

# RHS Alumni Association

## River High School

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15th ANNUAL ALL—SCHOOL REUNION WITH DINNER & PROGRAM  
SATURDAY, AUGUST 30, 2014, AT RIVER HIGH SCHOOL - NEW AIR CONDITIONED CAFETERIA - LABOR DAY WEEKEND  
The Cafeteria and Stage area, in front of R.L. Potts Gymnasium, are designed to accommodate 240 people.

**EVERY FIFTH-YEAR CLASS FROM 1959 TO 2009 WILL BE HONORED.**  
**ANY RIVER ALUMNI, FORMER TEACHERS & STAFF, AND THEIR GUESTS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.**  
**River High School is handicapped accessible.**

**PLEASE GET YOUR RESERVATIONS IN BY**  
**AUGUST 20th &**  
**HELP THE REUNION COMMITTEE, REGISTRAR, & CATERER**  
**PREPARE FOR THE EVENT!**



**3:30 to 5:00 p.m. – Allow time to walk through the new RHS building.** 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. 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.

**Picture Schedule for Honored Classes & Alumni Board:** Loren Romick, 1978, photographer (Regal Photography), will continue to use the same time schedule & wants the 50-year class to be at the end since typically that is a large group. 1959, (3:45), 1969 (4:00), 1974 (4:10), 1979 (4:20), 1984 (4:30), 1989 (4:40), 1994, 1999, 2004, and 2009 (4:50), 1964 (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 1959 will be celebrating their 55-year reunion. The 50-year reunion belongs to the Class of 1964.

**Congratulations to these former grads for reaching these two milestones!**

**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.

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

## BASKET BINGO

On April 27, 2014, the RHSAA raised \$5,712.46 for the RHSAA scholarship fund at a Basket Bingo held at the former Hannibal Elementary School building. Generous donations of food, money, and items for raffles and auctions, and sale of tickets for bingo, all contributed toward this successful event. Thank you everyone! Watch for the date of the next RHSAA fundraiser.



## FORMER HANNIBAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GETS FACELIFT

The old Hannibal Elementary building has been purchased by Ron Isaly Construction, which newly painted and reburbished the building. Ron is a 1959 RHS grad and well known in the local community. The RHSAA was pleasantly surprised by the excellent facility during the Basket Bingo event. Our thanks to Ron for this fine addition to the riverfront area.

## DO WE HAVE YOUR CURRENT E-MAIL ADDRESS?

Could you use your computer and go to our alumni website, [www.riverhighalumni.org](http://www.riverhighalumni.org), to read the yearly newsletter starting in 2015 and print out the registration form? If so, then send an e-mail to Darlene Boston, [darleneboston@att.net](mailto:darleneboston@att.net), and tell her YES ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER. Going digital saves us postage costs.

## TO ALL USERS OF OUR WEBSITE

[www.riverhighalumni.org](http://www.riverhighalumni.org): Please give your friends who are River grads on Facebook & other social network sites this address & encourage them to visit our website. When you go to our website, you will find Class Coordinators, Memorial & Military Lists, Platinum & Lifetime members, write-ups of previous basketball tournaments, RHSAA newsletters, Alumni Reunions, photos, etc.



**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)**

**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 at [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 2013 Reunion will be mentioned in a display at the 2014 Reunion.

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

## 2 RHSAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS TERM ENDS SEPTEMBER, 2014

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

Former President (resigned due to illness)  
[Dennis Lively \(1970\)](mailto:DennisLively@1970)

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

Lydia McIntire (1998)  
[Ljmac98@yahoo.com](mailto:Ljmac98@yahoo.com) (completing Dennis Lively's term)

### TERM ENDS SEPTEMBER, 2015

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

Secretary - Illa Jean (Shook) Lower (1969)  
[Illajlower@aol.com](mailto:Illajlower@aol.com)

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

### TERM ENDS SEPTEMBER, 2016

Vice President - Elmer Nichols, Jr. (1989)  
[ednichojr@hotmail.com](mailto:ednichojr@hotmail.com)

President - Amy (Williams) Eggleston (1982)  
[AmyEggleston@bayerhfcu.com](mailto:AmyEggleston@bayerhfcu.com)

Monette (Nichols) Schupbach (1969)  
[Monette0101@gmail.com](mailto:Monette0101@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 Monette(Nichols) Schupbach (1969)  
**Here are the newest life members since June 2013.**

Nancy (Forni) Alloway (1963)  
Trisha (Thompson) Barnhart (1993)  
Beverly (Burton) Cavalier (1957)  
Bonnie (Dye) Forni (1968)  
David Forni (1966)  
Willis Rex Heflin (1961)  
Ralph Huffman (1968)  
Nancy (Hunt) Langsdorf (1966)  
Roger Langsdorf (1963)  
Teresa Reynolds (1985)  
Paul Rice (1958)  
Ed Trifonoff (1998)  
Raechelle (Mullett) Trifonoff (2003)

These grads have joined the membership list making 20 platinum members and 278 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.

## SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED TO 2014 GRADUATES

### ***RHSAA awarded scholarships of \$500.00 each to these 2014 graduates:***

- **Eric Dierkes**, son of Kelly & Tabi Dierkes of Woodsfield. Eric will attend Ohio Northern University in pharmacy. He would like to work in the Wetzel County Hospital pharmacy and coach basketball at River High School.
- **Darci Winkler**, daughter of Kevin & Jo Winkler of Sardis. Darci will attend Hocking College and pursue a degree in social service, corrections, and criminal justice.
- **Kate Baters**, daughter of Michael & Jayne Baters of Clarington. Kate plans to attend Belmont College to pursue a degree in Science. She plans to become an occupational therapy assistant.
- **Gabrielle Goudy**, daughter of Garren & Hollee Goudy of Powhatan Point. Gabby plans to attend Bethany College, where she will major in Pre-Optometry. She plans to become an optometrist.
- **Rebecca Stewart**, daughter of Henry & Lori Stewart of Powhatan Point. Rebecca plans to attend Ohio University Eastern, where she will major in exercise physiology. She plans to become a physical therapist.
- **Makenna Collins**, daughter of David & Tonya Collins of Sardis. Makenna plans to attend Cedarville University, where she will major in English education. She plans to become a high school English teacher.

### ***The River High School Alumni Class of 1969 scholarships, given by Monette Nichols Schupbach, also \$500 each:***

- **Jason Miller**, son of Bradley & Jodi Miller of Sardis. Jason plans to major in chemistry at Marietta College and go on to medical school and return to the Ohio Valley to practice medicine.
- **Brady Ellis**, son of Jerry & Allison Ellis of Sardis. Brady will attend college and major in English and physical science. He plans to work as a journalist while eventually getting a Ph.D. in English literature to become an English professor.

### **DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE RIVER HIGH SCHOOL FAMILY THAT WE KNOW ABOUT READ AT 2013 REUNION**

Marie (Belli) Albus, faculty  
Jodi (Rothenbuhler) Altizer (1986)  
Janet L. Arman (1969)  
Lana Lynn (Potts) Baker (1963)  
Margene (Rouse) Beisel (1960)  
Clarence "Ed" Cisler (1978)  
Eric C. Driggs (1986)  
Joan (Riggenbach) Fletcher (1970)  
George "Martin" Fry III (1962)  
Jean Frye, Secretary  
Melvin "Tim" Huffman (1979)

John Wade Kanner (1956)  
Harry "Keith" Logston (1961)  
Patricia (Urbanek) Mathews (1963)  
Jeffrey L. McKelvey (1978)  
Clyde Merckle (1975)  
Robert E. Pletcher (1962)  
Bill Price (1968)  
Thomas W. Schuler (1972)  
Jeffrey Todd Slonaker (1981)  
Cecil Snodgrass (1971)  
Ron Talbot (1961)

### **RIVER HIGH ALUMNI IS ON FACEBOOK.**

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

### **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, etc.

## 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 RHSAA Website, www.riverhighalumni.org, where you can print off a copy.

**Return this page to Kathie Darrah, Reunion Registrar  
44863 State Route 78, Woodsfield, OH 43793**

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

**RESERVATIONS ARE DUE ABSOLUTELY NO LATER THAN AUGUST 20, 2014  
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. The cafeteria holds 240 people.**

If you have questions especially for reunion & need to pre-register by e-mail, please contact Kelly Merideth, kellymerideth@gmail.com.

**DONATIONS, DUES, AND REUNION RESERVATIONS**

**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)*

**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 ✂**

**OTE**

**RHSAA BALLOT. VOTE FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS**, 3-year term for September 2014 to September 2017. 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.

- Courtney Frye (2009)   Lydia McIntire (1998)   Shannon (Nelms) Smith (1982)
- Amy Logston (1989)   Loren Romick (1978)

**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 20, 2014) and am eligible to vote.

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

### PILOT LOG TAB IN BEACON AUGUST 28, 2014

Be sure to buy a *Monroe County Beacon* that week if you do not already subscribe to the newspaper. Your RHS Alumni are featured.

**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**



### ***Well, you have to see it to believe it!***

For you out of town grads, the remodeled River High School & the new River Elementary School (the former Sardis and Hannibal Elementary Schools now combined into one) are beautiful!

RHS and River Elementary use the same cafeteria. The cafeteria sits right in front of the R. L. Potts Gymnasium.

With a stage on one end, the facility is very well suited for a dinner and program, so the RHSAA board has chosen to hold the 2014 all-school reunion in the cafeteria, which can accommodate 240 people.

We suggest that you arrive early to allow enough time to walk through the new building and see all the changes from when you attended.

Make your reservation now. The form is found on page 3. Donations are always welcome. We look forward to seeing you as RHS alumni from all years gather together again.



**SATURDAY, AUGUST 30, 2014**

**LABOR DAY WEEKEND**

RHSAA Proudly Presents

The 15th Annual All-School Reunion  
Dinner & Program

### **Honored Classes At The Reunion Are**

1959 (55 YEARS)  
1964 (50 YEARS)  
1969 (45 YEARS)  
1974 (40 YEARS)  
1979 (35 YEARS)  
1984 (30 YEARS)  
1989 (25 YEARS)  
1994 (20 YEARS)  
1999 (15 YEARS)  
2004 (10 YEARS)  
2009 ( 5 YEARS)

### **2013 REUNION AWARDS**

**Attendance Award** - Class of 1968

**Harry E. Mallett Distinguished Service Award**

Don Cavalier, in memoriam, former teacher and principal.

**Alumni Hall of Fame Award**

Roger Langsdorf (1963) and  
Charlotte (Rosenlieb) Wells (1968).