



Hartford High School Alumni Association Newsletter

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Greetings Alums,

While our goal is to continue the Hartford High tradition of reuniting each year on Alumni day, it is becoming more difficult to make it a reality. We continue to have limited interest and participation in the planning of alumni events. Most of us are very busy these days and finding time can be a challenge, but if you are one of those who would hate to see it all go away, please consider donating a few hours of your time.

If you live locally, you could join us at our monthly meetings, or help us out on Alumni Day either at the parade or picnic. Please let us know if you'd like to help. It will be greatly appreciated.

It takes money to accomplish a successful Alumni Day. After paying for insurance, permits, security, prizes, entertainment, tents, tables and miscellaneous other expenses, we spend around \$4500. You can help by paying your dues and or giving a small donation to ensure that we can keep our tradition going.

We hope that you will join us on the 24th of June, to relax and reconnect with classmates and friends.

As this is our first parade in three years we have included pictures from past Alumni Parades.



Alumni Weekend Class Activities

Class of 1963 **60th Class Reunion** Our class is planning to have a float in the parade, then meet at the picnic after the parade. We will meet later at a place to be determined. Please email Mary Braley justme_5_99@yahoo.com or call 802-738-9754 , Dolly Scelza dscelza@live.com or call 802-299-8669

Class of 1968 **55th Class Reunion** We are planning on a presence in the parade with either a float or a walking contingent. On Friday night June 23rd we are having a casual get together at the **Dales Home Pavilion** on the North Hartland Rd (Rte 5 South) from 5-9:00PM. Contact Johanna Foley jsfoley@bellsouth.net

Class of 1973 **50th Class Reunion** We are participating in the Alumni parade with two floats this year. The first is a giant "celebration cake and the other will be packed with '73 celebrators ! Class members meet at the White River School at 10AM to join in the fun. Afterwards, the class will be meeting for a potluck at the North Hartland Dam beginning at 1PM. Bring your family and say hello to old friends. Follow our **Hartford Class of 73** site on Facebook for meeting dates, times and special announcements or contact Patty Foley McNamara at pmcnamara73@gmail.com

Class of 1978 **45th Class Reunion** plans. How can that be we are only 21!! :) We will be doing a float and attending the picnic in the park after the parade. 3-4PM we will be headed to Kathy Doton's house for games, dinner, and dancing. If you have not been receiving email updates please reach out to Karen Emery Dean at Karen.Dean78@gmail.com to be added to the email list. Also check out our facebook page. We hope to see everyone on June 24th.

Class of 1981 **42nd Class Reunion** We are planning an event in early August. Details are TBD. If you haven't heard from anyone on the committee please call Peter Nalette at 802-738-3878 or email Peternalette@yahoo.com. We hope to make contact with as many of our classmates as we can. Please help spread the word! Hope to see you then.

Class of 1998 **25th Class Reunion** We plan to have a float in this years parade. We will also have a gathering for our class on Saturday June 24 th at 5:00PM at the Abetti Barn. Please check our **Hartford High School Class of 1998** Facebook page or **Class of 1998 25th Reunion-Alumni Parade and Gathering** Facebook Event for more details as we have them. Or reach out to Kristy Driver at KDriver624@comcast.net

If you are interested in getting together with your class please contact your class representative

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- Alumni Day Agenda**
- Saturday June 24th**
- 9:00AM** Parade Staging begins. Float participants meet at White River Elem. School (Pine Street)
- 11:00AM** Parade begins
- 12:00-3:00PM** Post Parade Picnic at Lyman Point Park
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Hartford High Sports in Review

Hartford Lacrosse teams both reached the Division II championship games last spring with the boys being defeated by Rice in a close game and the girls defeating Mt Abraham-Vergennes in a thriller to win the first state lacrosse title in school history.

The girls field Hockey team reached the state final last fall. This was the 19th time the team has reached the title game. They played hard all game long but ended up losing to Woodstock 1-0.

The boys indoor track team won the division II state championship. The first state title for the boys in school history.

Boys basketball earned an 18-4 record. This is the best record in recorded history surpassing the 1939-40 team (coached by Robert Hanley) who had a record of 17-4.

On January 30th Todd Bebeau earned his 300th win as coach of the Hartford Ice Hockey team. Within a few days two Hurricane players , (Ozzy DeFelice and Blaine Gour)surpassed the 100 point plateau. Congratulations to all!

HHS took 14 students to the New England Music Festival at the end of March, the most we have ever had accepted. And for those of you who enjoy a good concert, the HHS Spring Concert and awards night is Thursday May 18th @ 7:00PM in the HHS Auditorium.

Homecoming Weekend 2023 will be held on October 13th -14th. The Football game is at 7:00 PM on the 13th with fireworks at halftime 7:45-8:00PM. The girls field Hockey game is on Saturday morning October 14th at 11AM.



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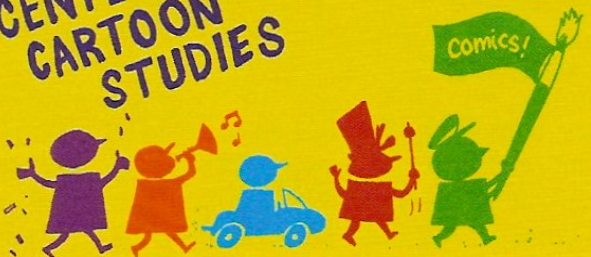


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This year Hartford High lost two long time teachers

Mac Hooper "Mac", AKA Mr. Hooper left us in December 2022. I don't even know how to write a proper tribute to a man who started out as a teacher at Hartford High and became a lifelong friend to many of us.

Mac was born an educator and maintained that role to those who knew him, long after HHS. Whether discussing photography, productions, English or Solstice he always brought useful information to the conversation.

A few comments made on his passing included "you were one of the great ones, one of my favorites, your words and counsel continue to inspire." A kind, caring, and funny man whose memory will live on in the hearts and minds of those who were fortunate enough to work with him or have him as a teacher at HHS. Nancy Ray '66

Brian Trottier arrived at HHS in 1975 and retired in 2006. His 30 plus years at HHS included time as the industrial arts teacher, the athletic director, and coaching positions from varsity girls basketball, track and field, softball and more. He was an official/umpire and spent many years of his retirement working the whistle games all over town. His most recent connection with the school was as the scoreboard operator for HHS football up until just a few years ago. Mr. Trottier dedicated his adult life to serving his community and generations of Hurricanes are better for having worked with him. Jeff Moreno '94

NOTHING CAN STOP A HURRICANE!

For generations, Hartford High School students, families, faculty, staff, and administration have gathered around our fields to support and cheer on our friends and classmates. And as thousands of faithful alumni and fans know, once you've caught the Hurricane spirit, it lives deep inside of you.

To commemorate and honor the generations of scholars, athletes, artists, and community members who've passed through Hartford High School, we have started a fundraising campaign to build Legacy Park at the Alumni Athletic Complex. Our plan is to give the Hurricane faithful a focal point on campus; a place to meet up and reconnect with friends from the past; a place to meet new friends; and a place to support the Hurricanes to come!



Every donation - large or small - will go toward improving our athletic campus, starting with the construction of the Alumni Arch as the grand entrance to Legacy Park. Plus, every class that reaches the target gift level of \$2,500 will have its year of graduation proudly added to a brick on the Alumni Arch.

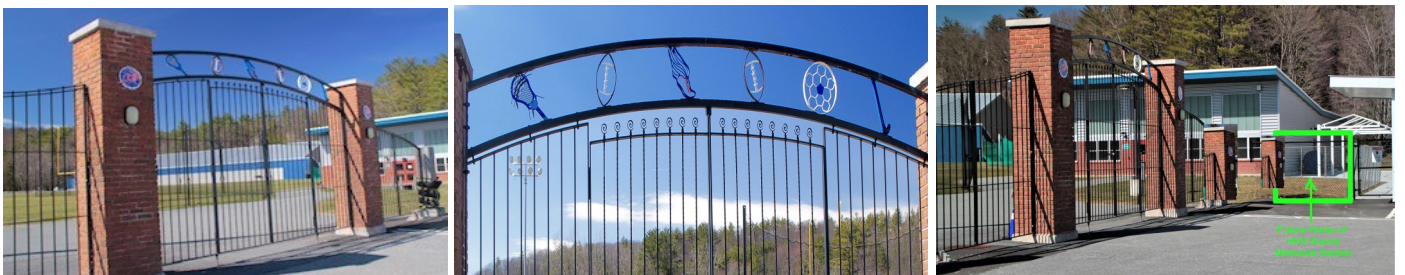
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As a family of scholars and athletes, parents and students, teachers and staff, fans and alumni, let's build Legacy Park, and let's show the world what Hurricane Pride is all about.

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10	1978	\$100.00
10	1993	\$100.00
10	1998	\$100.00
10	1954	\$100.00
10	1950	\$100.00
10	1965	\$100.00
10	1968	\$100.00
11	1955	\$75.00
11	1970	\$75.00
11	1975	\$75.00
11	1981	\$75.00
11	1995	\$75.00
11	1952	\$75.00
12	2003	\$50.00
12	2006	\$50.00
13	1961	\$25.00
13	1996	\$25.00

We are making great progress on Legacy Park. The arch itself is just about complete with the rest of the pillars, brickwork, and fencing due to go up this summer.

Once complete there will be a gathering place for Alumni with memorials, picnic tables and benches for seating.



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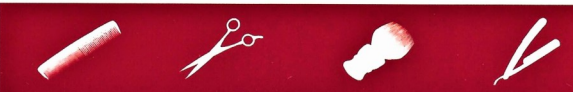
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