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HHS Alumni News

Hopkinton High School Alumni Association

PO Box 1 Contoocook, NH 03229

Mission Statement: The mission of the HHS Alumni Association is to connect Alumni to one another and to the High School through service, scholarship, and social connectivity.

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2024 Annual HHS Alumni Reunion

Join your classmates at Pat's Peak on July 27th from noon to 5:00 pm

This is an informal event with a BBQ luncheon buffet and cash bar.

There will be vegetarian options available.

The cost is \$40/person, *EXCEPT as follows:*

Those who graduated in 1961 and years before 1961 (and their guests) and HHS faculty, coaches and staff (and their guests) the cost is \$25/person.

RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED AND PAID, BY JULY 13th, 2024 !

Don't delay in responding — reservations are limited to 200

Bring some extra \$\$\$\$ for chances to win Silent Auction and Raffle items!

Why Attend the Alumni Reunion, you ask?

My answer – Because it's a good time!

By: Judy George, Class President 1974

Through the years our class has held reunions, and all were fun. In 2003 we held a joint reunion with the classes of 1973 and 1975. We all realized that we had good friends from other classes that we lost touch with. It was a wonderful get-together. People flew in from Florida, Colorado and Wisconsin to name a few. The word got out we did this and members of the class of 1972 and 1976 wanted to know why we did not include them. Well, the Alumni Association reunion is an event where we all can be included.

One Alumni Association reunion I attended included my aunt, uncle and godmother. When I was in my late thirties and the celebration was held at the American Legion in Contoocook, I sat with George and Jane Bean. Now I always knew the Bean family, plus the Bean Brothers owned Reed's store, but that night I learned how very funny George (or as I truly prefer to call him, Mr. Bean) is. You never know who you will see there. Plus, you may see your old babysitters and then turn around and see the people you babysat.

Please consider joining us on this special anniversary. But to warn you, there are a team of 1974 classmates that will be reaching out to make this reunion special. The class of 1973 did a great job last year getting classmates to attend.

Come on Class of 74! We hope to see you for our 50th on July 27th at Pat's Peak!

HHS Alumni Association Executive Board

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President - Pete Lincoln '65 (*Retiring*)

Vice Pres. - Jennifer (Vogt) Kehr '81

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Sue (McCabe) Reale '81

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Jenny Plante '93

Eileen (Lofton) Rispoli '92

One Vacancy



Class of '66 Regulars

Dick Astles, George Sharpe,
Susie (Herrick) Heino &
Wally Dwinnells

2024 Alumni Association Scholarship News!

At a January Board meeting it was decided that students from the Class of '24 who are applying for scholarships must include with their application an essay that answers the question **"How have you contributed to Hopkinton High School AND to the Town of Hopkinton?"**

Applications will be reviewed by the Board on April 13th to select scholarship recipients. Scholarships will be awarded at the Awards Night ceremony on May 21st.

In addition, Claire Buelte and Maddy Carmichael, who received 4-year scholarships in 2023, will receive scholarships for their sophomore year. Claire is attending UNH and Maddy is attending St Anselm College.

In Memorium

Brian Crathern '68 — February 9, 2024
 Debbie Davis '69 — February 7, 2024
 Karen (Price) Girouard '78 — February 2, 2024
 Mary-Anne (Osborne) Jackson '85 — January 1, 2024
 Coral (Mitchell) Carey '50 — December 15, 2023
 Jerry Smith '73 — December 1, 2023
 Sherwin Terrill '59 — August 23, 2023
 Richard Story '46 — August 15, 2023
 Virginia (Smith) Kelly '56 — June 19, 2023
 Thomas Pratt '68 — May 28, 2023

The Association's website has more info and links to obituaries for most of these alumni. If we've overlooked someone let us know and we'll add info to the website.

The Alumni Association's new website will be on line soon with some exciting changes

With the help and expertise of Mary Ann (Masucci) Donovan '73 and Jennifer Kehr '81, the Association's website has been undergoing a total modernization. With the addition of drop-down menus it will be much easier to access information. In addition, the Association now has a PayPal account that will enable electronic payments for reservations, donations, membership fees, etc. to be made directly from the website. ***But we're not there quite yet.*** Final "bugs" are being worked out and hopefully, within the next two months, the website will be available to the public. Until then please continue to rely on the original website for information. When the new website is ready to use, its website address will be announced on Facebook and on the original website, www.hopkintonnhalumni.com.

Facebook News: Eileen (Lofton) Rispoli '93 is overseeing the Association's Facebook site. There's been a lot of activity, so please consider following the page (Hopkinton NH High School Alumni Association) if you aren't already.

Facebook vs Alumni Association Member — they are not the same! Pay \$10 for a lifetime membership to Alumni Association. Not sure if you're a member — log onto the Association's website and you'll find an alumni list that will indicate whether or not you're a member. If you're not a member and would like to be, mail a membership form (on the website) and \$10 to HHS Alumni Assn., PO Box 1, Contoocook, NH 03229.

Would you prefer to receive the annual newsletter via email?

If 'yes', send us an email with your name/class/email. This is much more efficient and is a cost savings to the Association.

Have you moved? Do you have any news to share? Got married? Had a baby? Done something you'd like to share with others? Or maybe you'd like to volunteer on an Association committee or help with the Association's new website?

If so, please email us at info@hhsnhalumni.com

Thanks to the following supporters of the 2023 reunion:

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Businesses in boldface type are affiliated with HHS Alumni

Thank You to Barbara Corson at Cranberry Barn Flower Shop for the beautiful center pieces in 2023!

Odds and Ends

- For those who haven't been in Contoocook Village in recent years, it's become a bustling, thriving center with many shops, a few restaurants and summer activities such as weekly concerts, a Saturday morning farmers market and an annual sidewalk art show. Numerous enterprises are owned by HHS alumni. These include The EveryDay Café (**Chris Nardo '90**), Maple Street Mercantile (**Meredith Astles Lee '06**), Witching Hour Provisions (**Luke Simon '06**), and Riverside Pizza — formerly Dimitri's (**Steve Lux '07**). Also, expected to open in the fall of '24, is a total renovation and expansion of the former Covered Bridge restaurant (former site of Reed's Drug Store and Reed's General Store) by **Brian Cressy '89**. As yet the restaurant has not been named.
- 2024 marks 60 years since the boys basketball team won HHS's first basketball championship. It was the first of three consecutive basketball championships for HHS. In January **Drew Dumont '23** conducted an interview with **Dave Foster '64**, **Ray Martin '65** and **George Sharpe '66**, captains of those three teams. The interview can be viewed by searching for **The Drew Dumont Show Episode 45** on YouTube. You can also access it on the Association's website.
- 2024 also marks the 60th year since the boys soccer team won HHS's first soccer championship when there was only one champion in the entire State.
- If you know a former HHS teacher, coach or staff member who might like to attend a reunion, please encourage them to join us at Pat's Peak in July.

1965 Classmates

Judy (Astles) St. Arnauld, Ray Martin,
 Sandy (Herrick) Heino and
 Pete Lincoln



Reservation Form for July 27th, 2024 HHS Alumni Reunion at Pat's Peak

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Advanced reservations are required! Payment must be received by July 13th, 2024

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Mail this form & payment, made payable to HHS Alumni Association at PO Box 1, Contoocook, NH 03229

Name: _____ Class of _____ Faculty/Coach/Staff \$ _____
(Circle One)

Spouse/Partner/Guest w/ class year if applicable: _____ \$ _____

Other Guest: _____ Class of _____ (if applicable) \$ _____

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Donation to HHS Alumni Association's Scholarship Fund (optional) \$ _____

Donation to HHS Alumni Association's General Fund (optional) \$ _____

Lifetime membership dues (optional) for _____ @ \$10 ea. \$ _____
(Name)

Email address (optional): _____ Total Enclosed \$ _____

Not sure if you're a member? Look at the Current Alumni List on the Alumni Search page of the Assn's website to find out. Maybe you can also provide a missing address for a classmate you know. Please use the opposite side of this form to send news for the website or make any corrections to your mailing address. A printable reservation form is also on the website.

Cut here and return the above form even if you're only correcting an address, providing information or making suggestions. We want to hear from you!

Interested in making a "gift" to the Alumni Association's Scholarship Fund?

Do you value the education you received at Hopkinton High School? Did you have a favorite course or teacher? Have you developed life-long friends from HHS? Did you learn musical, acting or athletic skills you still use today? Would you like to think that by contributing to the HHS Alumni Association's Scholarship Fund you could have a positive impact on a student's life while also making HHS students aware of the Association? If so, please consider a donation to the Scholarship Fund. Whereas the Association is a 501c (3) non-profit registered organization, contributions are tax deductible although IRS regulations may limit the amount of your deduction.

Three popular methods of giving are:

1. Simply write a check to the HHS Alumni Association and mail it to PO Box 1, Contoocook, NH 03229.
2. Make a transfer from your individual IRA account directly to the HHS Alumni Association. We suggest you contact your financial advisor for specific instructions. This is an ideal way to donate because the direct transfer, by going directly from your IRA account to the non-profit Alumni Association, is not subject to Federal income taxes and is applied against your annual required minimal distributions (RMD). You pay no income taxes on the direct transfer, thus reducing your annual tax bill.
3. Include a provision in your Will or Trust to pay an amount or a percentage to the HHS Alumni Association's Scholarship Fund at your death. This will reduce your Federal taxable estate.

Regardless of which option you may choose, please add a note to let us know if you'd like to make the donation in memory of someone. The Association's website has a list of annual donors that also includes the names of those who are memorialized.

If you have any questions please contact Ray Martin '65, the Association's treasurer, by mail at the Association's PO Box 1, Contoocook, NH 03229 or by email or phone using Ray's contact information as shown at the bottom of page 1.

Since the Association re-established the scholarship fund in 2012 we have awarded thirty-three scholarships totaling \$38,200. The annual amount awarded has increased from \$600 in 2012 to \$11,000 in 2023. All donations are greatly appreciated.



John Ball '67, with the
Ruggles - Jon & Jackie '61



The Story's
Mike '79, Faye Lynn '82 & Dave '57



Barbara (Swift) Lincoln '67 with
Josh Kerin '93 & Curt Martin '67



Mr. Muzzey with
Donnie Peters '71

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At Pat's Peak in Henniker

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and you know their address, please contact the
HHS Alumni Association at
info@hhsnhalumni.com

2023 HHS Alumni Reunion Re-cap

The July 2023 reunion at Pat's Peak was a great day — great weather, a great turnout of more than 200 people, lots of new faces including several teachers who haven't attended before and a festive, friendly atmosphere. Annual reunions provide an opportunity to re-connect with old friends and even make a few new ones - alumni older or younger that you never would have met without attending a reunion.

The afternoon included a brief musical session featuring alumni Stu Kimball '75 and Laurie (Philippe) Sargent '78, two of numerous professional musicians having graduated from HHS. Stu, as many probably know, played on Bob Dylan's Never Ending Tour for 14 years and is considered by many to be Bob Dylan's best guitarist. Laurie is best known as a songwriter and vocalist with the groups Face to Face and Twinemen.

Teachers attending were Gloria Symonds, Francis Muzzey, Carol (Farr) Tucker, Bill Hill, Curt Martin, Susan McClellan and Dave Savage. Dick & Judy Blood were planning to attend but unfortunately were unable to make it. Hopefully we will see them this year!

The entire Herrick "clan" from the 60's, 70's, and 80's - Sandy '65, Susie '66, John '72, Ginny '75 and David '84, were all in attendance and recognized for that achievement.



*Laurie (Philippe) Sargent '78
and Stu Kimball '75*

Members from the classes of 1953, 1963, 1968, 1973, 1978, 1983, 1988, 1993 and 2008, which were celebrating 5-year anniversaries of their graduating year, were in attendance. Marlene (Martin) Kriester was on hand for her 70 year anniversary and Ben Williams was on hand for his 15 year anniversary. Of those classes the Class of '73 had the best turnout, for their 50 year anniversary-Gary Graziano '52, accompanied by Dottie '57, was the senior member of those attending. Recent grad Drew Dumont was on hand to meet several of the basketball captains from the 60's in advance of his future interview on YouTube.

Based on very favorable feedback since the reunion, we expect to have a great turnout this summer. If you've never attended a reunion before or if it's been a long time since you last attended, please consider coming this year. Call a few friends to encourage them to come, too. And if 2024 marks a 5-year anniversary of your graduation year, why not have your class reunion as part of the alumni reunion.