Maroon & White Revisited

Milestones to celebrate in 2016:

70 yrs - Drummer Class of '46

65 yrs. - Drummer Class of '51

60 yrs - GCMS Class of '56 (contact Marilyn Riblet)

55 yrs. - GCHS Class of '61

70th Birthday - Class of '64

50 vrs. - GCHS Class of '66 (contact Marsha Riddle)

65th Birthday - GCHS Class of '69

45 yrs. - GCHS Class of '71

40 yrs. - GCHS Class of '76

35 yrs - GCHS Class of '81

30 yrs. - GCHS Class of '86

25 yrs. - GCHS Class of '91 (contact Amy Watterson)

Plans are underway for the class gatherings. Many will include attendance at the 9th Greyhound Festival on Saturday, July 16.

*************** To those celebrating in

April/May

Happy Birthday

Happy Anniversary

and welcome to all the new babies!!!

9th Annual Greyhound Festival - July 16, 2016

The registration forms and information for the 9th Annual greyhound Festival is now available online at our website.

Check out www.greyhoundfestival.com

Pre-registration deadline is Friday, July 8th, to be included in the program and order your meal.

Doug Brooks has made it possible to complete the registration form online, print and mail!

- 1.) GCMS Principal Chris Garard is making arrangements for guided tours again this years, with times to be announced.
- 2.) Telecare will be providing 'shuttle service' from downtown parking to the Kruse Center.
- 3.) Crystal Day Photography will be on hand for photo ops during and after the program.
- 4.) The buffet will be staffed by Pioletti's from 4:00 pm to 6:30 pm (tickets only).

5.) Jr. Moms After-Prom committee will be assisting. Forms can currently be obtained during business hours (7am to 5pm) at Load Redi in Gibson. ***********************

Marilyn Riblet '56 reports that her class will be celebrating their 60th reunion at the Festival, following a catered brunch at Moyer Library community room, beginning at 10 am on July 16th. Notices have been mailed and reservations are beginning to come in.

Marsha Riddle '66 reports that her class is also working on making contacts for their 50th reunion.

Amy (Kruse 91) Watterson reports that their class will be celebrating their 25th Reunion at the Festival. The class is also planning a Memorial Golf Outing on Friday, July 15th in memory of classmate Todd Faker. Time to be announced. ******************************

Additional information will be posted as I receive notices. Please send your news or requests ASAP. Facebook has been a great way for me to help contacting and/or locating former classmates.

GREYHOUND NOTE

PLEASE FORGIVE THE EDITOR FOR ANY EXCLUSIONS OF NEWS DURING THE PAST YEAR, I AM HOPING TO IMPROVE ON MY REPORTING IN THE COMING YEAR! THANK YOU TO ALL WHO SUPPORT MY EFFORTS.!

Around Town !!! Yard signs to support GCPD are being sold by the GCMS Red Army to support the GC Police Department. The signs are \$15.00, with \$5.00 from the sale of each sign going to the Police Department for the future purchase of body cameras for the Department.

Historical Cemetery Walk of Drummer Township Cemetery was held on rain date May 1st. planned for April 30 (rain date - May 1st), sponsored by Friends of Moyer District Library of Gibson. 2 guided tours (1:00 pm and 3:00 pm) to 5 former Gibson City residents each of whom was portrayed in period costumes. Gravesites visited included Maxine Johnson Jackson, a singer, also portrayed Aunt Jemima for regional appearances, and worked as a LPN for 30 years at Gibson Hospital Annex (portrayed by Amy Jammeh), 'Little Miss Sunbeam' Donna Erickson (portrayed by 6th grader Mikaela Walden of Arrowsmith), William Moyer and wife Martha, Gibson City Pioneer Businessman and Philanthropist (portrayed by Ken Bromley and Joann Hildenbrand), Lt. William Brotherton, WWI Aviator Hero (portrayed by Walker Willis of GCMS), and Hamilton Barrow, Confederate soldier/ Farmer (portrayed by local businessman Dan Kearfott). Boy Scouts and other volunteers were on hand to guide us thru the cemetery, pointing out interesting gravesites along the hour-long tour. Congratulations to the Moyer Library on a successful event. Congratulations to the Friends of Moyer Library and volunteers for a successful event!

Congratulations to Senior Class 2016! Senior Prom is over. Memories were made....lots of pictures taken. The After-Prom party a success. The girls were beautiful in their gowns and the boys very handsome in their suits. As we begin a new month, plans are starting for year-end activities at School.....including finals, year-book signing, graduation and parties, final performances and wishing the seniors good luck on their new adventures.

Thoughts and Prayers to the families of:

May God grant you strength and peace during these difficult days.

Robert Joseph 'Benny' Benefiel '70-Lumber Bridge, NC.- March 26, 2016. Survivors include wife Diana Roush Benefiel and son John, siblings Nancy '71 (John '70) Bode, Martha '73 (Steve) Heavilin, Jane '75 (Rod) Stanley, Susan '79 (Jim '79) Ferguson, Amy '81 (Jerry) Stolz and Tom '87 (Jaime).

<u>Patricia (Muters '65) McCormick-</u>Paxton, IL. - February 29, 2016. survivors include husband Joseph, 3 sons, 4 grandchildren, a stepbrother, nephew, 2 great-grandchildren and many friends.

<u>James R. Benson-('65) -</u> Fort Lauderdale, Fla., April 10, 2016. Survivors include wife Mary, sister Lucinda Benson Vriner, and brothers Charles and Edward. Mr. Benson served as Ford County State's Attorney for 11 years and later as an Appellate Attorney on the Ill. Appellate prosecutor's staff.

<u>Gregory Steven Braaten -</u> Fisher, IL. April 17, 2016. survivors include wife Tina, 7 children, 4 grandchildren, mother, 2 sisters and a brother. Mr Braaten was assistant coach for the Fisher wrestling club and the GCMS-F wrestling program.

<u>Deanna J. (Forman '57) Haines</u> - Pewaukee, Wis. April 17, 2016. Survivors include 3 children, 7 grandchildren, sister Patty (Vern) Yates, and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and other relatives and many friends.

Always say a Prayer (ASAP) for all of our classmates who are facing health issues (listed here or not)

Arlene (Jordan '51) Jacobs, Betty '53 Moser, Jo (Fry '54) Franz, Marvin Kumler '58, Nancy (Conover '58) List, RoseAnn (Bridgwater '65) Moore, Pam (Lewis '72) Verdeyen, Doug Carson '75, Tim Gardner, Vernon Roesch

Editors Note: Let me know if there is anyone you want added to this list. In order to preserve privacy, only those names are printed that have given me permission to do so.

9th Greyhound Festival

Saturday, July 16, 2016 (Annually 3rd Saturday of July)

Courage is looking fear right in the eye and saying; 'Get the Hell out of my way! I've got thing to do!"

"Time is like a river. You cannot touch the same water twice because the flow that has passed will never pass again. Enjoy every moment of your life!"

A thought to consider.......I've seen better days, but I have also seen worse. I don't have everything I want, but I have all I need. I woke up with aches and pains, but I woke up! My life may not be perfect, But I am Blessed!

(posted by Hilda Stevenson on Facebook- April 2016)

Patrick Volker (GCMS class of 2007) is a member of 'Constellation Men's Ensemble', a Chicago-based chamber choir dedicated to exceptional music making with the purpose of spreading passion and appreciation for choral music. The ensemble recently performed at the American Lutheran Church demonstrating their passion for the music. The event was well attended giving us an evening of beautiful singing arrangements and entertainment!

What are your favorite memories of summers in Gibson?
Are you planning a special trip or journey in the next few months?

We would love to share your memories /adventures here...... Email me at the address below! Have a great summer!

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compiled monthly and posted on our website for your viewing.

www.greyhoundfestival.com

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