

Weedsport Central School Alumni Association

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Dear Alumnus,

Weedsport's **101st Annual Alumni Banquet** will be held at the **Weedsport Junior Senior High School** on **Saturday, June 22, 2024** with registration and social hour from 5:00pm-5:45pm. We will be serving a delicious dinner buffet provided by Brian Potter '98 (Potter Farm to Fork) promptly at 6:00pm. Due to preparations for the dinner, **we will not be opening the doors prior to 4:45pm**, so please plan your arrival accordingly.

DUE TO THE LARGE VOLUME OF ATTENDEES, THOSE WITHOUT RESERVATIONS MAY NOT BE SEATED. Please note that your meal must be paid for in advance due to several no-shows each year. The Alumni Association must still pay for those meals since dinner preparations are based upon your reservation.

Following dinner, a brief business meeting will be held. At this time, we will host the 18th Annual Graduate of Distinction Awards.

In addition to welcoming the Class of 2024 into the Weedsport Alumni Association, we will be announcing scholarships for six deserving graduates. We feel that helping as many students as possible toward their future goals is the most important thing the Alumni Association can do. Please consider donating to our Scholarship Fund!

Mark the date! It's a wonderful opportunity to enjoy a great dinner with former classmates and reminisce about those special years at Weedsport Central School.

Tonya Case Martinez '93
President

David Kinney '71
Vice- President

Amy Fults Chirco '81
Historian/Co-Treasurer

Sheila Sevier O'Connor '91
Secretary

Sarah Lewis '07
Co-Treasurer

Dinner Reservation Deadline: June 12, 2024

Please detach this portion to make reservations and forward to:
Weedsport Alumni Association, PO Box 764 Weedsport, NY 13166

Name (please include maiden name): _____
Address: _____
Class Year: _____ Email Address: _____
Secondary Education/Armed Forces: _____
Number of persons attending dinner: _____
Name of guest(s): _____

\$ _____ Enclosed for dinner at \$22.00 for each guest
\$ _____ Enclosed for annual dues at \$10.00 each
\$ _____ Enclosed for the Scholarship Fund (tax-deductible)
\$ _____ Enclosed for the 50/50 raffle (\$1 per ticket) *Do not have to be in attendance to win!
\$ _____ **Total Amount Enclosed**

Did you know that every person who graduates from Weedsport is automatically a member of the Alumni Association?

Commit yourself to preserving our strong bond with the Weedsport School and Community. Dedicate yourself beyond membership and contribute back to bringing alumni, students, and the community together.

There are many ways to get involved.... Volunteer for an event or participate in an organization in the school or community, attend a sports event, music concert, or community-wide event, sponsor a senior student's dinner at the banquet to name a few. The Alumni Executive Members are a select few who want to enrich relationships to preserve our Weedsport Connections. Do you maintain your Weedsport Connections? We thank those that do near and far!!

QUESTIONS YOU HAVE ASKED:

Why haven't some alumni been receiving invitations?

We haven't been notified of their correct address. The Postal Service throws away any bulk mail that is not 100% correct. The Alumni Association never knows who received our mailing. We do thank all of you who continue to provide us with updated addresses and information for the alumni database.

To update your address, contact us at: **PO Box 764, Weedsport, NY 13166 OR weedsportalumni@gmail.com**

******PLEASE NOTE: We have a NEW EMAIL address ******

Registration banquet forms may also be downloaded from the Weedsport Central School's website at **www.weedsport.org**. Visit this website to learn interesting information about WCS or follow Twitter with Tweets by **@WCSDWarriors**.

Why pay dues?

Printing and mailing the Annual Banquet invitations is costly. The dues help take care of this and any additional incidental expenses as necessary. The dues also offset the cost of keeping the alumni directory current. At the 2011 Alumni Banquet, it was decided that the Alumni would sponsor the cost of one Graduate of Distinction per year. This amount includes the cost of two plaques- one for the recipient and one to be on display at the school.

Who chooses the Alumni Scholarship winners?

An anonymous committee of teachers and school administrators determines who will receive the Scholarships. The Alumni Officers have no knowledge of who the winners are until the awards are announced at the Banquet. The student recipients must be in attendance that evening to be eligible.

Who chooses the Graduates of Distinction?

The Graduates of Distinction Awards are entirely under the direction and sponsorship of Weedsport's Board of Education and Administration. The Alumni Association is honored to host the Awards at our Annual Banquet, but we do not determine who receives them.

Why is the banquet held at the High School?

It fosters community spirit and you can see the changes made to the school over the years. It keeps costs down for those who wish to attend. We have researched other options and the price ranges from \$25-\$35 per person for most local establishments. This cost does not include appetizers, beverages, or dessert. As the graduating seniors and Administrators are the guests at the Alumni Association, a portion of the price of your meal goes toward the cost of their dinners.

GRADUATES OF DISTINCTION

In 2007, the Weedsport Central School District established a Graduates of Distinction Program to honor Weedsport Central School graduates for lifetime achievement. Honorees, living or deceased will be mature citizens having distinguished themselves through their communities, professions, or careers. This may include service to humanity, exceptional career achievement, or a lifetime of accomplishments in many areas. No person shall be eligible for this honor until at least ten years following the date of graduation from the Weedsport Central School District. The nomination packets can be obtained by either visiting or calling the district office (834-6637). The closing date for submission of the nomination packets is March 1, 2025.

We will welcome the 2024 Distinguished Alumni Inductee

Recent Graduates of Distinction Honorees:

2023 – Russell ‘Russ’ Jorolemon ’59 and Theresa Leonardi ’83

2022 – Master Chief David Simkulet ’78

2021 – Dr. Michael J. Glowacki II ’85

2020 – Joseph Marshall ’53 and Charles Kreplin ’49



Russell ‘Russ’ Jorolemon ’59



Members of the Class of 1973 celebrating their 50th year at the 2023 Banquet



Theresa Leonardi ’83



2023 Alumni Scholarship Winners



Newest members of the Alumni Association
Class of 2023

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Weedsport Alumni Association
Over 6000 Strong!

