



HATBORO-HORSHAM ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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21st Annual Golf Outing Turns Out Record Numbers

165 Players Participated in Honoring H-H Supporters
James T. Carnahan, Sr.



A record turnout of 165 players came out in memory of James T. Carnahan, Sr., for the 21st Annual Golf Classic. Over \$15,000 was raised in Mr. Carnahan's memory with the net proceeds going to the Alumni Perpetual Scholarship Fund benefiting graduating H-H students. Held at Limekiln Golf Course in Horsham, the golf couldn't have been better. The awards ceremony and buffet was once again held and generously donated by Bobby Gavin at Gavin's on Horsham Road. A festive time was had by all with special guests Fedele, Spinio, Vollrath, Mulligan, Newcomb, and May brothers, all in attendance. Oh, and Matt and Pat Carroll too!

Next year's event is once again slated for the Limekiln Golf Course on Friday, June 18, 2010, with the awards and buffet immediately following at Gavin's.

ALL ALUMNI INVITED!

Thanksgiving Eve Alumni Football Gathering • Wednesday, November 25th

Buona Via Restaurant & Bar will be the site for this year's Thanksgiving Eve Alumni gathering anytime after 7pm until midnight. ALL Alumni are invited to get together to reconnect with former class mates and teachers in an informal fun setting. There is no charge for attending so gather your friends and stop by for this annual homecoming Thanksgiving Eve event!

Class of 1974 35th Reunion • Saturday, November 28th

The class of 1974's 35th Reunion will be held at LaFontana Restaurant on York Road in Hatboro, 7pm Saturday, November 28th. Cost for the evening is \$35 per person made payable to the "Class of 1974". Please forward your payment to Jim Worthington, 1081 Creamery Road, Newtown, PA 18940. For more information, please call or email at 267-972-3637 or Worthington@newtownathletic.com.

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Nominations Sought for Hall of Fame

Hatboro-Horsham High School is seeking nominees to be inducted into its 2nd Annual Athletic Wall of Fame. The Athletic Wall of Fame was established in 2008 to honor and recognize the contributions of student athletes, athletic teams, coaches and special contributors to the high school sports program.

The nomination process will be ongoing through August 30th. The following groups are eligible for consideration:

Student Athletes - Athletes will become eligible for consideration five years after their graduation date. Candidates must have graduated from Hatboro-Horsham and been enrolled in the school for a minimum of 2 years. Candidates must have demonstrated athletic accomplishments of the highest level, such as district/state championships or recognition for accomplishments in the collegiate, Olympic or professional teams.

Athletic Teams - Teams will become eligible five years after completion of the relevant season(s). Teams which have displayed extraordinary performances and had outstanding seasons are eligible for this category.

Coaches - Coaches will become eligible five years after retiring from coaching at Hatboro-Horsham High School. Candidates must have made outstanding contributions to athletics and provided exemplary leadership to student athletes. Coaching achievements at other institutions may also be taken into consideration provided they have also coached at a HH. (Cont'd. on Page 3) 

Some heartfelt thank you's from H-H Scholarship recipients.

Dear Hatboro-Horsham Alumni Association,

I would first like to say thank you very much for the scholarship you gave me at Senior Awards Night at Hatboro-Horsham High School. It was very generous of you and I appreciate it very much. It will be put to good use in furthering my education at the University of Massachusetts where I plan to study Animal Sciences / Pre-Vet. It will then go on to help me later become a veterinarian. My becoming a veterinarian will hopefully allow me to give back to the community, just as you have helped the community with these scholarships. I would once again like to thank you for the scholarship, it really means a lot.

Sincerely,
Laura Wojcik



Dear Hatboro-Horsham Alumni Association,

I just wanted to thank-you and tell you how much I appreciate being a recipient of your scholarship. It is going to be very helpful for my upcoming year at college.

Sincerely,
Kimberly Rost

If you have information to contribute to this newsletter, please contact
Jim Worthington at 267-972-3637 or
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Hatboro-Horsham Alumni People Update

1939 Grad Jeannette Mackay, a life long resident of Hatboro, died on July 30 at the age of 87. Born in Hatboro, she was the wife of the late Ronald Mackay, Jr. A homemaker, she was the mother of Carol Mackay and Bert Mackay and grandmother of two. She was preceded in death by a sister, Eleanore Monaghan.

1941 Grad Leland "Chuck" Klinger, Jr. of Sellersville, formerly of Hatboro, died on June 23 in Leigh Valley Hospice in Allentown at the age of 59. He was the husband of Barbara (Daniels) Klinger. A Vietnam War veteran, Chuck had a long career as a truck driver and was a member of Teamsters Local 470. In addition to his wife, he is survived by a daughter, Courtney, and a sister, Bonnie Mae Bilboe. He was preceded in death by a brother, James.

1944 Grad Howard Sobelman died on May 27. He possessed many fine memories of his years at Hatboro.

1983 Grad William "Scooter" Scott III, of Telford, formerly of Horsham, died August 15 due to a motorcycle accident in West Rockhill Township at the age of 43. The son of Ruth and the late William Scott, William was a life long resident of Montgomery Township. He was employed as an auto body specialist with J.L. Freed & Sons, Lansdale. He was an avid Harley rider and enjoyed custom painting cycles. In addition to his mother, he is survived by a daughter, Melissa, two sisters, Eadie Guthrie of Perkasio and Ruth Haverkamp of Lansdale.

1987 Grad Michelle (Mergen) Mitchell, a resident of Holland for the past 6 years, formerly of Hatboro, died August 8 at Abington Hospice Warminster at the age of 39. Born in Scotland, she was the daughter of John and Margaret Mergen of Hatboro. She was the wife of Kenneth Mitchell. Michelle was employed with Prudential Insurance of Horsham for 12 years. In addition, she is survived by a son, Jack, daughter, Lauren, and a brother, Andrew.

1991 Grad Meredith Valts, a resident of Warrington for the past four years, formerly of Doylestown and Ambler, passed away suddenly and unexpectedly on May 20 at her residence at the age of 35. Born in Philadelphia, she was the daughter of Joan and Pete Valts of Horsham. A 1995 grad of Delaware, she was currently attending LaSalle University with a goal of obtaining a masters degree in history. Meredith was employed as a book-keeper with Valts Roofing Co. of Warrington. In addition to her parents, Meredith is survived by her brother, Kevin, sister, Katherine Davis, and her nephews, Hunter and Nathan.

2000 Grad Lauren Marie Benninghoff was recently engaged to Benjamin Robert Corber of Warminster. Daughter of Roy and Marie Benninghoff of Hatboro, Lauren earned her BS in education at East Stroudsburg University in 2004 and her masters in education from Gwynedd Mercy College in 2008. She is employed as a seventh grade math teacher for the Baltimore County Public Schools in Maryland. Her and her fiancée's plans are to relocate into the area with a wedding date set for November 7, 2009.

2002 Grad Michael J. Clark has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, SC. He is the son of Joyce Clark of Horsham. Michael also graduated from Shippensburg University in 2006.

John L. Donovan of Horsham, died April 28 at Abington Hospice at the age of 77. He was the husband of Catherine Donovan. John serviced on the Horsham police force from 1956 to 1996 and served as chief of police from 1969 to 1996. In addition to his wife, he is survived by two sons, Harold and John, two sisters, Janice Trowbridge and Cecelia White, and two grandchildren.

Nominations for Hall of Fame (Cont'd.)

Special Contributors or Supporters - Eligibility will be at the discretion of the selection committee. Candidates must have made outstanding contributions or offered extraordinary services to the student athletes and athletic program at HH.

Any person with a demonstrated interest in HH's athletic program can submit a nomination. Nomination forms are available in the main office of the high school, 899 Horsham Road, or can be downloaded through the high school web site at www.hatboro-horsham.org.

Nominations will be presented to a selection committee made up of administrators, school board members, current former coaches and teachers. Beginning this year, no more than four athletes, teams, coaches and/or contributors will be inducted at one time. The 2nd Annual Wall of Fame golf outing will be held September 28 at Pine Crest Country Club, and the 2009 induction ceremony will take place Oct. 16 at the home football game.

The Athletic Wall of Fame had been in the works for some time with Principal Dennis Williams and Athletic Director Lou James developing some of the guidelines after some of the work was started by previous Athletic Director Mark Ridgway. The 2008 Wall of Fame inductees were honored with a kick-off outing, celebration dinner and halftime ceremony.

COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND ALUMNI: JOIN TODAY FOR 2009!

Your membership donation provides the following benefits to you as well as deserving graduating Hatboro-Horsham students:

- Provides funding for the Alumni Perpetual Scholarship Fund for deserving graduating students. Every dollar over the \$25 minimum donation goes directly into our perpetual scholarship trust fund with the interest generated yearly being awarded to deserving students to further their education. The current principal amount raised over the past 19 years provides approximately \$10,000 annually in scholarship grants.
- Provides you, during 2009, newsletters giving you information about other alumni, community members, upcoming events, and news as well as other stories of interest.
- Provides needed working capital that allows the Association to offer the 22nd Annual Alumni Golf Classic on June 18, 2010.



2009 Membership Application Form

NAME(S): _____

ADDRESS: _____

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HOME PHONE: _____ WORK PHONE: _____

PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

COMMUNITY MEMBER H-H ALUMNI (please include class year) _____

YOUR DONATION SELECTION:

BRONZE (\$25) SILVER (\$50) GOLD (\$100) PLATINUM (\$200 or more)

PLEASE MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO THE HATBORO-HORSHAM ALUMNI ASSOCIATION AND RETURN APPLICATION TO JIM WORTHINGTON 1081, CREAMERY ROAD, NEWTOWN PA 18940

Thank you for your membership donation to the Alumni Association!



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