

HHS Alumni News

Hopkinton High School Alumni Association P.O. Box 1 Contoocook, NH 03229

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2023 Annual HHS Alumni Reunion

Join your classmates at Pat's Peak on July 15 from noon to 5:00

After a very successful and well attended reunion at Pat's Peak last year we're going back again this year but a little earlier due to availability. This is an informal event with light food, salads and dessert that will be served buffet style beginning at 1:00.

The cost is \$40/person EXCEPT for teachers, alumni whose graduation year was 1961 or earlier and their guests, for whom the cost is \$25/person.

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED AND MUST BE RECEIVED BY JULY 1, 2023!

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

The Alumni Association Awards Seven Scholarships in 2023!

Thanks to the generous donations from many HHS alumni since the inception of the scholarship fund in 2012, the Alumni Association was able to award seven scholarships totaling \$11,000 to graduating seniors from the Class of 2023. Claire Buelte and Madison Carmichael were awarded scholarships of \$1,500/year for four years. They will be attending UNH and St. Anselm College, respectively, in the fall. Abigail Stone, who will be attending UVM, was awarded a \$2,000 scholarship. Amelia Lynch (UNH), Olin Heino (McPherson College), Travis Thomas (SNHU) and Sara Butcher (Fashion Institute of Technology) were each awarded \$1,500 scholarships. Selecting scholarship recipients continues to be a very challenging task given that there are so many deserving applicants. The scholarships to Claire and Madison were awarded in recognition of Bob Barnard '50, Bob's sister MaryJane '53 and MaryJane's husband Bill Sterling '52, all who have been major contributors to the scholarship fund. Abigail's scholarship was awarded in memory of Dave Shorey, a very respected math teacher at HHS for 11 years, who died of cancer in March.

Judy George, the Association's current VP, will be taking over as the President shortly after the July reunion, when long time President Pete Lincoln will be "stepping down." With the recent additions of secretary Kathy Anderson and Board members Su Reale, Jennifer Kehr and Diane Laramie the Association currently has a full contingent of officers and Board of Directors. However, we can always use additional volunteers who may be interested in becoming a future officer or Board member, assisting with such things as fundraising events, a membership drive or joining a group of alumni to meet with HHS students to discuss career opportunities. So, PLEASE, if you're interested contact any of the officers or directors!



Janette (Rice) Gustafson sent this photo of 1972 classmates Steve Lux, John Herrick, Clyde Mitchell and Janette taken at the 2022 Pat's Peak Reunion which marked the 50th anniversary of their class's graduation. All four went through grades 1 through 12 together. Janette said their mothers, Agnes, Norma, Thelma and Millie, all pregnant at the same time in 1954, formed a "Rug Club" which met monthly to work on various craft projects such as rugs, knitting etc. The mothers continued to meet as often as they could until they passed away. As Janette said, "a wonderful example of community which is so precious." If anyone has similar memories please let the Association know and we'll add your story to the website or maybe next year's newsletter.

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Remembering those we've lost recently:

Dick Coen '53 - April 1, 2023

Scott Crathern '74 - March 21, 2023

Bill Sterling '52 - Feb. 1 2023

Peter Fortier '73 - Jan. 11, 2023

Kerry Nelson '64 - Jan. 4, 2023

John Malloy '75 - Dec. 17, 2022

Leslie Mills '67 - Nov. 30, 2022

Robert "Carrot" Anderson '77 - Oct. 5, 2022

Geraldine Smith Dean '49 - Oct. 1, 2022

Lorraine King - Grasso '74 - Sept. 30, 2022

Byron Cressy '52 - June 19, 2022

Richard George, Sr. '55 - June 5, 2022

George Barnard '53 - May 22, 2022

Craig Moyer '76 - May 11, 2022

William Welsh '78 - April 19, 2022

Jon Robert "Arab" Henriksen '65 - March 9, 2022

Deb Young '77- March 6, 2022

Carol Palmer Bernier Thomson '55 - March 5, 2022

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

Alumni Association's website is about to change

With the help of Mary Ann (Masucci) Donovan '73, Judy George '73 and Jennifer Kehr '81are working to "overhaul" the Association's website.

The Association will also be getting an email address.

HHSNHAlumni@gmail.com

Recap of the 2022 Annual Alumni Reunion

After seven years at other locations the annual reunion returned to Pat's Peak's Sleigh Room for an afternoon gathering. The biggest change at the Peak since 2015 is that there's now a totally new entrance with an elevator! 180 people attended, many for the first time. It was a great afternoon that we anticipate will result in an even bigger turnout this year.

Lesson learned in '22: Fewer silent auctions and raffles

Thanks to the following supporters of the '22 reunion:

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RAFFLE CONTRIBUTORS: Riverside Pizza, EveryDay Cafe, Old Yankee Tree Service, Maple Street Mercantile, Contoocook Creamery at Bohanan Farm, H.R. Clough, Marklin Candle, Witching Hour Provisions, Beech Hill Farm, Union House Oddities, John Johnson, Contoocook Quiltworks, Henniker Farm & Country Store, Barkin Biscuit. Colonial Villager, Henniker Brewing Co., Hopkinton Fire Auxiliary, Indigo Blues, Hashtag Art Studio, Hopkinton Fire Association, Tooky Village Barber Shop, Lakehouse Tavern, Country Spirit Restaurant, Dunkin Donuts, Cross Insurance

Businesses in boldface type are owned by HHS alumni Thanks to Cranberry Barn Flower Shop for all the center pieces

Future Plans

In addition to plans for a "Career Day" when alumni could • Paul Wunderlich '52, the Hawks No. 1 fan, is living at meet with high school students to discuss careers and answer questions, other ideas include a 5K road race and a musical concert at the high school at which alumni who have performed professionally could gather to entertain the audience. It would be a surprise to many that HHS has graduated an impressive list of very talented musicians. Hopefully we can make this happen. Anyone interested in performing is asked to email Judy George.

Former teacher news

Several years ago Nancy (Sargent) Merrill connected with HHS via facebook—"I Grew Up in Tooky and Loved It". Nancy taught at HHS from '59 to '62 during which time she was the Class of '65's homeroom teacher. In 2021 Pete and Barbara Lincoln met Nancy for lunch at Dockside in Nancy's home town of Alton Bay. There's a good chance Nancy will be attending the July reunion.





Odds and Ends

- Epsom Manor. Please consider sending him a card at 901 Suncook Valley Highway, Epsom, NH 03234
- Riverside Pizza in Contoocook (formerly Dimitri's Pizza) is now owned by the Lux brothers, Steve '07 and Dan '10
- Brian Cressy's renovation project at Reed's Tavern NH (formerly Covered Bridge Restaurant and Reed's Drug Store) is picking up speed
- Going to New Orleans? Check out The Magic Door where you might find Josh Kerin '93 playing bass guitar.
- Craig Corson '67 has moved to North Carolina.
- Meredith (Astles) Lee '06 is expecting in July.
- Mike Martin '66 is developing two single story apt. buildings, each with four units, on Bound Tree Road
- If you know a former teacher or coach who might like to attend a reunion please reach out to them.

Yearbook Search

The Association's vearbook collection is currently missing the following years: 1969, 1973, 1974, 1987, 1988, 1990, 1993, 1996, 1997 and 2000 - 2023

Several yearbooks have recently "disappeared" from the Town library's collection. Anyone who has any of the following years and would consider donating them to the Library are asked to contact the Library at 603-746-3663

1973, 2000, 2003, 2004, 2008-2012

2023 HHS Alumni Reunion Reservation Form

The cost is \$40/person EXCEPT for teachers, alumni whose graduation year was 1961 or earlier and their guests, for whom the cost is \$25/person.

*** Reservations & payment must be received by July 1, 2023 ** **

 $Mail\ this\ form\ \&\ payment\ to: HHS\ Alumni\ Association,\ P.O.\ Box\ 1,\ Contoocook,\ NH\ \ 03229$

Please make checks payable to HHS Alumni Association

Name:	Class of	\$
Spouse/Partner/Guest w/ class year if applicable:		\$
Other Guest(s):	Class of	\$
Donation to HHS Alumni Association's Scholarship Fund (optional)		<i>\$</i>
Donation to HHS Alumni Association's General Fund (optional)		\$
Business interested in sponsoring the reunion (optional)		\$
50:50 raffle tickets @ \$2/ticket (optional): Attendanc Raffle tickets will also be sold at the reunion. John		
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Not sure if you're a member? Look at the Current Alumni List on the Alumni Search p missing address for a classmate you know. Please use the opposite side of this form t		

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 lifelong 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 <u>directly</u> 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.

2022 Reunion—The 60th for the Class of 1962

The Magic Door in New Orleans in '23

In Columbia '22









Priscilla Lincoln '62 & Cy Brewster '62

Josh Kerin '93 w/ Amy Lincoln

The Andersons - Kathy '84 and Carrot '77

Clark Corson '62 & Mike Swift '62

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Annual Reunion

When: July 15, 2023 Where: Pat's Peak in Henniker

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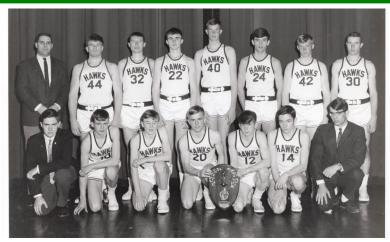
Coach Dan Parr (1939-2021)

Coach Parr began his teaching and coaching career at HHS in the fall of 1961, after graduating from UNH the previous spring. During his nine years at HHS his boys basketball teams won three State basketball championships and his boys soccer team won its first State soccer championship when there was only one Division for the entire State. During Dan's 55 year basketball coaching career his teams (boys at Hopkinton and St. Thomas, boys and girls at Portsmouth) won 704 games, a record for the State of New Hampshire.

On a February night in 2016, at a home game for the Portsmouth girls basketball team that celebrated Dan's 700th coaching win, a group of about 12 Hawks were in attendance. Following that game Dan sent the following note to one of his former players and asked that it be shared with his former players who attended the game, special:

"There were many touching moments the night of our final game. To see my old players and friends was the most memorable. Everyone at Portsmouth was amazed that the 'Hawks' took the time to attend, me too. You and the group day I will try to explain to all of you what it meant to a young coach to have players of your caliber and people of your character to work with. Without you I would probably be selling real estate. I thank you again and hope to stay in touch. Dan"

1963 - '64 Class S State **Basketball Champions**



Front row, L-R: Loren Scribner, Mgr., Dick Astles, Wally Dwinnells, Ray Martin,

Kerry Nelson, Pete. Lincoln, Phil Wolfe, Mgr.

Back row, L-R: Coach Parr, Dave Foster, David Lord, George Sharpe, Craig Corson,

David Blake, John Chandler, David Chapin

as a way to thank them for making that night 60 years ago, in the fall of 1963, the HHS boys basketball team, captained by Dave Foster, began its quest for HHS's first State basketball championship, as a Class S (Div 4) school, under third year coach Dan Parr. The season culminated with a 65-40 championship win against Walpole and a season record of 17-3. This began a string of three consecutive State championships. For the '64 - '65 season HHS moved up to Class M (Div 3) and, under the leadership of Ray Martin, completed a 19-1 season with a 61-49 championship win against Goffstown. The following year George Sharpe and Dick Astles captained the Hawks to a have always tried to keep me in the loop. Some perfect 22-0 record, defeating Gorham 55-45 in the Class M championship game. These three championships represent HHS's only boys State basketball championships although the 2020-21 HHS boys team came within a point of joining the "club".

> Plans are underway for current HHS senior Drew Dumont to hopefully meet with the four captains of these three teams in the fall to talk about the teams, coach Parr and their opponents and to record a You Tube video, possibly before a live audience. Stay tuned for more information on the Association's website and facebook page.