

BOYS HOME ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Spring 2015

Dear Alumni, families and friends:

Greetings again to all alumni, their families and friends. It is time to report to you the most recent "happenings" of our Association. We are all happy to welcome the sunshine and spring weather after a long cold winter. The Association officers hope that all our members and your families are well and that you are making plans to be at our summer meeting, Saturday, June 27, 2015.

It has been a sorrowful time for many of us with the recent deaths within our alumni "family." Mr. Wheatley lost his mother in September; my brother, Charles Miller, passed away February 7th; Bill Siple (Coach Siple's son) died suddenly on Feb. 20th; two weeks later, Coach Siple passed away March 13th, and then Coach's wife, Mary, passed away on March 21st; Charles Marple's mother passed away on April 14th. Our deepest sympathies are extended to all the families.

Thanks to all who attended our December social gathering and for the contributions you made to our Association. As in the past we sponsored five boys (\$100.00 each). This coming June we will be giving each of the graduating seniors a \$100.00 gift. At this time, we have been told that there will be five graduates.

We want to extend our gratitude for all the financial gifts that we received since last June, and especially those received at Christmas time. There were numerous people that went way above the call of duty and gave larger sums and so many others that gave what they could. We welcome every dollar we receive because as you know, you are the life blood of this Association. We would not be able to fund these gifts to the BOYS on the "Hill" without your financial support. We only hope and pray that you will see fit to continue your support. It is very much needed and appreciated. Please remember to mail a check if you cannot attend our June meeting and picnic.

I hope you will mark your calendars now for our June meeting – **Saturday, June 27, 2015**. We are hoping that as many as possible will be able to make the trip for this meeting. We are planning for a "fun" day with the boys on campus with the many activities that we have had in the past. (See schedule attached) Be sure to bring appropriate clothing for outdoor activities. We are always hopeful that as many of you "younger" alums will come and bring your families. We need to have enough alums here to have a basketball and/or a softball game after lunch.

Our business meeting will begin immediately after lunch. (location to be announced at lunch time). Our financial needs remain pretty much the same. We need at least \$2,000.00 a year for Christmas and the graduating seniors. In addition we need funds to sponsor the Outdoor Club, mailing of our two newsletters and the Eagle Award that is presented each June. From time to time we try to assist Boys Home with a specific financial need for the boys. (i.e.: basketball uniforms) Please think of items you wish to discuss at the business meeting.

I challenge all Alums from the 1970's through 2014 to be here on Alumni Day to support our efforts to have team sports activities and interactions with the Boys Home current residents.

Jim Miller '66, President

BOYS HOME ALUMNI MEETING

June 27, 2015

- 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 Alumni Picnic Shelter (weather permitting)
- 1:00 PM Presentation of the BHAA Alumni Eagle Award
- 1:10-2:15 PM Alumni Business Meeting
(Alumni Group Picture)
- 2:30 PM Recreational activities with the boys (paint ball, softball, basketball, fishing,
Visits to cottages, play games with residents, etc.)
- 5:00 PM Dinner with the residents in the Ben Parrott Dining Hall.

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, June 27, 2015

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 June 27th, 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)