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## 150th Annual All Class Reunion Dinner Set for June 21<sup>st</sup>

### ALL C.H.S. ALUMNI INVITED!!!!

The Chardon Alumni Association will host its Annual Alumni Dinner June 21<sup>st</sup> at St. Mary's Banquet Room, 401 North Street in Chardon. Dinner will be a buffet with gluten-free selection available. This will be a B.Y.O.B. event. Maximum seating is 200 so get your reservation in early so we can plan for your arrival! Early reservations are the key to a happy committee & great reunion!

Registration 5:30PM/Dinner 6:30PM

### WEBSITE/EMAIL!

#### SEND US YOUR CLASS LINKS!

Here's a quick summary of what we're trying to do to make things easy for you!

The Alumni Association has a website [www.chardonalumni.org](http://www.chardonalumni.org) and a Facebook page [Chardon Alumni Association, Inc.](https://www.facebook.com/ChardonAlumniAssociation)

These sites will help you stay in touch with each other and *your* hometown. We have Hall of Fame Nomination Forms, the ability to donate online, purchase dinner tickets online & more!!

If your class is planning a reunion now or in future years, the Alumni Association has a database with names and contact information for all Chardon graduates. We need your help keeping that database current. So *please*, when you move or when members of your family who are C.H.S. grads move, how about going to the website and dropping us a line?

Here's our email! [Info@chardonalumni.org](mailto:Info@chardonalumni.org)

## VERY SPECIAL REUNION

### CLASSES INCLUDE:

CLASS OF 1945 – 80 YEARS

CLASS OF 1950 – 75 YEARS

CLASS OF 1955 – 70 YEARS

CLASS OF 1960 – 65 YEARS

CLASS OF 1965 – 60 YEARS

CLASS OF 1970 – 55 YEARS

CLASS OF 1975 – 50 YEARS

CLASS OF 1980 – 45 YEARS

CLASS OF 1985 – 40 YEARS

## CLASS REUNION CONTACT INFORMATION

Class of 1975 – 50th Reunion

Lee Seufer [leeseuf@aol.com](mailto:leeseuf@aol.com)

Contact Alumni Association for:

Class of 1965 – 60<sup>th</sup> Reunion

Class of 1985 – 40<sup>th</sup> Reunion

Chardon alumni classes with upcoming milestone reunions should consider fundraising to benefit Chardon High School or current Chardon graduating seniors for college or trade school. Last year the Class of 1966 started taking donations for their 60<sup>th</sup> reunion in two years. Alumni from other schools across the country are launching scholarship drives 5-10 years before milestone reunion celebrations. There are lots of creative ideas for fundraising. Perhaps your class has one or more favorite activities you would like to support – music, theater, athletics, science/technology, art, drama...

The Alumni Association is a 501(c)(3) and can serve as the fiscal agent so that donations may be tax deductible and perhaps even matched by an employer. Get us involved and we will be happy to help. E-mail [info@chardonalumni.org](mailto:info@chardonalumni.org) for details.

Please sign up for email at [www.chardonalumni.org](http://www.chardonalumni.org)

## ALUMNI HALL OF FAME

Each year your Alumni Association honors alumni who have made a significant contribution after they graduated (+20 years). Hall of Fame inductees will be honored at the Alumni Dinner. The inductees this year are

Bonnie Clemson	(1975)
Randy Boughton	(1977)
Janelle Unger	(1984)
Cody VanBoxel	(2003)

## High School Memorabilia

If you have Chardon High items you would like to contribute to the memorabilia collection, please bring them to the Alumni Dinner, or send us an email so we can arrange to get it from you. The display at the dinner will be items from special reunion years. If you are coming to the dinner and want to see something in particular, please let us know.

We have started a collection of class rings, so you might want to add your ring. Playbills, photos, and garments are also very welcome.

## Alumni Database

The Database is a source of contact information for classes that are planning reunions, and it is our record of whether you want to receive your Alumni Newsletter by mail or email.

Please remember to let us know if you move, and please send us your email, so we can keep your information up to date in the Database.

If your class is planning a reunion, please reach out via email, so we can send you contact information for your classmates. If you get updated classmate contact information, please pass it on to us so we can keep the Database up to date.

## What grades are High School?

Grades 8 through 12 are now considered to be high school. Chardon High School is a five-year comprehensive public high school, serving approximately 1,215 students in grades 8 through 12, supported by classroom teachers, media specialists, administrators, counselors, and an array of staff members, special educators, volunteers, and aides.

## New Principal

Chardon Schools has named Adam Tomco as Principal at Chardon High School, effective August 1, 2024.

Mr. Tomco had served as Principal at Chardon Middle School since 2022. Previously, he was the Assistant Principal at the Middle School for four years and had held the position of Business Affairs Supervisor for the District. He is a Painesville Township resident and is active in coaching youth sports.

## C.H.S. Alumni Financial Report

<b>Checking Balance 1/1/2024</b>	\$7,709.42
<b>Income</b>	
Dinner	4,727.00
Donations	6,224.21
Transfer from investment account	4,000.00
Income Total	14,951.21
<b>Expenses</b>	
Alumni Dinner	4,393.18
Bank/PayPal Expense	61.62
Newsletter	2,610.84
Post Office	949.80
Scholarships	8,000.00
Ohio 501(c3) fee	50.00
CHSAA Website	184.35
Hall of Fame	672.33
Memorabilia (incl. football films)	2,185.66
Expense Total	\$19,107.78
<b>Checking Balance 1/1/25</b>	\$3,552.85

<b>Encumbrances for 2025</b>	
Scholarships (2024 (1) & 2024 (3))	8,000.00
Printing - Newsletter (2025)	1,500.00
Memorabilia storage	864.00
HOF and other	700.00
Encumbrance Total	11,064.00
<b>Checking Balance Encumbrances</b>	<b>(\$7,511.15)</b>

A shortfall for encumbrances must be made up by donations or by withdrawal from investment account

<b>Investment Account Balance 1/1/2024</b>	\$56,588.51
<b>Income</b>	
Dividends	354.87
Interest	1,720.82
Market appreciation	4,018.44
Income Total	6,094.13
<b>Expenses</b>	
Transfer to checking	4,000.00
Market depreciation	0.00
Expense Total	\$4,000.00
<b>Investment Account Balance 1/1/25</b>	\$58,682.64

If you have questions, please contact the Treasurer at [info@chardonalumni.org](mailto:info@chardonalumni.org)

## Officers

Pres. Bonnie Feigle Clemson '75  
 VP. Judy Jonke-Thrasher '82  
 Sec. Debbie Lehmann Chuha '78  
 Treas. Tom Fazekas '66

Additional officers are needed. Please consider joining us if you are interested.

Please send us your email address to help us keep you up to date and save postage in the future [info@chardonalumni.org](mailto:info@chardonalumni.org) - your Chardon High School Alumni Connection!

Please sign up for email at [www.chardonalumni.org](http://www.chardonalumni.org)

## Interesting Websites and e-mail

[info@chardonalumni.org](mailto:info@chardonalumni.org)

Chardon Schools:

[www.chardon.k12.oh.us](http://www.chardon.k12.oh.us)

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

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

[www.highschoolalumni.com](http://www.highschoolalumni.com)

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

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

Facebook:

Chardon Alumni Association, Inc.

G-TV - School News

The New HD Chardon Square Cam!

Classmates.com (3,100+ CHS Alums!)

## NONPROFIT CHARITY STATUS

The Chardon High School Alumni Association is a nonprofit, 501(c)(3) organization.

Our main charitable purposes are memorabilia preservation and academic scholarships for CHS graduates. Your donation to the Association is tax deductible to the extent your individual tax filing situation permits.

## 152<sup>nd</sup> CHARDON COMMENCEMENT

Chardon High School's 152<sup>nd</sup> Commencement is set to take place at Chardon Memorial Field on May 22, 2025 (7:30 PM). The event will be live streamed by G-TV. The streaming link will be available on the Alumni, School District and G-TV websites. Alums are welcome to watch! Check our website for more current news when it is available.

## YOUR LAST ALUMNI NEWSLETTER?

The Alumni Association will no longer mail the annual Alumni Newsletter except to alumni who specifically request a mailed copy.

If you want to receive a mailed Newsletter each year, then please return the enclosed postcard. Do not return the postcard if you no longer want to receive the Newsletter. If you previously requested a mailed copy, there will be a star on the address label of this Newsletter, and there is no need for you to mail the postcard.

You can sign up for an email version of the Newsletter at [Alumni Subscriber request](#). Email is the preferred distribution method.

## ALUMNI DINNER RESERVATION AND DONATION FORM

You can make your reservations to the Alumni Dinner by completing and mailing this form along with your payment, or you can make your reservations online at [www.chardonalumni.org](http://www.chardonalumni.org). Please RSVP by **June 1st**.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Year graduated \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Chardon alumni child/spouse \_\_\_\_\_ Year graduated \_\_\_\_\_

Address Correction \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Your **email address** please! \_\_\_\_\_

**Check Here \_\_\_\_\_ and mail this form or the postcard to request mailed copy of the Newsletter in future years. You will not get another mailed Newsletter unless you request it.**

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ Dinners @ \$45.00 ea. Total =\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**I would like to make a Donation to the Chardon Alumni Association \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Preferred use of donation \_\_\_ General Funds \_\_\_ Scholarship \_\_\_ Memorabilia Preservation  
\_\_\_ Other (Please specify \_\_\_\_\_)

**MAIL TO CHARDON ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, P. O. BOX 161, CHARDON, OH 44024**

**ALUMNI ASSOCIATION  
MAJOR DONORS in 2024**

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KATHY FAZEKAS  
RHONDA GARRETT  
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WILLIAM MANSFIELD  
JEANETTE OPPER  
LINDA ROSE  
ROGER SEABOLT  
GEOFF SHIFLETT  
JOSEPH SVETE  
MARK TAYLOR  
DENNIS WALSH  
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GREG WOLCOTT  
CLASS OF 1966

**ALUMNI GENEROSITY**

With the help of the C.H.S. Guidance Department and Auburn Career Center, the Alumni Association awards \$2000 scholarships to graduating seniors. The 2024 scholarship recipients for college or trade school were:

Isabel May (college)  
Sean Collins (college)  
Logan Gunnoe (trade)

Thanks to YOUR support, we were able to increase the size of scholarships in 2023 and anticipate maintaining the scholarships at that level in future years.

**ORDER DINNER TICKETS  
ONLINE AT**

[Alumni Dinner Reservation](https://www.paypal.com/ncp/payment/7TYVV4R4L6GCU)

or

<https://www.paypal.com/ncp/payment/7TYVV4R4L6GCU>

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