

QUAKER NEWS



Another year seems to be wrapping up as quickly as it started. The class of 2023 gives us a group of soon-to-be graduates ready to take on their next chapters. This year we had an outstanding Post Prom to offer them. It takes a full year of planning, fundraising, and holding meetings to make this all happen. We are fortunate to have people that donate their time to do this every year. Gratitude and thanks to our amazing Post Prom Chairperson, **Maureen Bass** and her committee who worked tirelessly to offer an outstanding event. While the event provides a wide variety of entertainment and offers Seniors the chance to win awesome prizes - the main focus is on keeping our kids safe. It is a drug and alcohol-free event that keeps the fun going after Prom. It is something we are very proud to provide for as a PTO.

Thanks to all who supported us in any way, large or small - we appreciate all of it. Thanks to the staff at OPHS who are always there for us. So many people to thank - all of our Chairpersons, Event Coordinators, **Jen Domzalski** for filling our slate for the 23/24 school year. **Tara Rains**, for giving us a world-class newsletter every month, and our Teacher Representative, **Mr. Norvilitis**, for always being there for us.

It is very bittersweet as I thank **Mr. Wolf** for the final time in this newsletter. Mr. Wolf has been a huge support to our PTO. He is truly an outstanding Principal. He is the epitome of a great and caring Administrator. I have been fortunate enough to be a parent at OPHS for the past 12 years under his leadership. It will be hard to imagine OPHS without seeing him there in the halls. I will miss him very much; I know we all will. Best wishes to you, Mr. Wolf, Thank you!

Please Enjoy your summer and consider being a part of our team next year - we do have a few slots open on our slate, or we could always use some extra hands at most of our events. I am very proud of the good work of our PTO.

Warmly,

Tracy Brege, OPHS PTO President

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*Congratulations
to the Class of
2023 Graduates!*

START SAVING YOUR CANS AND BOTTLES

for the Quaker Marching Band



BOTTLE & CAN DRIVE

SATURDAY, June 10th, 9a-12p

Please have your returnable bottles and cans at the end of your driveway by 9am for pickup (OP School District only).

Questions or SPECIAL pick-up on June 10th
call or text (716) 508-0606 (June 10th only)

You may also drop off donations at OPHS Baker Lot on the day of the drive from **9am to noon**.

**PLEASE SEPARATE GLASS FROM YOUR PLASTIC AND
CANS FOR OUR CHILDREN'S SAFETY**

Thank you for your support!!!





OPEN PTO POSITIONS:

OPHS still has some open positions for the 23/24 school year. We need your help! You are welcome to co-chair with a friend or do it solo. For more information, or to nominate yourself please contact Jen Domzalski at jmdomzalski@hotmail.com.

- Post Prom Coordinator
- Staff Appreciation Luncheon Chairperson



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Newsletter Submissions:

Anyone wishing to submit information for the newsletter should email: ophspto@gmail.com by the **1st day of the month.**

If this falls on a weekend, please be sure to get your entries in before then! Preferred document formats are **Microsoft Word** or **images** (jpg, png, etc.). PDF documents are difficult to incorporate. If you'd like us to format your information for you, just send the text and let us know to format. Thank you!

OPHS CALENDAR

- 6/1 Regents Exam—No regular classes
- 6/2 Caps & Gowns Distributed & Senior Picnic
- 6/3 Senior Prom
- 6/6 Scholarship Auditions—3:30pm
- 6/7 New Parents QMB Meeting—7pm
- 6/9 Last Day of Classes
- 6/10 ACT at OPHS—7:30am
- 6/10 Annual QMB Can & Bottle Drive—9am to 12pm
- 6/12-6/23 Local & Regents Exams
- 6/13 Board of Education Meeting (MS Aud.) - 7pm
- 6/15 Senior Banquet
- 6/19 Juneteenth Holiday (no school)
- 6/24 Graduation—2pm

2023-2024

- 9/5 First Day of School

OPHS PTO Positions/Chairpersons
2023 - 2024

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2023 - 2024

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Post Prom Coordinator ONE YEAR 6/1/24	OPEN		Mr. Pafk BPafk@opschools.org

Post Prom Event Thank You!!

A few nights ago, I was lucky enough to watch the OPHS Class of 2023 play with goats, talk to ghosts, scream their way through a haunted house, be bungee airborne for 40 feet, throw axes, find gnomes, make spells, be decorated with henna and hair tinsel, win it in a minute, eat their favorite cafeteria foods while hanging with their beloved lunch ladies, play games with their coaches, teachers and administrators, stop at a campfire, spin a roulette wheel, work with a medium, take a selfie with bigfoot and win prizes totaling more than \$12,000 while their friends cheered them on.

It is almost incomprehensible the number of people and businesses involved in making this night magical and safe, including but not limited to those who donated money and prizes, went to Turkey bingo, bought a spaghetti or chicken dinner, hid an Easter egg in the middle of the night, planned the evening, coordinated volunteers and vendors, transformed the school through decorations, donated candy, donated drinks, cooked for or fed the volunteers (the pizzas and sub platter were the best ever), made signs, turned into a zombie for epic scares, sat by a fire, dealt cards, herded turtles, rolled out ping pong tables and wrestling mats, cut fruit, swept floors, picked up donations, shopped for prizes, cleaned tables, hid gnomes, checked kids in, manned volunteer stations and made epic memory boards.

There would simply not be enough room in this newsletter to list everyone who made this night one the kids will never forget. With that being said, we would be remiss in not taking the chance to offer special gratitude to all of vendors including Paranormal Oddities, Spencer's Animal Encounters, and Buffalo Freddy's Party Rentals; our sponsors including our local businesses, Kids Escaping Drugs, Inc., Quaker Booster Club, and the Orchard Park Foundation; the PTO board and all of its amazing volunteers; Mr. Wolf, Ms. Basile Gary Addeo, Mr. Dolce, the entire cafeteria and custodian staff at the high school, and every teacher, coach, administrator and advisor who came to the event and made the kids feel cool and important; all of the volunteers, with special thanks to the Szczublewski family, the Foley family, the Birmingham family, the Wahl family, the Watson family, the Conti/Lenz family, Pam Rozic, Pam Rauh, Renee Wall, Amy Burnett, Caren Chafee, Dave Zarbo, Julie Baudo, Barb Dojnik; the Class of 2022 volunteers who came back to show the seniors how it's done; and my personal favorites- Ben and Nate Ciesielski.

Thank you to anyone I may have forgotten, I am sorry if I did ...still a little sleep deprived...

Thank you!

Maureen Bass



Post Prom Prize Donations

The Orchard Park PTO Post Prom Committee wishes to THANK the generosity of the following people and businesses for their kind donations of prizes for our 2023 Post Prom Event:

Amy & Eric Washington	Leo's Pizza	Quaker Athletic Boosters
Armenia Family	Lisa Breth	Red Lobster
Breth Family	Lowe's Of Orchard Park	Research & Design
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Chick-fil-A	New Era	Salvatore's
Delaware North	Nino's Pizza	The Ridge Restaurant
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Green Eats	OP McDonalds	Tops Friendly Markets
Ilio DiPaolo's	Orchard Park Foundation AE	Village Ice Cream
Joyce Cianfrone	Pappaceno's Pizza	Wahl Family
Kristen & Brad Birmingham	Paula's Donuts	Wegmans

A Special Thank You to the following Chairpersons, Committee Representatives, and Board Members:

- **Andrea McGrath** and **Elizabeth Duckham** for providing a fantastic NHS Reception
- **Nicole Curtis** and **Denise Straitiff** providing for a wonderful Underclass Awards Ceremony
- **Barb Dojnik** and **Caren Chaffee** for being our Senior Class Parents all year long

Thanks to our Committee Representatives:

- BET - **Elizabeth Duckham** and **Brenda Cimo**
- ILC - **Pam Rauh** and **Chris Popek**
- STAP COM - **Michelle Slotman, Karen Fuentes, Jeanne Kornowicz, and Cathy Kipler**

Thanks to our leaders:

- **Donna Aylsworth, Karen Fuentes, and Nicole Curtis** for serving on our Executive Board

I do not know what I would have done without them!

Tracy Brege, OPHS PTO President

OPHS Post Prom Donations



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Buffalo Sports Garden

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Donations are current through 6/5/2023

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\$20.25 Club:

Jill Edwards-Tills & Mike Tills
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Michelle & Andrew Slotman
Elizabeth & Alan Duckham
Nancy & Bryan DeBroka
Maureen Dempsey & Paul Moskal
Nicole Avitahl-Curtis & Rory Curtis

\$20.26 Club:

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Thank you!

OPHS Post Prom Business Donors:

Thank you to the local businesses below for supporting OPHS with their Post Prom Donations!



Orchard Park Principals' Association



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DRIVER EDUCATION

Please check the district web site, www.opschools.org, for summer updates. Information regarding the fall session will be posted in mid-July.



5-HOUR PRE-LICENSING COURSE

The next 5-Hour Pre-Licensing Course will be held at the Orchard Park High School on Thursday, July 27th from 8:00am -1:00pm.

You must be 16 or older and have a valid NYS Learner's Permit. There is a \$35.00 fee, checks payable to Orchard Park Central School District. Sign up at the Community Education Office or call 209-6295.

