @\$3 = \_\_\_\_\_  
 Optional Postage Fund = \_\_\_\_\_  
 Foul shooting contest = \_\_\_\_\_  
 Optional Scholarship Donation = \_\_\_\_\_  
 Joel Barnes Scholarship donation = \_\_\_\_\_  
**TOTAL AMOUNT OF CHECK : \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Mail to : OOBAA  
 P.O. Box 337  
 Old Orchard Beach, ME. 04064

**Awesome Buffet at Reunion will need to be paid in advance. Please send in your ticket money today. Thanks for your support!**



**THIS YEAR WE HONOR CLASSES ENDING IN 4 AND 9!**

**IF NOT PAID BEFORE 2018 FALL DINNER...YOUR DUES ARE DUE NOW FOR 2019**

**I (WE) will attend**

- Football game 7pm (AWAY GAME)
- Tailgate Party 7:00pm
- Saturday Golf Scramble 9:00 am
- Saturday Night Banquet 5:30 pm
- Sunday Farewell Breakfast 9am



**REGISTRATION DEADLINE SAT. SEP. 7th**

## ALUMNI WEEKEND '19

**Friday, Sept. 13th, 7pm**

**Friday Night Football At Boothbay**

**BUT THE TAILGATE PARTY STARTS AT 7!**



**Saturday Sept. 14th, 9am**

**Chuck Hunter Alumni Golf Scramble**  
**Deep Brook Golf Course, Saco**



**All-School Reunion 5:30 pm**

- COCKTAIL HOUR
- BUFFET DINNER
- DANCING

**Sunday Sep. 15th, 9 am**



The Strike Zone  
Milliken Street  
OOB

## Class Notes

Class notes is a regular feature announcing former classmates' happenings! Births, engagements, weddings, promotions, etc. Let us know what's happening in YOUR life today!! email us.....see page 6 for e-mail addresses!

Alyssa Hickel '15 graduated from College of Pharmacy at UNE and is now employed at Hannaford in the Pharmacy. The Oceana Staff dedicated the 2019 yearbook to 5 staff members who have put in 25 years of service with RSU23 and are members of OOBHS. Glen Gilbert has served as custodian, bus driver, and grounds keeper; Carolyn Mehlman is married to alumnus Marc Jacques '74; Donna Moutsatsos '69, has been a school board member, Athletic Director, education Association Vice-President, Education Maine Association V.P as well as being an Ed. Tech. Donna has also coached the golf team. Karen Membrino Murphy '78 took business classes from Mrs. Prentiss, Mr. LaChance, and Mr. Brady with the goal to become an Administrative Assistant. Karen has kept up to date in information technology in her position in the guidance office, as well as, the RSU23 district. She is married to alumnus Marty Murphy '75; and Dawn Poisson teaches business and math courses. Her dedication to students' success often finds her lights on after the school day ends. Dawn is married to alumnus Dennis Poisson '77. Lauralee Small '15 graduated from University of Tampa Bay with a B.S. degree in Science in Sport Management with a Minor in Business Administration. The varsity football team at OOBHS goes back to the old 8 man team starting this fall!



**Have a thought or idea to help! We welcome it!**  
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