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### Milestones to celebrate in 2015:

70 yrs - Drummer Class of '45

65 yrs. - Drummer Class of '50

60 yrs - GCMS Class of '55

55 yrs. - GCHS Class of '60

50 yrs. - GCHS Class of '65

45 yrs. - GCHS Class of '70

40 yrs. - GCHS Class of '75

35 yrs - GCHS Class of '80

30 yrs. - GCHS Class of '85

25 yrs. - GCHS Class of '90

Plans are underway for the class gatherings.

Many will include attendance at the 8th Greyhound Festival on Saturday, July 18.

More details will come in future issues.

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Members of the Class of 65 recently met to formulate plans for their 50th reunion, to be held at the RAILSIDE CLUB on Friday, July 17th, beginning at 6 pm. Notices are being prepared for mailing.

More class gatherings will be announced in future issues.

### Around Town late January/February/March

The weather has been very interesting the last couple of months. I think we had nice warm weather for about 2 days, before turning cold again.

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Preserving a piece of history is the goal of GCMS high school industrial arts teacher Jason MacKinson and his beginning shop students. After asking the School Board for the wood from the bleachers and gym floor, which was original to the High School built in 1955, the class began to build benches, stools and other custom wood pieces, with orders coming in from as far away as Florida and Arizona.

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Bill Whitehouse '65 retired from Cargill after 46 years of employment, following his return from Vietnam in 1968. He is proud of his time at Cargill, staying he supported his wife and 5 kids, sending 4 to college.

Congratulations to Bill on his retirement.

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Newly elected IL. State Representative Tom Bennet recently opened offices in Watseka and Pontiac. He stated for the Courier that 'having 2 offices open 5 days a week will help make us more accessible to everyone.'

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Gibson City First Christian Church's 'Tiny House' will be moving to a new location soon. Advertised on E-Bay, Casey Weisser was in the market for a tiny house for his rural Andover, Kansas property. Proceeds from the sale will benefit the Church's 'Week of Compassion' ministry.

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The Rotary club is taking orders for customized pavers to be used in their North Park project.

Editors Note ; The time has flown by since the January issue. So many things have happened in my life since late January. Family took precedence, as I'm sure you all will understand. I have certainly not forgotten you, but family came first. I am getting caught up and getting into a new routine since our sister's passing on Jan. 26th and our Mother's passing on Feb. 19th at age 101. John and I want to thank everyone for your thoughts, prayers, calls, messages, cards, memorials, floral arrangements and support in general. You have certainly honored our Mother in a way she would never have imagined ! As Mom said 'My work here on earth is done. Life your life to the fullest.' 'Keep Smilin'' For any news I may have missed, I will include in the next issue. Thank you !

During this Lenten season, the Knights of Columbus of Our Lady of Lourdes hosted their Fish Fry Dinners at the Father Kirk Hall.

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The Brotherton-Keller VFW hosted its family dinner night on March 13, serving chicken, catfish and wall-eye.

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The Men's Breakfast Group of the Gibson United Methodist Church hosted a breakfast on March 12th to honor area 1st responders, including firefighters, EMTs and police officers.

**Greyhound Festival - Saturday, July 18, 2015**

## Thoughts and Prayers to the families of:

Susan Kay (Carlson '72) Verdeyen Mesker - Tompkinsville, KY (Jan. 26, 2015); survivors include her 4 daughters Tammy, Ann, Joyce and Margie and 5 grandchildren; and mother Marge Carlson, sister Carla (Carlson 65) Moxley, brother John (Ann) Carlson of Gibson City.

Julius Hufmeyer ('66)- Rantoul, IL. (Feb. 8, 2015), survivors include wife Pat, son Justin (Katie) Hufmeyer, daughter Kim (Brandon) Higgins, 2 granddaughters and sister Margo (Hufmeyer '65) Martin of Gibson City. Julius served in USAF in VietNam from 1966- 1970.

Leigh Ann Day- Fisher, IL. (Feb. 11, 2015), survivors include children Brad Bowen, Tara Gilman, Kristin Washington; 8 grandchildren and brothers Hal (Barbara) Day, Mike (Barbara) Day, and Steve (Connie) Day.

Clevita Tongate - Gibson City (February 15, 2015), survivors include daughters Katy '65 Heavilin, Connie (Allen Kuykendoll all of Gibson City; 9 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Marge Carlson (101 yrs)- Gibson City (Feb. 19, 2015), survivors include daughter Carla (Carlson 65) Moxley and son John '68 (Ann) Carlson, all of Gibson City., 6 granddaughters and 6 great-grandchildren.

Robert Main - Gibson City, (March 4, 2015); survivors include children Linda (Jim) Lindlof, John (Rinday) Main, Nancy (Doug) Turner, Larry (Cindy) Main, Jeff (Julie) Main and Mary Jo (Mike) Pilcher; sisters Durlene (Jerry) Lawless and Madalyn Hendren, 14 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren. Robert was a Navy veteran of WWII and the Korean conflict.

Leonard Davis- Gibson City, IL (March 19, 2015); survivors include children Carmen Ricketts, Judy '64 Greenan, Jean '65 Cliff, Karan Bergman, stepdaughter Mary Taylor (Mike) Lee, stepson Don Taylor, 14 grandchildren and 31 great-grandchildren. Leonard served in US Army Air Force from 1942-1944 during WWII.

Tina Brooks- Gibson City, IL (March 19, 2015); survivors include 4 children and 4 grandchildren, brother Ron (Sue) Brooks, Pat (Paul) Reitz, Joyce (Steve) Erschen, Barb '65 Launder, and Debbie (Terry) Roesch.

Lucille 'Lou' Farmer '47 Olcott - Pennsville, NJ. (March 20, 2015); survivors include husband John, brother Norman Farmer '52, sister Karen (Farmer 65) Ream, 2 daughters/ 1 son, 6 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

Lenny Allen '65 - Boise Idaho (March 22, 2015) ...More info in next month's issue.

'Doc' Timm- Gibson City, IL. (March 23, 2015); survivors include wife Mary Timm; children Jacki (Pat) Rohan, Lori (Dave Sallee) Lutz, Ted (Deb) Timm, Eric (Brenda) Timm, 13 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren. Doc was an Army veteran of WWII.

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

Betty '53 Moser, Jo (Fry '54) Franz,  
John Peters' 56, Marvin Kumler '58,  
Nancy (Conover '58) List, John Osman '65,  
RoseAnn (Bridgwater '65) Moore,  
Pam (Lewis '72) Verdeyen, Tim Gardner.  
Note: Let me know if there is anyone you want  
added to this list.

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## 8th Greyhound Festival...July 18, 2015

Reservation forms are now available on our website. Doug has fixed the site to allow you to complete the form on-line, print and mail. Details of the day's events are also listed on the website. We are working with Chris Garard of the GCMS High School in making arrangements for school tours prior to the beginning of the Festival. More details will be noted in future issues. We have contracted with Gibson Telecare to furnish the 'Greyhound Express' during the day's event. Parking will be uptown across from City Hall, to the south of Gibson Meats & Deli.

Please pass this issue to your friends and classmates, as I am still compiling our mailing list. Thanks !!!!

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