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37TH ANNUAL ALL ALUMNI WEEKEND

SEPTEMBER 18-19, 2009

SHORTLINE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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Dear Shortline Alumnus,

The officers of the Shortline Alumni Association are happy to invite you to the 37th annual gathering of all students and faculty that graduated from or attended any of the Shortline area schools.

The weekend will begin with a home football game between the Valley Lumberjacks and their opponent at Tom West Stadium on **Friday, September 18 at 7:30 p.m.** This game is being played in honor of all Shortline Alumni and a certain group will be honored during the pre-game ceremonies. Information regarding the pre-game festivities will be mailed out to those involved.

A social will also be held on **Friday, September 18 from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.** in the Commons Area of Valley High School. Those not wishing to attend the football game can enjoy a visit with former classmates at the school and those that do attend the game can stop in afterwards. Refreshments will be available and there is no admission charged. Donations will be taken to help defray the cost of the refreshments.

Saturday will be kicked off with the annual Shortline Alumni Golf Scramble at one of the local golf courses. Please contact Jim West at 304-386-4883 or 304-266-6307 or Tim Starkey at 304-889-3423 for details on registering for the golf outing.

Some individual get-togethers are being held by those classes celebrating decade reunions. For information regarding these, contact Christine Mitchell.

The banquet will be held on **Saturday, September 19 at 5:00 p.m.** at the Short Line School in Reader, WV. Doors to the school will open at **4:00 p.m.** A school group will be preparing and serving the banquet in order to raise funds, so in order to avoid any loss to them, **ADVANCE RESERVATIONS FOR THE BANQUET ARE REQUIRED!** The cost for the banquet is \$15.00 per person. Please notify Christine Cunningham Mitchell at 304-889-3300 to **reserve a table at the banquet for decade or class reunions.**

The business meeting, election of officers, introduction of the Keith Highley Scholarship recipients and presentation of the Honored Alumnus and Faculty Member will take place following the dinner. We will need to fill the position of the 2nd Vice-President, Recording Secretary and Corresponding Secretary this year. Nominations will be taken from the floor.

The dance will begin at 9:00 p.m. and will end at 12:00 a.m. It will be held at the Robert C. Byrd Center in Pine Grove. The dance is for Shortline alumni only! Please do not ask us to admit non-alumni unless they are a spouse/guest of a Shortline alumnus – one guest per person. Admission for the dance is \$12.00 per person. Advance reservations will be accepted or you can pay at the door. .

Our mailing list currently includes over 500 email addresses which helps to greatly lower our mailing costs by utilizing an electronic invitation to those with internet access. If you have an email address, please let us know. If you have not attended in the past 2 years, and if we do not receive notice that you want to remain on the mailing list, we will not continue sending you an invitation due to the increasing postage costs.

We also have a website: <http://www.orgsites.com/wv/shortlinealumniassociation>. For reservations and to be added to our mailing list, please complete and return the enclosed form along with your check or money order to: Shortline Alumni Association, PO Box 20, Pine Grove, WV, 26419 no later than August 31, 2009. **No banquet reservations will be accepted after this date.**

We really hope to have a great attendance this year at all of the weekend events. If you are unable to attend, please go ahead and fill out and return the enclosed form so that we can update your information for future mailings.

See you in September!

Shortline Alumni Association

