



Laurelwood Alumni Newsletter – September 2009

Alumni Weekend is at: 38950 SW Laurelwood Rd, Gaston, OR 97119.

Alumni Weekend is happening—**October 3, Sabbath at the LA campus in Gaston** honoring the classes 1949, 1959, 1969, 1979, 1989, 1999 & 2009. Honor classes will share the Sabbath School which starts at 9:30 am and our church service. A general potluck will be in the grade school gym with lots of visiting. The Alumni of LA Inc who attended LA from 1989 to the current year will meet in the library for lunch. The 10-year honor classes will meet in different rooms and buildings on campus. If you are from one of the 10-year honor classes and have not heard from anyone in your class, or if you want information on places to stay (motel, or RV parking), or have other questions, please contact us at: 503-647-5868 (Penny) or email to: Penny-Gil@FixAuto.com.

Laurelwood Academy – 2009-2010

Laurelwood Academy's campus at Jasper, Oregon has 45 students attending this year from the US and other countries. They fill the new dormitory that was completed over a year ago. Students attend classes in a modular classroom unit to serve as a temporary structure for classrooms until the new administration building is built. The gardens have provided work for students all spring and summer and the harvest has provided food for campus use and to sell. Other work on campus is the plywood puddying and Light Bearers. This summer had two major campmeetings on campus: NW Religious Liberty and Light Bearers. The school earnestly believes God's blessing is upon them as they study, work, evangelize and go on mission trips. Please come visit us. There are 30 RV sites available. The Choir will be sharing music with us on Sabbath October 3.

LA Alumni Weekends

There were about 300 who attended Alumni Weekend last October 4, 2008. We met in the ADM Chapel for Sabbath School & Church, which was presented by Alumni. The time spent visiting with classmates after potlucks is always so special.

Join your school reunion October 3 to share pictures & stories, visit, and eat, and enjoy walking the campus together. Come enjoy this country setting that we use to call home. The weather could be sunshine most of the day and about 65 to 75 degrees. Be sure to bring a coat just in case of cold or rain—after all, this is Oregon. The academy property is still for sale. For now the Alumni and Mission College are glad to be in Gaston. If you can help with set up or clean up for the weekend, or mailings, & data base, please call 503-647-5868. (The newsletter might even get mailed earlier next year.)

Mission College of Evangelism

Mission College occupies the ADM and the Girls Dormitory on our Gaston Laurelwood Campus. Students are there from August to December and from February to May. Besides the classes on campus, they visit people door to door, do some Bible studies and conduct evangelistic meetings in the area churches.

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Class of 1949 – This class is getting together on October 3 at Laurelwood Academy Gaston campus. Bring something to add to a potluck after church and then enjoy lots of stories and visiting. They hope others will feel free to stop by and visit.

Contact person is, Margaret Brown, 503-848-8480

Class of 1959 – From a class of 81 classmates, 35 oldies (& spouses making a total of 70) came to celebrate the 50th class reunion on July 17-19 in Portland, OR at the Cherry Wood Retirement Community. Classmates came from as far away as Maryland; Michigan, Nevada, Idaho & California. The planning team communicated almost daily by email & phone calls for about 6 months to put together the exciting event. A few highlights: Friday – reception and dinner with a time to share memories and get updates of our life during the past 50 years. Saturday – Lunch began at 12:30 catered by Cherry Wood. Miss Johnson, LeeRoy Holmes & Miss "B" (Burton) were in attendance and were honored & presented with flowers by OraLee Wilson-Olson. Jeannie Parmele-Norris presented a memorial and Monte Church was the main speaker. Music filled the air with singing and Delphine Ringer-Bixby played her cello. Ken Walters led a fun-filled evening after dinner. Sunday breakfast began with the two bakers—Darrel McConnell & Bob Hessong distributing the famous cinnamon rolls & an apple in a brown paper bag in memory of Saturday morning breakfasts which were given out Friday night. Before we dismissed, Ken Walters & Cecelia Ash-Watson had fun handing out ready-made awards (to numerous to mention).

Contact person is –Jeannie Norris, norris5@rconnects.com, 702-346-7439

Class of 1969 – got together on September 18-20 at the Adobe in Yachats, OR on the coast. What a beautiful place to spend a weekend and what a great opportunity to see each other and to visit for a whole weekend!!

Contact person is--Shirlie (Hart) White, shirliewhite@yahoo.com

Class of 1979 – This class is getting together on October 3 at Laurelwood Academy Gaston campus in the Home Ec Room for the afternoon. Come join your friends.

Contact person is—Denise Sproed Merritt, 503-689-5756, denisesproed@onlinew.com

Class of 1999 – This class is getting together October 3 at Laurelwood Academy Gaston campus. Come join friends. Contact person is—Jodi Teale Wright, jdteale@yahoo.com

Class Reunions – The Alumni Association is pleased that classes are getting together for a special weekend or meeting. We encourage you to plan one. They are so much fun. Penny Messenger, alumni secretary can help

you get started with the addresses that are on our alumni data base. Please keep us informed of address changes. We hope that if this is your 10-year class, that you put forth a special effort to come to the Gaston Alumni Sabbath, October 3. Plan to attend **next years LA Alumni Weekend October 2, 2010.**

Class Pictures – Alumni would like to plan for the future to save and display the class pictures that are located right now in frames in the ADM. Please call if you would like to offer suggestions or be on a committee.

Donations: -- The Alumni Association depends on the alumni to cover the expenses of our weekend together and to help pay for the alumni mailings. Please support your alumni with a generous offering on Sabbath, Oct. 3 or mail your gift to our return address.

Website: -- We are starting to set up an account at: www.LaurelwoodAcademyAlumni.com

Alumni Weekend Schedule:

Sabbath: 9:30 am —Sabbath school in the ADM Chapel
10:30 am —Announcements and the Church Service by Alumni
1:00 pm —Potlucks for all in different locations.

Plan for next years Alumni Weekend, October 2, 2010

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***COME TO ALUMNI WEEKEND
OCTOBER 3, 2009***