

## Onarga Military School Alumni Association

# THE ONARGOSY

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### [2023 Alumni Reunion](#)

**LAST CALL TO** submit your reservation form and payment, and reserve your lodging for this year's OMSAA Reunion. Details follow:

**Saturday, October 7, 2023**, is the date of our annual OMSAA get-together and evening social & banquet. All Alumni are encouraged to gather, reunite and mingle with classmates and friends on campus in Onarga, Illinois, as all classes are now 50 years beyond their graduation year.

#### *BANQUET Details:*

Our Banquet will be at the **103 East Bar & Grill** in Buckley, Illinois. A cocktail hour with cash bar will begin at 6:00 PM followed by dinner at 7:00 PM. The Banquet cost is \$25.00 per person. Complete and send your Reservation Form along with your check, made payable to **OMS Alumni Association**, to John Friebe at the address listed on the form Not Later Than Saturday, September 30, 2023. This date is the last day to make reservations. The reservation form is at the end of the print edition, and also available on our Association Website to download & print, fill-in and mail.

*LODGING Details:* The three most convenient lodging options are in Gilman, Illinois, with room rates advertized between \$70-\$90.

1. The Super 8 Motel by Wyndham at 1301 S. Crescent St, Gilman, Illinois 60938  
- Reservations: 815-265-7000
2. Motel 6, 834 Hwy 24 West, Gilman, Illinois 60938 - Res: 815-265-7283
3. Budget Host Inn, 723 S. Crescent St, Gilman, Illinois 60938  
- Reservations: 815-265-7261.

#### *REUNION REGISTRATION/CHECK-IN:*

Check-in and obtain your Reunion Name Tag on the Onarga Academy campus Parking Area at 1030 AM, Saturday. Then visit our Alumni Room in the Auditorium to view photos, trophies, and other memorabilia on display. The Onarga Historical Society at 611 W. Seminary St., Onarga, IL 60955, also welcomes visitors for an historic glimpse of Onarga's storied past, as well as exhibits of OMS memorabilia.

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*SATURDAY MORNING BREAKFAST OPPORTUNITY:*

Onarga Lions Club  

## Pancake & Sausage Breakfast

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2023  
7:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.  
OMS HALL CAFETERIA  
NEXUS-ONARGA FAMILY HEALING  
110 N. LOCUST, ONARGA, IL

ADULTS:  
\$8 in advance:  
\$9 at the door

CHILDREN (9 & UNDER):  
\$6 in advance:  
\$7 at the door

Tickets are available at Federated Bank, Cornerstone Café, and from any Onarga Lions Club member.



**SUPPORT THE ONARGA COMMUNITY**

### *LUNCHEON:*

Attendees are invited to enjoy an Onarga Academy-hosted BBQ lunch, meet the current residents and tour campus buildings and programs.

### *BUSINESS MEETING:*

Our annual business meeting will be held in the Auditorium theater at 2:00PM on October 7, 2023. Learn how our Association is fairing, get updates on our projects, and voice your opinions, concerns and/or appreciation. Members can send topic(s) for discussion by email to OR call **Mark Hayden** not later than September 30, 2023.

## TAPS

I regret to inform the membership of the passing of our fellow alumnus.

Name	Year	DOD	Place
<b>John Jacob Huss</b>	<b>'69</b>	<b>July 8, 2023</b>	<b>North Bend, NE</b>

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## Happy Birthday . . .

To all the alumni listed below – **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** – alumni & former cadets, if your Birthday is in one of these three months and you are not listed, then your born date is not on file – please send your birth month, day, and year to the Secretary to complete your directory listing.

OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
1 Philip Suzuki	1 Blaire Dillon	1 Marc Chappell
2 Edward Galor	1 Ronald Sturgeon	1 Richard Greco
4 Randy DeLordo	5 David Berry	7 Jeffrey Zarit
9 Jon Ogilvie	5 John Hesler	8 John Friebel
11 Ronald Hofstetter	5 Bill Sass	8 Dennis Murphey
13 Michael Lynch	6 David Swisher	12 Michael Maniszko
15 Mathieu Galbraith	10 David Richardson	13 Vincent Coss
15 Robert Prichard	11 Paul Elsing	15 Steve Templeton
18 Raymond Sisco	12 John Olson	16 Dean Cesal
19 Thomas Trepel	16 David Suzuki	16 Jeff Thiede
20 Robert Ibbotson	22 George Stefaniuk	17 Chris Frederick
22 Peter Arndt	24 Gary Hall	18 Richard Milburn
24 Paul Collins	24 Lawton Lamb	22 James Miner
26 Albeon Anderson	24 Terry Workman	24 Jarol Lilly
27 Jack Moehling	26 Fred Zawojewski	28 Claude Hogan
29 Royce Campbell	28 James Fritts	
29 Louis Mallers	28 Alan Jackson	
	29 Dale Leonard	
	30 James Stanek	

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## Association Website

Members may submit appropriate stories, photos or class information to post. Please email or snail mail your item(s) to the President or Secretary to review for posting by our Webmaster.

The Secretary requests all Alumni members, former cadets, and former faculty who may have a new residence to update their new contact addresses (email/postal mail) and primary telephone number with him soonest for our OMSAA Membership Directory. As a note, our annual directory is off-line, and a hard copy is mailed annually to each member in October with your dues notice.

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The Onargosy is published on a quarterly basis for and about the happenings of the OMS Alumni Association. The Onargosy contains both official and unofficial information.

OMS Alumni Association officers:

President	<b>Mark Hayden</b>	`67	<a href="mailto:mkhayden06@comcast.net">mkhayden06@comcast.net</a>
Vice President	<b>Charles Stewart</b>	`67	<a href="mailto:chuckste@comcast.net">chuckste@comcast.net</a>
Secretary	<b>John Friebe</b>	`57	<a href="mailto:johnfsc74@aol.com">johnfsc74@aol.com</a>
Treasurer	<b>John Friebe</b>	`57	<a href="mailto:johnfsc74@aol.com">johnfsc74@aol.com</a>
Director	<b>Steve Denney</b>	`57	<a href="mailto:sdenneysr1@me.com">sdenneysr1@me.com</a>
Director	<b>Tom Leasure</b>	`66	<a href="mailto:tom@tslrefrigeration.com">tom@tslrefrigeration.com</a>
Director	<b>John Egan</b>	`68	<a href="mailto:je337pilot@aol.com">je337pilot@aol.com</a>

Onarga Academy Liaison - **Jamie Kozma, Exec Dir**

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**ONARGA  
MILITARY  
SCHOOL**

CORPORATE NAME, GRAND PRAIRIE SEMINARY

Alumni  
Association

## OMS Memorial Pathway

Order a Brick to honor a classmate, faculty or staff member, and Patron. The ordering website is at:

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

**Order a Commemorative Brick today!**

**If you place an order before 12 September 2023, it MAY be installed by this year's Reunion.** This program allows alumni, former cadets, family members & former faculty, and community members to permanently recognize an individual or group of classmates, patron, family member, and/or special remembrances.

The memorial brick pathway is a new, easy public access from the East Seminary Street sidewalk to the existing Memorial Bench area. The price per Memorial Brick is \$200 for three lines of 18 characters each. This amount is a tax-deductible donation to Onarga Academy.



**EAST SEMINARY STREET VIEW**

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OMS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION  
Banquet Reservation Form  
Saturday - October 7<sup>th</sup> 2023  
103 East Bar & Grill, 103 E Lincoln St, Buckley, Illinois 60918

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to make reservations for the following number of individuals \_\_\_\_\_ who will attend the banquet. Enclosed you will find my check made payable to the OMS Alumni Association at the cost of \$25.00 per reservation for a total of \_\_\_\_\_ reservations (people) and \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (dollars)

My guests names are:

1) \_\_\_\_\_ 2) \_\_\_\_\_

3) \_\_\_\_\_ 4) \_\_\_\_\_

5) \_\_\_\_\_ 6) \_\_\_\_\_

All reservations must be received with this form along with your check no later than Saturday, 30 September 2023.

Make Checks payable to **OMS Alumni Association** (please do not send cash) and mail to:

**John Friebe**  
**Secretary/Treasurer OMS Alumni Association**  
**9211 George Kyle St.**  
**San Antonio, TX 78240-3609**

NO RESERVATION SHOULD BE MADE DIRECTLY TO THE RESTAURANT;  
IF YOU HAVE A LATE RSVP, PHONE **JOHN FRIEBEL** AT 1+210 550-1703.