



Alumni Newsletter

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REUNION



by COVID-19

For the first time in 21 years The Old Orchard Beach High School All-School Reunion has been cancelled. At press time things were just starting to open up around Maine but with the uncertainty and ever changing times the Alumni team felt it best to postpone the reunion until the fall of 2021. Also cancelled were 2 major fund raisers in the Alumni Basketball Classic and The Savor the Flavor Dine around. So in the fall of 2021 we will not only welcome years ending in 0 and 5 but also classmates from years ending in 1 and 6. With pent up energy from stay at home orders, layoffs, furloughs and social distancing we are gearing up for one of the largest turnouts yet when we meet at Duffy's the weekend of September 17, 18, and 19 in 2021. We are still hoping to have our Fall Dance at Duffy's Saturday November 14th of this year. We are calling EVERYONE out to that dance as we need a fund raiser (and your dues) to offset expenses and losses due to 3 major events cancelled due to The Coronavirus. The dues page is on page 5 of this newsletter. We welcome your anticipated support. We hope you have all been safe during these troubling times and a reminder we ARE all in this together. We look forward to when this is all over and our lives can get back to normal. Thank you for your understanding and support.



Sophia Loranger granted Alumni Scholarship

The OOB Alumni Scholarship this year is awarded to Sophia Loranger, daughter of Guy Loranger '81 and Joan Caraway. Sophia plans on attending Colby-Sawyer College majoring in biology with a Pre-Medical focus plus playing soccer. Her plans are to later attend medical school and become a doctor of osteopathic medicine.

While in high school, Sophia was a member of the soccer team, Seacoast United Soccer Club, National Honor Society, Interact Club, Spanish Club, Junior Volunteer Program and Medical Explores through MMC. For community service she volunteered at Maine Medical Center, worked at car shows as well as helping with Toys for Tots.

Sophia was also the winner of the coveted Maine State Principals' Award in recognition of a high school senior's academics and leadership. OOBHS principal John Suttie announced that award by stating 'Throughout her years at Old Orchard Beach High, Sophia has distinguished herself in the classroom, on the playing field, and as a leader in the school and the community. She very much deserves this recognition.'

We wish Sophia luck in her career choice and welcome her and the Class of 2020 to the Alumni Association.

ALL NEW!

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Sandy's Corner

by: Sandy Lord



Hope this finds you and yours safe and well. So many “unknowns” at this time with every state having rules about the virus. I feel we have made the right decision for not having a reunion and annual meeting this year. Reservations already made will receive a refund. As Co-Treasurer being in charge of our checking account, I hate having to inform you of the following situation: The general account income comes from dues, postage donations, and ads from the reunion booklet. The February newsletter cost was over \$1,900.00. As of May 31, the general account has just over \$3,000.00 before this mailing. I am concerned about getting out a winter and summer issue in 2021. (We used to have 3 mailings a year.) We may have to have only one in 2021 and have to borrow the money from another account to be reimbursed later. With so many of you being laid off from work and not knowing if your job will be there when things start opening again, paying your dues and/or making a donation to the postage fund should be at the very bottom of your list or not at all from my viewpoint. There is a Harvest Dance planned for November 14th at Duffy's Tavern & Grill if the rules change here in Maine. We usually deposit all profit from fundraisers to the Alumni Scholarship Fund but that may have to change this year to cover the winter mailing. All our fundraisers planned for this spring had to be cancelled except the Leap Year Dance which was a great success thanks to the MacDonald family and OOB365. We are hoping to have the fall dance, next spring's “Savor the Flavor” (dine around-date TBA), Annual Basketball game on March 19th and Spring Dance (date TBA), we could use some of that money for next summer's newsletter. I wish to thank those members who sent in their dues and donations from the February mailing, it is greatly appreciated. Please stay well and remember LOVE & KINDNESS IS CONTAGIOUS TOO! Please, pay your dues and assist.



The Class of 1970 will be changing its 50th Reunion to October 23rd, 2021, at Joseph's by the Sea in Old Orchard Beach. It's now a 51st Reunion! Spread the word and look for further details in the future newsletters. 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, or Sharon Pottle please let them know this information. Hope to see you at our delayed 50th !



Judy Andrews Caras says Covid 19 has postponed the 45th until the fall of 2021. The class of 75 will be celebrating Alumni Weekend Sept 17-19 2021. More details in future newsletters. 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, or should we say #46 !



2020 Reunion being cancelled will mean the 2021 get together will be huge ! We will celebrate classes ending in 0 and 5 as well as years ending in 1 and 6. We will start reservations in the winter newsletter coming out in February 2021. Hope you are all staying safe during these troubling times and appreciate your support of YOUR Alumni Association



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

With the total turmoil of 2020 thus far I hope you are safe and staying in touch with family and friends. With our fingers crossed we can hope the Fall Dance will still be in place with all of our other events cancelled due to Covid-19. Hope to see you November 14th, stay safe....We're all in this together !





Explaining The Trust Fund **From the desk of Sandy Lord**

I was questioned at the last alumni reunion about our scholarships and others, so thought it was important that all members have the information. OOBHS scholarships started from money that was donated in people's names or from estates and was managed by the OOB Town Council. In the 1980's, scholarship money was transferred to the Superintendent and School Board to oversee. The school lawyers in the early 1990's drew up a Declaration of Trust for all scholarship funds called the Old Orchard Beach Scholarship Trust. At the beginning of the OOB Alumni Scholarship write up printed in the program for graduation and our reunion booklet, there is a list of classes that have made donations to the Alumni Scholarship Fund. This came about from a recommendation made by the Maine State Auditor. At a School Board meeting held on February 13, 1986, the following policy was enacted: "Beginning with the graduating class of 1986, Old Orchard Beach will no longer maintain class funds for graduated classes in an open account. All accounts will be closed 90 days after the date of graduation. Any remaining funds will be deposited in the Alumni Fund Scholarship Account. No funds may be released to any student or class activity without the approval of the class advisor and the school administration." Mrs. Lord will write letters to the class treasurers of all accounts currently held and ask for contributions to the Alumni Scholarship Fund. (Additional information: the bank was deducting money from inactive accounts and school accounts are tax-exempt.) Before Old Orchard Beach became a part of RSU#23 with Saco and Dayton, a new trust was drafted. On June 23, 2009, the OOB School Board voted to accept the new Trust called, "The Town of Old Orchard Beach Schools Scholarship Trust" which put a group of Trustees in charge of the Scholarship Fund. At the present time, OOB is the only one left in the RSU#23 as Saco and Dayton withdrew years after July 1, 2009. Members of the Trustees are the Superintendent of Schools/ High School Principal, Assistant Superintendent/Assistant High School Principal, one member of the RSU#23 Board of Directors, one High School staff member, two Alumni members, Trustee Recorder (Guidance Administrative Secretary) and the Old Orchard Beach High School Scholarship Manager. It has been my pleasure to serve as the OOBHS Scholarship Manager (for more years than I can remember) and since July 1, 2009, Head Trustee. The fund started with 9 scholarships and it is now up to 32 in the Trust. Only the interest accrued each year is awarded and the principle is not touched. At graduation time, thanks to outside groups and businesses, there are over 60 scholarships that are available to be awarded at the present time. Please feel free to contact me with any questions about the above information. Email sandyseagull@gmail.com



NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee of Arthur Dickson, Cindy Rogers Mattson and Sarah Place Mills present the nomination for the 2020-2021 slate of officers for the Alumni Association, Inc. The nominations of the officers are: President: Mark Andrews, Class of 1974, Vice-President: Janet Paradis Doherty, Class of 1957, Recording Secretary: Marlene Angelosante Day, Class of 1973, Co-Corresponding Secretary of Classes 1897- 1999 alumni-Pam Guerin Trempe, Class of 1984 and Cady Koenigs, Class of 2008, for Classes 2000 to the present, Co-Treasurers: Sandy Lord, Past President/ Staff and Gary Patnaude, Class of 1983, Co-Historians: Alice "Bootie" Hersom Jenkins, Class of 1954 and Arlene Bellevue Hanson, Class of 1955, and Event Coordinator: Christine Timmins Patnaude, Class of 1985. This year's Annual Meeting is not possible and officers are elected by the alumni members present at that meeting per our Bylaws, so if any one wishes to nominate someone else or objects to the nominations they may do so by contacting the President. If no additions or objections received by September 8, 2020, the Recording Secretary will cast a vote to accept the nominated officers for 2020-2021 when we hold monthly meetings following Maine guidelines at the present time.



In Memoriam

from 9/19/19 to 5/31/20

- Rachel Letarte Standley '44
- Evelyn Noel Woodhouse '44
- Alec Downs '45
- Jean Mewer Fenderson '45
- Emily Hallett Felker '46
- Bill Farrington '49
- Leona Letendre Murray '49
- Earl Adams Jr. '50
- Gail Smith Findley '50
- James Pettingale '50
- Carol Keene Straton '52
- Gloria Ford Dickinson '53
- George Freeman '53
- Richard "Joe" O'Brien '53
- Diane Curry '54
- Dawn Perry Carter '55
- Charles Keene '58
- Richard Blaney '60
- Joan Strickland Beach '61
- Priscille Boisvert Fradette '61
- William Mewer '61
- Carol Lesieur Lacourse '62
- Beverly Southwick Glaude '66
- Joanne Valliere Crepeau '67
- Linda Pillsbury Lang '67
- Jay "Robby" Girard '70
- Lunette Granger '70
- Cindy Bernard Mullen '70
- Tom Hubbard '72
- Paul Vance '78
- Ruth Ann Davis '83
- Marc Beauregard '85
- Michael Frenette '01
- Gregory Beaudin '06
- George St. Pierre '08
- Nancy Barnes- Staff
- Donat Bineau Jr.- Staff

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



Scholarship Fundraiser



Saturday Nov. 14th 7-10pm
Music from all years

FUN. FOOD. FRIENDS

\$10 person Ticket info 207-423-2975

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 ?



Motion by the ocean in OOB. We appeared at The Palace Ballroom August 13th and 14th in 1963. It looks like WHO AM I this month becomes..... WHO ARE WE ?

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

Last newsletter we featured Don 'Mr. Ham' Hamalainen, former Band Director @ OOBHS. Craig Kimball '69 was the lucky winner drawn and wins the alumni golf shirt ! Congratulations!

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



Now, more than ever, WE NEED YOUR DUES



Name : _____ Class of _____

Name : _____ Maiden: _____ Class of _____

Address : _____ City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone : _____ E-mail: _____

2011- 2021 dues at \$5 = _____

Prior dues @\$3 = _____

Optional Postage Fund = _____

Optional Scholarship Donation = _____

Joel Barnes Scholarship donation= _____

TOTAL AMOUNT OF CHECK : \$ _____

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO : OOBAA

Mail to : OOBAA

P.O. Box 337

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

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!

Class Notes and Alumni Profiles will return in the Winter Issue of your Alumni Newsletter

The 2020 Hall of Fame winner is selected and will be announced in the Winter Newsletter!



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



HELP NEEDED FOR/FROM CLASS AGENTS



There is a great concern about many classes missing members mailing addresses to receive the Alumni newsletter sent out twice a year. Many alumni get married and/or move but forget to notify the Alumni Association. Newsletters are returned per our request but many without forwarding information. This is an extra cost to the Association. We are asking the present class agents to reach out to the Co-corresponding Secretaries Pam and Cady for information about their class. Some classes are missing class agents so if you would be willing to help the Association keep track of your fellow classmates, please contact Pam for classes 1940 to 1999 and Cady for all of the 2000's.

Missing class agents are 1940-'41-'42-'43-'44-'45-'46-'47-'50-'59-'61-62-'63-'78-'81-'82-'89-'94 and 2001-'02-'04-'06-'07-09 & all the rest. See Contacting the Association for Pam and Cady's information.



Your Alumni Association meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month in The Sandy Lord Conference Room at OOBHS. Come share your thoughts with us! We ALWAYS welcome new ideas. 6:30 is when we begin and rarely it goes more than 2 hours. Come see us!



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UPCOMING EVENTS



Fall Dance

Music from ALL YEARS!

Sat. Nov. 14th 7-10 pm

Duffy's Tavern and Grill

Raising money for scholarships!



ALUMNI BASKETBALL CLASSIC

Fri. Mar. 19th, 2021 6pm

Seagulls of today vs. Stars of yesteryear!



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. 17, 18, 19, 2021

Honoring years ending in 0 and 5 & 1 and 6!

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