



# PIRATE'S REVENGE

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## *From the President...Ron Moore, Class of 1973*

Fifty years ago, along with 79 other classmates of the Class of 1973, we moved the tassels on our hats from one side to the other (I always forget which side is which). In 1989 the last class graduated from Bath High School when Northside opened in the fall of that year. For over 30 years when I would drive by the school on my way home to visit from school or work I would notice the school falling into disrepair as the tin roof rusted and came loose from the roof. I know I thought a hundred times ***"When is somebody going to do something about the school?"***

Flash forward to the reunion of the Classes of the 70's in 2003 or so when I ran into *Peggy Daw* whom I had not seen in over 20 years. Not long after that she calls me and says that plans are being made to tear down the School and we should get involved. That was how I got involved with the folks who met at Bayview and decided to move forward and set up a nonprofit and start to fundraise. Peggy was elected as the

first President and worked tirelessly navigating the personalities, pitfalls and naysayers to help stop the wrecking ball and start the stopgap measures to stabilize the building. There were and are many people who deserve credit for what has been accomplished in the past 20 years by BHSP no one was more instrumental than Peggy in the early years. We talked by phone many nights especially in the early years and I was always amazed at some of the things she got done when roadblocks would pop up. She had a lot more patience than I would have had. She never gave up and I am glad she lived long enough to know that we are moving forward with the South Wing. Sadly her health did not permit her to see how wonderful the floors and walls looked after the recent work.

Thank you Peggy from me personally and on behalf of BHSP for all you did to get us started and to advance the ball. I dedicate my efforts going forward to you and will always think in the back of my mind ***"What would Peggy think?"***

## *Fundraising Report...*

BHSP Annual Oyster Roast Fundraiser at Selby Farm was a huge success, raising over \$30,000. Many thanks to Jerol and Sonja Selby, Jr., for again hosting a fabulous event, and to Claudia Alligood and all her worker bees for making sure all went smoothly.



## *BHSP Oyster Roast ~ Raffle Winners*

- Ruger 10/22 Wood Stock .22 Rifle – Tori Harris**
- TriStar Cobra Pump .20ga Shotgun – Cody Chrismon**
- Radical Firearm RF-15 – Brenda Poole**
- Half Day Fishing Trip – Brenda Poole**
- Beaufort, NC Eco Tour – Nancy Robertson**
- Handcrafted Bird House – Brenda Poole**
- Hatteras Hammock – Allen**
- Parkway Farmhouse Vacation Rental – Surry Everett**
- Car Detailing – Scott & Liz McGowan**
- Charcuterie Board & Wine Basket – Louise Parker**
- 50/50 ~ Brenda Poole**

## *Pirate's Revenge*

P.O. Box 149  
Bath, NC 27808

RETURN SERVICE  
REQUESTED

## Special Upcoming Events....

May 13 ~ Bake Sale

June-August ~

Saturday's Farmer's  
Market ~ 8:00-11:00  
am

Membership Drive  
from June 1, 2023 –  
May 31, 2024

*Pirate's Revenge* is a quarterly newsletter developed by Bath High School Preservation members to provide updates on the progress \preserving the Bath High School building. To submit articles or receive future issues, please email Betsy Gray at [betsygray45@yahoo.com](mailto:betsygray45@yahoo.com) with "Pirate's Revenge" in the subject line. You can also find renovation and fundraising updates on the Friends of Bath High School . Website, [www.friendsofbathhs.org](http://www.friendsofbathhs.org)

## *Remembering Peggy Daw....by Betsy Gray*



### *Bath High School Preservation's Esther Peggy Elaine Daw: Class of 1975 July 31, 1957- December 18, 2022*

The story of Esther in the Bible indeed is intriguing because it is a book that does not mention God, miracles, or angels. It is the story of a woman who had a purpose and that purpose was to save the Jewish people. I find so

many similarities between Peggy and Esther.

Peggy was faithful, courageous, and heroic through preserving a school in a historic town until her last few days of life. Why did this matter to her? She stated in the second edition Cookbook that she published, **OF PIRATES and PEOPLE**, *"When we rewrite our history, we risk losing important connections that inform future generations. I hope we can preserve the story of BHS for our families, community, and future."* Her heart wanted to save Bath High School just as Esther's heart was to save the Jewish people-even if it meant to **"GET HER HEAD CUT OFF!"**

Through all the obstacles and challenges she brought together the Beaufort County Board of Education, Beaufort County Commissioners, the Town of Bath, and Bath High School alumni to form Bath High School Preservation in 2005 with 1975 classmates **Mike Godley and Betsy Gray**. This brought us all to a crossroads to preserve our alma mater in the Historic Town of Bath.

Through all of these efforts, she was still able to excel while she worked as the Nurse Support Program II (NSP II) Grant Administrator of the University of Maryland securing \$96 million for the State of Maryland in 2020. In 2019, the National League of Nursing (NLN) Certification Board of Commissioners recognized and awarded the very first award to **Dr. Peggy Daw** since she had lead a state initiative between the Maryland Council of Nursing Deans and Directors and the Maryland Higher Education Commission Nurse Support Program II to develop a new faculty program to facilitate new and maintenance of certification. The Nurse Support Program II developed the Academic Nurse Educator Certification (ANEC) Award. In October of 2021 she was inducted in the American Academy of Nursing and also received in October 2021 the State of Maryland Governor's Citation. She was an exemplar of how one's dedication can often make the difference for many.

I silently and deeply knew Peggy's biggest and greatest challenge was dealing with the unknown outcome of her health and leaving behind her beloved family, friends, and pet. From my childhood classmate and friend, I will always remember her modesty, humility, and gratefulness and how she never forgot to tell you "thank you ." Her teachable spirit and authenticity will long be remembered even after the wrecking ball was aimed at the **OLD BATH HIGH SCHOOL**.

# BtHSP Spring 2023 Membership Lists

## Swashbuckler - \$25 - \$74.99

Emily Albera	Frank & Barbara Jones
Chris Alligood	Leslie & Mary Jordan
Claudia W. Alligood	Janice K. Kemp
Glenn Alligood, Jr.	Gerald W. Klas
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Mary Arrowood	June B. Lee
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John M. Britt	T. Cutler Monna
Martha I. Buchanan	Lexie Moore
Virginia B. Carson	Robert C. Moore
Celestia T. Carson	Ron Moore
James & Sara Caton	Rick Nittolli
Cody Chrismon	Darlene Ormond
Carolyn D. Creech	Nelda G. Ormond
Donna Davenport	Thomas H. Peele
Margaret K. Davis	Mary J. Raab
Lula Daw	Carolyn C. Ricks
Peggy E. Daw	Eunice T. Robbins
Ruby Daw	Sharon C. Singleton
Carter L. Deaton	Jon Smith
Carla Dickerson	Stephen Smith
Ruth Dorkin	Jeff Steffanina
Keith Douglas	Jane Stokes
Tommy Douglas	Carlotta B. Suggs
Tandy Dunn	George & Linda Sullivan
Sandra L. Dupree	Keith & Yvonne Tankard
Shelvia Ebersson	Robert Tankard
Myron Elliott	Franklin & Viva Watson
Surry Everett	John & Gloria Windley
F. Michael Godley	Nancy V. Windley
Gary Godley	Glenda C. Winfield
Betsy D. Gray	Katherine Zachman
Kent & Betty Gurganus	
Sandra E. Harrison	
Jess H. Hawkins, III	
Joy Henderson	
Lindsey Ivey	
David Johnston	
Sally B Johnston	

## Maroon/White Pirate - \$75 - \$149.99

Sandra C. Alligood	Alvin & Maudie Powell
Fenner E. Ambrose	Del Ross
Kenneth R. Bowen	John A. Taylor
Judith H. Edwards	Robin & Danelle Tharrington
Betty G. Elliott	Rebecca A. Tuten
Daniel L. Everett	Ted & Kimi Van Essendelft
Bernard & Barbara Grant	David & Jamie Ward
Ellen Kinsinger	Frank W. Waters
Carol Persche	Sylvia Winfrey
	Donnie & Margaret Woolard

## Buccaneer - \$150 - \$299.99

James & Sylvia Barnhill	Richard & Sandy Gerard
Carolyn A. Biggs	Billy & Nancy Hill
Maude S. Bishop	Keith Mason
Retha T. Boyd	Jeff & Karen Meade
Vernell B. Douglas	

## Crossbones ~\$300 - \$499.99

Jerry & Karen Waters

## Blackbeard ~\$500 - \$999.99

James R. Boyd  
Seth Efron & Nancy Thomas  
Grace Whitley

## 600 Campus Growth Club ~ \$1,000

Dr. Karl Chiang	Betsy D. Gray
River City Construction, Inc.	Sandra Harrison
William E. and Polly S. Cox	Joyce Huguélet
Family	David Johnston
Peggy Daw	Melody Woolard
Surry Everett	

## Special Note & Thank you....

The 600 club was launched from December 2022 -23 and was started by Peggy Daw. Thank you to all those who remain to have faith in the project and support of Peggy.

**Reminder!**

**Our Membership kickoff will begin May 2023. Please remember to renew your membership and challenge yourself to another level. All of these members are greatly appreciated!!!**

# BHSP 2023 Oyster Roast

