



Alumni Newsletter

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Some members of the Class of 69 and other fellow Alumni at Jimmy the Greeks for the Friday night get together. A great time was had by all. Let's do it again in the fall of 2020.

20th Anniversary Reunion in the Books ! It's on to another decade with Alumni Association

It all began as a dream of Sandy Lord to rekindle the Alumni Association back in the fall of 1999. By the fall of 2000, Sandy and a committee of volunteers, got the OOBHS Alumni Association back up and running and successfully completed their 20th year honoring classes ending in 4 and 9 (their anniversary years) back in September. With fund-raisers throughout the year the group looks forward to getting together, not only at our events, but the All-School Reunion each fall. We do it all again in 2020 and it starts in February. Full details of the upcoming events are on page 3 in this newsletter. A great deal of time and effort is put forth by the volunteers. We need your \$5 dues to keep the newsletter coming twice a year, events updated on our website (oobeachalumni.com) and the continued efforts to raise money for scholarships to deserving students graduating from our Alma Mater. Thanks for your help !!



Fallen Alumni Hero Honored

*Capt. Joel Barnes '05
inducted into Hall of Fame*



Sarah Place Mills '98 presents plaques to Kara Barnes Allaire '01 (sister of Joel Barnes) & Mike & Margaret Barnes (Joel's parents).

He died saving a fellow firefighter, shielding him with his own body, sacrificing his own life. Capt. Joel Barnes, Class of 2005, was inducted into the OOBHS Hall of Fame for his bravery and ultimate contributions to society at The All-School Reunion in September 2019. Last spring, upon his death, family friend Sarah Place Mills '98 and her mom Cindy Rogers Mattson '76 approached the Alumni Association asking about starting a scholarship in Joel's name. It was immediately put in the newsletter, press releases sent out, and TV stations took to the air and teamwork made the dream work. Over \$10,000 has been raised in the past few months and an annual scholarship will be forever given to a graduate entering the Firefighter, Emergency Medical Technician or Public Safety field starting in June 2020 and graduating from Old Orchard Beach High School.

The Alumni Association inducted Capt. Barnes after a moving video about the tragic events while sharing his life, family, and legacy to all in attendance. Fellow Alumni, firefighters, family, and friends witnessed a tribute to Joel while a Firefighter's boot and helmet were open for monetary donations towards the Scholarship in Joel's name. The Alumni Association will send you a copy of the video on DVD for a donation of \$10 (including shipping) with 100% of the proceeds going to the scholarship fund in Capt. Joel Barnes's name. For your copy, email Mark Andrews at mandrew1@maine.rr.com. Welcome Capt. Barnes, and thank you for your service.

ALL NEW !

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In planning our 21st Reunion on September 19, 2020, the officers have had to make some tough decisions to keep the price at \$30 and still break somewhat even. As we all know, prices have gone up on everything, per usual, while people's income has not. At the present time, the officers are looking to have to cut one entree and eliminate dessert to keep the price workable. I am looking forward to seeing classes ending in "0" and "5" as they celebrate an anniversary year as well as other members. I thought you might be interested in a few things that went on at the high school this past fall. The Seagull Marching Band, under the direction of Band Director Mark Manduca '73, brought home another Gold Award for the 9th straight year. The Maine Principal's Association voted to help schools keep their football programs by adding another division for 8 man football teams. OOBHS made history by hosting the first game in Maine and finished 1st in the Southern Division. The 8 Man State Football Championship was played at Fitzpatrick Stadium in Portland against Mt. Ararat from Topsham. Even though the Seagulls lost, they made us proud with Coaches Dean Plante '88 and Curt Chretien '88. OOB did not have enough girls to have an ice hockey team so they joined the Cheverus H.S. team. Last year (2019) they were State Champs. This winter the seniors in the Alternative Education Program are helping senior citizens by filling buckets of sand from the town barn and making deliveries to keep them safe.

Classes that graduated from 2000 and up, your Co-corresponding secretary, Cady, is missing a great many addresses. If you are receiving a newsletter and know of others who are not, please share the information. I hope those alumni in the area will support our fundraisers to increase the Alumni Scholarship Fund. Sharri MacDonald '90 is chairing 3 BIG fundraisers as depicted on page 3 in this newsletter. We have the LEAP YEAR Dance, The Alumni Basketball Classic and the OOB 365 / Alumni Dine Around. Let's make 2020 another successful year and everyone stay healthy! We hope to see you at the events and support your OOB Alumni Association!

Reunion Weekend this year honors years ending in 0 and 5



The Class of 1970 will hold its 50th Reunion on October 17th, 2020, at Joseph's by the Sea in Old Orchard Beach. Spread the word and look for further details in the next (summer) newsletter. If you haven't already done so, please send your name, current snail mail address, email address, and phone number to Karen Fortier Waxler: kwaxler@maine.rr.com. If you know how to locate the following people :John Bedell, Raymond Bouchard, Lunette Granger, or Sharon Pottle please let them know this information. Hope to see you at our 50th !



Judy Andrews Caras says 'save the date' for a weekend of fun events as the Class of 75 celebrates 45 years since walking down the aisle at graduation. A save the date letter will be going out shortly reserving Friday Sept. 18th for a tailgate get together (free) at Jimmy the Greeks starting at 7. See page 5 for the listing of scheduled events and more details will be mailed to you. We are currently looking for the following classmates : Linda Benoit, Diane Berberat, Annette Ducharme Seay, Michael Duhamel, Lynn Farrington, Bruce Gagnon, Annette Gregoire, Kevin Marcotte, Kristine Masterman, Terrance Mullen, Roger Parker, and Michael Sprague. Know where they are?? Email me at jcaras1@maine.rr.com. Hope to see you at #45 !



The All-School Reunion this year welcomes classes ending in 0 and 5 as they celebrate anniversary years. The evening's festivities, Saturday Sept. 19th, begin with a cocktail hour starting at 5:30, the induction ceremony of the 2020 Hall of Fame member at 6:30 followed by a delicious dinner and dancing. A great night to rekindle friendships with fellow classmates from all years. Reservations are required and the reservation page is on page 5 in this newsletter or can be downloaded at oobeachalumni.com.



Editor's Note: (Mark Andrews, Class of '74)

We welcome ALL YEARS to the All -School Reunion even if you are having your own get together at another date and/or location ! If you are planning your own event, contact us so we can get in the summer newsletter and assist in letting your fellow classmates know ! Seagull Pride !

He is the bartender at OOB Alumni's All-School Reunions

WHO IS.....DENNIS COFFEY?

4 straight evenings Duffy's Tavern bartender Dennis Coffey, OOB Class of 1983, racked up over \$50000 winning 3 of those nights on Jeopardy. Fans packed Duffy's as Dennis took down a 4 time champion on national tv before going on to win 2 more games finally losing on the 4th night on the final Jeopardy answer. He made Maine and Old Orchard proud. Dennis, Alumni co-treasurer in 2018, talked with host Alex Trebek about the opioid crisis in Maine hitting home here in Old Orchard Beach. Two former friends, alumnus, and customer's at 7-11, where Dennis worked, died within a week of each other. Molly Parks '08 and Sarah Berlin'08 were brought up by Dennis, waiving from the normal light hearted Trebek interview, to bring attention to an epidemic crisis rising here in Maine. Congrats Dennis Coffey and thank you for your humbleness and being a true champion for OOB.



3 BIG FUNDRAISERS COMING UP

The fundraising season begins as we team up with OOB365 and make our Spring Dance this year a LEAP YEAR PARTY! It's like an adult winter carnival! This year we have appetizers, cash bar, door prizes, 50/50 raffle, and dancing February 29th ! Reservations for tables of 8 !

We enter our 21st year with former Alumni Basketball Superstars taking on the current high school teams in the annual Alumni Basketball Classic. Even if you never played before come join in on the fun as the Alumni looks to take it's all time record to 20-1. Yeah the most exciting game ever was 2 years ago when we lost in overtime on a half-court buzzer beater. The Alumni came back last year.

Fine dining at Old Orchard's finest eateries, while boarding the 365 Trolley, is one of our biggest fundraisers for the scholarship fund as we Savor the Flavor of the beach's best kept secrets! All aboard and bring an appetite....and most of all remember....'What happens on the Trolley, Stays on the Trolley! Fun time for the entire family ! Cheap entertainment ! Details on FACEBOOK on dates and venues or check it in March on oobeachalumni.com

DUFFY'S TAVERN & GRILL
FUN. FOOD. FRIENDS.

2020 LEAP YEAR PARTY

\$15/person
Included with your ticket is a fantastic Appetizer Bar

Hey, OOB365 is OOB366 this year - let's take advantage of the extra time to have some fun!!

SATURDAY February 29 7pm-10pm

Party like there are 365 days in a year!

Tickets available at Prime Honda Saco Brady Screenprint in Biddeford and MacDonald's Garage in OOB! OR get yours online at OOB365.com

Old Orchard Beach **ALUMNI**
Seagull Pride is Alive

Watch as today's High School Players take on the ALL-STARS of YESTERYEAR!

2020 BASKETBALL Classic

50/50 Raffle for Captain Joel Barnes Scholarship Fund

Admission \$5

Friday, March 20th
Tip off at 6pm

Want to play in the game?
Contact Sharri MacDonald 207-590-4201 smacdonald@maine.rr.com

FUN NIGHT OUT FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY!

#communitymatters

100% of the proceeds goes to the Alumni Scholarship Fund!

In Memoriam

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| Mary Stroumbus Morsey '44 | Patricia Presby Chelate '69 |
| Robert Couri '47 | Diane Sweeney Van Dyke '69 |
| Adelbert Jakeman '47 | Carol Travers Cloutier '70 |
| Joan Oceau Smith '48 | Ricky Smith '70 |
| Robert Johnson Sr. '49 | Tom Boudreau '74 |
| Robert Smith '49 | Greg Mezoin '83 |
| Charles Winslow '52 | Edward Hawkins Jr. '87 |
| Fernand Violette '53 | Susan Randall '88 |
| James Farrington '54 | Tim Murphy '95 |
| Bruce DeRepentigny '57 | Brittany Ward '00 |
| Elaine Leger Roux '59 | Capt. Joel Barnes '05 |
| Sandra Merrill Mullett '59 | Donald Hamalainen 'Staff |
| Richard Rowlands '59 | Angelike Heemon 'Staff |
| Sandra Augar Denniston '66 | Mark Nadeau 'Staff |
| Michael Angelosante '67 /Staff | Ralph Pettingill 'Staff |
| Sharon Boisvert Hymanson '67 | |

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

Alumni Profiles



Penny Wallin Sergeant '82

Feeling Hungry ? Penny Wallin Sergeant '82 invites you to her new venture... 'OZZY's PIT STOP' at 885 Portland Rd. (Rte 1) across from Ira Jack Chevrolet ! Open spring, summer, and fall, Ozzy's features incredible appetizers, wraps, sandwiches, pizzas, breakfast, lunch and dinner ! Breakfast omelettes , shrimp and scallop dinners.....you name it.....it is probably on the menu ! Order to go at 572-2541 ! Email them at ozzyspitstop@gmail.com.

Check Penny's Facebook page out at Ozzyspitstop. Get you started ? Try the chicken wings, loaded taters, nachos, clam cakes, or their now famous loaded pizza treats !!! Specialty wraps made to order , whether it be veggie, buffalo chicken, spicy Italian, haddock or chicken caesar The expert chefs at Ozzy's will make it fresh and you will surely be back for more. Congratulations Penny Wallin Sergeant for fulfilling your dream ! Check out the Facebook pics of this state of the art PIT STOP as Penny certainly takes food trucks to a whole new level !



Nominations Open

We are looking for you to nominate someone you think deserves recognition for this year's Hall of Fame. It can be someone who attended, worked in, taught in, or administered in the Old Orchard Beach School System. Submit your suggestion in a short narrative to any Alumni Board member by May 31st. Thank you !

WE WANT YOUR EMPTIES!



CLYNK



Call Janet Doherty at 934-2228 for your Hannaford Clynk bags and donate YOUR returnable bottles and cans to The Old Orchard Beach Alumni Association

WHO AM I ?

I may not have tooted my own horn, but I may have taught YOU how to. Some say I was as much a friend, as an educator.

Many say I was quite the ham ! Come on....I looked pretty young back then.....but you remember !

Who am I ???



Email your answer to 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 **Barbara Prentiss**, former typing and shorthand teacher @ OOBHS. **Charlie Vincent '68** 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 2020 Registration



Alumni Weekend 2020
Sept. 18th-20th, 2020

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

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO : OOBAA

_____ dinners @\$30 ea. = _____
 2011- 2020 dues at \$5 = _____
 Prior dues @\$3 = _____
 Optional Postage Fund = _____
 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 0 AND 5 !

IF NOT PAID BEFORE 2019 FALL DINNER...YOUR DUES ARE DUE NOW FOR 2020

I (WE) will attend

- _____ Football game 7pm (tbd)
- _____ Tailgate Party 7:00pm
- _____ Saturday Night Banquet 5:30 pm
- _____ Sunday Farewell Breakfast 9am



REGISTRATION DEADLINE SAT. SEP. 12th

ALUMNI WEEKEND '20

Friday, Sept. 18th, 7pm

Friday Night Football (TBD)

BUT THE TAILGATE PARTY STARTS AT 7 !



All-School Reunion 5:30 pm

**COCKTAIL HOUR
BUFFET DINNER
DANCING**



Sunday Sep. 20th, 9 am



Lucky Loggers
Shaws Plaza
Saco

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 !

Zach Chase '09 got married this past July and continues to be the Athletic Trainer at St. Joe's College. **Pam McLeod L'Heureaux '69** was unable to attend her 50th Anniversary Reunion because she was called in to work by FEMA. **Cody Blanchette '18** is attending MMA and is on the football team. **Peyton Blanchette '18** graduated from 'Boot Camp' for the U.S. Air Force. **Mike Rague '12** has been promoted to Customer Relationship Officer for Saco-Biddeford Savings Institution at the OOB branch. **Fred Chase '04** is now a Lieutenant in the U.S. Coast Guard. **John Fairbanks '49** was recently inducted into the Maine Maritime Academy Athletic Hall of Fame. John scored the winning touchdown for the Seagulls with a 6 yard run and scored the extra point in beating Biddeford 14-6. The Class A Tigers had lost only ONCE in their previous 33 games. **Jim Fairbanks '51**, John's brother, captained the OOBHS 1951 team. For more info check out Alumni Stories on oobeachalumni.com . **Marc Jacques '74**, retired from the U.S.P.S in November.



Have a thought or idea to help! We welcome it !
 text or call : 207-423-2975 or email mandrew1@maine.rr.com



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UPCOMING EVENTS



Leap Year 2020 Party

Music from All YEARS !

Sat. Feb.29 , 7-10 pm

Raising money for scholarships !

See Page #3 for details



ALUMNI BASKETBALL CLASSIC

Fri. Mar. 20th, 2020 6pm

Seagulls of today vs. Stars of yesteryear!

SEE PAGE #3 FOR DETAILS



SAVOR THE FLAVOR

Dine at Old Orchard's Best Kept Secrets

BIG Spring Fund Raiser

see oobeachalumni.com for details



All-School Reunion Weekend

Sept. 18, 19, 20

Honoring years ending in 0 and 5!

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