

Batavia Alumni Association

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Letter from the Board

Dear Alumni,

By the time this newsletter reaches you, the snow should be a thing of the past and it is once again time to plan on attending the 2015 Alumni Banquet. This year's banquet will be on Saturday, May 16th.

Your Board members have been hard at work to keep the Batavia Alumni Association a vital part of the Batavia Schools. We continually are looking for ways to provide the best

banquet experience for the most economical way possible. For those who attended last year's banquet, we hope you liked some of the changes we made to make the evening more enjoyable for everyone. We were happy to hear favorable feedback from those who attended.

We would like to thank the folks from "The Crossings Church" for allowing us to use their sound equipment and curtains. We feel it made a big difference in making the setting look less like

a gymnasium and more like a banquet room. They also helped with the setup and provided background music for the evening. We look forward to working with them again this year.



Get Linked to the Association. . .

Have you friended the Alumni Association on Facebook? If not, join 1300 others who have.

If Facebook isn't your genre, then check out the Association's web page. We are excited about our new look which was designed by Alum, Amy Webb '09. You can check it out at:

www.bataviaalumniassociation.com

If you would like to receive your newsletter by e-mail, please send an e-mail with your current address to Tim Young at timoh313@hotmail.com.

Please indicate "Alumni E-mail Registration" in the subject box.

Each year we receive many newsletters back due to incorrect addresses. Please help keep our records current by sending us your change of address. This will help keep our operating expenses lower. Addresses can either be mailed to Jennifer Stewart, P.O. Box 294, Batavia, Ohio 45103 or e-mailed to Jennifer at bataviaalumniassociation@gmail.com. **

Did you know you can

request a mailing list of classmates or post your upcoming reunion on the web site? For a class list contact Jennifer Stewart. (A nominal fee is required to cover postage). For web postings, contact Tim Young.

If you would like a copy of the Financial Statement and /or list of 2014 Scholarship recipients, a copy can be requested on-line.

***All information you provide is kept in strict confidence and will be used solely for the purposes of communicating Batavia Alumni Association business and will **never** be sold or given to a third party for any reason.*

Remembering Fellow Classmates. . .



If you would like to remember a fellow classmate or loved one, why not consider a scholarship in their name. Donations can be made to any existing alumni scholarship fund or perhaps you would prefer to start a new scholarship. Tim Young, Scholarship Development coordinator for the Alumni Association, can help in setting up your scholarship account. Please contact Tim at 513-724-3086 or at timoh313@hotmail.com. Checks made payable to

Batavia Alumni Association can be sent to PO Box 294, Batavia, Ohio 45103. Please write on the memo line what scholarship fund you are supporting for proper credit.

The following deaths of Alumni have been shared with the Association since the last newsletter: John Kramer '55, Helen Curtis White '32, Jeannetta Davis Shepard '42, Raymond Keller '42, Christopher Dale Colliver '89, Gerald D. Woods '55, Mike Hodges '64, Louis H.

Moore '48, Nancy Scott '48, Robert Rice '44, Rob Bullock '05, Randy Shields '79, Teresa Trasser '77, Mary Susan Haney Wiederhold '58. Ralph (Chic) Lewis '40, Helen Louise Richard Vice '51, Charles (Bill) Light '56, Howard Wilson '44, William (Bill) Heindel '60. Also Harris Wright-teacher, principal, coach and school board member; George Knapp-teacher, coach and athletic director, Bob Clousson-teacher and coach and Pauline Caudill-teacher.

Lifetime Memberships / Bulldog Club

Did you know that the Alumni Association continues to be a large source of scholarships to graduating seniors?

Are you a lifetime member or have you considered becoming a member of the Bulldog Club? Lifetime members pay a one-time fee of \$35 and are then exempt from annual dues. This money is used to support the Association and scholarships. We currently have 613 lifetime members including the following members who contributed in 2013: Maurleen Miller '67, Barb Lutes Witschger '64, Mikayla Moles '14, Nick Herron '14, and

Spencer Braswell '14. Perhaps you would like to join the Bulldog Club. This is a yearly donation with three different levels of support: Gold-\$100 or more, Silver-\$50 to \$99, or Bronze-\$1 to \$49. Since the majority of our funds are dedicated to the scholarship funds, these donations help support the general running of the association (printing, postage, bulk permit fees, post office box fees, and supplies.) If you would like to contribute to any level, send a check payable

to Batavia Alumni Assoc. to our PO Box, attention Bulldog Club. Be sure to include your maiden name and class year. Contributors in 2014 were: GOLD-Carroll Anstaett '43, Howard & Grace Roudebush Wilson '44, SILVER-Mary Jane Hughey Richter '48, Bari & Martha Garner-Holman '67 BRONZE-Maurleen Miller '64, Betty Bruner Howell '75 and Tina Cowdrey Freyhof '79.

Class of 1965 to Celebrate 50 Years

This year the class of 1965 will be celebrating 50 years at the banquet. Members of the class included: Gary Adkins, Gary Allen, Barbara Bailey, Sandra Barnes, Steve Bayer, Gary Billingsley, Pamela Bitzer, Linda Blocher, Dale Brown, Tom Brown, Anita Chaffin, Gayle Christman, Robert Collier, Carl Combs, Dave Darbro, Julie Dotson,

James Fitzpatrick, Mary Sue Hamilton, Fred Himes, Eric Holman, John Howe, Darlene Jones, Marlene Jones, Willard Kalchek, Danny Kincaid, Karen Lawhorn, Barry Lewis, Anthony Lung, Betty Marie Lung, Connie Miller, John Miller, Linda Moore, Rodney Mosbacker, Ronald Ogletree, Penelope Paul,

Charles Reder, William Reed, Deborah Shields, Richard Shinkle, Fredrick Siebert, Thomas Smith, Cathy Tanis, Robert Taylor, Charles Tilbury, Reece Tyler, Susan Underwood, James Weaver, and Carol Wolfe. Congratulations to the class of 1965!



RESERVATIONS

The Annual Banquet will be held Saturday, May 16th at 7:00 pm with social hour beginning at 6:00 pm. A buffet dinner will be offered once again.

Dinner reservations, \$15.00 per person must be received by Friday, May 8, 2015. **Sorry, reservations cannot be accepted after the 9th.**

Note: All payments are tax deductible.

_____ Alumni Pin \$5

_____ Lifetime Membership
(\$35 per person)

_____ Annual Dues \$5/year

_____ Scholarship Donation

_____ Bulldog Club

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"Memory Lane to Banquet"

Back in January of this year, an alum created a Facebook page "Batavia HS Classmate Memory Lane." Since its creation, there have been hundreds of postings from graduates from various years. Pictures, stories, and memories have all been shared. From favorite teachers, to sports, pictures of proms and homecomings, pictures of the various school buildings, parades, band, cheerleaders at pep rallies,

bus drivers, custodians and deaths. I have even participated in some of the postings with my own memories and pictures. In all the postings, one thing remains evident. We are proud of our school and cherish the memories and friendships forged throughout the years.

Each year at the Alumni Banquet, you have an opportunity to continue these

conversations (in person.) I would like to challenge you to help carry on the tradition of our beloved school and alumni by attending the banquet to help ensure future generations will have the same opportunities so many have been given. If anyone has questions about the Alumni, just ask any board member. Help us keep the torch burning for Batavia!

*Submitted by Tina Cowdrey
Freyhof '79*

Upcoming Fund Raiser – *Try, Try Again!!!*

Last year the Board offered a new fundraising opportunity to help off-set our operating expenses. The rain kept many of you away so we are offering the opportunity once again this year. **(Rain or shine!)**

The Flower Bed greenhouse, located at 976 Ohio Pike will be hosting an Alumni plant sale on **Thursday, April 30**

after their business closes at 6pm. You can come purchase items for any of your gardening needs from annuals, perennials, herbs, vegetables and shrubs, to pottery, soil and fertilizers. The Flower Bed will donate **20%** of the total sales back to the Alumni. You can pre-shop prior to 6pm however all sales will not be rung up until after 6pm. The Flower

Bed, in business since 1987 is owned and operated by Alumni Kay Markle Wilmers, '79.



School Tours

If there are any classes that would like to tour any or all of the school buildings during alumni weekend, contact Tim Young at 513-724-3086 or by e-mail at: timoh313@hotmail.com to make arrangements by no later than May 13th.

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## High School Memorabilia

Do you have any memorabilia from your days at the Batavia Schools? Don't know what to do with them?

Why not donate them to a good cause. In addition to the other duties of the Alumni Association, we maintain a history of the

school. Anyone wishing to donate old annuals, pictures, or any other memorabilia may do so by contacting the Alumni Historian, Barb Bruner at 513-732-1792 or any other board member.



## Mark Your Calendars!

The 2015 Batavia Alumni Association annual meeting and banquet will be **Saturday, May 16, 2015** at the Batavia High School gymnasium located at One Bulldog Place, Batavia, just east of the village.

**Social Hour begins 6:00 pm**

**Dinner at 7:00 pm**

We hope to see you there!



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