



Bernards High School - Class Of '73

50th Reunion - Events & Activities

FRIDAY EVENING EVENT: FOOTBALL GAME & TENT PARTY

Transportation: On Your Own
Gathering Place: BHS's Olcott Field
Time: 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
Dress: Casual
Cost: Free
Highlight: BHS vs Bound Brook Varsity Football Game
Also Included: Snacks & Refreshments under Big Tent @ Olcott Field

Join us for snacks & refreshments under the "Big Tent" on top of "The Hill" at Olcott Field and watch our team battle it out with Bound Brook on the grid iron. Admission is free for all graduates of the Class of '73 and their spouse/guest.

Check BHS Mountaineers Athletics' website for weather-related game cancellation or postponement announcements.
LINK: <https://bernardsathletics.org/main/adnews/>

SATURDAY DAYTIME ACTIVITY: APPLE PICKIN' & HARD CIDER SIPPIN'

Transportation: 16 – 24 Passenger Minibus Provided
Courtesy of Kensington Bus Co.
Pick-up / Drop-off Locations:
BHS Parking Lot (10:00 a.m. / 4:00 p.m.) &
Somerset Hills Hotel Parking Lot (10:30 a.m. / 3:45 p.m.)
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Dress: Casual
Cost: \$20 / Person
Highlight: Hard Cider Tasting Session @ Burnt Mills Cidery
Also Included: Apple Picking @ Melick's Town Farm Orchard
and Box Lunch @ Natirar

Enjoy apple picking at Melick's Town Farm Cider Mill & Orchard in Oldwick, followed by a mid-day Box Lunch at Natirar County Park in Peapack – Gladstone and a hard cider tasting session in the afternoon at Burnt Mills Cider Farm in Bedminster.

The Farm is owned and operated by the Melick Family. It's been in the same family for ten generations and is one of the largest commercial orchards & cider production centers in New Jersey.

The Park was once the home of Kate Macy Ladd, heiress to a whaling, shipping and oil fortune, who built the beautiful brick Tudor mansion on top of the hill (formerly known as Maple Cottage) overlooking the North Branch of the Raritan River.

The Cidery is one of only four cideries in New Jersey. The name Burnt Mills was taken from an unincorporated area in Branchburg Township at the confluence of the Lamington River and North Branch of the Raritan River.

In the event of inclement weather, participants and guests are encouraged to join their fellow classmates for a "TOUR OF BHS & A MOVIE" beginning at 11:00 a.m.

SATURDAY DAYTIME ACTIVITY: HIKE-A-MILE & BREW-A-SMILE

Transportation: 16 – 24 Passenger Minibus Provided
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Pick-up / Drop-off Locations:
BHS Parking Lot (10:00 a.m. / 4:00 p.m.) &
Somerset Hills Hotel Parking Lot (10:30 a.m. / 3:45 p.m.)
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Dress: Casual
Cost: \$20 / Person
Highlight: Beer Tasting Session @ Oakflower Brewery
Also Included: Hiking @ Hacklebarney and
Box Lunch @ Jockey Hollow

Enjoy a morning hike at Hacklebarney State Park in Long Valley, followed by a mid-day box lunch at Morristown National Historical Park – Jockey Hollow in Bernardsville and a beer tasting session in the afternoon at Oakflower Brewing Company in Millington.

The Park was created in 1924 with a single land gift of 34 acres from two of its local residents - Adolphe & Sarah Borie. Today, this 1,000-acre park is said to be the most beautiful park in all of New Jersey.

The Hollow was created in 1933 and was the site of George Washington's encampment of 2,000 Pennsylvania soldiers during the hard winter of 1779-1780.

The Brewery just opened for business Thanksgiving Weekend in 2022. Situated on Main Street in quiet downtown Millington, it is the closest brewery to Bernardsville and has received a lot of good reviews on Yelp.

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SATURDAY DAYTIME ACTIVITY: TOURING PLACES & SMILING FACES

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Pick-up / Drop-off Locations:

BHS Parking Lot (10:00 a.m. / 4:00 p.m.) &
Somerset Hills Hotel Parking Lot (10:30 a.m. / 3:45 p.m.)

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Dress: Casual

Cost: \$20 / Person

Highlight: Wine Tasting Session @ Tomasello Winery

Also Included: Tour of Knox's Headquarters and
Box Lunch @ Willowood Arboretum

Tour the Jacobus Vanderveer (Knox) House & Museum in
Bedminster, followed by a mid-day box lunch at Willowood
Arboretum in Bedminster and a wine tasting session in the
afternoon at Tomasello Winery at Alstede Farm in Chester.

The House was listed on the National Register of Historic
Places in 1995. It was the home of Jacobus Vanderveer and

served as General Henry Knox Headquarters during the
American Revolution the winter of 1778-79.

The Arboretum, originally named Paradise Farm, was
founded as a private arboretum by Henry & Robert Tubbs
in 1908. Today, The Arboretum features some of the largest
trees and rarest plants in New Jersey.

The Winery evolved from what was once a fruit farm in
Hammonton, NJ founded by Frank Tomasello in the early
1930s. Today, The Winery is the only third generation
family-owned winery in New Jersey. They grow over
30 different varieties of grapes and produce nearly 50
different types of wine.

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"TOUR OF BHS & A MOVIE" beginning at 11:00 a.m.

SATURDAY DAYTIME ACTIVITY: TOUR OF BHS & A MOVIE

Transportation: On Your Own

Gathering Place: BHS Parking Lot

Time: 10:45 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Dress: Casual

Cost: \$20 / Person

Highlight: Tour of BHS

Also Included: Box lunch @ BHS Cafeteria and
Movie @ Bernardsville Cinema

Tour the class rooms and walk the halls of our alma mater,
followed by a mid-day box lunch in the BHS Cafeteria and
a private showing of *American Graffiti* in the afternoon at
the Bernardsville Cinema.

The School was originally located on Olcott Avenue. In
1927, the town built the school we remember. In the mid
'60's, just before we attended this school, a junior high
school and cafeteria were added. After we graduated in
'73, the junior high school was moved to Seney Drive.

The Cinema was built in 1910 by Frank Allen (a developer

of other important buildings in downtown Bernardsville).
In 1913, it opened as a 500-seat vaudeville theater – 100 in
the balcony, 400 on the main floor. Over the past 113 years,
many companies have owned and operated the theater
business inside this building. Bernardsville Cinema took
over in 2019.

American Graffiti, directed by George Lucas and produced
by Francis Ford Coppola, is a coming-of-age comedy
drama about a group of high school friends on their last
night of summer vacation in 1962. In 1995, the US Library
of Congress deemed the film "culturally, historically, or
aesthetically significant" and selected it for preservation in
the National Film Registry.

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PICKIN' & HARD CIDER SIPPIN'," "HIKE-A-MILE & BREW-
A-SMILE" AND "TOURING PLACES & SMILING FACES"
and their guests are invited to join in on this activity, which
begins at 11:00 a.m.

SATURDAY EVENING EVENT: CELEBRATION & RECEPTION

Transportation: On Your Own

Gathering Place: Lafayette Ballroom @ Somerset Hills Hotel

Time: 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Dress: Smart Casual

Cost: \$75 / Person

Highlight: Open Bar, Hors D'oeuvres & Buffet Dinner

Also Included: Music by Doctor D Entertainment

On Saturday night, come join us at Somerset Hills Hotel
in celebration of 50 years since graduation. There will
be a reception in the Lafayette Ballroom which includes
an open bar, hors d'oeuvres and buffet dinner. Doctor D
Entertainment will be there to play some of your favorite
music from the '60s, '70s, '80s and beyond. It will probably
be our last reunion. So, you don't want to miss it.