

Old Orchard Beach Alumni Newsletter

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Celebrating their 50th anniversary is the Class of '74 back in September at The All School Reunion. From L to R front row is Jeannine Gendron Bartlett, Lynn Palmitessa Plante, Patricia Brannelly Garbade, Jeanne Russell, Elaine Cullinan Kjos. Back row is Bruce Audie, Sue Tarbox Andrews, Marc Jacques, Gary Latno, Rick Hanson, Tom Carr, Mark Andrews, Keith Grandy and Dan Hooper. Missing from photo is Merry-Jo Barrett Coulthard, Missy Mokarzel, William Norton and special guest appearances by Gary Devou, Dave Lacroix and Brian 'Zack' Smith.

HAPPY 2025 Order 2025 Reunion Tickets NOW!

September of 2024's Reunion was an amazing time bringing former Alumni together from Maine to Florida and California! Great cocktail hour, dinner and cocktails and the awarding of the Hall of Fame Award to former educator and long time Alumni Staff member Carol King '58. The weekend's festivities started with a FREE Pizza party at Jimmy The Greeks on Friday night, A Seagull Victory enroute to an UNDEFEATED FOOTBALL season, a memorable reunion and delicious Send off Breakfast on Sunday morning. This year we honor classes ending in 0 and 5 and looks like The Class of '75 will host the Friday night get together as they celebrate their 50th Reunion. YOUR annual dues really help keep this newsletter going! The 2025 Registration page is on page 5 of this newsletter and if you can't make it in September we appreciate your donation to DUES FUND.

Friday Night Fun at



So well deserved...

For over 20 years **Carol King**, long time educator and a 1958 grad of OOBHS did the presenting of The Annual Alumni Hall of Fame Award as an originating staff member of the Alumni Association. Sadly, as her time arrived to receive it, Carol was a little under the weather. It didn't dampen the spirits of those in attendance giving her an applause she must have heard from home! This year Mark Andrews, Alumni President, stepped in for Carol and awarded it (on her behalf) to her son **Shane Phalen**, a 1981 graduate of OOBHS. Thank you Shane for supporting your mom for her tireless efforts keeping track of everyone for almost 25 years.

Thank you and much love Carol. We'll see you soon!



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The Alumni Association announces longtime principal Herbert Bean will be 2025's Hall of Fame Inductee. Details will be in this summer's newsletter!



Old Orchard's School System has formed The Seagull Foundation to enhance the experience of students in the school system. The first goal will be to raise \$150,000 for a new concession stand and press box at Joe Regina Field. A donation of \$5000 or more from an individual or business will have their name featured on the west side of the building for the entire life of the structure. The money can be designated to a school or department of your choice (curriculum, music department, theater etc.)

Any contributions are tax deductible. You can donate here:

<https://sites.google.com/rsu23.org/theseagullfoundation/home>

We can all invest in our students together.



**From the desk of
The President
Mark Andrews '74**

Everything is going up in price. The postage, the printing of the newsletter, the costs of advertising our events, the price of food. Is in a perpetual non stop rise. There is one thing that also can not stop...is your thoughtfulness in paying your \$5 dues.



Our dances have remained at \$10 a ticket for a great night out of dancing, mingling, cocktails and exciting door prizes every half hour of the night. Get a few friends and come join us! A great cause as we raise money for tomorrow's leaders...today. We continue to grow The Alumni Scholarship Fund awarding scholarships each June from the fund utilizing the interest earned only. I am so thankful for the countless hours my staff donates to keep this machine rolling. I will give you my personal **VENMO** account to forward money for dues if need be. Text me your name and year of graduation at **207-423-2975** and I look forward to your dues donation soon! Please attend the fundraisers on page 3 as we need your help! Thanks from your team of The Old Orchard Beach Alumni Association.

**ANY CLASS IS WELCOME TO THE ALL SCHOOL REUNION
IN SEPTEMBER AS WE HONOR THOSE CLASSES ENDING IN 0 & 5**



Seeking Classmates of 1975: Mark your calendars for a golden opportunity to reunite with your old classmates and join the festivities of the All Alumni School Reunion Weekend Sept. 12 to Sept. 14, 2025 (See page 6).

It is a time to reconnect with old friends, share stories, and create new memories. If we have learned one thing at this stage of our lives...now IS the time! Please reach out to me with your email address so we can share ideas and make this a huge success!!! Thank you.

Judy Andrews Caras Email: jcaras1@maine.rr.com



Does your class end in a 0 or 5? Are you planning a separate event? If so announce it here in the next newsletter by sending a brief outline to mandrew1@maine.rr.com and we will be sure to get in to the group! If you plan on attending the big one in September we will do the work for you and reserve tables for your year! Always an amazing event.



Here we go again! Raising money for scholarships and having a good time doing it! This spring we play hoops, usher in spring with a Scholarship Spring Dance and after the fall reunion, we end 2025 with our always fun Harvest Dance. When's the last time you spent \$5 or \$10 for such a great time and an even greater cause? Your Alumni Association Staff works very hard in putting on these events and we appreciate all of our sponsors who donate gift certificates for the hundreds of dollars in door prizes we give away at the events. Please do your share and attend these events! It will feel great! Thanks for all you do!

2025 Old Orchard Beach BASKETBALL CLASSIC

MARCH 7th, 2025 Admission **\$5 per person**
OOBHS GYM 6pm

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 2025?

Want to play in the game?
 Contact
 Sharri MacDonald
 207-590-4201
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Birdies GRILL & TAVERN
 Saco Ave. Old Orchard Beach

SPRING DANCE

Sat. April 26th, 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
 OR
BRADYS SCREENPRINT-BIDD
 OR CALL **423-2975**

\$10 PERSON

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HARVEST DANCE

Sat. Oct. 4th, 7-10pm

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Barbara Standeven Reid '41

Ida Dolliver Garside '44

Bette Carter Adams '46

David Cole '53

Larry Cole '56

Elizabeth "Betty" Curry '56

Maureen Edmands Collins '56

Richard Metayer '58

Roland "Sonny" Day '58

Jacqueline Georgette Petit Drown '58

Sandra M. "Sandy" Chretien '59

Robert Regan '60

Nikki Gregory Erdman '62

Peter A. McVicar '65

Susan Hamilton Bogart '66

Nelson Bellerose '67

Jeanne M. Neault Glaude '68

Daniel Michael Aube '74

Richard "Rick" Reny '80

Joseph "Joe" Conrad Maurice Cote, Jr.
'89

*Thank you to those who have made donations
on behalf of our departed Alumni to The Old
Orchard Beach Alumni Scholarship Fund !
If you know of a classmate who passed and
was not previously listed...please let us know.*

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

We honor Jackie Drown '58, who served 21 years as a dedicated professional at Loranger Middle School's Library.

Several colleagues, students, family and friends gathered in January as a plaque was dedicated in Jackie's honor. A Very nice letter and decree from The State of Maine Legislature was received as well. Thank you Jackie and you will be sorely missed by the countless lives that you touched. The plaque reads as follows:

In memoriam of

Jacqueline "Jackie" Petit Drown

A dedicated, well-respected, and professional librarian/media specialist at Loranger Memorial School for 21 years, had a vision for her library that resulted in a design for a physical library expansion that became a reality. In addition to designing the library expansion, Jackie established the school's first library skills curriculum that successfully helped numerous students navigate through the library to find books and research material to help them in their learning. Jackie was a fierce opponent of censorship and defended books in her library from challenge. Because of Jackie's vision for her library, many students and staff have benefitted from her expertise and love of books and learning to become lifelong learners.

WHO AM I ?

Reading, Writing, and **ARITHMETIC!**
Well math is my forte and I taught many of you over the years. Now you 'older' alumni may not have any idea as to who I am... as we go after some of the 'youngens' and a different era. I may have even coached some of you in Loranger Junior High Baseball. Let's see you 'add' it all up!

WHO AM I ?



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

If you were one of the people who guessed Music Director **David Berthiaume** (and correcting an error as his daughter did NOT go into Music Education) in the last newsletter...you were right! **Jennifer Murphy Bradbury '86** had her name drawn & is the winner!



Reunion and Dues Registration

Sept. 12th-13th-14th, 2025



Name : _____ Class of _____

Name : _____ Maiden: _____ Class of _____

Address : _____ City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone : _____ E-mail: _____

TICKET DEADLINE SEPT.6th

2000-2025 dues at \$5 = _____

_____ Dinners @ \$40 each = _____

Optional Postage Fund = _____

Alumni Scholarship Donation = _____

TOTAL AMOUNT OF CHECK : \$ _____

Alumni Weekend 2025

I (WE) HOPE TO ATTEND

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO : OOBAA

Mail to : OOBAA

P.O. Box 337

Old Orchard Beach, ME. 04064

See available Scholarships

handled by

The Alumni Association should

you want to donate in someone's

honor at oobeachalumni.com

Friday Tailgate Party/Jimmy The Greeks Sept. 12th, 7pm

Reunion Banquet, Birdies Grill & Tavern Sat. Sep. 13th, 5:30 pm

Sunday Farewell Breakfast at I-Hop Sep. 14th, 9am

IF NOT PAID BEFORE 2024 FALL DINNER...YOUR DUES ARE DUE NOW FOR 2025

ALUMNI WEEKEND '25



Tailgate Party at Jimmy's, Fri. Sept. 12th, 7:00PM

No ticket required ! Come say hello to fellow alumni as we tailgate our reunion!

7:00 pm at Jimmy's ! FREE ADMISSION! Cash Bar and arcade.

Reunion Dinner & Dance, Birdies Grill & Tavern
Sat. Sept. 13th, 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 0 and 5! Ticket required by Sept. 6th.

Farewell Breakfast at I-Hop,
Sun. Sept. 14th, 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 meets 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. 7th, 6pm

Seagulls of today vs. Stars of yesteryear!



SPRING DANCE

Music from All YEARS !

Sat. Apr. 26th, 7-10 pm, Birdie's Grill & Tavern

Raising money for scholarships !

Only \$10



All-School Reunion Weekend

Sept. 12th, 13th, 15th, 2025

Honoring years ending in 0 & 5

Class of '75 Hosts The Tailgate Party

Friday Night at Jimmy's FREE and
\$40 PER PERSON in advance only
for Saturday Night Reunion Dinner.

See Page 5 for details



HARVEST DANCE

Music from All YEARS !

Sat. Oct. 4th, 7-10 pm, Birdie's Grill & Tavern

Raising money for scholarships !



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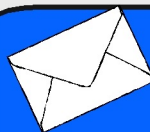
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