# Maroon & White Revisited

#### Milestones celebrated in 2016:

#### Congratulations to the following classes:

75 yrs. - Drummer '41

70 yrs - Drummer '46

65 yrs. - Drummer '51

60 yrs - GCMS Class of '56

55 yrs. - GCHS Class of '61

70th Birthday - GCHS Class of '64

50 yrs. - GCHS Class of '66

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

Class of '66 has notified us that they will celebrate their 50th reunion on October 8th at Moyer Library at 10:00 am with a brunch. The class will be notified.

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Want to find a classmate or friend? Check out Facebook or classmates.com or contact Carla.

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Happy Birthday Happy Anniversary

to those celebrating in July/August

#### 9th Annual Greyhound Festival - July 16, 2016

Approximately 250 'hounds and guests were in attendance for the 9th Greyhound Festival held at the Kruse Center. Pioletti's Catering provided the Buffet accompanied by snack trays from County Market. The GCMS After-Prom committee and students assisted us again this year before, during and after the event. We received many compliments on the demeanor of the kids who assisted with the meal and clearing of the tables prior to the program. The Greyhound who was the first to register was Joey (Cline '57) Thompson and pre-registered Jerry Norfleet '56 from California travelled the furthest to attend. During the course of the program, our Veterans were recognized and thanked for their service. Jessie (Donner 41) Roesch was recognized for celebrating her 75th year of graduation. The class of '91 had the most pre-registered although a lot of the class signed in at the door that night. Gary McCullough '72 of WGCY radio interviewed many 'hounds prior to the program as well as broadcasting the program. The Ford County Record was present for a short time taking pictures. Patti Welander was the on-site photographer this year and did a fantastic job of capturing those special moments. Those pictures can be viewed on FB on the Festival site or on Carla Moxley's FB home page. Let me know if you have problems viewing them. When we closed the program with the GCHS fight song, Cindy (Gandy '56) Dechart of Utah and Darcy (Lage '91) Thompson led us all singing. (A video of their performance can also be seen on FB). Coach Bill Mitze and his wife were able to join us this year. Overall everyone enjoyed the event, table-hopping to visit for the evening. As usual there were lots of smiles and hugs thru out the event. We thank everyone who travelled to attend! It is our

#### **EDITORS NOTE**

PLEASE FORGIVE THE EDITOR FOR ANY EXCLUSIONS OF NEWS DURING THE PAST YEAR, I AM HOPING TO IMPROVE ON MY REPORTING IN THE

#### News Snip-its — —

North Park Memorial Bricks—The bricks that the 'hounds ordered have been placed. Thank you to everyone who participated.

We have received the announcement for the 2nd Annual John Osman ('65) Memorial Stock Car Race, scheduled for Sept. 10th at the Morton Speedway in Morton, IL. For more information, see

www.JohnOsmanMemorial.com or FB under the same name.

Rev Donald E. Taylor '72 is now working for the Bloomington office for Hospice serving Ford, McClean, Lexington and Peoria counties.

Author in the making! Hal Graff '65 announced the December publication date for the 1st of 5 murder mysteries he has written. The title is Love and Death at the Encierro. Hal says it will be liked by people who enjoy mysteries, thrillers, who done it?, murders, political espionage, terrorism plots, love stories. His first book has been nominated for the Eric Hoffer award for new authors and the Pacific Book Review award.

Rosa Cender celebrated her 85th birthday on July 4 with a card shower. Rose taught 3rd grade in Gibson City. Cards can be sent to Rosa Cender, 18901 Greencraft Blvd, Apt 205, Goshen, Ind. 46526.

pleasure to plan this event yearly.

See you NEXT year!—-July 15, 2017 for our 10th Festival

## Thoughts and Prayers to the families of:

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

<u>Dwain Parker -</u> Gibson City, IL - Jan. 30, 2016 . Survivors include wife Dorla, daughters Joan '70, Janice '73 (Greg) Parker and Joy '77 (Vince) Slisz, 3 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren. Mr Parker was a WW2 veteran.

**Frank Olivero '59** - Gibson City, IL - June 24, 2016. Survivors include daughter Melissa '89 (Dave) Epps, son Matthew Olivero, 2 grandsons and brother Joseph Olivero.

<u>Timothy Wayne Thomas</u> - Greenup, IL. July 2, 2016. Survivors include his parents Brian and Karen (Leisure '83) Thomas, wife Valerie, children Mason Thomas, Chloe Walls and Sofia Thomas, grandparents Barb Smith and Laurence Thomas, twin sister Tabitha Resler, sister Casey Thomas, brothers Chad Thomas and Brandon Thomas.

Roger Farris '63 - Dix, IL July 3, 2016. Survivors include son John (Tammy) Farris, daughter Beth mays, 5 grandchildren and brother Dennis '67 (Pat) Farris.

<u>Myrna Nadine Eberly</u> - Elliott, IL - July 13, 2016. survivors include husband Donald Eberly and daughter Lori '84.

**Stanley 'Dee' Martin** - Oma, Wis. July 15, 2016. Survivors include daughter-in-law Margo (Hufmeyer '65) Martin, and 4 sons Randy '66, John '69, Scott '72 and Dale '74.

# 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, Bill Middleton '63, Mike Upton '63
RoseAnn (Bridgwater '65) Moore, Pam (Tomblin '68) Brown,
MaryAnn (Walter '69) Swanson Smith,
Pam (Lewis '72) Verdeyen, 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.

#### 10th Greyhound Festival

Saturday, July 15, 2017 (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 things 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!"

Candy (Crowe '74) Williamson has reason to be proud of son Jason on his being named American Legion department of ILL Law Enforcement Officer of the Year (for the 2nd time in 4 years) Jason received the honor earlier this month at a ceremony at the Prairie Capital Convention Center in Springfield. Jason is currently Police Chief of LeRoy. Winning this honor puts him in the running for regional and national versions of the honor.

Bill Ogg '72 notified us that the Hymn Festival this year is scheduled for Sunday, August 21 at 3pm at the United Methodist Church and is dedicated to Betty Rost, long time organist at the Gibson City Bible Church. Betty is the mother of Dinah '71, Pamela '74, and Kathy '84.

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Lynne (Lamb'65) Bryant writes that she participated in a video that is currently running in League City, Tx.. Check out https;//youtube/4DYMQ1ALX-w . She and Doug Stoker were also in a video promoting tourism in the 1970's titled 'Chicago is .....". She also writes that she and Jim picked up their new 5th wheel which was being manufactured in Elkhart, Ind. in July. Because of 'bugs' that needed to be worked out, they were unable to attend the Festival this year, although they had planned to.

Respect is earned. Honesty is appreciated.Trust is gained. Loyalty is returned.

### M & W Revisited

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