

Onarga Military School Alumni Association

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Annual Fall Reunion

Your Association is planning the traditional reunion over the holiday weekend of **6 – 8 October 2023**, on the Onarga Academy campus in Onarga, Illinois. We will publish event and lodging information, and print the Banquet Reservation form in *The Onargosy* summer edition, as well as post all on our Association website to download, complete and submit with your remittance.

All alumni, former cadets, former instructors and staff, family and friends are encouraged to take a step back in time to gather, to socialize and to share experiences, as well as engage with the Nexus-Onarga community during the Reunion.

Members should feel free to submit recommendations, comments, and/or concerns about the Reunion or any relevant topic(s); please email your thoughts to any of the Association Officers or Board Members for discussion and consideration soonest.

We are thrilled to report that fifteen* memorial bricks have been purchased and laid in our OMS Memorial Brick pathway. There is plenty of room remaining to transform blank bricks into a walkway of engraved bricks. **BUY A BRICK** for yourself, to honor or memorialize a classmate, patron/family member, or a staff/faculty member. What better way than to have your name be a permanent presence on campus? Then, come to the Reunion to see your installed, engraved paver! AND, your purchase is a tax-deductible contribution that directly supports the Nexus-Onarga mission to help young boys prepare for life's challenges. [Note: the vendor requires at least five brick orders to process]

Order site: <https://www.nexusfamilyhealing.org/Nexus-Onarga/OMS-brick-project>

*Bricks remembering/honoring: **Mike Gattone; Carlos Sucharetza; Bob Gillfillan; Randy Chester; Gordon Miller; Bob and Ann Hayden; John Chiminello; Arnold Zarit; Bob Flannery; Charles Stewart; Wilma Jones; Kenneth Kauffman; John Friebe; Grand Prairie Seminar; and Alfredo Macz.**

Admin Note Reminder: The quarterly *Onargosy* is posted on the OMSAA website in the first week of the first month of that quarter. For those who have provided the Secretary with a current email address, an electronic notification is sent with a direct Link to the newly posted edition. Currently, members who have paid dues but lack a valid email address are mailed a paper copy to their USPS address on file. If you fail to receive either an email notice or mailing, you can always check our Association website for the latest edition and earlier *Onargosy* issues.

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Happy Birthday Wishes

To all the alumni listed below – **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** – if by chance your Birthday is in one of these three months and you are not listed – we do not have it on file – please send your birth date to the Secretary to complete your directory listing.

APRIL	MAY	JUNE
2 Cary McCarville	2 Ben Schramski	2 Bruce Campbell
3 Carl Kohlhoff	3 Gregory Jennings	4 Jack Brewton
4 Charles Vera	7 David Allers	4 Mark Hayden
5 Eugene Barrick	7 Donald Boeing	10 Kenneth Baierle
5 Phillip Dikeman	7 Jack Snoddy	10 Thomas Christos
12 David Westfall	9 John Cripliver	13 Alan Sklad
15 A.Wray Fazio	10 Lynn Long	19 Larry Stamberger
15 Glen Sylvester	13 Wallace Patterson	21 William Hudson
16 Donald Batson	13 Robert Sklar	22 David Goldfein
18 John Zarndt	21 John Huss	22 Gervase Stockmann
19 John Adams	23 George Friebel	24 Matthew Johnston
20 Edward Bourk	24 Victor Whitney	24 Richard Stern
23 Chico Hernandez	25 Dale Atkinson	25 Michael Striebel
25 Jay Johnson	29 Jerold Greco	26 Charles Hoyer
28 John Egan		
28 William Fesselmeyer		
30 Carlos Sucharetza		

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We regret to inform the membership of the passing of our fellow alumni. Our heartfelt condolence is sent to their families, friends and classmates.

Name	Class	DoD	Place
Gilbert K. Cox	`62	17 February 2023	Antioch, IL
Andrew W. Nowak	`69	9 December 2021	Rossville, IL
Mark S. Poland	`68	25 November 2021	Warrenburg, IL
Wayne L. Stillabower	`61	1 November 2022	Valparaiso, IN

Association Website

The Association's online presence is at OnargaMilitarySchool.com. Check it out. Members are encouraged to submit appropriate stories, photos or class information to post, or publish in our newsletter. Please email or snail (USPS) mail your item(s) to the President, Vice President or Secretary for review and posting by our Webmaster.

The Onargosy is published on a quarterly basis for and about the happenings of the OMS Alumni Association. *The Onargosy* will contain both official and unofficial information. Officers of the OMS Alumni Association are:

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