



# Bridgeport Alumni Association 2017 Newsletter

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## Alumni Activities

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### Committee Members

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In recent years, the Alumni Committee has seen a decrease in the funding we receive from dues and scholarship donations. Even though attendance on Alumni weekend has increased recently, it is significantly less than what we had years ago. Therefore, the Alumni Committee is especially appreciative for the generous donations, made by its members. These financial contributions enable us to continue the traditions of the past and assist BHS in its current endeavors. We would like to provide you with an update regarding how your monies are being spent.

Obviously, scholarships are awarded annually, from the scholarship fund. The Alumni fund covers expenses incurred during Alumni Weekend, including the costs of the dinners for new graduates, and the 50th anniversary class, and the printing and mailing of the newsletter. In addition, we provide financial support for the Close Up Program and the Athletic Hall/Wall of Fame Banquet. We purchase an ad in the OVAC game program, in recognition of our Queen, players, and band members. We provide pizza for our Alumni Band, when they perform. We also have purchased a bench for the schoolyard, and commemorative bricks for the new school and Rotary shelter near the softball field.

The Committee has participated in several fundraisers, to supplement donations, from our Alumni. Heidi French '89, has done a great job coordinating a Chinese Auction, during Alumni Weekend, which allows us to have a successful Friday Night event. Some of the other fundraisers we sponsored, include: a night out at Denny's and Chipolte; participating in Community Days at Boscov's; and selling various Bulldog memorabilia at sporting events.

As a community activity, we have participated in the Bridgeport Christmas parade, distributing treats to the children.

Your dues and donations are very important to us, so that we may continue these important functions. Thank You again, for your continued support.

## Mark Your Calendars!

June 23rd - Niekro Golf Scramble

June 23rd - Alumni Social Event

June 24th - Alumni Banquet

Sept 8th - HOF / WOF Game

Sept 8th - Alumni Band Game

Sept 29th - Homecoming Game



## 2016 Hall Of Fame Inductees

2016 Alumni Hall of Fame Inductees (from left) William Hooker '56, Carol Connelly Wilson '54, Joan Morgan Russell '58, Frances Kotopka Delande '58, and Bill Krahel '66.



Alumni Association to hold event on Saturday June 24<sup>th</sup> at Rotary Shelter. School, Alumni room open for tours.

On Saturday, June 24th, from 10 a.m. till 12 p.m., the Bridgeport Alumni Association will hold a new event at the Bridgeport Rotary shelter located on the school grounds adjacent to the Administration building. Members of the Association will be on hand with free coffee and donuts for our Alumni guests.

The Alumni Room in the Administration building will be open, and tours of the school will be available during the event hours as well. A member of the school staff will be on hand at the school, and a member of the Association will be on hand in the Alumni room. Come see our collection of Bridgeport Bulldog memorabilia, and don't forget to sign our guestbook.

The Rotary shelter is a great option for Class reunions, family get togethers or church gatherings. There is plenty of parking available, and a large fenced in grassy area perfect for a game of cornhole. Contact the school at (740) 635-1713 for information on rental of the shelter

## 2016 Alumni Scholarship Recipients

2016 Alumni Scholarship Recipients Tim Horn (L), and Walker Polivka are congratulated by Alumni Committee member Sean Caruth '88.



Limited number of bricks available at Rotary Shelter near softball field.

The Bridgeport Rotary Club is selling bricks for the sidewalk at the Rotary Shelter next to the Irene Ehni Softball Field at the High School complex. There are a limited number of 4 inch x 8 inch bricks available to finish this project. Each brick cost \$100 and can hold up to 3 lines, with 20 characters maximum per each line, including spaces. Great idea for any Bridgeport Alumni or Class.

Make checks payable to the Bridgeport Rotary Club and send payment and information for each brick to:

Bridgeport Rotary Club, 896 National Rd, Bridgeport, OH 43912.



## Bridgeport council recognizes "Frank Baxter Lane"

On September 20th, 2016, Bridgeport Village Council made a resolution to re-name the 200 block of Bennett Street as Frank Baxter Lane. Columbia blue signs with Frank Baxter Lane in white will sit atop black poles on both ends of the street.



New Band Director brings excitement to build the program, encourages Alumni to participate in Alumni Band.

The 2016 school year welcomed a New Band Director to continue the School's Music program. Miss Taylor Evans, a 2014 Graduate of the Ohio State University and member of the OSU Marching Band, brought her love of music and enthusiasm to our school district. She has reinvigorated the music program at Bridgeport, with many young members making up the 2016 Marching Band.

"The Bridgeport Band program could always use donations to help support the students. We are in the process of looking to buy new marching band uniforms within the near future. Any monies we can raise will also go towards providing more music education opportunities for our students."

Anyone wishing to donate to the Band program may contact Ms. Evans directly through the school. Miss Evans also would like to thank those who participated in the Alumni Band and would like to see more Alumni come back and participate in the 2017 Hall/Wall of Fame game activities.

# BHS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION 2017

## Annual Banquet and Membership

### Annual Dues

# \_\_\_ Dues @ \$5.00

\$ \_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

### Donations

\_\_\_ BHS Scholarship Fund

\$ \_\_\_

Maiden Name \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ BHS Alumni Fund

\$ \_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

### Reservations

# \_\_\_ Banquet Reservations @ \$30.00 Each \$ \_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

# \_\_\_ Banquet Reservations - Class Of 1967 \$ \_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Class Year \_\_\_\_

# \_\_\_ Banquet Reservations - Class Of 2017 \$ \_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO:

Even if your dinner is free....you must still make a reservation.

BRIDGEPORT HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Reservation Deadline is June 15th

PO BOX 132

Total Ammount Enclosed

\$ \_\_\_

BRIDGEPORT, OHIO 43912

## 2017 Alumni Weekend Plans

The Bridgeport Alumni Association proudly announces its Alumni Weekend 2017 Plans, which will be held Friday and Saturday June 23rd and 24th.

The events kick off with the Annual Niekro Classic Golf Scramble at the Belmont Hills Country Club in St. Clairsville. The scramble begins with an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start. That evening from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., the 4th Annual Alumni Social Time will be held at the Skyliner (old Bridgeport Eagles). The main downstairs hall will be available to all BHS Alumni with pizza, pop, and water being served; the event is BYOB. A donation of \$5.00 is asked to help offset the evenings costs. All who donate will be eligible for a \$50.00 gift card door prize. There will be a 50/50 Raffle and a Chinese Auction. Some private rooms are available for class reunions that night. Any class interested should call Don at the Skyliner at 740-338-7902, for cost and availability. Any class renting one of the rooms would be responsible for any tableware and food specific for their reunion. Saturday morning from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., tours of the School and Alumni room will be available. Alumni committee members will be on hand at the Rotary Shelter with free coffee and donuts for Alumni guests.

The weekend concludes at the Annual Alumni Banquet on Saturday, at the Skyliners upstairs ballroom. The class photos begin promptly at 5:30 p.m., the dinner buffet will be served at 6 p.m. Inductees into the BHS Alumni 2017 Hall of Fame will be Kelley Conway Sr. '34, Arthur Conway Sr. '35, Judge Kenneth Henry '41, and Charles Rivers '50. Please note that in order to insure a proper number for seating and dinner, reservations are required. The cost for the banquet is \$30.00 per person. There is NO CHARGE for the Class of 2017 and the Golden Anniversary Class of 1967; however, the Alumni Association now requires all those receiving a complimentary dinner to pay their \$5.00 annual dues. This will help us continue to offer the traditional free dinner to the 50 year class in the future. You must send in the reservation form to insure seating needs are met. If any Alumni have a specific seating request, (i.e. sit with a different class or a family member), please include a note with your return correspondence. The reservations deadline is June 15th. It is also time to support the Bridgeport High School Alumni Association with your membership renewal. Membership dues are \$5.00 per year. We ask that you pay your dues whether you are planning to attend the banquet or not. These funds allow continued operations of your BHS Alumni Association. Thank You.

## Photography information

Kyle McConnaughy '99 will return on Friday night with his interactive photo booth. This was a huge hit during last years event. Keith Stewart '86 will be taking the class photo's at the Banquet on Saturday night. Class photo's will be promptly at 5:30 p.m. Photo's will be printed and returned that night.



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STREET ADDRESS  
ADDRESS 2  
CITY, ST ZIP CODE**

## Class Reunion Information

**Class of 1962** - The class of 1962 will hold their 55 year reunion, Friday June 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Skyliner in conjunction with the Alumni Social Event. Classmates will be getting more information from the class.

**Class of 1967** - The Golden Anniversary class of 1967 will be holding a get together on Friday evening June 23<sup>rd</sup>, and a Brunch on Sunday June 25<sup>th</sup>. Classmates will be receiving detailed information from their class in the mail.

### 2016 Alumni Band makes annual appearance

The 2016 Alumni Band had 24 former Band Alumni participate for the Annual Appearance during the Wall/Hall of Fame weekend, September 2nd and 3rd. They marched with the high school band and participated in all game festivities.



### Alumni Association holds fundraiser nights

20 members of the class of 1963 support the Alumni Association at a fundraiser held in conjunction with Denny's Restaurant in July. Proceeds raised went towards our Alumni funds.



### New Scoreboards installed at Perkins Field, Havilcek Gym.

New scoreboards were installed in time for the 2016 - 17 sports year at Perkins Field and John J Havilcek Gymnasium. The scoreboard in the gym includes a video board that shows players pictures during pre game introductions.

