

# Bridgeport Alumni Association 2021 Newsletter

# Perkins Field Improvements Update

In late October 2020, J D and E Construction out of Wheeling, WV began the excavating work for the new bleachers. With the soil being loose and wet, preparations were made to place geotechnical spheres in the ground to support the new bleachers. Thirty geotechnical spheres were installed to support and secure the bleachers. In addition,the board of education approved plans for increased drainage along the home side in the event of a flood. New fencing has also been installed and has replaced the older outdated fence areas. Construction on the new bleachers began on November 10, 2020, and finished up in early December. The press box was delivered and installed on December 20, 2020, finishing up the bleacher work at Perkins Field. J D and E Construction finished concrete work underneath the bleachers and to finalize the improvement, new asphalt was set.

In late February, Colaianni Construction began work on the field house. The Lansing Sportsmen's Club voted to cover the cost of the renovations to the field house. The field house work is tentatively set to be completed by early June 2021.

The updates to the Lansing Sportsmen's Club Field House will include:

Two handicapped accessible bathrooms

Digging up and installing a new sewer line and fixing the interior floor

Shower and bathrooms will be renovated to include areas for home and visiting teams, coaches and officials.

Renovating our trainer's room and updating the mechanical and electrical rooms.

Fixing the roof that has been leaking and installing updated exterior doors.

The field house will have heat, with back flow preventers installed in the event of a flood.

Fresh painting throughout the interior and exterior of the field house

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Return to Perkins!
Saturday August 28<sup>th</sup>
vs Monroe Central

## Photo of the new Bleachers and Press Box at Perkins Field.



# All sponsored rows and wheelchair spots sell out in record time!

Alumni classes, families, and school groups sponsored all available rows in the stadium, along with the 10 available wheelchair spots quickly, after receiving the Perkins Field Newsletters in early November. 14 center rows were available for \$1500, along with 30 shorter rows to the left and right of the bleachers for \$1000 each. The 14 - \$1500 rows sold out in just 8 days, with the \$1000 rows selling out in 10 days. The 10 wheelchair accessible spots sold out in just 72 hours! The first row in the center section was named for Mr John Cramer '74, who made the initial donation of \$5000, to kick start the project. See below for the list of classes, families, individuals, and School Organizations who sponsored rows, and wheelchair spots:

\$1500 rows: Classes of 1962, 1965, 1978, 1983, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1997, John Cramer, Craig W George MD, Greg Besozzi, Ralph Kyanko, Edward Kolb, Timko, Ross, & Criswell Families, Hunt Family.

\$1000 Left side: Classes of 1976, 1980, 1981, 1991, 1992, 1994, 1995, 1996, 2000, 2021. Bridgeport Teacher BEA (sponsored 5 rows)

\$1000 Right side: Classes of 1963, 1969, 1970, 1974, 1975. Kathy & Chuck Marty, Gordie Longshaw, Irene Ehni (in honor of), Bobbie Jo Griffith, Michael & Bonnie Burnik, Cash Family, Mary & Josie Bugaj, Marty Family (in memory of Helen & Allan Marty), Silon Daughters (in memory of Peter Silon, Sr.), Young Family (in memory of Cy & Rosie Young).

Wheelchair spaces: Roskovich Family, Tim Porter '91, Paul Porter '97, Class of 2012, Rosnick Family, Galownia Family (2 spots), Chuck Huonker Family, Class of 1995, Class of 1985.

A huge Thank You goes out to all for their overwhelming support of this project! This shows once again that Bridgeport High School has the best Alumni on the planet! Go Dogs!

# 2020 Alumni Scholarship recipients

The Alumni Association took part in the Bridgeport High School Academic Banquet May 17th 2020, via zoom to announce our Scholarship recipients. The following Seniors from the class of 2020 received one of our Scholarships: Kayla Kuri, Maura Tiber, & Jaren Tucker. Congratulations to our recipients and the class of 2020! Thank you to the generosity of our Alumni whose donations make these Scholarships possible!

#### **BHS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION 2021** Annual Banquet and Membership **Annual Dues** # \_ Dues @ \$7.00 Name \_\_\_\_\_ Maiden Name \_\_\_\_\_ **Donations** Address \_\_\_\_\_ BHS Scholarship Fund BHS Alumni Fund State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Reservations Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Class Year \_\_\_\_ # Banquet Reservations @ \$30.00 Each \$ # Banquet Reservations - Class Of 70 or 71 \$ Check here if change of address. #\_\_\_\_ Banquet Reservations - Class Of 2020 \$\_\_\_\_ PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO:

## 2021 Alumni Weekend Plans

BRIDGEPORT HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

PO BOX 132 BRIDGEPORT, OHIO 43912

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

Reservation Deadline is June 20th

**Total Amount Enclosed** 

The Bridgeport Alumni Association proudly announces its Alumni Weekend 2021 Plans, which will be held Friday and Saturday June 25th and 26th. 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 Annual Alumni Social will be held at the Skyliner's, upstairs ballroom. As always, the event is open to all Bridgeport Alumni with pizza, pop, water & light snacks being served. A donation of \$5.00 is asked to help offset the evenings costs. All who donate will be eligible for a gift card door prize. There will be a 50/50 Raffle, tip boards, and a Chinese Auction. DJ Bill Talik will be on hand for your musical entertainment.

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.** Cost of photo's is \$10 each. To insure everyone goes home with their photo, we are asking for pre-payment. The dinner will be served at 6 p.m. Due to the cancellation of the 2020 Banquet, we will be recognizing both the 2020 & 2021 Hall Of Fame classes. Inductees into the BHS Alumni **2020** Hall of Fame will be **Harold Harmon Jr. '39, Ed Sustersic '61, Dr. John Logan '70 & Jerry Moore '70.** Inductees into the **2021** Hall Of Fame will be **Louie Bingel '35, Bill Koss '60, Martha Kazmirski '61, and Roger Weaver '71.** 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 2021 and the Golden Anniversary Classes of 1970 & 1971. However, 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 18th.** It is also time to support the Bridgeport High School Alumni Association with your membership renewal. Membership dues are \$7.00 per year. We ask that you pay your dues as these funds allow continued operation of your BHS Alumni Association.

**Note:** In accordance with the State of Ohio guidelines, we **MUST** abide by the following rules in order to have our Friday Night Social Event. If they are not followed, The Skyliner could potentially be fined and shut down. It is our intent to **NOT** have this happen! So we are kindly asking you to follow the following:

#### NO OUTSIDE FOOD CAN BE BROUGHT IN - NO OUTSIDE LIQUOR CAN BE BROUGHT IN.

The Alumni Association will still be able to provide pizza on Friday night, however, someone will be there to serve it to you. We will not be able to have chips and pretzels on the tables like we have had in the past. We are still in the planning stages of what will be able to do snack wise for our guests that attend our Friday Night Event. **There will be a cash bar on Friday Night**. We understand that this has always been a fun and casual event but because of health protocols, these rules must be followed. If health protocols change closer to our events, we will post updates on our Facebook page.

Bridgeport Alumni Association P.O. Box 132 Bridgeport, OH 43912

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# Return to Perkins Field and Hall of Fame Game plans

Saturday, August 28, 2021 will be the first game at Perkins Field since 2017. The Bulldogs will take on Monroe Central with a 7 p.m. start time. Members of the Stadium and Perkins Field Committees will be recognized at halftime of the game. There are also plans on having other celebrations on that day leading up to game time. Look for further information as we get closer to that date on the Alumni Association, Alumni Band, and Perkins Field Committee Facebook pages.

Saturday, September 11, 2021 is the Hall of Fame game. The Bulldogs will face Weirton Madonna with a 7:30 p.m. start time. There will be a dinner prior to the game where the 2021 Wall of Fame class will be inducted. Wall of Fame inductees will be recognized during halftime of the game. Members of the Wall of Fame class of 2021 are: the 1996 Football team, which was the first ever team to qualify for the playoffs. This is the 25 year anniversary of that magical season. Going in as individuals for their athletic achievements are Dan Delande '65, Kurt Frasnelly '87, & Nicole Smolenak '14. Also going in is Mike Rose, who was Head Coach of the 1969 state runner - up Baseball team. Congratulations to all inductees! More information will be released on the Alumni Facebook page as we get closer to that game as well. Go Dogs!

## Classes of 1970 & 1971 50 year class reunion plans.

The class of 1971 is working on putting a gathering together for Friday, June 25, 2021 at a local establishment in the area. The class will also be attending the Alumni Banquet on Saturday Night, June 26, 2021 at the Skyliner. Please view the classes Facebook page for information on the reunion. If you are not a member, please join or if not on Facebook and would like more information, please send your email address to either BJ (Moore) Johnson or Sue (Roth) Kraft. Looking forward to seeing you at our 50 year reunion!

The class of 1970 will be celebrating their 50 year reunion on Friday, June 25, 2021 at the Jaycee Shelter, at Memorial Park, in St. Clairsville, Ohio, starting at 5 p.m. They will then attend the Alumni Banquet on Saturday Night, June 26, 2021 at the Skyliner. Look for detailed information from the class, in your mail. The class is looking forward to seeing everyone at the reunion!

Oh, dear old Bridgeport High