

Medical Lake High School

Alumni Association



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Birds of a Feather - - MLHS Cardinals - - Flock Together

This month (October) marks an anniversary of sorts. It was two years ago, this month, at a dinner gathering of classmates that the Alumni Association was discussed and a committee was formed to try to get it off the ground.

The goals of the Association were to revive and expand upon the goals of the 2004 reunion that died when the reunion committee lost motivation. The two goals that had died were to become a non-profit organization and to provide a scholarship to a graduating senior at Medical Lake High School.

A series of meetings began which started the process of gaining the non-profit status. The committee wrote a set of By-Laws and a Mission Statement to submit to the State of Washington to obtain our State tax number which we finally received in March of 2005. We then submitted to the IRS to obtain our Non-profit status. This process took almost a year and, thanks to the persistence of Tim House, we finally received our non-profit status under Section 501 (c) (3) of the IRS code February 3, 2006 which was effective back to March 24, 2005 (Our original application date).

The Association's first year (2005) was devoted to establishing ourselves as a viable group and attempting to expand our membership. We attended Founder's Day activities to recruit new members and held our first Annual Meeting at the "Dirty Shame" in Medical Lake.

With the additional funding available from the Founder's Day membership drive, the Association was able to offer two \$500 scholarships to the 2006 graduating class. The Founder's Day 2006 membership drive was again successful and we saw some classmates renewing their membership and others becoming members for the first time.

Announcements

Monthly meetings

At the request of Jim Johnson ('66) and other's, who felt that the Alumni Association was not supporting Medical Lake by holding the Monthly meetings at a location elsewhere, the Board of Directors agreed during the Annual Meeting in June to hold the meetings in Medical Lake to try to encourage participation by Alumni from the local area. We said that we would meet for three months starting in August, as there was no Meeting scheduled in July, and continue in September and October. This would be a trial period to determine if there was an interest in attending and if there were, then the meetings would continue being held in Medical Lake. If there were no interest shown, then the meetings would move back to the more convenient location in Spokane. With the exception of Leslie Smith ('73) who attended in August there was no further interest shown. Because of this the Board determined, with no objection from members attending, that it would resume meeting in Spokane at the November meeting.

The Meetings of the Board of Directors of the Medical Lake Alumni Association will be held at the Crossroads Restaurant (Trent and Freya), 6PM on the first Wednesday of the month. The change from Monday to Wednesday is due to a conflict for one of the attendees. **Please note: The Board of Directors will not meet in July and December due to vacations and Holidays**

Founder's Day - 2007

The Alumni Association is starting to gear up for next years Founder's Day. The first thing I would like to do is correct a typo from the last newsletter. **Kathy (Schaefer) Murphy ('67)** has volunteered to host the picnic/gathering in the park this year. We would like to invite anyone from any year ending in a "7" who would like to assist her to contact the Association and we will pass your name along to her.

There seemed to have been some confusion last year that the picnic in the park hosted by Linda (George) Barber ('66), her sister Debbie (George) Barber ('69) and Daria (Lein) St John ('66) was for the class of 1966. In fact, this was meant to be for anyone who wished to attend and have a chance to interact with other classmates in a more relaxed setting. We would encourage everyone who attends Founder's Day to plan a stop at Water Front Park and spend time catching up with other classmates.

For those of you who would like to join us for Founder's Day and are now putting together your vacation plans, Founder's Day is the 3rd Saturday in June and the date will be June 16th. Some of the people who attended this year arrived early and went on an outing Friday doing a wine tasting tour and a boat trip on Lake Coeur d' Alene. If this is something that appeals to you, let us know and we will try to assist you in making your plans.

The Alumni Association will again be present in the vendor area to sign up new members and answer questions. Be sure to stop by and say HI!

Membership News

Board of Directors

Elections for the Board of Directors of the MLHS Alumni Association were held at the annual meeting of the Association. Tim House ('63) remains President, Jim Johnson ('66) resigned from the Board and was replaced by Don Turnbough ('61). John Musser ('63), Peggylee (Pritchett) Hallinan ('63), Linda Anne (Bumps) House ('63), and Bill Carl ('63) were also re-elected to their respective positions and Steve Klug ('66) was elected to Trustee.

At the Annual Meeting it was found that there was a discrepancy between the Association's by-laws and other published material that state the term of office for the Board of Directors of the Association. At the September meeting the Board voted to amend the by-laws to make the term of Office for the Board to two (2) years.

Membership

In the past, the Association has operated financially, first with funds solicited from the local founding group and then a small active group remaining from the reunion of 2004 and memberships from Founder's Days in 2005 and 2006. This has provided enough funding to carry out the limited activities thus far, such as the yearly scholarships and costs for this newsletter and our presence at Founder's Day.

One of the goals of the Alumni Association is to develop a database that includes all of the alumni from Medical Lake High School from inception to present. The reason for this is to provide a way to allow classmates to reconnect, provide reunion organizers

with an address list for their class, and in general give the Association a contact list for important updates of interest.

Membership in the Association is based on a calendar year. Regular membership is from January 1st to December 31st. Those that sign up at Founder's Day in June are a current member only until December 31st of that year. So if you wait until the following Founder's Day to renew, you are not a current member from January 1st until you renew in June.

One way to avoid this is to become a life member of the association and be a current member for the rest of your life. The other option is to renew your regular membership before January 31st (1 month grace) to keep your membership current. This year we will send out reminders to all classmates in our database in November to allow current members the option to renew before their membership expires and to recruit new members. Two optional additional fees are available. The first is Charter membership, which is a onetime fee in addition to the regular membership fee. This was only available for the first year but was extended until December 31st of this year by request of some who was not aware of it until this spring (2006). The second is an associate membership for Spouses, Teachers, and others who have an interest in promoting the activities of the Association.

The following is a current list of members and their status:

Life Members:

Barbara (Biggs) Bacus ('61)
Linda Anne (Bumps) House ('63)
Tim House ('63)
Donna (Inman) Sealock ('70)
James Johnson ('66)
Steve Klug ('66)
John Musser ('63)
Neil Sealock ('70)
Dick Tyler ('63)

Charter Members:

Ilse (Box) Long ('64)
Bill Carl ('63)
Peggylee (Pritchett) Hallinan ('63)
Gerri (Staley) Barthelmes ('66)
Pat (Staley) Patterson ('64)
Sandy (Wood) Rohrich ('63)

Regular Members:

Teri (Ableman) Bauman ('73)
Ronald Adams ('63)
Perry Ahlf ('62)
Larry Bauman ('66)
Dayna (Block) Kershner ('78)
Lynn (Bunnell) Echelberger ('63)
June (Clark) Katz ('54)
Janice (Cogswell) Radmer ('68)
Mary (Dills) Perdue ('71)
Linda (George) Barber ('66)
Gary Glasgow ('64)
Bruce Greene ('75)
John Higgins ('66)
Larry Hodgson ('64)
Mike House ('65)
Elaine (Irwin) Weeks ('56)
Donna (Jarvis) Peterson ('71)
Jeffrey Johnson ('77)
Michael Johnson ('79)
Bill Kennedy ('63)
David Lidell ('66)
LeRoy Llewellyn ('59)
Martha (Metz) Metz-Bauder ('80)
Terrie (Musser) Tyson ('65)
Jennifer (Musser) Biddle ('96)
Sandra (Musser) Belsby ('62)
Greg Oliver ('64)
Douglas Olmstead ('65)
Gary Olson ('62)
Duane Perin ('63)
Roxanna (Ralphs) Macheel ('70)
JoAnn (Secord) Rego ('56)
Rich Sloan ('60)
Leslie (Smith) Alb ('73)
Dawn (Vick) Martin ('86)

Honorary: (Graduated in 1950 or earlier)

Mary (Eccles) Rueter ('41)

Bernice (Knox) Postlewait ('49)

Frank Mace ('37)

Dorta (Murray) Ebbighausen ('50)

Norman Roloff ('49)

Rosemary (Watson) Beckwith ('50)

Donations: (Donations to Scholarship Fund)

Marsha (Lein) Foster ('62) - \$200

Sandy (Wood) Rohrich ('63) - \$25

Craig Grub ('65) - \$62

Del (Wilson) Ryan ('63) - \$20

(Donations to General fund)

Rosemary (Watson) Beckwith ('50) - \$25

Sandy (Wood) Rohrich ('63) - \$20

Please remember that all money given to the Alumni Association either as dues or donations are tax deductible.

We are always seeking classmates to add to our database. If you or anyone that you are in contact with has not completed a datasheet you can do so by going on the inter-net to www.mlhsgrads.org/special/database-entry.htm and submitting the completed form. You may also complete the form on the next page and return by mail. You do not need to become a member to have your information included in the database.

If you are unable to do this you can contact Bill Carl @ PO Box 295, Bayview ID 83803 or Phone 208 683 0803 to receive a form by mail. You do not need to become a member to have your information included in the database.

Alumni Database

A reminder, we are trying to locate ALL alumni of Medical Lake High School for our database. We would like to be able to keep everyone informed of the activities of the alumni such as Founder's Day, class reunions for specific years, etc. If someone is looking for you we will, with your permission, give them contact information. If you have not already done so, Please fill out this form and return it to me using the address on the back of this sheet.

Thanks, Bill Carl

Last Name: _____

Maiden Name: _____

First Name: _____

Middle Initial: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Birthdate(try to send you a card) _____

Graduation Year: _____

Phone Numbers: (home) _____

(work) _____

(cell) _____

May the Alumni Assoc release your information to other classmates requesting it? Yes ___/No ___

Please contact me first before providing my information to anyone. Yes ___/No ___

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