

BOYS' HOME ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

December, 2016

Dear Alumni, families and friends:

Greetings to all! As most of you already know, our June meeting was cancelled because of the flood in this area and the damages it created for Alleghany County. Boys' Home had flood damage at the farm and the road leading into our campus. It is time again to report on happenings within our association. Thanks to all who have continued their financial support and know that it is very much appreciated. We will continue to support five boys at Christmas (\$100.00 each) and this past June we gave eight high school graduates \$100.00 each. The flood of June 23<sup>rd</sup> may have dampened our fun day on the "Hill" but it did not dampen our spirit of financial support. Mr. Wheatley and I discussed the possibility of a "make up" date for our BHAA meeting but the Boys' Home summer schedule was filled! It is hoped that more of you will make plans to attend our **December gathering – so mark your calendar now for Saturday, December 17, 2016**. Please bring your family and friends and, also, bring some family pictures and videos to share with us for a fun day.

We are sad to report the death of two of our members. On October 19<sup>th</sup>, we lost a "brother", Joseph Thomas "Joe" Mullen ('65) who lived in Pensacola, Florida; and on July 27<sup>th</sup>, another brother, James Robert "Jim" Felty '52. Our deepest sympathy is extended to the families of Joe and Jim. Joe was a member of the Boys' Home Hall of Fame and supportive of Boys' Home. Jim served as President of our Alumni Association in the 90's, and his older brother, Pete, was a staff member in the 60's. His brother, Spike, has also served as President of BHAA, and is still a very active member. If you would like to send a card of condolences, the addresses are: Mrs. Joe Mullen, 2356 Amelia Lane, Pensacola FL 32526 and Mrs. Diane Felty, 9312 Bramall Road, Richmond VA 23229. We have also learned that alumnus Richard Nuckols has recovered from recent back surgery and is doing well. His address is: Richard Nuckols, 1211 Eagle Pointe Way, Chesapeake VA 23322. If you know of any other alumni who have passed away, or who have been ill, please let me know. We need to get cards out to these alum and let them know we are thinking about them.

The Boys Home Hall of Fame was a huge success and on September 17<sup>th</sup> we welcomed four new honorees, Antonio Gibbs '03, Buford Brown (staff '82-'14), Kenneth Gregory Burns '56 and Wesley Rowe Corbin '52. Our congratulations to all!

We are sponsoring five boys for Christmas. However, if you care to sponsor individually, please contact Boys Home at (540-965-7705) or visit the Boys Home of Virginia website.

Please continue your support of our Association by mailing your donations to Boys' Home of Virginia and earmark for the BHAA, and/or make a donation to Boys' Home. We need your help! Don't forget our "FUN" day on **Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup>**, and bring your family and friends to share time with the residents and staff and visit the cottages' Christmas decorations. If you cannot attend, please remember us with a donation.

Loyally,

James "Jim" Miller, '66 President BHAAA

BOYS HOME ALUMNI MEETING

December 17, 2016

10-11:00 AM Social gathering at the Martha Terry Museum, Administration Bldg. (coffee and doughnuts)

11-12:00PM Free time to visit boys in their cottages, and the Martha Terry Museum

Noon Lunch with the boys and staff at Ben Parrott Dining Hall

1:10-2:15 PM Alumni Social Gathering  
(Alumni Group Picture at Dining Hall)

2:30 PM Recreational activities with the boys (paint ball, basketball, fishing, Visits to cottages, play games with residents, etc.)

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Please fill in and mail to Boys Home Alumni Assoc., 414 Boys Home Rd., Covington VA 24426

\_\_\_\_\_ YES, I will attend the BHAA meeting at Boys Home on Saturday, December 17, 2016.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

I will have \_\_\_\_\_ guests with me.

\_\_\_\_\_ Sorry, I cannot attend, but would like to contribute \$\_\_\_\_\_ to help with the work of BHAA.

Make check payable to **Boys Home** (earmarked for the Alumni Association), and mail to Boys Home to the

Attention: Jim Miller, BHAA President.

\_\_\_\_\_ Sorry I will be unable to attend the meeting on December 17<sup>th</sup>, but would like to update my phone number, address, and E-mail address so that I will be kept informed on BHAA news and functions.

Please contact Boys Home @ 540-965-7700 or President Jim Miller @ 434-293-5669 (cell 434-960-0038)