

# RHS Alumni Association

## River High School

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14th ANNUAL ALL—SCHOOL REUNION WITH DINNER & PROGRAM & DANCE  
SATURDAY, AUGUST 31, 2013, AT THE UNION HALL IN CLARINGTON - LABOR DAY WEEKEND

**ALL EVENTS WILL BE HELD AT THE CLARINGTON UNION HALL SINCE RHS IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION. EVERY FIFTH-YEAR CLASS FROM 1958 TO 2008 WILL BE HONORED. ANY RIVER ALUMNI, FORMER TEACHERS & STAFF, AND THEIR GUESTS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. The Union Hall is handicapped accessible. WE HOPE TO SHOW PHOTOS AT THE REUNION OF THE RHS REMODEL SO FAR. PLEASE GET YOUR RESERVATIONS IN BY AUGUST 21ST & HELP THE REUNION COMMITTEE, REGISTRAR, & CATERER PREPARE FOR THE EVENT!**



3:30 to 5:00 p.m.- Registration, Group photos, Social time, Browse through pictures and scrapbooks, See the Memorial display featuring deceased alumni, View the collection of Alumni who have served & are currently

serving in the Military Service, . River Alumni t-shirts & sweatshirts will be for sale. Please consider buying raffle tickets for Sheryl (Martie) Dupke's afghan. Sheryl is a 1979 River grad. Jayne Maxwell, a 1963 River grad, will donate another oil painting. Also, a 50-50 drawing will be held. A "Chinese Auction" will be held again where you purchase tickets and then choose where to put them for a chance on several items.

Sheryl (Martie) Dupke, 1979 graduate, read the RHS Alumni Association News last summer & saw that Mrs. Kindelberger was making the last afghan to be raffled for the Scholarship Fund. Sheryl contacted the Alumni Association to let us know that Mrs. "K" was a huge influence on her, especially during her freshman year at RHS, and it is because of Mrs. "K" that she is an avid reader today. In addition to loving to read, Sheryl also loves to crochet. "I would love to continue this tradition in Mrs. Kindelberger's honor by donating a handmade afghan each year for the All-School Reunion." Thank you Sheryl!

**Picture Schedule for Honored Classes & Alumni Board:** Kelly Merideth, photographer, has revised the time schedule & wants the 50-year class to be at the end of the time schedule since typically that is a large group. 1958, (3:45), 1968, (4:00), 1973, (4:10), 1978, (4:20), 1983, (4:30), 1988, (4:40), 1993, (4:50), 1963, (5:00). Alumni Board, (6:45). Orders for pictures are taken the night of the reunion. Price is \$15.00 for an 8 x 10 color picture, including postage/handling/tax.

5:00 p.m. - Seating of Honored Classes & Other Honorees  
5:15 p.m. - Program begins  
6:00 p.m. - Catered dinner  
7:00 p.m. - Program continues following dinner

The class of 1958 will be celebrating their 55-year reunion. The 50-year reunion belongs to the Class of 1963. *Congratulations to these former grads for reaching these two milestones!*

Be sure to look at the display to honor deceased alumni & staff with printed obituaries & candles. Family or friends may take these items home at the end of the reunion.

## DANCE AFTER REUNION IN THE UNION HALL IN CLARINGTON

**8:00 p.m. till 11:00 p.m.** - Tickets for admission are \$10.00 each for ages 21 and older. Dave Ivey, a River grad, will be the DJ and play your favorites. Pop, chips, and ice will be available for all who attend.  
**SEE PAGE 3 WHERE YOU CAN ORDER TICKETS BY FILLING OUT THE MAIL-IN FORM. TICKETS CAN ALSO BE PURCHASED AT THE UNION HALL SATURDAY EVENING.**

Questions: e-mail [mlkrepasky@yahoo.com](mailto:mlkrepasky@yahoo.com)

**SEE the SIGN-UP PAGE on Page 3 in this letter to pay dues and/or donations, to vote by ballot for 3 board members, and to make dinner reservations for the reunion and purchase tickets to the dance.**

Also, you can print PAGE 3 from the website at [www.riverhighalumni.org](http://www.riverhighalumni.org).

### RIVER HIGH ALUMNI IS ON FACEBOOK.

If you type in <https://www.facebook.com/RiverHighAlumni> then you will reach the facebook page for River High Alumni and the River High School Alumni Association.



### RIVER HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI COMMUNICATIONS PAGE

If you type in [www.riverhighschoolalumni.com](http://www.riverhighschoolalumni.com) then you will find this communications page. This is the place to sign up for the official River High School Alumni email list. Just follow the easy instructions. Even if we already have your email address, please enter it again on this communications page so we have your approval to send you email and the email addresses will all be in the same database.

### THE RIVER HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION WEBSITE

[www.riverhighalumni.org](http://www.riverhighalumni.org)

Valerie (Miller) Fisher continues as the webmaster. We post upcoming events and other information including our newsletters, alumni who have served in the military, deceased alumni, lifetime members, platinum club members, class coordinators, alumni reunions, photos, etc.

### RIVER ALUMNI MEMORIAL LIST & MILITARY LIST CONTINUES ON OUR RHSAA WEBSITE, <[www.riverhighalumni.org](http://www.riverhighalumni.org)>

Joyce Fetty, a 1978 grad, would appreciate any additions or corrections to these lists. You can reach her by e-mail [jafetty78@yahoo.com](mailto:jafetty78@yahoo.com), phone, (740) 483-1164; or 46028 Benwood Rd., Sardis, OH 43946 Every alumni & staff member who has died since the 2011 Reunion will be mentioned in a display at the 2012 Reunion.

Any donations for frames & candles in the display will be greatly appreciated.

## 2 RHSAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS TERM ENDS SEPTEMBER, 2013

Tim Blue (1985)  
[tim.blue.lzk@statefarm.com](mailto:tim.blue.lzk@statefarm.com)

President - Melissa (Heslep) Krempasky (1984)  
[mlkrepasky@yahoo.com](mailto:mlkrepasky@yahoo.com)

Elmer Nichols, Jr. (1989)  
[ednichojr@hotmail.com](mailto:ednichojr@hotmail.com)  
Elmer completed Bob Howell's term.

### TERM ENDS SEPTEMBER, 2014

Valerie (Kriechbaum) Brown (1981)  
[wchlab@yahoo.com](mailto:wchlab@yahoo.com)

Vice President - Dennis Lively (1970)  
[dennislively@gmail.com](mailto:dennislively@gmail.com)

Secretary - Bonnie (Schaum) Logston (1961)  
[hklogston@hotmail.com](mailto:hklogston@hotmail.com)

### TERM ENDS SEPTEMBER, 2015

Ben Duvall (1975)  
[benandholly@windstream.net](mailto:benandholly@windstream.net)

Illa Jean (Shook) Lower (1969)  
[llajlower@aol.com](mailto:llajlower@aol.com)

Treasurer - Kelly (Baranich) Merideth (1978)  
[kellymerideth@gmail.com](mailto:kellymerideth@gmail.com)

**If you want to know more about the alumni or events, just ask any board member.**

## WELCOME

### NEW LIFETIME & PLATINUM MEMBERS

The newest Platinum Club member is Donald Dewayne Dierkes, (1974).

**Here are the newest life members since June 2012.**

Anonymous Member  
Carol (Williamson) Beaver (1962)  
Robert Heslep (1972)  
Jackie Isaly (1975)  
Almeda Sue (Haught) James (1962)  
Eddie Kastrevec (1990)  
Illa Jean (Shook) Lower (1969)  
Kelly (Baranich) Merideth (1978)  
Jill (Isaly) Schumacher (1977)  
Jana (Isaly) Tingle (1987)  
Rhonda (McKelvey) Webb (1962)

**These grads have joined the membership list making 19 platinum members and 265 life members. Just imagine how you could help the River Alumni Association grow if you became either a lifetime or platinum member!**

**If you are not sure about the process, just ask any Alumni Board member.**

**DO WE HAVE YOUR CURRENT MAILING ADDRESS, PHONE NO., or E-MAIL ADDRESS?**  
We would like to e-mail River Alumni with updates on activities. Please see Sign-up Page 3 in the name & address section. If you wish to receive FUTURE NEWSLETTERS by E-MAIL & REDUCE RHSAA MAILING COSTS, JUST CHECK THE BOX. You should be able to print out the Registration Form to mail in.

**REGARDING E-MAIL ADDRESSES, IF YOU GO TO <https://www.facebook.com/RiverHighAlumni>, YOU WILL FIND A RIVER HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI COMMUNICATIONS PAGE. THIS IS THE PLACE TO SIGN UP FOR THE OFFICIAL RIVER HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI E-MAIL LIST. JUST FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS.**

**RHSAA'S** keeping a master database of all River grads & former staff members helps EVERY GRADUATING CLASS from RHS. Any time a class wants to have a reunion, the class coordinator can get a printout of grads & addresses from the RHSAA Membership chairperson, Darlene Boston. During a year's time many, many phone calls are made to find a correct address for grads in the RHSAA database. GIVING DONATIONS TO THE RHSAA WILL ALLOW FOR THAT TO CONTINUE.

**PLEASE REPORT ANY CHANGES to Darlene Boston, PO Box 232, New Matamoras, OH 45767 or e-mail to <[darleneboston@att.net](mailto:darleneboston@att.net)>**

## SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED TO 2013 GRADUATES

***RHSAA awarded scholarships of \$500.00 each to these 2013 graduates:***

- **Evan Eggleston** is the son of Joe and Amy Eggleston of Hannibal, OH. Evan will attend Marietta College where he will pursue a degree in Psychology/Pre-Law.
- **Josie Postle**, the daughter of Brad and Amy Postle of New Matamoras, plans to attend Belmont College to become a Registered Nurse.
- **Mikayla Roberts** is from Hannibal and is the daughter of Brian and Dagny Butler. Mikayla will be attending WVNCC-West Liberty University to major in Criminal Justice.
- **Myla Smith** from Sardis is the daughter of Bob and Faye Smith and plans to attend Zanesville State College and get a degree as an Occupational Therapist Assistant.
- **George Thomas Tharp** from Sardis is the son of George and LeVonne Tharp. George will attend Hocking College to pursue a degree in Music Management/Sound Engineering.
- **Annelise Turner** of Clarrington is the daughter of Jim and Julia Turner. Annelise is going to Ohio University and major in Communication Sciences and Disorders.

## 2012 REUNION AWARD HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ The 50 Year Class, 1962, won the attendance award.
- ▶ The Harry E. Mallett Distinguished Service Award was presented to Charlie Isaly, a 1956 grad.
- ▶ The Alumni Hall of Fame Award was presented to Mike Lloyd from the class of 1973.

***The Harry E. Mallett Distinguished Service Award goes to an individual who has performed outstanding service to RHS.***

***The Alumni Hall of Fame awards are presented to individuals for their outstanding achievement and/or service to their community, county, state or the nation.***

*Please submit names for either one of these awards to any Alumni board member who is listed on the left side of page 2.*

## DECEASED MEMBERS THAT WE KNOW ABOUT OF THE RIVER HIGH SCHOOL FAMILY READ AT 2012 REUNION

Dr. Paul Conner, Science Teacher  
Susan (Congrove) McConnell, 1980  
David McKee, 1956  
Wilma (Hensel) Bauer, 1961  
Kathy (Herndon) Bryan, 1978  
Julie (Kurtzman) Bott, 1976

Robert Hall Griffon, Teacher  
Ronnie Harman, Jr., 1996  
Bonnie (Hall) Stalder, 1977  
Cora (Stewart) Weyman, 1958  
Emily (Merckle) Hausman-Zemotel, 1977

## 501 (c) (3)

We are working on the application for 501 (c) (3) status as a charitable and educational organization, which will enable donors to the RHSAA to make tax-exempt contributions. The RHSAA may need to pay several hundred dollars for the non-profit status.

Feel free to photocopy this SIGN-UP PAGE for anyone who needs it.  
This page also appears on the Website where you can print off a copy.

**Return this page to Barbara Thode, Reunion Registrar  
30 Kern Dr., Marietta, OH 45750-7882**

Please make your check payable to RHSAA for the total amount of Donations and/or Dues and/or Dinner Reservations and/or tickets to the Dance.

**RESERVATIONS ARE DUE ABSOLUTELY NO LATER THAN AUGUST 21, 2013  
SO THAT WE CAN PLAN SEATING, SETUPS, FOOD, AND PROGRAM DETAILS. SEATING AT THE REUNION IS TIGHT.  
EVERYONE MUST PRE-REGISTER BY MAIL OR E-MAIL BY THE DEADLINE.**

If you have questions especially for reunion & need to pre-register by e-mail, please contact Missy Krempasky, <mlkcrempasky@yahoo.com>

**DONATIONS, DUES, REUNION RESERVATIONS and DANCE TICKETS**

**DONATION** to help defray Operating Expenses for RHSAA. Any dollar amount really appreciated.  
Donations help the RHSAA print and mail over 4,000 newsletters, support the website, pay for expenses during Alumni weekend,  
make application for 501C-3 non-profit status, etc.

\*Note. If donation is \$100, then you will also get recognition for a Lifetime membership or if \$500, a Platinum membership.

**DONATION** to the Scholarship Fund..Same options as explained above. **Donation for RHSAA** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**DUES:** Please check your category if already a:  
Current Life member  Current Platinum member   
Full-one year @ \$5.00  Associate @ \$5.00  New Lifetime @ \$100.00  New Platinum @ \$500.00   
(Spouse non-voting) **Donation for Scholarships** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total enclosed for DUES** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**DINNER RESERVATIONS:** No. \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00 for each grad & each guest **Total for RESERVATIONS** \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
*STOP AT REGISTRATION TO GET YOUR DINNER TICKET(S) & NAME TAG(S)*

**TICKETS FOR DANCE:** For 21 years & older No. \_\_\_\_ @ \$10.00 each **Total for DANCE TICKETS** \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Tickets to the Dance will also be available at the door at the Union Hall in Clarington.

**PLEASE FILL IN NAMES BELOW ON THIS FORM! SEE BALLOT BELOW TO VOTE!**

*Please make your check payable to RHSAA.* **Total Enclosed** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If you want a confirmation/receipt, please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

**WE NEED EVERY GRAD'S NAME & ADDRESS, etc., & NAME OF ANY GUEST WHO IS ATTENDING. EVEN IF YOU ARE JUST SENDING MONEY BUT NOT ATTENDING, IT KEEPS YOUR INFORMATION CURRENT FOR OUR MAILING. CHECK THE BOX BELOW THE E-MAIL BLANK TO GET FUTURE NEWSLETTERS BY E-MAIL.**

Name(s): Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ RHS Class of \_\_\_\_\_  
Include maiden name Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_ RHS Class of \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss \_\_\_\_\_ RHS Class of \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

If you wish to receive FUTURE NEWSLETTERS & OTHER INFO BY E-MAIL, & reduce our mailing costs, check this box.

You should be able to print the newsletter.

I am interested in serving on  **Board of Directors**,  **Committees**  I have an idea for a **project** \_\_\_\_\_

**CLIP & SEPARATE BALLOT FOR TABULATION OF VOTE**

**RHSAA BALLOT. VOTE FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS, 3-year term for September 2013 to September 2016.**

**OTE**

Each voting member can vote for 3 candidates. (Note: In By-Laws, Associate members (spouses) are **NON-voting** members.)  
A married couple who **BOTH** attended or graduated RHS can both vote on one ballot.

The two boxes are provided so a married couple (both voting members) can both vote for the same candidate if they choose.

- Dennis Dietrich (1967)   Elmer Nichols, Jr. (1989)
- Amy (Williams) Eggleston (1982)   Monette (Nichols) Schupbach (1969)

**Everybody Circle your membership status: Full Life Platinum**

I hereby certify that I am a current full, life, or platinum member of RHSAA (or will be by August 21, 2013) and am eligible to vote.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE RHSAA!**

River High School Alumni Association  
c/o Barbara (Schaub)Thode  
30 Kern Drive  
Marietta, OH 45750-7882

### PILOT LOG TAB IN BEACON AUGUST 29, 2013

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## RHSAA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE...

*As I finish my term on the Alumni Board, I am thankful to have had the opportunity to serve my alma mater. With our busy lives, sometimes we think that we do not have time to serve on committees or boards, but I feel privileged to serve my community in this way. I encourage each of you to volunteer in your community in some way.*

*With all the changes that River High School has seen recently, it is important to support our youth and invest in their future. The renovation of the school will propel the students into the future with a modern facility.*

*Kudos to the students and staff who have endured going to school in the midst of the renovation process. They faced many challenges during the construction and managed to have a successful school year.*

*The Alumni had another successful fundraiser this year, and I want to thank all of the alumni donors and volunteers that helped make it a success. We were able to award six \$500 scholarships again this year to deserving seniors.*

*Please continue to support your River High School Alumni in some way. I look forward to seeing you at the Alumni dinner and dance on August 31st, 2013.*

Sincerely,

Melissa Heslep Krempasky  
Class of 1984  
RHSAA President



**SATURDAY, AUGUST 31, 2013**

**LABOR DAY WEEKEND**

RHSAA PROUDLY PRESENTS

THE 14TH ANNUAL

ALL-SCHOOL REUNION WITH

DINNER & PROGRAM & DANCE AT THE

UNION HALL, CLARINGTON, OH

HONORED CLASSES AT THE REUNION ARE

1958 (55 YEARS)

1963 (50 YEARS)

1968 (45 YEARS)

1973 (40 YEARS)

1978 (35 YEARS)

1983 (30 YEARS)

1988 (25 YEARS)

1993 (20 YEARS)

1998 (15 YEARS)

2003 (10 YEARS)

2008 ( 5 YEARS)