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Alumni Newsletter

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Sandy's Wish Comes True \$10,000 Raised, Wyland Mural Completed



Russel Whitten, Class of 2001

In 1998 famous sealife muralist 'Wyland' completed 50 walls in 50 states including the OOBHS Gymnasium wall. Over the years of harsh Maine weather... it faded horribly. The idea of painting over it was discussed, well until Sandy Lord got involved. 'It's a piece of history, a piece of art and I will raise the money myself if I have to to get it restored.' Sadly, less than \$2000 was raised before her death in May of last year.

In a final letter to Alumni, President Mark Andrews, she stated "Even though I am gone, I am still in charge here. Get that wall done." With all Sandy has done for the community and schools, handling a million dollars of OOB Scholarships over the years, how could anyone deny her dying wishes. With the help of Sharri MacDonald, Class of 1990, several businesses, alumni donations and a generous donation from The School Board, the balance of the money was raised to get the paint, the brushes, the boom lift, and commissioning local artist Russel Whitten, Class of 2001. "It's an honor (after assisting Wyland as a student 25 years prior) to be asked to refurbish this mural in honor of Sandy Lord" Whitten told local papers and TV stations. One week in a 4 foot boom several feet in the air Russell Whitten completed the project. From above, we hear Sandy thank everyone from the bottom of a heart that gave us so much.

Save the Dates: Sept.13th-15th for 2024 Reunion



Sept. 2023 Reunion

All classes are invited as we honor those ending in 4 and 9 at this fall's All School Reunion. Once again a FREE Tailgate Party is Friday night at Jimmy the Greek's at 7 (or shortly after the OOBHS football game of which schedule has yet to be announced). Alumni from any year are welcome.

Birdie's Grill and Tavern (formerly Duffys) will again host us as we get together for an evening of stories, friendships, food and drink, and dancing. This year we are excited to be honoring Carol King, Class of '58, as this year's recipient into The Old Orchard Beach High School ALumni Hall of Fame. We'll have more details in the summer newsletter. If your class ends in 4 or 9 we welcome you to join us as we honor YOU. If you're planning something special email mandrew1@maine.rr.com and we will be sure to get it listed in the next newsletter. If not, we will have a table reserved for you...and look forward to our 25th year of getting people together and having a great time. Send in your reservation today!



From The Class of 1973

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Janet Doherty '57 Totally Surprised Hall of Fame Induction kept secret by family

She thought she was going out to eat with her family. Even more of surprise was they were bringing her to The All School Reunion. To make a night even greater...she was awarded the OOB Alumni Hall of Fame for 2023 after serving as the Alumni Association Vice President for 24 years with her whole family, kids, spouses, grandkid and relatives aiding in the surprise.

THE DOHERTY FAMILY

Thank you Janet Doherty for your years of service to The Alumni, band boosters, the Red Hat Society, serving lunches in the school cafeterias, and your years of dedication at Saco Biddeford Savings Institution to name a few services you provided. Your children did well in concealing the secret. Thank you Douglas '79, Michael '82, and and Maureen '88 for making this a very special night for mom. Thanks Janet for countless memories.



**FROM THE DESK OF
THE PRESIDENT** **SAVE THE DATE**
by Mark Andrews '74



Where has time gone? We have lost some classmates but the memories live on. As I retire this year from work I am hoping to see each and every one of my former classmates as we celebrate our **50th Reunion**. It's been an honor to be Alumni President the last 25 years and I would love nothing more than to have YOU join me as we move into our later years of life. We will host the Friday night party at Jimmy's and I am open to ideas of what we can do Saturday during the day. Have an IDEA ? Call or text me at **207-423-2975** or email me at **mandrew1@maine.rr.com**. Happy to have stayed in touch with many of you over the years, and it's time we have one big get together and bring us all together in one big room! LOVE to see you there! We are NOT getting any younger :)

REUNION TIME

**ANY CLASS IS WELCOME TO THE ALL SCHOOL REUNION
IN SEPTEMBER AS WE HONOR THOSE CLASSES ENDING IN 4 & 9**



Alice "Bootie" Hersom Jenkins invites all of her classmates to The All School Reunion in September. Any questions you can email her at **seamist1@gwi.net**.



The Class of 84 is looking forward to celebrating their 40th Reunion with teachers and classmates on June 8th. For details you can message Pam Guerin Trempe at **pamtrempe@gmail.com**



Alison Raye is making plans for a June get together as YOU celebrate Reunion #20. The Alumni invites you to the September Reunion as well, but Alison can be reached at **alison.raye@gmail.com** for more information.



3 Great Events

Help us raise money for scholarships in 2024. With rising costs of EVERYTHING we need every dollar we can get to keep the newsletter coming to you and continue to add to the Scholarship Fund for future leaders from Old Orchard Beach High School. Your dues are so important and help defray the cost of the printing and mailing of the newsletter, our website, and other expenses to keep The Alumni Association alive as we head into our 26th year. Thank you for all of your support and lets keep the ALUMNI ALIVE!

2024
Old Orchard Beach
BASKETBALL
CLASSIC

MARCH 1st Admission
OOBHS GYM 6pm \$5 per person

The players of today take on the players of yesteryear in a match that is one for the ages.
Who will be the victors of 2024?

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

Birdies
GRILL & TAVERN
Saco Ave. Old Orchard Beach

SPRING DANCE

Sat. Apr. 20th, 7-10pm



MUSIC FROM THE 50'S TO TODAY!

- DOOR PRIZES
- 50/50 RAFFLE
- CASH BAR

Open to the Public

TICKETS ON SALE AT:
MACDONALD'S GARAGE-OOB
IRA HONDA - SACO
BRADYS SCREENPRINT-BIDD
OR CALL 423-2975

\$10
PERSON

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER SPONSORED BY OOB ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Birdies
GRILL & TAVERN
Saco Ave. Old Orchard Beach

HARVEST DANCE

Sat. Oct 12th, 7-10pm

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In Memoriam

Since Sept. 2023 Reunion

Marie England Petit '49
Gloria Hilton Holbrook '50
Joan Pelletier Cotsis '52
Patricia I. Allaire Adams '52
Joseph AR (Reynold) Dupuis '52
Donald Armstrong '52
Victor Ledoux '54
Margaret Jean Wells '57
Maureen Mokarzel O'Leary '57
Margaret Jean Wells '57
Jacqueline Priscille Berube Mariello '59
Flora Neault Palmer '69?
Lucille Boisvert Hersey '67
Frank Mullen '67
Dan Cullinan '70
Lynn Melnick '71
Dana A. Carter '73
Bruce Brousseau '74
Doreen Elaine Hooper Carter '78
Judith Tousignant '84
Avery Etheridge '01
Arthur Leo LaChance Sr., Staff
Natalie Picard, Staff
Jimmy Pirrelo, Staff

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

WE WANT YOUR EMPTIES!



Call Pam Trempe at 423-7908 for your Hannaford Clynk bags and donate YOUR returnable bottles and cans to The Old Orchard Beach Alumni Association

Alumni Profiles



Billy Hanson '02 Writer, Film Director

Prime Video has a hot new thriller that has risen up their charts to #6 at presstime. Who wrote and directed this ? None other than OOB's own Billy Hanson.

Billy has written and directed several short films as well as working on TV shows like No Place to Fall, Lightning Dogs, and Coach Hop Playlists. His newest feature film is entitled **BONE COLD**, an intense action thriller featuring an elite sniper duo trying to shake an inhuman creature from the shadows. If you thought Billy Hanson kept you on the edge of your seats while being an exceptional drummer at OOBHS, than you have to see his horror/thriller action packed film. Best of luck Billy as your friends and classmates at home look forward to seeing you on that RED CARPET soon as you are off to an amazing start. Alumni and friends can follow Billy on Facebook and at dirigoentertainment.com

WHO AM I ?

I was that tough guy principal in Jr. High, a coach in all levels of OOB, and I was rumored to be a pretty good poker player on Thursday nights. I gave your Alumni President his **ONLY** detention in his 12 years of OOB education. He remembers :) He disrupted my class.



Though I am not feeling guilty for doing that (as it was well deserved)... I do bring him my reunion dues every year. My donation is **NOT** from 5 of a kind or a straight flush. It's from my heart and appreciation of Alumni Association. **Who Am I ?**

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!

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



Reunion and Dues Registration



Sept. 13th-14th-15th, 2024

TICKET DEADLINE SEPT.7th

Name : _____ Class of _____

Name : _____ Maiden: _____ Class of _____

Address : _____ City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone : _____ E-mail: _____

2000- 2024 dues at \$5 = _____
 _____ Dinners @ \$40 each = _____
 Optional Postage Fund = _____
 Optional Scholarship Donation = _____
 Joel Barnes Scholarship donation= _____
TOTAL AMOUNT OF CHECK : \$ _____

Alumni Weekend 2024

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO : OOBAA

I (WE) HOPE TO ATTEND

Mail to : OOBAA

P.O. Box 337

Old Orchard Beach, ME. 04064

_____ Tailgate Party Fri. Sept.13th 7pm

_____ Saturday Night Banquet Sep.14th 5:30 pm

_____ Sunday Farewell Breakfast Sep.15th 9am

IF NOT PAID BEFORE 2023 FALL DINNER...YOUR DUES ARE DUE NOW FOR 2024

ALUMNI WEEKEND '24



Tailgate Party at Jimmy's, Fri. Sep. 13, 7:00PM

No ticket required ! Come say hello to fellow alumni as we tailgate and hope we have a Seagull victory ! 7:00 pm at Jimmy's ! We'll be there at 7 or meet you after the game! FREE ADMISSION!



Reunion Dinner & Dance, Sat. Sep 14th, 5:30pm

Cocktail hour at 5:30, gourmet buffet dinner and dance the night away at the Old Orchard Alumni's All School Reunion ! Welcome all years ! This year a special welcome to years ending in 4 and 9! Ticket required by Sept. 7th.



Farewell Breakfast Sun. Sep. 15, 9am

Say goodbye for another year as we meet at IHOP in Saco for breakfast. Order off the menu ! 9 am. Hope to see you there.

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 !! E-mail us.....see page 6 for e-mail addresses

Come represent your class...

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





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UPCOMING EVENTS



ALUMNI BASKETBALL CLASSIC

Fri. Mar. 1st, 2024, 6pm

Seagulls of today vs. Stars of yesteryear!



SPRING DANCE

Music from All YEARS!

Sat. Apr. 20th, 2024 7-10 pm, Birdie's Grill & Tavern

Raising money for scholarships!



All-School Reunion Weekend

Sept. 13th, 14th, 15th, 2024

Honoring years ending in 4 & 9

Class of '74 Hosts The Tailgate Party

7-9pm

WE WELCOME ALL
ALUMNI ALIVE AS WE
KICK OFF ALUMNI
WEEKEND



FREE ADMISSION-CASH BAR



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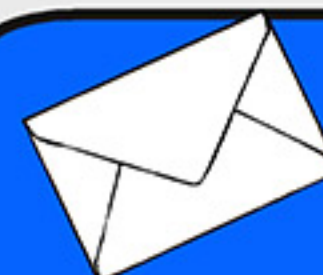
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