Maroon & White Revisited

Milestones to celebrate in 2018:

75 yrs . Drummer Class of '43

70 yrs - Drummer Class of '48

65 yrs. - Drummer Class of '53 - Marvin Beck

60 yrs - GCMS Class of '58

55 yrs. - GCHS Class of '63

50 yrs. - GCHS Class of '68

45 yrs. - GCHS Class of '73

40 yrs. - GCHS Class of '78

35 yrs - GCHS Class of '83

30 yrs. - GCHS Class of '88

25 yrs. - GCHS Class of '93

Plans are underway for the class gatherings. Send your plans to me and I will post a note in here. Many will include attendance at the 9th Greyhound Festival on Saturday, July 21st.

To those celebrating in

December/ January

Happy Birthday

Happy Anniversary

December 2017 Highlights

GCMS Falcons Football Team are 2A State Champions !!!

CONGRATULATIONS !!

Gradually Christmas decorations (inside and out) began to appear around town. Even without snow being present for the better part of the month, everyone seemed to be in the Holiday spirit while undertaking the tasks of Christmas shopping, party planning, family gatherings, Community and Church related events. The American Lutheran Church once again offered Christmas dinner on Christmas Day thanks to the many volunteers. GCMS offered their Christmas programs to the community prior to the Christmas break, once again demonstrating the talent of the young people.

On the down side, the schools were hit with illness, with a large number of students being absent.....a record 100 students were absent right before Christmas. Measures were undertaken to sanitize the schools to prevent further spreading. Fortunately the Christmas break would allow these measures to take place.

Gibson did have a 'white' Christmas after all. And the snow is still coming with dangerously cold temps (hitting 0 degrees and below). The city crews with snow plows were out in force and once again did their very best to clear city streets for safer travel around town.

The Food Pantry serves the community, and has moved its facilities to the former Alco Store, which provides more interior space and parking to serve our community.

HAPPY NEW YEAR !!!!

GREYHOUND NEWS!

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.!

Cathy (Kincade 68)Trotter and husband Bob welcomed their 10th grandchild on October 7th. Brian and Susie (Trotter) Holt are the parents of their 7th child. Cathy and bob are now evenly blessed with 5 grandsons and 5 granddaughters.

Card Shower planned.

Dorothy (Thomason '45) Lunde will be celebrating her 90th birthday on January 26th. Her daughters have asked for cards to be sent to Dorothy (as a surprise). Send your greetings to Becky McDevitt, 608 E 13th Street, Gibson City, IL 60936.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY Dorothy !!!

December 25 - MERRY CHRISTMAS
I trust that you all had a blessed Christmas with your families.

December 31 - New Year's Eve

Have fun and be safe as we bid farewell to 2017!

January 1, 2018 — New Years Day

The start of a NEW year!!!

I wish you all the very best in 2018......and I look forward to hearing from you as we progress through the year. I look for any bits of news you want to share. I get comments all the time that you appreciate keeping in touch....but there are times that I just don't have your personal news that I could share.

Facebook notes.....As you all know by now, I am on Facebook, keeping track of Greyhounds activities. (I have over 800 in my friends list and most of those are Greyhounds from all years !!!) I am pretty sure you don't have everyone listed in your list...therefore, when I see a post that I think you might be interested in, I 'share'. That is why you may see a post more than once.

Thoughts and Prayers to the families of:

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

William 'Bill' Anderson -Class of '58 ...December 7, 2017. Survivors include wife Norita, children Jennifer and Jeff, 2 grandchildren.

<u>Larry Riblet (class of '61)</u> - Gibson City, IL- December 14, 2017. Additional information pending.

<u>Teddy Eddleman</u>- Champaign, IL- December 145 2017. Survivors include Diana '67 Lenzi, Nancy '71 Hambright, Tom '73 and Kristy '82 Stevenson, 9 grandchildren and 2 great grandsons.

Beverly Coons - Gibson City, IL - December 20, 2017. Survivors include Paul '71, Marsha '68 Burwash, Sharon ' 69 Gordon, Patti Schreiber, 7 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

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, Marvin Kumler '58, Nancy (Conover '58) List, Ron Davis '60, Bill Dueringer '64, MaryAnn (Walter '69) Swanson Smith and any Greyhounds who might be homebound or in nursing homes.

May God's peace and strength be with you.

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.

11th Greyhound Festival

Saturday, July 21, 2018 (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!"

As the 'snow birds' have left for warmer weather, we wish you safe travels and look forward to seeing you upon your return.

Message from God....'Today, we believe God wants you to know that nothing costs as little and is worth as much as a smile. Relax, let yourself smile, and see the light come back to you tenfold."

Note from the editor.....

I will most likely be taking most of January off to deal with a health issue. But I will get back in the swing of things ASAP !!! Surgery is scheduled for January 2nd. (a nice way to start the new year !!!!) Please keep me in your prayers !!! God Bless you all.....and thank you for all your support of the Maroon & White Revisited, The Annual Greyhound Festival and following me on Facebook. I really appreciate all of you !!!

Once a Greyhound, Always a Greyhound !!!

Keep Smilin', Carla

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Pictures to post on website - Doug Brooks '73