



Bridgeport Alumni Association 2019 Newsletter

Alumni bid fond farewell to Bill Jobko Stadium during Alumni Weekend festivities at Perkins Field

Around 100 alumni attended a “Farewell To Jobko Stadium” event, held on Saturday morning, June 23rd, as part of the 134th Annual Alumni Weekend festivities. Due to flooding over the years, the nearly century - old stadium, built in 1919, was inspected in spring of 2018 for the possibility of repairs. Unfortunately, the grandstands are beyond repair, and will need to be torn down. The Bridgeport Alumni Association decided to move their Saturday morning event from the school campus to Perkins Field. This allowed our alumni guests, an opportunity to reminisce and share memories of games played at the stadium, playing in the band, or just enjoying watching games from under one of only a handful of stadiums in the state of Ohio with a covered roof. Members of the Bridgeport High School, and Alumni Bands, under the direction of Michelle Bennington ‘80, played the fight song and Alma Mater, while alumni guests, faced the stadium, and sang along. A group photo was taken at 11 a.m. The Alumni Association was on hand with free coffee, pop, and donuts, for our guests and also had Jobko Stadium shirts for sale.



Board of Directors

President

Karrie Mellott Puskas ‘94

Vice President

Steph Conaway Pettit ‘95

Secretary

Dory Bradley Lucas ‘72

Treasurer

Jeff Grandstaff ‘75

Board Of Trustees

Carol Stazenski Campbell ‘63

Sean Caruth ‘88

Don Cash ‘75

Heidi French - Terek ‘89

Gordie Longshaw ‘65

Pat McConaughy ‘87

Daryl Young Totterdale ‘66

Bob Weaver ‘62

David Weaver ‘86

Carol Connelly Wilson ‘54

Committee Members

Beth Husted Tully ‘78

BULLDOGS

2018 Hall Of Fame Inductees and Alumni Scholarship recipients



Hall of Fame Inductees, from left, Anita Fawcett Matz '60, accepting for her husband Mark Matz '68, John W. Moore Jr. '66. and Susann Neuhardt Deihl '64.



Sean Caruth '88, with Class of 2018 Scholarship recipients, from left, Kamden Dulesky, Mackenzie Hammer, and Brooke Corrick.

"Memories Never Fade"



BILL JOBKO STADIUM 1919- 2018



2018 Bulldog Alumni Band

The Bulldog Alumni Band performed on Saturday September 8th, with 24 members participating. The band took part in pre-game and halftime festivities, and had a great time despite a cold, rainy night. Check out the band's Facebook page for the date of the 2019 Alumni Band game. Go Dogs!

Alumni Weekend update / changes

With the Friday Night Alumni Social Event growing in attendance each year, The Bridgeport Alumni Committee announces that the event will be moved to the Skyliner's upstairs ballroom, starting in 2019. The event has outgrown the downstairs area at the Skyliner. Friday night's event will run from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., on Friday, June 21st, 2019, as part of the Annual Alumni Weekend activities. As always we will have pizza, pop, water, and light snacks available, and the event is BYOB. There will also be a Chinese Auction, 50/50, tip boards, and new this year - a photo selfie booth!

"The Official DJ of Alumni Weekend", Bill Talik '81 will return for both nights as well. Bill brings a night of fun and shares a camaraderie with his fellow Bulldog Alumni. Back by popular demand will be the Friday Night Alumni Roll Call! All for just a \$5 donation at the door. **Note:** There is an elevator at the Skyliner available for any who need it. A Skyliner staff member will be on hand to assist with the elevator on both nights. With the Friday night event being held upstairs, this opens up the downstairs of the Skyliner for any classes that would like to book a room for their respective class reunions. Any class interested should call Don at the Skyliner at (740) - 338 - 7902, for cost and availability. All Alumni, holding a reunion that night are invited to join us upstairs for the Social event.

There will not be a Saturday morning event, or tours of the School held this year. Banquet night, Gordie Longshaw will return to hold the Alumni Class roll call, back by popular demand. We will also have a brief intermission after the key note speaker and before roll call. Also, we will have two tables set up for registration, again this year. Victoria Bennett class of 2010, will take class photos.

Follow us on Facebook

Alumni can keep up to date on events throughout the year by joining our Facebook page. Search for Bridgeport High School Alumni - Bridgeport, Ohio. This is a private page open to anyone who ever attended dear 'ol Bridgeport High in Bridgeport Ohio. We currently have over 2000 members, and is a great resource to find lost friends or share positive memories of the school.

BHS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION 2019

Annual Banquet and Membership

Annual Dues

____ Dues @ \$5.00

\$ ____

Name _____

Donations

Maiden Name _____

____ BHS Scholarship Fund

\$ ____

Address _____

____ BHS Alumni Fund

\$ ____

City _____

Reservations

State _____ Zip _____

____ Banquet Reservations @ \$30.00 Each \$ ____

Phone _____ Class Year ____

____ Banquet Reservations - Class Of 1969 \$ ____

____ Check here if change of address.

____ Banquet Reservations - Class Of 2019 \$ ____

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 Amount Enclosed

\$ ____

BRIDGEPORT, OHIO 43912

2019 Alumni Weekend Plans

The Bridgeport Alumni Association proudly announces its Alumni Weekend 2019 Plans, which will be held Friday and Saturday June 21st and 22nd.

The events kick off Friday morning, with the Annual Niekro Classic Golf Scramble at 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 10 p.m., the 6th Annual Alumni Social will be held at the Skyliner (old Bridgeport Eagles). The Social night is being moved to the Skyliner's upstairs ballroom. This will give our guests more room to socialize and visit with fellow Alumni. As always, the event is open to all BHS Alumni with pizza, pop, water & light snacks 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. With the event being held upstairs, the downstairs will be 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.

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 2019 Hall of Fame will be **Sam Lofton Sr.'41, James Krob '47, Ray Cook '52, Colonel Bruce Johnston '69, and Mark Thompson '69.** 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 2019 and the Golden Anniversary Class of 1969; however, the Alumni Association now asks 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 as these funds allow continued operation of your BHS Alumni Association. Thank You.

Class of '63 Memorial Gifts

The Bridgeport Alumni Association would like to thank the Class of 1963 for donations to our Scholarship fund in memory of classmates, whom has passed away.

The Class of '63 established a Bereavement Fund in 2015. Through the fund, the class donates \$25 to the Alumni Scholarship Fund, in memory of each deceased classmate. Memorial gifts have been made for the following, since 2015: Barbara Menoski Wierzbicki, Mike Suponcic, Judy Brown Lautar, Nancy Taylor Prisner, and Sherry Holt (Carlier).

RECIPIENT NAME
STREET ADDRESS
ADDRESS 2
CITY, ST ZIP CODE

Bridgeport Memories



In Memoriam

Wanda Walling was a librarian at Bridgeport High School, for many years and retired in the early 90's. She was dedicated to helping students with research for required reports and projects. Wanda had a positive impact on many students during her years at BHS, and will be fondly remembered by countless alumni for her kind heart.



Roger Meyers was a retired Middle School math teacher and football coach at Bridgeport High School. He was a great teacher with a good sense of humor, who made learning fun. Roger touched many lives over the years and will be remembered fondly, by alumni as both a teacher and coach.



Alma Mater

Composed by
Charlotte Meister Orwig
Class of 1925

Oh, Alma Mater, great and grand
Ring out from sea to sea
Where e'er thy daughters and sons
shall stand

We'll e'er be true to thee
The sight of thy majestic walls
With mottos over-strewn,
The fondest memories recall
That we have ever known

Chorus
Oh, dear old Bridgeport High,
Oh, dear old Bridgeport High,
We'll e'er look back to the Blue and
the Black
Oh, dear old Bridgeport High